

## WORSHIP SPOTLIGHT

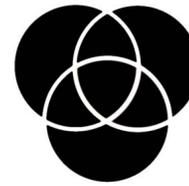
### Why do we say: “The Lord be with you!” and recite scripture together?

“The Lord be with you!” is a Biblical form of blessing (Ruth 2:4; compare Judg. 6:12; Luke 1:28; John 20:19; 2 Thess. 3:16; 2 Tim. 4:22). Here the pastor prays the Lord Jesus Christ would be present with the congregation, leading them and ministering to them throughout the service. The people reciprocate, asking the Lord to be present with their Pastor as he ministers to them. They are acknowledging the Pastor is an ordained servant called by God to speak God’s word and administer Christ’s gifts to them.

This dialogue is a wonderful recognition that both pastor and congregation can do nothing apart from Christ. It also recognizes the bond of love between pastor and people: they begin the service by praying for each other. It exemplifies the kind of “one another-ing” that is central to the Christian life.

It is traditional to have some sort of responsive scriptural prayer at this point in the service as well. “Our help is in the name of the Lord / Who made heaven and earth” (Psalm 124:8) is the verse commonly used. At other times words are chosen that reflect the theme of the day or the season in the church year.

All responses in the service should be spoken loudly (Rev. 5:12, 6:10, 7:10, 19:1, etc.), with confidence in the Christ who has brought us near to God (Heb. 4:16).



# TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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**May 4th, 2025**

*The Third Sunday of Easter*

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Prelude

Announcements

### **GOD SUMMONS US TO WORSHIP**

Call to Worship

Psalm 98:1-4

†Congregational Singing

“The Day of Resurrection”

†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, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

†Congregational Singing

“O Church Arise”

### **GOD SANCTIFIES US TO HIMSELF**

Call to Confession

Hebrews 4:14-16

*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

“Behold Our God”

### **GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD**

Old Testament Reading

Amos 9:9-15

Epistle Reading

Acts 15:1-7, 12-21

†Gospel Reading

Matthew 11:25-30

†Profession of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed

Sermon

Pastor Chad Anderson

“Encouragement from Jerusalem”

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

“Jesus, Thank You”

### **GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD**

†Commission and Benediction

†Congregational Response

# 628 IV “Threefold Amen”

Postlude

**Worship Leader:** Pastor Chad Anderson  
**Nursery Volunteers:** Kacia Hughett, Rachel Hajda

### **CHURCH LIFE**

Sunday, May 4th - *The Third Sunday of Easter*

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

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

Monday, May 5th

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

- ◆ **Sunday, May 11th** will be the **last Sunday School** class of the semester. Classes will resume September 7th. Shout out to our amazing teachers and substitute teachers: Thank you for your faithful ministry to the children of our church!
- ◆ Trinity family, you're invited to attend a high school **graduation** gathering, celebrating **Evelyn** and **Sylvia** LeFeber, on Saturday, May 17 from 5:00-8:00 p.m. at the Harmon Park Sonatorium. If you get there promptly, there will be food from Mom & Dad's BBQ as well a variety of small desserts. We plan to have some yard games to play as well. All ages are welcome!
- ◆ **Financial Report:** Budgeted need each week: \$4,392.91. Budgeted need year-to-date: \$74,679.47. Received 4/27: \$2,390.32. Received year-to-date: \$57,262.84.
- ◆ **May Birthdays:** (1) Mark Johnson, (6) Barnabas Anderson 2005, (7) Alice Bates, Jacob Hajda, 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, (30) Eleanor Scott, (31) Mike Johnson

### **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

- ◆ That God would keep us from division and grant us unity in the Spirit for the sake of the Gospel.
- ◆ Presbytery: Grace Church Fremont (Pastor Clint Eberspacher).
- ◆ Missions: John and Terri - MTW Middle East
- ◆ For our expecting mothers and their children: Megan Holl, Bethany Remm.

### **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 (Facilities), Doug Sykes (Chair)

**WIC:** Kacia Hughett (President), Servant Support (Julie LeFeber), Vacant (Nursery), Sarah Salyer (Secretary, Christian Growth), Jen Zimmerman (Missions/Outreach), Megan Holl (Kitchen), Kristin Holl (Women’s Events), Karen Salyer (Church Fellowship)

**Youth Group:** Eric Wood

**Custodian:** Charlotte Hajda