



TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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COMMUNION OF REFORMED EVANGELICAL CHURCHES

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18th Sunday after Pentecost

September 27th, 2026

COVENANT RENEWAL WORSHIP

Please take this bulletin home with you to use for worship in the home

Sunday at Trinity

9AM Sunday School

Ages 3-5: Admin Building

Ages 6-8: Admin Building

Ages 9- 12: Admin Building

Ages 13 and Up: Fellowship Hall

10:30 Worship Service

Sanctuary

Nursery

Sept 27th: Rebekah, Alma

Oct 4th: Roseann, Karissa

Oct 11th: Mary, Ceilidh

Oct 18th: MaryAnn, Tili

Fellowship Luncheons

Sept 27th: Knox

Oct 4th: Luther

Oct 11th: Bucer

Oct 18th: Calvin

3rd Sunday Evening Service:
October 18th, 6PM

Lord's Day Assistants

Sept: Drennan

Oct: Dysh

Nov: Geis

Attendance

Aug 30th: 192

Sept 06th: 196

Sept 13th: 193

Sept 20th: 222

Welcome to TPC

Trinity Presbyterian Church exists because of God's grace and for His glory. In the name of Jesus Christ, we welcome you to join us today in our highest privilege: worshipping the Triune God. We are delighted you are here and are eager to serve you.

Church Staff

Pastor Ben Russell

Associate Pastor - Mike Ruff

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Covenant Renewal Worship

Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church!

In the Lord's Service, the Father renews covenant with His people in Christ through the Holy Spirit. We receive God's gifts of Word and sacrament and respond in faithful prayer and sacrificial praise through our Great High Priest Jesus Christ.

We invite all baptized Christians, in good standing and not under discipline, to celebrate the Lord's Supper and so commune with Christ in His body.

We enjoy having our covenant children worship with us. However, should parents need assistance with their children 3 and under, there is a nursery available in the administrative building. Also, feel free to use the cry rooms if desired, which are located to the left and right of the sanctuary entrance. The south cry room on the right is designated for nursing mothers.

If you are a first-time visitor, please consider filling out a visitor's card and dropping it in the offering plate.

Announcements

Our Mission Partner of the Week beginning today is Rocky Bayou Christian School. We encourage our families to pray for this mission partner at least once during the week.

Mark Your Calendars:

Today we have the privilege of hosting Pastor Wes Baker of the Peru Mission. Wes will be leading **Sunday School** and preaching in our **Worship Service**.

Men's Prayer Breakfast, Tuesdays at 6:00 AM: After prayer, we are discussing *The Certainty of Faith* by Herman Bavinck.

Advent and Christmas Choir Practice Begins – It is that wonderful time of the year again...time for choir to start. Choir practice begins for this year's Advent and Christmastide season, on **Sunday, 11 October 2026**, during the Sunday school hour (9am), meeting in the sanctuary. Please see Elder Parry if you are interested in singing in our fantastic choir and if you need more details about practice, performances, or participation.

TPC Supper Club: On **October 13th, starting at 6:00pm**. Please join us at **The Wharf 850**.

THE LORD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Worship Prelude, Opening Call and Response

Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
TO THE HOUSE OF THE GOD OF JACOB;
He will teach us His ways,
AND WE SHALL WALK IN HIS PATHS.
For out of Zion shall go forth the law,
AND THE WORD OF THE LORD FROM JERUSALEM.
Oh people of God, come
AND LET US WALK IN THE LIGHT OF THE LORD.

Entrance Hymn

Beneath the Blood-Stained Lintel

1. Be - neath the blood-stained lin - tel, I with my chil - dren stand
2. The Lamb of God has suf - fered; Our guilt and sin He bore.
3. My Sav - ior, for my dear ones, I claim Thy prom - ise true.
4. O Thou who gave them, guard them, Those way - ward lit - tle feet:

A mes - sen - ger of e - vil Is pass - ing through the land.
By faith, His blood is sprin - kled A - bove our dwell - ing's door.
The lamb was for the house - hold The chil - dren's sav - ior too.
The wil - der - ness be - fore them, The ills of life to meet.

