INSTINCTS

OF JESUS

MATTHEW 9:35-10:5A INCARNATION



ORDER OF WORSHIP | Sunday, May 24, 2020

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.

Rescue

CALL TO WORSHIP | Romans 8:28-29 (ESV)

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

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.

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 | John 10:10-11, 17-18 (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.

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ... For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father."

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 this 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.

Build My Life

How Great Is Your Love

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. 24. Why was it necessary for Christ, the Redeemer, to die?
- A. Since death is the punishment for sin, Christ died willingly in our place to deliver us from the power and penalty of sin and bring us back to God. By his substitutionary atoning death, he alone redeems us from hell and gains for us forgiveness of sin, righteousness, and everlasting life.

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.

Because He Lives (Amen)

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.

A city transformed: Loved by God the Father, saved by Jesus His Son, empowered by His Spirit, called by God to reach our city with His love.

SCRIPTURE PASSAGE & SERMON OUTLINE

Proclamation of God's Word

Text: Matthew 9:35—10:5a (ESV) Title: The Instincts of Jesus: Incarnation Teacher: Tim Rice

³⁵ And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; ³⁸ therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." ... ^{10:1} And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. ² The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; ³ Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; ⁴ Simon the Zealot, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. ⁵ These twelve Jesus sent out.

Intro: When did you last see someone who was in trouble?

A REALISTIC ASSESSMENT

How would you diagnose what's wrong with people?

WHAT IS YOUR PART IN THE STORY? Why is it significant that Jesus invited us into this labor?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

- 1. Worship the LORD for His surpassing holiness and glory. Praise Him, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, that no one and no thing can possibly compare with Him in His beauty and worth!
- 2. How have you committed your time and energies to your own mission, rather than engaging in the work that Jesus has given you to do? Confess your negligence to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and help you to regain your purpose in His Kingdom.
- 3. Read John 10:10-11. Give thanks to Jesus that He is the Good Shepherd, *God in the flesh*, who laid down His life for His sheep. Thank Him for becoming the Lamb who was slaughtered where you should have been!
- 4. Who do you know that is harassed and helpless, like a sheep without a shepherd? Jesus told you to pray, so pray for them, and ask the Lord of the harvest to send workers to them (*and that likely would include you*).
- 5. Ask the Holy Spirit to grow you in your knowledge of the Gospel, your ability to express it, your compassion for those who do not yet believe, and your courage to continue especially when the world does not readily listen.

WELCOME TO TRINITY!

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Name (Please Print) Gender
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Regular Attendee
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I would like to receive:

□ Worship Folder & Announcement Emails

I would like information about:

- □ College Ministry □ Student Ministry
- □ Community Group □ Volunteering
- □ Men's Ministry

Prayer How can our staff pray for you?

□ Women's Ministry

Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

May 25 - 30, 2020 (3-year plan: read blue passages | 1-year plan: read all)

Monday	Ephesians 1 1 Chronicles 26	Leviticus 14 Jeremiah 30
Tuesday	Ephesians 2 1 Chronicles 27	Leviticus 15 Jeremiah 31
Wednesday	Ephesians 3 1 Chronicles 28	Leviticus 16 Jeremiah 32
Thursday	Ephesians 4 1 Chronicles 29	Leviticus 17 Jeremiah 33
Friday	Ephesians 5 2 Chronicles 1	Leviticus 18 Jeremiah 34
Saturday	Psalm 74	Psalm 22 Psalm 120

Scripture Memory for the Week:

Matthew 9:37-38 & 10:5 (ESV)

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Communication

Register for events at trinitylakeland.org/events



Vacation Bible School (VBS) - Rocky Railway July 13-16, 8:45a-12p CANCELLED Contact <u>Callie Sandman</u> for information.



High School Summer Camp June 27 - July 2 CANCELLED Contact Brown Peterson for information.



Middle School Summer Camp July 13-17 CANCELLED Contact <u>Brown Peterson</u> for information.

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