

Tryon Presbyterian Church

August 31, 2025 - 10:30 am

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Our Mission Statement:

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

"Abide, O Dearest Jesus"

Jane Wilson

Melchior Vulpius/Johann S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Allan Purtill

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Janet Gilchrist

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 108:1-4

Our hearts are ready, O Lord, our hearts are ready!

We will sing and make melody! We will awaken the dawn!

We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples,

We will sing praises to you among the nations.

For your steadfast love is great above the heavens, and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

†HYMN

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Hymnal Number 611

Tune: HYMN TO JOY

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Amy McGrath

Merciful God, in Jesus you show us a way that is humble and that seeks the good of others. We confess that we go our own way; we elevate ourselves and ignore the needs of others. Free us from the temptation to only pursue our own pleasure. Help us to live in harmony with all your people sharing your table, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

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

“Lord, Prepare Me”

Hymnal Number 701

Tune: SANCTUARY

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Amy McGrath

Children may be dismissed to Children's Church.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Richard Kennedy

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 2:4-13 (NRSV)

Pew Bible, Old Testament page 699

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

Summer Singers

Thomas Hastings/Steven Strite

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Dr. Allan Purtill

Luke 14:1, 7-14 (NRSV)

Pew Bible, New Testament page 77

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“The Posture of The Heart”

Dr. Allan Purtill

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed -Traditional Version

Hymnal page 35

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Lynnette Sills

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“As the Deer”

Jane Wilson
Martin Nystrom/Douglas Wagner

†DOXOLOGY

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Hymnal Number 606
Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Lynnette Sills

†HYMN

“Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart”

Hymnal Number 688
Tune: MORECAMBE

SENDING OF THE CHURCH

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Dr. Purtill

†CARRYING CHRIST’S LIGHT AND LOVE INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

“Gigue”

Jane Wilson
Gordon Young/Douglas Wagner

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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 at RevAllan-Purtill@gmail.com or call the church office at (828) 859-6683. 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

Please join us Thursday, September 4th at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall for our Men's Bible & Breakfast. We will share scripture with Mike Carruth, a hot breakfast and fellowship. See you there!

Sunday School Returns!

Sunday School returns Sunday, 9/7 at 9:30am with a Sunday School Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. The first Sunday of each month will be a family-friendly breakfast with a group lesson, the other Sundays of the month will be traditional Sunday School with classes for all ages (including adults!). If you want to learn what it's all about (or just want a hot breakfast), please join us on 9/7!

Children's Choir Begins September 2nd, 4pm

Attention parents, grandparents and neighbors: Do you have a child in your life that may be interested in making joyful noise in a children's choir this fall? If so, please contact the church office at tpreschurch@gmail.com or 828-859-6683. All school aged children are welcome!

911 Remembrance and Cookout

Our 911 Hamburger Cookout was such a success last year that we are doing it again, but **this time** we will include appreciation for those who worked so hard for us during the hurricane and fires!! The TPC Fellowship and Cook Teams will host a hamburger cookout on Thursday, September 11, beginning at 5:30PM. First responders from Polk County will be invited to join us for this special time. Please mark your calendar for this special event. The cost is \$8 for those 12 and above; \$1 for children under 12. Forms are in the pew rack and a member of the Fellowship Team will be available in the Narthex to assist you with your reservation and advance payment. There will be no take-outs.

Presbyterian Women Fall Luncheon

Join the Presbyterian Women for a fall lunch on Wednesday, September 17th from 12-2pm. Our speaker is Linley Foster, Polk County Schools Social Worker. Please come and learn about her work and the challenges she faces in our schools. A signup sheet will be available in the Narthex. We hope you can join us!

Sanctuary Flower Sign-Up

Would you like to help beautify our sanctuary while honoring a loved one or marking a special occasion? Signing up to provide flowers in our sanctuary is a wonderful way to do just that. You don't need to purchase an expensive arrangement from a florist; flowers from your local grocery store, a big box store, or even your own garden are perfectly welcome! Whether it's a simple bouquet or something more elaborate, your gift of flowers helps enhance our worship space and brings joy to the congregation.

There is a sign up sheet in the hallway, across from the church office. If you have any questions, please contact Lynette Fisher at 828-575-3377.

September Birthdays

1st - Kimberly Brown Murphy
6th - Doug Morris
8th - Edward Harrelson
11th - Jane Grinde
12th - Mary Potter
13th - Bob Penfold
14th - Joanie Hosick
16th - Carol Dadson
17th - Molly Barnette
17th - Dot Kennedy
18th - David Hosick
21st - Cindy Caldwell
22nd - Margaret Clark
23rd - Keaton Nager
23rd - Jenny Purtill

25th - Tom Hogg
25th - Dennis Sakos
27th - Carol Turner
27th - Judy Warden
28th - Fran Creasy
29th - Chase Moyer
30th - Dottie Mayfield

September Anniversaries

1st - Reggie & Dale Drake
4th - Jon & Amy McGrath
7th - Les & Rita Stobbe
11th - Gregg & Catherine Lynch
13th - Ben & Peggy Woodward
18th - Clark & Martha Benson

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, August 31

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am Worship - S

Monday, September 1

Office Closed - Labor Day

Tuesday, September 2

10:00 am Mom's Bible Study - EB

4:00 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal - CH

Wednesday, September 3

1:30 pm Intercessory Prayer - JCR

3:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal - CR

6:00 pm Girl Scouts - EB

Thursday, September 4

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

11:30 am Tryon Rotary Club - FH

Friday, September 5

Saturday, September 6

Sunday, September 7

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am Breakfast - FH

10:30 am Worship - S

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

The giving of our tithes and offerings is an expression of our gratitude for God's grace. The giving of our gifts also symbolizes the offering of ourselves to love and serve as Christ's body. Offering plates are located in the narthex. Gifts may also be made online through the website or by scanning the code below.



We Remember in Prayer...

MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH

Donna Croft
Emma Pruette
Judy Warden
Betsy Zeek

RIDGE REST - COLUMBUS

Clark Benson

TRYON ESTATES MEDICAL - COLUMBUS

Mimi Child
Margaret Covington
Camilla Dick
Tom Hogg

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*)

Anne Shue
(*Rennie Habel's sister in law*)

Marks Speight
(*Charlie Speight's son*)

...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	08-31	Jer. 2:4-13; Ps. 81:1,10-16; Heb. 13:1-8; Luke 14:1, 7-14
M	09-01	Psalm 58; Jeremiah 2:23-37; Hebrews 13:7-21
T	09-02	Psalm 58; Jeremiah 3:1-14; Titus 1:1-9
W	09-03	Psalm 58; Jeremiah 3:15-25; Luke 14:15-24
T	09-04	Psalm 139:1-6; Jer. 15:10-21; Phil. 2:25-30
F	09-05	Psalm 139:1-6; Jer. 16:14-17:4; Col. 4:7-17
S	09-06	Psalm 139:1-6; Jer. 17:14-27; Matt. 10:34-42

Flowers

*The flowers are given to the glory of
God with gratitude for our blessings.*

- Charlie & Lynette Fisher



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Monday - Thursday

8 am - 11:30 am, 12:30 pm - 5 pm
(11:30-12:30 lunch hour)

Friday
Closed

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