

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Hymnals are available in the back.
 Hard copies of the full content of the worship service
 are available in the back as well as on the church website.

GOD CALLS AND CLEANSSES US

Gathering Song Forever

Welcome, Greeting and Announcements

*Childcare is available during the worship service.
 Infants/Toddlers (nursery); Two and Three year olds (Rooms 102, 103)*

Call to Worship Psalm 3

Prayer of Invocation

Worship Singing *O Rejoice in the Lord*

(8:30) Reception of New Member Jack Samuel Womack

(11:00) Sacrament of Baptism Wyatt Nicholas Johnson
Covenant child of Nick & Tatyana Johnson

Confession of Sin from the Psalter Hymnal

Assurance of Pardon Isaiah 53:3-6

Worship Singing *Immanuel*

Prayer for the Church and the World

Worship through Giving: Musical Offering *Abide with Me*

GOD SPEAKS TO US

Sermon Chad Smith
A Broken Deliverer: The Samson Story
 Judges 16:23-31 | *The Clown*

GOD STRENGTHENS US

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Gluten/Soy-free crackers are in the paper liners of each tray.

(CUP) Worship Singing *Abide with Me*

GOD SENDS US

God’s Promise of His Presence and Blessing

“Samson is not just Samson; he is also Israel. He is separated from other men, but he longs to be like them, just as Israel is separated from other nations, but is continually drawn to them. He goes after foreign women, as Israel goes after foreign gods. He suffers for his willfulness, as Israel does for its. And in his extremity he cries out to Yahweh, as Israel has repeatedly done. But now it is Samson alone who does so; he is remnant Israel; Israel reduced to a single man.” -- Barry Webb

“O mirror of our fickle state.” -- John Milton, Samson Agonistes

A Broken Deliverer: The Samson Story

Judges 16:23-31 (NASB) | *The Clown*

Chad Smith

²³ Now the lords of the Philistines assembled to offer a great sacrifice to Dagon their god, and to rejoice, for they said,

“Our god has given Samson our enemy into our hands.”

²⁴ When the people saw him, they praised their god, for they said,

“Our god has given our enemy into our hands,
 Even the destroyer of our country,
 Who has slain many of us.”

²⁵ It so happened when they were in high spirits, that they said, “Call for Samson, that he may amuse us.” So they called for Samson from the prison, and he entertained them. And they made him stand between the pillars. ²⁶ Then Samson said to the boy who was holding his hand, “Let me feel the pillars on which the house rests, that I may lean against them.” ²⁷ Now the house was full of men and women, and all the lords of the Philistines were there. And about 3,000 men and women were on the roof looking on while Samson was amusing them.

²⁸ Then Samson called to the LORD and said, “O Lord GOD, please remember me and please strengthen me just this time, O God, that I may at once be avenged of the Philistines for my two eyes.” ²⁹ Samson grasped the two middle pillars on which the house rested, and braced himself against them, the one with his right hand and the other with his left. ³⁰ And Samson said, “Let me die with the Philistines!” And he bent with all his might so that the house fell on the lords and all the people who were in it. So the dead whom he killed at his death were more than those whom he killed in his life. ³¹ Then his brothers and all his father’s household came down, took him, brought him up and buried him between Zorah and Eshtaol in the tomb of Manoah his father. Thus he had judged Israel twenty years.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Children – High School (9:45 – 10:45 AM)

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| Infants-Toddlers – 100 | Kindergarten – 105 | Fourth Grade – 302 |
| Preschool I – 102 | First Grade – 107 | Fifth Grade – 304 |
| Preschool II – 103 | Second Grade – 106 | Middle School Girls – 403 |
| Pre-K – 104 | Third Grade – 303 | Middle School Guys – 402 |

High School – Adults (10:00 – 10:45 AM)

High School – High School building

Adult Classes

Inquirer's Class | Chad Smith, Joe Mullen (Pastor’s Study)

If you want to find out more about Trinity, we invite all to come to this 4 week class. If you're interested, but can't attend the class, please see one of our pastors.

