

Love God. Love People. Love Fort Worth.

Words for Reflection

I've often reflected on the rather obvious thought that when his disciples were about to have the world collapse in on them, our Lord spent so much time in the Upper Room speaking to them about the mystery of the Trinity.

- Sinclair Ferguson

Christian worship is nothing less than an invitation to participate in the life of the Triune God.

- James K. A. Smith

God is the apex of unchanging beauty as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in eternally existent, mutually glorifying, loving, honoring, and supporting diverse community—a never-ending, beautifully choreographed divine dance.

- Irwyn Ince

Order of Worship

Trinity Sunday — June 15, 2025 —

The LORD Calls Us

God invites and calls us into His presence to worship Him. He enters into our busy lives to speak to us.

The Call to Worship

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!
Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.
—Revelation 4:8, 11 ESV

Hymn of Praise | Holy, Holy, Holy

We sing praises to God and proclaim through song the good news of what He has done in Jesus' death and resurrection. Some songs might be initially unfamiliar, but we believe the rich, true, beautiful words of these hymns will make their way into your heart.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Who wert and art and ever more shall be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see; Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth, and sky, and sea; Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Words: Reginald Heber; Music: John Dykes

Opening Prayer & Lord's Prayer

We ask for God to be present among us and conclude with the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Doxology

Doxology means "glory words." We lift our voices and our hands to give God glory for who He is and all that He has done.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The LORD Cleanses Us

God cleanses and restores us through Jesus' death and resurrection. We fight the temptation to hide our sin and instead acknowledge it openly to God, but we do so in light of the grace that is ours in Jesus.

Confession of Sin

Triune God,

We praise You as the God of love and life. We thank You that through the work of Christ, we have been welcomed into Your very life. Yet Lord, we confess the ways we have failed to love You and one another. We have sinned against You by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We pray You would forgive us through the death of Christ, and enable us by the Holy Spirit to live as those fully loved by You. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

—John 3:16-17 ESV

Hymn of Response | Grace Alone

We respond in thanks and praise for God's redemptive work in Christ.

I was an orphan, lost at the fall; Running away when I'd hear you call, But Father, you worked your will. I had no righteousness of my own I had no right to draw near your throne, But Father, you loved me still.

And in love, before you laid the world's foundation, You predestined to adopt me as your own. You have raised me up so high above my station; I'm a child of God by grace, and grace alone

You left your home to seek out the lost; You knew the great and terrible cost But Jesus, your face was set. I worked my fingers down to the bone; But nothing I did could ever atone, But Jesus, you paid my debt.

By your blood I have redemption and salvation. Lord you died that I might reap what you have sown, And you rose that I might be a new creation. I am born again by grace, and grace alone.

I was in darkness all of my life, I never knew the day from the night, But Spirit, you made me see. I swore I knew the way on my own; Head full of rocks, a heart made of stone But Spirit, you moved in me. And at your touch my sleeping spirit was awakened; On my darkened heart the light of Christ has shone. Called into a kingdom that cannot be shaken; Heaven's citizen by grace, and grace alone.

So I'll stand in faith by grace, and grace alone I will run the race by grace, and grace alone I will slay my sin by grace, and grace alone I will reach the end by grace, and grace alone

Words and Music by Dustin Kensrue

Confession of Faith | The Nicene Creed

We join the church in history by confessing this basic statement of what Christians believe.

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The LORD Converses with Us

God speaks to us by His Word, and we respond with prayer, gratitude, and offerings.

The Gospel Lesson

Matthew 28:16-20

God speaks to us by His Word.

28:16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17 And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. 18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise to you, O Christ.**

The Offering

In gratitude, we offer our gifts to God.

Children are now dismissed for TrinityKids (4 years old - 2nd Grade). After the sermon, their teachers will return them to worship where they will come to you or you may meet them in the Galveston foyer.

The Prayers of the People

We lift up our requests to God knowing that He hears us when we pray.

Vocational Prayer Focus: Education – Teachers, Students, Staff, & Administrators Church Prayer Focus: Pillar Church Mission Prayer Focus: Ben & Anna Graber – MTW Germany

The Reading of the Word

Psalm 50

God speaks to us by His Word.

50:1 The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. **2** Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth. **3** Our God comes; he does not keep silence; before him is a devouring fire, around him a mighty tempest. **4** He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that he may judge his people: **5** "Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!" **6** The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge! **7** "Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, I will testify against you. I am God, your God. **8** Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you; your burnt offerings are continually before me. **9** I will not accept a bull from your house or goats from your folds. **10** For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills. **11** I know all the birds of the hills, and all that moves in the field is mine. **12** "If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the world and its fullness are mine. **13** Do I eat the flesh of bulls or drink the blood of goats? **14** Offer to God a sacrifice

of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High, **15** and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me." **16** But to the wicked God says: "What right have you to recite my statutes or take my covenant on your lips? **17** For you hate discipline, and you cast my words behind you. **18** If you see a thief, you are pleased with him, and you keep company with adulterers. **19** "You give your mouth free rein for evil, and your tongue frames deceit. **20** You sit and speak against your brother; you slander your own mother's son. **21** These things you have done, and I have been silent; you thought that I was one like yourself. But now I rebuke you and lay the charge before you. **22** "Mark this, then, you who forget God, lest I tear you apart, and there be none to deliver! **23** The one who offers thanksgiving as his sacrifice glorifies me; to one who orders his way rightly I will show the salvation of God!"

