

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

### 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.

### Membership Class

We long for people who have regularly attended Trinity to consider investing into our community even more by becoming members! If you're interested in learning more about what membership looks like and involves, join us Saturday, October 1 for a membership class. Childcare will be provided as well as a light breakfast and lunch!

### Crossing Cultures Event

Whether new to the island, or having moved back home after a time away, crossing cultures can be challenging. God delights in the variety of cultures among his children which all reflect a little bit of who He is. Join us Saturday, October 8 as we explore this wonderfully rich theological truth, but also explore practical realities of adjustment and loving others from another culture.

## 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	June	\$27,389.46
Personnel	\$23,900.00	July	\$22,619.42
Ministries	\$6,532.00	August	\$42,887.05
		September	\$6,012.23
<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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TRINITY CHURCH  
PUERTO RICO

{ September 11, 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

*Man of Sorrows*

Brooke Ligertwood and Matt Crocker

## \*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

**10** I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. **11** Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. **12** I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. **13** I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

## Philippians 4:10-13

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 92:1-2)

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,  
to sing praises to your name, O Most High;  
**to declare your steadfast love in the morning,  
and your faithfulness by night,**

## \*Worship in Song

*His Mercy is More*

Matt Boswell, Matt Papa

*Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor*

Matt Boswell, Matt Papa

## \*Prayer of Adoration

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

## Contemplating the Faith (The New City Catechism)

Q44: What is baptism?

**Baptism is the washing with water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit;** it signifies and seals our adoption into Christ, our cleansing from sin, and our commitment to belong to the Lord and to his church.

*The bold words constitute the children's version of the New City Catechism.*

## Confession of Sin

Let us pray together:

**Most gracious and most merciful God, we confess to you and to one another that time after time we have entered your presence with countless prayers, but with hearts that have been closed to your grace. We have lifted our hands to you in praise, but our feet have still walked in the ways of evil. We have rehearsed your commandments but have refused to see your face in the needs of our neighbor. We pray, Lord, that you forgive our lack of faith and pardon our acts of injustice. Grant us the healing that comes from your presence and the cleansing of your all-powerful Word, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

*SILENT CONFESSIO*

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.

## \*Assurance of Pardon (Romans 6:20-23)

**20** For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. **21** But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. **22** But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. **23** For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

## 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.

## Old Testament Reading

**Habakkuk 3:17-19**

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.

**17** Though the fig tree should not blossom,  
nor fruit be on the vines,  
the produce of the olive fail  
and the fields yield no food,  
the flock be cut off from the fold  
and there be no herd in the stalls,  
**18** yet I will rejoice in the Lord;  
I will take joy in the God of my salvation.  
**19** God, the Lord, is my strength;  
he makes my feet like the deer's;  
he makes me tread on my high places.  
To the choirmaster: with stringed instruments.

## Prayer of Illumination

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