

**Trinity Presbyterian Church  
September 24, 2023 A.D.**

**Margaret Zeigler - Commissioned Pastor**

Gathering Music  
Welcome & Announcements  
Prelude

Call to worship *(from Psalm 1)*

L: We come as God's people, with delight in the lessons he has given us.

***A: We do not choose the path of the wicked, with scornful words for others.***

L: We choose the path of the righteous, meditating on his commandments.

***A: We come to honor him with our whole hearts, our presence, our thoughts and our efforts.***

The Morning Anthem

Call to Confession

Recognizing that we have strayed from the ways of the Lord, we confess our sins to God together, with hope of finding love and mercy as we pray this...

***Prayer of Confession***

***God of wisdom, forgive our foolishness when we spoil our relationships with harsh words and conflict, and grant us your grace to approach one another in peace. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.***

## ***Assurance of God's Love and Mercy***

The good news is that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven, and we can choose to live in the peace he gives us.

\*Our Response      ***Lord Listen to your Children Praying***

***Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;  
Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.***

Sharing Our Faith with Our Children

\*Hymn - ***Help Us Accept Each Other #358***

The Morning Scripture Lesson: James 3:13 - 4:2

### **Two Kinds of Wisdom**

<sup>13</sup> Who is wise and understanding among you? Let them show it by their good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom.

<sup>2</sup> You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God.

Mark 9:30-37

### **Jesus Predicts His Death a Second Time**

<sup>30</sup> They left that place and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know where they were, <sup>31</sup> because he was teaching his disciples. He said to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men. They will kill him, and after three days he will rise." <sup>32</sup> But they did not understand what he meant and were afraid to ask him about it.

<sup>33</sup> They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the road?" <sup>34</sup> But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest.

<sup>35</sup> Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, "Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all."

<sup>36</sup> He took a little child whom he placed among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup> "Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me."

Sermon: ***"Peace Among the Squabbles"***

\*Hymn - ***Called as Partners #343***

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

\*Doxology (Hymn #592)

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.***

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

\*Sending forth and Benediction

\*Choral response                   ***God be with You Till We Meet Again***

***God be with you till we meet again, by His counsels guide, uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again. Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet; till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.***

Postlude

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