

TRINITY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH (PCA)

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Worship for the Lord's Day

August 8th, 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

“No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”

– Luke 16:13

The love of money competes with the Lord for our allegiance in the United States today. We are surrounded by a culture that worships goods, which calls us to sacrifice our families and our faith on the altar of bigger and better homes, cars, and so on. As such, Christ’s words in today’s passage have a special bearing upon us.

Striving after treasures on earth is foolish because these things do not last. Even if not destroyed by moths and rust, earthly goods can be stolen, and we cannot take them with us when we die. Only treasures in heaven, which we earn by our good deeds done before the Father, endure. Our good works do not save us, but they are graciously given to us by God in order that we might have greater blessings in heaven.

In Jesus’ day, the rabbis described those who love money more than God as those with bad eyes. A healthy eye would then refer to one who is generous with his resources. Such persons reflect the Lord’s own generosity and have light. By the Holy Spirit they see rightly and follow the straight path of righteousness.

Christ tells us we “cannot serve God and money.” If we try to follow both, we can do justice to neither. In fact, if we try to serve both, we are not serving God at all. Money itself is not evil, for it is possible to be wealthy and serve God. However, it is all too easy for us to think we are serving God when we are really serving the “stuff” of this world. The Lord gives us possessions to enjoy, but the first and best of all that we own belongs to Him. We are to make sure that we are offering up the first and best of all we have and not giving unto God only after we have first blessed ourselves.

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 111:1–4

Leader: *I will sing of the steadfast love of the Lord, forever; with my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations. Let the heavens praise your wonders, O Lord, your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones! The heavens are yours; the earth also is yours; the world and all that is in it, you have founded them.*

† Hymn of Praise

This Is My Father's World

Hymns of Grace

Nº 31

† Prayer of Invocation

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.

† Please stand, as able

Call to Confession

1 John 1:8–2:1

Leader: *If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.*

Corporate Prayer of Confession

from *Liturgical Forms and Prayers*

Unison: Our Father, we are sinful, and You are holy.

We recognize that we have heard in Your law difficult words, knowing how often we have offended You in thought, word, and deed, not only by obvious violations, but by failing to conform to its perfect commands, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

Apart from Christ, there is nothing in us that gives us reason for hope; for where we thought we were well, we are sick in soul. Where we thought we were holy, we are in truth unholy and ungrateful. Our hearts are filled with the love of the world; our minds are dark and are assailed by doubts; our wills are too often given to selfishness and our bodies to laziness and unrighteousness.

By sinning against our neighbors, we have also sinned against You, in whose image they were created.

In this time of silent confession, we bring You our particular sins.

Individual Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Galatians 4:4–7

Leader: *When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.*

Exhortation to Holiness

Matthew 16:24

Leader: *“If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.”*

† Hymn of Trust

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken (vv. 1, 4–6)

Hymns of Grace

Nº 394

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

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

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

ESV Pew Bible

Luke 16:1–15

p. 875

Sermon

Rev. Brad DeVries

“Only One Master”

† Hymn of Response

Hymns of Grace

Be Thou My Vision

N^o 176

† Benediction

† Recessional Hymn

Hymns of Grace

Benediction (v. 1)

N^o 438

May the peace of God our Heav'nly Father,
and the grace of Christ the risen Son,
And the fellowship of God the Spirit
keep our hearts and minds within His love.

And to Him be praise for His glorious reign,
from the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n;
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain,
Christ eternal, the King of kings.

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.

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

Women's Retreat ▶ The 2021 TFC Women's Retreat will be September 10th–12th at the CrossHeirs Retreat Center in Stuttgart, AR. For more information and to register, please visit our website.



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.

We are scheduled to celebrate the Lord's Supper next Sunday. Let us therefore follow Paul's admonition in 1 Corinthians 11:27–29 to partake of the Lord's Supper in a worthy manner by examining ourselves before the Lord. The Westminster Shorter Catechism states, "It is required of them that would worthily partake of the Lord's Supper, that they examine themselves of their knowledge to discern the Lord's body, of their faith to feed upon Him, of their repentance, love, and new obedience; lest, coming unworthily, they eat and drink judgment to themselves."

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

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