

Trinity Memorial Church

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9 a.m. **Liturgy**

WELCOME SONG

Please gather at the sound of the bell.

You are welcome in the name of the Lord,

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I can see all over you God's light is shining through,

You are welcome in the name of the Lord.

ENTERING THE TIME OF WORSHIP

Because the cross is the symbol of Jesus' resurrection among us, we follow the cross into worship together. We will light candles as a symbol of the light of Christ that shines from God to us and back to God from our hearts.

(at home: if you have a candle and/or a cross, have your child hold them as Rachel holds them up to begin)

SONG: *Rachel will sing a phrase, all repeat the phrase (in parentheses)*

This is the day (this is the day) that the Lord has made (that the Lord has made);

We will rejoice (we will rejoice) and be glad in it (and be glad in it).

all **This is the day that the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

This is the day (this is the day)

all **that the Lord has made.**

Repeat all with **This is the church ...**

OPENING PRAYER

One: Let us be ready for God and each other.

Many: We open our hearts; we open our hands.

One: God be with you.

Many: And also with you.

One: Jesus is here.

Many: In my head, in my heart, and all around me, Jesus is here. Amen

TELLING GOD'S STORY

We hear, act, and sing stories that help us learn the larger story of how God loves us and wants us to live.

AFFIRMING OUR FAITH

Many: We believe in God the Creator,

We believe in Jesus the Son,

We believe in God, Holy Spirit,

With us until our journey is done.

PRAYERS of gratitude, petition, strength and hope

We hold hearts in hands as we pray, joining our spirits with God's creation.

Thank you prayers: (Repeat after the leader:)

For our families, thank you God; for our friends, thank you God.

For our houses, thank you God; for food and clothes, thank you God.

For today, thank you God; for your love, thank you God.

Asking prayers

For the sick, hear our prayer; for the lonely, hear our prayer.

For our schools, hear our prayer; for our church, hear our prayer.

For Philadelphia hear our prayer; for the world, hear our prayer.

We place our prayer hearts and our financial offerings for the work of church in the community in God's care as we sing:

Amen, amen; amen, amen, amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Being reminded that all we have and all we are is from God,

We encourage children to sing this song that is also sung at the 10:30 service.

It is our hope that when they transition as a family to the next service they will find familiarity.

Many: We give you but your own, whate'er the gift may be;

All that we have is yours alone; we give it gratefully.

Now that we have been reminded that all the world gives thanks to God, we also pray the way that Jesus taught his friends. This version of the prayer is thought to eliminate some currently unused words and to introduce the concept of "kindom" as God's dream where all live together equally.

Many: Our Father (and Mother) in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kindom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kindom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

We sing our joy as we prepare to end our time of prayer together.

We will use various verses

Many: The whole world is in God's hands, the whole world is in God's hands,

the whole world is in God's hands, the whole world's in God's hands.

Everybody here is in God's hands ...

The plants and the animals are in God's hands ...

All the people everywhere are in God's hands ...

PRAYER

One: Let us pray.

Many: We thank you, God, for this life. We thank you that we are able to see each other and pray together today. Strengthen us to be your hands and feet in this world. And thank you for being with us always.

GOING OUT INTO THE WORLD

Whether we are in the space together or in our several spaces, we follow the cross into the world to live our faithfulness.

Many: We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, we are marching, Oh! We are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, we are marching, Oh! We are marching in the light of God.

Repeat with **We are singing in the light of God, ...**

One Go in peace to love and serve God in the world.

Many Thanks be to God.

We share news and updates about our church family.