

TRINITY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH (PCA)

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The Lord's Day

June 25th, 2017 • 10:45 am

Trinity Fellowship Church exists to glorify God by equipping a community of believers to worship God and be witnesses of Him in Central Arkansas and to the ends of the earth.

◀ PARAMENTS ▶

Liturgical colors have an instructional purpose and point us to the life of Christ and the great acts of redemptive history.

These colored hangings, called paraments, are seen on the pulpit, communion table, and baptismal font.

Green represents spiritual growth and world missions.

It is displayed during “ordinary time,” which is the period between Pentecost and Advent.

| Greeters and Ushers | Date | Nursery Volunteer |
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| Glenn VanEnk <i>and</i> AJ VanEnk | 06/25 | Sharon Plate |
| Josh Childress <i>and</i> Jim Gilchrist | 07/02 | Joy Denley |
| Aaron Lindberg <i>and</i> Kurt Lueken | 07/09 | Bernadette Dempsey |
| Ed Sartain <i>and</i> Gary Wheat | 07/16 | Janet Gilchrist <i>and</i> Rebecca Gilchrist |

Celebration *of* Worship

The Greeting and Announcements

Announcements can be found on page 14.

The Prelude

*During this time, be prayerful and reverent in preparation
for the worship of our holy God in His sanctuary.
(Please silence all phones and electronic devices.)*

† The Call to Worship

Psalm 86:8-10

Leader: *There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.*

† Please stand, as able

† The Prayer of Invocation

The Invitation to Confession

John 3:36

Leader: *Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.*

The Corporate Confession of Sin

from *The Valley of Vision*

Unison: O Lord, no day of my life has passed that has not proved me guilty in your sight. Prayers have often been from a prayerless heart. Praise has often been praiseless. Even my best works are filthy rags. Blessed Jesus, let me find shelter in your appeasing wounds. Though my sins rise to heaven, your merits soar above them. Though unrighteousness weighs me down to hell, your righteousness exalts me to the throne. All things in me call for my rejection. All things in you plead for my acceptance. I am guilty, but pardoned; lost, but saved; wandering, but found; sinning, but cleansed. Give me perpetual broken-heartedness and keep me always clinging to your cross. Amen.

The Private Confession of Sin

The Assurance of Pardon

Romans 5:19-21

Leader: *For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

† The Hymn of Assurance

In Christ Alone
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1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my
2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, full - ness of God in help - less
3. There in the ground His bod - y lay, Light of the world by dark - ness
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in

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song. This Cor - ner - stone, this sol - id ground, firm through the
babe. This gift of love and right - eous - ness scorned by the
slain. Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious day, up from the
me. From life's first cry to fi - nal breath, Je - sus com -

7

fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of
ones He came to save. 'Til on that cross as Je - sus
grave He rose a - gain! And as He stands in vic - to -
mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of

10

peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease! My Com - fort -
died, the wrath of God was sat - is - fied; For ev - 'ry
ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on me. For I am
man can ev - er pluck me from His hand. 'Til He re -

13

er, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.
sin on Him was laid. Here in the death of Christ I live.
His and He is mine, bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
turns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

† **The Affirmation of Faith** Westminster Larger Catechism (Modern English), 78-79

Leader: *Why are believers not completely sanctified?*

Unison: Believers are not completely or perfectly sanctified because they retain some remnants of sin throughout their whole being and are continually plagued with desires of their old sinful nature that are contrary to the spirit. Consequently believers are frequently defeated by temptation, commit many sins, and are hindered from performing their spiritual obligations, so that their best works in God's eyes are imperfect and defiled.

Leader: *Since true believers are imperfect, are tempted, and commit sin, can they fall out of their state of grace?*

Unison: Because of God's unchangeable love, he has decreed and made a covenant with believers that they will persevere, that they are inseparably united to Christ, who continually intercedes for them, and that the Spirit and the seed of God abide in them. Consequently, they can never completely or finally fall out of their state of grace, because the power of God preserves their salvation through faith.

The Children's Message

All children are invited to come forward during the time.

The Prayers of the People

*God calls us to be a praying people.
Let us join in prayer, offering our praise,
thanksgiving, and intercession to God.*

The Offertory

*Our offering is an act of worship in which we express our gratitude and reliance on God.
For those of you who are guests with us today, giving is not obligatory.
We are eager to share with you more about our church and its ministry
and to invite you to participate with us as you are called by God.*

If you have filled out a visitor's card, please place it in the plate as it is passed.

