



TRINITY CHURCH

— KIRKWOOD —

2 CORINTHIANS 4:5

July 12, 2026

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.



WORSHIPING THE GOD WHO SENDS HIS CHURCH

(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. We also have an area for nursing moms in room 106 by the back entrance.)

Nursery Volunteers (worship service): Kim McCall, Tara Thomason, Beth Williamson, Maggie McCall

Liturgist: Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

Scripture Reader: Ellie Perry

Welcome and Announcements

Quotes and Reflection

And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

— Matthew 9:35-38

"Mission is not primarily an activity of the church, but an attribute of God. God is a missionary God." — Christopher Wright, *The Mission of God*

"The church does not possess the gospel; the gospel possesses the church."
— Herman Bavinck

"The church's best people should not be hoarded but released." — John Stott

WE READY OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

Why Should Churches Prioritize Church Planting? Erik Raymond
(the gospelcoalition.org) *Abridged*

Multiplication is embedded in the Great Commission. The resurrected and reigning King Jesus has deputized his followers with the charge of making disciples. This charge is the vehicle by which God is bringing the gospel to the nations. Therefore, at the very start we must conclude that multiplication is embedded in the Great Commission.

Church Planting rises out of faithful Great Commission Churches. Faithful churches work hard to make disciples; like the Apostle Paul they gladly embrace the paradigm of spending and being spent for souls (2 Cor. 12.15). This includes local missions (neighborhoods), regional missions (state), national missions (country) and international missions (nations). The result of a church grappling with the Great Commission is a church that is pregnant for missions. It has a heart to reach its neighbors and the nations.

Church Planting follows the New Testament pattern. After being instructed in the University of Jesus and having seen him ascend to heaven, the disciples got to preaching (Acts 2-4). Churches are planted all over the Roman Empire as disciples are being made. There is no indication that this priority should ever wane or shift.

Church Planting is an effective long-term evangelism strategy. Short-term mission trips have their value and place. If you desire to reach a particular community in your city for the next 100 years, how are you going to do it? The best plan, hands down, is to put a church there. Not only does this work, but it is biblical.

Church Planting stretches members. The fact that they are at a new work forces them to step up and lead. They can't stand on the sidelines and watch someone else do it, they have to do it, or it won't get done. This stretching is, I believe, quite healthy.

Church Planting stretches leaders. If you are going to be committed to church planting then you have to be training people to understand how to make disciples. In other words, you have to be training people to be disciples and make disciples.

Song of Preparation

Take My Life, and Let It Be

Trinity Hymnal #585

Call to Worship— Psalm 67 (Selected)

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face
to shine upon us

**People: That your way may be known on earth, your saving
power among all nations.**

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples
praise you!

People: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy!

**All: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples
praise you!**

Leader: Grant to us today, O Lord, the ability to worship you with
gladness and joy!

WE DECLARE THE ETERNAL WORTHINESS OF GOD

*Songs of Adoration

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Trinity Hymnal #302

I Will Lift Up the Cup of Salvation

Wendell Kimbrough

Southern gospel ♩ = 113



1. I will
2. I will

Verse



lift up the cup of sal - va - tion, I will call on the name of the Lord, He has
walk with the Lord in His vic - tory, I will no more de - spair in the dark. He has

Chorus

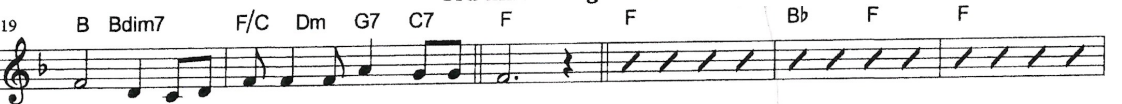


heard my cry, He has saved my life— I will en - ter His courst with praise. Al - le - lu - ia to the
calmed my fears with His love so near— I am safe in His faith - ful arms.

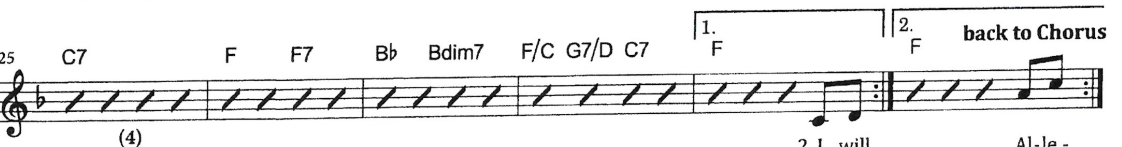


ris - en Lord! Al - le - lu - ia, death will reign no more! I will lift up the cup of sal -

3rd time to Tag Instr.



