

THE
GOSPEL
OF
JOHN

JOHN 7:1-24

The True Savior
vs. Hypocrites



TRINITY
Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | August 9, 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.

At The Foot Of The Cross

CALL TO WORSHIP | Jeremiah 10:10-16 (ESV)

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

But the Lord is the true God; he is the living God and the everlasting King. At his wrath the earth quakes, and the nations cannot endure his indignation. Thus shall you say to them: "The gods who did not make the heavens and the earth shall perish from the earth and from under the heavens." It is he who made the earth by his power, who established the world by his wisdom, and by his understanding stretched out the heavens. When he utters his voice, there is a tumult of waters in the heavens, and he makes the mist rise from the ends of the earth. He makes lightning for the rain, and he brings forth the wind from his storehouses. Every man is stupid and without knowledge; every goldsmith is put to shame by his idols, for his images are false, and there is no breath in them. They are worthless, a work of delusion; at the time of their punishment they shall perish. Not like these is he who is the portion of Jacob, for he is the one who formed all things, and Israel is the tribe of his inheritance; the Lord of hosts is his name.

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 | 1 John 1:6-10 (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 we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

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.

All Glory Be To Christ

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.

Who You Say I Am

Lead On Good Shepherd

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. 32. What do justification and sanctification mean?

A. Justification means our declared righteousness before God, made possible by Christ's death and resurrection for us. Sanctification means our gradual, growing righteousness, made possible by the Spirit's work in us.

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.

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: John 7:1-24 (ESV)

Title: The True Savior vs. Hypocrites

Teacher: Tim Rice

1 After this Jesus went about in Galilee. He would not go about in Judea, because the Jews were seeking to kill him. 2 Now the Jews' Feast of Booths was at hand. 3 So his brothers said to him, "Leave here and go to Judea, that your disciples also may see the works you are doing. 4 For no one works in secret if he seeks to be known openly. If you do these things, show yourself to the world." 5 For not even his brothers believed in him. 6 Jesus said to them, "My time has not yet come, but your time is always here. 7 The world cannot hate you, but it hates me because I testify about it that its works are evil. 8 You go up to the feast. I am not going up to this feast, for my time has not yet fully come." 9 After saying this, he remained in Galilee. 10 But after his brothers had gone up to the feast, then he also went up, not publicly but in private. 11 The Jews were looking for him at the feast, and saying, "Where is he?" 12 And there was much muttering about him among the people. While some said, "He is a good man," others said, "No, he is leading the people astray." 13 Yet for fear of the Jews no one spoke openly of him. 14 About the middle of the feast Jesus went up into the temple and began teaching. 15 The Jews therefore marveled, saying, "How is it that this man has learning, when he has never studied?" 16 So Jesus answered them, "My teaching is not mine, but his who sent me. 17 If anyone's will is to do God's will, he will know whether the teaching is from God or whether I am speaking on my own authority. 18 The one who speaks on his own authority seeks his own glory; but the one who seeks the glory of him who sent him is true, and in him there is no falsehood. 19 Has not Moses given you the law? Yet none of you keeps the law. Why do you seek to kill me?" 20 The crowd answered, "You have a demon! Who is seeking to kill you?" 21 Jesus answered them, "I did one work, and you all marvel at it. 22 Moses gave you circumcision (not that it is from Moses, but from the fathers), and you circumcise a man on the Sabbath. 23 If on the Sabbath a man receives circumcision, so that the law of Moses may not be broken, are you angry with me because on the Sabbath I made a man's whole body well? 24 Do not judge by appearances, but judge with right judgment."

INTRO: When have you been questioned over your credentials?

JESUS' TRUE AUTHORITY

What constitutes true legitimacy?

INCONSISTENT & ANTAGONISTIC

How did the Jewish religious leaders overlook such obvious inconsistencies in their own lives?

YIELDED TO A TRUE SAVIOR

Why does yielding to the Father lead to faith in Jesus?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Worship the LORD for His Holy authority as our Maker. Praise Him, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, that He is uniquely true, faithful, and legitimate to define us – and all reality.
2. How have you lived questioning or openly doubting Jesus' legitimacy? Confess your pride and unbelief to Jesus, asking Him to forgive you and to recalibrate your heart to be truly His.
3. Give thanks to Jesus for how He utterly yielded His life to His Father to save us from our ugly, foolish rebellion. Thank Him for bearing our hypocrisy by His death and giving us His righteousness by His obedient life.
4. Who do you know who lives cynically or doubtfully about Jesus' legitimacy? Pray for them, asking the Lord to open their eyes to His surpassing worth compared with every competing allegiance and the false hopes of this world.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of love and goodness. Pray that He would secure you in Jesus' work that you're free to call yourself what you are (in your failures) and call Jesus what He is (*the Savior of sinners like us*).

Upcoming *events*



Grace & Grit
Men's Prayer Gathering
August 15, 7:30am
Contact Tony Myers
or Craig Nagle for details.



Caring Like Christ: A Fall Discussion Series
August 16 | *Anxiety & Depression*
September 20 | *Anger & Avoidance*
November 15 | *Addictions: Idols of the Heart*
Contact Tony Myers for details.



Student Ministry
Pool Party
August 21, 4:30pm
Contact Taylor Hart for details.
Scan the code to register.



Trinity Community Partners Day
August 23, 8:45am - 1:00pm
Contact the Church Office for details.



The Weekender
(New Members' Class)
August 28 & 29
Contact Ashley Coleman for details.
Scan the code to register.



Upcoming *events*



Preparing for Membership Informational Lunch

August 30, 12pm

For families of

5th-7th grade students.

Contact Brown Peterson for details.



Retirees Prayer Luncheon

September 3, 12pm

Contact John Tucker at

jtuckerdc@gmail.com for details.



Women's Bible Study

Starting September 15 & 16

Contact Laura McCaulley for details.

Scan the code to register.



Weekend to Remember

October 2-4 or October 16-18

Contact the Tony Myers for details.

Scan the code to register.



Women's Retreat 2027

SAVE THE DATE!

April 9-11, 2027

Contact Laura McCaulley for details.

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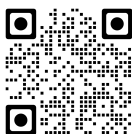


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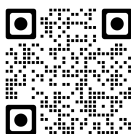


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Community Bible Reading

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August 10-15, 2026

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

Monday	John 19 Nehemiah 6	Deuteronomy 5 Ezekiel 27
Tuesday	John 20 Nehemiah 7	Deuteronomy 6 Ezekiel 28
Wednesday	John 21 Nehemiah 8	Deuteronomy 7 Ezekiel 29
Thursday	1 John 1 Nehemiah 9	Deuteronomy 8 Ezekiel 30
Friday	1 John 2 Nehemiah 10	Deuteronomy 9 Ezekiel 31
Saturday	Psalm 85	Psalm 33 Psalm 127

Scripture Memory for the Week:

John 7:18 (ESV)

18 The one who speaks on his own authority seeks his own glory; but the one who seeks the glory of him who sent him is true, and in him there is no falsehood.

Office Hours:

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

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

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