

Prelude

Greetings & Announcements

- *Indicates the congregation shall stand.*
- Today's hymns are found in the **Red** Hymnal*
- Have a prayer request? Feel free to hang it on the Church Tree or place it in an offering plate!*

***Call to Worship (based on Psalm 118:14-29)**

God of peace, we enter this holy room knowing the gospel's cornerstones of grace and mercy are often rejected in our world.

Yet we understand that rejection is not the end of the story.

We know that those we have come to know as the builders and the rulers of the world do not have the final word.

The Gospel of Grace is the Lord's doing.

Despite powers and principalities, despite the clamoring of meanness and cruelty,

this is the day that the Lord has made.

Grace is the ground upon which we walk.

Let us rejoice and be glad.

***Hymn of Welcome # 312** *Calvary Covers It All*

*Opening Prayer

In the midst of our overwhelming fear, Tender God, we do not expect to meet you. Yet you are here, among us, holding out your hands to us, breathing Spirit over us, showing us again and again that nothing can separate us from you. Surround us with your peace in this moment, Jesus; let our fears rest in you. Amen.

*Call to Confession

***Prayer of Confession (Unison) (based on John 20:19-31)**

Holy God, we have found ourselves in fear, locked in rooms of inaction and indecision, unclear where we are called or what we could offer. We have lost ourselves in anxiety so loud we have not heard your voice. We have not recognized you on the move in the world, wounds in your side and life in your lungs. We have believed in the finality of your death and assumed all is left to our own meager efforts. We have refused to see, so we might not have to believe the gospel and live our lives accordingly.

God of new life, restore hope throughout our bodies. Help us to breathe again. Strengthen us for the joy that is before us. Grant us eyes to see your beloved people all around us and ears to hear your good news through all the noise. Even as we have looked away, come to see us, call us forth from our locked rooms and bring us out to walk with you in the world you so love.

Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria Patri #579** *Glory Be to the Father*

*Passing the Peace and Greetings

Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

Holy God, we have come here for a word of life. As we seek you in your Word, meet us here. Grant us your wisdom and your hope.

Scripture **John 20:19-31** *Rev. Tony DeLucia*

Sermon Trust in Jesus...and Elvis

***Hymn of Response #386** *The Comforter Has Come*

***Affirmation of Faith (from A Brief Statement of Faith)**

We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.

*Call for the Offering

***Doxology #815** *Doxology*

***Prayer of Dedication (Unison)**

God of abundance, take these gifts, which were already yours, and use them to knit us closer to each other and closer to the world you so love. Amen.

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn of Sending #384** *Spirit Song*

Prayer Requests

Trinity Parish Presbyterian

- Brent McPherson - recovery and strength
- Peggy Bahnsen - shoulder recovery
- Shelly Reed - Safe travels
- Family of Norman Dale Wine
- Linger family
- Family of Jim O'Brian
- Brian - diagnosed with cancer
- The whole congregation to discern God's will and find our missions to the community.

From the Presbytery

- The family of Pope Francis
- Family of Duane Hetzer - passed from COVID complications.
- Brenda Dunlap - recent surgery
- Prayers for Israel and Palestine
- Prayers for Ukraine and Russia
- Jordan Quinn - recovering from emergency surgery.
- Wally Jancura - recent heart surgery and now in dialysis.
- Sheila Carpenter and her new hip.
- Ida Mae Cummins - knee surgery
- Robert Owens - kidney issues
- Rev. Homer Hardin - broke ankle in three places.
- Rev. Tim Wilt - heart issues.
- Sharon Rice - colon cancer surgery
- Carol Forsythe - diagnosed with lymphoma and has begun treatments
- Ivan Vale - cancer
- Continued prayers for the Chester community, our nation, and world

March Birthdays

Kim McPherson, 4/6

Cindy Monte, 4/6

Pastor Tony DeLucia, 4/11

Peggy Bahnsen 4/22

*Let us know when we can celebrate
your Birthday/Anniversary with you!!*

Upcoming Events:

Communion

May 4, 2025

Coffee Hour/ Mother's Day

May 11, 2025, after worship

Newell Community Dinner

May 31, 2025

Pulled Pork BBQ Sandwiches,

Baked Beans, Cole Slaw and

Desserts

*If interested in reading Scripture during
worship, please let Pastor Tony know!*

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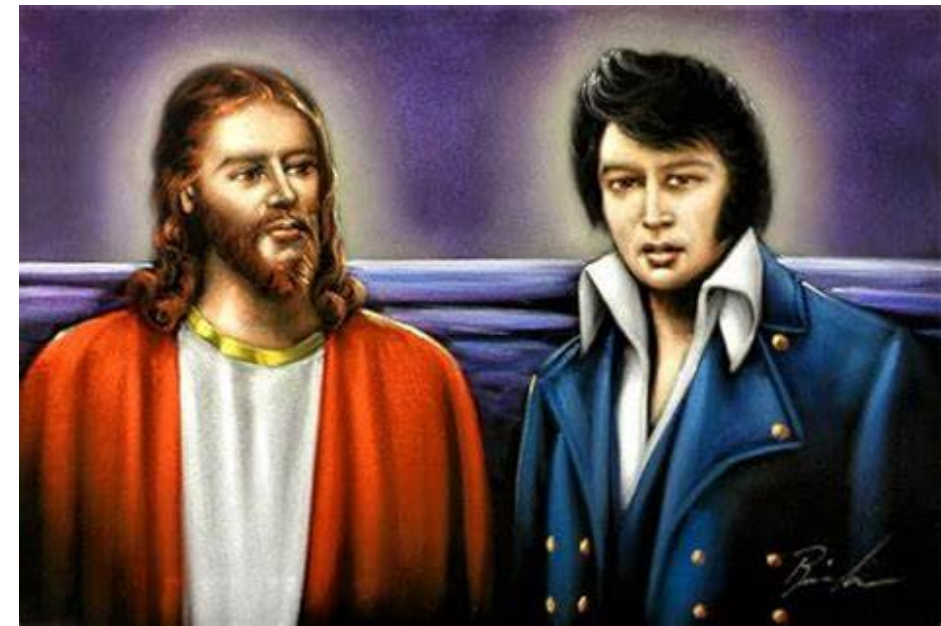
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***Charge and Benediction**

***Response to the Benediction #358** *Refrain from Because He Lives*

***Postlude**

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Velvet Jesus & Elvis, Rob Bell

Today's Scripture: John 20:19-31

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Sunday Worship

April 27, 2025

Worship 11 am



...the church with the yellow door

Rev. Tony DeLucia, Pastor