

Trinity Church
January 22, 2017
Family Worship 10:30 a.m.
Third Sunday after Epiphany • Consecration

Prelude		Donica Family
Call to Worship	<i>"That's Who You Are"</i>	
Invocation		Will Powell
*Opening Worship	<i>"He Reigns"</i> <i>"We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"</i>	p. 296 vs. 1,3
*Connections	<i>"You Hold it All"</i>	
Morning Prayer		Dr. Marc Putnam
Welcome		Stephen Starnes
	<i>If you are seated on or near an aisle, please take out the red attendance register, sign it, and pass it on. Children 3yr. – 3rd grade leave for KidZone</i>	
Announcements & Mission Trip 2017		Dr. Marc Putnam
Offertory		Alina, Corina & David Donica
Offertory Prayer		Doug Snyder
Anthem	<i>"People Need the Lord"</i> – arr. Mark Hayes	Chancel Choir
Scripture Lesson	I Corinthians 1:10-18	
Sermon	"Fellowship"	Dr. Marc Putnam
Consecration:		

Reader 1: During 2016 our church family has embarked on a journey of church vitality. We desire to know Jesus more deeply and to be involved in his mission in the world.

Reader 2: 2017 lies ahead with new challenges and opportunities. We realize church vitality does not ultimately depend on plans and strategies but on women and men whose hearts are open to the leading of the Holy Spirit.

Reader 3: The Holy Spirit visited the church on Pentecost when the followers of Jesus first committed themselves to prayer and then joined together in unity. They waited, willing to follow where Jesus would lead.

Reader 4: Today, we as a church family join our hearts together. We will listen to Scripture, recognize four biblical principles, and pray.

Reader 1: Principle One: Repentance

Congregation: **"Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting."** (Psalm 139:23-24)

Reader 1: Moving forward into God's future begins with repentance, prayer, and God's redeeming grace. It does not begin with structures, strategies, or

systems but with people who are "broken" before God who redeems all things for good. Let us pray:

Congregation: **We confess to you, Lord, what we are: we are not always the people we like others to think we are. Forgive us for our slowness to learn from your Son, our failure to follow him as we ought, and our reluctance to bear the cross. Forgive us for our poverty of worship, our neglect of fellowship, our hesitating witness for Christ, our imperfect stewardship of your gifts.**

Reader 1: And yet, you know us in our imperfection, and still you love us. You love us as we are, not as we would be. For your grace and mercy we give our deepest thanks. Help us, Lord, for we can do nothing apart from you. **Amen.**

Reader 2: Principle Two: Looking Forward

Congregation: **Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland.**" (Isaiah 43:18-19)

Reader 2: Every church is in a constant need of renewal, regardless of its current state of health. We can look back and find many things for which to be thankful. We can look back and find many things for which we may grieve or feel disappointment. Regardless of the past, God asks us to have eyes to see the new things he is doing, how God takes all that has transpired, good and bad, and uses it, remixes it, and brings about a future we could not have anticipated. Let us pray:

Congregation: **Lord, here we are, moldable as clay. Thank you for leading us in the past, protecting us, sustaining us, and watching over us in ways we will never know. Thank you for preserving us for your purposes and for your glory.**

Reader 2: Give us eyes to see and ears to hear the new things you will do. Instruct our minds, direct our energies, and sustain us in obedience and service. Let us enter your heart, O God. Let us see what breaks your heart. Let our hearts break, too. **Amen.**

Reader 3: Principle Three: The mission of Jesus

Congregation: **"Jesus said, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work. Don't you have a saying, 'It is still four months until harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest."** (John 4:34-35)

Reader 3: To move forward, a church must be centered in the mission and message of Jesus. "We need to do something so the church doesn't decline" is vastly different from a sense of mission flowing from the heart of Jesus. To what ministries is Jesus calling Trinity Church? Let us pray:

Congregation: **Come Holy Spirit. Come as Holy Fire and burn within us. Come as Holy Wind and cleanse us from within. Come as Holy Light and lead us from the darkness. Come as Holy Truth and dispel our ignorance. Come as Holy Power and enable our weakness.**

