

TRINITY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH (PCA)

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Worship for the Lord's Day

June 13th, 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

“You are beautiful as Tizrah, my love, lovely as Jerusalem, awesome as an army with banners. Turn away your eyes from me, for they overwhelm me—Your hair is like a flock of goats leaping down the slopes of Gilead.”

– Song of Solomon 6:4–5

In his teaching series *Wisdom*, R.C. Sproul says that “there is so much wrong with the romance we experience in our own culture. But the answer is not to...deny the reality of the sensuous attraction between the sexes or the erotic dimension of marriage, but rather to understand it in a way that is pleasing to God. If you want to know what real love is, spend some time in the Song of Solomon.”

Married or single, sexuality is a central aspect of our humanity. Though it can be perverted, the physical relationship between men and women is deemed “very good” within marriage. Solomon’s song is one of many biblical encouragements for husbands and wives to enjoy their sexual union. There are all sorts of instances in the Hebrew text that, in no uncertain terms, tell us Solomon and his bride take great pleasure in one another (4:10–16; 5:2–5, 10–16; 7:1–10).

One of the ways the Song of Solomon encourages married people to celebrate their physical relationship is through words of praise to one another. Some of these are strange to us, such as Solomon’s comparison of his wife’s hair to a “flock of goats,” but in that culture, centered as it was around animal husbandry, this was a great compliment indeed. In fact, a modern scholar once said he never understood how such a thing could be beautiful until he saw with his own eyes a flock of goats descending a mountain in Palestine. The compliments we offer may be different today, but the Song of Solomon exhorts us to build up our spouses through words of praise.

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

from Psalm 68

Leader: *Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up; God is our salvation. Bless God in the great congregation, the LORD, O you who are of Israel's fountain! O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; sing praises to the Lord. Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel, and whose power is in the skies. Awesome is God from his sanctuary; the God of Israel—he is the one who gives power and strength to his people. Blessed be God!*

† 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

Matthew 7:13–14

Leader: *“Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few.”*

Individual Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 3:20–25

Leader: *By works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God’s righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins.*

† Hymn of Trust

Hymns of Grace

Rock of Ages

N^o 209

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

† Doxology

Hymns of Grace

N^o 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

ESV Pew Bible

Song of Songs 6:4–8:5

pp. 563–564

Sermon

Rev. Brad DeVries

“Choice Fruits”

† Hymn of Response

Hymns of Grace

Jehovah's Bride (vv. 1–2)

N^o 337

† Benediction

† **Recessional Hymn**

Hymns of Grace

Jehovah's Bride (v. 3)

Nº 337

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.

Baby Bottle Drive ▶ The Baby Bottle Drive to support Caring Hearts Pregnancy Center ends next Sunday, June 20th. Returned bottles may be placed on the narthex table.

Newsletter Articles ▶ The final day to submit articles for the July Newsletter is Sunday, June 27th. Articles should be submitted via email to Heath.

Advancing in Missions ▶ Are you interested in learning more about missions or how the mission focus of TFC could be tailored to our unique place and makeup? Mission to the World is providing a workshop in Little Rock for those churches interested in learning more. This "Advancing in Missions" workshop is intended to bring the church missions vision from 30,000 ft. to rubber-meets-the-road. Participants will walk away with tools, ideas, and resources for engaging the church in missions. The workshop will be hosted by Covenant Presbyterian Church on Saturday, July 17th. If you are interested and would like to participate, please talk to Brad.



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. Both groups are discussing *Men and Women in the Church* by Kevin DeYoung. 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.

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