

# TRINITY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH (PCA)

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## Worship for the Lord's Day

November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 • 10:45 A.M.

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*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.*

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## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

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*“For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.”*

– Ecclesiastes 3:1

Even from the lips of an atheist, an agnostic, or a person who has put very little thought into Christianity, one is likely to hear the statement “everything happens for a reason.” The idea of destiny pervades our culture, showing up in everything from astrological predictions that say our fates are governed by the stars to romantic movies in which the message is that the two protagonists are destined to be together. In all of these cases and several others, however, it is an impersonal force of some kind that is supposed to be governing things.

As many Christian philosophers and apologists have pointed out, however, impersonal reality cannot give anything meaning and purpose. By definition, purpose is the property of personal design. Only personal, thinking beings can act with purpose. Things do not have an ultimate purpose merely because we want them to—if there is no creator God directing all things, the idea that everything happens for a reason is mere wishful thinking.

The statement that there is a time for everything under heaven may derive in part from observing the world and seeing that there are appropriate seasons for such things as birth, death, planting, weeping, laughing, and so forth, but the Preacher can distinguish between appropriate and inappropriate times for such things only because he knows that God has made these times and is to be feared. It is not that “everything happens for a reason”; rather, “everything happens for God’s reason.”

There is a time for every season and purpose under heaven because the Lord determines it. Our lives and our world are not controlled by some impersonal fate but by the gracious God who has a plan that extends even to what we might consider the most insignificant things in the world. He works out all things according to the purpose of His will (Ephesians 1:11), and we can rest knowing that nothing takes Him by surprise or throws Him off course.

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# Celebration of Worship

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## 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

### Give to Our God Immortal Praise

N<sup>o</sup> 14

### † Call to Worship

### Psalm 8

Leader: *O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouth of babies and infants, you have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger. When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him? Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!*

### † Hymn of Praise

Hymns of Grace

### O Father, You Are Sovereign

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† Please stand, as able

## † Prayer of Invocation

### Call to Confession

**Psalm 34:11–14**

Leader: *Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD. What man is there who desires life and loves many days, that he may see good? Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit. Turn away from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.*

### Individual Prayers of Confession

#### Assurance of Pardon

**Lamentations 3:22–26**

Leader: *The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. “The LORD is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.” The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD.*

## † Hymn of Trust

**Great Is Thy Faithfulness**

Hymns of Grace

Nº 86

### Our Worship in the World for the World

*Salvation and life in union with Christ frees us to worship and work  
for the glory of God and the fulfillment of our created purpose.*

*In obedience to His commission, we support the work of the church in all places  
and faithfully serve in the many vocations to which we have been called.*

### 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.*

## **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.*

*Tithes and offerings may be placed in the plates in the narthex,  
or you may give online at [trinityfellowshipbca.org/give](http://trinityfellowshipbca.org/give),  
or by texting GIVE to 501-456-4896.*

## **† Doxology**

Hymns of Grace

N<sup>o</sup> 440

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.

## **† Prayer of Dedication**

**Reading of Scripture**

**Ecclesiastes 3:1–15**

ESV Pew Bible

p. 554

**Sermon**

**“Making Sense of Monday Morning”**

Rev. Brad DeVries

**† Hymn of Response**

**God Moves in a Mysterious Way**

Hymns of Grace

N<sup>o</sup> 88

**† Benediction**

## † Recessional Hymn

## Now unto Him

Hymns of Grace

Nº 437

Now unto Him who is able to keep you from falling  
And to make you stand in His presence blameless and with great joy.  
To the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
Be the glory and the majesty, dominion and authority,  
Both now and forever.  
Amen.

## 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.*

## A Special Welcome to Our Visitors

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ! Our prayer is that you will find great joy and spiritual nourishment as we worship together today.

- ❖ Welcome packets are available in the narthex. We encourage you to fill out a visitor's card and place it in the plate located in the narthex.
- ❖ Large print ESV Bibles are available near the bulletins.
- ❖ A cry room is available for infants and small children. The cry room is located adjacent to the narthex.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Faith Promise** ▶ Today is the final day to turn in pledges for our annual Faith Promise giving for the missions outreach of the church.

**Newsletter Articles** ▶ The final day to submit articles for the December Newsletter is Sunday, November 22nd. Articles should be submitted via email to Heath.

**Hanging of the Greens** ▶ There will be a Hanging of the Greens on Sunday, November 22nd, following the worship service. We are in need of volunteers to help “deck the halls” in preparation for the Advent and Christmas season.

**Chrismon Program** ▶ Our annual Chrismon Program will be Sunday, November 29th, during the Sunday School hour.

**Prayer and Praise** ▶ There will be a Prayer and Praise service on Sunday, November 29th, at 5:00 P.M.

**Cookout and Bonfire** ▶ There will be a Cookout and Bonfire following the Prayer and Praise service on Sunday, November 29th. The Fellowship Team will provide hot dogs, drinks, and s’mores. Those attending are asked to bring a picnic side to share.



**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 Prayer Group** ▶ The Men’s Prayer Group 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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