

WITNESSES JERUSALEM WITNESSES



ACTS: 1:8

Trinity Church · September 22, 2024

WELCOME

We are glad you could join us! We would love to connect with you and answer any questions you may have about Trinity. Scan below with your phone camera to leave us your contact information.



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WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO CALLS US TO MISSIONS

(Children of all ages are welcome in our worship service, but if your family needs a break from the sanctuary or wants to move around, our family overflow room with toys is available in room 111.)

Nursery Volunteers (worship service): Beth Williamson, Kim Linenbroker, Tara Thomason, Emmy Schmidt

Liturgist: Jerome Merritt

Scripture Reader: Hannah Kwong

Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Chris Freeman

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflection

"Thus 'witness' is a key term in Acts for those who experienced Jesus and saw him in a resurrection appearance. This experience means they can testify directly to what God did through Jesus (Luke 24:48)." – Darrell Bock

"The baptism of the Holy Ghost makes us witnesses to Jesus, not wonderworkers. The witness is not to what Jesus does, but to what he is." — Oswald Chambers

"We are not Christ's lawyers; we are his witnesses." — Anonymous

"We are called not merely to be advocates of Christianity but witnesses to Christ."
— John Blanchard

"Too many Christians think they are prosecuting attorneys or judges, when God has called all of us to be witnesses." — Warren Wiersbe

"But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses." — Jesus, Matt. 18:16

Devotional Preparation

From RC Sproul, "Witnesses to Christ in a Hostile World," ligonier.org

"How strong is your resolve to bear witness to Jesus Christ in the face of mocking and derision?"

One of the hardest things for Christians to cope with in a strange and foreign culture is to be laughed at. We can stand overt hostility, but to be belittled or scorned or held in contempt, to be the butt of a cultural joke, is more than we can bear. I want to ask you today, how strong is your resolve and your commitment to bear witness to the kingdom of Jesus Christ? The last mandate that Jesus gave before He left this planet was "You shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, the uttermost parts of the earth." Every one of us is called to be engaged in this venture. And I want you to ask yourself today where you are involved and how you have been hindered by opposition and by the reproach, the derision, or the scorn of your neighbors."

Pray today, that you will have the peace of the Father, and the power and confidence of the Holy Spirit, as witnesses of Jesus.

Song of Preparation (Children's Choir)

Joy
Amy Grant

Call to Worship—Psalm 72 (selected)

Leader: Long may he live; may gold of Sheba be given to him!

People: May prayer be made for him continually, and blessings invoked for him all the day!

Leader: May there be abundance of grain in the land; and may people blossom in the cities like the grass of the field!

People: May his name endure forever, his fame continue as long as the sun! May people be blessed in him, all nations call him blessed!

Leader: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

All: Blessed be his glorious name forever; may the whole earth filled with his glory! Amen and Amen!

Leader: As we lift up your name, O Lord, fill us with your promised Holy Spirit, so that your name would be proclaimed from Jerusalem to the ends of the earth.

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

*Song of Adoration

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Words by James Montgomery (alt. S. McCracken). Music by Sandra McCracken

Chorus

F/C C F/C C F/C C Am G F/C C

Hail to the Lord's a - nointed great Da - vid's great-er Son! Hail in the

6 F/C C G Am F G F/C C

time ap - pointed, His reign on earth be - gun! His reign on earth be - gun!

Verses

11 F/C C F C/E F C/E F C/E Dm

1. He comes to break op - pres-sion, to set the cap - tive free;
2. He comes with com - fort speed-y to those who suf - fer wrong;
3. To give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turned to light,
4. He shall come down like show-ers up - on the fruit - ful earth;
5. The tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;

16 F C/E F C/E G Am F G

to take a - way trans - gres-sion and rule in eq - ui - ty. (vss. 1, 3, 4, 5 to chorus)
to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong.
whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.
love, joy, and hope, like flow-ers, spring in His path to birth.
his name shall stand for - ev - er, that name to us is Love.

