

### Avenues for Giving:

As worship, each week tithes & offerings are collected during the service in the offering plates. Old covenant believers were instructed to give back to the LORD a tenth/tithe of that which He had blessed them and to make offerings as led by the Spirit. Present day believers stand upon the resurrection of Jesus Christ and the new covenant reality. While the scripture does not give us a number/percentage, we reason that new covenant realities entail that we should be more generous, not less, with that which God has given to us than our old covenant counterparts.

Online giving is at trinitynorman.com or through the Trinity Norman App.

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### Our Mission: "Gathering & Perfecting"

- Men's Bible Study: @Rudy's. Tuesday, 6:30am, Genesis 39.

-After work fellowship at 405, 5:30-7:00pm. Monday, November 22.

- Women's Bible Study: Returns in January.

-Sunday Discipleship Ministries- "Covenant Theology w/ Cody" 9:45-10:15, starting in December!

-Next Session Meeting: Mid December, TBD.

-Christmas Party- TBD. Check the app!

-Ski-Grace- January 2-6, 2023- Youth (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) go skiing for three days and study God's grace in the mountains prior to the beginning of Spring semester 2023.



### Get Connected

← Trinity Pres' Link Tree



← Women's Ministry Group link:

Download the Trinity Pres App on Apple and Android devices.

Search: "A Church for Norman. Please rate/review the app.



**Trinity Presbyterian Church of Norman**  
**The Service of Worship of the Triune God**  
**Sunday, November 21, 2021 – 10:30-11:45 am**  
**Trinitynorman.com**



**TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN**  
A Church for Norman

"Glorifying God & Enjoying Him Forever."  
"We exist to gather and perfect the saints of God  
in Norman, OK and beyond."

Pre-Service Meditation:

Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church Membership Questions/Vows

- (1) Do you confess that you are a sinner in the sight of God; that you deserve His punishment; that you are unable to save yourself; and that you are without hope of salvation except for God's love and mercy?
- (2) Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and the Savior of sinners; and do you receive and trust in Him alone for your salvation?
- (3) Do you accept the Bible, comprised of the Old and New Testaments, as the written Word of God; and that it is the only perfect rule of faith and how to live?
- (4) Do you promise to trust in the guidance and strength of the Holy Spirit so that you can live all of life as a Christian, following the example set by Jesus Christ?
- (5) Do you promise to exercise faithful stewardship of God's resources entrusted to you for the furtherance of God's Kingdom and purposes?
- (6) Do you accept that the doctrines and principles of the Standards of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church are founded upon the Scriptures?
- (7) In loving obedience, do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of this church, promising to seek the peace, purity, and prosperity of this congregation as long as you are a member of it?

"Jesus was deeply moved in his spirit and greatly troubled at Lazarus's death. He even wept (vv. 33-35). It is not the weeping people but the tomb that evoked these intense emotions of aversion and sorrow. He was staring death in the face. John Calvin comments, "Christ does not come to the sepulcher as an idle spectator, but like a wrestler preparing for the contest. Therefore no wonder that he groans again, for the violent tyranny of death that He had to overcome stands before His eyes."

-Richard Belcher, *Prophet, Priest, and King: the Roles of Christ in the Bible & our Roles Today*

Here is a standing reason for thanksgiving. Although we may not always be healthy, nor always prosperous, yet God is always good, and, therefore, there is always a sufficient argument for giving thanks unto Jehovah. That he is a good God essentially, that he cannot be otherwise than good, should be a fountain out of which the richest praises should perpetually flow.

- Charles Spurgeon

**Responding to God's Word Preached**

**The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

**Words of Institution- Matthew 26:26-29** *"Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."*

**Communion Hymn**

**#469 "How Sweet & Awesome Is the Place"**

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**Closing Words & Announcements**

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**Hymn of Commitment**

**#111**

**"This Is My Father's World"**

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**Benediction**

**Numbers 16:24-26**

*24 The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.*

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**Doxology**

**#731**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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**Review Questions:** Use these questions personally or in a group to engage further with God's message in the sermon:

**Question ONE:** What is the difference between common grace and saving grace?

**Question TWO:** What are some material blessings for which you can thank the Lord for this year?

**Question THREE:** What are some spiritual blessings for which you can thank the Lord for this year?

**Question FOUR:** What unstated convictions or presuppositions must be in place for Thanksgiving to be coherent? How might this be a point of contact for you to speak about the gospel with your family member or neighbor?

**Question FIVE:** What are the three "tenses" of blessings of our salvation that we receive from Christ? What is required of a disciple of Christ that he or she possess these blessings?

