

# *Trinity Church*



*12th Sunday of Pentecost  
The Lord's Day  
August 31, 2025*

# THE LORD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM

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## **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Preparation for Worship**

Isaiah 40:10-11 Behold, the Lord God shall come with a strong hand, and His arm shall rule for Him; behold, His reward is with Him, and His work before Him. He will feed His flock like a shepherd; He will gather the lambs with His arm, and carry them in His bosom, and gently lead those who are with young.

### **Salutation**

Minister: Grace to you and peace, in the name of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. The Lord be with you!

**Congregation: And also with you!**

### **\*Call to Worship**

Psalm 19:1-4

### **\*Prayer of Praise**

\*Sing #323 Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

### **\*Confession of Sin**

Minister: Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity.

**Congregation: And in whose Spirit there is no deceit.**

Minister: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

**Congregation: And You forgave the guilt of my sin.**

**Unison: O Lord our God, we come to You as Your sons and servants, grateful for the redemption that is ours in Jesus Christ, and yet aware of our continuing need of Your grace. We confess that we have sinned against You. We have broken Your commandments. We have fallen short of Your glory. We have not loved You with all our heart, mind, soul and strength. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We were born in sin and have continued to sin. We acknowledge our guilt. We rightly fall under Your curse and judgment. Blot out our transgressions, wash us from our iniquities, deliver us from bloodguiltiness. Forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

*Pause here for silent prayer.*

### **\*Our Assurance of Pardon**

I John 1:8-9

**\*Pass the Peace**

We affirm the forgiveness of Christ by saying,  
“The peace of Christ to you!” “And also to you!”

\*Sing #119 O Lord, My God, Most Earnestly

**THE LORD CONSECRATES US WITH HIS WORD**

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**\*Psalm Reading**

Psalm 126:1-6 NKJV

When the LORD brought back the captivity of Zion,

**We were like those who dream.**

Then our mouth was filled with laughter,

**And our tongue with singing.**

Then they said among the nations,

**“The LORD has done great things for them.”**

The LORD has done great things for us,

**And we are glad.**

Bring back our captivity, O LORD,

**As the streams in the South.**

Those who sow in tears

**Shall reap in joy.**

He who continually goes forth weeping,

Bearing seed for sowing,

**Shall doubtless come again with rejoicing,**

**Bringing his sheaves with him. Amen.**

**\*Old Testament:**

Psalm 27:1-5

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**\*New Testament:**

Philippians 4:4-9

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**\*Gospel:**

John 10:7-11

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

\*Sing #735: Gloria Patri

**\*Sermon Text:**

Ecclesiastes 11

**Title:**

“Faithful Sowers Rejoice!”

Elder Ewing Sharp

## SERMON NOTES: Ecclesiastes 11

- I. A call to action: 11:1-2
- II. Rains come, cold winds blow, trees fall down. 11:3-4
- III. Different strengths and providential opportunities. 11:5
- IV. Sowing day and night. 11:6
- V. Sweet light. 11:7
- VI. Enjoy your youth, you're all young to someone. 11:8-9
- VII. Honesty, not despair. Do all that is in your heart.  
11:10, I Samuel 14:7

## **Tithes and Offerings**

\*Sing #734: Doxology

*We lift our hearts, voices and hands in praise to God*

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

\*Sing #725: The Lord's Prayer

# THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US

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## **We Confess Our Faith**

### **\*The Nicene Creed**

Minister: Christian, in Whom and what do you believe?

**Congregation:**

**I believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible, and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who, for us men, and for our salvation, came down from Heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the virgin, Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into Heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the Prophets.**

**And I believe in one holy \*catholic and apostolic Church; I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

\*the word "catholic" means universal, not Roman Catholic

## **The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

\*Sing #723: Sanctus

### **Christ Feeds us the Bread**

Sing #461 Amazing Grace!  
(with the passing of the bread)

### **We Drink the Wine of New Covenant**

Sing #387 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah  
(with the passing of the wine)

\*Sing #731: Song of Simeon

### **\*Prayer of Intercession**

Minister: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!

**Congregation: And His mercy endures forever!**

\*Sing #250 Blest the Man That Fears Jehovah

## **THE LORD COMMISSIONS US**

Matthew 28:18-20

**\*The Benediction**

**\*Three-fold Amen**

*\*Please stand*

Ecclesiastes 11:4

He who observes the wind will not sow, and he who regards  
the clouds will not reap.



Ecclesiastes 11:6

In the morning sow your seed, and in the evening do not  
withhold your hand; for you do not know which will prosper,  
either this or that, or whether both alike will be good.

## Upcoming Events:

- September 22-23 Fall Presbytery in Wichita, KS
- October 25 Reformation Festival at the Luker Homestead



### Music for Next Sunday:

- #334 Come, Christians, Join to Sing
- #386 Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word
- #403 Our God, Our Help in Ages Past
- #395 Trust and Obey
- #518 I Bind Unto Myself Today

### *Communion*

The Lord's Supper is observed during the worship service each Lord's Day at Trinity Church. Because Jesus served wine, so do we. You are invited to the table if you are a baptized disciple of Jesus Christ. By eating the bread and drinking the cup you acknowledge that you are a sinner, without hope, save in the Lord's sovereign mercy, and that you are trusting in the Lord Jesus alone for salvation.

### *Children*

Because the Lord delights in the worship of little children no less than adults (Psalm 22:10, Matthew 21:16), we encourage the participation of God's people of all ages in worship. If you do need to take your child out of the service, you are welcome to use the nursery room area.

### *Doctrinal Statement*

Trinity Church uses the Three Forms of Unity: The Belgic Confession, The Canons of Dort, and the Heidelberg Catechism as a doctrinal statement, subordinate in all ways to the Word of God.

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