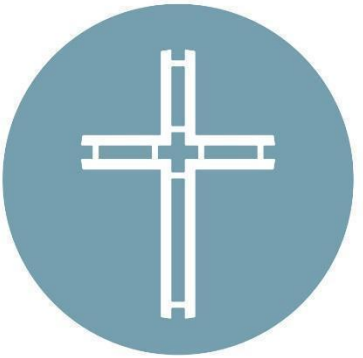


TRINITY

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Order of Worship
November 15, 2026

Welcome

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 (available on the Welcome Table).

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 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 three through five are given the choice of attending children's worship in Room 104; dismissal is before the sermon.

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* Gathering Song *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

He speaks and, list'ning to his voice, new life the dead receive;
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosen'd tongues employ;
ye blind, behold your Savior come; and leap, ye lame, for joy.

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Welcome and Announcements (See rear pages for more information)

Calling

* Call to Worship Psalm 34:1-3, 8

Leader: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

All: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

Leader: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

All: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

* Hymn of Praise *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy 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 unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God:
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander – Lord, I feel it – prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

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* Prayer of Invocation and Adoration

Cleansing

The Law of God

Unison Prayer of Confession

Our sovereign Lord and King, we confess that we have done what is evil in your sight. We have neglected to worship and serve you alone, and we have instead turned our hearts toward other gods. We have not loved you with our whole heart, mind, and strength, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Deliverer, Redeemer, and Friend, we cry out and ask for mercy. Forgive what we have been, help us by your Holy Spirit to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon — Romans 1:16-17

Leader: For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, “The righteous shall live by faith.”

* Response Song — *By Faith*

By faith we see the hand of God
in the light of creation's grand design,
in the lives of those who prove His faithfulness,
who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
with the pow'r of His promise in their hearts
of a holy city built by God's own hand,
a place where peace and justice reign.

Refrain:
We will stand as children of the promise;
we will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
we'll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the prophets saw a day
when the longed-for Messiah would appear
with the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death,
and rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the church was called to go
in the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost,
to deliver captives and to preach good news
in ev'ry corner of the earth. (*Refrain)*

By faith this mountain shall be moved
and the pow'r of the Gospel shall prevail,
for we know in Christ all things are possible
for all who call upon His name. (*Refrain x 2)*

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New Testament Reading — 2 Peter 3:1-18

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 three through Kindergarten) may dismiss at this time.

Hymn of Preparation — *How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place*

How sweet and awesome is the place with Christ within the doors,
while everlasting love display the choicest of her stores.

While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast,
each of us cries, with thankful tongue, "Lord, why was I a guest?

"Why was I made to hear your voice, and enter while there's room,
when thousands make a wretched choice, and rather starve than come?"

'Twas the same love that spread the feast and sweetly drew us in;
else we had still refused to taste, and perished in our sin.

Pity the nations, O our God, constrain the earth to come;
send your victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home.

We long to see your churches full, that all the chosen race
may, with one voice and heart and soul, sing your redeeming grace.

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Charter

* Scripture Reading Matthew 25:1-13

“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet
the bridegroom. **2** Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. **3** For when the foolish took
their lamps, they took no oil with them, **4** but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. **5** As
the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. **6** But at midnight there was
a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ **7** Then all those virgins rose and
trimmed their lamps. **8** And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our
lamps are going out.’ **9** But the wise answered, saying, ‘Since there will not be enough for us
and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.’ **10** And while they were going to
buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage
feast, and the door was shut. **11** Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord,
open to us.’ **12** But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ **13** Watch therefore, for
you know neither the day nor the hour.”

Sermon Notes

Waiting for the Bridegroom |Rev. Brandon Wilcox

Communion

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.†
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‡ church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

† "descended into hell" means his literally experiencing God's wrath
‡ "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) *Behold the Lamb (The Communion Hymn)*

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us: and we remember
the promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice
as a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ torn for you: eat and remember
the wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice
as a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses ev'ry stain of sin, shed for you: drink and remember
he drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice
as a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond and to remember
our call to follow in the steps of Christ as his body here on earth.
As we share in his suffering, we proclaim Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heav'n around the table of the King.

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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

* Benediction

Announcements and Contact

This Week:

11/15	Young Professionals Supper at the Goodrums' at 5PM (43 Eagle Crest Way, Fairview)
11/16	Session and Diaconate Meetings at 6PM
11/18	Prayer Meeting at 5:45PM
11/18	Adult Choir at 6:30PM
11/18	Youth Group at 6:30PM
11/19	Band Rehearsal at 7PM
11/21	Ladies Thankmas Brunch at 10AM

Ladies of all ages, please sign up for our **Thankmas** Brunch next Saturday 10AM-Noon. Adrienne King speaking. Please bring a brunch item to share and a wrapped ornament to exchange.

As we approach Thanksgiving, please join us for a special evening of worship, prayer, and fellowship next Sunday at 6PM to sing God's praises, hear from God's Word, and give thanks for His abundant goodness as a church family. Following the service, we'll enjoy a time of fellowship over delicious pies! If you would be willing to bring a pie to share, please sign up in the Weekly.

Upcoming Dates:

11/22	Evening Thanksgiving Service
11/26	Thanksgiving office holiday
11/29	No Sunday School
12/13	Choir Christmas Program

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