# TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN (PCA) · MURFREESBORO



August 17, 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

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#### 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

August 17, 2025 Tenth 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

Our help is in the name of the LORD!

#### For he is the Maker of heaven and earth!

The LORD says, "Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price."

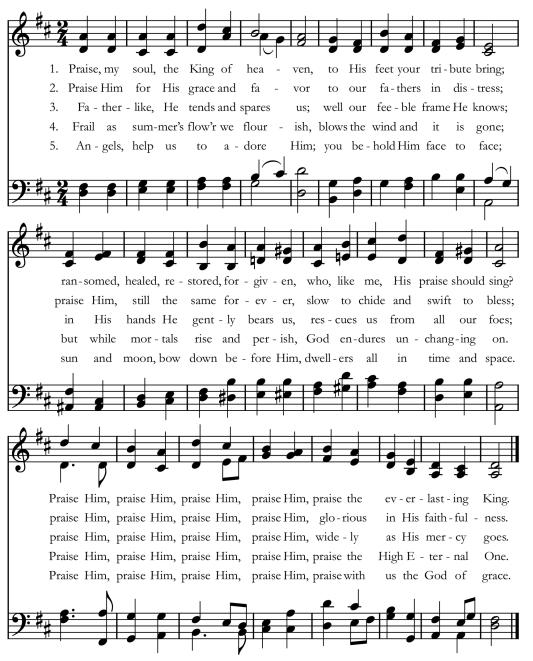
"Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?"

"Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live." From Isaiah 55:1-3

## \*Prayer of Adoration

<sup>\*</sup>The Congregation stands

\*Hymn of Adoration....."Praise My Soul the King of Heaven"



Words: from Psalm 103, adapted by Henry F. Lyte (1834); Music: John Goss (1869)

Let us now confess our sins together:

Holy Father, we confess that we have sinned against you by rejecting your ways and following our own ways. Instead of trusting you as God, we want to be our own gods. And so, we have not worshipped you rightly; we have failed to honor authority; we have hated others; we have lusted after that which is not ours; we have stolen, lied, and coveted.

Merciful Lord, we beg your forgiveness, not for our goodness or remorse, but for your mercy and the sacrifice of Jesus. And we ask that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, you would help us to see your law as beautiful and our sin as detestable. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

#### Silent Confession





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



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

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Romans 8:1

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.



Words: Edward Mote (1834); Music: William B. Bradbury (1863).

# Committing to God's Kingdom

#### \*Confession of Faith

Christian, in whom do we believe?

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth,

of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of his 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 and for our salvation

came down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit 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 is seated at the right hand of the Father;

and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son;

who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;

who spoke by the prophets;

and we believe in one holy catholic<sup>1</sup> and apostolic church;

we acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins;

and we look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Nicene Creed - 381 AD

#### Kingdom Reading ......Pleun Troost

## Old Testament Reading - Psalm 82

A Psalm of Asaph

<sup>1</sup> God has taken his place in the divine council;

in the midst of the gods he holds judgment:

<sup>2</sup> "How long will you judge unjustly

and show partiality to the wicked? Selah

- <sup>3</sup> Give justice to the weak and the fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute.
- <sup>4</sup> Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked."
- <sup>5</sup> They have neither knowledge nor understanding, they walk about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
- <sup>6</sup> I said, "You are gods, sons of the Most High, all of you;
   <sup>7</sup> nevertheless, like men you shall die, and fall like any prince."
- <sup>8</sup> Arise, O God, judge the earth; for you shall inherit all the nations!

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

#### New Testament Reading - Luke 12:49-56

<sup>49</sup> "I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! <sup>50</sup> I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! <sup>51</sup> Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. <sup>52</sup> For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. <sup>53</sup> They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law."

<sup>54</sup> He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you say at once, 'A shower is coming.' And so it happens. <sup>55</sup> And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. <sup>56</sup> You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

This is the glorious gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Glory be to you, Lord Christ!

## Common Prayer

Let us now join our voices together praying:

Remember, O Lord, what you have wrought in us and not what we deserve; and as you have called us to your service, make us worthy of your calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Kingdom Giving & Song of Meditation....."(Rock of Ages"



- 1. Rock of a ges cleft for me, let me hide my self in Thee.
- 2. Not the la-bors of my hands can ful-fill Thy law's de-mands.
- 3. No thing in my hand I bring, simp ly to Thy cross I cling.
- 4. While I draw this fleet ing breath; when mine eye lids close in death,



Let the wa - ter and the blood from Thy ri - ven side which flowed Could my zeal no re - spite know; could my tears for - e - ver flow; Na - ked come to Thee for dress; help - less look to Thee for grace. when I soar to worlds un - known, see Thee on Thy judg - ment throne,



be of sin the dou - ble cure; cleanse me from its guilt and\_ pow'r. all for sin could not a - tone. Thou must save and Thou a - lone. Foul, I to the foun - tain fly; wash me, Sa - vior, or I\_\_\_\_ die. Rock of A - ges cleft for me, let me hide my - self in\_\_\_ Thee.

