



ORDER OF WORSHIP | Sunday, April 25, 2021

Listening devices are available for the hearing impaired.

Please speak with a greeter or visit the sound booth upstairs for a listening device.

SONG OF GATHERING & PREPARATION

The people of God always sang as they ascended the hill in Jerusalem up to the temple to worship (see Psalms 120-134). We, as well, prepare our hearts, minds, and bodies for worship by singing about the God we serve.

Power To Redeem

CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 139:1-6 (ESV)

We read God's Word, the Bible, together. It reveals to us who God is and what He expects of us.

O LORD, you have searched me and known me! You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar. You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O LORD, you know it altogether. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.

PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

We pray together praising God for who He really is (Adoration) and admitting our inability to live up to what He expects of us (Confession).

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Psalm 46:1-3, 8-11 (ESV)

We read God's Word together and are reminded that mercy and grace are freely given to all who have faith in Jesus Christ.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling. ... Come, behold the works of the LORD, how he has brought desolations on the earth. He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire. "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!" The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace for us in Jesus by giving generously to the work of His church and the kingdom of God.

Grace

PRAISE & CELEBRATION

Our response to God's free grace is celebratory worship. We express our praise to God for who He is and what He has done for us.

Abide

No Longer Slaves

CONFESSION OF FAITH

As an expression of our faith in Jesus Christ in solidarity with his people, we declare the substance of what we believe.

From the New City Catechism:

- Q. 17. What is idolatry?
- A. Idolatry is trusting in created things rather than the Creator for our hope and happiness, significance and security.
- Q. 18. Will God allow our disobedience and idolatry to go unpunished?
- A. No, every sin is against the sovereignty, holiness, and goodness of God, and against his righteous law, and God is righteously angry with our sins and will punish them in his just judgment both in this life, and in the life to come.

ORDINATION OF A RULING ELDER - Matt Tucker | 10:45a Service

KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS DISMISSAL (Infants - 5th Grade) | 9a Service KIDS' WORSHIP DISMISSAL (Infants - 5 Years) | 10:45a Service

Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION

We express in prayer our gratitude to God for what He has done and ask Him to continue to act for our good and the good of others in our community and world.

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD | Tim Rice, Lead Pastor & Director of Church Planting

A small portion of God's Word is explained to us and applied to our lives and circumstances.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING | Mercy Fund Offering

SONG OF RESPONSE

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

Christ Be Magnified

BENEDICTION

Because the hand of God's wrath was raised against Jesus, we now receive the hand of God's blessing as we are sent out to live our lives to the glory of God.

May the LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn His face toward you and give you His peace, both now and forevermore. Amen.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE & SERMON OUTLINE

Proclamation of God's Word

Text: Hebrews 11:29; Exodus 14:5-6, 10, 13-31 (ESV)

Title: By Faith: The People

Teacher: Tim Rice

Hebrews 11:29 By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. ... Exodus 14:5 When the king of Egypt was told that the people had fled, the mind of Pharaoh and his servants was changed toward the people, and they said, "What is this we have done, that we have let Israel go from serving us?" ⁶ So he made ready his chariot and took his army with him, ... 10 When Pharaoh drew near, the people of Israel lifted up their eyes, and behold, the Egyptians were marching after them, and they feared greatly. And the people of Israel cried out to the LORD. ... 13 And Moses said to the people, "Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he will work for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall never see again. ¹⁴ The LORD will fight for you, and you have only to be silent." ¹⁵ The LORD said to Moses, "Why do you cry to me? Tell the people of Israel to go forward. 16 Lift up your staff, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the people of Israel may go through the sea on dry ground. ¹⁷ And I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they shall go in after them, and I will get glory over Pharaoh and all his host, his chariots, and his horsemen. ¹⁸ And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I have gotten glory over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his horsemen." ¹⁹ Then the angel of God who was going before the host of Israel moved and went behind them, and the pillar of cloud moved from before them and stood behind them, ²⁰ coming between the host of Egypt and the host of Israel. And there was the cloud and the darkness. And it lit up the night without one coming near the other all night. ²¹ Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. ²² And the people of Israel went into the midst of the sea on dry ground, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. ²³ The Egyptians pursued and went in after them into the midst of the sea, all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen. ²⁴ And in the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and of cloud looked down on the Egyptian forces and threw the Egyptian forces into a panic, ²⁵ clogging their chariot wheels so that they drove heavily. And the Egyptians said, "Let us flee from before Israel, for the LORD fights for them against the Egyptians." ²⁶ Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen." ²⁷ So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to its normal course when the morning appeared. And as the Egyptians fled into it, the LORD threw the Egyptians into the midst of the sea. ²⁸ The waters returned and covered the chariots and the horsemen; of all the host of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea, not one of them remained. ²⁹ But the people of Israel walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. ³⁰ Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. 31 Israel saw the great power that the LORD used against the Egyptians, so the people feared the LORD, and they believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

Intro: What have you seen people do when they're under pressure?

PRIDE, UNBELIEF & BLINDNESS

What were the Israelites facing? And how did they feel?

GOD'S WORK TO SAVE

What is at the center of our hope?

FAITH & UNLIKELY OBEDIENCE

Why do we need to be still? And what does God have to persuade us to believe?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

- 1. Worship the LORD for His grace to save us as His people! Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that He is loving, wise and all-powerful in His work on our behalf.
- 2. How have you lived self-reliant, as if God cannot be trusted? Confess your pride and unbelief to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and secure you in His power to save vs. your impotence before your guilt and deadness.
- 3. Give thanks to Jesus for His unrivaled work to come to our rescue, standing between us and what would destroy us. Thank Him that in His holiness, that He would fight for us by His love, wisdom and power.
- 4. Who do you know that questions Jesus' relevance? Pray for them, asking the Lord to convince them of just how overwhelmed they should be because of their guilt and spiritual deadness.
- 5. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you to quit seeking to define yourself by your own efforts, and to trust Jesus' work on your behalf. Pray that the Spirit would bear in your heart His fruit of love, joy and peace.

WELCOME TO TRINITY!

We're so glad you are here. Please place completed tear-off in offering box.

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How can our	staff pray for you?	

Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

April 26 - May 1, 2021

(3-year plan: read blue passages | 1-year plan: read <u>all</u>)

Monday	1 Corinthians 14 Exodus 32	Jeremiah 7 1 Chronicles 4
Tuesday	1 Corinthians 15 Exodus 33	Jeremiah 8 1 Chronicles 5
Wednesday	1 Corinthians 16 Exodus 34	Jeremiah 9 1 Chronicles 6
Thursday	2 Corinthians 1 Exodus 35	Jeremiah 10 1 Chronicles 7
Friday	2 Corinthians 2 Exodus 36	Jeremiah 11 1 Chronicles 8
Saturday	Psalm 18	Psalm 119:73-96 Psalm 70

Scripture Memory for the Week: Hebrews 11:29 (ESV)

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attempted to do the same, were drowned.

Communication

Visit <u>trinitylakeland.org/events</u> to register.



New Member Class

April 25 & May 2, following worship. Contact <u>Ashley Moats</u> for information.



Fourth Sunday at Four Prayer Walk

April 25, 4p Contact the church office for information.



VBS - Rocky Railway

June 21-25 Contact <u>Callie Sandman</u> for info.

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