

WITNESSES SAMARIA WITNESSES



ACTS: 1:8

Trinity Church · October 6, 2024

WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO CALLS US TO SAMARIA

(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): Emily Ridenhour, Olga Martir, Jessica Pannkuk, Lily Polski

Liturgist: Rev. Pablo Rosales

Scripture Reader: Ellie Perry

Pastoral Prayer: Ruling Elder, Ron Ridderbos

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflection

Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for my soul.

— Psalm 66:16

This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. — Acts 2:32

"Missions is not the ultimate goal of the church. Worship is. Missions exists because worship doesn't." — John Piper

"God's work done in God's way will never lack God's supply." — J. Hudson Taylor

Devotional Preparation

The Four "Alls" in the Great Commission- Trevin Wax (TGC)

In the Great Commission Report, issued ahead of this year's meeting of the Lausanne Congress for World Evangelization in Seoul, South Korea, Victor Nakah and Ivor Poobalan offer a theological basis for "the Great Commission" as one of the most-used phrases within global Christianity today.

Matthew 28:18–20 records the mandate King Jesus entrusted to the church through his apostles in the period between his ascension and return. (Also important are Mark 16:15; Luke 24:46–49; Acts 1:8; and John 20:19–23.) It's a climax to a summons issued by God in the Old Testament, a theme evident in the call of Abraham (Gen. 12:1–3) that unfolds throughout Scripture. "The Great Commission was issued as a directive to follow, a command to obey, and a decree to execute," Nakah and Poobalan write.

I'm grateful for this contribution in their introduction to the Great Commission Report, especially for opening my eyes to the four "alls" in the missionary mandate Jesus gave his disciples, as seen in Matthew's formulation.

1. All Authority

The Great Commission begins not with a command but with a coronation. Jesus makes the stunning claim that "all authority in heaven and on earth" has been given to him. He didn't grasp or steal such authority; it was granted as part of his exaltation (Phil. 2:9–11). Nakah and Poobalan comment,

That the Great Commission is premised on this authority says a lot about the intent of God in getting the work done. With this authority, not only are we sure that we will be delivered from harm, but we are confident that when it matters most, we will not be let down, since the Father has put "everything in subjection under his feet" (Heb. 2:8).

2. All Nations

The Great Commission has a worldwide scope. The assignment is global and cross-cultural. Here we see God's passion for all peoples, tongues, tribes, and languages of the world.

We're called not only to proclaim the gospel but to make disciples. And not only to make disciples but to "make disciples of all nations" (as Nakah and Poobalan explain, to "bring people from all people groups to a true followership of the Messiah"). The church is on the move even now, they write:

Never since the early centuries has Christianity grown so rapidly in previously un-evangelised societies in Latin America, Africa, and Asia. The most-recent stories of church growth in Asia for example—in places such as China, Iran, and Nepal—are nothing short of miraculous, because the gospel has thrived in predominantly communist, Islamic, and Hindu contexts where sustained antipathy and hostility have been most vocal and active.

God will have his worldwide family of faith. We're commissioned to the task of discipleship, which itself will have an outward, nations-focused element of missionary obedience. "The call," they write, "is to establish Christ-loving, sin-hating, God-honouring communities of worship" under the banner of Jesus as Lord.

3. All the Commands

The call of discipleship includes teaching *everything* Christ taught. The goal isn't just a cognitive level of doctrinal understanding but total obedience. To obey *all* that Christ teaches. Nakah and Poobalan comment,

The Great Commission forbids a selective attitude to Christ's demands on all who follow him. We cannot pick and choose or add what we like. His instruction is to teach "all that I have commanded you."

As beautiful as it may be to see the explosion of Christian witness in many parts of the world, we must recognize the importance of deep discipleship and lament its absence. "We are forced to concede that today, global Christian spirituality is at risk of becoming 'a mile long and an inch deep,'" they acknowledge. We seek a harvest of evangelistic conversions, but together with our evangelism, there must be a commitment to deep discipleship that results in obedience and the rejection of syncretism.

4. All the Way

The fourth "all" of the Great Commission is the promise of Jesus's presence, no matter the circumstances or obstacles we face, whether the cultural conditions are favorable or hostile. Jesus says he'll be with us always, all the way to the end of time. His statement here gives us the courage to go to the uttermost parts of the world in the face of danger, perils, and trials. "With this statement," they write, "comes the certainty, the prestige, and the power of his all-time presence."

Where do these four "alls" leave us? With faith in the power of God to make us disciples—"students and followers"—of Jesus, whose good news is ever on our tongues. "That is the nature of the Christian faith and the direction of the Holy Spirit, who is always leading us to testify about Jesus and glorify him (John 15:26 and 16:14)."

After all, Nakah and Poobalan remind us, "The Great Commission is not an end in itself; it is a means to an end. The future is the presence of all tribes, tongues, nations, and languages worshipping the King at the end of the age."

