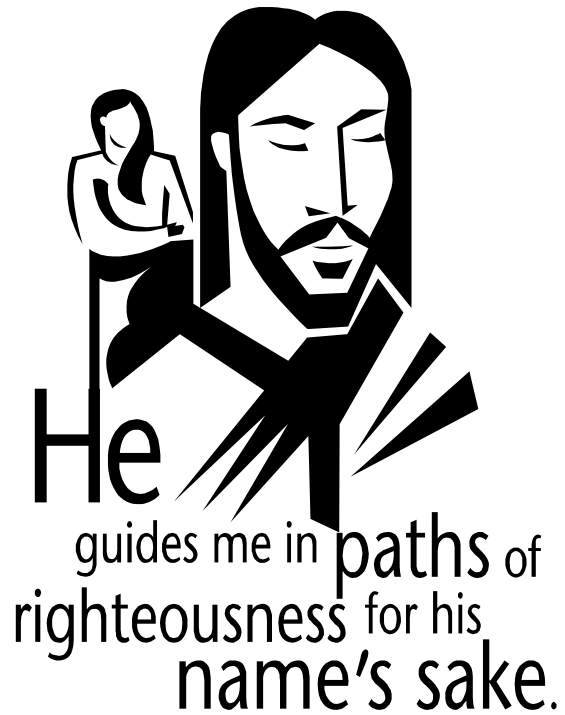


Welcome to

Trinity Presbyterian Church

**A Service for the Lord's Day
Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

Sunday, September 13, 2009 – 9:30 a.m.



Psalm 23:3

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We Gather in God's Name

Welcome

Prelude

Call to Worship

From Psalm 19

Leader: The heavens tell of the glory of God, and all creation tells God's story.

People: All God's creatures reflect God's beauty.

Leader: The commandments of God give shape to human community.

People: Our life together speaks of God's wisdom.

Leader: The life of Jesus shows forth God's love. Our faith tells God's story.

People: Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable in the sight of the Lord, our rock and our redeemer.

Choral Call to Worship

"Living for Jesus"

Lowden

**Hymn of Praise 288*

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Almighty and Holy God, your power is awesome. You do not waver in what you expect of us. Yet, your rebuke is issued in love. We praise your tender mercy toward us. Forgive every unkind thought, every untrue word, every selfish act, every neglect of our sacred promises to you. Forgive all resentment and bitterness. Remove any substitute that occupies your place in our hearts. Renew us by your Spirit. Draw us closer to your ways. Discipline our lives for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

A Time for Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon (unison)

Anyone in Christ is a new creation. God frees us to forgive one another, and even to forgive ourselves. For God in Christ has forgiven us. (from II Corinthians 5:17, Ephesians 4:32)

Sharing Christ's Peace

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Hymn of Gathering "I Have Decided To Follow Jesus"

- 1) I have decided to follow Jesus, / I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus, /No turning back, no turning back!
- 2) Though none go with me, still I will follow (**three times**)
No turning back, no turning back!

(During the singing of this hymn, we invite the children to join the minister at the front of the sanctuary.)

We Proclaim and Hear God's Word

We Share Our Faith With Our Children

Hymn 357* **“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson

Mark 8:27-31

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon **“Who Do People Say That You Are?”**

Anthem **“Because We Are God's Chosen Ones”** Smith

We Respond to God's Word

Affirmation of Faith* **“The Apostles' Creed” *Pg 14 (in front of hymnal)*

** “Gloria Patri” No. 579*

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer *Pg 16 (in front of hymnal)*

Invitation to Offer Our Gifts of Time, Talents and Treasure

Offertory

**Doxology No. 592*

Prayer of Dedication* **Led by an Elder

Hymn of Dedication 371* **“Lift High the Cross”

**The Charge and Benediction*

Choral Response **“Amen”** Traditional

(Please be seated after the Benediction & Choral Response for the Announcements)

Announcements **Led by an Elder**

*All that are able please stand.

We welcome all our visitors today! If you are interested in making Trinity Presbyterian Church your church home, please speak with Reverend Blankenship or one of the Elders on Duty after the Worship Service.

CDs of today's Worship Service are available upon request.

Mark 8:27-31

27 Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” 28 And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” 29 He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” 30 And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

31 Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.