

## GOD CLEANSSES US FROM SIN

### CONFESSION OF SIN

**O promised Christ: We are a world at war. Our peace depends on your coming. We are a sinful people. Our pardon depends on your coming. We are full of good intentions but weak at keeping promises; our only hope of doing God's will is that you should come and help us do it. Lord Christ, Word made flesh, our world waits for your peace, for your pardon, and for your grace. Even so: come, Lord Jesus. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS Based on Isaiah 40:1-2

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Your sins are pardoned. The penalty is paid. Thanks be to God.

SONG OF RESPONSE Once in Royal David's City  
Trinity Hymnal 225

## GOD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Westminster Confession of Faith VIII:3-4  
Trinity Hymnal 853

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING Malachi 3:1-4  
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This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

† PSALM Zechariah's Song - Benedictus

**Blessed be the God of Israel, who comes to set us free; he visits and redeems us, he grants us liberty. The prophets spoke of mercy, of freedom, and the release; God shall fulfill his promise and bring his people peace.**

**He, from the house of David, a child of grace has given; a Savior comes among us to raise us up to heaven. Before him goes his herald, forerunner in the way, the prophet of salvation, the harbinger of day.**

**On prisoners of darkness, the sun begins to rise, the dawning of forgiveness upon the sinner's eyes. He guides the feet of the pilgrims along the path of peace. O bless our God and Savior with songs that never cease.**

Words: Michael A. Perry (b. 1942), para. of *The Song of Zechariah*.

DISMISSAL Children (Age 3 through Grade 2) to Children's Church

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING Luke 3:1-6  
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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### OFFERING

### General Fund

Please place Welcome Card in the Offering Plate

OFFERTORY SONG Tell Me the Story of Jesus  
Trinity Hymnal 234

† SCRIPTURE TEXT Psalm 85  
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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SERMON Revive Us Again  
Rev. Scott Simmons

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## GOD COMMUNES WITH US

† SONG It Came Upon the Midnight Clear  
Trinity Hymnal 200

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION  
Gluten-free bread (clear-colored cups). Grape juice (in grape-colored cups) in outer ring of tray;  
wine (clear-colored cups) in inner rings of tray.

## GOD COMMISSIONS US TO SERVICE

† CLOSING SONG El-Shaddai  
Trinity Hymnal 42

† OFFERING Benevolence Fund

† BENEDICTION

† DISMISSAL SONG Threefold Amen  
Trinity Hymnal 740

Children, ages 3 to Fifth Grade, are dismissed to Children's Church in Room 20.  
Nursery care is provided in Room 13, across from the Ladies' Restroom, during the Worship Service.  
Parents: Please pick up your children at 11:45 a.m. (except on Communion Sunday or when there is a lunch following Worship Service, when they will return to you during the closing song).  
Parents: For the safety of your children, please accompany them to the bathrooms and the "Meet & Greet Café".  
Please silence all communication devices.  
Please refrain from applause and flash photography during the Worship Service.  
Please refrain from eating or drinking during the Worship Service.  
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**Visitors: Please visit the Welcome Center in the narthex for a free book and information about the church.**

### Announcements:

#### Treasurer's Corner as of 11/28/21

Fiscal YTD	Actual	Budget	Variance
<b>General Fund</b>	\$116,115.51	\$119,531.18	(\$3,415.67)
Giving General fund fiscal year is August 1 to July 31			
<b>Missions Fund</b>	\$33,186.80	\$38,000.00	(\$4,813.20)
Giving Missions Fund fiscal year is March 1 to February 28			

(Unaudited figures —for internal use only.)

December Trumpet is available in the narthex.

### WINTER GRADUATES

We want to recognize our graduates for their outstanding accomplishment. Please write graduate information on your welcome card or contact Melissa Bayley (813-973-2484, office@tbpc.org) with the name, degree, and institution of our graduates.

### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Sign up and get your book. Join us for a DVD series on the Book of Revelation that will help us more fully embrace the "Blessed Hope" we have in Jesus. Weekly meetings begin 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, January 3 (Zoom only), and 10:00 a.m. - noon Tuesday morning, January 4 (in person and Zoom). Books are available now for \$20. Or if you prefer, order an emailed version for \$10. Barb Hess and/or Debbie Jordan will be handling book sales and orders in the narthex on Sundays. Nursery is available on Tuesdays. Additional details are on the insert in your bulletin.

