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October 19, 2025

Honor God.
Welcome All.
Embody Christ's Reign.

What to expect this morning at Trinity Presbyterian Church

Welcome

Whether this is your first time at Trinity or you have been coming for a while, we are so glad you are here. Trinity Presbyterian Church is a church filled with sinners who have been saved and are being made new by the grace of Jesus Christ. We believe that every human being, including you, has been created by God to glorify him and enjoy him forever - and that purpose finds its fulfillment in worship. Whether you are a committed Christian or just exploring the Christian faith, we invite you to join us in worshipping God this morning.

You should see a Connect Card in one of the seat backs in front of you. We would love for you to fill out a card so we can get to know you better and give you more information about Trinity. You can drop your Connect Card in the offering plate when it comes by about 30 minutes into the service, or you can fill it out online by scanning the QR code.

We have provided some answers to questions about Children's Ministry and Christian Education in the right column, but you can also feel free to ask the person sitting next to you or one of the Deacons in the lobby (you'll recognize them by their name tags) if you have any further questions. If you think of some questions later, feel free to email our church administrator Bob Alley at admin@trinitymboro.com.

We pray you are encouraged by the Gospel of Jesus as you worship with us this morning!

With Joy,



Mitchell Carter, Senior Pastor

Children at Trinity

Children of all ages are welcome in our worship service. We believe that Jesus welcomes even the little children to come to him. Though their worship and engagement will look different as they grow, we are glad for them to begin learning now.

We also recognize that there may be times when they need a break from the larger gathering. For that we have the following options:

Nursery

Birth - Pre K

Overflow Room

A room with video feed of the service for anyone who might need a break from the larger gathering.

Nursing Mother's Room

Just outside the sanctuary double doors, immediately to your left.

Christian Education (CE)

(after worship)

Children (Infant - 6th grade) meet from 11:10 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. Infant-4th grade meet in the children's hallway and 5th-6th grades meet in room 201 in the youth wing.

Youth (7th-12th grade) meet in the youth wing from 11:20 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. and are taught by Pastor Ryan Hudson.

Adults (older than high school) meet in the sanctuary from 11:20 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. and are taught by Pastor Mitchell Carter or one of our ruling elders.

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

October 19, 2025

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers a welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Entering God's Presence

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship** Rev. Mitchell Carter

Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen!

Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings! Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

For the word of the LORD is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD. By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, and by the breath of his mouth all their host.

The LORD looks down from heaven; he sees all the children of man; from where he sits enthroned he looks out on all the inhabitants of the earth, he who fashions the hearts of them all and observes all their deeds. Behold, the eye of the LORD is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love, that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.

Our soul waits for the LORD; he is our help and our shield. For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.
From Psalm 33

***Prayer of Adoration**

*The Congregation stands

Regular text = Pastor; **Bold text = Congregation**

***Hymn of Adoration.....** “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

The musical score is written for a two-part setting in G major (one sharp) and 3/2 time. The first system consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 3/2 time signature. The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes. The bass staff begins with a bass clef, the same key signature, and time signature, providing a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. The lyrics are printed below the first system. The second system also consists of a treble and bass staff, continuing the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics for the second system are printed below the treble staff. The score concludes with a double bar line.

O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my great Re - deem - er's praise,
My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim,
Je - sus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sor - rows cease;
He breaks the pow'r of reign - ing sin, he sets the pris - 'ner free;
He speaks and, lis - t'ning to His voice, new life the dead re - ceive;
Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb, your loo - sen'd tongues em - ploy;

the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of His grace.
to spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of Thy name.
'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
His blood can make the foul - est clean, His blood a - vailed for me.
the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice; the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
ye blind, be - hold your Sa - vior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy.

Words: Charles Wesley (1739); Music: Carl G. Gläser (1784-1829); Arr.: Lowell Mason (1839).

Confession of Sin..... Rev. Ryan Hudson

Let us now confess our sins together:

Merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed the desires and impulses of our own hearts and have broken your holy laws. You have called us to devotion in prayer and the Word, and we have sat in apathy. You have called us to care and diligence in loving others, and we have been negligent. You have called us to love and gentleness with our brothers and sisters, and we have lashed out in anger.

