



**TRINITY**  
P R E S B Y T E R I A N  
A S H E V I L L E

Order of Worship  
January 4, 2026

# Welcome

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*In the name of Jesus, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are spiritually weak and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whomsoever will come.*

We are glad that you have joined us to worship the Living God! Please stay after the service and get to know others in our community who are calling Trinity “home.” If you have any questions about our church, feel free to contact us using the information in the back of the bulletin. We would also love to connect with you through a physical visitor card or through the QR code below.



**Our Worship Service** has an intentional structure designed to reflect our belief that worship is a conversation between God and His people. The service begins as we all respond to God's **calling** us to worship Him. But upon responding to that call, we realize that we must be reminded of the **cleansing** given to us through Christ. God then gives us His **charter** as we hear Him speak through Scripture. This is followed by the heavenly feast called **communion**. Finally, God dismisses us with His blessing in the **commission**.

**There are a few options for your children.** Whole families worshipping together is one of the chief values of Trinity. While our kids may not grasp everything that takes place, their hearts are being formed through participating in the weekly act of worship and observing the people of God singing, praying, and giving their hearts to God! We have children's bulletins and Bibles available in the foyer. For our youngest kids, a staffed nursery is available, Room 101 is a dedicated cry room for nursing mothers, and children ages two through five are given the choice of attending children's worship in Room 104; dismissal is before the sermon.

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**\* Please stand as you are able.**

\* Gathering Song

*Behold Our God*

Who has held the oceans in his hands?  
Who has numbered every grain of sand?  
Kings and nations tremble at his voice.  
All creation rises to rejoice!

(Chorus)

Behold our God, seated on his throne.  
Come, let us adore him.  
Behold our King, nothing can compare,  
come, let us adore him!

Who has given counsel to the Lord?  
Who can question any of his words?  
Who can teach the One who knows all things?  
Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds?

Chorus

Who has felt the nails upon his hands,  
bearing all the guilt of sinful man?  
God eternal, humbled to the grave,  
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!

Chorus

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Welcome and Announcements

(See rear pages for more information)

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## Calling

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### \* Call to Worship

Psalm 121:1-2, 7-8

Leader: I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?

**All: My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.**

Leader: The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

**All: The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.**

### Hymn of Preparation

*A Christmas Hymn*

Come now see the Lord of Heaven, in a lowly manger laid;  
King deserving of a throne room, born a poor, powerless babe.

Oh the myst'ry, oh the wonder, somehow God is one of us;  
Such is greatness in His kingdom, He descended to our dust.

Christ the Word, holy expression, of the humbleness of God;  
Herald of a prideless kingdom, one of sacrificial love.  
Mighty One who made the heavens, knelt to wash his brother's feet;  
And the earth that He created, He bestowed unto the meek.

King of glory became nothing, humbled to the point of death;  
Stretched his arms out like a beggar, and forgave with His last breath.  
What God started with a manger, ended with an empty grave;  
Suffering servant now exalted, Jesus, name above all names.

Light eternal in the darkness, He shall not be overcome;  
Shining over all our shadows, every curse has been undone.  
Heaven breaks forth like the springtime, through the winter of our souls;  
How His life is life abundant, is forever ours to know.

Come now church, let us adore Him, tune your heart to sing His grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's redeeming love.

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\* Prayer of Invocation and Adoration

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## Cleansing

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The Law of God

Unison Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

1 Peter 2:24

Leader: He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

\* Response Song

*Come Unto Jesus*

Come unto Jesus, all you who are weary;  
come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel.  
here, bring your wounded hearts, broken and needy;  
come unto Jesus, mighty to heal.

Joy of the comfortless, Light for the straying,  
hope of the penitent, Peace in our strife;  
Here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying:  
"My yoke is easy, my burden is light."

*(Chorus)*

*Come unto Jesus, come unto Jesus.  
Lay down your burdens, he is enough;  
come unto Jesus, rest in his love.*

Come taste the Bread of Life, broken for sinners;  
drink from the cup of his promise made sure.  
Feast at his table as sons and as daughters;  
grace overflowing is yours evermore.