**Welcome & Statement of Purpose**

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**Silent prayer of preparation. You might utilize prayers & quotes from page 2.**

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**We Come to Worship at His Bidding**

“Let everything that has breathe praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!” Psalm 150:6

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**Call to Worship**

**adapted from Psalm 100**

Minister: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness!

**People: Come into His presence with singing!**

Minister: Know that the Lord, He is God!

**People: It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.**

Minister: Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise!

**People: Give thanks to Him; bless His name!**

Minister: For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever,

**People: and His faithfulness to all generations.**

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**Prayer of Adoration, Invocation, & the Lord’s Prayer**

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be do ne, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

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**Hymn**

**#100**

**“Holy! Holy! Holy!”**

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**The Law of God**

**“Hope in God Alone.”**

Psalm 28

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*Of David. To you, O LORD, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me, lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit. 2 Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help, when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.*

*3 Do not drag me off with the wicked, with the workers of evil, who speak peace with their neighbors while evil is in their hearts. 4 Give to them according to their work and according to the evil of their deeds; give to them according to the work of their hands; render them their due reward. 5 Because they do not regard the works of the LORD or the work of his hands, he will tear them down and build them up no more.*

*6 Blessed be the LORD! For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy. 7 The LORD is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped; my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.*

*8 The LORD is the strength of his people; he is the saving refuge of his anointed. 9 Oh, save your people and bless your heritage! Be their shepherd and carry them forever.*

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**Public Confession of Sin**

**O God full of all consolation, who loves equity and detests all hypocrisy and iniquity, destroy the enterprises of our heart that sleekest our own and our**

neighbor's ill. We confess our sins have caused the voices of others to call on you for mercy. Now it is us who you have humbled. By your Spirit's work, we have seen with David and Paul that we are the sinner, and we ask you to forgive us of our debts. Would you cause us to no longer trust in ourselves, but that You alone would be our strength? Would you grant that we may sing praises of thy glory, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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### Private Confession of Sin

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#### Words of Assurance

**Matthew 16:28-30**

*Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light."*

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## We Respond to the Gospel with Singing, Speaking Truth, Giving, & Prayers

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### Hymn

**"Before the Throne of God Above"**

### Confession of Faith

**Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 54**

Q. What do you believe concerning "the holy catholic church"?

**A. I believe that the Son of God through his Spirit and Word,<sup>1</sup> out of the entire human race,<sup>2</sup> from the beginning of the world to its end,<sup>3</sup> gathers, protects, and preserves for himself a community chosen for eternal life<sup>4</sup> and united in true faith.<sup>5</sup> And of this community I am<sup>6</sup> and always will be<sup>7</sup> a living member.**

1 John 10:14-16; Acts 20:28; Rom. 10:14-17; Col. 1:18

2 Gen. 26:3b-4; Rev. 5:9

3 Isa. 59:21; 1 Cor. 11:26

4 Matt. 16:18; John 10:28-30; Rom. 8:28-30; Eph. 1:3-14

5 Acts 2:42-47; Eph. 4:1-6

6 1 John 3:14, 19-21

7 John 10:27-28; 1 Cor. 1:4-9; 1 Pet. 1:3-5

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### Welcome of New Members

Mr. and Mrs. Joel & Nan Pendarvis

See Membership Questions/Vows on p 2.

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### Congregational Prayer

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#### Collection of Tithes & Offerings

**1 Chronicles 29:16**

*"O LORD our God, all this abundance that we have provided for building you a house for your holy name comes from your hand and is all your own."*

#### Offering Hymn

**Gloria Patri #735**

## We Hear, Receive, and Rest upon the Word of God

**Children's Catechism Lesson – w/ Dr Ryan & Mrs. Stephanie**

**Q35.** Since we are redeemed by grace alone, through faith alone, where does this faith come from?

A: All the gifts we receive from Christ we receive through the Holy Spirit, including faith itself.

*"But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior." – Titus 3:4-6*

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### Sermon: Romans 7:14-25

**"Thanks Be to God"**

(If able, please stand for the reading of God's word.)

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*14 For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. 15 For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. 16 Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. 17 So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. 18 For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. 19 For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. 20 Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.*

*21 So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. 22 For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, 23 but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. 24 Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? 25 Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.*

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Main Idea: The Christian life consists of thanksgiving to God based upon the blessings we have received, we are receiving, and we will receive from Him.

- I. Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord for past blessings
- II. Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord for present blessings
- III. Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord for future blessings