



Welcome to our church!

We're glad you're here! We hope you experience the warmth and welcome of Christ our Savior in this community.



If this is your first time visiting, please fill out a **Visitor's Card**, we would love to meet you and help you get connected. Please visit **tcpca.org/visitor** or scan the QR code to the left with your smartphone camera.

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...

“We fear circumstances so much because we fear God so little.”

- *Lecrae*

COVER ARTWORK

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Liturgy Notes

Do you have questions about how we worship? This column answers the “what” and “why” of each element of our liturgy.

Call to Worship

The Call to Worship is traditionally the first element in a Christian liturgy, serving as the moment of consecration. God’s word is used to invite us into the sacred time of corporate worship, and we respond with our voices as an answer to His call.

Congregational Singing

A unique aspect of Christian worship is that we sing together. Our singing is an expression of love for God and joy in his gospel. Singing strong hymns grounded in the truths of our theology raises our eyes from awe of the created to awe of the Creator. Scripture commands us to sing. Beautiful voices are not required, but a community joining together to sing truth and to sing it with passion and conviction is beautiful to our God.

Order of Worship

September 27, 2020 at 9:00AM, 11:00AM, and 1:00PM

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Prelude

Call to Worship

LEADER: Our glorious Triune God, You alone have the words of eternal life. You alone are worthy to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing! You alone are worthy of praise!

PEOPLE: Let us exalt God’s name together!

Hymn of Rejoicing *Praise To The Lord, The Almighty*

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Praise to the Lord the Almighty the King of creation
O my soul praise Him for He is thy health and salvation
All ye who hear now to His temple draw near
Praise Him in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord Who over all things so wondrously reigneth
Shelters thee under His wings yet so gently sustaineth
Hast thou not seen how thy desires ever have been
Granted in what He ordaineth

Praise to the Lord Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
If with His love He befriend thee

Praise to the Lord O let all that is in me adore Him
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before Him
Let the amen sound from His people again
Gladly for all we adore Him

Welcome & Announcements

Scripture Reading Psalm 133

Behold, how good and pleasant it is
when brothers dwell in unity!
It is like the precious oil on the head,
running down on the beard,
on the beard of Aaron,
running down on the collar of his robes!
It is like the dew of Hermon,
which falls on the mountains of Zion!
For there the LORD has commanded the blessing,
life forevermore.

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All men are like grass, their glory like flowers of the field. The grass withers and the flowers fall, **but the Word of the Lord stands forever.**

Confession of God's People

UNISON: Our loving God, we confess that we have failed to love as You have loved us.

You are merciful, but we are bitter.

You are patient, but we are demanding.

You are gentle, but we are harsh.

You are compassionate, but we are slanderous.

You are forgiving, but we are vindictive.

Oh Father, Your people have made a mockery of Your love. Our churches are divided, our families are angry, our friendships are shallow, and our neighbors are neglected. This is not what You call us to be, and this is not what we want to be. Overwhelm us again with Your love that it might melt our cold hearts and transform our harmful habits. You are love. Teach us to love.

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

Repentance of God's People

LEADER: Do you repent of your failure to love?

PEOPLE: We do

LEADER: Do you recommit to love as you have been loved?

PEOPLE: We do

Assurance of God's Pardon 1 John 3

MINISTER: See what kind of love the Father has given to us that we should be called children of God; and so we are.

Confession of God's People

In the Confession of Sin we humbly agree with Scripture's claim that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. This is the most honest moment of our week, as we confess our sin and shame together. We do this corporately through a unison litany or prayer and individually through a moment of silence for private confession.

Repentance of God's People

Our time of confession becomes a time of fresh commitment through corporate repentance. Together we boldly turn from all evil and offer our lives again to God. Only say these words if you are indeed willing to repent of your sins.

Assurance of God's Pardon

Confession and repentance is always met with the surety of God's grace. The minister proclaims to the penitent community words of pardon from Scripture, assuring our hearts of the grace that is already ours in Christ Jesus.

Hymn of Renewal *We Will Glorify*

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We will glorify the King of kings we will glorify the Lamb
We will glorify the Lord of lords who is the great I Am

Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty we will bow before His throne
We will worship Him in righteousness we will worship Him alone

He is Lord of heaven Lord of earth He is Lord of all who live
He is Lord above the universe all praise to Him we give

Hallelujah to the King of kings hallelujah to the Lamb
Hallelujah to the Lord of lords who is the great I AM

RESPOND Embrace the call of God

Confession of Faith

We confess together the convictional truths of orthodoxy by reciting the ancient creeds of our faith. We share these words with saints throughout the centuries as well as those throughout the world today. This also serves as a bold proclamation to the watching world of what we believe is true.

