



# 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

SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

## REFLECTION & PREPARATION

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**.....PSALM 147:7-11

Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre!

**He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth; he makes grass grow on the hills.**

He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young ravens that cry. His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the legs of a man,

**but the LORD takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.**

## \*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below; alleluia, alleluia!

Praise him above, ye heav'nly host,  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;  
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## \*INVOCATION

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**.....COME, CHRISTIANS, JOIN TO SING  
No. 108

**\*CONFESSION OF FAITH**.....THE APOSTLES CREED<sup>1</sup>

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell<sup>2</sup>; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic<sup>3</sup> Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. AMEN.

**SCRIPTURE READING**.....JOB 40

READER: The Word of the Lord

CONGREGATION: **Thanks be to God**

**HYMN OF CONFESSION**.....LADEN WITH GUILT

WORDS: ISAAC WATTS MUSIC: SANDRA MCCRACKEN

Laden with guilt, and full of fears, I fly to thee, my Lord,  
And not a glimpse of hope appears but in thy written word.  
The volumes of my Father's grace does all my griefs assuage;  
Here I behold my Savior's face in every page.

This is the field where hidden lies the pearl of price unknown;  
That merchant is divinely wise who makes the pearl his own.  
Here consecrated water flows to quench my thirst of sin;  
Here the fair tree of knowledge grows, no danger dwells within.

This is the Judge that ends the strife where wit and reason fail,  
My guide to everlasting life through all this gloomy vale.  
O may thy counsels, mighty God, my roving feet command;  
Nor I forsake the happy road that leads to thy right hand.

## VISITATION SCHEDULE

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 9-15	WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 16-22	WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 23-29
Steve & Adele Hawley	John Mark & Shea Patrick	Dan & Gresha Steffen

<sup>1</sup> Although not written by the apostles, the Apostles' Creed is a concise summary of their teachings. It originated in the 2nd century and developed into its present form by the 6th century. <sup>2</sup> By referring to Jesus' descent into hell, the Christian embraces three truths. First, we acknowledge the reality of Jesus' suffering 33 years of temptation. Second, he received the full sentence of hell on behalf of his people while on the cross. Thirdly, he experienced the reign of death by remaining in the tomb after the crucifixion. <sup>3</sup> The term catholic refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, or geographic barriers.

**CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN**

Almighty God, we have sinned against you and we have offended you.  
And yet, O Lord, as we acknowledge our sins and offenses,  
so also do we acknowledge you to be a merciful God,  
a loving and favorable Father, to all who turn to you.  
And so we humbly ask you, for the sake of Christ your Son,  
to show mercy to us, and forgive us all our offenses.  
By your Spirit, O God, take possession of our hearts,  
so that, not only the actions of our lives,  
but also the words of our mouths,  
and the smallest thoughts of our minds,  
may be guided and governed by you.  
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, be all honor and glory, now and forever.  
Amen.

Please silently confess your sin before the LORD.

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON** .....1 TIMOTHY 1:15

“The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance,  
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.”

**\*HYMN OF ASSURANCE** .....HIS MERCY IS MORE

WORDS & MUSIC: MATT BOSWELL AND MATT PAPA

What love could remember, no wrongs we have done  
Omniscient, all knowing, he counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

*Praise the Lord, his mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness, new every morn  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam,  
What father so tender is calling us home  
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor,  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

What riches of kindness he lavished on us,  
His blood was the payment his life was the cost  
We stood neath a debt we could never afford,  
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

**\*SONG OF PREPARATION** .....SHOW US CHRIST

WORDS: DOUG PLANK MUSIC: DOUG PLANK & BOB KAUFMAN

Prepare our hearts, O God, help us to receive  
Break the hard and stony ground, help our unbelief  
Plant Your Word down deep in us, cause it to bear fruit  
Open up our ears to hear, lead us in Your truth

**Show us Christ, show us Christ  
O God, reveal Your glory  
through the preaching of Your Word  
Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord**

Your Word is living light upon our darkened eyes  
Guards us through temptations, makes the simple wise  
Your Word is food for famished ones, freedom for the slave  
Riches for the needy soul, come speak to us today

Where else can we go, Lord, where else can we go  
You have the words of eternal life

