



# TRINITY

BAPTIST CHURCH

Worship Guide  
Sunday, May 11, 2025

*Please take this worship guide with you to use for your  
times of personal worship during the week.*

# Welcome to Trinity Baptist Church

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## **We are glad you are here.**

We know that everyone walks through these doors with different questions, hopes, and challenges. We want you to know that you and your burdens matter to us and—most importantly—to Jesus.

We believe in God's good news that Jesus is the King who can forgive our sin, free us from death, and bring us into an unbreakable relationship with God. This message shapes everything we do.

*We invite you to trust and follow Jesus with us.*

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## **Here's how to get connected.**

Here are a few ways for you to connect here:

- Attend smaller groups (Sunday classes, Midweek Bible Study)
- Sign up to receive weekly updates ([tbcnh.org/connect](http://tbcnh.org/connect))
- Reach out with a specific question ([info@tbcnh.org](mailto:info@tbcnh.org))
- Stay after the service to meet a pastor or church volunteer

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## **Have you made the decision to trust Christ?**

If today you have made the decision to put your trust in Jesus Christ, let us know so we can partner with you in your journey of continuing to trust and follow him. Talk to the person at the Welcome Center after the service or email us at [info@tbcnh.org](mailto:info@tbcnh.org).

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## Call to Worship - Isaiah 12:2-6

*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.*

Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The Lord, the Lord himself, is my strength and my defense; he has become my salvation. With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. In that day you will say: "Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted. Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world. Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you."

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### "The Lord is My Salvation"

1

The grace of God has reached for me  
And pulled me from a raging sea  
And I am safe on this solid ground  
The Lord is my salvation

2

I will not fear when darkness falls  
His strength will help me scale these walls  
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun  
The Lord is my salvation

*Chorus*

*Who is like the Lord, our God?  
Strong to save, faithful in love  
My debt is paid and the victory won  
The Lord is my salvation*

3

My hope is hidden in the Lord  
He flowers each promise of His Word

When winter fades,  
I know spring will come  
The Lord is my salvation

4

In times of waiting, times of need  
When I know loss, when I am weak  
I know His grace will renew these days  
The Lord is my salvation

5

And when I reach my final day  
He will not leave me in the grave  
But I will rise, He will call me home  
The Lord is my salvation

*Chorus*

Glory be to God the Father  
Glory be to God the Son  
Glory be to God the Spirit  
The Lord is our salvation (repeat)

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## “Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me”

1

What gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer  
There is no more for Heaven now to give  
He is my joy, my righteousness,  
and freedom  
My steadfast love,  
my deep and boundless peace

*Chorus 1*

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to his  
Oh how strange and divine,  
I can sing: all is mine!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

2

The night is dark but I am not forsaken  
For by my side, the Saviour He will stay  
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need, His power is displayed

*Chorus 2*

To this I hold,  
my Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley, He will lead  
Oh, the night has been won,  
and I shall overcome  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

3

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven  
The future sure, the price it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

*Chorus 3*

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated  
Jesus, now and ever is my plea  
Oh, the chains are released,  
I can sing, "I am free"  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

4

With every breath I long to follow Jesus  
For He has said that He will bring me home  
And day by day I know He will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne

*Chorus 4*

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
All the glory evermore to Him  
When the race is complete,  
still my lips shall repeat:  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!  
(repeat)

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## Choir - "Depth of Mercy"

*Throughout Scripture, God's people have used choirs to lead in worship. King David appointed hundreds of singers to minister musically to the Lord morning and evening (1 Chronicles 23:30). The choir serves in this same spirit today, testifying to God's eternity, love, and holiness, and stirring our hearts to praise him.*

Depth of mercy, can there be  
Mercy still reserved for me?  
Can my God His wrath forbear?  
Me, the chief of sinners, spare?  
"Whence to me this waste of love?"  
Ask my Advocate above  
See the cause in Jesus' face  
Now before the throne of grace

I have long withstood His grace  
Long provoked Him to His face  
Would not hearken to His calls  
Grieved Him by a thousand falls  
There, for me, the Savior stands  
Shows His wounds, and spreads His hands  
God is love, His grace so free  
Depth of mercy, there for me

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## Words of Confession

*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.*

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Deuteronomy 5:16; Proverbs 7:1-3; 10:1

"Honor your father and your mother, as the Lord your God commanded you, that your days may be long, and that it may go well with you in the land that the Lord your God is giving you." "My son, keep my words and treasure up my commandments with you; keep my commandments and live; keep my teaching as the apple of your eye; bind them on your fingers; write them on the tablet of your heart." "A wise son makes a glad father, but a foolish son is a sorrow to his mother."