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#### \*Doxology

# Listening to God's Word

"Faith, Love, and Hope" Colossians 1:3-8 Rev. Mitchell Carter

Sermon Series: Colossians: Christ Is All

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, <sup>4</sup> since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, <sup>5</sup> because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel, <sup>6</sup> which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and increasing—as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth, <sup>7</sup> just as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf <sup>8</sup> and has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

# 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.

#### The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

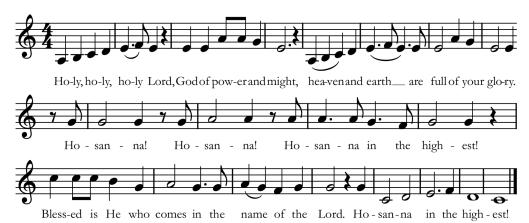
Lift up your hearts.

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. . .



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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!

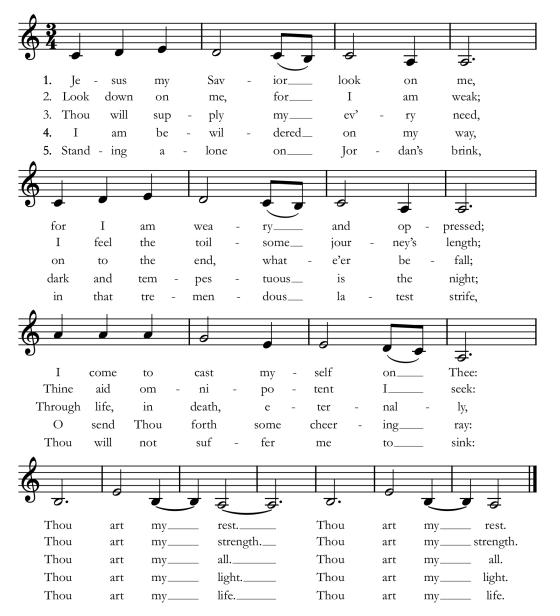
And now Our Holy Master, that with boldness and without condemnation, we dare to call upon You, the Heavenly God, as our Father, and to say. . .

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!

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Song of Communion......"Thou Art My Life"



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# Going Out With God's Blessing

\*Song of Sending....."" "O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer"



- 1. O Lord, my Rock and my Re-deem-er, great-est trea-sure\_of my long-ing soul,
- 2. O Lord, my Rock and my Re-deem-er, strong de-fen-der\_of my wea-ry heart,
- 3. O Lord, my Rock and my Re-deem-er, gra-cious Sa vior\_of my ru-ined life;



my God, like you there is no oth - er; true de - light is found in you a - lone. my sword to fight the cruel de - cei - ver and my shield a-gainst his hate-ful\_\_ darts; my guilt\_and cross laid on Your shoul-ders, in my place You suf-fered bled and\_\_ died.



Your grace, a well too deep to fath - om; Your love\_ ex-ceeds the hea-ven's reach; My song when e - ne-mies sur-round me; my hope when tides of sor-row\_ rise; You rose, the grave and death are con-quered; You broke my bonds of sin and\_ shame.



Your truth, a fount of per-fect wis-dom, my high-est good, and my un-end-ing\_need. my joy when tri-als are a-bound-ing; Your faith-ful-ness, my ref-uge in the\_night.

O Lord, my Rock and my Re-deem - er, may all my days bring glo-ry to Your name.

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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: Tim and Debbie Dunn, Caitlyn Pasarilla, Kimberly Robertson

#### This Week at Trinity

Sunday, August 17 Christian Education

Children | 11:10 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.

Adults & Youth | 11:20 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.

#### **Upcoming Events**

#### Men's Ministry Kickoff Event | Tuesday, August 26 | 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

The Trinity men will gather out back for a time of eating and fellowship to begin the new year. You can bring a chair and a drink; there is no need to RSVP. Our regular schedule of fellowship and study each Tuesday will begin on September 2. For questions, email Kevin Krahenbuhl (men@trinitymboro.com).