There is no oth - er ref - uge From the de - stroy - er's face;
The foe who seeks to en - ter Doth fear that sa - cred sign.
On earth the lit - tle chil - dren Once felt Thy touch di - vine.
My par - ent - love is help - less, I trust them to Thy care.

Be - neath the blood-stained lin - tel Shall be our hid - ing place:
To - night the blood-stained lin - tel Shall shel - ter me and mine.
Be - neath the blood-stained lin - tel, Thy bless - ing give to mine.
Be - neath the blood-stained lin - tel, O keep them ev - er there.

Worship Prelude

Jesus taught us to be reconciled with our brother before any other act of worship (Matthew 5:22ff). If necessary, please do so without delay!

Opening Call and Response

The congregation reads the words in **bold** print.

Entrance Hymn

Rejoice in song together to give thanks to the name of the Lord. He welcomes us into His house.

Entrance Psalm

God calls us to enter into His Sanctuary and worship Him. Hear and speak together His Psalter, carrying on a conversation with God.

Baptism

Baptism is a holy sacrament, ordained by Jesus for all His Disciples and their households. In Baptism we are officially united to Christ in His death in the hope that we will also be resurrected with Him for eternal life in the world to come. Baptism is an adoption ceremony whereby God initiates us into His family and household, the Church.

PSALM 48

Great is the LORD,
AND GREATLY TO BE PRAISED

In the city of our God,
IN HIS HOLY MOUNTAIN.

Beautiful in elevation,
THE JOY OF THE WHOLE EARTH,

Is Mount Zion on the sides of the north,
THE CITY OF THE GREAT KING.

God is in her palaces;
HE IS KNOWN AS HER REFUGE.

For behold, the kings assembled,
THEY PASSED BY TOGETHER.

They saw it, and so they marveled;
THEY WERE TROUBLED, THEY HASTENED AWAY.

Fear took hold of them there, and pain, as of a woman in travail,
AS WHEN YOU BREAK THE SHIPS OF TARSHISH WITH AN EAST WIND.

As we have heard, so we have seen in the city of the LORD of Hosts,
IN THE CITY OF OUR GOD: GOD WILL ESTABLISH IT FOREVER.

We have thought, O God, on Your lovingkindness,
IN THE MIDST OF YOUR TEMPLE.

According to Your name, O God,
SO IS YOUR PRAISE TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH;

Your right hand is full of righteousness.
LET MOUNT ZION REJOICE,

Let the daughters of Judah be glad,
BECAUSE OF YOUR JUDGMENTS.

Walk about Zion,
AND GO ALL AROUND HER.

Count her towers;
MARK WELL HER BULWARKS;

Consider her palaces;
THAT YOU MAY TELL IT TO THE GENERATIONS FOLLOWING.

For this is our God,
OUR GOD FOREVER AND EVER;

He will be our guide
EVEN UNTO DEATH.

Baptism of Gracie Valerie Houck

The Lord's Prayer

(arr. Nikolai Kedrov)

Let us pray together...

**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 and ever. Amen.**

THE LORD CLEANSSES US

Let us kneel and confess our sins together, first silently and then in unison.

(Please Kneel)

Let us pray together... **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Cleansing of Sin

(Please Stand)

Hear now God's assurance of forgiveness...

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

* *Sanctus*

with vigor

fff Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Lord, God of Hosts! Hea-ven and earth are
full of Your glo-ry! Ho - san-na in the High - est! Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the High - est.

The musical score is written on three staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a 4/4 time signature. It includes the instruction 'with vigor' and a dynamic marking 'fff'. The melody features eighth and quarter notes, with a triplet of eighth notes in the final measure. The second and third staves continue the melody and lyrics, also featuring triplets. The lyrics are printed below the staves.

*Raise hands

The Lord's Prayer

The house of God is a house of prayer. As Jesus' disciples, we pray the prayer He taught us. Our prayer to God the Father, through God the Son, and by God the Holy Spirit is powerful and effective, so pray in faith.

