

GENEROSITY *With Time*

Ephesians 5:15-18



TRINITY
Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | May 24, 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.

My Worth Is Not In What I Own

CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 90:1-12 (ESV)

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

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. You return man to dust and say, "Return, O children of man!" For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night. You sweep them away as with a flood; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning: in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers. For we are brought to an end by your anger; by your wrath we are dismayed. You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence. For all our days pass away under your wrath; we bring our years to an end like a sigh. The years of our life are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty; yet their span is but toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away. Who considers the power of your anger, and your wrath according to the fear of you? So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.

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 5:5-6 & Galatians 4:4-5 (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.

Hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ... When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

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.

Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

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

God Is Love

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. 21. What sort of Redeemer is needed to bring us back to God?

A. One who is truly human and also truly God.

Q. 22. Why must the Redeemer be truly human?

A. That in human nature he might on our behalf perfectly obey the whole law and suffer the punishment for human sin; and also that he might sympathize with our weaknesses.

Q. 23. Why must the Redeemer be truly God?

A. That because of his divine nature his obedience and suffering would be perfect and effective; and also that he would be able to bear the righteous anger of God against sin and yet overcome death.

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 | 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.

King Of Kings

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: Ephesians 5:15-18 (ESV)

Title: Generosity With Time

Teacher: Tim Rice

15 Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, 16 making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. 17 Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. 18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit.

INTRO: Who or what has shaped your view of time?

WASTE & VANITY

What do the terms debauchery and striving after the wind mean?

GOD'S USE OF HIS TIME

If we can even properly conceive of it, how has the Eternal God used His time?

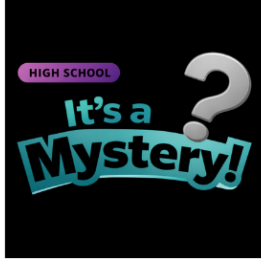
THE IMMEASURABLE GIFT, THE BEST INVESTMENT

After the Person of God, is there any greater treasure than time?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Worship the LORD, the only Eternal God, for His gift of time and His grace to enter into it. Praise Him, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, that His love is from everlasting to everlasting.
2. How have you lived foolishly or short-sightedly, wasting your time or spending it selfishly? Confess your vanity and immaturity to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and transform your heart to be wise and loving.
3. Give thanks to Jesus for the inexpressible mystery of His love to enter into space and time to secure for us an eternity with Him. Thank Him for using His time to buy us out of bondage and fill our emptiness with His Spirit.
4. Who do you know who is aimless or selfish in their use of time? Pray for them, asking the Lord to meet them in their foolishness, with His saving love and wisdom.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to fill you and to transform your perspective, anchoring it more firmly in and orienting it toward Him and eternity. Pray for His fruit of love to move you away from folly and more toward the LORD and others.

Upcoming *events*



High School Mystery Event

May 27, 5:45pm

Contact Taylor Hart for details.

Scan the code to register.



Retirees Prayer Luncheon

June 4, 12pm

Contact John Tucker at

jtuckerdc@gmail.com for details.



High School Summer Camp

June 8-13

Contact Bud Daniel 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.

Scan the code to register.



Grace & Grit Men's Prayer Gathering

June 20, 7:30am

Contact Tony Myers for details.

Upcoming *events*



Middle School Summer Camp

July 6-10

Contact Bud Daniel for details.

Scan the code to register.



VBS Rainforest Falls

July 13-17

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

Scan the code to join the waitlist.



FRAT Boot Camp

(Rising 6th Graders)

July 13-17

Contact Bud Daniel for details.

Scan the code to register.



TRINITY

— PROFILE SURVEY —

The **Trinity Profile Survey** has
been emailed out.

The survey takes less than 10 minutes to complete
and will remain open through the end of May.
We appreciate your participation!



SCAN THE QR CODE
TO TAKE THE SURVEY.

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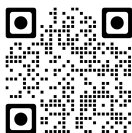


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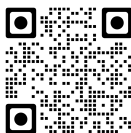


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Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

May 25-30, 2026

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

Monday	Galatians 6 1 Chronicles 26	Leviticus 13 Jeremiah 29
Tuesday	Ephesians 1 1 Chronicles 27	Leviticus 14 Jeremiah 30
Wednesday	Ephesians 2 1 Chronicles 28	Leviticus 15 Jeremiah 31
Thursday	Ephesians 3 1 Chronicles 29	Leviticus 16 Jeremiah 32
Friday	Ephesians 4 2 Chronicles 1	Leviticus 17 Jeremiah 33
Saturday	Psalms 74	Psalms 22 Psalms 119:113-128

Scripture Memory for the Week:

Ephesians 5:17 (ESV)

17 Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

Office Hours:

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

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

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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.