

ISAIAH

THE COMING OF THE KING

ISAIAH 40:1-11



TRINITY
Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | Sunday, September 12, 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 | 1 Peter 1:22-25 (ESV)

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

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever."

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 | 1 Peter 1:3-5 (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.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

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.

Ancient Of Days

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 With Me

King Of Kings

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS | 10:45a Service

We are called to publicly confess our faith in the grace of God, to participate in the rituals of entrance into the people of God and to acknowledge our membership with His people.

Chris & Ashley Cerjan

KIDS' WORSHIP DISMISSAL (Infants - Kindergarten) | 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.

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.

The Apostles' Creed: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I 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, dead, and 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. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The ritual meal of Communion is a sign and seal of the grace we have in Jesus. That is, it symbolizes the work Christ did for our salvation (sign) and communicates the grace and mercy we have been given (seal) as a result of His death and resurrection.

SONG OF RESPONSE

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

Creed

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: Isaiah 40:1-11 (ESV)

Title: Isaiah: The Coming of the King

Teacher: Tim Rice

¹ Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. ² Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins. ³ A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. ⁴ Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. ⁵ And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken." ⁶ A voice says, "Cry!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field. ⁷ The grass withers, the flower fades when the breath of the LORD blows on it; surely the people are grass. ⁸ The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever. ⁹ Go on up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news; lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!" ¹⁰ Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. ¹¹ He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

Intro: *What if God called you to comfort the disturbed? And disturb the comfortable?*

THE LORD PROMISES COMFORT

Why do we need comfort from God?

AND TO SHOW UP PERSONALLY

Why is it significant that the King is making a personal visit?

BUT NOT QUITE YET

How well do you handle a long assignment? In a place, as yet unchanged, the voice of God's messenger calls out to *prepare* – "Get ready!"

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Praise the LORD for His status and power as the Only True King. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit for His authority to re-order and command what we think and how we live.
2. How have you lived as if God does not really deserve your allegiance? *Confess your unbelief and pride to Jesus and ask Him to cleanse and correct you, trusting that He died for this sin as much as He died for any of your sin.*
3. Give thanks to Jesus for how He brings an enduring comfort that none of us deserve and also that no one can undo. Thank Him for undoing our core problems of guilt and ruin by His death and His life for us!
4. Who do you know that is weary and burdened? Pray for them asking the LORD to comfort them by the gospel and give them hope by His Word.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to teach you what it means to live a *life* of preparing (repenting & believing Jesus). Ask the Father to pour out His Spirit upon our city to move our city to renewal and repentance.

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

- ☐ First-Time Visitor ☐ Regular Attendee
☐ Member ☐ College Student
☐ Update my contact information

I would like to receive:

- ☐ Worship Folder & Announcement Emails

I would like information about:

- ☐ Children's Ministry ☐ Student Ministry
☐ College Ministry ☐ Volunteering
☐ Community Group ☐ Women's Ministry
☐ Men's Ministry ☐ Worship
☐ New Member Class
☐ _____

Prayer

How can our staff pray for you?

Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

September 13 - 18, 2021

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

Monday	Revelation 15 Deuteronomy 29	Daniel 2 Job 6
Tuesday	Revelation 16 Deuteronomy 30	Daniel 3 Job 7
Wednesday	Revelation 17 Deuteronomy 31	Daniel 4 Job 8
Thursday	Revelation 18 Deuteronomy 32	Daniel 5 Job 9
Friday	Revelation 19 Deuteronomy 33	Daniel 6 Job 10
Saturday	Psalm 135 Psalm 38	Psalm 90

Scripture Memory for the Week:

Isaiah 40:9-11 (ESV)

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Communication

Visit trinitylakeland.org/events to register.



Women's Bible Study - Starting Sept. 14!

Tuesdays, 9a & Wednesdays, 7p

Contact [JoAnn Johnson](mailto:JoAnn.Johnson@trinitylakeland.org) for information.



Fourth Sunday Prayer Gathering

September 26, 4p

Contact the church office for information.



An Evening (or Two) with Nate Larkin

September 27 & 28

Contact the church office for information.

Office Hours:

Mon - Fri | 8:30a - 5:00p

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