

# **TRINITY CHURCH OF PORTLAND**

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## CALL TO WORSHIP

*\*Please stand as we hear the Call to Worship.*

*—Isaiah 52:7–10*

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, “Your God reigns.”

The voice of your watchmen—they lift up their voice; together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see the return of the Lord to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the Lord has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem.

The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

*\*Brief Prayer.*

## WE RESPOND IN CONFESSION

*In Response To: Galatians 3:1–3,; Hebrews 5:11–14,; 2 Timothy 1:8*

Father of mercies, you called us to yourself by the gospel of your Son.

We confess we have grown forgetful of that gospel.

You set us apart by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone.

Yet we have wandered into a faith fueled by performance, measured by progress, and shadowed by shame.

You announced your good news through the prophets and fulfilled it in your Son.

And we have treated that announcement as the kindergarten of our faith rather than its very architecture.

Forgive us, Lord, for trading the inexhaustible riches of Christ for the thin gruel of self-effort.

Forgive us for losing our eagerness, for cooling our affections, for forgetting that the gospel is not what we move past but what we move into.

Renew in us a hunger for the good news.

Make us, with Paul, eager to hear it, eager to share it, eager to grow deeper into it all our days. Amen.

## **SCRIPTURE RESPONSES**

Galatians 3:1-3

O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? It was before your eyes that Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified. Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing with faith? Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh?

Hebrews 5:11-14

About this we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing. For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic principles of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food... solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil.

2 Timothy 1:8

Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God.

## **GOD GRANTS US PARDON**

— Romans 5:1–2 Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

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**Thanks be to God.**

## **SERMON TEXT**

*—The 1st Chapter: Romans 1:1-17*

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## **COVENANT RENEWAL**

**Christian, what do you believe?**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

**Christian, what do you believe?**

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. 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.

**Christian, what do you believe?**

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the One, Holy, Christian and Apostolic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **BENEDICTION**

*—Romans 16:25–27*

Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith—to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen.

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**Thanks be to God.**