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

The Preaching of the Word

Rev. Keith Berger

Praying the Psalms "God Wants the Heart"

Sermon Notes

The LORD Communes with Us

God invites us to feast with Him at His Table.

The Celebration of Holy Communion

Communion (also called the Lord's Supper or the Eucharist) is the family meal of baptized Christians. It's not a meal for good people. It's a meal for desperate people who trust in Jesus alone for salvation, who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength and grace to live more faithfully with Jesus. You will be invited to come forward. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal today, we encourage you to use the prayers printed below and spend this time in reflection or prayer.

Children who have not received their first communion are welcome to come forward with their families. We invite children who are ready to make a public profession of faith in Christ to arrange a meeting with the elders, and thus become "communicants" at the Lord's Table.

*Note about communion wine: We serve wine during communion. If you'd prefer non-alcoholic grape juice, please indicate by pointing at the tray.

Pastor:	The Lord be with you.
People:	And also with you.
Pastor:	Lift up your hearts!
People:	We lift them up to the Lord.
Pastor:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People:	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Words of Institution

Pastor:	Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:
People:	Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
	Hallelujah!
Pastor:	Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us.
	Hallelujah!
People:	Therefore, let us keep the feast.
Pastor:	The gifts of God for the people of God.

Prayers During Communion

A prayer for those searching for truth:

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me the ability to follow you no matter what it might cost me. Give me an understanding for you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

A prayer of belief:

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead and are now representing me at the Father's right hand in heaven, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen.

A prayer for those struggling against sin:

Lord Jesus, give me the ability to see in you the fulfillment of all my needs and desires, and help me to turn from every false source of satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely to me, and run with perseverance the race that you have set before me, looking only to you, the author and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

A prayer for covenant children who have not yet made a profession of faith:

Lord Jesus, thank you for giving me the opportunity to grow up in a Christian family where I am surrounded by the good news of the gospel. Help me to grow in my understanding of who you are and what you have done for me on the cross. Help me learn what it means for me to turn from my sins and trust in you alone for my salvation. Teach me what it means to follow you as one of your disciples. Amen.

Hymns for Communion

Jesus Whispers

Lamb of God, we fall before Thee, Humbly trusting in Thy cross; That alone be all our glory; All things else are vain and loss.

Thee we own a perfect Savior, Only source of all that's good: Every grace and every favor Comes to us through Jesus' blood.

Jesus whispers this sweet sentence, "Son, thy sins are all forgiven." Faith He gives us to believe, Hearing ears and seeing eyes.

When we live on Jesus' merit, Then we worship God aright, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Then we savingly unite. (Chorus)

Hear the whole conclusion of it; Great or good, whate'er we call, God, or King, or Priest, or Prophet, Jesus Christ is All in All. (Chorus)

Words: Joseph Hart; Music: Clint Wells & Brian T. Murphy

Jesus, With Thy Church Abide Jesus, with Thy church abide; Be her Savior, Lord, and Guide, While on earth her faith is tried: We beseech Thee, hear us, We beseech Thee, hear us.

Keep her life and doctrine pure; Grant her patience to endure, Trusting in Thy promise sure: We beseech Thee, hear us, We beseech Thee, hear us.

May she one in doctrine be, One in truth and charity, Winning all to faith in Thee: We beseech Thee, hear us, We beseech Thee, hear us.

May she guide the poor and blind, Seek the lost until she find And the brokenhearted bind: We beseech Thee, hear us, We beseech Thee, hear us.

Words: Thomas Benson Pollock; Music: Christopher Miner

Life at Trinity

The LORD Commissions Us

God blesses us and sends us out to be a part of His mission to Fort Worth & the world.

Departing Hymn | Hail to the Lord's Anointed

We respond in faith and song. *Children are invited to come to the front to lead & sing. Parents are also welcome.

Hail to the Lord's anointed, great David's greater Son! Hail in the time appointed, His reign on earth begun!

He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free, To take away transgression, and rule in equity. *(Chorus)*

He comes with comfort speedy to those who suffer wrong, To help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong.

To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light, Whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in His sight. *(Chorus)*

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth, Love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in His path to birth.