† The Doxology

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all

6
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly

12
host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

† The Prayer of Dedication

*This prayer acknowledges that God is the giver of all good gifts
and that money itself cannot accomplish good in the world without God's blessing*

† The Reading of Scripture

Philippians 3:12-16
English Standard Version

[12] Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. [13] Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, [14] I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. [15] Let those of us who are mature think this way, and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal that also to you. [16] Only let us hold true to what we have attained.

The Sermon

Rev. Brad DeVries

“Gospel Progress”

Discussion and Application

1. Do you find it encouraging when the Apostle Paul admits that he's not already perfect? What does this admission tell us about spiritual progress?
2. Paul's dominate metaphor in these verses is the race between runners, stretching for the finish line. How do you find this helpful as a picture of the Christian life? Ways we can take this picture too far?
3. What past experiences or present distractions may be "blurring your vision" or "shifting your gaze" from the eternal prize?

† The Hymn of Response

O Church, Arise
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1. O church, a - rise and put your ar - mor on; Hear the call of Christ our cap -
2. Our call to war, to love the cap - tive soul, But to rage a - gainst the cap -
3. Come, see the cross where love and mer - cy meet, As the Son of God is strick -
4. So Spir - it, come, put strength in ev - 'ry stride, Give grace for ev - 'ry hur -



tain; For now the weak can say that they are strong In the
tor; And with the sword that makes the wound - ed whole We will
en; Then see His foes lie crushed be - neath His feet, For the
dle, That we may run with faith to win the prize Of a



strength that God has giv - en. With shield of faith and belt of
fight with faith and val - or. When faced with trials on ev - 'ry
Con - quer - or has ris - en! And as the stone is rolled a -
ser - vant good and faith - ful. As saints of old still line the



truth We'll stand a - gainst the dev - il's lies; An arm - y
side, We know the out - come is se - cure, And Christ will
way, And Christ e - merg - es from the grave, This vic - t'ry
way, Re - tell - ing tri - umphs of His grace, We hear their



bold whose bat - tle cry is "Love!" Reach - ing out to those in dark - ness.
have the prize for which He died An in - her - i - tance of na - tions.
march con - tin - ues till the day Ev - 'ry eye and heart shall see Him.
calls and hun - ger for the day When, with Christ, we stand in glo - ry.

† The Benediction

† The Gloria Patri

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the

The first system of musical notation is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. The piano accompaniment consists of a steady eighth-note bass line in the left hand and a series of chords in the right hand.

5 Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is

The second system of musical notation continues the piece. It begins with a measure rest, followed by a quarter note G4. The vocal line continues with quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. The piano accompaniment continues with similar rhythmic patterns.

9 now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A - men, a - men.

The third system of musical notation concludes the piece. It begins with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. The piano accompaniment continues with similar rhythmic patterns, ending with a final chord.

The Postlude

As you leave the sanctuary today, may you know the hope to which God has called you, experience the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and trust his incomparably great power for us who believe.

Please help us love our community by recycling your unneeded bulletins as you leave.

A recycling bin is located by the door in the foyer.

Announcements

Newsletter Deadline ▶ Today is the deadline to submit articles for the July Newsletter.

Limb and Stick Removal ▶ We are in need of children and other volunteers to help pick up fallen limbs and sticks on the church property today after the worship service. Many hands make light work!

Communion ▶ We are scheduled to celebrate the Lord's Supper next Sunday. Let us therefore follow Paul's admonition in 1 Corinthians 11:27–29 to partake of the Lord's Supper in a worthy manner by examining ourselves before the Lord. The Westminster Shorter Catechism states, "It is required of them that would worthily partake of the Lord's Supper, that they examine themselves of their knowledge to discern the Lord's body, of their faith to feed upon Him, of their repentance, love, and new obedience; lest, coming unworthily, they eat and drink judgment to themselves."

Fellowship Lunch ▶ Our next Fellowship Lunch will be Sunday, July 9th, immediately following our worship service. Members, please bring a dish to share. Darrel Crowell's MCG is responsible for set up and clean up for this lunch.

Women's Bible Study ▶ The Women's Summer Bible Study is studying the book *Enjoy* by Trillia Newbell and meets on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm at the church.

Men's Bible Studies ▶ The Tuesday Men's Bible Study is studying 2 Timothy and meets weekly at 11:30 am at Bookends Cafe (120 River Market Ave). The Thursday Men's Bible Study is studying spiritual disciplines using material from *Man in the Mirror* and meets weekly at 6:00 am at the church.

Nursery Volunteers ▶ We are in need of volunteers to serve in the nursery on Sunday mornings. A sign up sheet is located in the narthex.

Mowing Volunteers ▶ We are in need of volunteers to mow the church grounds throughout the summer. A sign up sheet is located in the narthex.

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