

TRINITY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH (PCA)

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Worship for the Lord's Day

September 13th, 2020 • 10:45 A.M.

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.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

“These are waterless springs and mists driven by a storm. For them the gloom of utter darkness has been reserved.”

– 2 Peter 2:17

The Wizard of Oz stands as one of the most famous movies ever made. Most of us probably know the story well. Dorothy is stranded far away from her home in the land of Oz and must see the great and powerful wizard so that he might help her return to Kansas. Along the way she meets several companions, has different adventures, and finally comes before the mighty wizard who causes Dorothy and her friends to shrink back in fear and awe.

However, as is well known, all is not as it appears to be. Near the end of the movie, the wizard is revealed to be not quite as powerful as his image might convey. Dorothy’s canine companion, Toto, draws back the curtain and the wizard is revealed as an ordinary man, not any stronger than the rest of us.

All of us know that in real life, appearances can also be deceiving. In today’s passage, Peter reminds us that the false teachers are not who they appear to be. Though they might claim to provide life-giving water, in reality they do nothing to quench our spiritual thirst.

In 2 Peter 2:17, Peter compares false teachers to waterless springs in order to make his point. Fresh-water springs feed rivers and are a welcome sight to thirsty travelers. However, though these teachers may give the appearance of being a spring of water, their words eventually reveal otherwise. John Calvin writes, they are compared to springs “because they excelled in boasting, and displayed some acuteness in their thoughts and elegance in their words; but that yet they were dry and barren within: hence the appearance of a fountain was fallacious.” False teachers offer nothing that will ultimately satisfy the soul.

In John 4:14, Jesus promises us that the water He gives to us will so satisfy us that we will never be thirsty again. The water of life Jesus provides meets not just a need of the moment but a need for all eternity. If we trust anyone else for spiritual life, we will continue to thirst. But if we come to Him alone for salvation, we will be satisfied now and forever. Let us seek the only living water and its only Provider—Jesus Christ our Lord.

Celebration of Worship

Greeting and Announcements

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.)*

† Processional Hymn

Hymns of Grace

All Glory Be to Christ

N^o 133

† Call to Worship

Isaiah 55:1–3

Leader: *“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.”*

† Hymn of Praise

Hymns of Grace

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

N^o 104

† Prayer of Invocation

† Please stand, as able

Call to Confession

Hebrews 10:26–27

Leader: *If we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries.*

Corporate Prayer of Confession

from *The Valley of Vision*

Unison: Holy Lord, we confess that we have sinned against you many times, and are guilty of pride and unbelief. Our sins present us with a list of accusations, but we praise you that they will not stand against us, for all have been laid on Christ. We thank you that many of our prayers have been refused—we have asked amiss and do not have, we have prayed from lusts and been rejected, and we have longed for Egypt and been given a wilderness. Continue your patient work in us, answering ‘no’ to our wrongful prayers, and fitting us to accept it. Deliver us from every evil habit, every temptation of sin, everything that dims the brightness of your grace, and everything that prevents us from delighting in you. We praise you, O God of Jacob, and ask these things in Christ’s name. Amen.

Individual Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 6:16–18

Leader: *Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness.*

† Hymn of Trust

Hymns of Grace

Grace Greater Than Our Sin

Nº 78

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Unison: 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offertory Hymn

Speak, O Lord (v. 1)

Hymns of Grace

N^o 368

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.*

*Tithes and offerings may be placed in the plates in the narthex,
or you may give online at trinityfellowshipcca.org/give,
or by texting GIVE to 501-456-4896.*

† Doxology

Hymns of Grace

N^o 440

Reading of Scripture

2 Peter 2:10b–22

ESV Pew Bible

p. 1019

Sermon

“Apostolic Agitation—What’s at Stake?”

Rev. Brad DeVries

† Hymn of Response

Who Is on the Lord's Side?

Hymns of Grace

N^o 335

† **Benediction**

† **Recessional Hymn**

Hymns of Grace

Now unto Him

N^o 437

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 narthex.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fellowship Lunch ▶ Our monthly Fellowship Lunch will be held in the fellowship hall immediately following the worship service. All are invited!

Small Groups ▶ Small Groups will meet today following the Fellowship Lunch. Contact Brad DeVries for more information.

Sunday School ▶ Sunday School resumes next Sunday, September 20th, at 9:30 A.M. More information can be found in the September Newsletter.

Guys Camping Trip ▶ The annual Guys Camping Trip will be October 16th–18th at Petit Jean State Park in Morrilton. This event is for the men, young men, and boys of Trinity Fellowship Church. More information can be found online at the church website. The deadline to register is Sunday, October 4th.

Women's Bible Study ▶ The Women's Bible Study meets weekly on Wednesdays at the church. The morning group meets at 9:30 and the evening group meets at 6:30. Contact Katie DeVries for more information.

Men's Bible Study ▶ The Men's Bible Study meets weekly on Thursdays at 6:00 A.M. at the church. Contact Ron Plate for more information.

Men's Zoom Group ▶ The Men's Zoom Group meets weekly on Thursdays at 12:00 P.M. via Zoom. Contact Brad DeVries for more information.

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