

Tryon Presbyterian Church

March 1, 2026 - 10:30 am

Second Sunday in Lent

To be and make disciples of Jesus Christ, who love God and their neighbor.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD OF GOD

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT AND LOVE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

Partita on "How Firm a Foundation"

Jane Wilson
Arr. Hal Hopson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Allan Purtill

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 121:1-2, 7-8

I lift up my eyes to the hills from where will my help come?

**My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven
and earth.**

The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

**The Lord will keep your going out and your coming
in from this time on and forevermore.**

†HYMN

"Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!"

Hymnal Number 839
Tune: ASSURANCE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and loving God, you call us to be the church family. We make promises and vows to care for and nurture one another. Forgive us for all the times we have acted without love, reacted without thought, or failed to forgive. For hurtful words said and helpful words unsaid, have mercy. By your Spirit, may we love one another as you have loved, forgiven, and freed us.

Silent prayers and personal confession

Through Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

†RESPONSE

“See Ye First”

Hymnal Number 175

Tune: LAFFERTY

Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and its righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Amy McGrath

Children may be dismissed to Children's Church.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Lynnette Sills

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

1 Thessalonians 5:12-23 (NRSV)

Pew Bible, New Testament page 205

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

“How Beautiful”

Chancel Choir

Twila Paris

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Dr. Allan Purtil

John 19:25-27 (NRSV)

Pew Bible, New Testament page 114

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Family Ties”

Dr. Allan Purtil

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Rev. Lynnette Sills

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. - *The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“More Love to Thee, O Christ”

Jane Wilson
Evanovich

†DOXOLOGY

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Hymnal Number 606
Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Lynnette Sills

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

Rev. Lynnette Sills

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Dr. Allan Purtill

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God: you are the ancient and eternal Lord, reigning in glory over all the earth, calling the faithful to dwell with you forever. Therefore we praise you, joining the song of the universal church and the heavenly choir:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed is Jesus Christ, our Savior: Out of your great love for the world, you sent Jesus, not to condemn, but to save, ...
Remembering your goodness and grace, we offer ourselves to you with gratitude as we share this joyful feast.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and cup; make us one in the body and blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. Through the Lord Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Spirit, we bless you, God of glory, now and forever.

Amen.

We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray:

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER OF RESPONSE

Rev. Lynnette Sills

†HYMN

“Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether”

Hymnal Number 529
Tune: UNION SEMINARY

SENDING OF THE CHURCH

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Dr. Allan Purtil

†CARRYING CHRIST’S LIGHT AND LOVE INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

“Fanfare II”

Jane Wilson
Paul Fey

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†The congregation is invited to rise in body or spirit.

Hearing devices and large print hymnals are available.

Welcome!

We extend a sincere welcome to everyone who is visiting with us this morning. If you haven't done so, please be sure to pick up a welcome packet from one of the ushers this morning. If you are interested in learning more about Tryon Presbyterian or church membership, contact Rev. Dr. Allan Purtill. We hope that you will find the warmth and love of God in worship today.

Ministry for Children

We welcome all children and infants in worship - they are at home in God's house! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it! We do have nursery care available for children ages 0-2 in "The Manger". Following the "Time with Children", children ages 3-7 are welcome to remain in worship or attend Children's Church in "The Ark". For all other children and youth, we have worship bags available in the Narthex.

Men's Bible & Breakfast

Gentlemen of the church and community, please join us Thursday, March 5th at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall for our monthly Men's Bible Breakfast. Come enjoy good food, fellowship and most importantly our devotional by Rev. Mike Carruth.

PW Chili Cook Off

The Presbyterian Women are hosting a Chili Cook Off on Saturday, March 7th at 5:30 p.m. Enjoy delicious chili, potato soup, salad and desserts. Kids 12 and under eat free, and adults are \$10.00. The winning chef will receive an engraved spoon and their name added to the plaque that hangs in the Fellowship Hall. Don't miss this tasty night of food and fellowship! Chili entry forms and guest signup sheets are available in the Narthex.

Church Directory

Reservations for the church directory are still available. We are encouraging everyone to participate. You do not have to be a member to have your picture in the directory. Sign ups will be made in the Fellowship Hall today following the worship service.

Free Books!

Are you looking for a new book to read? Be sure to check out the library cart outside of the office. All books are free - take as many as you would like!

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, March 1

Second Sunday in Lent

9:30 am Lent Study - JCR

10:30 am Worship - S

Monday, March 2

10:30 am Naomi Circle - JCR

1:00 pm Worship/Music Committee - JCR

5:30 pm AA Meeting - CR

Tuesday, March 3

10:00 am Mom's Bible Study - EB

12:00 pm Staff Meeting - JCR

4:15 pm Children's Choir - CR

Wednesday, March 4

1:30 pm Intercessory Prayer - JCR

2:30 pm Lenten Small Group - S

3:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal - CR

6:00 pm Girl Scouts - EB

Thursday, March 5

8:00 am Men's Bible & Breakfast - FH

11:30 am Rotary Club of Tryon - FH

3:30 pm Bell Choir - CR

Friday, March 6

Saturday, March 7

5:30 pm Chili Cook-Off - FH

Sunday, March 8

Third Sunday in Lent

9:30 am Lent Study - JCR

10:30 am Worship - S

5:00 pm Glory Girls - FH

S=Sanctuary; **FH**=Fellowship Hall; **EB**=Educational Building; **JCR**=Jones Conference Room; **CR**=Choir Room; **PS**=Pastor's Study; **TE**=Tryon Estates; **WO**=White Oak

We Remember in Prayer...

MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH

Joanne Alderman
Doris Clark
Donna Croft
Donald Hawthorne
Judy Warden
Betsy Zeek

TRYON ESTATES MEDICAL - COLUMBUS

Mimi Child
Margaret Covington
Fran Creasy
Camilla Dick

LAURELWOODS - COLUMBUS

Lila Corpening

CARE OF LAKEWOOD

Esther Taylor

RESTORATION AT WESTGATE

Betty Brewer

FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH

Emily Helmick
(Janet Gilchrist's sister)

Holly Muir
(Gail Muir's daughter)

...our church family and staff

...our partner school, Sunny View
Elementary School

If you would like the church to pray about an illness, surgery, or need pastoral and congregational care support, let us know by calling the church office at (828) 859-6683.

Daily Bible Readings For This Week

S	03-01	Gen. 12:1-4a; Psalm 121; Rom. 4:1-5, 13-17; Matt. 17:1-9
M	03-02	Psalm 128; Numbers 21:4-9; Hebrews 3:1-6
T	03-03	Psalm 128; Isaiah 65:17-25; Romans 4:6-13
W	03-04	Psalm 128; Ezekiel 36:22-32; John 7:53-8:11
T	03-05	Psalm 95; Exodus 16:1-8; Colossians 1:15-23
F	03-06	Psalm 95; Exodus 16:9-21; Ephesians 2:11-22
S	03-07	Psalm 95; Exodus 16:27-35; John 4:1-6



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Closed

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