

EPHESIANS 5:21-33

EPHESIANS SERIES



ORDER OF WORSHIP | Sunday, May 8, 2022

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.

Worthy Of Your Name

CALL TO WORSHIP | Genesis 2:18, 21-24 (ESV)

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

Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." ... So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

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 | Hebrews 12:1-3 (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.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

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.

My All In Thee

The Way

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. 19. Is there any way to escape punishment and be brought back into God's favor?
- A. Yes, to satisfy his justice, God himself, out of mere mercy, reconciles us to himself and delivers us from sin and from the punishment for sin, by a Redeemer.

KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS' DISMISSAL (Infants - 5th Grade)

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

GREETING

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.

SONG OF RESPONSE

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

Abide

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: Ephesians 5:21-33 (ESV)
Title: Husbands, Wives & Grace

Teacher: Tim Rice

²¹ Submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ. ²² Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. ²³ For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. ²⁴ Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands. ²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, ²⁶ that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷ so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. ²⁸ In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹ For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰ because we are members of his body. ³¹ "Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." ³² This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. ³³ However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Intro: It's obvious that marriage chaos is everywhere now ...

A MISSION & A MYSTERY

How does biblical marriage fit into our God-given design?

AND WE RESIST IT Why is the call to submission so repugnant to our time?

THE WONDER OF JESUS

Why is submission so essential to this mission, starting with Jesus?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

- 1. Praise the LORD for His heavenly love that He has revealed Himself as a Husband to all who repent and believe. Worship Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that He loves us passionately and faithfully!
- 2. How have you given yourself to false hopes and how has it bred pride or fear in your life? Ask Jesus to forgive you, and to husband you with His love and power.
- 3. Give thanks to Jesus for how He understands the stakes of our sin (*life and death, for eternity*) and commits! Thank Him that He leaves and cleaves, putting *everything* else aside in order to come to our rescue and take us to Himself as His own!
- 4. Who do you know that is married? Pray for them, and all the marriages you're closest to. And who do you know that is unmarried? Pray for them, asking the Lord to be their security, and to grow their joy in His Presence and love.
- 5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of love, joy and patience. Pray for His fullness in your life to empower you to love well, whether you are married now or not, because of His eternal promise to take you as His.

WELCOME TO TRINITY!

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

Name (Please Print)	Gender □ Male □ Female
Spouse	
Children (Include DOB	for Children's Ministry)
Address	
City/State	Country/Zip
Phone	
E-mail Address	
I am interested in:	
☐ Worship Folder 8	& Announcement Emails
☐ Volunteering	
☐ Joining Trinity	
☐ Ministry Opporto	unities
	Prayer
How ca	an our staff pray for you?
	

Mission

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.

Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

May 9-14, 2022

(3-year plan: read blue passages | 1-year plan: read all)

Monday	2 Corinthians 7 Leviticus 1	Jeremiah 16 1 Chronicles 13
Tuesday	2 Corinthians 8 Leviticus 2	Jeremiah 17 1 Chronicles 14
Wednesday	2 Corinthians 9 Leviticus 3	Jeremiah 18 1 Chronicles 15
Thursday	2 Corinthians 10 Leviticus 4	Jeremiah 19 1 Chronicles 16
Friday	2 Corinthians 11 Leviticus 5	Jeremiah 20 1 Chronicles 17
Saturday	Psalm 20	Psalm 119:121-144 Psalm 72

Scripture Memory for the Week:

Ephesians 5:1-2, 21 (ESV)

- ¹Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children.
- ² And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. ...
- ²¹ Submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Communication

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



Women's Ministry - Table Talks

Any 10. 7n

May 19, 7p

Contact <u>Whitney Cabrera</u> or <u>Tina Strawbridge</u> for information.



4th Sunday Prayer Gathering

May 22, 4p

Contact the church office for information.



Women's Ministry - Get Out Of Your Head

Summer Video Series | 6:45-8:15p Wednesdays | 6/8, 6/22, 7/6, 7/20 & 8/3

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