

Tryon Presbyterian Church

November 23, 2025 - 10:30 am

Christ the King Sunday

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

"Processional in C"

Jane Wilson
Douglas E. Wagner

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Allan Purtill

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

"Thank You, God, for Loving Me"

Children's Choir
Ralph Long

PRAYER OF ADORATION

†HYMN

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

Hymnal Number 367
Tune: ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, you are our creator and redeemer. You blessed the earth and called it good. You blessed our lives and call us your own. Forgive us, O God, when we fail to give you thanks, when we forget that you are the source of all that is good and that our lives are to be an offering of thanksgiving. Make us grateful, O God, for the gifts of your mercy, and draw us closer to you and one another.

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**
"Alleluia!"

Hymnal Number 587
Tune: CELTIC ALLELUIA

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Amy McGrath

Children may be dismissed to Children's Church.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Edward Harrelson

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Jonah 2:1-10 (NRSV)

Pew Bible, Old Testament page 860

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir

"Sing to the Lord of Harvest"

Healy Willan

(Buddy Deshler, trumpet and Hank Sibley, trombone)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Dr. Allan Purtill

Colossians 3:12-17 (NRSV)

Pew Bible, New Testament page 201

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Thank You, Brother Jonah"

Dr. Allan Purtill

†**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

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*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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

"Gracious God You Send Great Blessings"

Jane Wilson
Jacob B. Weber

†DOXOLOGY

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Hymnal Number 606
Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

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

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

†HYMN

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Hymnal Number 643
Tune: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

SENDING OF THE CHURCH

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Dr. Purtill

CHORAL BENEDICTION

"Amen"

Chancel Choir
DRESDEN AMEN

†CARRYING CHRIST'S LIGHT AND LOVE INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

"Hornpipe"

Buddy Deshler, trumpet
George F. Handel

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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.

Today, we welcome Mike and Laurin Baker into membership of the church by transfer of letter. We also welcome Bill McCall into membership of the church by transfer of letter. Please extend a warm welcome to each of them following the service.

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.

Stewardship: Treasure Hunt for Grace

This a reminder to return your estimate of giving card. You may return them to the treasure chest in the narthex, you may place them in the offering plate, or email Kim in the church office. Thank you!

Advent Study

Longing for hope in a word of uncertainty? Starting Sunday, November 30th at 9:30 a.m., a new study will begin entitled "Will to Dream" highlighting God's dream for a new world from Isaiah's visions to Mary's song and onto the journey of the magi. Please contact Amy McGrath by November 23rd if you need childcare.

Blessing Box

During the month of November, we will be collecting food items for the Blessing Box to support those in need this winter. Your generous donations of the following items will make a big difference: canned meats, canned pasta, canned stews and soups, cereals, crackers, and bread. Thank you for your kindness and support!

Matthew 25 Drive

Attention church family - we need your help! We will be collecting several items during November to serve just a few of the many needs in our community. We will be collecting new and gently used coats (for all ages) for Polk Referral Center, canned goods for bagged meals (see list in narthex) to support our blessing box, and personal hygiene items for adult DSS clients. Just like Jesus taught us in Matthew 25, help us to clothe, feed and care for the least among us!

**All donations will be collected in the Narthex through November 30, 2025.*

Tryon Family Christmas Drop-in

You don't want to miss our Family Christmas Drop-in on Saturday, December 13th, from 5:30-7:00 PM. We have planned a wonderful family-oriented evening with hot hors d'oeuvres. Please bring a Christmas ornament to decorate our Fellowship Hall Christmas tree and a canned good to support the Blessing Box ministry. **While there is no cost for this event, reservations are essential.** Please sign up in the Narthex or email Jacque Headden at jacque.headden@gmail.com.

December Birthdays

1st - Donna Lyons
6th - Emma Meyer
8th - Allan Pruette
12th - Dennis Hill
12th - Brittany Meissner
14th - Carole Deal
15th - Faye Moore
16th - Beverly Brunson
16th - Donald Hawthorne
20th - Brad Hendrix
20th - Betsy Zeek
21st - Linda Schutter
24th - Olivia Flood
24th - Betty Hill
27th - Alexander Harrelson
27th - Nancy Mahler
31st - Leslie Casterline

31st - Jeanie Daniel
31st - Lee Lindsay
31st - Michael Meissner
31st - Rachel Ramsey

December Anniversaries

2nd - Art & Caroline Brown
2nd - Bill & Fran Ray
6th - Wayne & Penney Cline
14th - Roger & Kimmie Paul
19th - Pete & Susie Bellamy
20th - Bill & Patra Sullivan
21st - Floyd & Jamie Graber
22nd - Gail & Harold Wilson
31st - Woody & Jacque Headden
31st - Brad & Terri Hendrix

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, November 23

Christ the King Sunday

10:30 am Worship - S

Monday, November 24

3:30 pm Co Team Meeting - JCR

5:30 pm AA Meeting - CR

6:30 pm Community Chorus - FH

Tuesday, November 25

10:00 am Mom's Bible Study - EB

4:00 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal - CH

Wednesday, November 26

Office Closed

Thursday, November 27

Office Closed - Thanksgiving Day

Friday, November 28

Saturday, November 29

Sunday, November 30

First Sunday of Advent

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

We Remember in Prayer...

MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH

Joanne Alderman
Clark Benson
Donna Croft
Nancy Rose
Judy Warden
Betsy Zeek

TRYON ESTATES MEDICAL - COLUMBUS

Mimi Child
Margaret Covington
Camilla Dick
Sophie More

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*)

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	11-23	Jer. 23:1-6; Ps. 46; Col. 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43
M	11-24	Psalms 117; Jeremiah 30:1-17; Revelation 21:5-27
T	11-25	Psalms 117; Jeremiah 30:18-24; Revelation 22:8-21
W	11-26	Psalms 117; Jeremiah 31:1-6; Luke 1:1-4
T	11-27	Psalms 122; Daniel 9:15-19; James 4:1-10
F	11-28	Psalms 122; Genesis 6:1-10; Hebrews 11:1-7
S	11-29	Psalms 122; Genesis 6:11-22; Matthew 24:1-22

Flowers

*The flowers are given to the glory of
God and in loving memory of my
mother, Betsy Walcott Foster.*

- Rennie Habel



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

Friday
Closed

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