



TRINITY

BAPTIST CHURCH

Worship Guide
Sunday, March 2, 2025

Call to Worship

As the fountain of all truth, goodness, and beauty, God deserves our trust, honor, and adoration. The call to worship invites us to consider whether we are making God the object of our worship, and stirs us to recenter our lives on him alone.

Psalm 100

1 Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

2 Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

3 Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

5 For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Song of Adoration - "O For a Thousand Tongues"

1

O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!

2

My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread thro' all the earth abroad
The honors of your name.

3

Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease,
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life and health and peace.

4

He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
he sets the prisoner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean;
his blood availed for me.

5

Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Savior come;
And leap, ye lame, for joy.

6

Glory to God and praise and love
Be ever, ever giv'n
By saints below and saints above -
The Church in earth and heav'n.

Words of Confession & Assurance

Confession means we are completely honest with God and others about our flaws and failures. Instead of hiding in shame or self-defensiveness, we admit our sin, and open ourselves to God's mercy available through Christ alone.

Isaiah 40:6-8, Jeremiah 9:23-24

Isaiah 40:6-8

A voice says, "Cry!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades when the breath of the Lord blows on it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

Jeremiah 9:23-24

Thus says the Lord: "Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches, but let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the Lord who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth. For in these things I delight, declares the Lord."

Song of Confession - “My Worth Is Not in What I Own”

1 & 2

My worth is not in what I own / Not in the strength of flesh and bone
But in the costly wounds of love / At the cross
My worth is not in skill or name / In win or lose, in pride or shame
But in the blood of Christ that flowed / At the cross

Chorus

I rejoice in my Redeemer / Greatest treasure, wellspring of my soul
I will trust in Him, no other / My soul is satisfied in Him alone

3 & 4

As summer flowers, we fade and die / Fame, youth, and beauty hurry by
But life eternal calls to us / At the cross
I will not boast in wealth or might / Or human wisdom's fleeting light
But I will boast in knowing Christ / At the cross

Chorus

5

Two wonders here that I confess / My worth and my unworthiness
My value fixed, my ransom paid / At the cross

Chorus (repeat)

Prayer

Prayer is talking to God—declaring our desire for his glory, confessing our sins, thanking him for his boundless grace, and bringing to him our concerns for ourselves, others, the church, and the world. Scripture teaches us to make “supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings ... for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way” (1 Timothy 2:1-2).

Missionary: Dan & Karyn Hassman (South Africa)

Civil Servant: Colonel Mark Hall (Director, NH State Police)

Words of Assurance

Hebrews 4:14-16

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Song of Assurance

1

Wonderful, merciful Savior / Precious Redeemer and Friend
Who would have thought that a Lamb / Could rescue the souls of men
Oh, You rescue the souls of men

2

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper / Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts have / Hopelessly lost our way
Oh, we've hopelessly lost the way

Chorus

You are the One that we praise / You are the One we adore
You give the healing and grace / Our hearts always hunger for
Oh, our hearts always hunger for

Almighty, infinite Father / Faithfully loving Your own
Here in our weakness You find us / Falling before Your throne
Oh, we're falling before Your throne

Chorus

Song of Preparation - "Every Promise"

The song of preparation helps center our hearts and minds on God's Word, reminding us to receive his truth with humility and faith, so that we may respond in obedience and worship.

1

From the breaking of the dawn / To the setting of the sun,
I will stand on every promise of Your word.
Words of power, strong to save, / That will never pass away,
I will stand on every promise of Your word.
For Your covenant is sure, / And on this I am secure,
I can stand on every promise of Your word.

2

When I stumble and I sin, / Condemnation pressing in,
I will stand on every promise of Your word.
You are faithful to forgive, / That in freedom I might live,
So I stand on every promise of Your word.
Guilt to innocence restored: / You remember sins no more!
So I'll stand on every promise of Your word.

3

When I'm faced with anguished choice, / I will listen for Your voice,
And I'll stand on every promise of Your word.
Through this dark and troubled land / You will guide me with your hand
As I stand on every promise of Your word.
And you've promised to complete / Every work begun in me,
So I'll stand on every promise of Your word.

4

Hope that lifts me from despair, / Love that casts out every fear,
As I stand on every promise of Your word.
Not forsaken, not alone, / For the Comforter has come,
And I stand on every promise of Your word.
Grace sufficient, grace for me, / Grace for all who will believe,
We will stand on every promise of Your word.