*Song of Adoration

Rejoice, The Lord Is King

Words by Charles Wesley. Music by John Darwall

1. Re - joice the Lord is King, Your Lord and King a - dore Re -
 2. The Lord Our Sa - vior reigns, The God of Truth and love When
 3. His king - dom can - not fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'n The
 4. Re - joice in glor - ious hope, Our Lord the Judge shall come And

6
 joice He keys take give had of His thanks purged death ser - vants and our and sing, stains, hell, up, And He Are To tri - umph took to their ev - er seat Je - sus ter - nal more bove giv'n home

10
 Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice, re -

14
 joice, a - gain I say re - joice

*Prayer of Adoration

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Reading—1 Kings 8:54-61

Solomon's Benediction

Now as Solomon finished offering all this prayer and plea to the Lord, he arose from before the altar of the Lord, where he had knelt with hands outstretched toward heaven. And he stood and blessed all the assembly of Israel with a loud voice, saying, "Blessed be the Lord who has given rest to his people Israel, according to all that he promised. Not one word has failed of all his good promise, which he spoke by Moses his servant. The Lord our God be with us, as he was with our fathers. May he not leave us or forsake us, that he may incline our hearts to him, to walk in all his ways and to keep his commandments, his statutes, and his rules, which he commanded our fathers. Let these words of mine, with which I have pleaded before the Lord, be near to the Lord our God day and night, and may he maintain the cause of his servant and the cause of his people Israel, as each day requires, that all the peoples of the earth may know that the Lord is God; there is no other. Let your heart therefore be wholly true to the Lord our God, walking in his statutes and keeping his commandments, as at this day."

Reader: The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord stands forever!

People: Thanks be to God!

WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

Call to Confession—James 3:13-16

Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice.

Silent Confession and Lament

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace— James 3:17-18, 4:7-8

But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere... Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

Leader: Children of God, give thanks to God for drawing near to us and forgiving our trespasses!

People: Thanks be to God!

Leader: Now may the peace of Christ be with you all!

People: And also with you!

*Song of Rejoicing

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

Sandra McCracken and Joshua Moore



We will feast in the house of Zi - on. We will sing with our



hearts re - stored. He has done great things. we will say to - ge - ther



We will feast and weep no more.

1. We will not be
2. In the dark of
3. Ev - ery vow we've



burned by the fire, He is the Lord our God we are not con -
night be - fore the dawn my soul be not a - fraid for the pro - mised
bro - ken and be - trayed You are the faith ful one and from the



sumed by the flood Up - held, pro - tect - ed, ga - thered up
mor - ning o how long O God of Ja - cob be my strength.
gar - den to the grave Bind us to - ge - ther bring sha - lom

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

Pastoral Prayer



Tithes and Offerings

Children ages 3 (by July 31) through 1st grade are dismissed for Children's Church to Room 106B

If you would like to give your tithe online, scan your camera phone here:



Offertory Song (Ensemble)

The Commission

Blake Neesmith, Carter Frodge, Logan Cain, Madison Cain, and Taylor Cain

Sermon

"Witnesses in Jerusalem"

Sermon Series, Witnesses

Acts 1:6-8

Rev. Pablo Rosales

*Song of Response

Hear the Call of the Kingdom

Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, and Stuart Townend



1. Hear the call of the king-dom, lift your
 (2. Hear the) call of the king-dom, to be
 (3. Hear the) call of the king-dom to reach



eyes to the King; Let His song rise with-in you as a fra-grant of - fer - ing of how
 chil - dren of light with the mer - cy of heav-en the hu - mil - i - ty of Christ; Walk-ing
 out to the lost with the Fa - ther's com-pas-sion in the won-der of the cross, bring-ing