Yet we pray, Father, have mercy on us sinners. Forgive us for our many sins, because of Jesus your Son. Give us the help you have promised by your Holy Spirit—to walk in your ways and follow after you. Give us the endurance we need to be faithful to you until we behold Jesus in glory, for the sake of his holy name. Amen.

Silent Confession

Song of Confession.....“Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God (vs. 1)”



Ho - ly Spi - rit, li - ving breath of God, breathe new life in - to my wil - ling soul.



Bring the pre - sence of the ri - sen Lord to re - new my heart and make me whole.



Cause your Word to come a - live in me. Give me faith for what I can - not see.



Give me pas - sion for your pu - ri - ty. Ho - ly Spi - rit, breathe new life in me.

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***Assurance of Pardon & Comfort**

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

Psalm 103:8-12

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, new creation! The old has passed away, behold, the new has come!

From 2 Corinthians 5:17

***Extending God's Welcome of Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

At this time we greet those around us by saying "The peace of Christ be with you." This reminds us that the peace and forgiveness we have been freely given by Jesus also enable us to extend peace and forgiveness to others.

*Song of Renewal..... "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus"



O the___ deep, deep love of___ Je - sus, vast, un - meas - ured, bound - less, free!
 O the___ deep, deep love of___ Je - sus! Spread his___ praise from shore to shore.
 O the___ deep, deep love of___ Je - sus, love of___ ev' - ry love the best!



Roll - ling___ as a might - y___ o - cean in its___ full - ness o - ver me.
 How he___ lov - eth, e - ver___ lov - eth, chang - eth___ nev - er, nev - er - more.
 'Tis an___ o - cean vast of___ bless - ing, 'tis a___ ha - ven sweet of rest.



Un - der - neath me, all a - round me is the___ cur - rent of thy___ love;
 How he___ watch - es o'er his___ loved ones, died to___ call them all his___ own;
 O the___ deep, deep love of___ Je - sus, 'tis a___ heav'n of heav'ns to___ me;



lead - ing___ on - ward, lead - ing___ home - ward to Thy___ glor - ious rest___ a - bove.
 how for___ them he in - ter - ce - deth, watch - eth___ o'er them from the throne.
 and it___ lifts me up to___ glo - ry for it___ lifts me up to Thee.

Words: Samuel T. Francis (1834-1925); Music: Thomas John Williams (1890).

Committing to God's Kingdom

***Confession of Faith**

Christian, in whom do we believe?

**We believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**We 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;
he descended into hell.
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.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic¹ church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Apostles' Creed

Kingdom ReadingRon Phillips

Old Testament Reading - Psalm 121

A SONG OF ASCENTS.

¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills.

From where does my help come?

² My help comes from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.

³ He will not let your foot be moved;
he who keeps you will not slumber.

⁴ Behold, he who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.

⁵ The LORD is your keeper;
the LORD is your shade on your right hand.
⁶ The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.
⁷ The LORD will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.
⁸ The LORD will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and forevermore.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

New Testament Reading - Luke 18:1-8

¹ And he told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart.
² He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man.
³ And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.' ⁴ For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor respect man, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.'" ⁶ And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge says. ⁷ And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? ⁸ I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

This is the glorious gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!
Glory be to you, Lord Christ!

Prayer of Intercession (followed by a time of silent prayer) Phil Newman

Common Prayer

Let us now join our voices together praying:

Holy God, whose providence is never deceived—we humbly ask that you would put away from us all hurtful things and give those things which are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Kingdom Giving & Song of Meditation..... "How Firm a Foundation"

1. How firm a found - a - tion, you saints of the Lord
 2. "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dis - mayed,
 3. "When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go,
 4. "When through fie - ry tri - als your path - way shall lie,
 5. "The soul that on Je - sus has leaned for re - pose,

is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!
 for I am your God and will still give you aid;
 the ri - vers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;
 My grace all suf - fi - cient shall be your sup - ply;
 I will not, I will not de - sert to his foes;

What more can He say than to you He has said,
 I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand
 for I will be with you, your trou - bles to bless,
 the flame shall not hurt you, I on - ly de - sign
 that soul, though all hell should en - dea - vor to shake,

to you, who for re - fuge to Je - sus have fled?
 up - held by My right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand."
 and sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress."
 your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine."
 I'll ne - ver, no ne - ver, no ne - ver for - sake."