**SHEPHERDING PRAYER** .....RE SAM LAMBRECHT

**SERMON** .....EPHESIANS 5:22-33

<sup>22</sup>Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. <sup>23</sup> For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. <sup>24</sup> Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

<sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, <sup>26</sup> that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, <sup>27</sup> so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. <sup>28</sup> In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup> For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, <sup>30</sup> because we are members of his body. <sup>31</sup> “Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” <sup>32</sup> This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. <sup>33</sup> However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

# SERMON NOTES

## THE BENEFICIAL PROBLEMS OF MARRIAGE

EPHESIANS 5:22-33

### PROBLEMS:

WAITING

TOO MUCH

TOO LITTLE

IT'S A MISTAKE!

WIFE > HUSBAND

### PURPOSE:

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION** .....COME 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.

## THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

### A WORD ABOUT COMMUNION AT TRINITY:

This is a time for all people to seek the Lord. For Christians, Communion is a time to meet with their Savior by faith, to be strengthened and renewed by Him as they eat bread and drink juice. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the gospel, are at peace with their fellow neighbor, and seek strength and grace to live more faithfully to Christ, are invited to participate. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer and to consider more deeply your relationship to Jesus Christ. We also ask that children who have not yet publicly professed their faith in Christ refrain from partaking until doing so.

Our communion bread is gluten free

### \*BENEDICTION

# BULLETIN BOARD

## WORKDAY ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Another workday to finish preparations for new flooring installation is planned next Saturday, September 14 at 8:00 am. A large dumpster will be on site to accommodate a major cleaning out that day. If you cannot participate on Saturday, please contact Jeff Watford about things that can be done during the week.

## OFFICER NOMINATIONS CONCLUDE NEXT SUNDAY

Nominations for deacons and elders will be received through next Sunday, September 15. Prayerfully consider who you will nominate for these leadership positions in our church, and submit their names in the box on the information counter. You can also email your nomination to the church office.

## UPDATED CHURCH DIRECTORY AVAILABLE

Copies of the updated church directory are available on the information counter. If you would like an electronic copy, please email the office.

## A NOTE OF THANKS

On behalf of RISE, we would like to thank those who supported our recent fund-raising efforts through their generous gifts. Your financial support and the prayers of church members will go far in helping our ministry continue building this much-needed Christ-centered addiction recovery program in Orangeburg. In addition, we also want to thank John Mark and church leadership for the use of the church facilities for our fund-raising gala. This allowed us to host the event along with garnering community support and raising awareness of this much-needed program. JP Sibley, Raymond Jennings, & Dave Tussey

### REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

**Ministry Partner:** Calvin & Geeta - serving with MTW in Asia

**Our Troops:** pray all of our troops and their chaplains around the world

**Church of the week:** Point Hope Presbyterian, Daniel Island - Rob Hamby, church planter

### TRINITY FAMILY

**Sammie Edwards:** recovery from surgery

**Linda Wells:** hospitalized with congestive heart failure

**Louise Beckett:** transition to skilled care facility in Ohio

**Joe Junquet:** continued healing of his nerves

**Melonie Anderson:** recovering from knee surgery, pray for balance issues when she walks

**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  
 Karen Ford, Administrative Assistant  
 Sandral Jackson, Bookkeeper

## ELDERS

Michael Salley  
 Alan Ulmer  
 Woody Watford

## DEACONS

Jeff Folk  
 Wayne Walling  
 Jeff Watford

## DEACON ASSISTANTS

Larry Adicks,  
 Terri Morrell, Lyle Polson

## CALENDAR

<b>SUN</b> 9/8	<b>8:45AM</b> <b>9:30AM</b> <b>10:30AM</b>	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP
<b>TUE</b> 9/10	<b>6:30AM</b>	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
<b>WED</b> 9/11	<b>5:30PM</b>	PRAYER
<b>SAT</b> 9/14	<b>8:00AM</b>	CHURCH WORKDAY
<b>SUN</b> 9/15	<b>8:45AM</b> <b>9:30AM</b> <b>10:30AM</b>	PRAYER SUNDAY SCHOOL MORNING WORSHIP

## TRINITY READING TOGETHER

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
JOB 41	JOB 42	EPHESIANS 1	EPHESIANS 2	EPHESIANS 3	EPHESIANS 4

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**WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE**  
**HERE!**

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