Take a Deep Look at the Good Book: Building Skills for the Personal Study of Scripture

Jay Womack (Room 204)

This interactive course will seek to teach participants the tools, process and skills for deepening their study of the Bible.

The Heidelberg Catechism | Stephen Griffith, Eric Freeman (Room 205)

Lord’s Day 23. (Question 59-61) The major question we wrestle with this week is: If we really believe all the things we are taught in the Apostle’s Creed, what real difference does it make in our life? (leading class discussion, Stephen Griffith)

Sola Fide: Jesus in Isaiah (Ch. 46-47) | Steve Eargle and Bill Ressler (Room 203)

In this course, we seek to learn more of what God is teaching us in each book of the Old Testament, especially as we clearly see the centrality of Jesus in the persons, events and symbols throughout Redemptive History.

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 10: Professor of English at Montreat College will be offering an eight week adult Sunday school class, **Spiritual Formation in C. S. Lewis’s Chronicles of Narnia**, an overview of why and how C. S. Lewis composed the Chronicles of Narnia, with an eye toward exploring how the books can nurture Christian spiritual formation. Lewis claimed the Narnia stories were not intended as Christian allegory; in addition, he said he did not set out to write a series of Christian books. Nevertheless, millions of readers have delighted to find parallels to numerous biblical themes, narratives, motifs, characters, and ideas. Throughout the course we will explore how each book specifically may contribute to the spiritual formation of its readers.

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

Prayer meeting 7:45 AM in Room 205
 Worship Service..... 8:30 AM in Worship Area
 Sunday School for Middle School and younger..... 9:45 AM in classrooms
 Sunday School for High School and Adults..... 10:00 AM in classrooms
 Worship Service..... 11:00 AM in Worship Area

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

Staff Meeting..... 10:00 AM in Room 202
 Children’s Team Meeting5:30 PM at

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

Preschool Open House 4:00 PM

UPCOMING DATES

Next Sunday No Sunday School
September 4 Labor Day: Office Holiday
September 5 Tuesday Women’s Studies & Trinity Preschool begin
September 6 Adult Choir rehearsals begin
September 7 Missions Team meeting
September 9 Men’s Breakfast
September 11 Session Meeting | Disability Team meeting

| ELDERS | DEACONS |
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| Stephen Bates, Andrew Belz, Conley Brown, Brad Burlingham, Bryson Fleming, Ned Gibson, Jim Hill, Calvin Marshall, Joe Mullen, Norman Riddle, Chad Smith, Stephen Todd | Harry Buckner, Spencer Clark, Adam Foss, Harold Frost, Michael Goforth, Rick Green, Zach Holland, Jim Smith, Scott Wilhelmi |

| OFFERING UPDATE | | | OFFICERS ON DUTY | | |
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| Fiscal Year ending June 30 | LAST WEEK | YTD | ELDER | DEACON | |
| GENERAL FUND GIFTS | \$17,082 | \$153,331 | TODAY | Marshall Harris | Green Holland |
| BUDGET | \$23,300 | \$181,400 | NEXT WEEK | Smith Smith | Wilhelmi Foss |

VISITORS

We are thankful to have you with us this morning. If you would like to get more information about Trinity, please send an email to visitor@trinityashville.com. You may also pick up a simple visitor card, located on the stands in the back and at the welcome table.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are looking for additional help with our Sunday morning hospitality. These are simple, yet critical areas of service as we seek to welcome folks to worship. Contact Anthony if you would like more info or would be willing to help with any of the following:

- **Ushers** to distribute bulletins and collect offering | Ages 3rd grade – adult.
- **Greeters for both services** | High School ages and up.
- **Welcome Table** | Adults

Adult Choir rehearsals begin Wednesday, September 6. Adults and youth who have a desire to grow through faithful attendance and fellowship are invited to join. The ability to read music, while helpful, is not required. If you have a love for singing and serving in worship and can match pitch with your fellow singers, contact Anthony.

