



EASTER SUNDAY

A Love
The
Proud
Can't
Stand.

John 5:17-29



TRINITY

Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | April 5, 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.

Christ The Lord Is Risen Today

CALL TO WORSHIP | Romans 5:15-19 (ESV)

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

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ. Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

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 5:21 (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.

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.

It Is Done

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.

King Of Kings

Living Hope

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 New City Catechism:

Q. 13. Can anyone keep the law of God perfectly?

A. Since the fall, no mere human has been able to keep the law of God perfectly, but consistently breaks it in thought, word, and deed.

Q. 14. Did God create us unable to keep his law?

A. No, but because of the disobedience of our first parents, Adam and Eve, all of creation is fallen; we are all born in sin and guilt, corrupt in our nature and unable to keep God's law.

Q. 15. Since no one can keep the law, what is its purpose?

A. That we may know the holy nature and will of God, and the sinful nature and disobedience of our hearts; and thus our need of a Savior. The law also teaches and exhorts us to live a life worthy of our Savior.

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.

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: John 5:17-29 (ESV)

Title: A Love The Proud Can't Stand

Teacher: Tim Rice

17 But Jesus answered them, "My Father is working until now, and I am working." 18 This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God. 19 So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise. 20 For the Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing. And greater works than these will he show him, so that you may marvel. 21 For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom he will. 22 For the Father judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son, 23 that all may honor the Son, just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him. 24 Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life. 25 "Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. 26 For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself. 27 And he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man. 28 Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice 29 and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment.

INTRO: When have your beliefs or plans drawn you into conflict?

KILL THE OPPOSITION

What does a murder plot reveal?

RIGHT MAN, RIGHT JOB

How is Jesus' description of His purpose shocking?

AN APPROPRIATE RESPONSE

Rather than resistance or doubt, what is the right way to respond to what Jesus offers us?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Worship the LORD for His heart to redeem sinners like us! Praise Him, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, that He is a saving God, and not only a God of wrath and judgment.
2. How have you lived in amazement, devotion and trust in created things rather than Jesus? Confess your idolatry and unbelief to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and to heal your heart.
3. Give thanks to Jesus for His work, not only to die to atone for our guilt, but for His obedience to heal our brokenness! Thank Him for *never breaking the Father's good design* so that He can bring wholeness to all who trust Him.
4. Who do you know that has no sense of how amazing Jesus is? Pray for them, asking the Spirit to give them the gift of new birth, eyes to see, and ears to hear, so that they would turn to Him in repentance and faith.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of love and joy! Pray for an ever-increasing sense of Jesus' saving love, power, and wisdom.

Upcoming *events*



Young Adult Guys' Masters Watch Party

April 12, 3pm

Contact Brown Peterson for details.

Scan the code to register.



2026 Men's Florida Retreat

April 16-18

Contact Brown Peterson for details.

Scan the code to register.



Grace & Grit

Men's Prayer Gathering

April 18, 7:30am

Contact Tony Myers for details.



Women's Ministry: Table Talks Watercolor Night

April 23, 6:30pm

Contact Laura McCaulley for details.

Scan the code to register.



Night of Worship & Prayer

April 26, 5pm

Contact the Church Office for details.

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



Upcoming *events*



Middle School Girls'

Dos de Mayo

May 2, 6pm

Contact Emma Riggs for details.

Scan the code to register.



Retirees Prayer Luncheon

May 7, 12pm

Contact John Tucker at

jtuckerdc@gmail.com for details.



High School Girls'

Rom-Com Bingo

May 9, 7pm

Contact Taylor Hart for details.

Scan the code to register.



Women's Ministry Summer Series

Humility: The Joy of Self-Forgetfulness

June 10, 24 & July 8, 22, 6:15pm

Contact Laura McCaulley for details.

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VBS Save the Date

July 13-17

Registration opens on April 12.

If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Callie Sandman.

Interested in Getting Connected?

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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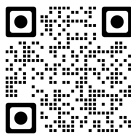


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Community Bible Reading

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April 6-11, 2026

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

Monday	Romans 16 2 Kings 16	Exodus 18 Isaiah 60
Tuesday	1 Corinthians 1 2 Kings 17	Exodus 19 Isaiah 61
Wednesday	1 Corinthians 2 2 Kings 18	Exodus 20 Isaiah 62
Thursday	1 Corinthians 3 2 Kings 19	Exodus 21 Isaiah 63
Friday	1 Corinthians 4 2 Kings 20	Exodus 22 Isaiah 64
Saturday	Psalm 67	Psalm 15 Psalm 119:1-16

Scripture Memory for the Week:

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Office Hours:

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

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

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Vision

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.