- va - tion, I will call on the name of the Lord.



2. I will Al-le -

Tag



Lord. I will call on the name of the Lord.

*Prayer of Adoration

WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading—Matthew 9:35-38

The Harvest is Plentiful, but the Laborers are Few

And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

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

People: Thanks be to God.

WE CONFESS OUR UTTER UNWORTHINESS BEFORE GOD

Call to Confession— Matthew 28:18-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Silent Confession and Lament

WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace—Romans 10:11

For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame."

Leader: People of God, give thanks that God is pleased to save sinners through the proclamation of the gospel!

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

*Song of Rejoicing

Build Your Kingdom Here

Rend Collective

1. Come set Your rule, and reign in our _____ hearts a - gain. In -

5 -crease in us, we pray. Un - veil _____ why we're made. Come

9 set our hearts a - blaze with hope, like wild - fire in our ver - souls;

13 Ho - ly Spir - it, come, in-vade us now. _____ We are Your

18 church; We need Your pow'r in us. 2. We (3. Un) -

VERSE 2 & 3

23 seek Your king - dom first. We hun - ger and we thirst; Re -
leash Your king-dom's pow'r, reach - ing the near and far. No

27 F C G^{SUS}

-fuse to waste our lives, for You're our joy and prize. To
force of hell can stop Your beau - ty, chang - ing hearts. You

31 F C F C

see the cap - tives' hearts re - leased; The hurt, the sick, the poor at peace.
made us for much more than this; A - wake the king - dom seed in us.

35 F C G^{SUS} F C

We lay down our lives for heav - en's cause. _ We are Your
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ. _ We are Your

40 G⁽⁴⁾ F C G⁽⁴⁾ C F²

church; We pray, re - vive this earth.
church; You are the hope on earth.

45 C F² G CHORUS Am⁷ F²

Build Your king - dom here. Let the dark - ness

50 C G Am⁷ F² G C

fear. Show Your might - y hand. Heal our streets and land. _ Set Your

55 G Am⁷ F² C G

church on fire. Win this na - tion back. Change the at - mos -

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

"Thy Kingdom Come!"

Acts 13:1-3

Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

COMISSIONING OF THE CHURCH PLANTER AND SENDING TEAM

Charge to the Church Planter of Hope Church- 2 Tim. 4:1-2

Charge to the Core Group of Hope Church- Phil. 2:1-2

Charge to the Trinity Congregation- Acts 13:1-4

Question of Commitment to the Church Planter

Do you reaffirm your commitment to proclaim the whole counsel of God faithfully and will you seek to shepherd this new congregation with humility, prayer, love, and perseverance, relying upon the grace of God?

Questions of Commitment to the Core Group

Do you commit yourselves to labor together in love, to seek the unity of the Spirit, to support your leaders, and to pursue the mission Christ has entrusted to you?

Laying on of Hands and the Prayer of Commissioning

*Song of Response

Facing a Task Unfinished

Orig. Words by Frank Houghton, Orig. Music by Samuel Wesley
New Words and Music by Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Ed Cash, and Fionan de Barra

C Σ C G^{sus} G F G C C/E

1. Fac - ing a task un - fin - ished, that drives us to our knees. A need that, un - di -
2. Where oth - er lords be - side Thee hold their un - hin - dered sway; where for - ces that de -
3. We bear the torch that, flam - ing, fell from the hands of those who gave their lives pro -
4. O Fa - ther who sus - tained them, O Spi - rit who in - spired, Sav - iour, whose love con -

6 F Dm⁷ G/B C F C/E

min - ished, re - bukes our sloth - ful ease. We, who re - joice to know Thee, re -
fied Thee, de - fy Thee still to - day. With none to heed their cry - ing for
claim - ing That Je - sus died and rose. Ours is the same com - mis - sion, the
strained them to toil with zeal un - tired. From cow - ar - dice de - fend us, from

11 Am Dm⁷ C/G C/F F Dm⁷ G^{sus} G

new be - fore Thy throne the so - lemn pledge we owe Thee - to go and make Thee
life, and love, and light, un - num - bered souls are dy - ing and pass in - to the
same glad mess - age ours; fired by the same am - bi - tion, to Thee we yield our
leth - ar - gy a - wake! Forth on Thine er - rands send us to la - bour for Thy

1. C F/A F C

known. night. 2. Where powers. } We
sake.

2.3.4. Refrain C

21 G G/F C G G/F C F G

go to all the world, with king - dom hope un - furled. No oth - er name has

3rd time to CODA ϕ

26 Em⁷ Am Dm⁷ G⁷sus C

power to save but Je - sus Christ The Lord.