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 5:1-14

1 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. 2 And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. 3 But sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints. 4 Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving. 5 For you may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. 6 Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. 7 Therefore do not become partners with them; 8 for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light 9 (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), 10 and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. 11 Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. 12 For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. 13 But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, 14 for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

Sermon: Children of Light

Ephesians 5:8-14

- I. Your Past: You Were Darkness (5:8a)

- II. Your Present: You Are Light (5:8b)

- III. Your Path Forward: Walk as Children of Light (5:8c-14)
 - A. Fruitfully - 5:9

 - B. Discerningly - 5:10

 - C. Brightly - 5:11-14

*A recording of this sermon will be found at youtube.com/TrinityBaptistChurchMedia
or on Spotify (access via tbcnh.org)*

Song of Response - “Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”

1

Amazing grace how sweet the sound / That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found / Was blind, but now I see

2

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear / And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear / The hour I first believed

Chorus

My chains are gone, I've been set free / My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns—unending love! Amazing grace!

3

The Lord has promised good to me / His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be / As long as life endures

Chorus

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow / The sun forbear to shine
But God, who called me here below / Will be forever mine / You are forever
mine

Chorus

Benediction

The benediction declares the reality of God's favor
and presence with us as we prepare to leave.

*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.*

Numbers 6:24-26

Discussion Questions

For Kids

1. Imagine you're in a completely dark and scary room, and someone turns on the light. How is that like what Jesus does for us?
2. If you met someone who didn't know Jesus, how could you explain to them what it means to be a child of light?
3. God doesn't give us rules for every single situation. What does that mean we must do?
4. The Bible says that we should shine brightly on things that are wrong. What ways do we hide what is wrong? How can we bring those things into the light?

For Adults

1. What does it mean that we *are* light rather than just people who have *seen* the light? How should this shape our identity?
2. Many people think being a Christian means trying to be a good person or having a mystical experience. How does this thinking contrast with the gospel?
3. The Bible often reminds us of our "story" — we once were darkness, now we are light. Why is it so important to see our place in this storyline?
4. What part does church play in reminding us of that story? How can we help one another ground our corporate identity in this redemption story?
5. The Bible teaches us that we are to "try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord." Christian living is more than just obeying certain rules, but guided by those rules, eagerly seeking to please Christ? What happens when we lose sight of this?
6. What are some practical ways to discern what is pleasing to the Lord in everyday life? Can you think of a time when you had to make a hard decision based on that?
7. What does it mean to "expose" the works of darkness? What are some potential pitfalls with exposing the works of darkness, and how does this passage navigate those pitfalls?
8. How is exposing darkness different from being judgmental or self-righteous?

For Further Thought and Meditation

On Pursuing the Fruit of Goodness, Righteousness, and Truth

Galatians 5:22-23 – “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.”

Psalm 37:3 – “Trust in the Lord, and do good; dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness.”

Proverbs 21:3 – “To do righteousness and justice is more acceptable to the Lord than sacrifice.”

James 3:17 – “But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere.”

On Discerning What Would Please Jesus

Philippians 1:9-10 – “And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent.”

Romans 12:2 – “Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.”

Hebrews 5:14 – “But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil.”

On Being a Light That Exposes Darkness

John 3:20-21 – “For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God.”

Matthew 5:14-16 – “You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden... Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.”

We exist to proclaim the love of Christ in the power of the Spirit for the glory of God.

Upcoming Events

- 3/2** | Members Meeting / LifeGroups
- 3/5** | Women's Book Study (Kim)
- 3/6** | Senior Saints Bible Study
- 3/7** | Women's Bible Study (Christa)
- 3/8** | Maddy Thomas's Wedding Shower
- 3/9** | CORE Classes Begin / Daylight Savings Time
- 3/15** | Youth Activity
- 3/19** | Women's Book Study (Kim)
- 3/20** | Senior Saints Bible Study
- 3/21** | Women's Bible Study (Christa)
- 3/21-22** | Men's Retreat

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Kids & Teens Sunday Classes

- Preschool - Room 110
- 4-5 years - Room 115
- 1st-2nd Grade - Room 117
- 3rd-4th Grade - Room 119
- 5th-6th Grade - Room 118
- Teens - Teen Room

Gathering Times

Sunday

- Prayer Meeting **8:00 AM**
- Members Meeting **9:00 AM**
- Worship Service **10:00 AM**

Wednesday

- GriefShare **5:30 PM**
- Midweek Gathering for Adults, Teens, and Children **6:30 PM**

Thursday

- Freedom That Lasts **7:00 PM**
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CORE Classes

Beginning March 9th

Age Group	Room
18-29	219
30S	218
40S	217
50S	214
60-65	215
66-69	210
70+	FH

Foundations & Formation

Teacher: Jonathan Threlfall
Room 201

Weekly Giving Update: *Weekly Budget: \$21,800 Last Week's Giving: \$24,502.35*

Leadership Team: Jonathan Threlfall *Lead Pastor* • Jason Armstrong *Associate Pastor*
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