Trinity Presbyterian Church "Serving God in the Heart of the City"

**Sunday, November 8, 2026** **Dedication Sunday**
**10:20 am** **Service for the Lord's Day**

# *Gathered in God's Name*

**GATHERING** "I Want to Be Ready" Spiritual/arr. Wolf
"Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning" Spiritual/arr. Keesecker
"Make Me a Servant/Take My Life and Let It Be" Bergquist/Bolks
"Rejoice, Give Thanks, and Sing!" Larson

**CALL TO WORSHIP & OPENING PRAYER**

Even though we don't always feel it, God is with us.
**The darkness and doubt of the world can threaten to consume us.**
Yet God is with us.
**All around us there is fear and hopelessness.**
God blesses his people with hope and peace.
**Let us freely and without fear bear the lamp of God's spirit as a light for the world.**
God of might and mercy, we come to you today, proclaiming your power and your promise. We proclaim your power to defeat the forces that work against your hope for the world. We proclaim your love that draws us to you and to one another. We proclaim your promise in Jesus Christ, that grace will free us from sin and death. Strengthen us in this hour of worship that, as your church, we may proclaim our trust in you.
**Amen**

***PRAYERFUL PRAISE**
**HYMN #35 "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"**

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *Unison*

**Lord of Creation, we fall short of the life you taught us. We do not live as people in expectation of your return. Our faith runs dry; our hope wavers. Forgive us. Through your mercy light fresh fires of discipleship and witness in our hearts, that we would make a world ready for your arrival.** *(Time for silent prayer and reflection)*

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

***RESPONSE #447** **"We Are Forgiven"**

***We are forgiven. We are forgiven.***
***Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.***
***We are forgiven. We are forgiven.***
***Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.***

**WELCOME, GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## *Hearing God's Word*

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** **Psalm 70** (Pew Bible, OT, Pg. 532)

**ANTHEM** "Make Me an Instrument" Courtney
The Trinity Choir & String Quartet
Ellen Ensey - Violin I, Anna Gendler - Violin II,
Ann Weaver - Viola, and Robert Chamberlain - Cello

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE / SERMON INTRODUCTION**

**GOSPEL READING** **Matthew 25: 1-13** (Pew Bible, NT, Pg. 28)

**SERMON** **"Shortage"** **Dr. Mack Sigmon**

***HYMN #701** **"Lord, Prepare Me"** ***sing twice***

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** *The Apostles' Creed* *Unison*

**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.**

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

## *Giving Thanks to God*

**INVITATION TO MISSION**

**OFFERTORY** "Andante from Divertimento in D Major, K. 136" Mozart
Ellen Ensey - Violin I, Anna Gendler - Violin II,
Ann Weaver - Viola, and Robert Chamberlain - Cello.

***RESPONSE #647** **"Give Thanks"**

***Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;***
***Give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son. (repeat)***
***And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the poor say,***
***"We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!" (repeat)***
***Give thanks. Give thanks.***

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

## *Sent Into God's World*

***HYMN #353** **"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"**

***LORD'S PRAYER AND BENEDICTION**

**BENEDICTION RESPONSE** "God Be With You" Vaughan Williams

**SENDING MUSIC** "Allegro from *Suite Gothique*" Boellmann

*Special thanks to Nancy Hamadou (Lay Reader), The Trinity Choir (Anthem) & Ellen Ensey, Anna Gendler, Ann Weaver and Robert Chamberlain (Offertory) for helping with today's service.*

"Lord, Prepare Me (Sanctuary)"
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# KEEPING IN PRAYER

**Prayer Concerns:** Ron Acosta, Ron Allen, Tom Coyle, Joan Kingan, Rosalie Goll, Latre Lawson's sister Sylvia Lawson in Togo, Dr. Harriet Marsh, Anne McConnell, Janet Munson, Marilyn Nichols, Tom Roof, Colleen Shannon, Karen Sims, Jim Slagle

**Prayer Focus:** Holy God, one in grace, one glory, one in love, you call us to love and serve you as one people, united in heart, mind, spirit, and strength. Help us to love one another, living in unity and peace, working together in your Spirit for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our reconciler and redeemer.

