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## WELCOME

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Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. If you are new to Trinity Presbyterian Church, you are our very special guest! Our desire is to help you get connected in a warm and genuine way. Would you consider sharing your name and address with us in the Friendship Pad located on the left end of the row you are sitting on now? We welcome you this morning in the strong name of our Lord Jesus Christ and would love to see you again next week!

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## WHO WE ARE

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Our mission statement is this: *Trinity Presbyterian Church is a worshipping community that exists to proclaim the Gospel of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in word and deed to our suburban communities and the world.* We are guided by three core values: the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ to change lives, a commitment to the gospel-created community called the church, and a mission to see God's Kingdom extended to our world.

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## PLEASE VISIT THE "INFORMATION CENTER"

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For information or answers to questions that you might have about TPC, please visit our Information Center which you will find in the Narthex. There you will find information about Trinity, the PCA and our church activities. Someone will be available to assist you before and after the worship service.

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## ADULT BIBLE FELLOWSHIP HOUR 9:00 A.M.

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The Epistle to the Ephesians	Room 130	Jeff Morrow
College/Career : John's Gospel	Room 230	Eubanks and Kirkpatrick

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## WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

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DATE	EVENT	TIME/PLACE	ROOM
Sunday	Sunday School	9:00 a.m.	Various
	Worship	10:30 a.m.	Sanctuary
Monday	Church Office Closed		
Wednesday	Joyful Noises Choir	5:30—6:30 p.m.	Choir Room
	Explorer/Primetime	6:30—8:00 p.m.	Various Rooms
	FPU	6:30—8:30 p.m.	Room 130
	Missional Christianity	6:30—8:00 p.m.	Room 230
	Adult Choir Practice	7:30—9:00 p.m.	Choir Room
Saturday	Life Walk	8:45 a.m.	Bob Woodruff Park

# Order for the Worship of God

## Trinity Presbyterian Church

September 4, 2011 10:30 AM

### Thoughts for Worship Preparation

*There are various species of church splits. There is a long history of bitterness, division, mistrust and antagonism. Pastors come and go, often leaving under a cloud. In some cases this unholy record can be traced back to the very early days of a church. Cyclical trauma becomes the hallmark for decades on end. It is a spiritual cancer which flares (with disastrous results) then goes into remission (allowing the church to regroup, yet again). Usually long on doctrine but short on relationships, it is no wonder that such churches live most of their lives on the plateau. The sad fact is that these bad advertisements for the Kingdom rarely seem to be able to break out into renewal and revival.*

Rowland Crouder

*What! At peace with the Father, and at war with his children? It cannot be!  
Take away union and there can be no communion.*

John Flavel

*Let's be more amazed that we are forgiven than that we are right. And in that way, let's shape our relationships by the gospel. Conflict is common. Peace is precious. Therefore peacemakers are prized. Jesus gave them the highest name possible: "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God." Matt. 5:9*

John

Piper

*Thank you for  
disabling your cell  
phones as you  
prepare for worship.*



It is a good thing, it is a pleasant sight when God's be-  
loved peo-ple make it their great de- light to live in blest ac- cord.  
It's like an- noint-ing oil, this love and har-mon-y, poured out u-  
pon the peo-ple, pre-par-ing them to be the ser- vants of the Lord.

The Prelude Psalm

Psalm 133

setting by Ken

*Medema*

**Pastoral Welcome**

The Rev. Michael Wichlan

**\*Call to Worship**                      **selected from Ephesians 1 & 4**

Minister: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.

People: **And he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure...to unite all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even Christ.**

**\*Hymn of Adoration, No. 343 "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"**

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

Mr. Graham Eubanks, *Ministry Intern*

**\*Affirmation of Faith**                      **"Westminster Confession of Faith", XXVI**

The Holy Spirit unites all saints to Jesus Christ, our head. Through faith we share with him in his unmerited love, sufferings, death, resurrection and triumphant glory.

