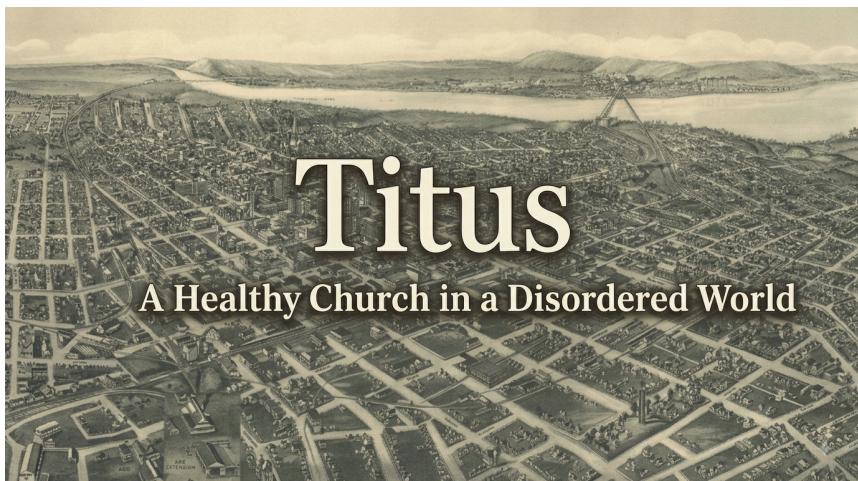


SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Preparation for Worship

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come,
this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

God Calls Us to Worship | Psalm 36:5-9

Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens,

Your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mountains of God;

Your judgments are like the great deep; man and beast You save, O LORD.

How precious is Your steadfast love, O God!

The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of Your wings.

They feast on the abundance of Your house,

and You give them drink from the river of Your delights.

For with You is the fountain of life;

in Your light do we see light.

The Church's One Foundation

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The church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord,
She is His new creation
By water and the Word.
From heaven He came and sought her
To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died.

Elect from every nation,
Yet one over all the earth;
Her charter of salvation,
One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy Name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder
Men see her sore oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder,
By heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping;
Their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song.

The church shall never perish,
Her dear Lord to defend
To guide, sustain and cherish,
Is with her to the end
Though there be those that hate her,
And false sons in her pale
Against a foe or traitor,
She ever shall prevail.

Mid toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace forevermore;
'Til, with the vision glorious,
Her longing eyes are blessed,
And the great church victorious
Shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with Thee.

We Listen to God's Word | Proverbs 15:1,2; 16:27,28; 18:2; 26:4,5*

**Bibles are beneath your seat*

[1] A soft answer turns away wrath,
but a harsh word stirs up anger.

[2] The tongue of the wise
commends knowledge,
but the mouths of fools pour out
folly....

[27] A worthless man plots evil,
and his speech is like a scorching
fire.

[28] A dishonest man spreads strife,
and a whisperer separates close
friends...

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

[2] A fool takes no pleasure in
understanding,
but only in expressing his opinion.

[4] Answer not a fool according to his
folly,
lest you be like him yourself.

[5] Answer a fool according to his
folly,
lest he be wise in his own eyes. (ESV)

We Confess Our Sins

***O Holy Father, if Your mercy had bounds,
where would be my refuge from just wrath?***

But Your love in Christ is without measure.

Thus, I present myself to You with sins of commission and omission,

*against You, my Father;
against You, adorable Redeemer;
against You and Your strivings, O Holy Spirit;
against the dictates of my conscience;
against the precepts of Your Word;
against my neighbors and myself.*
*Frequently I vow to love You more fervently,
yet I soon stumble, backslide,
and have to confess my weakness, misery and sin.*
*But I bless You that the finished work of Jesus
needs no addition from my doings,
that His oblation is sufficient satisfaction for my sins.*
*If future days be mine,
help me to amend my life,
to hate and abhor evil,
and to flee the sins I confess.*

(Please pause for a moment of silent confession.)

We Hear Words of Assurance and Pardon | Psalm 30:11-12

You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; You have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness, that my glory may sing Your praise and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to You forever!

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ know that you're forgiven and be at peace.

Thanks be to God!

His Mercy Is More

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What love could remember
no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all knowing,
He counts not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without
bottom or shore,
Our sins they are many;
His mercy is more.

