A serene sunset scene over a body of water, with the sun low on the horizon, casting a golden glow across the sky and reflecting on the water's surface. The sky is filled with soft, wispy clouds, and the water shows gentle ripples.

The Witness to the Lamb

John 1:19-34



TRINITY
Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | January 18, 2026

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.

My Worth Is Not In What I Own

CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 33:18-22 (ESV)

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

Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love, that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine. Our soul waits for the Lord; he is our help and our shield. For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

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 3:17-21 (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.

"For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God."

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.

All Glory Be To Christ

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.

Gratitude

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. 2. What is God?

A. God is the creator and sustainer of everyone and everything. He is eternal, infinite, and unchangeable in his power and perfection, goodness and glory, wisdom, justice, and truth. Nothing happens except through him and by his will.

Q. 3. How many persons are there in God?

A. There are three persons in the one true and living God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. They are the same in substance, equal in power and glory.

COMMUNITY KIDS' DISMISSAL (Infants - 5th Graders)

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 | Brown Peterson, Discipleship Pastor

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.

Lead On Good Shepherd

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: John 1:19-34 (ESV)

Title: The Witness to the Lamb

Teacher: Brown Peterson

19 And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" 20 He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ." 21 And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" And he answered, "No." 22 So they said to him, "Who are you? We need to give an answer to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" 23 He said, "I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,' as the prophet Isaiah said." 24 (Now they had been sent from the Pharisees.) 25 They asked him, "Then why are you baptizing, if you are neither the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?" 26 John answered them, "I baptize with water, but among you stands one you do not know, 27 even he who comes after me, the strap of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie." 28 These things took place in Bethany across the Jordan, where John was baptizing. 29 The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! 30 This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.' 31 I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." 32 And John bore witness: "I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. 33 I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' 34 And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."

WHO JOHN IS NOT

WHO JOHN IS

A WITNESS TO THE LAMB OF GOD

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Spirit for their plan of redemption! Praise and glorify that one true God for the way He has orchestrated the salvation of His people.
2. Confess the many ways you live and operate as if you are the central character in your life, rather than enjoying the privilege of being a witness to the Son of God. Where has pride caused you to increase your name and decrease His name?
3. Give thanks to Jesus, the promised Lamb of God, who did all of the necessary work to take away your sin. Praise Him for your justification and also your sanctification, that he continues to grow and mature you.
4. Who in your life do you know who is desperately trying to make a name for themselves as if that will bring the satisfaction they are looking for? Pray that the Lord would reveal Himself to them so that they can live in the freedom of His love and His grace.
5. How is the Holy Spirit prompting you to cry out for help based on this passage?

Upcoming *events*



Night of Worship & Prayer

January 25, 5pm

Contact the Church Office for details.

***Scan the code to register
for childcare.***



Young Adults Trivia Night

January 30, 6pm

Contact Brown Peterson for details.

Scan the code to register.



Retirees Prayer Luncheon

February 5, 12pm

Contact John Tucker at

jtuckerdc@gmail.com for details.



The Weekender

February 6 & 7

Contact Ashley Coleman for details.

Scan the code to register.



Middle School Girls' Pickleball

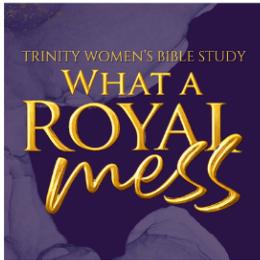
February 7, 1pm

Contact Emma Riggs for details.

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Upcoming *events*



Women's Bible Study
Starting February 10 & 11
Contact Laura McCaulley for details.
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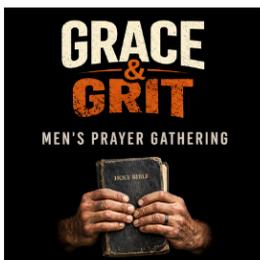
Young Adult Ladies' Paint & Dip
February 13, 6:30pm
Contact Taylor Hart for details.
Scan the code to register.



Children's Ministry
Valentine's Ice Skating Party
February 14, 2pm
Contact Callie Sandman for details.
Scan the code to register.



High School Winter Retreat
February 20-22
Contact Bud Daniel for details.
Scan the code to register.



Grace & Grit: Men's Prayer Gathering
February 21, 7:30am
Every 3rd Saturday of the month.
Contact Tony Myers for details.
Tony@trinitylakeland.org

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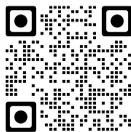


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Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

January 19-24, 2026

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

Monday	Luke 13 2 Samuel 7	Genesis 13 Isaiah 5
Tuesday	Luke 14 2 Samuel 8	Genesis 14 Isaiah 6
Wednesday	Luke 15 2 Samuel 9	Genesis 15 Isaiah 7
Thursday	Luke 16 2 Samuel 10	Genesis 16 Isaiah 8
Friday	Luke 17 2 Samuel 11	Genesis 17 Isaiah 9
Saturday	Psalm 56	Psalm 4 Psalm 108

Scripture Memory for the Week:

John 1:29, 34 (ESV)

29 The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! ... 34 And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."

Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday | 8:30a - 5:00p & **Friday** | 8:30a-12:00p

Sunday Worship | 9:00a & 10:45a

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