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This morning: Ushers will pass plates for tithes and offerings.

Finance Update

Your generosity to this church is an investment with eternal impact. Lives here and around the world are changed by our gospel ministry and the ministries of each and every one of you.

Finance Report as of September 30, 2022

July - Sept 2022	ACTUAL	BUDGET	DIFFERENCE
Tithes/Offerings	\$31,913.30	\$37,369.32	-\$5,456.02
Expenses/Outlays	\$33,604.40	\$33,316.70	-\$287.70
DIFFERENCE	-\$1,691.10	+\$4,052.62	-\$5,743.72

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Gathering and Perfecting

Discipleship Ministries:

Sundays 9:30-10:15 a.m.

Adults: *Truth for Life: WCF* MS/HS: *Gospel of Mark*

Kids: *God's Grace in the Law*

Men's Bible Study – Exodus 11 Tues 6:30 a. m.

Women's Bible Study- Gospel Gift of Sanctification Thurs 10:30 a.m.

Midweek fellowship TBD

Next Church Luncheon Soup! November 27 Sunday at Noon

Christmas Caroling and Hot Chocolate December 18 Sunday 5:30-7



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Trinity Presbyterian Church of Norman
Service of Worship of the Triune God
Sunday, November 27, 2022 10:30-11:45 am
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TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN

A Church for Norman

Purpose: Glorifying God and Enjoying Him Forever

Mission: To gather and perfect the saints of God

in and beyond Norman, Oklahoma

FIRST SUNDAY of ADVENT

Pre-Service Meditation

O God, take me in spirit to the watchful shepherds, and enlarge my mind;
Let me hear good tidings of great joy, and hearing,
believe, rejoice, praise, adore,
my conscience bathed in an ocean of repose, my eyes uplifted to a reconciled Father;
place me with ox, ass, camel, goat, to look with them upon my Redeemer's face, and in him
account myself delivered from sin;
let me with Simeon clasp the new-born child to my heart,
embrace him with undying faith,
exulting that he is mine and I am his.
In him thou has given me so much that heaven can give no more.
—from *The Valley of Vision*

It was love, mere love; it was free love that brought the Lord Jesus Christ into our world.
What, shall we not remember the birth of our Jesus? Shall we yearly celebrate the birth of our
temporal king, and shall that of the King of kings be quite forgotten? Shall that only, which
ought to be had chiefly in remembrance, be quite forgotten? God forbid! No, my dear
brethren, let us celebrate and keep this festival of our church with joy in our hearts: let the
birth of a Redeemer, which redeemed us from sin, from wrath, from death, from hell, be
always remembered; may this Savior's love never be forgotten! But may we sing forth all his
love and glory as long as life shall last here, and through an endless eternity in the world
above! May we chant forth the wonders of redeeming love and the riches of free grace, amidst
angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, without intermission, forever and ever!
-George Whitefield, *Sermon on Luke 2:19*

When a person makes his home among people, he moves in with them. He identifies with
them. The incarnation is the moving in of the eternal Word so that he utterly identifies with us
in every way. He took the whole nature of a human being, fully and totally identifying with all
that it means for us to be human, including that which psychologists tell us is the most
traumatic event of human life—birth.
-Skip Ryan, *Sermon on John 1:14*

Dead men cannot take effective action; their power of influence on others lasts only till the
grave. Deeds and actions that energise others belong only to the living. Well, then, look at the
facts in this case. The Saviour is working mightily among men, every day He is invisibly
persuading numbers of people all over the world, both within and beyond the Greek-speaking
world, to accept His faith and be obedient to His teaching. Can anyone, in face of this, still
doubt that He has risen and lives, or rather that He is Himself the Life? Does a dead man prick
the consciences of men...?
-Athanasius, *On the Incarnation*

The doctrine of Christ is not the starting point, but it certainly is the central point of the whole
system of dogmatics. All other dogmas either prepare for it or are inferred from it. In it, as the
heart of dogmatics, pulses the whole of the religious-ethical life of Christianity. It is 'the
mystery of godliness' (1 Tim. 3:16). From this mystery all Christology has to proceed. If,
however, Christ is the incarnate Word, then the incarnation is the central fact of the entire
history of the world; then, too, it must have been prepared from before the ages and have its
effects throughout eternity.

-Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics, Volume 3: Sin & Salvation in Christ*

Responding to God's Word Preached

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

1 Corinthians 11

Communion Hymn

Comfort, Comfort Ye my People

#197

Closing Words and Announcements

Hymn of Commitment

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

#196

Benediction

1 Thessalonians 3:12-13

*The Lord make you increase and abound in love toward one another and toward
all men, even as we do toward you. To the end He may establish your hearts
blameless in holiness before God our Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ!*

People: Thanks be to God. Amen!