God, rich in mer - cy, came in Christ to re-deem all who trust in His un - fail - ing
 just - ly be - fore Him, lov - ing all that is right, that the life of Christ may shine through
 peace and for-give-ness, and a hope yet to come: Let the na-tions put their trust in



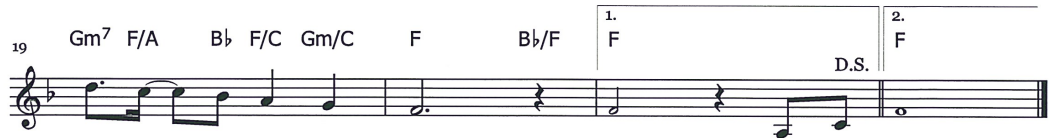
grace. 2. Hear the us. King of heav-en, we will
 Him.



an - swer the call. We will fol - low, bring-ing hope to the world, filled with



pas - sion, filled with pow - er to pro - claim sal -



-va - tion in Je - sus' name. 3. Hear the

*Benediction

*If you would like a time of prayer with one of our elders,
 please come to the front of the sanctuary after the service.*

Nursery Volunteer (SS): Sarah Garner (please report to the toddler nursery directly following the service)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Trinity Choir- Katie Polski (Fireplace Room)

Calling All Singers! We'd like to invite you to join our Trinity choir. We'll learn pieces that we'll sing in worship throughout the semester. No musical experience necessary; the only thing needed is a heart for worship and a desire to SING.

The Book of Ephesians- Ruling Elders, Fielding Poe and Jim Talent (Room 110)

We are going to take a deep dive into Ephesians, the book where Paul reveals the "mystery" behind His plan for His church. Along the way he touches on virtually every truth about God's relationship with us as individuals. If you want to know God better, and have the peace and blessedness that goes with it, come and study Ephesians with us. We're going to take it slow so that we can all learn together.

All of Christ in All of Life- Rev. Tim Jackson (Room 111)

The Bible can seem like a collection of documents that don't appear to have much connection to one another – history, laws, letters, and prophecy all combined into one big book. Yet, Jesus tells us in the gospels that all of Scripture testifies to him (Luke 24:27; John 5:39). What does that mean? What difference does it make? How do we read Scripture in a way that keeps Christ at the center? What impact does this understanding of Scripture have for how we live? Join us for a five-week class where we will practice bringing all of Christ into all of life.

Trinity Connect (New Member's Class)- Pastor Chris and Pastor Pablo-Sanctuary

If you would like to learn more about Trinity and are considering becoming a member, then join us! While this class is a prerequisite to membership, it does not commit you.

Jr. & Sr. High Students - Lower level

4th-5th Grade - Room 102

1st-3rd Grade - 106B

Preschool (3yrs by July 31) /Kindergarten - Room 105

Nursery - Room 104

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday school classes for all ages meet today.

Visitors: If you are visiting with us today we would love to give you a small gift. Please stop by the Welcome Table so we can say "hello."

Volunteers today: Ushers: Roberts, Wong, Maglione, Alexander. Nursery: Williamson, Linenbroker, Thomason, Schmidt. SS: Garner. CC: Sweet, Hawley, Williamson.

Next Sunday: Ushers: Schaffer, Schlitt, Thomason, Kocher. Nursery: Manwaring, Hammond, Highmark, Standerfer. SS: Elzinga.

Youth Ministry: Sunday evening from 4:30-6:30 (dinner included). Parents, we are still in need of a few more dinners. Sign up using the QR code to the right.

Next Ladies Connect: Wed., Oct 9th (please note the change of date) at 7:30pm at Mickie Schmidt's home.

Mission's Fair and Dinner: Sat., Oct. 12. Registration is now open. Use the QR code to the right.

Church Work Day: Sat., Oct. 5 at 9am.

Wednesday Women's Bible studies meet weekly at 9am or 6:15pm. We are studying the Books of Jonah & Habakkuk. Childcare available for the morning study. The **Tues. evening group** (The Prodigal God) on the 2nd & 4th Tues. at 7pm at Melissa Jorgensen's home.

