THE KINGDOM

PARABLE OF THE LABORERS MATTHEW 20:1-16



ORDER OF WORSHIP | Sunday, September 15, 2019

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.

Lord I Need You

CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 34:1-3 (ESV)

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

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad. Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION | Dan Anthony

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 | Romans 4:4-8 (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.

Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works: "Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin."

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.

When I Survey The Wondrous Cross

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.

Is He Worthy

'Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus

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. 35. Since we are redeemed by grace alone, through faith alone, where does this faith come from?
- A. All the gifts we receive from Christ we receive through the Holy Spirit, including faith itself.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The ritual of baptism is a sign and seal of the grace we have in Jesus. It symbolizes the cleansing all people need before they are acceptable to God (sign), and it marks how real God's promise is for all who will trust in Him (seal).

Isabella Paige Villarete

Beckham Michael Wolfe

KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS DISMISSAL

Infants - Fifth Grade are dismissed. Please see your child's check-in name tag for class assignment.

GREETING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION | Dan Anthony

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 | Brown Peterson, Director of Student Ministry

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.

Do It Again

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 20:1-16 (ESV) Title: Parable of the Laborers Teacher: Brown Peterson

¹ "For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴ and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' ⁵ So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. ⁶ And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' ⁷They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' 8 And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' ⁹ And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰ Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹ And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, ¹² saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' ¹³ But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' ¹⁶ So the last will be first, and the first last."

THE MASTER OF THE LABORERS

THE GRATITUDE OF THE GRATEFUL LABORERS

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

- 1. Worship the LORD of the Harvest. Praise God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit for His compassion to save sinners like us when He could justly judge and condemn us instead.
- How have you lived with a demanding spirit toward God? How have you lived as if He owes you more (and you owe Him little) instead of living in amazement at His mercy and grace? Confess your sin to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and change your heart.
- Give thanks to Jesus for the wonder of His willingness to work on your behalf and to work long, hard, and joyfully – that you could be redeemed. Thank Him for His diligence, patience, and generosity to work to recover what was rightfully His all along.
- 4. Who do you know that works hard in Jesus' mission? Pray for them, asking the Lord to give them stamina, a grateful attitude and fruitfulness in their work for Jesus' sake.
- 5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear the fruit of faithfulness in your heart, especially to labor faithfully in the work Jesus has given you to do. *Pray for grace to abide in Jesus, the Vine, for apart from Him we can do nothing.*

WELCOME TO TRINITY!

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

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

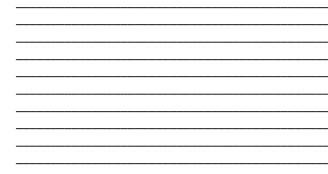
I would like information about:

Children's Ministry

- Student Ministry
- Community Group
- VolunteeringWomen's Ministry
- Men's Ministry
- New Member Class

□ ____

Prayer How can our staff pray for you?



Community Bible Reading

<u>joincbr.com</u>

September 16 - 21, 2019

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

Monday	Revelation 18 Job 9	Deuteronomy 32 Daniel 6
Tuesday	Revelation 19 Job 10	Deuteronomy 33 Daniel 7
Wednesday	Revelation 20 Job 11	Deuteronomy 34 Daniel 8
Thursday	Revelation 21 Job 12	Joshua 1 Daniel 9
Friday	Revelation 22 Job 13	Joshua 2 Daniel 10
Saturday	Psalm 90	Psalm 38 Psalm 136

Scripture Memory for the Week:

Matthew 20:15-16 (ESV)

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Communication

Register for events at trinitylakeland.org/events



Campus Outreach College Lunch

September 15, following Worship Contact <u>David Springer</u> for more information.



Bridal Shower for Ellie Tucker September 17, 6:00p Contact Tina Strawbridge to RSVP.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

<u>Women's Bible Study</u> Tuesday's, 9:30a & Wednesday's, 6:30p

Contact <u>Cara Roland</u> for information.

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