

Sunday, May 5, 2024

Prelude

Peace is Flowing Like a River

Peace is flowing like a river
Flowing out of you and me
Flowing out into the desert
Setting all the captives free.

Welcome

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved through faith. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

Opening Hymn

God of Grace and God of Glory

1. God of grace and God of glory, on your people pour your pow'r,
Crown your ancient Church's story, bring its bud to glorious flow'r.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the facing of this hour,
For the facing of this hour.
2. Lo, the hosts of evil round us scorn the Christ, assail his ways.
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days,
For the living of these days.
3. Cure your children's warring madness, bend our pride to your control,
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage lest we miss your kingdom's goal,
Lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

Invocation

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Kyrie

Kyrie Eleison means "Lord have mercy."

Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison, Christe eleison, Christe eleison, Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Hymn of Praise

Lord, I Lift Your Name on High

Lord, I lift your name on high

Lord, I love to sing your praises

I'm so glad you're in my life

I'm so glad you came to save us

You came from heaven to earth to show the way

From the earth to the cross my debt to pay

From the cross to the grave

From the grave to the sky

Lord, I lift your name on high.

Prayer of the Day

God of all humanity, you welcomed all—sinners and saints—into your kingdom.

Help us to be as welcoming and accepting as you.

We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Reading

Romans 1:1-17

Called to be Saints

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed throughout the world. For God, whom I serve with my spirit by announcing the gospel of his Son, is my witness that without ceasing I remember you always in my prayers, asking that by God's will I may somehow at last succeed in coming to you. For I am longing to see you so that I may share with you some spiritual gift to strengthen you—or rather so that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine. I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that I have often intended to come to you (but thus far have been prevented), in order that I may reap some harvest among you as I have among the rest of the Gentiles. I am a debtor both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish—hence my eagerness to proclaim the gospel to you also who are in Rome. For I am not ashamed of the gospel; it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who has faith, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed through faith for faith; as it is written, "The one who is righteous will live by faith."

Message

Hymn of the Day

The Church of Christ, in Every Age

The Church of Christ in every age, beset by change but Spirit led,
Must claim and test its heritage, and keep on rising from the dead.

Across the world, across the street, the victims of injustice cry,
For shelter and for bread to eat, and never live before they die.

Then let the servant church arise, a caring church that longs to be
A partner in Christ's sacrifice, and clothed in Christ's humanity.

We have no mission but to serve, in full obedience to our Lord,
To care for all, without reserve, and spread God's liberating Word.

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

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Offertory Response

Take, Oh, Take Me As I Am

Take, oh, take me as I am, summon out what I shall be,
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

Closing Prayer

Gracious Lord God,

We no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is the Lord of Life and is alive. Increase in our bodies, minds, and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever.
Amen.**

Benediction

May Almighty God, Creator, Christ, and Comforter, keep you in God's light, God's truth, and God's love, now and forever.
Amen.

Closing Hymn

Build Your Kingdom Here

Come set your rule and reign in our hearts again
Increase in us we pray unveil why we're made
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope like wild fire in our very soul
Holy Spirit come invade us now
We are your church, we need your power in us

We seek your kingdom first we hunger and we thirst
Refuse to waste our lives for you're our joy and prize
To see the captive hearts released the hurt; the sick, the poor at peace
We lay down our lives for Heaven's cause
We are your church, we pray revive this earth

Chorus:

Build your kingdom here let the darkness fear
Show your mighty hand, heal our streets and land
Set your church on fire, win creation back
Change the atmosphere build your kingdom here we pray

Unleash your kingdom's power reaching near and far
No force of hell can stop your beauty changing hearts
You made us for much more than this awake the kingdom seed in us
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ
We are your church, we are the hope on earth (*Chorus*)

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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In Our Prayers:

*Prayer requests will remain in the bulletin for four weeks
unless a longer duration is requested through the church office.*

Mary Seifert, Stella Halvorson, Leon Fritzke, Dick Erickson, Alex Lewandowski,
Aiko Landgraf (niece of Sue Magnuson), Lisa Diffley (neice of Liz & Kelly Hirsch),
our missionary in Papua New Guinea, Rev. Andrew Ronnevik and family

Trinity's Newest Members:

Wade & Kathy Baluski, Tom & Cindy Lindberg, Jake & Jenna Berhow,
Amber Hausladen, Travis & Chelsea Farniok and family

We extend our sympathy to Pastor Jeff and Susan Engholm and family
upon the recent passing of Jeff's father, Harry Engholm.
May God grant you peace and comfort.