### END-OF-YEAR DONATIONS

Each year we offer an area for end-of-year gifts to be designated through TBPC. The Session and Diaconate are pleased to announce that all year-end gifts will benefit Youth Pastor/Director. Please make checks payable to TBPC (notate on the memo line "Year End Gift") and be sure to date checks no later than December 31, 2021. Should you have any questions, please see an elder or deacon. Thank you for prayerfully considering giving to the youth pastor/director position with your end-of-year donation. Thank you!

### TODAY

#### THE LORD'S SUPPER

We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper today in remembrance of Christ, to proclaim the Lord's death until he comes, and to be spiritually revived and strengthened in our faith. Children's Church children will return to parents during the song prior to communion. A Deacons' Offering for the Benevolence Fund will follow the Communion Service.

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children ages 3 through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will be dismissed for Children's Church during the singing of the Psalm and then will return to their parents during the song following the sermon. All children in grades 3 – 5 will remain in the service.

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12

#### 12:30 P.M.: EMPTYNESTERS' LUNCH

Please join the Emptynesters' for lunch at Senor Tequila Mexican Grill (1640 Bruce B Downs) Please write "EN" on your Welcome Card or RSVP to Alisa Carrier by Friday, December 10 (jastod9291@yahoo.com or 813-600-0209) if you would like to attend.

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 13

#### 7:00 P.M.: THE MESSIAH!

This worshipful, beloved oratorio of George Frederick Handel is a delightful and meaningful way to celebrate the Incarnation of Christ our Messiah. Would you like to join a group to ride or to meet at the Palm Ceia Presbyterian Church in Tampa? Then, write "Messiah" on your Welcome Card, please note your name(s), whether you can drive, and whether you would like to have a creative, delicious bite to eat in advance at Datz near the church. For more details, call/text Eileen Fritz (813-731-0457).

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

#### 5:00 P.M.: CHRISTMAS CAROLING!

This wonderful TBPC tradition blesses the carolers and those they sing to. Kids of all ages and singing ability are very welcome! Join us at the church at 5:00 p.m. for caroling to TBPC friends. Afterwards, join us for finger foods. Please mark your Welcome Card with "Caroling" and the names of carolers coming with you and whether you can drive or play the most familiar carols on your guitar. For more details, call/text Eileen Fritz at (813) 731-0457.

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24**

7:00 P.M.: CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Please use the invitation card in the bulletin, or in the narthex, to invite friends and family to participate in our *Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols*.

**SATURDAY JANUARY 8**

9:00 A.M.: TAKING DOWN THE

GREENS:

All hands will be greatly appreciated to help with taking the tree and garlands down. Especially the "ladder climbers" will be a great help!

2:00 P.M.: BABY SHOWER FOR TONI

CACIOPPO

All women are invited! Please see insert in today's bulletin. RSVP to Rachel Contrata (813-838-1258) or write "Shower" on your Welcome card.

**SERMON NOTES:**

**Welcome**

We are glad you are worshiping with us today. Please sign the Welcome Card located in the holder on the back of each chair. Also, let us know how we can pray for you by filling out the prayer request section of the card, and placing it in the offering plate, or handing it to an usher. Check the box "Include in Intercessor" to have your prayer included in our prayer newsletter, which will be available at the Welcome Center and online.

Tampa Bay Presbyterian Church is a member of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA).

Our Mission is to bring people to Jesus Christ and membership in his church family, develop them to Christlike maturity, equip them for their ministry in the church and life mission in the world, in order to magnify God's name.

**Staff**

Pastor .....Rev. Freddy Fritz  
Office Administrator .....Melissa Bayley  
NTCA Director..... Ashleigh Kemp  
Custodian ..... Holly Mickler  
Nursery ..... Abigail Vincent  
Bookkeeper ..... Bob Morrison  
Music Director ..... Yanet Ortiz  
Pianist..... Yanet Ortiz  
Office Assistant ..... LeeAnn DeStefano  
Youth ..... Bert Barber/Cole Busby  
Children's Ministry ..... Ashleigh Kemp  
Intern..... Jason Knecht

**Session**

Todd Bayley  
Freddy Fritz (Moderator)  
Ed Jordan (Clerk of Session)  
Rich Thompson  
  
Bert Barber (Emeritus)  
Joe Kirkpatrick (Emeritus)  
Ken Pothoven (Emeritus)

**Diaconate**

David Cross  
Jonathan Massie

**Missionaries**

Nathaniel & Cherita Adawonu .....NHMI  
Chaplain James Cochell.....PRCC  
Peter and Lauren Dishman ..... RUF/MTW  
Esaie & Natacha Etienne..... MTW  
Susan Newkirk ..... MTW  
Aldo & Abigail Mondin..... RUF/USF  
Ken & Tammy Matlack..... MTW  
Rene & Lilli Palacio .....SIM  
Carla Stevens ..... MTW

**Meeting Times**

**Today:**

9:15 a.m. Show Me Jesus SG (Rooms 21 & 23)  
Youth Sunday School (Room 1)  
Thompson Adult Bible Fellowship (Room 8)  
Jordan Adult Bible Fellowship (Room 4)  
Leadership Class (Pastor's study)

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service.

