

TRINITY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH (PCA)

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Worship for the Lord's Day

May 9th, 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

“The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. For God will bring every deed into judgment, with every secret thing, whether good or evil.”

– Ecclesiastes 12:13–14

Fleeting and perplexing—these words best sum up the concept of vanity that the Preacher emphasizes in the book of Ecclesiastes. Even the greatest achievements and successes of life are “vanity and a striving after wind”, not in the sense of being meaningless but in the sense of being fleeting. Such things, from the perspective of this world, do not last. In fact, for most of us, they will be forgotten not long after our deaths. Indeed, there is a proper time for us to die, at which point there will be nothing more we can accomplish. While we can, we are to enjoy life with our spouses and our labor, for death finally comes to all, and these enjoyments in our brief life spans do not continue in the longer period of time in which we lie in the grave. Youth is a day of strength, but it will not last, for old age comes to all. All is vanity—it flowers for a time and then goes away.

The Preacher’s solution in all of this is not to throw up his hands in despair. The answer, rather, is to find certainty in God and His Word. The Judge of all the earth will do right. He is bringing every deed into judgment, whether good or evil, whether hidden or known to all. The good things we do that time forgets and that people never see—God sees them, and He will reward us. The success of the wicked and the downfall of the righteous—God will not abide these forever, but He will reverse them at the last day. There is one certainty in this uncertain world—our faithful Savior Jesus Christ. Let us fear the Lord, repent of our sin and trust in Him alone, and live a life of gratitude shown by keeping His commands. For those who do this will enjoy Him for eternity.

In fearing God and keeping His commandments, three things occur. First, our sin is restrained, for we seek to avoid the consequences of our actions. Second, we see that we cannot keep the commandments with the perfection required to be declared righteous before God, and so we trust in Christ alone so that we will be justified—counted righteous—in Him. Finally, having been justified, we reverently fear the Lord all the more, and He empowers us to obey Him by His Holy Spirit.

Celebration of Worship

Greeting and Announcements

Announcements can be found on page 7

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 113

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD! Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and forevermore! From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised! The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens! Who is like the LORD our God, who is seated on high, who looks far down on the heavens and the earth? He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people. He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children. Praise the LORD!

✠ Hymn of Praise

Hymns of Grace

Now Thank We All Our God

Nº 433

✠ Prayer of Invocation

✠ Please stand, as able

Reading of the Law

Deuteronomy 10:12–13

Leader: *“And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to keep the commandments and statutes of the LORD, which I am commanding you today for your good.”*

Call to Confession

Romans 14:10–12

Leader: *We will all stand before the judgment seat of God; for it is written, “As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God.” So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.*

Hymn of Confession

By Grace Alone

Hymns of Grace

Nº 83

Assurance of Pardon

Ezekiel 34:22–24

Leader: *“I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken.”*

✠ Hymn of Trust

Psalms 23

Hymns of Grace

Nº 168

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

*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 trinityfellowshipppca.org/give,
or by texting **GIVE** to 501-456-4896.*

✠ Doxology

Hymns of Grace

Nº 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 12:9–14

ESV Pew Bible

p. 559

Sermon

“The Last Word”

Rev. Brad DeVries

† **Hymn of Response**

Hymns of Grace

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us (vv. 1–3)

N^o 170

† **Benediction**

† **Recessional Hymn**

Hymns of Grace

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us (v. 4)

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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

Baby Bottle Drive ▶ A Baby Bottle Drive to support Caring Hearts Pregnancy Center will be held from Mother's Day, May 9th through Father's Day, June 20th. Bottles can be picked up in the narthex and returned at any time.

Sunday School ▶ Jennifer McBrayer, Executive Director for the Caring Hearts Pregnancy Center, will be speaking with the Adult Sunday School class next Sunday, May 16th. Plan to join us for a review of our missions philosophy, an update from Jennifer, a "Q and A" time, and prayer.

Prayer and Praise Service ▶ There will be a Prayer and Praise service on Sunday, May 30th, at 5:00 P.M.



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.

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.

For a complete listing of activities within the life of the church, visit trinityfellowshipppca.org/calendar

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