STAFF

Pastors: David Salyer (Pastor)

Elders: Michael Freitag, David Holl, Tory Hooton, Jordan Hughett, David Lano **Deacons:** Josh Goodbrake (Offerings and Service), Josiah Holl (Offerings and

Mercy), Micah Holl (Facilities), Doug Sykes (Chair)

WIC: Kacia Hughett (President), Julie LeFeber (Christian Growth), Sarah Salyer

(Nursery), Pending (Kitchen), Kristin Holl (Women's Events),

WIC VACANCIES: (Church Fellowship), (Servant Support), (Secretary),

(Missions/Outreach). Please contact Kacia Hughett if you would be willing to serve as

the leader of one of these areas.

Youth Group: Eric Wood

Custodian: 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.



August 24th, 2025

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Announcements

GOD SUMMONS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 47:1-3, 6

†Congregational Singing

"Come Christians Join To Sing"

†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, You declare Your almighty power above all in showing mercy and pity. Mercifully grant us such a measure of Your grace that we may obtain Your gracious promises and be made partakers of Your heavenly treasures; 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

"Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder"

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 "Lion Of Judah"

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

Old Testament Reading
Epistle Reading
Footput

"His Servants Will Worship Him" Sermon Series: Biblical Worship

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 "Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery"

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

†Commission and Benediction

†Congregational Response #628 IV "Threefold Amen"

Postlude

Worship Leader: Pastor David Salyer Nursery Volunteers: Kay Johnson

CHURCH LIFE

Sunday, August 24th - *The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost* 10:30 a.m. . . . Worship Service 3:00 p.m. . . . Youth Group at Trinity Monday, August 25th 6:00 p.m. . . . WIC Council Meeting

- ◆ Josiah and Megan are pleased to announce **Moses James Holl** arrived Tuesday, August 5. Give God glory for the gift of Moses!
- ◆ Jason and Bethany are pleased to announce **Brooklynn Grace Remm** arrived Monday, July 28 morning at 11:37am. She was 7lb 13oz 21 1/4". Everyone is doing well! Give God glory for the gift of Brooklynn!
- ◆ Pastor Chad and family will be stepping away from Trinity as he transitions to his new position as Director of Mission Integration for CommonSpirit Health (CHI). Continue to pray for them during this time.
- **♦ Sunday School** Classes for Children and Adults are set to resume Sunday, September 7th at 9:00 a.m., including a second class for adults.
- ◆Share the Arrows Women's Conference- Oct. 11, 2025 Dallas, TX Join a group of TPC women, hear from the boldest, most steadfast Christian voices of our day, and leave feeling fully equipped to tackle the lies and obstacles the world throws at us. Interested? Speak to Kristin Holl.
- ◆ Financial Report: Budgeted need each week: \$4,392.91. Budgeted need year-to-date: \$149,358.94. Received 8/3: \$5,216.54. Received year-to-date: \$125,022.32.
- ◆ August Birthdays: (25) Amy Freitag, (26) Gary Elliott, (27) Josiah Wood 2008
- ◆ September Birthdays: (9) Katherine (Kate) Hajda 2016, (18) Nathan LeFeber, (20) Annie Hooton, (21) Zane Johnson 2010, (26) Lori Wimmer, (29) Jason Remm, Charis Wood 2006

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