**Tuesday:**

6:30 p.m. Alzheimer's Support Group (Zoom)  
7:30 p.m. Missions Team Meeting

**Wednesday:**

5:30 p.m. ESL: Intermediate Class (Zoom)  
7:00 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal

**Thursday:**

10:00 a.m. ESL: Advanced Class (Kitchen Overflow)  
10:00 a.m. ESL: Beginner Class (Youth Room & Zoom)  
10:30 a.m. ESL: Beginner Class (Room 1)  
6:30 p.m. ESL: Beginner Class (Zoom)

**Friday:**

10:00 a.m. ESL: Intermediate Class (Zoom)  
8:00 p.m. Carolwood Player Theatre

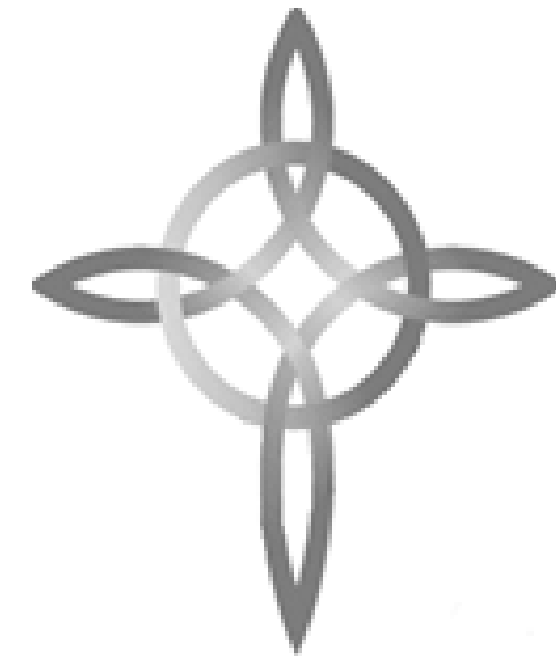
**Saturday:**

8:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast

**Sunday:**

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Youth Sunday School (Room 1)  
Thompson Adult Bible Fellowship (Room 8)  
Jordan Adult Bible Fellowship (Room 4)  
Leadership Class (Pastor's study)

10:45 a.m. Morning Worship Service  
12:30 p.m. Emptynesters' Lunch



**Tampa Bay Presbyterian Church**

Sunday, December 5, 2021 at 10:45 a.m.  
Today's Worship Leader: Freddy Fritz

**Morning Worship Service**

† Please stand as you are able

PRELUDE Instrumental

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Please sign Welcome Card

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

**GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Prepare the way of the Lord. We light this candle in love, the love that Jesus, our Savior, has for us.

**Prepare, then, the way of the Lord.**

† OPENING SONG

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus  
Trinity Hymnal 196

† PRAYER OF ADORATION

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<https://faithlife.com/tbpca/give>

Text to Give:  
813-492-4698

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**Ministry Teams**

<b>Membership</b> Emptynesters Hospitality Nursery The Workshop Ministry Prayer	<b>Maturity</b> Adult Bible Fellowship Children's Ministry Men's Bible Study Men's Ministry Women's Bible Study Women's Ministry Youth	<b>Ministry</b> Ministry Deployment  <b>Missions</b> Church Planting Missions Committee NTCA	<b>Magnification</b> Worship Service Music Ministry Greeters Ushers
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**This Week's Volunteers**

**Welcome Center**  
David and Karen Cross  
**Ushers**  
Jennifer Schumm, Alan Polasky,  
and Tom Moore  
**Children's Church**  
Kristine Wyss and Caleb Massie

**Nursery**  
Abigail and Nathan Vincent  
**Sound Board**  
TBD  
**Deacon on Duty**  
David Cross

**Next Week's Volunteers**

**Welcome Center**  
Rod and Andrea Proctor  
**Ushers**  
Barb Hess, Martine Extermann,  
and Richard Hunter  
**Children's Church**  
Ashleigh Kemp, David Otero  
and Andrew Otero

**Nursery**  
Carey Springer and Jennifer Isaac  
**Sound Board**  
TBD  
**Deacon on Duty**  
David Cross