Confession of Sin

The silent prayer of confession is the time to examine yourself, confess your sins, and repent. It is the appropriate time to pray, 'Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me and know my thoughts; and see if there is any wicked way in me and lead me in the way everlasting' (Psalm 139:23-24).

The corporate confession of our sin calls upon God to show mercy to His people who repent. We beseech the Lord in humility.

Cleansing of Sin

Good news! Christ the Lord saves His people from their sins. Now ascend into the throne room of God assured of our forgiveness in Christ.

Sanctus

Sanctus means 'Holy'. Our Holy God makes us Holy so we can join Him. Now cleansed of sin, we meet with Him. We delight, and so we sing!

God speaks with us through His Word to teach, correct, rebuke, and train us in righteousness. Heed these lessons, for in keeping them there is great reward.

THE LORD CONSECRATES US

(Please be seated)

First & Second Lessons

Genesis 1:26-28; 2:10-17 & Revelation 21:1-2; 22:1-5

The Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

(Please rise for our Epistle Hymn, *Psalm 8, LORD, our Lord, in all the Earth*)

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major, 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are from Psalm 8, with three verses. The first system covers the first verse, the second system covers the second verse, the third system covers the third verse, and the fourth system covers the final line of the third verse. The piano accompaniment features a simple, steady rhythm with chords that support the vocal lines. The lyrics are as follows:

1. ¹LORD, our Lord, in all the earth How ex - cell - ent Your name!
2. ³When I view the skies a - bove Which Your own fin - gers made,
3. ⁵You made man just less than God With ra - diant glo - ry crowned.

5 You a - bove the heav'ns have set The splen - dor of Your fame.
When I see the moon and stars Which You in or - der laid,
6 You placed him a - bove Your works; Be - neath him all is found:

9 ²From the mouths of in - fants young You the pow'r of praise com - pose
⁴What is man so frail and weak That You should re - mem - ber him?
⁷Ox - en, sheep, and all wild beasts, ⁸Birds, and fish the o - ceans claim.

13 In the face of en - e - mies To stop a - veng - ing foes.
What can be the son of man That You should care for him?
⁹LORD, our Lord, in all the earth How ex - cel - lent Your name!

Music: James Nares (1715–1783)

Text: *The Book of Psalms for Worship*, 2009 © 2009, Crown & Covenant Publications

AMSTERDAM

7 6. 7 6. 7 7. 7 6.

(Please remain standing for the Gospel Reading)

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 28:18-20

The Gospel of the Kingdom!
Praise be to the Lord Jesus Christ!

** The Gloria Patri*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost!
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.
World without end. Amen, Amen!

Prayer for Illumination

(Please be seated)

Preaching of the Word

Pastor Wes Baker

“Christopolis, Joy of All the Earth”

Notes below:

Prayer of Consecration

The Gospel Lesson

Just as the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, so the Gospel Lesson is read from the floor among the congregation. Hearers respond by standing to honor the Word.

The Gloria Patri

Gloria Patri literally means “Glory to the Father”. We praise God for speaking to us His Word.

Preaching of the Word

God appoints ministers to teach His Word. Listen as the sermon illuminates truth among us and calls forth fruit so that you may obey God in your daily life.

THE LORD COLLECTS OUR GIFTS

Offertory

Psalm 42, As the Hart about to Falter

Offertory

Offering gifts in worship is an immediate indication of our full obedience with all our life. We encourage everyone to give generously. God accepts our offering and calls us to meet the needs of His people both here in this Church and throughout the world.

1. As the hart, a - bout to fal - ter, In its trem - bling ag - o - ny,
 2. Bit - ter tears of la - men - ta - tion Are my food by night and day.
 3. O my soul, why are you griev - ing, Why dis - qui - et - ed in me?
 4. From the land be - yond the Jor - dan, With my soul cast down in me,
 5. But the LORD will send sal - va - tion, And by day His love pro - vide.

Longs for flow - ing streams of wa - ter, So, O God, I long for Thee.
 In my deep hu - mil - i - a - tion "Where is now your God?" they say.
 Hope in God, your faith re - triev - ing: He will still your ref - uge be.
 From Mount Mi - zar and Mount Her - mon I will yet re - mem - ber Thee.
 He shall be my ex - ul - ta - tion, And my song at e - ven - tide.

