

## THE LORD'S TABLE

Leader: Holy God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon the gifts of the Bread and the Cup, and upon your children who come to this Table.

**ALL: We come to the table trusting and believing that here, we will find healing. Here, we will be touched by your grace. Here, we will hear your Word of hope. We eat that we might see your Way; we drink that we might know your peace.**

Leader: The Table of the Lord is open for all who seek God's unending love.

*++An allergen free communion station is available in the southwest corner, near the sound booth ++*

## COMMUNITY SINGING

### **How Deep the Father's Love for Us**

How deep the Father's love for us,  
How vast beyond all measure  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure  
How great the pain of searing loss,  
The Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the chosen One,  
Bring many sons to glory

I will not boast in anything  
No gifts, no power, no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
His death and resurrection  
Why should I gain from His reward?  
I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart  
His wounds have paid my ransom

Behold the Man upon a cross,  
My sin upon His shoulders  
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice,  
Call out among the scoffers  
It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished

## THE BENEDICTION

Leader: Having been welcomed with grace, let us go out this day.

**ALL: We will go to serve all of God's children, choosing to meet them where they are.**

Leader: Having listened to God's Word, let us go to share what we have learned.

**ALL: We will go to stand with those who are uncertain about life, to walk with those who have stumbled on their journey.**

Leader: Having been set free by the Spirit, let us go to be sisters and brothers with all.

**ALL: We will go to release those bound by cruelty and injustice, to bring healing to those crippled by fears.**

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## COMMUNITY SINGING

### **Come, Thou Fount**

Come Thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace  
Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise my Ebenezer, Hither by Thy help I com  
And I hope by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God  
He to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood

Oh, to grace how great a debtor, Daily I'm constrained to be  
Let Thy goodness like a fetter, Bind my wandering heart to Thee  
Prone to wander, Lord I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love  
Here's my heart Lord, take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above  
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## CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: (Read Ps 71:1-6) This is the word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

## COMMUNITY SINGING

### **Open Up**

You heard the cry of our hearts, and you came down.  
Freely you gave us your love, showing us how.

Make me an instrument of your peace,  
Where there is hatred let me sow love,  
Where there is darkness let me shine light, and

May your love cause us to open up,  
Cause us to open up our hearts.  
May your light cause us to shine so bright,  
That we bring hope into the dark.

All that we do without love, it means nothing.  
Grant us the courage to give, as you're calling.

Hope for the hopeless, your love is,  
Strength in our weakness, your love is,  
May we love, as you love.

## **Love Can Change the World**

Bridges are more beautiful than bombs are  
Bridges are more beautiful than bombs  
Listening is louder than a lecture  
Listening is louder than a shout

But Love, Love can change the world  
Oh do we still believe that Love  
Love can change the world?  
Oh do we still believe in Love, Love?  
God is love, our God is love and Love can  
change the world

An open hand is stronger than a fist is  
An open hand is stronger than a fist  
Wonder is more valuable than Wall Street  
Wonder is more valuable than gold

May we never stop this dreaming of a  
better world  
May we never stop believing in the  
impossible

## TRINITY'S MISSION

Trinity is a Community following Jesus on a common mission to love God, one another and a broken world in Jesus' name.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Hosting Schedule:**

28<sup>th</sup>: Hoover

4<sup>th</sup>: Schnabel-Stück/Poe-Pallikan

11<sup>th</sup>: Hoover

**Trinity 101:** New to Trinity? Beginning **Wednesday, September 7 from 6:30-8:00**, Trinity's leadership will offer Trinity 101, a series of 3 sessions to help you get better acquainted with Trinity and explore opportunities to get involved/connected. Contact Ryan Poe at [ryan.indytrinity@gmail.com](mailto:ryan.indytrinity@gmail.com) if you're interested in participating.

**IPS 55:** IPS is now only accepting online background checks. Anyone who is interested in volunteering with IPS55 this year **including those who have already filled out a paper background check form** must go to the IPS website (under the "families" tab) to fill out the background check. Contact Elaine Schnabel at [esschnabel@gmail.com](mailto:esschnabel@gmail.com) for more information.

**The Journey:** A brief informational meeting will be held in the community room immediately after the worship gathering **TODAY** (8/21) for those interested in pursuing The Journey, a 22- week formational small group experience that will be offered beginning late September. For more information, please contact Chip Neidigh at [chipneidigh@gmail.com](mailto:chipneidigh@gmail.com)

**Trinity Kids and Family Ministry Annual Meeting:** On Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup> after the service, we will be holding our annual meeting in the community room for all parents and those serving in kid's ministry. Brunch will be served and childcare provided. We'll be recasting vision for our kids and family ministry, walking through how to best navigate our response time with children, as well as best practices for engaging children during the morning. If you have any questions or are unable to attend, please contact Melissa Millis @ [melissa.indytrinity@gmail.com](mailto:melissa.indytrinity@gmail.com).

## COMMUNITY CONFESSION

Leader: Let us confess our sins to the One who chooses to forgive us and love us unconditionally, as we pray.

ALL: **Heavenly Father, our weigh us down until we cannot walk in your way. Our anger scorches our friends and loved ones. Our fears blind us to the goodness in those we believe to be different.**

**Forgive us, God our Rock, and set us free from our wrong-doings and failures.**

Leader: God chooses not to turn a deaf ear to us, but to listen to our prayers. God chooses not to shame us, but to save us.

ALL: **We are set free to drink deeply from the waters of life. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## BLESSING AND PASSING THE PEACE

**Adults: The Lord be with you!**

**Children: And also with you!**

*++During this time we greet one another, recognizing that we are all a part of the body, as parents lead children to their ministry spaces (nursery through preschool are in the upstairs hallway and PreK-5th grade are downstairs). ++*

## TEACHING NOTES

### **Stir Vigorously**

*Hebrews 10:24-25*

Let us think of all the ways that we can vigorously stir up one another to love God's way and live lives of compassionate service. And don't be nominal Easter and Christmas Christians who hardly ever show up for church, but rather, make mutual encouragement your pattern and way of life until that final day when God's dream is finally fulfilled. (my translation)

Why this series on "one another"? A recognition that American Christianity has been infected with a form of individualism that stands in the way of living out God's intentions for the church. Looking at these "one another" passages (which occur 59 times in the New Testament) provides with an important corrective, and more importantly, challenges us to completely rethink what it means to be the church (*ekklesia* – the gathered ones). There is a radical implication for the "one another" passages: it is impossible to live a Christian life apart from community.

1. Stir vigorously, from the Greek *paroxuno/paroxusmos* from which we get paroxysm.
  - To stir up trouble
  - To incite a riot
  - To provoke
  - To irritate
2. To love God's way
  - Agape – 1 Corinthians 13 is God's intended pattern for Christian community.
  - "Giving" ourselves to others.
3. To live lives of compassionate service
  - Jewish concept of mitzvot
  - Righteous or just actions that bring healing and shalom to the world.
4. To make mutual encouragement your way of life
  - Parakaleo/parakletos (Jesus says the Holy Spirit is the Paraclete, John 14:16)
  - To encourage
  - To cheer on
  - To help
  - To walk alongside of
  - To comfort, console
  - To exhort, urge
  - To advocate for

Questions:

1. What would it look like for us to fully embrace this prescriptive for being the church?
2. What are some simple and practical steps we can take to pursue this as a church?
3. An unstated assumption in this passage is that the church is a covenant community, a family (i.e. it is a lifelong commitment to following Christ together). What would Trinity Church look like if that became one of our defining principles as a community of faith?