

TRINITY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH (PCA)

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Worship for the Lord's Day

March 14th, 2021 • 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

“Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?” [The lawyer] said, ‘The one who showed him mercy.’ And Jesus said to him, ‘You go, and do likewise.’”

– Luke 10:36–37

Samaritans were the descendants of those Hebrews who intermarried with pagan peoples as the result of Assyria’s capture of the northern kingdom of Israel in 722 BC. They were not looked upon favorably by first-century Jews. In fact, the Jews hated the Samaritans and the Samaritans hated the Jews, so Jesus’ use of a Samaritan as the example of a good neighbor in today’s passage would have been striking to His original audience.

Christ told the parable of the good Samaritan in response to a lawyer who wanted to know how to inherit eternal life. Jesus’ initial response was to tell the lawyer that all he had to do to live forever was to love God with all his heart and to love his neighbor as himself. We should note that Jesus was not endorsing the view that we can make ourselves righteous before God by our obedience. After all, He taught on other occasions that only those who cast themselves wholly on the Lord’s mercy are justified, or declared righteous in the sight of our Creator (18:13–14). Instead, Jesus’ proposal of keeping the law’s two great commandments was in keeping with a strategy He employed at other times, namely, to get people to consider just how completely they had actually kept the law. His in-depth explanations of the law in places such as the Sermon on the Mount were spoken to get people to see that their estimation of their obedience was far greater than the reality, and that they would have to give up relying on their obedience for their justification.

In the course of our Savior’s conversation with the lawyer about loving God and neighbor, Jesus told the story of the good Samaritan in order to illustrate who our neighbors are and how we should treat them. A Samaritan would never have been expected to help a Jew, but the other Jews mentioned—a priest and Levite—should have cared for the fallen man. In a day when one’s neighbor was defined by blood, the failure of the priest and Levite would have been particularly scandalous. But the Samaritan’s care for the injured Jew shows that we are not to limit the definition of neighbor only to those who are like us. We are not to pass by when we see someone in need and we can do something to give them true assistance.

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.)*

† Call to Worship

Psalm 103:1–5, 11–13

Leader: *Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.*

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

† Hymn of Praise

Hymns of Grace

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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† Prayer of Invocation

† Please stand, as able

Reading of the Law**Westminster Shorter Catechism, 42**

Leader: *What is the sum of the ten commandments?*

Unison: The sum of the ten commandments is to love the Lord our God with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our strength, and with all our mind; and our neighbor as ourselves.

Call to Confession**Romans 3:19–20**

Leader: *We know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.*

Corporate Prayer of Confession**from *The Worship Sourcebook***

Unison: Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon**Galatians 2:16**

Leader: *We know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified.*

† Hymn of Trust

Hymns of Grace

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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 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

My Song Is Love Unknown (vv. 1–2, 7)

Hymns of Grace

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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

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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

ESV Pew Bible

Luke 10:25–37

p. 869

Sermon

“Asking the Right Questions”

Rev. Brad DeVries

† Hymn of Response

Hymns of Grace

Rock of Ages (vv. 1–3)

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† Benediction

† Recessional Hymn

Hymns of Grace

Rock of Ages (v. 4)

N^o 209

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 following the worship service. All are invited!

Small Groups ▶ Small Groups will meet today following the Fellowship Lunch.

Good Friday Service ▶ Our Good Friday Service will be Friday, April 1st, at 5:00 P.M.

Easter Schedule ▶ Our annual Easter Breakfast will be held on Sunday, April 4th, at 9:30 A.M. Our Easter Service will follow at 10:15 A.M.



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.

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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