

Promotion Sunday

2021 MEMORY WORK AND CATECHISM AWARDS

SUNDAY SCHOOL MEMORY WORK AWARDS

THREE-YEAR-OLDS

David Blades
Grayson Cooper

FOUR-YEAR-OLDS

Sarah Ann Carroll
William Coyne
Ramsey Govan
Ann Caroline Johnson
Logan McLendon
Rachel Taylor
Allie Thompson

KINDERGARTEN

Daniel Black
Caroline Blades
Abby Kate Carroll
Violet Kajdos

KINDERGARTEN

Wilda Muzio
Caroline Spooner
Pete Thompson
Emerson Trammell

FIRST GRADE

Coleman Cooper
Bo Johnson
Lila Smith
Timothy Taylor
Sophia Wales

SECOND GRADE

Thomas Burton
Brooks Carroll
Henry Coyne
Emory Govan

SECOND GRADE

Jackson Kajdos
Houghton Smith
George Spooner

THIRD GRADE

Lottie Smith

FOURTH GRADE

Jackson Cooper
Finley Govan
William Taylor
Laurie Spooner

FIFTH GRADE

Elizabeth Burton
Sawyer Speagle

CATECHISM AWARDS

ENTIRE CHILDREN'S CATECHISM

Anne Emery Smith

THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

AUGUST 8, 2021

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

*Father, mend us and make us better than we could be without You.
Take those things that are broken in our lives and visit us with Your healing.
And help us to use the strength we receive in Your service and to Your glory.
Amen.*



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation 8:25 and 10:55 a.m.

The Prelude *Prière (Prayer)*, Op. 158 Camille Saint Saëns

Shannon Murphy, organ; Michael Zyzack, cello
*One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in His temple.*

Psalm 27:4

*Please maintain social distancing. Masks are optional in the sanctuary;
masks are mandatory in the Westminster Room. Overflow is available in the Spires Room.*

The Striking of the Hour

The Choral Introit *God Is Our Strength and Refuge* Eric Coates

God is our strength and refuge, our present help in trouble;
and we therefore will not fear, though the earth should change!
Though mountains shake and tremble, though swirling floods are raging,
God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore!

Since then we have a great High Priest Who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a High Priest Who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but One Who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

† The Hymn No. 295

Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne;
hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own:
awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,
and hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love; behold His hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified:
no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of peace; Whose pow'r a scepter sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end; and round His pierced feet
fair flow'rs of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown Him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time;
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime:
all hail, Redeemer, hail! for Thou hast died for me:
Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

† The Confession of Our Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

† The Prayer of Invocation

† The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father Which art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in 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, for ever. Amen.**

† The Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SEEKING GOD'S FACE

The Silent, Personal Prayer of Confession

The Corporate Prayer of Confession

God of grace, You love us, but we have not loved You. You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. By our actions and our attitudes we praise what You condemn. Help us to admit our sin, so that as You come to us in mercy we may repent, turn to You, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

The Assurance of God's Pardon – Isaiah 53:4-6

Child of God, hear the good news! Surely, He has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed Him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But He was pierced for our transgressions; He was crushed for our iniquities; upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with His wounds 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. Know that in Jesus, God embraces you, forgives you, and strengthens you to live a renewed life. **Thanks be to God!**

The Pastoral Prayer

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

Refrain: It is well with my soul; it is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and has shed His own blood for my soul. [*Refrain*]

My sin— O the bliss of this glorious thought!—
my sin, not in part, but the whole,
is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! [*Refrain*]

The Collection of His Tithes and Our Offerings

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Anthem

O Love
Chancel Choir

Elaine Hagenberg

O Love, that will not let me go,
O Love, I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
That in Thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

O Joy, that seeks me through the pain,
O Joy, I cannot close my heart to Thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain that morn shall tearless be.

