

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

### 7-UP

Kids ages 7-12 meet Sundays at 8:30a in order to learn what God says about who they are! Study books are provided, please contact meg@trinitypr.org for more information

### Fall Fest:

Church wide chili cook-off with pumpkin painting for kids. We'd love to have you join us at 5p on November 5th. Bring your friends!

### 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	\$15,732.31
<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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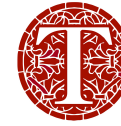
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TRINITY CHURCH  
PUERTO RICO

{ October 2, 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

*Blessed Be Your Name*

Matt Redman

## \*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

## 2 Samuel 6:1-11

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. **2** And David arose and went with all the people who were with him from Baale-judah to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the Lord of hosts who sits enthroned on the cherubim. **3** And they carried the ark of God on a new cart and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. And Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart, **4** with the ark of God, and Ahio went before the ark.

**5** And David and all the house of Israel were celebrating before the Lord, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals. **6** And when they came to the threshing floor of Nacon, Uzzah put out his hand to the ark of God and took hold of it, for the oxen stumbled. **7** And the anger of the Lord was kindled against Uzzah, and God struck him down there because of his error, and he died there beside the ark of God. **8** And David was angry because the Lord had broken out against Uzzah. And that place is called Perez-uzzah to this day. **9** And David was afraid of the Lord that day, and he said, "How can the ark of the Lord come to me?" **10** So David was not willing to take the ark of the Lord into the city of David. But David took it aside to the house of Obed-edom the Gittite. **11** And the ark of the Lord remained in the house of Obed-edom the Gittite three months, and the Lord blessed Obed-edom and all his household.

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 96:1-2)

Oh sing to the Lord a new song;  
**sing to the Lord, all the earth!**  
Sing to the Lord, bless his name;  
**tell of his salvation from day to day.**

## \*Worship in Song

*Better Is One Day*  
Matt Redman

*10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)*  
Matt Redman

## \*Prayer of Adoration

## Ministry Moment

*CREE Women's Care - Joe and Daisy Pardo*



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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:

**Merciful God, You made us in Your image, with minds to know You, hearts to love  
You, and wills to serve You. But our knowledge is imperfect, our love inconstant, and  
our obedience incomplete. We refuse to go where You lead us. We fail to grow into  
Your likeness. Have mercy upon us. Forgive us and free us from our sin. We ask in the  
gracious name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*SILENT CONFESSIO*

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 (1 John 1:5-7)

**5** This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light,  
and in him is no darkness at all. **6** If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk  
in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. **7** But if we walk in the light, as he is in  
the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses  
us from all sin.

Prayer is offered  
for the youngest  
of our  
congregation

## 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.

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.

## New Testament Reading

**John 15:12-17**

**12** "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. **13** Greater  
love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. **14** You are my  
friends if you do what I command you. **15** No longer do I call you servants, for the  
servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I  
have heard from my Father I have made known to you. **16** You did not choose me, but I  
chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should  
abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. **17** These  
things I command you, so that you will love one another.

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

## Prayer of Illumination