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## 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: Ryan and Samantha Shiel (Somali People in Kenya)

Civil Servant: Jean Shaheen (Senator)

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## Words of Assurance

Luke 15:17-24

“But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! 18 I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.”’ And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’[b] But the father said to his servants,[c] ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’ And they began to celebrate.

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## “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

1

Great is thy faithfulness  
O God, my Father  
There is no shadow of turning with thee  
Thou changest not  
thy compassions, they fail not  
As thou hast been, thou forever wilt be

*Chorus*

*Great is thy faithfulness  
Great is thy faithfulness  
Morning by morning new mercies I see  
All I have needed thy hand hast provided  
Great is thy faithfulness  
Lord unto me*

2

Summer and winter and  
springtime and harvest  
Sun, moon, and stars  
in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love

*Chorus*

3

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence  
to cheer and to guide  
Strength for today and  
bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine  
and ten thousand beside.

*Chorus*

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## “Show Us Christ”

1

Prepare our hearts, O God / Help us to receive  
Break the hard and stony ground / Help our unbelief  
Plant Your Word down deep in us / Cause it to bear fruit  
Open up our ears to hear / Lead us in Your truth

*Chorus*

*Show us Christ, show us Christ O God, reveal Your glory  
Through the preaching of Your Word / Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord*

2

Your Word is living light / Upon our darkened eyes  
Guards us through temptations / Makes the simple wise  
Your Word is food for famished ones / Freedom for the slave  
Riches for the needy soul / Come speak to us today

*Bridge*

*Where else can we go? Lord? Where else can we go?  
You have the words of eternal life*

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## Scripture Reading

**Ephesians 6:1-3.** Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. “Honor your father and mother” (this is the first commandment with a promise), “that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.”

**Matthew 18:1-5.** At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, “Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?” And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them and said, “Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me.”

**Matthew 19:13-14.** Then children were brought to him that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples rebuked the people, but Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven.”



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# Sermon: The Blessing of Children

## Ephesians 6:1-3 and various passages

Whether or not you have children, your perspective on children and childhood is like a weathervane, indicating the direction of your values.

### I. How modern and ancient cultures view children

In ancient cultures, children had no social status, but were necessary for a family's livelihood and legacy. By contrast, modern Westerners tend to decide whether or not to have children based on how much it will cost to raise them and how the children will impact the parents' personal goals.

### II. How the Bible views children: blessing and example

The Bible presents a radically different view of children, as seen in Jesus' statement: "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these" (Matthew 19:14). For Christians, children are a blessing, a gift from God. On the other hand, the inability to have children—or the loss of one's children—while deeply painful, does not leave a person hopeless.

### III. Why this matters for the Christian community—and everyone

This is because a person's relationship with Christ is infinitely more important than any other relationship or role, even parenthood. In fact, Scripture reminds us that our ultimate identity is not in being a parent, but in being a child—specifically, a child of God. This truth anchors the purpose of parenthood, childhood, and even infertility in something deep and eternal: the gracious, adoptive love of the Father. As Paul writes in Ephesians, "In love he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ" (Ephesians 1:4-5).

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

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## Song of Response - “Chosen as His Children”

1

Chosen by the Father’s mercy,  
Set apart to serve His Son,  
Sanctified by His own Spirit—  
Praise the Holy Three in One!  
Saved by resurrection power,  
Shielded in His faithful love;  
Now, no enemy can tarnish  
My inheritance above!