Words: from Rippon's *A Selection of Hymns* (1787);

Music: Traditional American melody, from J. Funk's *A Compilation of Genuine Church Music* (1832).

*Doxology

Listening to God's Word

“Set Your Mind on Things Above”

Colossians 3:1-4

Rev. Mitchell Carter

Sermon Series: Colossians: Christ Is All

¹ If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Feasting at God's Table

Holy Communion

Trinity Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who are willing to forsake their sins and trust in Jesus for salvation, and who are members in good standing of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, to receive Holy Communion with us. Baptized covenant children who have not made profession of faith before the elders should abstain from communion until they are received as communing members by the Session. TPC serves wine and grape juice for communion. The clear cups contain wine and the purple cups contain grape juice. The communion bread in the purple cups is gluten free. Please hold your cups and we will take them all together.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is indeed good, right, and our delight that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we praise and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising You and singing. . .



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry.



Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est!



Bless-ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

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Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Response of the People

Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us!

Hallelujah!

Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Hallelujah!

And now Our Holy Master, that with boldness and without condemnation, we dare to call upon You, the Heavenly God, as our Father, and to say. . .

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The holy gifts of God for the holy people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith and with thanksgiving. Let us partake of the feast!

Song of Communion



1. How sweet— the name of Je - sus sounds in a be - liev - er's ear!—
2. It makes the wound-ed spi - rit whole, it calms the trou - bled breast;
3. Dear Name! the Rock on which I build, my shield and hi - ding place,
4. Je - sus,— my Shep - herd, Bro - ther, Friend, my Pro - phet, Priest, and King,
5. Weak is— the ef - fort of— my heart, and cold my warm - est thought;
6. 'Til then— I would Thy love— pro-claim with e - v'ry fleet - ing breath;

Tag. How sweet_ the name of Je - sus sounds in a be - liev - er's ear!_____



It soothes his sor - rows, heals___ his wounds, and drives a - way___ his fear.___
'tis man - na to___ the hun - gry soul, and to the wea - ry rest.___
my ne - ver fail - ing trea - s'ry filled with bound - less stores of grace.___
my Lord, my Life,___ my Way___ my End, ac - cept the praise I bring.___
but when I see___ Thee as___ Thou art,___ I'll praise Thee as___ I ought.
and may the mu - sic of___ Thy name re - fresh my soul___ in death.
It soothes his sor - rows, heals___ his wounds, and drives a - way___ his fear.___

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Going Out With God's Blessing

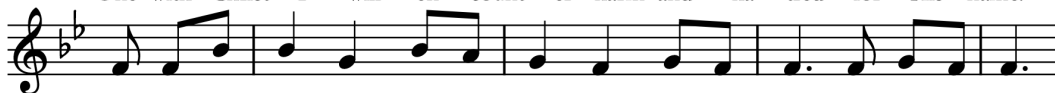
*Song of Sending.....“Christ Is Mine Forevermore”



1. Mine are days that God has num - bered; I was made to walk with Him.
2. Mine are tears in times of sor - row; dark - ness not yet un - der - stood.
3. Mine are days here as a strang - er, pil - grim on a nar - row way.



Yet, I look for world - ly trea - sure and for - sake the King of Kings.
Through the val - ley I must trav - el where I see no earth - ly good.
One with Christ I will en - count - er harm and ha - tred for His name.



But mine is hope in my Re - deem - er; though I fall, His love is sure.
But mine is peace that flows from hea - ven, and the strength in times of need.
But mine is ar - mor for this bat - tle, strong e - nough to last the war.
Tag: And mine are keys to Zi - on ci - ty, where be - side the King I'll walk,



*3rd time to Tag
4th time to Bridge*

For Christ has paid for ev' - ry fail - ing; I am His for - ev - er - more.
I know my pain will not be wast - ed; Christ com - pletes His work in me.
And He has said He will de - li - ver safe - ly to the gold - en shore.
for there my heart has found its trea - sure; Christ is mine for - ev - er - more.

