

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

### Pizza and Kickball at the Park

We will be having pizza and a kickball tournament at Parque Central to celebrate back to school! Pizza and water will be provided. You are invited to bring a side, dessert, or other drinks to share, and don't forget to invite your friends and your kids' friends! All are welcome! More details to come. For questions, please reach out to Meg or Kyle.

### Volunteers Needed!

All of the ministries here at Trinity would not be possible without the help of our amazing volunteers. If you would be interested in serving on one of our Sunday or midweek ministry teams, please reach out to Zach, Kyle, or Meg for more information.

## GIVING

*All that we have is a gift from God. Our tithes are a concrete expression of our faith in Christ. It nurtures our trust in Him, and our draws us deeper into His work of reconciliation.*

There are several ways to give at Trinity Church:

1. Place your tithes and offerings in the baskets at the rear of the church.
2. To give by credit card or ACH or to set up a recurring gift, visit [trinitypr.org/give](http://trinitypr.org/give).

*Trinity Church is a registered non-profit in Puerto Rico 1101.01(a)(1) and with the U.S. Government 501(c)(3).*

Monthly Budget Goal		Tithes/Offerings Received	
Facilities	\$5,361.00	May	\$25,986.90
Personnel	\$23,900.00	June	\$27,389.46
Ministries	\$6,532.00	July	\$22,619.42
		August	\$34,775.51
<b>Total Operating Costs</b>	<b>\$35,793.00</b>		

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Trinity Ministries

Sector La Hormiga, Neighborhood Groups, Children's Ministry, Women's Bible Study, Men's Bible Study, Escuela Timothee

### Partner Ministries and Churches

Iglesia La Travesía, South Florida Presbytery, Briarwood Presbyterian Church, Cree Women's Care, Hunger Corp., Iglesia Comunion, Iglesia En Buena Tierra, Casa de Bendición

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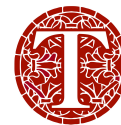
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TRINITY CHURCH  
PUERTO RICO

{ September 4, 2022 }





## WELCOME

Welcome to Trinity Church! We exist so that every English speaker in the San Juan metro area may encounter Jesus Christ and live out their faith more deeply, that together we may be a blessing to Puerto Rico. We are so glad to have you be a part of this sacred adventure. This adventure begins in worship which brings us into right relationship with God and our neighbor, and the adventure continues into our weeks as we are made to be a mission-minded community of love and service.

Our worship service is designed to be more contemplative, and we hope you will grow through its beauty and depth. Depending on your background, we realize that the flow and order of this worship experience may be unfamiliar. We have included a few notes and explanations in the margins that will help you participate to the fullest.

This thoughtful and connected rhythm in our service is often called a liturgy. We follow this rhythm because we are gathering for the unique activity of worship - not for a lecture, conference, or concert, not to listen to good music or hear wise teaching. We gather for an encounter with God, and so we follow the pattern God gave his people in the scriptures thousands of years ago: God speaks and we respond. For this reason, we have organized the service around certain gospel concepts that shape our worship: Calling, Cleansing, Constitution, Communion, and Commission.

Again, thank you for worshipping with us. May the beauty of Christ capture all of our deepest imaginations.

Walking alongside you,

Pastor Zach Lutz.

Having heard the  
Gospel in their  
ears, God's people  
now taste the  
Gospel upon their  
lips. Consecrated  
as the body and  
blood of Christ,  
the bread and  
wine, when  
received in faith,  
reinforce our  
participation in  
Christ's death,  
resurrection and  
return, as  
proclaimed in the  
mystery of faith.

## The Lord's Supper

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### Guidelines for Receiving the Lord's Supper:

*The Lord's Supper is the family meal for Christians. We invite all baptized Christians who are members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, and who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ to join us.*

*At the Table you will see both red wine and white grape juice. We invite you to partake as your conscience dictates. If you prefer, gluten-free wafers are available.*

*If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. We hope that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with His people, the church.*

**Prayer for the non-participant:** *God, I recognize that I do not rest exclusively in you as you offer yourself in your gospel. But please, encourage me to further explore the truths of Scripture. Give me a friend with whom I can express my doubts and get to know you more. Amen.*

Let us therefore proclaim the mystery of the faith:

**Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.**

Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed for us.

**Let us celebrate our union with him.**

## Tithes and Offerings

*We do not pass an offering plate. If you are a guest, please feel no pressure to give financially. This act of worship is for those who call Trinity their church family and desire to give joyfully and generously to the work of God through His church. There is an offering box on a table at the back of the room and baskets in the outside aisles.*

## \*Worship in Song

*Good and Gracious King*

James Ferguson, Jonny Robinson, Michael Farren

## \*Benediction and Dismissal

Just as we begin  
with God's  
gracious  
invitation, so we  
end with God's  
promise to always  
be with us.

The Spirit makes the reading and preaching of God's Word a powerful means of nourishing and comforting God's people, and awakening people to new faith.

