

STAFF

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WORSHIP SPOTLIGHT

Why do we have an Offering? And what is a "tithe"?

From the very beginning, God's people brought offerings to Him (Gen. 4:3-4; 14:21; 28:22). In doing so, they were confessing that all they had ultimately came from God and actually belonged to Him. Offering a portion was a way of showing gratitude. It was also a way of paying tribute, of giving honor to God as the Sovereign Lord of All.

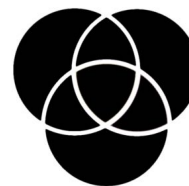
As we see in the stories of Abraham and Jacob, it was common to give God a tenth (or "tithe") of one's income. This principle was later codified in the Law given to Moses. God told the people of Israel to give a tenth to provide for the livelihood of His priests, to maintain the work of the Tabernacle/Temple, and to provide for the poor (Deut. 14:28-29).

For the Israelites the offerings were usually animals, crops, or prepared food. They were elements of God's creation which the people had cultivated by long hours of labor and care. As the fruit of human labor they symbolized the life of the people. Thus, in offering the work of their hands, the people were offering their very lives to God that He might use them to accomplish His purposes.

These principles were carried over into the New Covenant. The Early Church was known for sacrificial generosity (Acts 4:32-37). Recognizing that God had offered His own Son for them, they gladly gave all they had to Him.

For these reasons the offering is a significant part of our worship service. It is not simply a way for the church to keep the lights on. Nor is it payment for spiritual services rendered or dues for a holy club.

When we drop our tithes into the plate, we must remember that we are offering our very selves to God. He accepts our tribute, not because of anything within us, but because we are united to His Beloved Son, Jesus Christ. In Christ our lives and our work have been made pleasing to God and useful for the advancement of His Kingdom in our community and throughout the world.



TRINITY

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 23, 2026

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Announcements

GOD SUMMONS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 95:1-6

†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.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Who made heaven and earth.

†Collect

Almighty and merciful God, by Your gift alone Your faithful people render true and laudable service. Help us steadfastly to live in this life according to Your promises and finally attain Your heavenly glory; 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

#177 "What Wondrous Love Is This"

GOD SANCTIFIES US TO HIMSELF

Call to Confession

Psalm 139:23-24

Silent Confession

Corporate Confession

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your Holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

†Assurance of Forgiveness

†Congregational Singing

“Jesus I Come”

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS WORD

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 1:31-2:3

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 4:1-13

†Gospel Reading

Matthew 11:25-30

†Profession of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed

Sermon

Pastor David Salyer

“Enter His Rest”

Sermon Series: Hebrews

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 the pastor after the service.*

*The outer ring of cups contain 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

“We Will Feast In The House Of Zion”

GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD

†Commission and Benediction

†Congregational Response

#628 IV “Threefold Amen”

Postlude

Worship Leader: Pastor David Salyer

Nursery Volunteers: Sarah Salyer, Evelyn Salyer

CHURCH LIFE

Sunday, August 23 - *The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost*

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

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

Saturday, August 29

9:00/9:30 a.m. . . . You-Pick-It Flower event

Sunday, August 30 - *The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

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

♦ **Flower Event** | Join us for a You-Pick-It Flower Morning on **Saturday, August 29**. We will be meeting at the church at 9:00 for those needing rides. (Please let Amy know if you need a ride so we can organize seats.) We are heading to Heather's Garden at 42931 Rd 755, Lexington. Feel free to meet us there around 9:30 if you live out that way! Flowers are \$20 per 20oz cup. Cup and snips provided! If you have any questions, please contact Amy at 308-455-0983.

♦ **Sunday School** | Sunday School begins Sunday, September 13th at 9 am. Classes will be available for Preschool–12th grade, with the 5th grade and below starting in the sanctuary for singing before going to their classes. Adults will be studying Old Testament passages referenced in Hebrews. We hope you’ll join us!

♦ **Youth Sunday School Needs You** | Please prayerfully consider team teaching our high school youth with Eric Wood. With a large group and Eric’s occasional travel, a second teacher is needed for consistency. We also need substitutes for our other youth Sunday School classes. For more information, contact Amy Freitag at 308-455-0983.

♦ **Financial Report:** Budgeted need each week: \$4,067.02. Budgeted need year-to-date: \$134,211.66. Received 8/09: \$3,693.25. Received year-to-date: \$125,971.65.

♦ **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 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 parents, Micah & Kristin Holl (Owen Daniel born 4/25), Cobus & Amara Block (Alette Marie born 4/29), and Josh & Rachel Goodbrake.