Bridge, 2 times



Come, re - joice now, O my soul, For His love is my re - ward. Fear is



2nd time to Tag

gone and hope is sure: Christ is mine for - ev - er more!

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***The Sending**

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

Colossians 3:1-3

With the Lord's help we will do this.

***Benediction**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God the Father and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

From 2 Corinthians 13:14

Amen!

***Postlude**

Musician: Jonathan Oldham

Song Leaders: Tony DiPiero, Kimberly and Laura Robertson

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, October 19	Christian Education Children 11:10 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. Adults & Youth 11:20 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. Trinity Choir Practice 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. Dance at the Kirk 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Monday, October 20	Women's Bible Study not meeting
Tuesday, October 21	Men's Fellowship & Study 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 22	Midweek Gathering 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. TYG 5:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 23	Women's Bible Study 9:45 - 11:30 a.m. ELC 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Friday, October 24	Fall Men's Retreat 5:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events

Dance at the Kirk | Tonight | 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Trinity's annual "Dance at the Kirk" is coming up on Sunday, October 19th, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. If you're new to Trinity, "kirk" is the old Scottish name for a church and a nod to our Scottish Presbyterian heritage. We'll have a live bluegrass band, dancing, barbecue, a bonfire, games, and activities for the kids! The church is providing all the food, so come on out and join the fun. (Don your kilt if you have one!) All ages are welcome! .

Fall Men's Retreat | October 24 - 25

This year's speaker is Step Morgan, Pastor at Grace PCA in Cookeville. His discussions will be focused on *Faith, Hope, and Love as a Framework for Discipleship*.

Arrival time is 5:00 p.m. at Paul Vitolin's (863 Flatwoods Rd, Lebanon, TN 37090). Dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. with a discussion time from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. You can camp over or go home to sleep and come back in the morning. Saturday morning breakfast is at 8:00 a.m. with discussion times at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (with fellowship times in between). We will close around noon but you may stay around and fellowship for a while afterward if you wish.

Community Reformation Service at Covenant Pres in Nashville | October 26 | 5:00 p.m.

Covenant Presbyterian Church in Nashville is hosting a Community Reformation Service on Sunday, October 26th at 5 p.m. Pastors and choirs from PCA sister churches in the Nashville area (including some from Trinity) will join together, as we worship God and celebrate the restoration and spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Please join us in this celebration if you are able. The address is 33 Burton Hills Blvd., Nashville, TN 37215.

Diapers and Wipes Drop Off | October 26

We are celebrating the birth of Olivia and Charlotte Buker born to Dan and Sarah on Sept. 23! Gifts of diapers and wipes can be dropped off at a designated table in the narthex/lobby on that Sunday. Any wipes and diapers size 1 or above will do!

Upcoming Preaching Schedule

Today, we will hear from Colossians 3:1-4. In the coming weeks, we will hear from Colossians 3:5-11 (Oct. 26), Colossians 3:12-17 (Nov. 2), and Colossians 3:18-21 (Nov. 9). Reading the Scripture passage before you hear it preached is a great way to prepare your mind and heart to receive God’s word each week..

Service Opportunities

ESL Ministry at Trinity – Volunteers Needed

Sure to put a smile on your face! Volunteer with the ESL ministry! English Language Classes meet weekly on Thursday evenings. Service opportunities at ELC include front desk greeter and snack. We need volunteers in both areas. Sign-up in the E-News or at the information table. For questions, contact Melodie at elc@trinitymboro.com.

Volunteers for Children’s Midweek Gatherings | 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

We want to offer nursery for ages 0-3 and have Children’s Hall Hosts that assist as needed and music helper (no music skill required). If you are a member of TPC or have been a regular attendee for 6 months+ and would like to serve in these areas, please contact Sherry Nowlin at children@trinitymboro.com. One can sign up for a single or multiple evenings. A background check and online video child safety training will need to be completed.

2025 Giving	Actual YTD	Budgeted YTD	2025 Budget	% of Budget
Tithes & Offerings	\$526,837.15	\$541,666.70	\$662,750.00	79.49%
Operating Expenses	\$519,627.86	\$501,577.90	\$601,893.78	86.33%

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