



Trinity Church

P R E S B Y T E R I A N

building God's Church...blessing our community

THE LORD'S DAY

AUGUST 31, 2025

REFLECTION & PREPARATION

*CALL TO WORSHIPFROM HEBREWS 10:19-25

Since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God,

let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.

Let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, but encouraging one another.

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.

*INVOCATION

*HYMN OF PRAISECOME BEHOLD THE WONDROUS MYSTERY

WORDS & MUSIC: MATT PAPA, MATT BOSWELL, & MICHAEL BLEECKER

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.

*HYMN OF JOYFUL WORSHIPBEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

WORDS & MUSIC BY STUART TOWNEND

All my days I will sing this song of gladness
Give my praise to the Fountain of delights
For in my helplessness, you heard my cry
And waves of mercy poured down on my life

**Beautiful Savior, wonderful counselor
Clothed in majesty, Lord of history
You're the Way, the Truth, the Life
Star of the morning, glorious in holiness
You're the Risen one, heaven's Champion
And You reign, You reign over all**

I will trust in the cross of my Redeemer I will sing of the blood that never fails
Of sins forgiven, of conscience cleansed Of death defeated and life without end

I long to be where the praise is never ending
Yearn to dwell where the glory never fades
Where countless worshipers will share one song
And cries of worthy will honor the Lamb!

SCRIPTURE READING.....EZEKIEL 14

READER: The Word of the Lord
CONGREGATION: **Thanks be to God**

SCRIPTURE MEMORY SONGOUR REFUGE AND STRENGTH

PSALM 46:1-3A NIV

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. (x2)

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way,
and the mountains fall into the heart to the sea.

Though its waters roar and the mountains quake, God is our refuge and strength.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

**Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory
and the victory and the majesty,
for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours.
Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all.
Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all.
We confess that we often believe that we are in charge of our lives
rather than trusting in your gracious provision.
For we are strangers before you and sojourners;
this world is not our home.
Yet, we confess our reluctance to trust you
and the work to which you call us -
to freely give of ourselves and live as your servants on earth.
Lord our God, all that we have and all that we are comes from you.
Forgive us for prioritizing our personal kingdoms
over and above your heavenly Kingdom.
Father, have mercy on us.
Free us from the bondage and banality of serving ourselves.
Save us from presuming that we know your will completely.
Lead us, guide us, direct us, hold us up, keep us, teach us,
and let us not go wrong.**

Please silently confess your sin before the LORD.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**ROMANS 8:1

“There is therefore now no condemnation
for those who are in Christ Jesus.”

***HYMN OF ASSURANCE**HE WILL HOLD ME FAST

WORDS: ADA HABERSHON MUSIC: MATT MERKER

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold Through life’s fearful path
For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast

**He will hold me fast He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so He will hold me fast**

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast
He’ll not let my soul be lost, His promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight, When he comes at last

SHEPHERDING PRAYER.....RE JEFF WATFORD

SERMONMATTHEW 5:2-12

2 And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

3 “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

4 “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

5 “Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

6 “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

7 “Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

8 “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

9 “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

10 “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

SERMON NOTES

RE: PERSECUTION MATTHEW 5:10-12

WHAT IT IS (AND ISN'T)?

WHY SHOULD WE EXPECT IT?

WHAT'S THE RIGHT RESPONSE?

*HYMN OF RESPONSEHOW FIRM A FOUNDATION

No. 275

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not! I am with thee; O be not dismayed,
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.

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

*BENEDICTION

BULLETIN BOARD

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY RESUMES THIS TUESDAY

Trinity's Men's Bible Study will start meeting again this Tuesday, September 2 at 6:30 am at the church. All men are welcome to join as they continue a study of Acts. For more information, contact Steve Hawley.

PRAY FOR OFFICER NOMINATIONS

Please begin praying for the Lord's guidance in who you will nominate for church leadership starting in September. Prayerfully consider who you will nominate for deacon or elder.

SPONSOR OR PARTICIPATE IN THE ORANGEBURG WALK FOR LIFE

Register to sponsor or participate in this year's Orangeburg Walk for Life, which benefits the DAZZ pregnancy center. The 2025 Walk for Life is scheduled for Saturday, September 20 at the Edisto Memorial Gardens. To register as a sponsor or a walker, go to www.orangeburgforlife.com/events.

VISITATION SCHEDULE

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 1-7	WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 8-14	WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15-21
Sammie Edwards	Woody & Lisa Watford	Bubba & Terri Morrell

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

Ministry Partner: Pamyla Burrack - serving with MTW in training new missionaries
Our Troops: pray all of our troops and their chaplains around the world
Church of the week: Eastbridge Presbyterian, Mount Pleasant; Daniel Cohee, pastor

TRINITY FAMILY

Deborah Finkelstein: ongoing medical concerns
Brush Babb: continued strengthening and improvement
Joe Junquet: adjustment to the loss of his vision
Melonie Anderson: recovering from knee replacement surgery
Claudia Wilkes: for her kidney function to continue at 25 percent to avoid dialysis, balance issues
Lawton Porter: ongoing therapy
Christie Churchwell: relief from headaches

THIS WEEK @ TRINITY

STAFF

John Mark Patrick, Pastor
 Dr. Sam Lambrecht, Families w/ Students
 Susan Ulmer, Women's Ministry
 Deborah Finkelstein, Pianist
 Helen Meacham, Pianist
 Karen Ford, Administrative Assistant
 Sandral Jackson, Bookkeeper

ELDERS

Mark Ford
 Sam Lambrecht
 Michael Salley

DEACONS

Jeff Folk
 Evan Lambrecht
 Frank Myers
 Chris Rickenbaker
 Jeff Watford

DEACON ASSISTANTS

Larry Adicks, Terri Morrell, Lyle Polson

CALENDAR

SUN 8/31	8:45AM 9:30AM 10:30AM	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP
TUES 9/2	6:30AM	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
WED 9/3	5:30PM	PRAYER
SUN 9/7	8:45AM 9:30AM 10:30AM	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP

TRINITY READING TOGETHER

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
EZEKIEL 15	EZEKIEL 16	EZEKIEL 17	EZEKIEL 18	EZEKIEL 19	EZEKIEL 20

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WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

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