Reader 3: Convict us and consecrate us until we are set free from service to ourselves, to be servants to your world. **Amen.**

Reader 4: Principle Four: Response-ability

Congregation: **"Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God- this is true worship. Do not conform to the pattern of the world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is- his good, pleasing and perfect will."** (Romans 12:1-2)

Reader 4: A church must invest in and take responsibility for joining with God in moving forward. God enables us to do ministry, but we must enact. There is a rhythm of service to God- God enables, we enact. Let us give ourselves faithfully in whatever capacity God has called on us to serve, but let us also remember to yield to his power at work in us. Let us pray:

Congregation: **Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is injury, pardon. Where there is doubt, faith. Where there is despair, hope. Where there is darkness, light. Where there is sadness, joy.**

Reader 4: Heavenly Father, grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand. To be loved, as to love.

Congregation: **For it is giving that we receive; for it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.**

Reader 1: So what is the plan for 2017?

Congregation: **We are the plan!**

***Closing** *"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"*

***Benediction**
***Congregation stands**



Each Sunday: 3 yrs. – grade 3

9:30 – 10:15am Sunday school, Bible stories, crafts, and learning activities
 10:30 – 11:00am Worship experience in sanctuary with parents
 11:00 – 11:15am KidZone: children dismissed for life lessons from the Bible
 11:15 – 11:35am Snacks and guided recreational activities

Our Nursery Workers:

January 22nd – Andorina Zac-Williams, Janie Oldham
January 29th – Becky Starnes, Gracie Battaille



Today's Greeters:

Ruth Anne George, Nancy Coggins
Stephen & Margaret Vinson

Trinity Church
 January 22, 2017
 Ignite Worship 8:30 a.m.

Prelude Sandra Powell

Invocation Will Powell

***Opening Praise & Worship**

"All Because of Jesus"
 "In the Hands of God"
 "That's Who You Are"

Morning Offering Common Ground

Welcome Will Powell

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Announcements Dr. Marc Putnam

Morning Prayer Dr. Marc Putnam

Scripture Lesson Acts 1:4-8

⁴ On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. ⁵ For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with [b] the Holy Spirit." ⁶ Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷ He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Morning Meditation "Vitality" Dr. Marc Putnam

***Closing Praise & Worship**

"Grace Like Rain"
 "All Who Are Thirsty"

***Benediction**

**Congregation stands*



What's Happening

Sunday, January 22nd

- 8:30 a.m. Ignite Worship
- 9:15 a.m. Bible Reading Class
- 9:15 a.m. Sonshine/Fellowship Class
- 9:15 a.m. Good Medicine Class
- 9:30 a.m. Family Focus Class 111
- 10:30 a.m. Family Worship
- 1:00 p.m. Slavic Church
- 5:00 p.m. "Power of Whisper" Adult Elective
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Group
- 5:00 p.m. Pioneers Club

Monday, January 23rd

- 4:30-8pm Blood Drive in CLC

Tuesday, January 24th

- 9:30 a.m. Senior Fitness at A.C.T.

Wednesday, January 25th

- 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study – Armor of God
 - 6:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting
- * Bulletin announcements due by Noon.**

Thursday, January 26th

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Hour
- 8:30 a.m. "Last Thursday Breakfast"
- 9:30 a.m. Senior Fitness at A.C.T.
- 6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
- 7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Sunday, January 29th

- 8:30 a.m. Classic Worship
- 9:15 a.m. Bible Reading Class
- 9:15 a.m. Sonshine/Fellowship Class
- 9:15 a.m. Good Medicine Class
- 9:30 a.m. Family Focus Class 111
- 10:30 a.m. Family Worship
- 1:00 p.m. Slavic Church
- 5:00 p.m. "Power of Whisper" Adult Elective
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Group
- 5:00 p.m. Pioneers Club

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Joshua told the people,
 "Consecrate yourselves,
for tomorrow
 the Lord will do amazing
 things among you."

Joshua 3:5 NIV

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