### Preaching God's Word

Now when David and his men came to Ziklag on the third day, the Amalekites had made a raid against the Negeb and against Ziklag. They had overcome Ziklag and burned it with fire **2** and taken captive the women and all who were in it, both small and great. They killed no one, but carried them off and went their way. **3** And when David and his men came to the city, they found it burned with fire, and their wives and sons and daughters taken captive. **4** Then David and the people who were with him raised their voices and wept until they had no more strength to weep. **5** David's two wives also had been taken captive, Ahinoam of Jezreel and Abigail the widow of Nabal of Carmel. **6** And David was greatly distressed, for the people spoke of stoning him, because all the people were bitter in soul, each for his sons and daughters. But David strengthened himself in the Lord his God. **7** And David said to Abiathar the priest, the son of Ahimelech, "Bring me the ephod." So Abiathar brought the ephod to David. **8** And David inquired of the Lord, "Shall I pursue after this band? Shall I overtake them?" He answered him, "Pursue, for you shall surely overtake and shall surely rescue." **9** So David set out, and the six hundred men who were with him, and they came to the brook Besor, where those who were left behind stayed. **10** But David pursued, he and four hundred men. Two hundred stayed behind, who were too exhausted to cross the brook Besor. **11** They found an Egyptian in the open country and brought him to David. And they gave him bread and he ate. They gave him water to drink, **12** and they gave him a piece of a cake of figs and two clusters of raisins. And when he had eaten, his spirit revived, for he had not eaten bread or drunk water for three days and three nights. **13** And David said to him, "To whom do you belong? And where are you from?" He said, "I am a young man of Egypt, servant to an Amalekite, and my master left me behind because I fell sick three days ago. **14** We had made a raid against the Negeb of the Cherethites and against that which belongs to Judah and against the Negeb of Caleb, and we burned Ziklag with fire." **15** And David said to him, "Will you take me down to this band?" And he said, "Swear to me by God that you will not kill me or deliver me into the hands of my master, and I will take you down to this band." **16** And when he had taken him down, behold, they were spread abroad over all the land, eating and drinking and dancing, because of all the great spoil they had taken from the land of the Philistines and from the land of Judah. **17** And David struck them down from twilight until the evening of the next day, and not a man of them escaped, except four hundred young men, who mounted camels and fled. **18** David recovered all that the Amalekites had taken, and David rescued his two wives. **19** Nothing was missing, whether small or great, sons or daughters, spoil or anything that had been taken. David brought back all. **20** David also captured all the flocks and herds, and the people drove the livestock before him, and said, "This is David's spoil." **21** Then David came to the two hundred men who had been too exhausted to follow David, and who had been left at the brook Besor. And they went out to meet David and to meet the people who were with him. And when David came near to the people he greeted them. **22** Then all the wicked and worthless fellows among the men who had gone with David said, "Because they did not go with us, we will not give them any of the spoil that we have recovered, except that each man may lead away his wife and children, and depart." **23** But David said, "You shall not do so, my brothers, with what the Lord has given us. He has preserved us and given into our hand the band that came against us. **24** Who would listen to you in this matter? For as his share is who goes down into the battle, so shall his share be who stays by the baggage. They shall share alike." **25** And he made it a statute and a rule for Israel from that day forward to this day.

### 1 Samuel 30:1-25

The call to worship establishes the lines of communication in worship. God always comes to us before we come to God. Biblical worship is a response to God's gracious revelation of himself to his people.

### \*Call to Worship (Psalm 86:8-10)

There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.

**All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.**

**For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.**

### \*Worship in Song

*No Other Name*

Doug Engquist, Freddy Rodriguez, Laurie Engquist

*Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)*

Joel Houston, Matt Crocker, Salomon Ligthelm

### \*Prayer of Adoration

### Ministry Moment

*Iglesia Comuni3n - Pastor Juan Jos3 Cotto*

\* Indicates that worshippers are to stand, if able.

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By reciting the  
Apostles Creed,  
we rehearse and  
remember the  
faith of the  
church  
throughout  
history.

## Apostle's Creed

Christian, what do you believe?

**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 Spirit, 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic\* church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The confession of  
sin invites us to  
honest expression  
within the context  
of our covenant  
relationship with  
God, a  
relationship in  
which honesty  
about our sin is  
welcome and safe.

## Confession of Sin

Let us pray together:

**Awesome and compassionate God,  
you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy,  
but we have not loved you.  
You constantly call us, but we do not listen.  
You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need,  
wrapped in our own concerns.  
We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.  
God of grace, as you come to us in mercy,  
we repent in spirit and in truth,  
admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness  
through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.**

*SILENT CONFESSION*

We greet one  
another with joy  
after the  
assurance of  
pardon because  
God's pardon sets  
us free to love and  
forgive one  
another.

## \*Assurance of Pardon (Ezekiel 36:25-26)

**25** I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. **26** And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

## Prayer for the Children of our Church

*Children's Church (ages 4-7) and nursery (3 and under) are provided in the back.*

## \*Doxology

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.

## New Testament Reading

**Matthew 20:9-16**

The Word of  
God is the chief  
and final means  
through which  
God speaks to us;  
the principal and  
most direct way  
we hear from  
God in worship.

**9** And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. **10** Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. **11** And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, **12** saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' **13** But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? **14** Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. **15** Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' **16** So the last will be first, and the first last."

We ask the Spirit  
to open our eyes  
that we may see  
the wonders of  
his Word.

## Prayer of Illumination