

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 16, 2008

Palm/Passion Sunday

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE: "Voluntary in D" George Dyson

WESTMINSTER CHIMES & HOUR STRYKE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Minute for Mission: Trinity Preschool

CHORAL INTROIT: "Hear the Children Sing" Ruth Schram

Chapel, Triniteen, & Chancel Choirs

CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER: (from Zechariah 9)

Leader: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

People: Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

L: Look, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he,

P: humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

All: Everlasting God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son to be one of us, and he suffered death upon the cross. In your mercy, empower us to share both in his obedience to your will, and in the glorious victory of his new life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

* HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 88 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" VALET WILL ICH DER GEBEN

CALL TO PRAYER: Isaiah 50: 4 - 9 (O.T., p. 681)

LITANY FOR PALM SUNDAY

Leader: Jesus, King of the universe, ride on in humble majesty; ride on over the shattered dreams of our world, over rumors meant to hurt, over prejudice meant to wound.

People: Jesus, King of the universe, ride on through conflict and debate; ride on through sweaty prayer and betrayal of friends.

Leader: Jesus, King of the universe, ride on through mockery and unjust condemnation; ride on through cruel suffering and brutal execution.

People: Jesus, King of the universe, ride on to the empty tomb and your rising in triumph; ride on to raise up your Church, a new body for your service.

Leader: Ride on, King Jesus, to renew the whole earth in your image; ride on in compassion, and come to help us.

People: Ride on, until you touch and heal us; we might yet help to bandage and heal the wounds of the world.

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 91 “Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!” (verses 1 & 4)

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

CHILDREN’S SERMON: The Liturgy of the Palms

CHORAL ANTHEM: “Hosanna! Loud Hosanna!” Lois Emig

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Matthew 21: 1 - 17 (N.T., p. 23)

SERMON: “Holy Humility”

* HYMN OF FAITH NO. 426 “Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak” CANONBURY

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (Apostles’ Creed, Traditional)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (collect Prayer Requests)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: "Jerusalem" Charles H. Perry

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE No. 592 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* CLOSING HYMN No. 92 "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" ST. CHRISTOPHER

* BENEDICTION AND PASSING OF THE PEACE
(Greet each other with signs of peace and reconciliation in Christ.)

* POSTLUDE: "Who Trusts in God, A Strong Abode" Paul Manz

* Those who are able please stand.

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IN OUR PRAYERS

March 16, 2008

Dottie Andersson for her husband Lennart's well-being
Bill Black was in Paoli Hospital this week for treatment
Missy Fennimore as she cares for her mother battling cancer
Howard Hanna was in Paoli Hospital for tests this week
Doris Myers for her improved health
Dianne Pierce following up from more tests
Elaine Scheidt a memorial service will be at Trinity House, March 18 at 2:00 P.M.
Jen Smith as she prepares for surgery

"Out of the depths we cry to you, O Lord." Ps. 130

THE FLOWERS: are given this morning by Gene Dudkin in memory of loved ones; and by Peggy and Bob Owen in memory of Peggy's aunt, Barbara Wood.

CAMPANOLOGISTS: Beth and Steve Fenwick

USHERS: Petey Gilfillan, Peggy Owen, Bob Owen, Lois Woolford

GREETERS: Laurel Adams

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS: Jenny Ward

CHANCEL FLOWER DISTRIBUTOR: Ruth McQuiston

NURSERY: Gina Larson

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND BIBLES are available from the Ushers.

TRINITY HAS NURSERY CARE for young children, birth to 3 years of age. If you would like your child to be there during the worship service please speak to an usher.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 105

YOUTH NEWS - This Sunday we will be meeting at 9:01am for Sunday school and at 6:00pm for Crossroads. In Crossroads Bekah will be sharing her testimony with the group. You won't want to miss out on this opportunity to learn more about Bekah and how God has blessed her throughout her life.

TUESDAY MORNING STUDY GROUP is taking a two week break. We will gather again on **April 1** to conclude our discussion of **Flannery O'Connor: Spiritual Writings**

THE BOARD OF DEACONS meets Tuesday night at 7:30 P.M.

WEDNESDAY LENTEN LUNCH SERIES continues at Berwyn United Methodist Church at 12:30 P.M. for soup & such. Call the church office to reserve your soup bowl. The speaker this week will be Ann Hatfield.

ADULT EDUCATION: We begin a new DVD series "**Serious Answers to Hard Questions**" Sunday March 16. The series is presented in "stand alone" fashion if you find it necessary to miss a Sunday morning. Our first class will feature questions about the Resurrection. Please join us as we look at some of the issues facing Christians today.

