

Why Be A Church-Planting Church?

The Family of God



Ephesians 2:12-22; 4:1-7



TRINITY
Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | July 13, 2025

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.

No Longer Slaves

CALL TO WORSHIP | **Philippians 2:12-13 (ESV)**

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

Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

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 | **Titus 2:13-14 (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.

Our great God and Savior Jesus Christ ... gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

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.

Gratitude

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 Heidelberg Catechism:

Q. 49. How does Christ's ascension to heaven benefit us?

A. First, he is our advocate in heaven in the presence of his Father. Second, we have our own flesh in heaven as a sure pledge that Christ our head will also take us, his members, up to himself. Third, he sends his Spirit to us on earth as a corresponding pledge. By the Spirit's power we seek not earthly things but the things above, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand.

Q. 50. Why the next words: "and is seated at the right hand of God"?

A. Because Christ ascended to heaven to show there that he is head of his church, the one through whom the Father rules all things.

KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS' DISMISSAL (Infants - 4th 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.

SONG OF RESPONSE

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

You've Already Won

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 2:12-22; 4:1-7 (ESV)

Title: The Family of God

Teacher: Tim Rice

2:12 Remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. 14 For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility 15 by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, 16 and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. 17 And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. 18 For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. 19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, 20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, 21 in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. 22 In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit. ... 4:1 I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, 2 with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, 3 eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. 4 There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— 5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6 one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. 7 But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

INTRO: From the E.R. to rehab, to the wellness center ...

WHY ARE WE OUTSIDE?

Why is it significant that everyone in this story started outside?

HOW DO WE GET INSIDE?

How is it a miracle that *any* of us are inside?

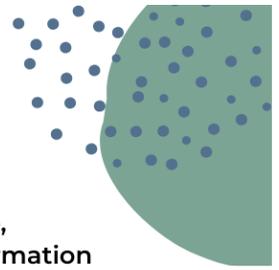
WHAT IS IT LIKE TO WORK BESIDE?

If someone comes to Jesus in real faith, what happens to their identity, purpose and relationships?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Worship the LORD for His heart to be related to us as His people! Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit that He IS an eternal relationship, and that He designed us to live in His likeness – related and in love.
2. How have you lived as if others are not necessary and being on your own is better? Confess your pride and ignorance to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and that He would repair you from your broken ways.
3. Give thanks to Jesus for His work in bringing back together what we have ripped apart through our sin. Thank Him for reconciling you to God, and to others; *for taking out of you your guilt and putting His love in by His Spirit.*
4. Who do you know who is selfish and isolated? Pray for them, asking the Lord to help them to see their perilous condition, and that they would discover the miracle and beauty of Jesus' love.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of love. Pray that He would help you to live in light of what He has given you – membership in His own family – and that you would reflect that hope and grace to others.

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.



High School Girls' Beach Day

July 17, 8a

Contact Taylor Hart for details.

Scan the code to register.



Middle School Boys' Pool Party

July 22, 12p

Contact Bud Daniel for details.

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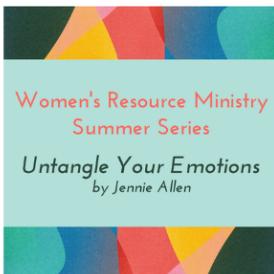


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Women's Ministry Summer Series

July 23

Contact Laura McCaulley for details.

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Children's Ministry Move Up Sunday August 10

Contact Callie Sandman for details.



The Weekender August 22 & 23

Contact Ashley Coleman for details.

Scan the code to register.

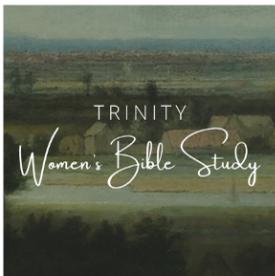


Town Hall Meeting

August 24, 9:00 & 10:30a

in the Fellowship Hall

Contact the Church Office for details.



Women's Bible Study

Starting September 9 & 10

Contact Laura McCaulley for details.

Scan the code to register.



Women's Ministry: Table Talks LIFE HACKS & FUN SKILLS NIGHT

September 23, 6:30p

Registration open now!

Contact Laura McCaulley 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.

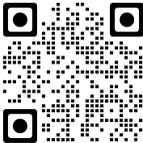


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Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

July 14-19, 2025

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

Monday	Philemon 2 Chronicles 32	Numbers 22 Ezekiel 8
Tuesday	John 1 2 Chronicles 33	Numbers 23 Ezekiel 9
Wednesday	John 2 2 Chronicles 34	Numbers 24 Ezekiel 10
Thursday	John 3 2 Chronicles 35	Numbers 25 Ezekiel 11
Friday	John 4 2 Chronicles 36	Numbers 26 Ezekiel 12
Saturday	Psalm 81	Psalm 29 Psalm 123

Scripture Memory for the Week:

Ephesians 2:12a, c, 13, 19 (ESV)

12a Remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, ... 12c having no hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ... 19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.

Office Hours:

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

Sunday Worship | 10:00a

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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.