**Being united, we share together in each other's spiritual gifts and physical possessions kindly provided by God. We are obligated to care for people's needs and welfare, both public and private. Our concern includes the whole person, both spiritual and physical.**

**Set apart in Christ, we are committed to maintain a godly fellowship and unity in our worship of God. Our commitment extends to our performance of other spiritual ministries with the intention of bringing each other to maturity.**

**\*Hymns of Praise, No. 347 "The Church's One Foundation"**

AURELIA

Stanzas 1, 3, 5 & 6

**"One Church, One Faith, One Lord"**

*Keith Getty*

1. Your hand, O God, has guided Your church from age to age, the  
 2. Your mercy never fails us, or leaves Your work undone; With  
 tale of love is written for us on every page. Our fathers knew Your goodness, and  
 your right hand to help us, the victory shall be won. And then with heaven's angels Your  
 we, Your works record, and each of these bear witness, One Church, one faith, one Lord.  
 name shall be adored, and they shall praise You, singing One Church, one faith, one Lord. One  
 Church, one faith, one Lord of life; One Father, one Spirit, one Christ. One  
 Church, one faith, one Lord of life; One heavenly King, Lord of all.

Prayers for Christ's Church and the World

Mr. Peter Shotwell

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

The Musical Offering "He That Dwelleth in the Secret Place" Psalm 91

*setting by Kurt Kaiser*

Trinity Choir; Douglass McFarland, Organ

*He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High, shall abide in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say to the Lord, he is my refuge and my fortress. My God, in whom I trust. He will cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust. His truth shall be thy shield and buckler.*

Prayer of Consecration

Mr. Wichlan

\*The Doxology

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise him, all creatures here below;  
 O praise him, Alleluia!

As we "Pass the Peace," children between the ages of 4—1st grade may now be dismissed for "Celebration Chapel" in room 130. At this time, please locate the black friendship pad at the left end of your row, fill it out and pass it back to the beginning of the row.

**Awarding of Bibles to Second Graders** Karen Gabriel, *Children's Director*  
Bill Cobb, *Ruling Elder*  
Blake Allen, David Bishop, Emmaleigh Clark, Callie Freeman, Gabe Hess, Lily Humphrey, William Kilbane, Andrew Parks, Matthew Parks, Will Parks, Carlye Parmar, Will Probst, Katie Stone and Bekah Stuart

**\*Passing of the Peace**  
Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.  
**People: And also with you.**

**Service of Friendship** (see sidebar)

**\*The Prayer for Illumination** Mr. Wichlan

**\*Scripture Reading** **Psalm 133**  
*Page 519 of the Black Pew Bible*

**The Morning Sermon** **"Unity and Community"**

**\*Song of Response** Psalm 133 (*reprise, see pg. 3*)

## **Celebration of Holy Communion**

*This is an opportunity for all of us to seek the Lord. Communion is an occasion for all baptized Christians to meet with their Savior by faith, to be strengthened and renewed by him, and celebrate him. All who trust alone in Christ as Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the Gospel, are at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully, are welcome to partake. If you are not a Christian, or if you choose not to share in this meal, we invite you to spend this time in prayer.*

*A Word to Parents: To receive communion, a child must have been baptized and been formally received as a communing member by the Session of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. If your children will not be receiving communion, please use this afternoon to instruct them about the meaning of our sin and Christ's grace at the Cross.*

**Public Confession of Sin**

Mr. Shotwell

**Forgive us the sins of disunity, O Lord: pride and jealousy and narrow-mindedness. Forgive us the sins of false unity: lack of imagination, apathy, and indifference. Make us one in genuine love and mutual trust. Make us many in gifts and talents and vision. Amen.**

**Silent Confession**

**Declaration of Forgiveness**

Elder: *Hear these words of assurance from God to those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ:*

*“You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light....Once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.”*

I Peter 2:9-10

*My friends, all who have been redeemed have received God’s mercy in Christ. In Christ we are forgiven, restored, and made to be a community united in faith. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ. We are forgiven!*

**People: Thanks be to God! Amen!**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right for us to give thanks and praise.**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Words of Institution**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus.  
**Dying, you destroyed our death;**  
**Rising, you restored our life.**  
**Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

**The Bread and the Cup**

*Please hold the bread and cup so that we all can partake together. Spend this time of quiet in personal prayer and meditation on the morning's message.*

**Hymn of Departure, No. 355 "We are God's People"**

Stanzas 1 & 4

**\*The Charge and Benediction**

Mr. Wichlan

Minister: May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus, so that with one heart and mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Romans 15:5-6*

**People: With God's help we will.**

Minister: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. *Romans 15:13*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**\*Organ Postlude "March in D"**

*G. F. Handel  
Douglass McFarland, organist*

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