#### Midweek Gathering | Beginning Wednesday, September 10 | 5:30 - 8:00 p.m.

We are excited to announce the start of Trinity's Midweek Gathering, which will be a gathering available to the whole church each Wednesday night of the ministry year. We will begin with a shared meal and fellowship (5:30-6:30 p.m.) and then break into classes for adults, youth, and children (6:30-8:00). We pray that this is a time that we can grow together as a church body and grow to know, love, and follow Jesus more. If you'd like to sign up to come and/or volunteer, you can do so at the table in the narthex or in the Enews link.

## TPC 101 | Sundays | September 14 - October 5 | 12:45 - 2:45 p.m.

This class is for those who would like to place membership at Trinity, or simply learn more about the church. We invite anyone coming to bring a sack lunch and stay after CE until the class if you would like to. Childcare can be available for the class upon request. Please RSVP to admin@trinitymboro.com or use the link in E-news.

## Trinity Choir - Lessons & Carols Kickoff | September 20 | 9 - 11 a.m.

Please join us for our first rehearsal of the season. We'll have breakfast and fellowship and start learning the music. We'd love to see some new faces this year! Regular rehearsals will be on Sundays beginning 9/28. Singing youth and adults welcome. Contact Kimberly Robertson at music@trinitymboro.com with questions. Follow the link in the E-news or on the Music page of the website to sign up.

## Fall Women's Retreat | October 17 - 18

Registration is now open! We cannot wait to gather at beautiful Deer Run retreat center as we rest, play, connect, and learn to cultivate a life of persistent prayer in a noisy world on October 17-18. An early-bird discount is available until August 24, and regular registration will close on September 14 or when capacity is reached, so please register early. Please see the retreat table or the E-News for the registration link and full details. We'd love to answer your questions and to share this time with you!

#### Fall Men's Retreat | October 24 - 25

Save the date for the TPC Men's retreat. We will gather at Paul Vitolins' (Lebanon, TN). You can camp over or go home to sleep and come back in the morning. More details to come.

## Women's Monday Evening Bible Study | Sept. 8 - Nov. 17 (off Oct 20) | 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Please join us for a book study of Prayers of the Bible: Equipping Women to Call on God in Truth by Susan Hunt, with discussion led by Michelle Rollman. Books will be provided. We are looking forward to a wonderful time of learning, connection, and prayer. About the book: "Susan Hunt guides women to explore prayers from the Bible, highlighting the overarching story of redemption that shapes these biblical prayers and equips us to know God's nearness and call on Him in truth." You may RSVP for the study in the lobby, through the E-News, or on the Women's Page of the TPC website.

#### Women's Thursday Morning Bible Study | Sept. 11 - Nov. 20 (off Oct 9) | 9:45 - 11:30 a.m.

Please join our Thursday morning group study of Philippians led by Kimberly Robertson. We are looking forward to a wonderful time of connection and learning as we dive into God's word and this letter from Paul to the church at Philippi. Preparation outside of class is minimal for this study, but opportunities for enrichment are available. Please bring a friend! Childcare is available by reservation. Please register for childcare by September 4th. You may RSVP for the study and childcare in the lobby, through the E-News, or on the Women's Page of the TPC website.

#### **Upcoming Preaching Schedule**

Today, we will hear from Colossians 1:3-8. In the coming weeks, we will hear from Colossians 1:9-14 (Aug. 24) and Colossians 1:15-20 (Aug. 31). 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 | Thursdays | 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Come join the ESL Ministry at Trinity! ESL classes meet on Thursday evenings starting August 14. There are multiple ways to serve, and we would love to discuss how you can be a part of this ministry. If you are interested, sign up at the information table or contact Melodie Widener at elc@trinitymboro.com.

## Volunteers Needed for Midweek Gathering

We are excited for the fellowship and growth that will happen at our Midweek Gathering, and we need help for those things to happen. If you would like to volunteer in any of the following categories, please sign up at the table in the narthex or on Enews. Our hope is that enough volunteers will allow us to be on a once a month rotation for most of these: Meal Preparation and Clean Up (arriving by 4:30 p.m. and leaving by 8:30 p.m.), Room Clean Up (leaving by 8:30 p.m.), Kingdom Kids Volunteeer, Nursery Volunteer, Youth Discipleship Groups. If you have questions, email Bob at admin@trinitymboro.com.

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TPC Family, please know that if you are in need of physical or financial help, let our deacons know by reaching out to them personally or by emailing the chair of the Diaconate, Paul Vitolins, at deacons@trinitymboro.com. And if you are in need of counsel or prayer, please let our elders know by reaching out personally or emailing Mitchell, who is the moderator of the Session, at mitchell@trinitymboro.com.

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