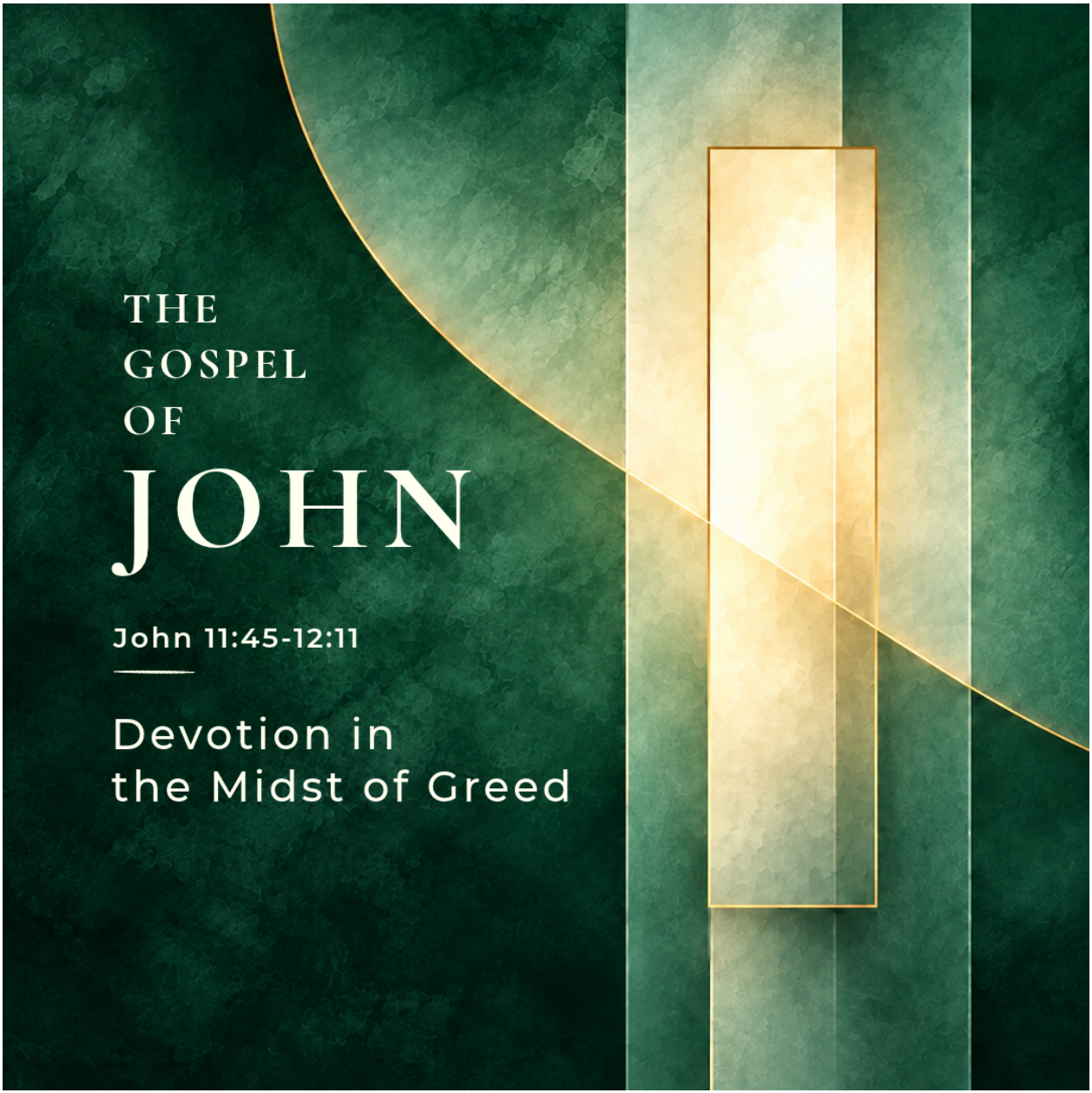

TRINITY
Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | November 1, 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.

Gratitude

CALL TO WORSHIP | Matthew 13:44-46 (ESV)

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

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

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 8:9 & 9:7-8, 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.

You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. … Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. … You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to 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.

Jesus Is

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.

Jesus Paid It All

All Hail King Jesus

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 | Tim Rice, *Founding & Teaching 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.