The tide of time shall never His covenant remove. His Name shall stand forever, That Name to us is Love. (Chorus)

Words: James Montgomery; Music: Sandra McCracken

The Benediction

God sends us out with his blessing. A benediction is not a prayer. We don't bow our heads. We lift them up and even lift up our hands to receive his blessing as we are sent out as participants in His mission to Fort Worth.

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

-Numbers 6:24-26 ESV

The Sending

The people of God are sent into the world to love God, love people, and love Fort Worth.

Pastor: Let us go forth to serve Fort Worth and the world as those who love our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. **People: Thanks be to God!**

Announcements

Congregational Meeting June 22

Please join us during Christian Formation next Sunday for a congregational meeting where we will provide an update on the fraud investigation.

Men's Fish Fry

Join us (and bring a friend!) for fried fish, cold refreshments, and good fellowship on June 19 at Galli Davis's hangar. Cost is \$20. See the Church Center app for registration and details or contact Graham (graham.norris22@gmail.com).

Young Adults Girls' Night

Join the Trinity Young Adults for a girls' night, Tuesday, June 17 at Becca Boswell's house from 7-830pm. Bring an item of your choice (vase, bookmark, candle, etc.) and we will decorate them with dried flowers! Snacks and drinks will be provided. Please note that Becca has moved; look up her new address in the directory (or text 817-617-9572).

Women's Summer Study

Women, our summer study is an easy avenue of connecting with other women as well as God's Word. Join us Wednesday nights in June in the Fellowship Hall from 7-830pm. We are using Michael Reeves's book *Delighting in the Trinity*. After each teaching time (7-730), we will have an hour to create; each week using a different "canvas!" When you register in the Church Center app, you can select from the (optional) activities we have planned.

Men's Summer Study

Men, please join us for a lunch and book discussion on Wednesdays in June at 12pm. As with the women's study, we will be reading and discussing the book *Delighting in the Trinity* by Michael Reeves. Please register in the Church Center app and order the book. Lunch will be provided, with a requested \$10 contribution.

Morning Prayer Break

We will take a summer break from our scheduled Friday morning prayer.

Christian Formation

Pastor Brian is teaching on the Sacraments in the Fellowship Hall during Christian Formation.

To the Parents of Young Children

Welcome! We are so glad you are here. We believe the church is for all people, even children, and we want Trinity to be a church where children are both seen and heard. So don't worry if your children wiggle in the pews or make a little noise! We invite you to keep your children in our service and help them understand what is going on, sing the songs with you, and participate in worship. Children learn how to worship by imitating you. We say parts of our worship service every week in order to help our non-reading children to participate, and we have children's bulletins available in the back. There are also ages, stages, and times when it might not be best for your children to be in worship. We have a nursery program that is set up to handle children from birth to 4 years old, and a TrinityKids program during the sermon for children 4 years old through 2nd grade. We also have a nursing mothers' room available off of the Fellowship Hall (basement level) if you need to nurse or change a diaper! <u>All nursery volunteers</u> have been through both background checks and Ministry Safe training. Parents often check their children out of the nursery and/or TrinityKids prior to Communion so that they can help lead us in our departing hymn.

The Liturgy

Our order of worship may be new to you. Every worship service in every church has a structure. We want to be intentional about ours as it is a real back-and-forth conversation between us and God. He calls us to worship, and then we respond and move through the different elements of the service. We have both spontaneous, personal prayers as well as ancient, printed prayers. Please look over the service beforehand to see what we will hear and say along the way.

Welcome Notepads

At some point during service, a welcome pad will be passed down your row. We would love for you to fill it out and pass it to the person on your right, so that we will have record of your visit. We promise we won't spam you.

Lost and Found

If you have misplaced something, please check our Lost & Found. It is located in a cabinet behind the Information Desk in the Fellowship Hall.

Online Giving

If you'd prefer to give online as either a one-time gift or as a recurring gift, you may do so through our website: <u>www.trinitypresfw.org/give</u>. Giving is seen only by the Deacon & the team in charge of counting the offering for that particular day, our Director of Operations, and our Church Administrator.

Church Office Hours

Our office is closed on Mondays and open Tuesday through Friday 9am – 4pm.

Christian Formation Classes/Rooms:

- 4s Room 116
- 5s/Kindergarten Room 214
- 1st/2nd Grades Room 215
- 3rd/4th Grades Room 217
- 5th/6th Grades Room 219
- Middle School Room 220
- High School Room 221
- Adult FH (The Sacraments)

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Trinity Presbyterian Church

Our Mission

Trinity exists to embrace, embody, and extend the redemptive message of Jesus to the people and places of Fort Worth and beyond.

Our Core Commitments

Trinity is a gospel-centered church committed to following Jesus by...

- Worshipping God together through historic liturgy that is rich, accessible, and emotionally honest
- Striving to know and be known in our life together
- Engaging in formative spiritual practices
- Extending the welcome of the gospel in word and deed
- Serving our city

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