2 Yes, a - thirst for Thee I cry; God of life, O when shall I
 4 Oh, my soul's poured out in me, When I bring to mem - o - ry
 I a - gain shall laud His grace For the com - fort of His face;
 7 As the wa - ters plunge and leap, Deep re - ech - oes un - to deep;
 On His praise ev'n in the night I will pon - der with de - light,

Come a - gain to stand be - fore Thee In Thy tem - ple and a - dore Thee?
 How the throngs I would as - sem - ble, Shout - ing prais - es in Thy tem - ple.
 He will show His help and fa - vor, For He is my God and Sav - ior.
 All Thy waves and bil - lows roar - ing O'er my trou - bled soul are pour - ing.
 And in pray'r, tran - scend - ing dis - tance, Seek the God of my ex - ist - ence.

Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551; harm. Johann Crüger, 1658

Text: Dewey Westra, 1931; rev. ©

AINSI QU'ON OIT LE CERF [GENEVAN 42]

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Intercessory Prayer

Royal priesthood call upon God now to act for our good and the good of the whole world.

Presentation of Tithes and Offering

Prayer for the Church and the World

(Please Stand)

Lord, hear our prayer!

For You are gracious!

Nicene Creed

Christians, in Whom do we trust?

**We believe in one God: the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things visible and invisible;**

**And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father;
by Whom all things were made;
Who for us men, and for our salvation,
came down from Heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the virgin, Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered, and was buried,
and the third day
He rose again according to the Scriptures;
and ascended into Heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of the Father;
and He shall come again with glory
to judge both the quick and the dead;
Whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And we believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life,
Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;
Who with the Father and the Son
together is worshipped and glorified;
Who spoke through the prophets.**

**And we believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.**

Amen.

(Please be seated)

Confession of Faith

Vow an allegiance to live by faith in obedience to the Triune God. As symbols of our faith, the Apostles', Athanasian, and Nicene Creeds confirm orthodox belief and separate true from false gospels.

Communion

The Lord's Supper is the supreme means of covenant renewal between God and his people. This supper is a family feast for the people of God. We enter the family in baptism; we remain in the family by faithfully participating in the life of a local church. Thanks be to God that we are one together in Christ!

If you are a baptized member of a Christian Church, please partake with us. If you do not meet this qualification, please refrain from coming to the table, and see the elders to discuss your future participation.

Bread

The bread we break is a sharing in the body of Christ. Since there is one bread, we who are many are one body; for we all partake of the one bread. We sit and share bread with one another even as we devote ourselves to serve one another.

THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US

Communion Exhortation

Bread

Psalm 2, Why do the Heathen Nations Vainly Rage?

POURQUOI FONT BRUIT (10 11. 10 11. 11 10. 11 10)

Douglas Wilson, 2000

Strasbourg, 1539

harm. Claude Goudimel, 1564; alt.

1. Why do the heath - en na - tions vain - ly rage?
2. He speaks to them in right - eous, ho - ly wrath;
3. "The na - tions come; You are the on - ly Heir,

What pride - ful schemes are they in vain de - vis - ing?
God vex - es them and shows His great dis - pleas - ure.
The ends of earth will be Your own pos - ses - sion

The kings of earth and rul - ers all en - gage
"Yet have I set My King up - on the path
And bro - ken with a rod of i - ron there,

In e - vil plots, and in their sin con - triv - ing,
That up - ward winds to Zi - on, My own treas - ure."
Re - bel - lious pot - ter - y comes to de - struc - tion."

(Continue on next page)

They take their stand a - gainst our God's Mes - si - ah;
 "You are My Son, to - day You are be - got - ten,"
 Now serve the LORD, with fear and glad - ness trem - bling,

They claim they will not keep His bind - ing chains.
 I will de - clare what God has said to Me -
 And there - fore, O ye kings, seek wis - dom here.

