

SUNDAY EVENING
Vespers 

CONCLUDING THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH | APRIL 19, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M.

Lord's Day Vespers

EVENING VESPERS MEDITATION

Almighty God, we give You thanks for surrounding us, as daylight fades, with the brightness of vesper light; and we implore You in Your great mercy that, as You enfold us with the radiance of Your light, so You would shine into our hearts the brightness of Your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord dispel the darkness of our hearts, that by Your brightness we may know You to be the true God and Eternal Light, living and reigning forever and ever. Amen.

CALL TO PREPARATION

Rev. Michael Howell

PRELUDE

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

William Monk

THE CHORAL INTROIT

Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now

HERR JESU CHRIST
arr. J. S. Bach

*Lord Jesus Christ, be present now, our hearts in true devotion bow,
Your Spirit send with grace divine, and let Your truth within us shine.
Unseal our lips to sing Your praise, our souls to You in worship raise,
Make strong our faith, increase our light, that we may know Your name aright.
Until we join the hosts that cry, "Holy are You, O Lord Most High!"
And in the light of that blest place fore'er behold You face to face.
Glory to God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three-in-One!
To You, O blessed Trinity, be praise throughout eternity!*

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 47:1-4

Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth.

He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet.

He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom He loves.

† PROCESSIONAL HYMN 71

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

ELLACOMBE

ANTHEM

*O Praise the Lord with Heart and Voice
from The Creation*

Joseph Haydn

*O praise the Lord with heart and voice; all hosts on high and earth rejoice.
Let echoes rise, let songs break forth. From world to world the joy shall sound.*

ANTHEM

God of Heaven

Heather Sorenson

*God of Heaven: God of all the earth and sky. Great Creator: Master of all nature.
Who gives birth to snow from heaven, holds the waves at ocean's edge,
Gives the orders to the morning, shows each dawn its place to shine?
God of Heaven: God of all the earth and sky.*

*God of Ages: God who wrote the book of time. Sovereign Ruler: Alpha and Omega.
Saints before He's guided safely, history's pages signed by Him.
Author of our days and hours, things to come are held secure.
God of Ages: Alpha and Omega.*

*God of Power: God who breaks the darkness. Righteous Warrior: champion of His children.
Goes before us into battle, good and evil bow to Him.
Those in bondage freed forever, victories won at His command!*

*God who heals us: God who gives us peace and hope.
God who listens: carries all our fragile dreams and heartaches, wins and failures,
Binds the broken, hides the weak.
New beginnings freely offered, who can make us whole again?
God who heals us; God of power; God of Ages; God of Heaven. God of all the earth and sky.*

EVENING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING – Isaiah 55:6-13

pew Bible, page 782

ANTHEM

Go Out with Joy

Hank Beebe

*For you shall go out with joy, be led forth with peace,
The mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing,
And all the trees shall clap their hands.
Pine trees shall shoot up in place of the camel thorn, myrtles instead of briars;
All this shall win the Lord a great name, a sign for all time. (Isaiah 55:12-13)*

† **HYMN 8** *Give to Our God Immortal Praise* DUKE STREET

† **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** – Genesis 21 pew Bible, page 19

HOMILY **SEEKING A BETTER COUNTRY** Rev. Cameron Whitehurst
XXIV. Faithfully

† **HYMN 520** *Father, We Thank You for the Night* TALLIS' CANNON

† **BENEDICTION** (*please be seated following the Benediction*)

BENEDICTION RESPONSE *I Sing Because I'm Happy* Charles Gabriel, arr. Dillworth

*I sing because I'm happy! I sing because I'm free!
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me!*

POSTLUDE *Prelude in C Major, BWV 553* attr. J. S. Bach
Andrew Wales, *organist*
High School Music Ministry Intern

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Michael Howell, *Assistant Minister* | Rev. Cameron Whitehurst, *Assistant Minister*
Dr. Mark Nabholz, *Director of Music*
Aaron Perez, *piano*; Kim Steen, *flute*;
Robert McGowin, *bass*
George Gichero, *MCYC accompanist*

THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS THIS LORD'S DAY ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

AND IN HONOR OF THE BAPTISM OF

Camden Carolyn Shaw & Walter Stephen Shaw

AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF THEIR GREAT-GRANDFATHER

Stephen Michael Fox