Doxology

#731

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

1. Why do you think Matthew began his gospel with a lengthy genealogy?
2. What three significant identity markers does Jesus have in v1?
3. Why is the number fourteen likely an important number for the readers of
Matthew's gospel?
4. Who are some of the surprising names in this genealogy?
5. What are some ways that the first verses of Matthew make the reader/hearer think
back to Genesis?
6. What is faith? How is the message of Jesus' genealogy essential truth for believers
then and now as we wrestle to believe amidst difficulties and unexpected hardships.
7. Why is it significant that Jesus be a descendant of David?
8. What is the kingdom of God and how is its arrival truly good news—the best news?
9. How have you grown in understanding the centrality of the birth of Jesus for
comprehending the meaning of life/history/all things?

Welcome and Statement of Purpose

Silent prayer of preparation. You might utilize prayers and quotes from page two.

We Come to Worship at His Bidding and Confess Our Sin

O send out thy light and thy truth that they may lead me, and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling. -Psalm 43:3

Lighting of First Advent Candle

Call to Worship

Isaiah 40:1-4

Minister: Comfort, comfort My people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins.

People: A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Minister: Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low;

People: The uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain."

Prayer of Adoration, Invocation, and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom Come, Thy will be done, 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.

Hymn

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

#198

Reading the Word Psalm 69 part 1 "The Son of God Who Cried"

¹⁹ You know my reproach, and my shame and my dishonor; my foes are all known to you. ²⁰ Reproaches have broken my heart, so that I am in despair. I looked for pity, but there was none, and for comforters, but I found none. ²¹ They gave me poison for food, and for my thirst they gave me sour wine to drink. ²² Let their own table before them become a snare; and when they are at peace, let it become a trap. ²³ Let their eyes be darkened, so that they cannot see, and make their loins tremble continually. ²⁴ Pour out your indignation upon them, and let your burning anger overtake them. ²⁵ May their camp be a desolation; let no one dwell in their tents. ²⁶ For they persecute him whom you have struck down, and they recount the pain of those you have wounded. ²⁷ Add to them punishment upon punishment; may they have no acquittal from you. ²⁸ Let them be blotted out of the book of the living; let them not be enrolled among the righteous. ²⁹ But I am afflicted and in pain; let your salvation, O God, set me on high! ³⁰ I will praise the name of God with a song; I will magnify him with thanksgiving. ³¹ This will please the Lord more than an ox or a bull with horns

and hoofs. ³² When the humble see it they will be glad; you who seek God, let your hearts revive. ³³ For the Lord hears the needy and does not despise his own people who are prisoners. ³⁴ Let heaven and earth praise him, the seas and everything that moves in them. ³⁵ For God will save Zion and build up the cities of Judah, and people shall dwell there and possess it; ³⁶ the offspring of his servants shall inherit it, and those who love his name shall dwell in it.

Public Confession of Sin

Our Father, although You are a holy God who cannot look upon sin, look upon Christ our Savior and forgive us for His sake. You have promised us that if we confess our sins, You are faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. We ask also that You would give us an increase of the grace of Your Holy Spirit, so that we may learn the wisdom of Your ways and walk in Your holy paths, for Your glory and the good of our neighbor.

Private Confession of Sin

Words of Assurance

Isaiah 9:2

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone.

We Receive and Respond to the Gospel with Singing, Speaking Truth, Giving, and Prayers

Hymn O Come, O Come Emmanuel #194

Confession of Faith The Apostles' Creed (2nd Century)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Congregational Prayer

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Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer

Offering Hymn

Gloria Patri

2 Corinthians 8:9

Mr. Ross McClish

#735

We Are Blessed to Hear, Receive, and Rest upon God's Word

Sermon: "A New Beginning" Matthew 1:1-17

Rev. Justin Westmoreland

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

1 The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham. 2 Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, 3 and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Ram, 4 and Ram the father of Amminadab, and Amminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, 5 and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, 6 and Jesse the father of David the king. And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah, 7 and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asaph, 8 and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah, 9 and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, 10 and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josiah, 11 and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon. 12 And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Shealtiel, and Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel, 13 and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor, 14 and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud, 15 and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, 16 and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called Christ. 17 So all the generations from Abraham to David were fourteen generations, and from David to the deportation to Babylon fourteen generations, and from the deportation to Babylon to the Christ fourteen generations.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

The Proposition: Babies are born every day, but only the birth of Jesus Christ was a new beginning-the establishment the new creation and the Kingdom of God

Outline:

- I. The Birth of Jesus overcomes the effects of sin and shame we carry.
- II. The Birth of Jesus shows how God made a new people of all peoples
- III. The Birth of Jesus shows God never forgets his promises.

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