The one en-throned in high - est heav - en, high - er,
 'And not one tribe will ev - er be for - got - ten.
 How blessed are those who trust with - out dis - sem - bling,

Mocks them to scorn, on them de - ri - sion rains.
 You will re - ceive the world, just ask of Me."
 Who kiss the Son and bow in rev - erent fear.

The cup of blessing which we
 bless is a sharing in the blood
 of Christ. Drink to the glory
 of God and grow in His grace!

Cup

Lo, He Comes in Clouds Descending

1. Lo! He comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, Once for
 2. Ev - 'ry eye shall now be - hold Him, Robed in
 3. Ev - 'ry is - land, sea, and moun - tain, Heav'n and
 4. Now re - demp - tion, long ex - pect - ed, See in
 5. Yea, a - men! let all a - dore Thee, High on

fa - vored sin - ners slain; Thou - sand thou - sand
 dread - ful maj - es - ty; Those who set at
 earth, shall flee a - way; All who hate Him
 sol - emn pomp ap - pear! All His saints, by
 Thine e - ter - nal throne; Sav - ior, take the

saints at - tend - ing Swell the tri - umph of His
 naught and sold Him, Pierced, and nailed Him to the
 must, con - found - ed, Hear the trump pro - claim the
 man re - ject - ed, Now shall meet Him in the
 pow'r and glo - ry, Claim the king - dom for Thine

train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 tree, Deep - ly wail - ing, Deep - ly wail - ing,
 day; Come to judg - ment! Come to judg - ment!
 air: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 own: O come quick - ly; O come quick - ly;

Al - le - lu - ia! God ap - pears on earth to reign.
 Deep - ly wail - ing, Shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
 Come to judg - ment! Come to judg - ment, come a - way!
 Al - le - lu - ia! See the day of God ap - pear!
 O come quick - ly. Al - le - lu - ia! Come, Lord, come.

Versicle

O Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!
For everlasting is His lovingkindness!

* The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessing flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen!

THE LORD COMMISSIONS US

Benediction of Peace

Hymn of Response

Father, We Thank Thee Who Hast Planted

1. Fa - ther, we thank Thee who hast plant - ed Thy ho - ly name with - in our hearts.
2. Watch o'er Thy church, O Lord, in mer - cy, Save it from e - vil, guard it still,

Knowl - edge and faith and life im - mor - tal Je - sus, Thy Son, to us im - parts.
Per - fect it in Thy love, u - nite it, Cleansed and con - formed un - to Thy will.

Thou, Lord, didst make all for Thy plea - sure, Didst give man food for all his days,
As grain, once scat - tered on the hill - sides, Was in this bro - ken bread made one,

Giv - ing in Christ the bread e - ter - nal; Thine is the pow'r; be Thine the praise.
So from all lands Thy church be gath - ered In - to Thy king - dom by Thy Son.

Music: *Genevan Psalter*, 1551; harm. Claude Goudimel, 1564; alt.

RENDEZ À DIEU [GENEVAN 118]

Text: Greek, from the *Didache*, c. 110; tr. F. Bland Tucker, 1941 © 1941, Church Publishing

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Versicle

A versicle is a response setting of a Scripture verse. Let us give thanks, for God dwells among us, His chosen people!

The Doxology

Join together and praise our Triune God!

Benediction of Peace

Worship continues through the remainder of the week as we live our lives in the presence of God. In all our callings and vocations, whatever we do, we do to the glory of God!

Hymn of Response

We leave today equipped for our victory. Sing now, surrounded by your family, as God's musicians marching forth to battle sin and to bring God glory.

God bless you. Go in peace, and may the God of peace be with you!

A musical score for a hymn in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The score consists of two staves: a treble staff and a bass staff. The treble staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. It contains a melody of eighth and quarter notes, with a final measure featuring a half note G and a whole note G. The bass staff begins with a bass clef, the same key signature and time signature. It contains a bass line of eighth and quarter notes, with a final measure featuring a half note G and a whole note G. The lyrics 'A - men, a - men, a - men.' are written below the treble staff, aligned with the notes. The final measure of the treble staff has a slur over the half note G and the whole note G, and the final measure of the bass staff also has a slur over the half note G and the whole note G.

A - men, a - men, a - men.