

## STAFF

**Pastors:** Chad Anderson (Senior), David Salyer (Associate)

**Elders:** Michael Freitag, David Holl, Tory Hooton, Jordan Hughett, David Lano

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**Youth Group:** Eric Wood

**Custodian:** Charis Wood, Charlotte Hajda

## WORSHIP SPOTLIGHT

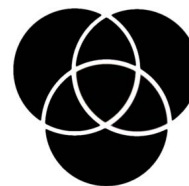
### Why do we have a Profession of Faith?

After God has spoken to us through the reading of His Word, we respond by professing our trust in Him and all He has said. We do this by reciting one of the historic creeds of the Christian church or a suitable passage of scripture. The creeds make it clear that we worship a God who exists as a unity of three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. As at the invocation earlier in the service, here we are reminded of our baptism in this Triune name.

The creeds are short summaries of the Biblical story focusing especially on the incarnation, death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus. It is vital that we rehearse His story each time we come together, because it is through Jesus that the Father has given us new life, and it is the image of Jesus to which the Spirit is conforming us day by day. The creeds serve to center our personal stories on the Story that matters most.

We must take care how we profess our faith. The creeds begin with the words: "I believe." In common usage that phrase can be equivalent to "I think..." or "I am of the opinion..." But when we recite the creeds in worship, we are not merely stating facts and giving intellectual assent to them—we are praying to God! It is a way of actually putting our personal faith and trust in Him, of swearing allegiance to our King and submitting our lives to his rule.

Therefore we should not mumble and stumble our way through the profession of faith. We can profess our faith in Christ boldly and confidently from the heart! We do so entrusting our lives to the God who saves! "If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved" (Rom 10:9–10).



# TRINITY

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**September 10th, 2023**

*The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

Prelude

Announcements

### GOD SUMMONS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 66:1-5

†Congregational Singing

"Ancient of Days"

†Responsive Scriptures

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Our help is in the name of the Lord

**Who made heaven and earth.**

†Collect

O Lord, keep Your Church with Your perpetual mercy; and because of our frailty we cannot but fall, keep us ever by Your help from all things hurtful and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

†Congregational Singing

"The Power of the Cross"

### GOD SANCTIFIES US TO HIMSELF

Call to Confession

Psalm 66:16-20

*Silent Confession*

Corporate Confession

**Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we**

ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Jesus Christ, our Lord. And grant, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

†Assurance of Forgiveness

†Congregational Singing

“Rejoice the Lord is King”

## GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 28:10-22

Epistle Reading

Ephesians 4:7-13

†Gospel Reading

John 1:43-51

†Profession of Faith

The Colossian Hymn

Sermon

Pastor Chad Anderson

“Jacob’s Dream At God’s House”

Sermon Series: Genesis

Offertory

†Doxology

#625 (*a cappella*)

†Prayer of Dedication

## GOD STRENGTHENS US AT HIS TABLE

*All who are baptized and trust in Jesus Christ are invited to share the Lord’s Supper. Baptized children are welcomed to the Supper once they have been admitted by the Elders.*

*If you do not trust in Jesus, please allow the bread and cup to pass you by. If you desire to follow Jesus and share in His Feast, please speak with one of our pastors after the service.*

*The outer ring contains wine. All other cups contain grape juice. Take your portion, pass the rest to your neighbor, and then eat and drink as soon as you desire.*

*During the passing of the cup, we encourage you to offer words of blessing to your neighbors such as: “May the Peace of Christ be with you” (Jn. 14:27), and the response: “And also with you.”*

Declaration of God’s Invitation and Promises

Prayers and Distribution

†Congregational Singing

“What Feast of Love”

## GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

†Commission and Benediction

†Congregational Response

#628 IV “Threefold Amen”

Postlude

**Worship Leader:** Elder Tory Hooton

**Nursery Volunteers:** Rachel Goodbrake

## CHURCH LIFE

Sunday, September 10th - *The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

9:00 a.m. . . . Sunday School

10:30 a.m. . . . Worship Service

3:00 p.m. . . . Youth Group

Monday, September 11th

5:30 p.m. . . . Session Meeting

Wednesday, September 13th

7:00 p.m. . . . Church Council Meeting (Elders, Deacons, WIC)

❖ **Small Groups** will start meeting every Wednesday evening beginning September 20th and running through November 22nd. We will rotate each week into different gatherings [Adults, then all ages w/ a meal, to women’s, and finally men’s] to study Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s *Life Together*. Contact Pastor Chad if you have questions and be watching for more info soon.

❖ We will hold a **church workday** Saturday, September 23rd from 9:00 a.m. to noon. The day will consist of deep cleaning in the church building along with various exterior projects and maintenance. All ages are welcome to join the fun! Cleaning supplies will be provided but if people would bring hand equipment (shovels, rakes, trimmers, chainsaws, etc.) that would be very helpful. Pickups and trailers are always welcome.

❖ **Sunday School** classes for adults and children have resumed. Adults will be studying the history and theology of worship. Children’s classes will study the same texts as the morning’s sermon. Classes are held at 9:00 a.m. each Sunday.

❖ **Youth Group** will resume Sunday, September 10th. We will hold a brief parents’ meeting afterward, around 4:30 for all who can make it.

❖ **Financial Report:** Budgeted need each week: \$3,952.93. Budgeted need year-to-date: \$138,352.55. Received 8/27: \$3,088.69. Received year-to-date: \$132,819.41.

❖ **September Birthdays:** (9) Katherine (Kate) Hajda 2016, (14) Myra Williams 2018, (17) Beatrice Rodgers 2013, (18) Nathan LeFeber, (20) Annie Hooton, (21) Zane Johnson 2010, Sam Lanka, (26) Lori Wimmer, (29) Charis Wood 2006

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## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

❖ That God would bless our church with many children and give us grace to nurture them in the faith.

❖ **Presbytery:** Grace Covenant Church in Grand Island (Pastor Todd Bowen)

❖ **Missions:** Chuck and Nancy Larsen - Water4Haiti

❖ For our new and expecting mothers and their children: Megan Holl, Bethany Remm (Julia Rose born 4/6).