Confession of Faith from Westminster Catechism

LEADER: Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

PEOPLE: The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continues to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever.

LEADER: What offices does Christ execute as our Redeemer?

PEOPLE: The offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in His estate of humiliation and exaltation.

LEADER: How does Christ execute the office of a prophet?

PEOPLE: In revealing to us, by His Word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.

LEADER: How does Christ execute the office of a priest?

PEOPLE: In His once offering up of Himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice and reconcile us to God, and in making continual intercession for us.

LEADER: How does Christ execute the office of a king?

PEOPLE: In subduing us to Himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all His and our enemies.

Doxology

Offertory Prayer

Song of Preparation *Make Us One (Music on Page 10)*

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Offering

The offering is received, not merely as a way to pay the bills, but as an act of worship. In response to the God from whom all blessings flow, we give freely, joyfully, and sacrificially to His beloved bride, the Church.

Hymn of Response *Christ Is Made The Sure Foundation*

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Christ is made the sure foundation Christ the head and cornerstone
Chosen of the Lord and precious binding all the Church in one
Holy Zion's help for ever and her confidence alone

All that dedicated city dearly loved of God on high
In exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody
God the One in Three adoring in glad hymns eternally

To this temple where we call Thee come O Lord of hosts today
With Thy wonted loving kindness hear Thy people as they pray
And Thy fullest benediction shed within its walls away

Here vouchsafe to all Thy servants what they ask of Thee to gain
What they gain from Thee forever with the blessed to retain
And hereafter in Thy glory evermore with Thee to reign

Laud and honor to the Father laud and honor to the Son
Laud and honour to the Spirit ever Three and ever One
One in might and One in glory while unending ages run

Benediction

MINISTER:
Go love your God;

PEOPLE:
Go love your neighbor.

Postlude



Giving Report: For more info, visit tcpca.org/give

August Giving:	\$209,571	YTD Giving (Oct-Aug):	\$2,067,860
August Goal:	\$167,188	YTD Expenses (Oct-Aug):	\$2,209,885
Difference:	+\$42,382	Difference:	-\$142,025

**Thank you for the encouraging response to Robert's letter in the month of August.
Our budget for September is \$283,755.**

Benediction

The minister raises His hands and pronounces God's benediction over the congregation, sending them forth with assurance from on high. Stretch forth your hands and open wide your hearts to receive the abundant blessings that are yours in Christ Jesus!

Announcements

“One Step” Race Application

As we seek the glory of Christ and the good of the Bluegrass, we believe God is calling us to take seriously the issue of racial justice in our community. In light of this, we have created applications that we'd like everyone to consider: one step for your head, heart, and hands. Visit tcpca.org/onestep to learn more.

Foundations Weekend - October 16-17

Registration is now open for our next membership class on October 16-17. The sessions will be Friday night and Saturday morning, and breakfast and dinner are provided. We invite anyone who is interested in pursuing membership and learning more about our church history and theology. To sign up, please go to tcpca.org/foundations. Please email Nate Jones with any questions at njones@tcpca.org

Men's Bible Study

The Wednesday Noon Men's Bible Study started last week and will continue to meet both in-person (in the Lower Level Boardroom) and simultaneously online (using Zoom). We will resume our study of Ephesians with chapter 5. Paul explains to the Ephesians (and each of us today!) how we are to live as Christ's disciples. We have a good time of fellowship and prayer for one another. Men of all ages are welcome. Come join us! If you have any questions or need additional information, please email Harry Standing at hstandin@hotmail.com

Company of Men

Company of Men resumed last week on Thursdays at 7:00 am. We will be meeting at TCPC in the lower level this fall. Company of Men is a wonderful way for men to enjoy fellowship, study the Bible and pray for one another (we also discuss various other topics!). If you have any questions, please email Mark Randle at mrandle@tcpca.org.

Job Openings at Trinity Christian Academy

Trinity is currently hiring for the following positions:

- Upper School Aide (seasonal)

For more information, contact Melissa Feaster at mfeaster@trinitylex.org.



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