

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

Custodians: Charis Wood, Charlotte Hajda

WORSHIP SPOTLIGHT

What is the Assurance of Forgiveness?

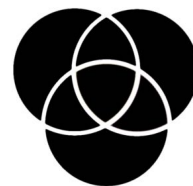
After we humble ourselves during the time of confession, the Lord then lifts our heads and forgives us. The pastor calls us to rise. He proclaims the gospel ("good news") clearly and directly: that Jesus Christ has died for us and been resurrected for us, to pay the penalty for our sin and to secure 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. It reminds us that the forgiveness of sins is not just something in our heads, but a true Word from Christ himself—true despite the various doubts and fears within us, true because it is based on the finished work of Christ on the cross.

Having received this gloriously good news, we respond with a bold: "Amen!" God has dealt with our sin and brought us rest and peace. He has prepared us to draw nearer to Him in the next major portion of our service, the Ascension.



TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 5th, 2024

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Announcements

GOD SUMMONS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 96:1-4

†Congregational Singing

"Come Praise and Glorify"

†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.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

†Collect

O God, the Giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; 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

"Before the Throne of God Above"

GOD SANCTIFIES US TO HIMSELF

Call to Confession

Isaiah 1:18

Silent Confession

Corporate Confession

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have followed the way of the world. We have failed to give Him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your

**faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. Amen.**

†Assurance of Forgiveness

†Congregational Singing “Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me”

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

Old Testament Reading Leviticus 20:22-26

Epistle Reading Acts 11:1-18

†Gospel Reading Mark 7:14-23

†Profession of Faith The Philippian Hymn

Sermon Pastor David Salyer

“What God Has Made Clean”

Sermon Series: The Acts of the Apostles

Offertory

†Doxology #625 (*a cappella*)

†Prayer of the Church

...let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

...through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns
with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

†The Lord’s Prayer

Taught by Our Lord and trusting in His promises, we are bold to pray:

Our Father who art in Heaven...

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 “The Church’s One Foundation”

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

†Commission and Benediction

†Congregational Response #628 IV “Threefold Amen”

Postlude

Worship Leader: Pastor Chad Anderson
Nursery Volunteers: Julie LeFeber, Sylvia LeFeber

CHURCH LIFE

Sunday, May 5th - *The Sixth Sunday of Easter*

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

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

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

Monday, May 6th

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

❖ This Sunday, May 5th, will be the last class of **Sunday School** for the summer.
Sunday School will resume Sunday, August 18th.

❖ The family of **Lynn and Karen Salyer** invite you to celebrate their **50th Anniversary**, Saturday, May 18th at an open house reception from 2-4 p.m. at the church. Join us to celebrate this wonderful couple and the wonderful things God has done through their union!

❖ Ladies, save the date for the **TPC Women’s Conference** Saturday, June 8th, featuring Christian author and speaker, Christine Chappell. This one-day event is for any woman who carries the weight of unaddressed sorrows, yearns for a deeper connection with God, has experienced loss or betrayal, and/or struggles to find joy in the everyday challenges of life. It is our hope and prayer that this conference will be a great opportunity for women in the church and the wider community to be encouraged and to commune with others who are lamenting in His body. If you are interested, you can learn more and register at: www.tpckearney.org/womens-conference.

❖ **Financial Report:** Budgeted need each week: \$4,203.50. Budgeted need year-to-date: \$63,052.50. Received 4/14: \$6,320.84. Received year-to-date: \$54,997.39.

❖ **May Birthdays:** (1) Mark Johnson, (6) Barnabas Anderson 2005, (7) Alice Bates, Jacob Hajda, Jemima Williams 2011, Lynn Salyer (8) Jim Frerichs, (11) Jerry McKean, (13) Eliza Hajda 2022, (14) Kacia Hughett, (18) Jocelyn Salyer 2014, (19) Anne Lano, (21) Alyvia Goodbrake 2014, (23) Pat Butterfield, (25) Kay Johnson, (28) Jordan Hughett, (29) Marlene McKean

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 bring people in need of a church family to Trinity, and that we would minister to them in love.

❖ Presbytery: Grace Chapel in Lincoln - Pastors Ben Loos and Isaac Terwilliger;
Redeemer Church in Lincoln - Pastors Matt Odum and Adam Odell.

❖ Missions: Collage Center

❖ For our new and expecting mothers and their children: Megan Holl (Charles Josiah born 1/10).