**Praise the Lord,
His mercy is more.
Stronger than darkness,
new every morn.
Our sins, they are many;
His mercy is more.**

What patience would wait
as we constantly roam?
What Father, so tender,
is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest,
the vilest, the poor.
Our sins they are many
His mercy is more

What riches of kindness
He lavished on us.
His blood was the payment;
His life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt
we could never afford.
Our sins they are many;
His mercy is more

We Ask for God's Help

Let's close praying the prayer our Lord taught us, saying:

**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.**

We Confess Our Faith | Westminster Confession of Faith 16.2

***These good works, done in obedience to God's commandments,
are the fruits and evidences of a true and lively faith;
and by them believers manifest their thankfulness,
strengthen their assurance, edify their brethren,
adorn the profession of the gospel,
stop the mouths of the adversaries,
and glorify God, whose workmanship they are,
created in Christ Jesus thereunto,
that, having their fruit unto holiness,
they may have the end, eternal life.***

We Greet Others with Peace | 2 Corinthians 13:11

Finally, brothers, rejoice. Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you!

TrinityKids: During the Greeting of Peace, children 5 & under may be dismissed to walk to TrinityKids. Nursing mothers are welcome to use the Nursing Mothers' room at the back of Trinity Hall, where the service can be viewed on the monitor.

We Are Changed By God's Word | Titus 3:1-8

[9] But avoid foolish controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels about the law, for they are unprofitable and worthless. [10] As for a person who stirs up division, after warning him once and then twice, have nothing more to do with him, [11] knowing that such a person is warped and sinful; he is self-condemned.

[12] When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. [13] Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. [14] And let our people learn to devote themselves to good works, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not be unfruitful.

[15] All who are with me send greetings to you. Greet those who love us in the faith.

Grace be with you all. (ESV)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

“Keeping That Fire Burning”

Rev. Mark Kuiper

Sermon in a Sentence: The church must let nothing and no one disrupt its peace, purity, and mission.

I. What we must avoid: v. 10

II. What warnings to give and heed: vv. 10, 11

III. What community to work with: vv 12-15

We Give Regularly, Joyfully, and Sacrificially

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If you have children in TrinityKids, please go pick them up at this time.

We Celebrate Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is right and good and a joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks
unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty,

Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and
archangels, and with all the company of
heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious
name; evermore praising You, and singing:

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.***

Jesus Strong and Kind

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Jesus said that if I thirst,
I should come to him.
No one else can satisfy,
I should come to him.

Jesus said, "If I am weak,"
I should come to him.
No one else can be my strength,
I should come to him.

**For the Lord is good and faithful.
He will keep us day and night.
We can always run to Jesus.
Jesus, strong and kind.**

Jesus said that if I fear,
I should come to him.
No one else can be my shield,
I should come to him.

Jesus said, "If I am lost,"
he will come to me;
and he showed me on that cross,
he will come to me.

O Praise the Name

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I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me.
I see His wounds, His hands, His feet
My Saviour on that cursed tree.

His body bound and drenched in tears,
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb.
The entrance sealed by heavy stone.
Messiah still and all alone.

Then on the third at break of dawn,
The Son of heaven rose again.
O trampled death, where is your sting?
The angels roar for Christ the King.

He shall return in robes of white,
The blazing sun shall pierce the night.
And I will rise among the saints,
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face.

**O praise the Name of the Lord our God.
O praise His Name forevermore.
For endless days we will sing Your praise.
Oh Lord, oh Lord our God.**

God Sends Us Out With His Good Word | Jude 24-25

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

We Go Into The World For His Glory

Let us go forth in joyful service to the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ, as we love our neighbors, our city, and the world.

Thanks be to God! Amen!

Community Group & Family Questions

The following questions help us dialog with the sermon, music, and liturgy in this morning's worship service. Remember, these questions are just a starting point. Feel free to adapt them to the specific needs and interests of your family worship times and/or community group.

1. How should we discern which "arguments" or "controversies" we should engage and which ones we should avoid.
2. Why do you think grace filled churches are susceptible to those who stir up controversies and breed division? What issues in our day might we classify as foolish, unprofitable and worthless?
3. Share a time you were warned or warned others that brought about positive change. What relational capital was required for that to be successful?
4. What are some of the benefits of co-laboring with Christian brothers and sisters?



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Announcements | Event Details and Signups in Church Center

GROW Meeting:

October 4, 10:30am

ROOTED New Members' Class:

November 22, 12pm

Fall Festival and Hymn Sing:

November 15, 3:30pm; see Church Center for full details

Trinity Women:

October 24, 6:30pm; Fall Flower Arranging

Fall Bible studies and One Another groups registrations are open!

Deacon Assistant on Duty this Sunday: Eric Woller

Pastor on Call this Sunday: Rev. Mark Kuiper



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