*Chorus*

Come now and follow him, this life forsaking;  
all that was gain, count as nothing but loss.  
Trade all this world for his kingdom unfading;  
Come unto Jesus, take up your cross;  
life everlasting he offers to us!

*Chorus*

Come unto Jesus, rest in his love.

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New Testament Reading

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-19

## Pastoral Prayer (concluding with the Lord's Prayer)

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

## Offering

***Children's Church (ages two through Kindergarten) may dismiss at this time.***

## Hymn of Preparation

## *How Firm a Foundation*

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,  
is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!  
What more can he say than to you he has said,  
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;  
for I am your God, and will still give you aid;  
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,  
my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply;  
the flame shall not hurt you; I only design  
your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

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## Charter

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### \* Scripture Reading

Genesis 22:1-14

After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."<sup>2</sup> He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you."<sup>3</sup> So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him.<sup>4</sup> On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar.<sup>5</sup> Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you."<sup>6</sup> And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together.<sup>7</sup> And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?"<sup>8</sup> Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

<sup>9</sup> When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood.<sup>10</sup> Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son.<sup>11</sup> But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."<sup>12</sup> He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me."<sup>13</sup> And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son.<sup>14</sup> So Abraham called the name of that place, "The Lord will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided."

# Sermon Notes

*Lift Your Eyes* | Rev. Brandon Wilcox

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## Communion

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### Confession of Faith

### The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord:  
    who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
    was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell.<sup>†</sup>  
    The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic<sup>‡</sup> church,  
    the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

<sup>†</sup> “descended into hell” means his literally experiencing God’s wrath

<sup>‡</sup> “catholic church” means the universal church

### Celebration of the Lord's Supper

We welcome to the table all baptized Christians who are trusting in Christ alone for their salvation, have made a public profession of faith, and are accountable members of a Gospel-believing church.

The bread and wine will be passed to you.  
Please hold the elements so that we partake of them together.

All bread is gluten free.  
Please note that grape juice is in the grape-colored cups and wine is in the clear cups.

## Closing Song (Cup)

## *Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery*

Come behold the wondrous mystery, in the dawning of the King.

He, the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity.

In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come!

Look to Christ who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us.

Come behold the wondrous mystery: he the perfect Son of Man,

in his living, in his suffering, never trace nor stain of sin.

See the true and better Adam, come to save the hell-bound man,

Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law; in him we stand.

Come behold the wondrous mystery: Christ the Lord upon the tree.

In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory!

See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold,

bringing many sons to glory: grace unmeasured, love untold!

Come behold the wondrous mystery: slain by death, the God of life.

But no grave could e'er restrain him; praise the Lord, he is alive!

What a foretaste of deliv'rance, how unwavering our hope.

Christ in power resurrected, as we will be when he comes.

What a foretaste of deliv'rance, how unwavering our hope.

Christ in power resurrected, as we will be when he comes.

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## \* Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him, above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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## Commission

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## \* Benediction

# Announcements and Contact

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## This Week:

01/07	Prayer Meeting at 5:45PM
01/07	Wednesday Night Discipleship at 6:30PM
01/08	Men's Bible Study at 8AM
01/08	Women's Bible Study at 9:45AM
01/08	Band Rehearsal at 7PM
01/10	Men's Breakfast at 8AM

## Upcoming Dates:

01/11	High School Bible Study
01/12	Session and Diaconate Meetings

Beginning this Wednesday, January 7, 2026, 6:30-8:00PM, we will be hosting **mid-week discipleship for the whole family**. The classes will be as follows:

- nursery-2<sup>nd</sup> grade (The Ten Commandments);
- 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade (Catechism);
- 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade (Youth Group); and
- Adults (2 Peter)

Men, please sign up (via the Weekly) for the **Men's Blueberry Pancake Breakfast** on Saturday, January 10, 8-9AM. Speaker: Brandon Wilcox. Kids welcome!

**Ladies, if you have signed up to be part of a Titus2 group**, your study books have arrived. Please bring your \$13.50 and pick up your book from the office.

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