*Chorus*

*I’m born again!  
I’m God’s own chosen child of mercy!  
Born again! What love and grace!  
Father keep me walking worthy  
Till I look upon Your face*

2

Led by wisdom into suffering,  
Grieved by many trials below,  
Yet rejoicing in His purpose,  
That my faith as gold may glow.  
Granted faith for overcoming,  
Filled with love for Christ unseen;

Even angels cannot fathom  
What salvation God will bring!

*Chorus*

3

Fixed upon this hope completely,  
As obedient children fear;  
For the Holy One who called you  
Purchased you with blood so dear.  
Born anew from seed eternal,  
By His lovingkindness spurred,  
Lay aside all tasteless yearnings—  
Crave the true and living Word!

*Chorus*

4

Built on Christ, the sure foundation,  
We are free from guilt and shame;  
He is fitting us together  
As a house to praise His name!  
We are chosen as God’s people,  
Called from darkness into light;  
O what mercy now entreats us  
To proclaim His glories bright

*Chorus*

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## Benediction

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

*See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; . . . we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.*

- 1 John 3:1-2

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# Questions for Discussion and Application

## For Kids

1. Why do you think God says it is “right” for children to obey their parents (Ephesians 6:1)? What does that tell us about God’s design for families?
2. Jesus said we must “become like children” to enter the kingdom of heaven (Matthew 18:3). What do you think He meant? How can you show trust in God like a child?
3. In Matthew 19, why did Jesus welcome children, even when grown-ups thought they weren’t important?
4. What does it mean that “the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these” (Matthew 19:14)? Do you believe Jesus really wants you to come to Him?
5. Think of someone younger than you. How can you treat them the way Jesus would?

## For Adults

1. Paul connects obedience to parents with flourishing (“that it may go well with you”). In what ways have you seen honor or dishonor within family relationships shape someone’s spiritual and emotional life—for better or worse?
2. When Jesus placed a child in the disciples’ midst (Matthew 18), He was confronting their desire for status. How might your ambition, busyness, or craving for recognition hinder your ability to receive and value children as Jesus does?
3. Our culture often sees children as interruptions to personal freedom or success. In what subtle ways has this mindset shaped your view of parenting, discipleship, or hospitality to young people?
4. Not everyone is a parent, but every Christian is called to nurture the next generation in the faith. What role might God be calling you to play in the spiritual care of children in your church family?
5. For those struggling with infertility, singleness, or loss, Scripture speaks of a deeper identity as God’s adopted children (Ephesians 1:5). How does that reality reshape your hopes, disappointments, or sense of belonging in the body of Christ?

## Resources

- “The Case for Kids” by Kevin DeYoung ([firstthings.com/the-case-for-kids/](http://firstthings.com/the-case-for-kids/)),
- *God, Marriage, and Family: Rebuilding the Biblical Foundation* by Andreas J. Köstenberger and David W. Jones

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

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### Upcoming Events

- 5/15** | Encore Longhorn Lunch
- 5/18** | Communion / Last LifeGroup / Last CORE
- 5/19** | Men's Fellowship Dinner
- 5/23** | Teen Activity
- 5/25** | Budget Presentation
- 5/26** | TBC Office Closed
- 5/28** | Combined Midweek Gathering
- 6/5** | Encore Bible Study
- 6/7** | TCS Graduation
- 6/8** | Yearly Business Meeting
- 6/15** | Summer Sunday School Begins

*For more upcoming events, please visit [tbcnh.org/event-calendar](http://tbcnh.org/event-calendar)*

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### Gathering Times

#### *Sunday*

- Prayer Meeting ..... **8:00 AM**
- CORE Classes ..... **9:00 AM**
- Worship Service ..... **10:00 AM**

#### *Wednesday*

- Prayer Meeting and Bible Study with Nursery, Kids Club and Youth Group..... **6:30 PM**

#### *Thursday*

- Freedom That Lasts ..... **7:00 PM**

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### CORE Classes

*Sundays at 9:00 AM*

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

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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

**Weekly Giving Update:** *Weekly Budget:\$21,800 Last Week's Giving:\$19,952.13*

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