Tryon Presbyterian Church

November 8, 2026 - 10:30 am

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

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 — Jane Wilson

"Brethren, We Have Met to Worship" — Traditional Spiritual

Welcome and Announcements — Dr. Allan Purtill

Reception Of New Members

†Call To Worship Psalm 24:7-8,10 — Rev. Lynnette Sills

Lift up your heads, O gates; be lifted up, O ancient doors,

that the King of glory may come in.

Who is the King of glory?

The Lord Almighty - He is the King of Glory.

†Hymn — Hymnal Number 352

"My Lord! What a Morning" — Tune: My Lord, What a Morning

Prayer of Confession — Dr. Allan Purtill

Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to powers of this world and fail to be governed by his justice and love. In your mercy, forgive 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
"Alleluia!"

Hymnal Number 587
Tune: Celtic Alleluia

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Proclaiming the Word of God

Time With Young Disciples — Dr. Allan Purtill

Children may be dismissed to Children's Church.

Prayer For Illumination — Edward Harrelson

First Scripture Reading

Joshua 24:1-2, 14-28 (NRSV) — Pew Bible, Old Testament page 215

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem — Chancel Choir and Pam McNeil, accompanist

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" — John Carter

Second Scripture Reading — Dr. Allan Purtill

Matthew 25:1-13 (NRSV) — Pew Bible, New Testament page 28

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Sermon — "Wedding Crashers" — Dr. Allan Purtill

†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***

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 Jane Wilson
"What Wondrous Love is This" Southern Harmony, arr. Zabel

†**Doxology** Hymnal Number 606
"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" 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** Hymnal Number 362
"Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers" Tune: Llangloffan

Sending of The Church

†**Charge And Benediction** Dr. Allan Purtill

†**Carrying Christ's Light And Love Into The World**

Postlude Jane Wilson
"Prelude in C Major" Johann Sebastian Bach

Intercessory prayer is available in the transepts following worship.

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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 or greeters this morning. If you are interested in learning more about Tryon Presbyterian or church membership, contact the church office.

Welcome To Our New TPC Members

We welcome Peter and Sonia Gebhardt to Tryon Presbyterian. Peter and Sonia are joining by reaffirmation of faith.

Ministry for Children

Things are happening for children at TPC. Here's what's going on: All children of all ages are welcome in worship. Worship bags and materials are available for children of all ages in the Narthex. Nursery care is available for children ages 0-2. After the "Time with Young Disciples" in worship, chil-dren ages 3 through 3rd grade are invited to attend Children's Church where children will have time for faith formation. 4th and 5th graders will find new learning materials and books in the Narthex to use during worship.

Congregational Meeting

The Session has called a meeting of the congregation for Sunday, November 15th, at the end of the worship service for the election of elders. The Congregational Nominating Committee will present their slate of members who they believe God has called at this time to lead us.

TPC Young Explorers

Sunday, November 15th, 4th and 5th graders are invited to meet with Pastor Mike Carruth after time with Young Disciples. You will be exploring what it means to be God's people in fun ways. Bring your curiosity, questions, and imagination!

Early Thanksgiving Dinner

The Fellowship Committee will host an Early Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 19th. This is a popular meal with turkey and all the Thanksgiving trimmings. The cost is $10 per person, with children 12 and under free. Reservations are essential. The last day to sign up and pay is Sunday, November 15th. Sign up in the Narthex or contact Jacque Headden at Jacque.headden@gmail.com.

Confirmation and Youth Ministry

Youth and parents are invited to a conversation about youth ministry at TPC. We will meet in The Rock (by the library) following worship on Sunday, November 15th.

Stewardship: Giving Joyfully

Our stewardship campaign has officially ended, but there is still time to return your estimate of giving card, or pledge card. These can be placed in the offering plate or in the box in the narthex. Thanks to all who have submitted their pledges. We pray you can take joy in what your support is accomplishing with God's grace.

Blessing Box Holiday Food Drive

As we prepare for the upcoming holiday season, we invite our congregation to share the blessings of the season by donating food items to our Blessing Box. Through November and December, needed items such as canned fruit for pies, boxed stuffing, cornbread mix, jellied cranberry sauce, gravy packets, canned meats, canned pasta, canned soups and stews, and canned vegetables such as sweet potatoes, corn, and greens may be placed in the container in the Narthex. Every donation, big or small, helps us share God's love and provide a little extra comfort and joy to those in need this holiday season. Thank you for your generosity and caring hearts!

Sunday Fellowship Openings

Please consider taking one of these dates to ensure that we have Sunday Fellowship: November 22nd or 29th.

Gingerbread House Excursion

On Wednesday, December 2, TPC Excursions will go to the Grove Park Inn to view the Gingerbread Houses. We will leave the church between 9 and 10 am, travel to Asheville for a "Dutch treat" lunch and a trip to the Grove Park Inn. The cost is $25 per person. While space is limited, this trip offers seats to more people. Sign up in the Narthex or email Cindy Caldwell at cindycaldwell921@gmail.com to reserve your seat.

Church Directory

The church directory is in!! Pick up yours in the Narthex if you had your photo taken. All others available at $10 each.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, November 8

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am Worship - S
12:00 pm Committal Service for Lila Corpening
6:00 pm Glory Girls - FH

Monday, November 9

4:00 pm Lydia Circle - TE
5:30 pm AA Meeting - CR
6:30 pm Community Chorus

Tuesday, November 10

10:30 am Small Group - JCR
11:00 am Chapel/Communion - TE
3:30 pm Children's Choir - CR

Wednesday, November 11

3:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal - CR
4:00 pm Overeaters Anonymous - EB
6:00 pm Girl Scouts - EB

Thursday, November 12

11:30 am Rotary Club of Tryon - FH
3:30 pm Bell Choir - CR

Friday, November 13

Saturday, November 14

Sunday, November 15

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10:30 am Worship - S
11:30 am Congregational Meeting - 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
Russell Alderman
Donna Croft
Bill Daniel
Jeanie Daniel
Donald Hawthorne
Rachel Ramsey
Betsy Zeek

Tryon Estates Medical - Columbus

Margaret Covington
Camilla Dick

Care of Lakewood

Esther Taylor

Restoration at Westgate

Betty Brewer

Friends of the Church

Holly Muir
(*Gail Muir's daughter*)
Rachel Tawney
(*Kim Boswood's daughter*)

...our church family and staff

...our partner school, Sunny View Elementary School

Those in the Military

Sgt. Seth Walker
(*Terri Hendrix's nephew*)

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	11-08	Amos 5:18-24; Ps. 70; 1 Thess. 4:13-18; Matt. 25:1-13
M	11-09	Psalm 78; Joshua 24:25-33; 1 Corinthians 14:20-25
T	11-10	Psalm 78; Nehemiah 8:1-12; 1 Thessalonians 3:6-13
W	11-11	Psalm 78; Jeremiah 31:31-34; Matthew 24:29-35
T	11-12	Psalm 123; Judges 2:6-15; Revelation 16:1-7
F	11-13	Psalm 123; Judges 2:16-23; Revelation 16:8-21
S	11-14	Psalm 123; Judges 5:1-12; Matthew 12:43-45

Flowers

The flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of my family.

- Gail Muir

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