

STEWARDS of Earnest LOVE

1 PETER 4:1-11



TRINITY
Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | October 5, 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.

Ancient Of Days

CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 138:1-2 (ESV)

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

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.

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 | Romans 6:5-11 (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 if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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.

A Thousand Hallelujahs | 10:30a Service

God So Loved

KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS' DISMISSAL (Infants - Kindergarten)

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.

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.

Death Was Arrested

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 4:1-11 (ESV)

Title: Stewards of Earnest Love

Teacher: Brown Peterson

1 Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves with the same way of thinking, for whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, 2 so as to live for the rest of the time in the flesh no longer for human passions but for the will of God. 3 For the time that is past suffices for doing what the Gentiles want to do, living in sensuality, passions, drunkenness, orgies, drinking parties, and lawless idolatry. 4 With respect to this they are surprised when you do not join them in the same flood of debauchery, and they malign you; 5 but they will give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. 6 For this is why the gospel was preached even to those who are dead, that though judged in the flesh the way people are, they might live in the spirit the way God does. 7 The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. 8 Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. 9 Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. 10 As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: 11 whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

GLORIOUS SUFFERING

STEWARDS OF LOVE

FOR THE GLORY OF HIS NAME

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Worship the LORD for His glorious and righteous will. Praise Him for governing all things to bring glory to Himself, the only One worthy of all worship.
2. Confess the ways you live as an “owner” of what you have and who you are, rather than as a “steward” called to serve and build up others.
3. Thank Jesus for suffering with joy. Praise Him for resisting temptation and conquering sin through His death and resurrection.
4. Pray for those in your life who live for their own passions and have rejected God’s will. Ask the LORD to reveal Himself to them so they may repent and believe.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to set your mind on things above, that you may be a faithful steward who serves and blesses others with all you have.

Upcoming *events*



Middle School Boys' Field Day

October 10, 5p

Contact Tucker O'Brien for details.



Young Adult Ladies' Board Night

October 10, 6:30p

Contact Taylor Hart for details.



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.

Upcoming *events*



**High School Guys'
Golf Tournament Scramble**
October 19, 12:30p



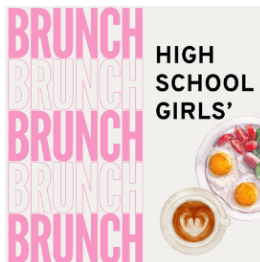
Contact Bud Daniel for details.



**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.

Interested in Serving?

Scan the code below to be added to our database, weekly announcement emails and for information on areas where you can serve at Trinity.

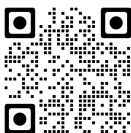


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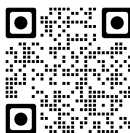


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Community Bible Reading

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October 6 - 11, 2025

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

Monday	Mark 10 Job 23	Joshua 12 Hosea 8
Tuesday	Mark 11 Job 24	Joshua 13 Hosea 9
Wednesday	Mark 12 Job 25	Joshua 14 Hosea 10
Thursday	Mark 13 Job 26	Joshua 15 Hosea 11
Friday	Mark 14 Job 27	Joshua 16 Hosea 12
Saturday	Psalm 93	Psalm 41 Psalm 135

Scripture Memory for the Week:

1 Peter 4:1 (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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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.