
NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 29, 2024 + 11:00 am Worship

As we enter a holy space and time this morning, please silence all electronic devices. The opening voluntary is the call to silent meditation and preparation for worship.

*+ Please rise in body or spirit when you see this symbol,
and join in singing or reading aloud text in bold.*

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Preludium in C

Dietrich Buxtehude

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lucy Strong

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 124 & James 5)

One: Blessed be the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth!

All: Praise be to God, the Giver of many gifts!

One: Our help is in God's name, the One who calls us here.

All: We come with songs of praise, with prayers too deep for words.

One: Blessed be the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth!

All: Let us worship the Lord our God with joy and thanksgiving.

+OPENING HYMN

#749 Come! Live in the Light!

WE ARE CALLED

+CALL TO CONFESSION

Emily Beaver

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Called to be your people, Living God - why do we find it so hard to answer?

You ask us to speak out against injustice, and we whisper because we are afraid someone might hear us. You ask us to see the pain and poverty around us, but we close our eyes. You tell us that everyone is created in your image, yet we persist in noticing the differences between us and others.

Forgive us, O God, when we forget that we are called to life together with all your children. Remind us that you gather us into a community to pray for one another in all things. When we wander from your voice, call us again to follow you and help us to set aside all which holds us back. Send us out, side by side, to serve those cast aside by the world.

(silence for personal prayers of confession)

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Hear the good news: our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

All: Hallelujah! Thanks be to God!

+CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

BEECHER

Called as partners in Christ's service, called to ministries of grace, we respond with deep commitment, fresh new lines of faith to trace. May we learn the art of sharing, side by side and friend with friend, equal partners in our caring to fulfill God's chosen end.

(may be found as stanza 1 of Hymn #761)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 124:1-8

(pew Bible, OT p. 572)

ANTHEM

Felix Mendelssohn

Lord God of Abraham *from Ellijah*

Draw near all ye people; come to me. Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, this day let it be known that Thou art God, and I am Thy servant. O show to all this people that I have done these things according to Thy word. O hear me, Lord, and answer me, and show this people that Thou art Lord God, and let their hearts again return to Thee.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

James 5:13-20

(pew Bible, NT p. 231-232)

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Rev. Lucy Strong

*The Book of James:
Life Together*

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from A Brief Statement of Faith)

Rebekah LeMon

**In a broken and fearful world,
the Spirit gives us courage,
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture
to hear the voices of people long silenced
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

+AFFIRMATION RESPONSE

BEECHER

Christ's example, Christ's inspiring, Christ's clear call to work and worth, let us follow, never faltering, reconciling folk on earth. Men and women, richer, poorer, all God's people, young and old, blending human skills together gracious gifts from God unfold.

(may be found as stanza 2 of Hymn #761)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

CALL TO GIVE

OFFERTORY

Harold Friedell

The Call

Come, my way, my truth, my life! Such a way as gives us breath, such a truth as ends all strife, such a life as killeth death. Come, my light, my feast, my strength! Such a light as shows a feast, such a feast as mends in length, such a strength as makes his guest. Come, my joy, my love, heart! Such a joy as none can move, such a love as none can part, such a heart as joys in love.

+DOXOLOGY #606

OLD HUNDREDTH

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

+CLOSING HYMN

#757 Today We Are All Called to Be Disciples

KINGSFOLD

+CHARGE & BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Gaelic Blessing

John Rutter

CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY

Chaconne in G Minor

Louis Couperin

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TODAY IN WORSHIP

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Lucy Strong
*Associate Pastor for
Mission & Engagement*

Rev. Emily Beaver
*Associate Pastor for
Family Ministries*

Rev. Rebekah Close LeMon
Senior Pastor

MUSICIANS

The Chancel Choir of Trinity Church
Norman Mackenzie, *Organist and
Director of Music and Arts*

William Borland, *baritone*

FLOWERS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Carol Singers by her children, Tom Singers and Mary McArdle.

WELCOME

Welcome to Trinity. We are glad you are here.

Children and Worship

Children are always welcome in worship at Trinity! There are activity bags and children's books available at each entrance for children to use during worship, and there are children's Bibles in each pew. If you would prefer to have childcare, it is available for children from birth through pre-K in the following rooms:

Infants and One-Year-Olds D102

Two-Year-Olds – Pre-K (4 year olds) D106

Prayer Requests

If you are going through a difficult time, we would like to know how best to support you. To notify the church of illness, hospitalization, birth, death, or prayer request, or if you need pastoral care after hours, reach out to any pastor at the addresses on the back of the bulletin or call 404-237-6491.

Counseling

Trinity has affiliate relationships with the following for private counseling: Morgan DiOrio, Trinity Counselor Affiliate for Children, Adolescents and Families (678-935-6472), Christi Bartolomucci, Clinical Director of Atlanta Innovative Counseling Center, Trinity Counselor Affiliate for Adults (770-293-1950 ext. 210), Elizabeth Earhart, Trinity Counselor Affiliate for Adults (404-631-7934). Contact a pastor for more information and referral assistance.

Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers are laity, trained and committed to providing fully confidential, one-to-one, Christian caregiving and support to those experiencing difficult times. To make an inquiry for, or about Stephen Ministry, please contact one of the pastors or email us at: stephenminister@trinityatlanta.org; Cindy Stancil at cindy.stancil@comcast.net or Scott Calhoun at sdc@hpsslaw.com.

Livestream

We livestream our worship services and provide online playback on demand. We also take videos and photos from time to time in the church (interior and exterior). With your presence, you grant Trinity Presbyterian Church unrestricted rights to use and publish, transmit or telecast your image or likeness in communications related to the church. If you prefer to sit outside camera range during the service, please speak with an usher.

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