

# Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church

Morning Worship, December 30, 2007

## Quiet Preparation for Worship

*Please take time before the service to compose your heart for worship. You have come into the house of God, a harbor from storms, a safe haven from conflict, a place of rest for weary souls. Cast aside the concerns of your everyday life, and find relief here.*

## Welcome and Announcements

Mr. Cal Beisner

## Musical Prelude

*Fairest Lord Jesus, #171*

As for me, I will see Your face in righteousness; I shall be satisfied when I awake in Your likeness.  
—Psalm 17:15

## God Calls His People to Worship

Sing to the LORD, all the earth; proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples. For the LORD is great and greatly to be praised; He is also to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the LORD made the heavens. Honor and majesty are before Him; strength and gladness are in His place. Give to the LORD, O families of the peoples, give to the LORD glory and strength. Give to the LORD the glory due His name; bring an offering, and come before Him. Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness!  
—1 Chronicles 16:23-29

## \*Prayer of Invocation

Mr. Cal Beisner

## God's People Respond in Worship

## \*Hymn

I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer Art, #168

## \*Prayer of Adoration

Mr. Cal Beisner

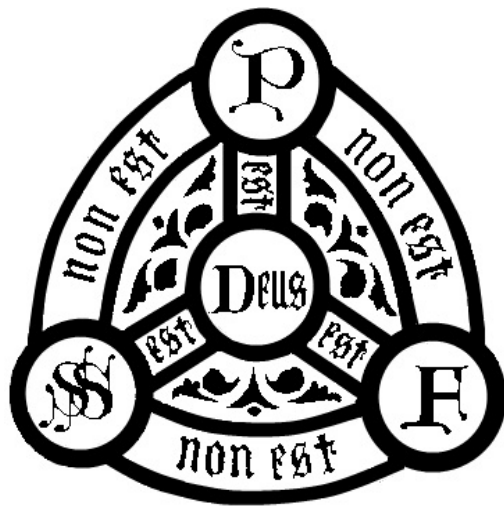
## \*Responsive Reading

Psalm 80, *Trinity Hymnal*, p. 813

## God Declares His Law

The First and Greatest Commandment:

“You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.”  
—Matthew 22:37



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A Congregation of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church

“Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden,  
and I will give you rest.  
Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me,  
for I am gentle and lowly in heart,  
and you will find rest for your souls.”

Matthew 11:28-29

## God Calls His People to Repentance

“Behold, I set before you today a blessing and a curse: the blessing, if you obey the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you today; and the curse, if you do not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside from the way which I command you today, to go after other gods which you have not known.”

—Deuteronomy 11:26-28

## God’s People Respond by Confessing Their Sins

### Corporate Confession

Everlasting Creator and Father, we have destroyed ourselves, our nature is defiled, the powers of our souls are degraded; we are vile, miserable, and strengthless, but our hope is in you. If ever we are saved it will be by goodness undeserved and astonishing, not by mercy alone but by abundant mercy, not by grace but by exceeding riches of grace; and such you have revealed, promised, and exemplified in thoughts of peace, not of evil. You have devised means to rescue us from sin’s perdition, to restore us to happiness, honor, and safety. We bless you for the everlasting covenant, for the appointment of a Mediator. We rejoice that he failed not, nor was discouraged, but accomplished the work you gave him to do; and said on the cross, “It is finished.” We exult in the thought that your justice is satisfied, your truth established, your law magnified, and a foundation is laid for our hope. We look to a present and personal interest in Christ and say, Surely he has borne our griefs, carried our sorrows, won our peace, healed our soul. Justified by his blood we are saved by his life, glorifying in his cross we bow to his scepter, having his Spirit we possess his mind. Lord, grant that our religion may not be occasional and partial, but universal, influential, effective, and may we always continue in your words as well as your works, so that we may reach our end in peace. Amen.

—*From The Valley of Vision*

### Private Confession

## God Assures His People of Their Pardon

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon him, and by his stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, every one, to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. . . . He was numbered with the transgressors, and he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

—Isaiah 53:4-6, 12

## God’s People Respond in Praise

### Hymn

Jesus, My Great High Priest, #306

## God Declares His Word

### Old Testament Reading

Genesis 10

### New Testament Reading

Matthew 8:1-17

## God’s People Respond by Confessing Their Faith

### \*The Apostles’ Creed

*Trinity Hymnal*, p. 845

### \*Hymn

Crown Him with Many Crowns, #295

## God Calls His People to Prayer

“Ask and it will be given to you.”

—Matthew 7:7

## God’s People Respond by Presenting Their Petitions to Him

### Pastoral Prayer

Mr. Cal Beisner

## God Instructs His People Through His Word

### \*Reading of the Scriptures

Luke 22:31-34, 54-62

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

### Congregation: Thanks be to God!

### Sermon

“Christ’s Healing Gaze”

Rev. Ken Wendland

## God Feeds His People at His Table

### Hymn

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face, #378

## God’s People Respond in Thanksgiving

### with Tithes, Offerings, and Praises

### Offertory

*Sometimes a Light Surprises*, #621

### \*Gloria Patri

*Trinity Hymnal*, #735

### \*Hymn

O God Beyond All Praising, #660

## God Exhorts His People

But prove yourselves doers of the word,

and not merely hearers who delude themselves. (James 1:22)

### \*Benediction

### Silent Prayer

### Musical Postlude

*Fairest Lord Jesus*, #171