30 F/A F D.S. %

3. We
4. O

ϕ CODA Last Refrain
Cadd⁹ G G/F C Dm C/E

Lord. We go to all the world, His

35 G G/F C F G Em⁷ Am Dm⁷ G⁷sus

king - dom hope un - furled. No oth - er name has power to save but Je - sus Christ The

40 C F/A F C⁵

Lord.

*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.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

The elementary Sunday school is on hiatus to give our volunteers a little break. A Jr. High-adult Sunday school on Christian Spiritual Formation meets in room 110 led by Pastor Polski.

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: Sweet, Heintz, Standerfer, Younger. Nursery: McCalls, Thomason, Williamson. CC: Oehlerking, Hawley, Linenbroker. **Next Sunday:** Ushers: Oehlerking, Hays, Moen, Barker. Nursery: Kwong, Pysar, Schmidt, Williamson. CC: Waldrons, Wagberg, Kwong.

Summer Co-Ed Bible Study on Titus: Join Pastor Polski for a Bible Study on the book of Titus. The study will meet on Wed., 7/15 and THUR., 7/23 at 6:15pm. Come on your own, with your spouse, or bring a friend. Anyone in Junior High and up are welcome!

Young Adult Small Group: Join us on the 4th Fri. of the month at Trinity from 6-7:30pm (childcare available). See Abby or Jackson Roberts for details.

Jr. & Sr. High will meet on Wednesday evenings from 6-8pm this summer.

Ladies, join us for a discussion of the book, *Living Life Backwards* (chpt. 4-7) at Kathy O'Neal's home at 7pm.

The **Robinson Food Pantry will take place at Trinity** for the summer: July 16th & Aug. 20th.

Children's Ministry: Come out for **Aqua Bike Rally on Sat. July 25** from 2-6pm! We'll have inflatable water slides, back lot blocked off for bike riding, scooters, roller skating, skateboards, etc - please no e-bikes! We'll have a bubble station set up, wet tug of war, and tons of fun! Please bring a picnic dinner for your family. Let us know you are coming on Church Center. **Please note: the playdate is being rescheduled.** Date TBD.

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:

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Greeters: James Broughton (James.

Broughton@trinitychurchkirkwood.org),

Children's Ministry: Erin Wagberg

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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](#):



UPCOMING DATES

Jul. 15 Coed Bible Study 6:15pm
Jul. 15 Men's Night 7:30pm
Jul. 16 Robinson Food Pantry (Trinity)
Jul. 20 Women's Book Discussion
Jul. 23 Coed Bible Study 6:15pm
Jul. 24 Young Adults Small Group
Jul. 25 Grace Carcamo's Baby Shower
Jul. 25 Aqua Bike Rally 2-6pm
Jul. 25-31 Puerto Rico Mission Trip
Aug. 2 Community Sun. Potluck Lunch
Aug. 10 Ladies Connect @ Mickie's 6:30
Aug. 11 Youth to Cards Game
Aug. 17 Women's Book Discussion

Local Mission News
Featuring FirstLight
Rev. Sean Maney, Executive Director

FirstLight is a St. Louis-based ministry that is dedicated to sexual integrity and helping people live a life according to God's standards on sexuality.

We work with men and women for as long as it takes to help them develop healthier and holier ways of living that restores them to a life of joy and abundance.

While our program is much more intensive than most, the effects are much more profound and long-lasting. Thankfully, due to the support of our many donors, we can provide a level of service that is comparable to in-patient clinical programs but offer it at the community support level and for minimal cost to participants.

DISCIPLESHIP MODEL:

As a Christian ministry, our ultimate mandate is given to us by Jesus Christ to go and make disciples of him (Matthew 28:19-20). As such, it is important for us to help people understand that their reason for turning away from sexual sin is not only about helping them be healthier or to improve their relationships with spouse.

It is foremost about helping them glorify God.

As the Apostle Paul writes, we are all to "glorify God in our bodies" (1 Corinthians 11:7). At FirstLight, participants are not only educated about techniques for stopping unwanted sexual behavior or on how to heal their marriage after sexual betrayal. All participants are led into God's word to see God's love for them, how we are reconciled to God through Jesus Christ, and what this means not only for our sexual recovery but for living a life that allows us to better glorify God and enjoy him forever.

FirstLight Ministries, PO Box 32033, St. Louis, MO 63132

Firstlightstlouis.org or office@firstlightstlouis.org

CATECHISM QUESTION
OF THE WEEK

Q. 86. What is faith in Jesus Christ?

A. Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace by which we receive and rest on him alone for salvation, as he is offered to us in the Gospel.

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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