The **Men's study** meets the 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Wed. at 6:15pm OR Fri. at 6:30am. Pastor Polski will lead a study of 1 & 2 Timothy.

Kingdom Kids for kids 3yrs (by July 31 of the current school year and potty trained) through 5th gr. join us on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month (**TONIGHT**) from 4:30-6:30 for dinner, games, Bible lessons, and children's choir.

Men's Breakfasts are back! Sat., Oct. 19th from 8-9:30am. Sing up using the QR code to the right.

Sign up for a **small group** today in the narthex.

Save the Date: Oct. 26: Prayer & Praise, Nov. 17: Vox Una Concert, Thanksgiving Service: Nov. 27. Christmas Decorating: Nov. 30. Dec. 7: Christmas Craft Party, Dec. 15: Christmas Concert.

If you do not receive our **weekly email updates** on Tuesday mornings, please send your email address to amy.mitchell@trinitychurchkirkwood.org

There are **several easy ways to serve at Trinity**. Feel free to reach out to these ministry coordinators to get involved:

Ushers: Paul Schaffer:

Paul.Schaffer@trinitychurchkirkwood.org,

Greeters: James Broughton (James.

Broughton@trinitychurchkirkwood.org),

Children's Ministry: Melissa Kocher (Melissa.Kocher@trinitychurchkirkwood.org)

Did you know you can use the **Church Center app** for online giving, church directory, to sign up for events, connect with your small groups, bible studies, etc? Contact the church office for assistance.

You can **sign up for all upcoming events** by scanning your phone camera over the QR code and then [following the link](#):



PARTY ON THE LAWN

Join us on Sat., Sept. 28 at 4:30pm for games, bounce house, sumo bumper balls, pickle ball tournament, and more. We will provide the pig roast, you bring a side to share. See the QR code above for more info and to sign up.

Guys, Pablo will be pulling another all nighter to roast the pig. Join him at Trinity anytime Fri. night from 5:30 on!

There are **simple ways you can help** make this event a success. When you register you will have an opportunity to volunteer for a 30 min. shift.

MISSION UPDATE

ALL the links mentioned below can be found using this QR code:



Prayers: SEPTEMBER 2024 Newsletter and Prayer Calendar (use the QR code above)

- Please pray for the ministries and volunteers listed in the prayer calendar and below.

Goers:

- **Robinson Elementary Food Pantry** — One of the ways we serve our community is through this local food pantry. We are in the process of finalizing dates. Registration is now open and we are in need of people to witness to the love of Jesus. See the dates and opportunities in the QR code above.

Senders:

- One way to support our mission is to purchase the Trinity swag available in the Narthex. Your donation directly provides economic opportunities for individuals in White Swan, WA, as well as our own missional efforts at Trinity. For more on information on the ministry, check out www.swangraphics.org.

Welcomers:

- **Our Missions Fair and Dinner is October 12th**. Registration for the dinner is open. We are in need of volunteers to help with setup and breakdown. Please consider volunteering using the QR code above.

Mobilizers:

- **Missions Conference Fair and Dinner Registration is now open!** Fair starts at 4:00pm. This will be followed by dinner* at 5:15 (Dalies BBQ) and program at 5:45. Several of our ministry partners/missionaries will share briefly and be available for questions. See how you can be part of it as a sender, doer, prayer, welcomer, or goer.

Fair is open to all. **RSVP for the dinner is requested** (Dinner is limited to 100 persons). **Suggested donation of \$10/person or \$40/family at event.** (use the QR code above for registration)

Trinity's ministries are organized around the core values in our purpose statement which reads: Trinity Church exists to **exalt** God's name, **establish** God's people, **equip** God's church and **engage** God's world, in the power of the Holy Spirit and for the sake of the Risen King, Jesus Christ.

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