Song of Preparation

How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place

Trinity Hymnal #469

Call to Worship—Psalm 26 (selected)

Leader: O Lord, I love the habitation of your house and the place where your glory dwells.

People: Do not sweep my soul away with sinners, nor my life with bloodthirsty men,

Leader: As for us, we shall walk in integrity;

People: Redeem us and be gracious to us.

All: Our feet stand on level ground; in the great assembly we will bless the Lord.

Leader: Now, O Lord of Might, make our hearts ready to praise you and do your will!

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

*Songs of Adoration

Father, Let Your Kingdom Come

Orlando Palmer, Paul Zach, Isaac Wardell, Liz Vice, Latifah Phillips

Hal - le - lu, hal - le - lu - jah, Fa - ther let Your king - dom come

1. May the works of my hands bring You joy. May the works
2. May the words from my mouth speak Your peace. May the words

of my hands bring You joy. May the works of my hands bring You
from my mouth speak Your peace. May the words from my mouth speak Your

joy. May the works of my hands bring You joy.
peace. May the words from my mouth speak Your peace.

You make all things new in

places we don't choose You make all things new.

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Keith Getty, Jordan Kauflin, Matt Papa, Matt Boswell, and Matthew Merker

D Dsus D Dsus D Bm7

What is our hope in life and death? Christ a-lone, Christ a-
 What truth can calm the trou-bled soul? God is good, God is
 Un-to the grave, what shall we sing? Christ, he lives! Christ, he

A D A/C# Bm G D/A A

5 lone. What is our on-ly con-fi-dence? That our souls to him be-
 good. Where is his grace and good-ness known? In our great Re-deem-er's
 lives! And what re-ward will heav-en bring? Ev-er-last-ing life with

D F#m Bm Em7 D/F#

9 long Who holds our days with-in his hand? What comes a-part from His com-
 blood. Who holds our faith when fears a-rise? Who stands a-bove the storm-y
 him. There we will rise to meet the Lord, then sin and death will be de-

G D/A A(F#/A#) Bm G D/A A D

13 mand? And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.____
 trial? Who sends the waves that bring us nigh un-to the shore the rock of Christ?____
 stroyed, and we will feast in end-less joy, When Christ is ours for-ev-er more.____

Bm G D A/C# A Bm D/F# G

18 — O sing hal-le-lu-jah Our hope springs e-ter-nal; O — sing hal-le-
 — D/F# G D/F# A G Bm A D

24 lu-jah! Now and ev-er we con-fess Christ our hope in life and death.

*Prayer of Adoration

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading—Luke 17:11-19

Jesus Cleanses Ten Lepers

On the way to Jerusalem he was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

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—Job 2:7-10

So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord and struck Job with loathsome sores from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. And he took a piece of broken pottery with which to scrape himself while he sat in the ashes. Then his wife said to him, "Do you still hold fast your integrity? Curse God and die." But he said to her, "You speak as one of the foolish women would speak. Shall we receive good from God, and shall we not receive evil?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

Silent Confession and Lament

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Hebrews 8:12

"For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more."

Leader: Christian, give thanks to God for remembering our sins no more!

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

15 2. E5 Esus
 good. To our

17 **CHORUS** E A E C#m7
 God be the glo - ry, to our God be praise. He a - lone, the name a - bove all

20 B E/G# A C#m7 **To Coda**
 names. I will boast ev - er on - ly in the Lord my God, for I

23 A B Asus2 E
 know His glo - ry is my good.

25 **VERSE 3** B C#m7 Asus2 E
 See the o - pen arms of Je - sus u -

27 B C#m7 Asus2 E
 pon the cross that day. What they un - der - stood as weak - ness de -

29 B C#m7 Asus2 E
 serves my ev - 'ry praise. For the charge that was a - gainst me, it was

31 B C#m7 Asus2 E/G#
 nailed in - to the wood. Yes, I know that He has saved me for His

33 B E **D.S. al Coda**
 glo - ry and my good. To our

⊕ CODA

35 A B A E/G#

know His glo - ry is my good.

sing 1st time only

37 C#m7 B A E/G#

39 1. C#m7 B 2. B

Would I

41 VERSE 4 Aadd2 E/G# Badd4/F# E/G#

glad - ly be made noth - ing that Christ would be made more... Would I

43 Aadd2 E/G# Badd4/F# E/G#

seek the on - ly king - dom that far out - weighs them all... I will

45 Aadd2 E Badd4 C#m7

stand be - fore my Fa - ther where the faith - ful saints have stood and with

47 Aadd2 E/G# Badd4 C#m7 Bsus

joy my heart shall praise Him for His glo - ry and my good. And with

49 Aadd2 E/G# Badd4

joy my heart shall praise Him for His glo - ry and my

51 E

good. To our

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 (Adult Choir)

How Sweet the Sound

Christi Jones

Sermon

"You Will be My Witness in Samaria"

Sermon Series, Witnesses

Acts 1:8; 8:9-19

Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

*Song of Response

Shout to the North

Martin Smith

G D C

1. Men of faith, rise up and sing of the
 (2. Rise up,) wo - men of the truth, stand and
 (3. Rise up,) church with bro - ken wings, fill this

3 G D C G D

great and glo - rious King. You are strong when you feel
 sing to bro - ken hearts who can know the heal - ing
 place with songs a - gain of our God who reigns on

6 C G D C

weak, in your bro - ken - ness com - plete.
 pow'r of our awe - some King of love.
 high. By His grace a - gain we'll fly.

