Things Into Which **ANGELS** Long To **LOOK**

1 PETER 1:10–21

TRINITY
Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | August 17, 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.

Worthy Of Your Name

CALL TO WORSHIP | 1 Timothy 6:11-12, 17-19 (ESV)

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

Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses … As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

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 | Hebrews 2:9, 14-17 (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.

But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. … Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.

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.

Holy Holy Holy

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.

No Longer Slaves **| 10:30a Service**

Abide

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. 57. How does "the resurrection of the body" comfort you?

A. Not only will my soul be taken immediately after this life to Christ its head, but also my very flesh will be raised by the power of Christ, reunited with my soul, and made like Christ's glorious body.

Q. 58. How does the article concerning "life everlasting" comfort you?

A. Even as I already now experience in my heart the beginning of eternal joy, so after this life I will have perfect blessedness such as no eye has seen, no ear has heard, no human heart has ever imagined: a blessedness in which to praise God forever.

RECEIVING NEW MEMBER | 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.

Nick Brinkman	Rally Fox	Lydia Sandman	Parker Smith
Caitlyn Eisner	Liam Leckie	Aidan Smith	Taylor Zachary

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).

Rally Barrett Fox
Fergus Liam Leckie

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.

SONG OF RESPONSE

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

Creed

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: 1 Peter 1:10-21 (ESV)
Title: Things Into Which Angels Long To Look
Teacher: Tim Rice

10 Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, 11 inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories. 12 It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look. 13 Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. 14 As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, 15 but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, 16 since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." 17 And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, 18 knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. 20 He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you 21 who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

INTRO: When have you burned with curiosity, and over what?

IN THE THRALL OF SUFFERING

In what ways is suffering not shocking, and yet, in what ways is it surprising or even terrifying?

SAVED BY A DIFFERENT GOD

How is the God of the Bible different?

CALLED TO LIVE DIFFERENTLY

How and why are we called to not live as the world lives?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US …

1. Worship the LORD for His holiness, especially vs. the broken ugliness of this world. Praise Him, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, that no thing and no one can possibly compare with Him in His power, wisdom, or love.
2. How have you lived under the dominance of suffering, without any reference to Jesus or eternity? Confess your worldliness to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and to anchor you in His love and grace vs. all that is broken and wrong.
3. Give thanks to Jesus for the holiness of His saving work. Thank Him for His miraculous grace and mercy, to do what we cannot do to remove all of our guilt, and to seal to us all of His holy status.
4. Who do you know that is being humbled by suffering? Pray for them, asking the Lord to help them to let go of “any futile ways” inherited from the world, and to gain a greater and greater sense of hope in Jesus.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of love, joy, and patience. Pray for His work in your life to free you from conforming to this world’s ways and to inspire you with your hope fully set on the grace of Jesus.

Upcoming *events*

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.

Student Ministry Parent Meeting

August 24, 12p

Contact Bud Daniel for details.

Retirees Prayer Luncheon

September 4, 12p

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

Young Adults' Hang Out

September 5, 6p

Contact Brown Peterson for deatils.

Scan the code to register.

Upcoming *events*

Women's Bible Study

Starting September 9 & 10

Contact Laura McCaulley for details.

Scan the code to register.

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September 10, 6p

Contact Callie Sandman for details.

Scan the code to register.

2nd Sunday Women's Prayer Gathering

September 14, 10a

Contact Laura McCaulley for details.

2025 Men's Retreat

September 18-21

Contact Frank McCaulley for details.

Scan the code to register.

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Young Adults Email List

Scan the QR code to join our email list and get updates on events, gatherings and all the fun stuff coming your way.

Contact Brown Peterson for details.

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Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

August 18 - 23, 2025

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

Monday	1 John 4 Nehemiah 11	Deuteronomy 11 Ezekiel 33
Tuesday	1 John 5 Nehemiah 12	Deuteronomy 12 Ezekiel 34
Wednesday	2 John Nehemiah 13	Deuteronomy 13 Ezekiel 35
Thursday	3 John Esther 1	Deuteronomy 14 Ezekiel 36
Friday	Revelation 1 Esther 2	Deuteronomy 15 Ezekiel 37
Saturday	 Psalm 86	Psalm 34 Psalm 128

Scripture Memory for the Week:

1 Peter 1:13 (ESV)

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Office Hours:

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

Sunday Worship | 9:00a & 10:30a

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