> Living Hope

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 11:45-12:11 (ESV)
Title: Devotion in the Midst of Greed
Teacher: Tim Rice

45 Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him,
46 but some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. 47 So the chief priests
and the Pharisees gathered the council and said, "What are we to do? For this man performs many signs.
48 If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and the Romans will come and take away
both our place and our nation." 49 But one of them, Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, said to
them, "You know nothing at all. 50 Nor do you understand that it is better for you that one man should
die for the people, not that the whole nation should perish." 51 He did not say this of his own accord, but
being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation, 52 and not for the nation
only, but also to gather into one the children of God who are scattered abroad. 53 So from that day on
they made plans to put him to death. 54 Jesus therefore no longer walked openly among the Jews, but
went from there to the region near the wilderness, to a town called Ephraim, and there he stayed with
the disciples. 55 Now the Passover of the Jews was at hand, and many went up from the country to
Jerusalem before the Passover to purify themselves. 56 They were looking for Jesus and saying to one
another as they stood in the temple, "What do you think? That he will not come to the feast at all?"
57 Now the chief priests and the Pharisees had given orders that if anyone knew where he was, he
should let them know, so that they might arrest him. 12:1 Six days before the Passover, Jesus therefore
came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. 2 So they gave a dinner for
him there. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those reclining with him at table. 3 Mary therefore
took a pound of expensive ointment made from pure nard, and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his
feet with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. 4 But Judas Iscariot, one of his
disciples (he who was about to betray him), said, 5 "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred
denarii and given to the poor?" 6 He said this, not because he cared about the poor, but because he was
a thief, and having charge of the moneybag he used to help himself to what was put into it. 7 Jesus said,
"Leave her alone, so that she may keep it for the day of my burial. 8 For the poor you always have with
you, but you do not always have me." 9 When the large crowd of the Jews learned that Jesus was there,
they came, not only on account of him but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead.
10 So the chief priests made plans to put Lazarus to death as well, 11 because on account of him many of
the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus.

INTRO: How is it that neither hatred nor love can be contained?

EVERYONE GETS LAVISH

What does extravagance mean?

EVERYONE RISKS BEING SELFISH

How does self-interest work against real faith and generosity?

UPENDING THE CYCLE

How can Jesus break the cycle, being lavish for us?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US …

1. Worship the LORD for being a God who experiences joy and delight! *Praise Him, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, for His surpassing worth and His power to restore you to His likeness so you can experience true joy and lasting pleasure.*
2. How have you grown jaded, dull and unimpressed, or extravagantly attached to things in this world? Confess your folly to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and heal your lifeless heart.
3. Give thanks to Jesus for His indescribable generosity. Thank Him that, in His pursuit of saving people like us, He went all in, spared nothing, and willingly set down everything He had to gain us!
4. Who do you know that rejoices over trinkets and ignores what's truly precious? Pray for them, asking the God who is our real Treasure to persuade them of what's truly valuable, and what isn't.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear His fruit of love and joy in you. Pray that He would help you grasp His beauty in worship, with your heart set aflame, a lavish spirit of giving to Him and others.

Upcoming *events*



Night of Worship & Prayer

November 1, 5pm

Contact the Church Office for details.



Retirees Prayer Luncheon

November 5, 12pm

Contact John Tucker at jtuckerdc@gmail.com for details.



Middle & High School Girls' Bedazzle Night

November 7, 6:30pm

Contact Taylor Hart for details.

Scan the code to register.



Congregational Meeing

November 8,

following <u>BOTH</u> services.

Contact the Church Office for details.

Childcare provided.



Churchwide Fall Festival

November 8, 3:30pm

Contact Callie Sandman for details.

Scan the code to register.

Upcoming *events*



Women's Minsitry
Celebrating the Season
November 13, 6pm
Contact Melissa Wagoner for details.
Scan the code to register.



Middle School Boys'
Father & Son Paintball
November 14, 9am
Contact Rally Fox for details.
Scan the code to register.



Young Adult
Friendsgiving
November 15, 6pm
Contact Brown Peterson for details.
Scan the code to register.



Grace & Grit
Men's Prayer Gathering
November 21, 7:30am
Contact Tony or Craig for details.
tony@trinitylakeland.org
craig.nagle@campusoutreach.org



2027 Trinity Women's Retreat
April 9-11
Registration Is now OPEN!
Contact Laura McCaulley for details.
Scan the code to register.

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Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

November 2 - 7, 2026

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

Monday	Hebrews 4 Proverbs 1	Judges 7 Obadiah
Tuesday	Hebrews 5 Proverbs 2	Judges 8 Jonah 1
Wednesday	Hebrews 6 Proverbs 3	Judges 9 Jonah 2
Thursday	Hebrews 7 Proverbs 4	Judges 10 Jonah 3
Friday	Hebrews 8 Proverbs 5	Judges 11 Jonah 4
Saturday	 Psalm 97	Psalm 45 Psalm 139

Scripture Memory for the Week:
John 11:49-51 (ESV)

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Office Hours:

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

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

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