10 $\frac{3}{4}$ G C D G C D Em

Shout to the north and the south; sing to the east and the west. Je - sus is

15 C D C D G \oplus 1, 3 2

Last time to Coda

Sav - ior to all, Lord of heav - en and earth. 2. Rise up,
 3. Rise up,

\oplus Coda 29 C D G C D

Lord of heav - en and earth, Lord of heav - en and

32 G C D G

earth, Lord of heav - en and earth.

THE SERVICE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

***Sursum Corda**

Pastor: The LORD be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the LORD.

Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the LORD our God.

People: It is good and right so to do.

***Confession of Faith**

Leader: Christian, in whom do you believe?

**All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**The third day He arose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and sits at the right
hand of God the Father Almighty, whence He
shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy universal church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen**

Words of Institution—Matthew 26:26—29

Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

Prayer of Consecration

The Giving of the Bread and Cup

Upon direction from the ushers, please come forward down the center aisle. After you receive the elements, please return to your seats via the side aisles. Please hold the elements until we are all able to partake together. After the service, please dispose of your used communion cup.

(Grape juice is in the purple cups and wine in the clear. The bread is gluten and nut free)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Sending Song

Mighty God We Thank and Praise You
Wendell Kimbrough and Ludwig van Beethoven

Mighty God we thank and praise you for this meal, this Bread of Life;
Precious blood and body, broken, from your Son our Savior, Christ.
In these myst'ries you assure us we are members of your Son;
Heirs of your eternal Kingdom, with all faithful people, One.
Amen, amen, amen, amen, amen.

*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): Alice Bava (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: Thomason, Heintz, Standerfer, Younger. Nursery: Ridenhour, Martir, Pannkuk, Polski. SS: Bava. CC: Mitchell, Caldwell, Goldstein. **Next Sunday:** Ushers: Oehlerking, Moen, Broughton, Barker. Nursery: Nichols, O'Neal, Linenbroker. SS: Mitchell. CC: Doiron, Standerfer, Younger.

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.

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.

Flannelpalooza: Sun., Oct. 13th at 4:30pm. Details can be found on today's insert or by scanning the QR code to the right.

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

Trinity Young Adults meets at 7 pm on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday's of the month at Trinity to go through a study on Spiritual Formation. See Mitchell Dixon for more info.

Our next **evening of Prayer and Praise** will be Sat., Oct. 26th at the Hendrick's home. See QR code for details.

It is almost that time of year! We will open **volunteer sign ups for our annual Christmas Craft Party** on Sun., Oct. 20th. This event takes MANY hands!

Absentee ballots are available in the narthex for the election in Nov. Questions-see Barb Petty.

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](#):



SAVE THE DATES

Please note these dates in your calendar:

- Oct. 20: Volunteer sign up begins for Christmas Craft Party
- Oct. 26: Prayer & Praise
- Nov. 3: Day Light Saving ends
- Nov. 3: Registration for Christmas Craft
- Nov. 16: Men's Breakfast
- Nov. 17: Vox Una Concert-3pm
- Nov. 27: Thanksgiving Service
- Nov. 30: Christmas Decorating
- Dec. 7: Christmas Craft Party
- Dec. 8: Congregational Meeting (SS)
- Dec. 14: Men's Breakfast
- Dec. 15: Christmas Concert

MISSION UPDATE

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



Prayers: New OCTOBER 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:

- **Spots available in Jerusalem at 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:

- **Way to serve Judea — Swan Graphics** – “We want to see generations of thriving young adults in the Lower Yakima Valley grow into their God-given potential” They are hiring new people from this community and investing in their lives. Lives are being changed because they are being exposed to the Gospel through real relationships.
- The **Trinity Swag** in the Narthex were made by these young adults, and you can support their work and our mission here by grabbing up some of it and donating via QR on the rack. Please select “Mission Fundraiser 2024” from the dropdown menu.

Welcomers:

- **Just a few more volunteers needed!!** We are in need of just a few more volunteers to help with setup and breakdown of our Missions Fair and Dinner. Please sign up using the QR code above.
- **More Jerusalem work — FORAI** — Looking for a female ESL tutor-friend for a new artisan from Afghanistan. She is able to read and write in her first language (Pashto) but does not even know the alphabet in English. Please reach out to Pastor Pablo for more information.

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)

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.



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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