Our annual Community Barbecue is Sunday, September 17 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM. Please invite your friends and neighbors. We will need help with setup, activities, and clean up. Sign up using the link in the Trinity Weekly Email or contact Helen to get more info.

WOMEN (please contact Joy)

Fall Women's Study: Grace4Life taught by Jeanine King

September 5-November 21

Tuesday mornings 9:30-11:30 AM in Room 205
childcare provided 9:15-11:45 with registration
OR

Tuesday evenings 6:30-8:00 PM in Room 203

Materials provided with payment of \$7 registration fee to the office, (sign-up on the welcome table) There is a generous amount of reading prep for each week...FYI!

YOUTH (please contact Stephen of Elizabeth)

Our next Youth Group meeting is our official fall kick-off on Sunday, September 10 at church from 6:00 to 7:30 PM.

CHILDREN (please contact Elaine or Tish)

Wednesday Kids Camp (catechism, scripture memory, music, games from 3:30-5:30 PM) begins on September 13 and will end on November 8. If you have not registered your Pre-K – Fifth grade child, please fill out a form, which can be found on the children's table and in the weekly email.

Sunday School teachers (September 10 – June 10) are needed for Kindergarten, Third Grade and Fourth Grade. Subs are needed for all ages. Please sign up in the foyer or contact Elaine.

Ledgewood help on Tuesday afternoons from 3:00 to 5:00 PM (September 19-December 12) is needed for driving the van.

Wednesday Afternoon Kids Camp (September 13-November 8) help is needed with Pre-k and K Catechism Class assistants; 1st and 2nd Catechism class.

Nursery and Children's Worship help – please sign up in the foyer.

Children's Ministry Conference for ALL Children's Ministry Teachers, Nursery Workers and Parents on October 6 – 7 at Trinity. Discounted cost for Trinity Members - \$20. Please pick up a registration form in the foyer.

MISSION FOCUS

Wednesday Kids Camp September 13 – November 8 3:30 to 5:30 PM

Kids Camp is opened to children who are Four Years Old by September 1, 2017 through 5th Grade. Older children are welcomed and encouraged to be helpers.

The main focus of Kids camp is for the children to have fun memorizing and understanding the Children's Catechism and scripture verses. By the end of the Fifth Grade the children will have studied and reviewed the entire Children's Catechism. Those children who can recite the entire Children's Catechism receive a Bible and recognition from the Discipleship Ministry of the PCA.

We also enjoy a time of music, recreation and snacks.

The First – Fifth Grade music time will include the use of musical instruments, singing, interactive scripture memory, and worship education. The Pre-K and Kindergarten music time will focus on basic music skills.

During Kids Camp we hope that the children will learn to build strong relationships with each other, while having the opportunity to experience and develop the talents that God has given each of them.

Registration forms may be obtained in the foyer or on the church website:
trinityasheville.com



TRINITY ASHEVILLE

CENTERING OUR LIVES AROUND JESUS
LOVING ONE ANOTHER
LOVING THE WORLD

August 27, 2017
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost | Ordinary Time
8:30 and 11:00 AM

Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church!

We are glad that you are with us this morning! We hope you feel welcome. Please let us know if we can help you in any way. Our Worship Service lasts for about 75 minutes. We hope you will find the service accessible whether you have spent your whole life in church or are attending for the very first time.

There are a few options for your children. We welcome children of all ages to remain with their parents in worship. We have children's bulletins and Bibles available in the foyer. Room 101 is a dedicated cry room for nursing mothers. Childcare is provided during the entire service for children up to age three. Children ages four and five are given the choice of attending a children's worship time in Room 105; dismissal is before the sermon. We love children here at Trinity. For their safety, please do not leave them unattended in or outside the building.

Additional information is available at our welcome table in the foyer. Please speak with someone at the table if you have questions. You may also complete a contact card (found on the back page of this bulletin) or send an email to tish@trinityasheville.com.

To connect with our church, please feel free to speak with one of our pastors, greeters, or welcome table attendants. They can give you information on our small group Bible studies and other ministry opportunities. Information may also be found at the welcome table in the foyer or on our website: trinityasheville.com.

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