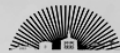


THE MINOR PROPHETS

Zephaniah:

Seek and Hide

Zephaniah 3:1-5, 8, 14-20



TRINITY
Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | March 16, 2025

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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.

Ancient Of Days

CALL TO WORSHIP | Isaiah 55:6-11 (ESV)

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

"Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent 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 7:10-11 (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 godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death. For see what earnestness this godly grief has produced in you, but also what eagerness to clear yourselves, what indignation, what fear, what longing, what zeal, what punishment! At every point you have proved yourselves innocent in the matter.

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.

There Is A Fountain

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.

Shelter

Power To Redeem

CONFESION 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. 16. Why must he be a true and righteous man?

A. He must be a true man because the justice of God requires that the same human nature which has sinned should pay for sin. He must be a righteous man because one who himself is a sinner cannot pay for others.

Q. 17. Why must he at the same time be true God?

A. He must be true God so that by the power of his divine nature he might bear in his human nature the burden of God’s wrath, and might obtain for us and restore to us righteousness and life.

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS | 10:30a Service

We are called to publicly confess our faith in the grace of God, to participate in the rituals of entrance into the people of God and to acknowledge our membership with His people.

Daniel & Mariah Coward

Amelie, Clara, Emma & Jack Coward (non-communing)

Mike & Lexi McGovern

Josie McGovern (non-communing)

Micah & Bri Evans

Andrew Evans (non-communing)

Gianna Smith

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM | 10:30a Service

The ritual of baptism is a sign and seal of the grace we have in Jesus. It symbolizes the cleansing all people need before they are acceptable to God (sign), and it makes how real God’s promise is for who will trust in Him (seal).

Josephine Grace McGovern

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 | Tony Myers, *Shepherding 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.

Do It Again

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: Zephaniah 3:1-5, 8, 14-20 (ESV)

Title: Zephaniah: Seek and Hide

Teacher: Tony Myers

3:1 Woe to her who is rebellious and defiled, the oppressing city! 2 She listens to no voice; she accepts no correction. She does not trust in the Lord; she does not draw near to her God. 3 Her officials within her are roaring lions; her judges are evening wolves that leave nothing till the morning. 4 Her prophets are fickle, treacherous men; her priests profane what is holy; they do violence to the law. 5 The Lord within her is righteous; he does no injustice; every morning he shows forth his justice; each dawn he does not fail; but the unjust knows no shame. ... 8 "Therefore wait for me," declares the Lord, "for the day when I rise up to seize the prey. For my decision is to gather nations, to assemble kingdoms, to pour out upon them my indignation, all my burning anger; for in the fire of my jealousy all the earth shall be consumed." ... 14 Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem! 15 The Lord has taken away the judgments against you; he has cleared away your enemies. The King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall never again fear evil. 16 On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: "Fear not, O Zion; let not your hands grow weak. 17 The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing. 18 I will gather those of you who mourn for the festival, so that you will no longer suffer reproach. 19 Behold, at that time I will deal with all your oppressors. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth. 20 At that time I will bring you in, at the time when I gather you together; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes," says the Lord.

INTRO: Have you ever played a game of hide and seek where your life depended utterly upon your being found?

THE DAY OF THE LORD IS NEAR AND DESERVED

What is there in your life that you'd love to hide from God?

SEEK THE LORD - WHILE HE MAY BE FOUND

What does it mean to honestly and humbly seek the Lord?

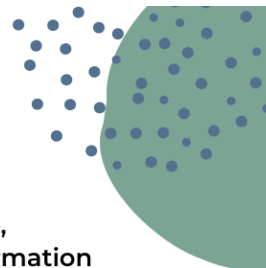
THE LORD WHO HIDES ME

If God hides me from the wrath I deserve, how are my relationships now different?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Worship the Lord that He is mighty to save and rejoices over you with gladness even while we run headlong into our sin. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit for His unfailing love.
2. How have you half-heartedly sought the Lord and avoided the essential encouragement of His people? Confess to the Lord and ask Him to grant you humility and earnestness.
3. Give thanks to Jesus who bore our shame when we were shameless, who lived righteously while we were complacent in our self-righteousness, and who humbled Himself at the cross to make us renowned among the nations.
4. Who do you know that is complacent in their faith? Pray for them, asking God to awaken them out of their slumber to seek the Lord.
5. Ask for the Holy Spirit's help to genuinely rest in Jesus' finished work that saved you, to bask in the Father's incredible joy and gladness over you, and to be quieted by the Spirit's reminding you that you are radically loved by God.

get connected



Interested in serving?

Scan the code to be added to our database, weekly announcement emails and for information on areas where you can serve at Trinity. Contact **Theresa Riggs** at theresa@trinitylakeland.org for other ways to get connected.



Night of Worship & Prayer

March 23, 5p

Contact the Church Office for details.

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



Churchwide Serve Day

March 29, 8a

Contact the Church Office for details.

Scan the code to register.



Retirees Prayer Luncheon

April 3, 12p

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



Churchwide Easter Picnic

April 6, 12p at Fletcher Park

Don't forget your basket for the Easter egg hunt! **Please bring your own lunch, chairs, and blankets.**



Phil Keaggy Live Concert

April 11, 7p

Contact the Church Office for details.

***Scan the code to purchase
your ticket!***

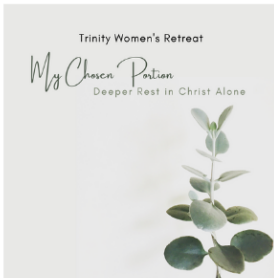


Town Hall Meeting

April 13, 9:15 & 11a

in the Fellowship Hall

Contact the Church Office for details.



Women's Retreat 2025

April 25-27

Contact Laura McCaulley for details.

Scan the code to register.



Middle School Boys

Super Smash Bros Tournament

May 2, 6p

Contact Tucker O'Brien for details.

Scan the code to register.



VBS - True North

June 16-20

Registration opens on April 6!

Contact Callie Sandman for details.

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.

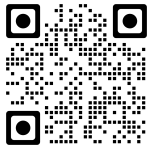


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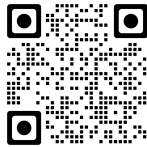


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Community Bible Reading communitybiblereading.org

March 17-22, 2025

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

Monday	Romans 2 2 Kings 1	Exodus 4 Isaiah 46
Tuesday	Romans 3 2 Kings 2	Exodus 5 Isaiah 47
Wednesday	Romans 4 2 Kings 3	Exodus 6 Isaiah 48
Thursday	Romans 5 2 Kings 4	Exodus 7 Isaiah 49
Friday	Romans 6 2 Kings 5	Exodus 8 Isaiah 50
Saturday	Psalm 64	Psalm 12 Psalm 116

Scripture Memory for the Week: Zephaniah 3:17 (ESV)

17 The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save;
he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love;
he will exult over you with loud singing.

Office Hours:

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

Sunday Worship | 8:45a & 10:30a

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