

## STAFF

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

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

**Deacons:** Josh Goodbrake (Offering and Service), Josiah Holl (Mercy), Micah Holl, Sam Lanka (Facilities), Doug Sykes (Chair)

**WIC:** Annie Hooton (President, Servant Support), Kacia Hughett (Vice President, Nursery), Sarah Salyer (Secretary, Christian Growth), Jen Zimmerman (Missions/Outreach), Lori Wimmer (Kitchen), Kristin Holl (Women's Events), Karen Salyer (Church Fellowship)

**Youth Group:** Eric Wood

**Custodian:** Charis Wood, Charlotte Hajda

## WORSHIP SPOTLIGHT

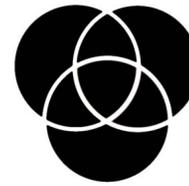
### What is the Assurance of Forgiveness?

After we humble ourselves during the time of confession, the Lord then lifts our heads and forgives us. The pastor calls us to rise. He proclaims the gospel ("good news") clearly and directly: that Jesus Christ has died for us and been resurrected for us, to pay the penalty for our sin and to secure for us eternal life.

The pastor then declares that all who trust in Jesus have indeed been forgiven of their sins. He often invokes God's Triune name ("Your sins are forgiven, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."), which reminds us of our baptism, the sign and seal of the cleansing we have in Jesus (Acts 2:38, 22:16). Each week, during the assurance of forgiveness, we return to that baptismal promise: we are clothed with Christ and forgiven in Him (Gal. 3:27).

The pastor does not have special power in himself to remit sins, but he has been ordained to speak God's Word to God's people and to proclaim the Gospel (Matt. 18:18; John 20:23). Only God can forgive our sins against Him. But God chooses to speak that forgiveness through ordained ministers who serve as his representatives. The minister's word is God's Word to us, in so far as he is simply proclaiming what the Scriptures teach.

Of course Christians can confess their sins to God and receive his forgiveness at any time throughout the week. Jesus, our Great High Priest, continually intercedes for us at the Father's right hand (Rom. 8:34). But it comforts our souls to actually hear those words of forgiveness proclaimed boldly and authoritatively by the man called to speak God's Word to us.



# TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 5th, 2023

*The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost*

Prelude

Announcements

## GOD SUMMONS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 113:1-3

†Congregational Singing

#8 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

†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 God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your Church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; 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

"How Deep the Father's Love For Us"

## GOD SANCTIFIES US TO HIMSELF

Call to Confession

Hebrews 10:19-22

*Silent Confession*

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Psalm 51

Have mercy on me, O God

**according to your steadfast love;**

according to your abundant mercy

**blot out my transgressions.**

For I know my transgressions,

**and my sin is ever before me.**

Against you, you only, have I sinned  
**and done what is evil in your sight,**  
Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
**wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**  
Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
**and renew a right spirit within me.**  
Cast me not away from your presence,  
**and take not your Holy Spirit from me.**  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
**and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

†Assurance of Forgiveness

†Congregational Singing

“Beautiful Savior”

### GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 7:1-7

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 3:12-19

†Gospel Reading

John 5:37-47

†Profession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism Q1

Sermon

Pastor Chad Anderson

“The Plagues”

Sermon Series: Exodus

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, 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

“O Church Arise”

### GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

†Commission and Benediction

†Congregational Response

#628 IV “Threefold Amen”

Postlude

**Worship Leader:** Elder Michael Freitag  
**Nursery Volunteers:** Carol Holl, Rene Sykes

### CHURCH LIFE

Sunday, November 5th - *The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost*

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

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

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

Monday, November 6th

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

Wednesday, November 8th

7:00 p.m. . . . Small Groups - Men

❖ **Small Groups** will meet every Wednesday evening through November 22nd. We will rotate each week into different gatherings [Adults, All Ages, Women, Men] to study Dietrich Bonhoeffer's *Life Together*. Contact Pastor Chad if you have questions. This week's meeting (11/8) will be Men meeting at TBA to discuss chapter 3 of *Life Together*.

❖ Ladies, please join us for a **baby shower honoring Megan Holl** on Sunday, November 12 starting at 3:30pm here at the church. This will be a time of fellowship, snacks, games and an opportunity for us to encourage Megan as she anticipates the arrival of Baby Holl. In lieu of gifts, please consider bringing a children's book with a personal note written inside so that mama and baby can remember you when they read it together!

❖ When **youth group** reconvenes on Nov 5, they will begin a study of Ephesians. To gain some consistency and momentum through the book, youth group will meet weekly for three weeks, break Thanksgiving weekend, then meet three more weeks before breaking for the New Year.

❖ **Financial Report:** Budgeted need each week: \$3,952.93. Budgeted need year-to-date: \$169,975.99. Received 10/22: \$1,547.33. Received year-to-date: \$166,925.98.

❖ **November Birthdays:** (5) John Rodgers 2020, (6) Abigail Goodbrake 2012, Joey Hajda, (15) Xan Barber, Evelyn LeFeber 2006, Sylvia LeFeber 2006, (22) James Hooton 2015, (24) Evelyn Salyer 2011, (26) Tory Hooton, Lisa Hajda, (29) Knox Johnson 2011

*If you would like to receive TPC announcements and prayer requests via e-mail, please email your contact info to: [tpc@tpckearney.org](mailto:tpc@tpckearney.org)*

### 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.