

FIERY Trials, BURNING Glory

1 PETER 4:12-19



TRINITY
Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | October 12, 2025

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.

Goodness Of God

CALL TO WORSHIP | 2 Corinthians 1:20-22 (ESV)

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

For all the promises of God find their Yes in him. That is why it is through him that we utter our Amen to God for his glory. And it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has anointed us, and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.

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 | 2 Corinthians 4:7-9, 16-18 (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.

But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ... So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

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.

Abide With Me

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.

At The Foot Of The Cross | 10:30a Service

Resurrecting

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 Heidelberg Catechism:

Q.69. How does holy baptism remind and assure you that Christ's one sacrifice on the cross benefits you personally?

A. In this way: Christ instituted this outward washing and with it promised that, as surely as water washes away the dirt from the body, so certainly his blood and his Spirit wash away my soul's impurity, that is, all my sins.

Q. 70. What does it mean to be washed with Christ's blood and Spirit?

A. To be washed with Christ's blood means that God, by grace, has forgiven our sins because of Christ's blood poured out for us in his sacrifice on the cross. To be washed with Christ's Spirit means that the Holy Spirit has renewed and sanctified us to be members of Christ, so that more and more we become dead to sin and live holy and blameless lives

KIDS' WORSHIP & 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 | Tim Rice, *Founding & Teaching 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: 1 Peter 4:12-19 (ESV)

Title: Fiery Trials, Burning Glory

Teacher: Tim Rice

12 Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. 13 But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. 14 If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. 15 But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. 16 Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. 17 For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? 18 And "If the righteous is scarcely saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?" 19 Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.

INTRO: How can you live in a world that rejects your values?

GLORY REVEALED & RESTING

How is the LORD holy and glorious?

SURPRISE & SHAME

Foolishly, how can we lose sight of eternity and the world's hatred?

GOSPEL PERSPECTIVE & HOPE

Why can we find our sense of security, worth, and joy in the LORD?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Worship the LORD for His surpassing glory. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that no one and nothing has greater power, worth, or beauty than He does.
2. How have you lived as if suffering for Jesus is a surprise? Or as if the rejection of others is a verdict on your soul? Confess your unbelief to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and to secure you by His saving love.
3. Give thanks to Jesus for entering into our fires, insults, and shame to save us by His grace. Thank Him for guaranteeing hope *through* pain and the loss of temporary things because of the eternal glory He offers us instead.
4. Who do you know whose glory quotient (*what or whom they typically look to for power, worth or beauty*) is only in this world? Pray for them, asking the Lord to help them to see the difference between now and eternity, and between created things, and the LORD our Creator.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit: love, joy, and patience. Pray that the Spirit would help you trust the bond you have with Jesus, the inexhaustible joy He gives, and that He is worth waiting for in this fallen realm.

Upcoming *events*



2nd Sunday Women's Prayer Gathering

October 12, 10a

Contact Laura McCaulley for details.



Middle School Girls'

Movie & S'mores

October 17, 6:30p

Contact Emma Riggs for details.



Town Hall Meeting

October 19, 9:00 & 10:30a

in the Fellowship Hall

Contact the Church Office for details.



High School Guys'

Golf Tournament Scramble

October 19, 12:30p

Contact Bud Daniel for details.



Men's Prayer Gathering

Every 3rd Saturday, 7:30a

Contact Craig Nagle for details.

Craig.nagle@campusoutreach.org

Upcoming *events*



Ministry Communities Meeting (MCM)

October 19, 4p

Contact the Church Office for details.

Scan the code to register.



Young Adult Guys' Monday Night Football

October 20, 7p

Contact Brown Peterson for details.



High School Girls' Brunch

October 25, 10a

Contact Taylor Hart for details.



Renew Polk Worship Service

October 26, 5:30p

Contact the church office for details.



Churchwide Fall Party

November 9, 4p

Contact the Church Office for details.

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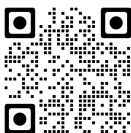


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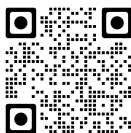


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Community Bible Reading

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October 13 - 18, 2025

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

Monday	Mark 15 Job 28	Joshua 17 Hosea 13
Tuesday	Mark 16 Job 29	Joshua 18 Hosea 14
Wednesday	1 Peter 1 Job 30	Joshua 19 Joel 1
Thursday	1 Peter 2 Job 31	Joshua 20 Joel 2
Friday	1 Peter 3 Job 32	Joshua 21 Joel 3
Saturday	Psalm 94	Psalm 42 Psalm 136

Scripture Memory for the Week:

1 Peter 4:13 (ESV)

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Office Hours:

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

Sunday Worship | 9:00a & 10:30a

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