PRAYING THE PSALMS – with Catherine every other Friday at 11:00 AM in the Sacristy. Next meeting is **March 21**.

THE CHANCEL FLOWER arrangements we enjoy every Sunday morning certainly enhance our worship service and bring beauty to the Sanctuary. Members of our own church do these beautiful arrangements. To contribute a vase of flowers is a great way to remember loved ones, to celebrate birthdays, wedding anniversaries, retirement, or an occasion that is important to you. There are several Sundays in the future when no one has signed-up to be a contributor of flowers. The open dates are the beginning of May, the middle of June and July and the end of December. Each arrangement cost \$22.00. If you are interested in contributing to the worship service in this lovely way, please call **SALLY McKay---610-647-3332. Thank You.**

THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE has started the annual search for members willing to serve on Session and the Board of Deacons. Serving on Session or the Board of Deacons not only provides an opportunity for each member to contribute their special God-given talents to the mission of Trinity but also experience the glorious personal reward of service.

All members are welcome to submit their names for consideration. No prior experience is necessary. If the Spirit is moving you, please let us know. You may contact the church office or a member of the Nominating Committee for more information or to express your interest.

The Nominating Committee

Hugh Chekemian, Chair

Steve Belliveau Steve Fenwick Amy Keenan Bob Owen

ACME GIFT CARDS for March are in and available through the church office.

TRINITY ON TV : Thanks to Rosanne & Chad Morris, Trinity is on TV. Comcast Cable Channel 2, Tredyffrin Township's cable station. When? ***Sundays at 8:30 A.M.; Mondays at 8:30 A.M. and 2:30 P.M.; Thursdays at 8:30 P.M.; Saturdays at 8:30 P.M.*** Invite friends to watch & then come experience Trinity live!

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

WE HOPE THE CHILDREN – ALSO PARENTS – ARE FILLING THEIR FISH BANKS WITH COINS THAT WILL BE SENT AROUND THE WORLD WHERE THE INHABITANTS ARE VERY NEEDY. PLEASE REMIND YOUR FAMILY TO SHARE THEIR LOVE WITH THESE FOLKS, MOST OF WHOM ARE LESS FORTUNATE THAN WE. THE FISH BANKS SHOULD BE RETURNED ON EASTER SUNDAY, OR SOON AFTER. THANK YOU FOR TEACHING YOUR CHILDREN TO SERVE ONE ANOTHER.

EASTER EGG HUNT According to tradition, the Christian Education Committee is planning an Easter Egg Hunt for the children following the morning worship service March 23. To make the hunt successful, we are asking folks to bring Easter candy small enough to fit into the colorful plastic eggs. There will be a large box in the church office where you can place your contributions. **Time is short!** We plan to fill the eggs on **March 18**. That only allows **2 days** for you to make your purchases and to deposit them in the box. Thank you to all those who love Easter Egg Hunts!!

DEACONS ENVELOPES: One of many services the Deacons provide is to help those who experience short term financial need. In order to aid others, we need help from the congregation. Please use the Deacons envelopes which are located in the back of the pew to contribute to the Deacon's fund for those you are in need. Thanks!

WANTED: GLASSES AND CASES FOR HONDURAS - We need reading glasses, sunglasses and cases for our Honduras medical clinics. Surprisingly, cases for glasses are very hard to find. If you have any old glasses we will make good use of them. We will use the cases for the inexpensive reading glasses and sunglasses we supply to our friends in Honduras The prescription glasses you give us will be given to the Lion's Club which regrinds them to a needed prescription.

You can make many people happy by donating your old glasses together with the cases.

Thank you.....**THANK YOU.....*THANK YOU***

2008 EASTER SEASON WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Maundy Thursday Communion & Tenebrae Service

Thursday, March 20 at 7:30 P.M.

. . . . a service of candle light and darkness
and the Rev. Karen Parsons preaching on Pilate



Ecumenical Good Friday Service

12 noon – 3 PM on March 21

at **Good Samaritan Episcopal Church of Paoli**
with the Rev. Jay Wilkins on "Father, forgive them..."

Easter Sunrise Worship Service

March 23 at 6:30 A.M.

at **Jenkins Arboretum on Berwyn-Baptist Road**
Special Music by Trinity's Praise Band



Easter Celebration in the Sanctuary

10 A.M.

with the congregation invited to join in
Handel's "Hallelujah" chorus
Easter Egg Hunt for the children following worship

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