

WHY WE BELIEVE //

the trinity



// MATTHEW 28:18-20; GALATIANS 4:4-7; EPHESIANS 1:16-17



TRINITY
Presbyterian Church

ORDER OF WORSHIP | Sunday, July 10 2022

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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.

No Longer Slaves

CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 77:11-15 (ESV)

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

I will remember the deeds of the LORD; yes, I will remember your wonders of old. I will ponder all your work, and meditate on your mighty deeds. Your way, O God, is holy. What god is great like our God? You are the God who works wonders; you have made known your might among the peoples. You with your arm redeemed your people, the children of Jacob and Joseph.

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 17:10-23 (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.

All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them ... Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one ... "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me."

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.

Abide With Me

My All In Thee

KIDS' WORSHIP & COMMUNITY KIDS' DISMISSAL (Infants - 5th Grade)

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, Lead Pastor & Director of Church Planting

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.

King Of Kings

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 28:18-20; Galatians 4:4-7; Ephesians 1:16-17 (ESV)

Title: The Trinity

Teacher: Tim Rice

Matthew 28:18 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." ... Galatians 4:4 But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, ⁵ to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶ And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" ⁷ So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God. ... Ephesians 1:16 I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him.

Intro: Why does it matter that God has *told us* how He is?

WHY THE TRINITY MATTERS.

God is eternally a loving, generous, unified plurality.

HOW IS THIS UNEXPECTED?

What is something about you no one could know unless you told them?

WHY IS THIS AMAZING?

How is the Trinity entirely unified in our redemption?

YOU CAN PRAY WITH US ...

1. Worship the LORD for the splendor of His holiness. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit for being Three in One, perfect in love and beauty.
2. How have you lived as if what God has said about Himself is either irrelevant to you or untrue even? Confess your pride and arrogance to Jesus, *asking Him to forgive you and open your eyes to truly know God as He is.*
3. Give thanks to Jesus for His work to accomplish what the Father purposed for our salvation. Thank Him for being cast out on our behalf so that we could be welcomed into His communion with the Father.
4. Who do you know that is puzzled by what God has revealed about Himself? Pray for them, asking the Lord to open their eyes spiritually so that they would see both their sin and the Lord in His saving Grace.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of love and faithfulness. Pray that He would freely apply to you all that Jesus accomplished by His death and resurrection power.