The Prayer of Illumination

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; 2 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; 3 to grant to those who mourn in Zion— to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified. 4 They shall build up the ancient ruins; they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 2 Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Aramaic called Bethesda, which has five roofed colonnades. 3 In these lay a multitude of invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. 5 One man was there who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. 6 When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had already been there a long time, He said to him, “Do you want to be healed?” 7 The sick man answered Him, “Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up, and while I am going another steps down before me.” 8 Jesus said to him, “Get up, take up your bed, and walk.” 9 And at once the man was healed, and he took up his bed and walked. Now that day was the Sabbath. 10 So the Jews said to the man who had been healed, “It is the Sabbath, and it is not lawful for you to take up your bed.” 11 But he answered them, “The Man Who healed me, that Man said to me, ‘Take up your bed, and walk.’” 12 They asked him, “Who is the Man Who said to you, ‘Take up your bed and walk’?” 13 Now the man who had been healed did not know Who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. 14 Afterward Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, “See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse may happen to you.” 15 The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus Who had healed him. 16 And this was why the Jews were persecuting Jesus, because He was doing these things on the Sabbath. 17 But Jesus answered them, “My Father is working until now, and I am working.”

† The Response of the People of God

Minister: All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field.

People: The grass withers and the flowers fade, but the Word of our God shall stand forever. Amen.

The Personal Preparation of the Heart

Children age four through kindergarten may leave to attend Children's Church.

The Sermon

DO YOU WANT TO BE HEALED?

Mr. Curles

John 5:1-30

The Gospel of John, XX

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A sermon outline can be found on pages 11-12

**COMMUNING WITH THE LORD JESUS CHRIST
AND HIS PEOPLE**

The Invitation to and Fencing of the Table

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at Trinity Presbyterian Church is for all those who have received Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, do now repent, endeavor to live a holy life, and have publicly professed their faith through membership in an evangelical church. Children who have not publicly confessed Christ by being received by the Session into communicant church membership should refrain from the Sacrament and learn by reverent observation; this even though they may already have received Christ privately. Those without personal saving faith in Jesus Christ are to refrain from the Sacrament and are implored now to receive Him by faith and repentance.

† The Hymn No. 378

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face
(stanzas 1-3)

MORECAMBE

Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;
here would I touch and handle things unseen,
here grasp with firmer hand th'eternal grace,
and all my weariness upon Thee lean.

Here would I feed upon the bread of God,
here drink with Thee the royal wine of heav'n;
here would I lay aside each earthly load,
here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiv'n.

This is the hour of banquet and of song;
this is the heav'nly table spread for me:
here let me feast, and, feasting, still prolong
the brief, bright hour of fellowship with Thee.

† The Prayer of Humble Access and Consecration

The Words of Institution

The Serving of the Meal

Méditation, Op. post.
Elegy

Maurice Duruflé
John Ireland, Arr. Alec Rowley

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be;
World without end. Amen. Amen.

† The Benediction of God's Grace and The Congregation's AMEN

Minister: God is good!

People: All the time!

Minister: All the time!

People: God is good!

Minister: Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you wholly; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He Who calls you is faithful, and He will do it. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: Amen!

† The Quiet Meditation and Personal Application of God's Word

† The Postlude

Toccata

Eugène Gigout

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John 5:1-30

The Gospel of John, XX



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INTRODUCTION

I. JESUS’ PHYSICAL HEALING IS A SIGN POINTING TO JESUS’ DEEPER MINISTRY

A sign is an outward/visible/physical demonstration of an inward/invisible/spiritual reality.

John 6:2 - *and a great crowd of people followed Him because they saw the **signs** He had performed by healing the sick.*

Hebrews 2:3-4 - *This salvation, which was first announced by the Lord, was confirmed to us by those who heard Him. God also testified to it by **signs**, wonders and various miracles, and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to His will.*

Matthew 9:5-7 - *“Which is easier: to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up and walk’? But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.” So He said to the paralyzed man, “Get up, take your mat and go home.” Then the man got up and went home.*

II. HEALING IS THE RESTORATION TO WHOLENESS FROM SIN AND BROKENNESS THROUGH THE INDWELLING MINISTRY OF JESUS CHRIST

- Jesus heals our guilt.
- Jesus heals our wills and our weaknesses.
- Jesus heals the damage that others did by their sin.
- Jesus heals the voids left by the brokenness of our circumstances.

John 10:10 - *The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.*

III. JESUS, AND JESUS ALONE, IS THE HEALER

Counterfeit strategies:

- We look to other things: time, activities, relationships.
- We ask other people to heal us.
- We ask other people to bend to meet our brokenness.

III. WE EXPERIENCE THIS HEALING THROUGH AN ONGOING, PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST

CONCLUSION

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come,
this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*



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