

SERMON ON THE MOUNT



TRUE DISCIPLES FALSE **VS**

MATTHEW 7:15-23



TRINITY
Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | August 4, 2024

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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.

Worthy Of Your Name

CALL TO WORSHIP | John 17:3 (ESV)

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

And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

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 | John 14:15-23 (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.

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him." Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, "Lord, how is it that you will manifest yourself to us, and not to the world?" Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him."

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.

Jesus Is

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

Because He Lives (Amen)

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.

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.

The Apostles' Creed: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The ritual meal of Communion is a sign and seal of the grace we have in Jesus. That is, it symbolizes the work Christ did for our salvation (sign) and communicates the grace and mercy we have been given (seal) as a result of His death and resurrection.

SONG OF RESPONSE

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

Abide

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: Matthew 7:15-23 (ESV)

Title: True Disciples vs. False

Teacher: Tim Rice

15 “Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. 16 You will recognize them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? 17 So, every healthy tree bears good fruit, but the diseased tree bears bad fruit. 18 A healthy tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a diseased tree bear good fruit. 19 Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. 20 Thus you will recognize them by their fruits. 21 Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. 22 On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ 23 And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.’ ”

INTRO: How discerning are you about truth and falsehood?

DESIGNED FOR TRUE LOVE

Why do we believe that God created us for genuine relationship with Him, for real intimacy?

WORDS WITHOUT SUBSTANCE

How do counterfeit gods drive false behaviors?

TRANSFORMING LOVE

To redeem us how does Jesus dispel lies and kill corruption?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Worship the LORD for His absolute integrity. Praise Him, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, that there is no gap between what He says and what He does, and that all of His Word is backed up by His perfect, holy character.
2. How have you lived with falsehood, corruption, or giving yourself permission to emphasize what you say above how you live? *Confess your lies and corruption to Jesus, the Way, Truth, and Life, asking Him to save you.*
3. Give thanks to Jesus for His work to do everything necessary to save us from all of our sin. *Thank Him that though He is the God of all creativity He chose absolute conformity to save us from the lie of autonomy and corruption of self-will.*
4. Who do you know that says they follow Jesus but leaves you in question by how they live? Pray for them that the Lord would have mercy on them to help them repent of any trace of corruption.
5. Ask the Spirit to bear in you His fruit of love and goodness. Pray that He would grow you in integrity and holiness, by His mercy and power helping you to genuinely know Christ, love Him, and rejoice to do His will.

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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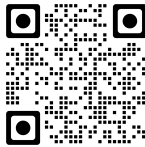


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Apple



Spotify

Communication

Visit trinitylakeland.org/events to register.



Children's Ministry - Back to School Pool Party

August 10, 4-7p

Contact [Callie Sandman](#) for details.



Trinity Leadership Update

August 11, 9:15a & 11a

Contact [Ashley Coleman](#) for details.



Children's Ministry - Move Up Sunday

August 11

Contact [Callie Sandman](#) for details.

Community Bible Reading

communitybiblereading.org

August 5-10, 2024

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

Monday	John 17 Nehemiah 3	Deuteronomy 3 Ezekiel 25
Tuesday	John 18 Nehemiah 4	Deuteronomy 4 Ezekiel 26
Wednesday	John 19 Nehemiah 5	Deuteronomy 5 Ezekiel 27
Thursday	John 20 Nehemiah 6	Deuteronomy 6 Ezekiel 28
Friday	John 21 Nehemiah 7	Deuteronomy 7 Ezekiel 249
Saturday	Psalms 84	Psalms 32 Psalms 126

Scripture Memory for the Week:

Matthew 7:20 (ESV)

20 Thus you will recognize
them by their fruits.

Office Hours:

Mon - Fri | 8:30a - 5:00p

Sunday Worship | 10:30a

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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.