

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

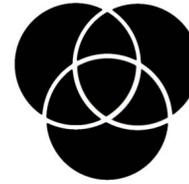
What is the Ascension?

In the order of Israel's worship the first sacrifice was the *purification offering* (which corresponds to our time of confession). The next sacrifice was the *whole burnt offering*, though a more literal translation would be *the ascension*. The unique thing about the ascension offering was that it was the only offering completely consumed by the fire. The sacrifice was transformed into smoke which then *ascended* to God. Since the animal takes the place of the worshipper, this portrayed the worshipper ascending to God and entering His holy presence.

We follow the same sequence in Christian worship, though now the ascension offering has been fulfilled in Christ. Having paid the penalty for our sins on the cross, Jesus rose from the grave and *ascended* into heaven. United to Him by faith, we ascend with Jesus! God has "raised *us* up with him and seated *us* with him in the heavenly places *in Christ Jesus*" (Eph. 2:6).

In the book of Revelation the Apostle John was granted a vision in which he ascended to Heaven and joined the worship service going on there. We don't see the Heavenly service with our *eyes* each Sunday. But we trust that, in Christ and through the power of his Spirit, we *do* get to join the angels and all the faithful in Heaven as we worship the Lamb. That's why, at this point in the service, we often sing songs that speak of Heaven and borrow the "holy, holy, holy" refrain of the angelic songs from the books of Isaiah (6:1-3) and Revelation (4:8-11).

What a privilege to join the Heavenly worship service and enter into the Father's presence! What a comfort to know that we sing with all Christians around the world and with those who have already died and are now with Jesus! The ascension is a time of great rejoicing and reverent awe. Now that we have entered the Father's presence, he will speak to us from his Word.



TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 12th, 2023

The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Announcements

GOD SUMMONS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 47:1-3, 6

†Congregational Singing

"Only a Holy God"

†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, absolve Your people from their offenses that from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; 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

"See the Destined Day Arise"

GOD SANCTIFIES US TO HIMSELF

Call to Confession

Psalm 32:1-5

Silent Confession

Corporate Confession

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 neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may

delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your

Name. Amen.

†Assurance of Forgiveness

†Congregational Singing

“The Lamb”

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 11:1, 4-6; 12:21-27

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 5:6-8

†Gospel Reading

Luke 22:7-20

†Profession of Faith

The Apostle’s Creed

Sermon

Pastor David Salyer

“Passover”

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

“Behold the Lamb”

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

†Commission and Benediction

†Congregational Response

#628 IV “Threefold Amen”

Postlude

Worship Leader: Pastor Chad Anderson

Nursery Volunteers: Rachel Goodbrake

CHURCH LIFE

Sunday, November 12th - *The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost*

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

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

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

3:30 p.m. . . . Holl Baby Shower

Wednesday, November 15th

7:00 p.m. . . . Small Groups - Adults @ Church

❖ **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 (11/15) will be Adults meeting at 7:00 p.m. at church to discuss chapter 4 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: \$173,928.92. Received 10/29: \$4,813.93. Received year-to-date: \$171,739.91.

❖ **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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

❖ That God would raise up Elders, Deacons, and WIC Committee members for Trinity and that we, as a church, would patiently equip them for service and support them in their work.

❖ Presbytery: That God would raise up PCA church plants in our region

❖ Missions: PCA Mission to the World (MTW) Missionaries and Families.

❖ For our new and expecting mothers and their children: Megan Holl.