# TODAY AT TRINITY

**In Person Worship** continues at 10:20 am. Online worship is available on our website trinitytucson.org/watch-live.

**Fellowship Hall is open** at 9:00 am. Come in before and after the service to visit.

**Hearing the Worship Service** A T-coil hearing loop is installed in the front half of the sanctuary and choir loft. Turn on the T-coil input in your hearing aid to pick up the sound system audio directly. There are headphones available at the Narthex desk too.

**Casa Maria Sandwich Making** after worship in Fellowship Hall. Stay for this important monthly mission project.

**Just Coffee For Sale** in Fellowship Hall before and after church each Sunday. The prices increased to $15/bag. You may pay cash or check which benefits Café Justo.

## Youth Classes

***God's Trailblazers*** preschool - 4th grade We will be having Sunday School downstairs in **Rooms 6 and 8** following the children's message. We will have a variety of short prayers (prayers for thankfulness, courage and wisdom, to name a few) each with a Scripture verse. Our activity will be coloring prayer bookmarks.

***Crusader's & Faith Encounters*** youth 5th grade and older are invited to pick up an activity packet and WORSHIP BAGS, and sit with their families during worship. Look for the Children in Worship display in the narthex.

# ITEMS OF INTEREST

**Library News** "Grateful for Books" will be our theme from November 8th-22nd. I am grateful and appreciative of books that have been donated to our church library. Books will be on the credenza in Fellowship Hall and are available for check out. Instructions for checking out books and the "check out" card basket will be on the credenza in Fellowship Hall. When returning books, please leave them in the Book Return basket in the library. The library is also open before and after the worship service. Please contact Kathy Moser, your librarian, if you have any questions. Please note: The book "Café Justo" is available for check out by the Just Coffee display near the stained glass window in Fellowship Hall.

**The Church Office** will have limited office hours Wednesday, November 4 through Thursday, November 12. Please call 520-623-2579 or Mack at 704-430-8811 to make sure someone is available if you need to come in person. If you leave a phone message or send an email they will be answered when someone is available.

**Our Traditional Cornucopia** will adorn the chancel area in front of the pulpit on November 15 and 22. If you would like to contribute Fall produce (e.g. apples, corn stalks, pumpkins, or canned goods to the display, please bring them to the church office by **Thursday, November 12.** (Food items are given to our Food Pantry).

**Science for the Church November 22** after worship. Please join Pima Council on Aging for a program about their services for the community.

**Trinity's Advent mini-concerts** begin November 29 and will occur immediately following the worship service in our sanctuary. The programs of seasonal music last approximately 20 minutes and you may watch IN PERSON or ONLINE.

November 29 – The University of Arizona Undergraduate Brass Quintet
December 6 – Yuletide on the Yamaha – Lynn Moser, piano
December 13 – The Trinity Ringers Handbell Choir
December 20 – Christine Harper and Christine Vivona, flute and harp

**Food Pantry Numbers** In September 554 people in 225 families received 256 emergency food boxes, while 93 of those families returned for a pantry visit. There were 308 walk-ins an average of 38/day.

## What's Happening in November:

- TPW Bible Study Tuesday, November 10 9:30 am Library
- Birthday & Anniversary Party Sunday, November 15 11:45 am Fellowship Hall
- TPW Ryan's Bears Tuesday, November 17 9:30 am Fellowship Hall
- Office Closed for Thanksgiving Thursday, November 26 & Monday, November 30
- Committee & Session Meetings
  - Stewardship & Finance Monday, November 9 2:30 pm - Hybrid
  - Admin & Personnel Monday, November 9 5:00 pm - Online
  - Property Monday, November 10 3:30 pm - Hybrid
  - Worship Tuesday, November 10 6:30 pm - Online
  - Mission Wednesday, November 11 3:30 pm - Hybrid
  - Session Tuesday, November 17 6:00 pm - Online
  - Christian Education Tuesday, November 24 6:00 pm - Online