

SERIES ON GALATIANS

# Sharing & Sowing in the New Creation

GALATIANS 6:6-18



TRINITY  
Presbyterian Church

## ORDER OF WORSHIP | November 24, 2024

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### 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.

Build My Life

### CALL TO WORSHIP | 2 Corinthians 9:6-12 (ESV)

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

The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 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. As it is written, "He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God.

### 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 5:16-17, 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.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. ... For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of 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.

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.

How Great Thou Art

Great Are You Lord

## 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 Westminster Shorter Catechism:

**Q. 87.** What is repentance unto life?

A. Repentance unto life is a saving grace, whereby a sinner, out of a true sense of his sin, and apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ, does, with grief and hatred of his sin, turn from it to God, with full purpose of, and endeavor after, new obedience.

**Q. 88.** What are the outward and ordinary means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of redemption?

A. The outward and ordinary means whereby Christ communicates to us the benefits of redemption are, his ordinances, especially the Word, sacraments, and prayer; all which are made effectual to the elect for salvation.

## 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.

### WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING | *Mercy Fund Offering*

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.

### SONG OF RESPONSE

We respond to the good news of God's mercy and grace by singing again of His goodness and greatness.

Only A Holy God

### 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:** Galatians 6:6-18 (ESV)

**Title:** Sharing & Sowing in the New Creation

**Teacher:** Tim Rice

6 Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches. 7 Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. 8 For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. 9 And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. 10 So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith. 11 See with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. 12 It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh who would force you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. 13 For even those who are circumcised do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh. 14 But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. 15 For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. 16 And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. 17 From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. 18 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

**INTRO:** *What describes you best? Inward change or external observance?*

### SHARE ALL GOOD THINGS

How does our union with one another, in Christ, lead us to live?

## SELFISHNESS & CORRUPTION

How does our penchant for self-reliance — either by performance or transactions — derail God's design?

## DEATH & RESURRECTION HOPE

How does God's grace give us perspective, and fuel us for courageous living?

## YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Worship the LORD and Giver of life for His incomparable generosity. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, for giving us all we have, for giving us mercy in Christ, and for taking us into His very home and family.
2. How have you lived ignoring how richly God has moved toward you, and instead you've been tight-fisted or transactional with others? Confess your pride and unbelief to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and change your heart.
3. Give thanks to Jesus for His stunning generosity vs. our pathological selfishness. Thank Him for giving Himself *for us* on the Cross to atone for our sins, and for giving Himself *to us* by His Spirit to heal our brokenness.
4. Who do you know that is generous, and *how can you learn from them*? Pray for them, asking the Lord to bless them and to give you a teachable heart toward them, so that you could learn to follow them in giving.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of love, joy and goodness. Read 2 Corinthians 9:6-12, and pray for the Spirit's help to trust God's "sufficiency in all things at all times," that you may abound in every good work.

## Welcome to Trinity!

We would love to connect with you. Please scan on the QR code to get connected and let us know of any prayer requests you may have.



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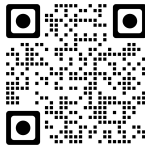


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### Communication

Visit [trinitylakeland.org/events](https://trinitylakeland.org/events) to register.



#### Thanksgiving Day Service

November 28, 10a

Contact the church office for details.



#### Women's Ministry - Celebrating the Season

December 7, 10a

Registration CLOSING December 2!



#### The Weekender - New Members' Class

January 31 & February 1

Contact [Ashley Coleman](#) for details.

## Community Bible Reading

[communitybiblereading.org](https://communitybiblereading.org)

**November 25-30, 2024**

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

Monday	Matthew 4 Proverbs 18	Ruth 4 Zephaniah 1
Tuesday	Matthew 5 Proverbs 19	1 Samuel 1 Zephaniah 2
Wednesday	Matthew 6 Proverbs 20	1 Samuel 2 Zephaniah 3
Thursday	Matthew 7 Proverbs 21	1 Samuel 3 Haggai 1
Friday	Matthew 8 Proverbs 22	1 Samuel 4 Haggai 2
Saturday	Psalms 100	Psalms 48 Psalms 142

### Scripture Memory for the Week:

#### Galatians 6:8 (ESV)

8 For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life.

### Office Hours:

Mon - Fri | 8:30a - 5:00p

Sunday Worship | 8:45a & 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.