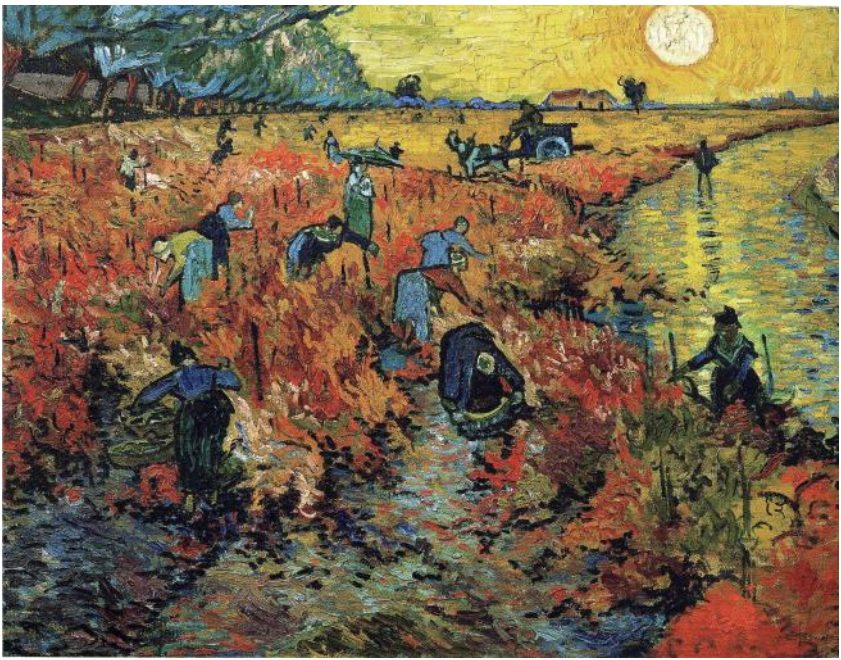


TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 5, 2024 • 10:30 AM



THIS IS GOD'S HOUSE. ALL ARE WELCOME.

THE RED VINEYARDS NEAR ARLES
VINCENT VAN GOGH, 1888

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ. Whether you're a familiar face or stepping through our doors for the first time, we feel blessed to have you here.

You might have noticed the message on our bulletin: "This Is God's House. All Are Welcome." We genuinely believe in these words. Our community aims to reflect the diversity and warmth of God's kingdom. We come from different walks of life, with varying perspectives and beliefs. But when we gather, whether in person or online, we come together as a diverse family that finds unity in our shared faith in Jesus Christ.

My hope is that today, you'll find something that speaks directly to your heart—a reminder of God's love, a catalyst for action, or an invitation to deepen your connection with God.

After the service, we invite you to linger a while. Say hello to one of our staff members or stop by our Welcome Desk. Exciting things are in store for Trinity Presbyterian Church, and we would be delighted to have you join us as we grow together in faith.

Pastor Jeff

New to Trinity? Please fill out a welcome card. Place the card in the offering plate, hand it to an usher, or leave it at the Welcome Desk. Our friends at the Welcome Desk can provide you with information about our ministries, programs, and volunteer opportunities.

Large-Print Bulletins: Please speak with an usher if you would like to use a large-print bulletin to follow the service

Families with Children: Children are always welcome! You will find children's activity clipboards and books in the lobby, and the Ushers can also provide these. If you need to leave the service with your child, the ushers can direct you to the changing table or nursery room. Every Sunday, we provide childcare for infants and toddlers from 9:00am to 11:30am in Rooms 1 and 3. There is Sunday school for children in preschool through 12th grade at 9:00am and Worship Care for children in preschool through kindergarten after the Children's Sermon.

Worship Online: A replay of today's service will be available at trinitypreslr.com/stream.

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

THE PEOPLE GATHER

Please sign a Welcome Card and put it in the offering plate, or scan this QR code to let us know you're here.



WELCOME

Larry Furrer

PRELUDE

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy Terry Jackson
Albert L. Travis

CALL TO WORSHIP

Larry Furrer

L: We gather on this Lord's Day around the Lord's table, which has been set before us to celebrate with thanksgiving the saving acts and the presence of Christ:

All: who touches us with healing and makes us whole;

L: who teaches us God's love and brings us to life;

All: who washes us in the waters of baptism and frees us from our old ways;

L: who reconciles us to God and unites us with others;

All: who feeds us with bread and wine and feasts with us;

L: who shapes us as servants and equips us for ministry.

All: Blessing, glory, and honor be to God forever.

L: Let us worship God who is holy and good. Let us bring our praises to the God of deepest reality.

All: We come offering ourselves to God in awestruck wonder.

* HYMN MEDLEY

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah



1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y. Hold me
with thy power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.

GOD'S WORD FOR CHILDREN

Jared Brown

Children, please come forward during Jesus Loves Me. Afterward, children in Kindergarten and younger may leave the Sanctuary for Worship Care in Room 3.

**Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong; they are weak but He is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Larry Furrer

All: 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.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Rick Hendricks

CONFESSION OF SIN

All: Most gracious and merciful God, we confess to You and to one another that time after time we have entered into Your presence with countless prayers but with hearts that have been closed to Your grace. We have lifted our hands to You in praise but our feet have still walked the well-worn path of

the way we have always been. We have rehearsed Your commandments and pretended we understood but have refused to see Your face in the needs of our neighbor. We pray You, Lord, to forgive our lack of faith and pardon our acts of injustice. Grant us the healing of Your unconditional love and set us on the right path once again.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Rick Hendricks

L: People of God, hear the Good News! Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life is gone; a new life has begun.

Friends, believe the gospel. In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God for His unending mercy. Amen.

PSALM READING

Psalms 98:4-9

Larry Furrer

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Rev. Rick Hendricks

Matthew 20:1-16

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Period.

Rev. Rick Hendricks

ANTHEM

How Beautiful

Craig Courtney

The Adult Choir; Laura Porter, soprano soloist

How beautiful the hands that served the wine and the bread and the sons of the earth

How beautiful the feet that walked the long dusty roads and the hill to the cross

How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ

How beautiful the heart that bled, that took all my sin and bore it instead

How beautiful the tender eyes that choose to forgive and never despise

How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ

And as He lay down His life, we offer this sacrifice: that we will live just as He died

Willing to pay the price, willing to pay the price

How beautiful the radiant bride who waits for her Groom with His light in her eyes

How beautiful when humble hearts give the fruit of pure lives so that others may live

How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ

How beautiful the feet that bring the sound of good news and the love of the King

How beautiful the hands that serve the wine and the bread and the sons of the Earth

How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ

INVITATION TO COMMUNION AND

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Rev. Rick Hendricks

SHARING COMMUNION

Communion is open to anyone of any faith tradition and any age who seeks the presence of Christ.

CALL FOR OFFERING



Larry Furrer

OFFERTORY

Bind Us Together
Gordon Young

Terry Jackson

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Larry Furrer

* HYMN OF SENDING

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy



1 There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide - ness
2 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures



of the sea. There's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice,
of the mind. And the heart of the E - ter - nal



which is more than lib - er - ty. There is no place where earth's
is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were but more



sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven. There is no place
faith - ful, we would glad - ly trust God's Word, and our lives re -



where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.
flect thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of our Lord.

* SENDING OUT

Rev. Rick Hendricks

* POSTLUDE

Psalm XX
Gordon Young

Terry Jackson

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MISSION AND MINISTRY

Sunday, May 5	9:00 am	Sunday School classes for all ages
	10:00 am	Coffee fellowship in the Narthex
	10:00 am	Choir rehearsal in the Choir Room
	10:30 am	Celebration of Worship—Communion
	5:30 pm	Taco Night fundraiser in the Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, May 7	1:00 pm	Women’s Bible Study meets in the Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, May 8	9:00 am	Trinity’s service day at Stewpot
	3:00 pm	Room 4 in use for flute lessons
	5:00 pm	Trumpet lessons in the Choir Room
	7:00 pm	Choir rehearsal in the Choir Room
Friday, May 10	9:00 am	Church Office closed today
Saturday, May 11	3:00 pm	Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall reserved for a music recital
Sunday, May 12	9:00 am	Sunday School classes for all ages
	10:00 am	Coffee fellowship in the Narthex
	10:00 am	Choir rehearsal in the Choir Room
	10:30 am	Celebration of Worship—Senior Sunday
	5:30 pm	Youth Group in the Youth Room

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Stop by the Coffee Bar
and enjoy a hot cup of coffee during worship.*

WELCOME REV. RICK HENDRICKS as our guest minister today! M. Rick Hendricks has served as an ordained minister with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) since his ordination in 1967. Throughout his ministry he has pastored churches in Ohio, Kansas, and Oklahoma, and also spent a brief time as Director of Church Relations with Phillips University in Enid, OK.

Upon retiring from the pastoral ministry, Rick decided to do an immersion course in Spanish and subsequently served for five years as a short-term missionary with Global Missions of the Christian Church, working at the Universidad Biblica Latinoamericana, a Methodist seminary in San Jose, Costa Rica.

In 2015, he moved to Little Rock where he married Tracy Speed and added three stepdaughters and a dog to his existing family of two daughters, a son, and three grandsons.

In Little Rock he has become something of a ‘professional volunteer.’ With Trinity, he has begun volunteering weekly at Stewpot, and enjoys singing in the choir. He may also be found volunteering with a weekly cafe for the downtown homeless population at First Methodist of Little Rock, and a weekly program to fill backpacks with weekend food for 350 children at Washington Elementary.

Of course, you likely may run into Rick at Costco or Kroger where he is buying ingredients for a new interesting recipe. He has become an excellent chef!

YOUTH GROUP’S MAY 5 TACO SUPPER FUNDRAISER: Trinity Youth are raising money for their summer trips and are selling Taco Tickets! Each Taco Ticket may be redeemed for one taco dinner consisting of two crunchy tacos, a side dish, a dessert, and a drink. Taco Tickets are \$15 each and can be obtained from a member of the Youth Group or by donating online at trinitypreslr.com/donate and adding “Tacos” to the comments line. Redeem your ticket in Trinity’s fellowship hall on Sunday, May 5 from 5:30-7:00pm. Dinner will be dine-in or carry-out. Direct questions to Jared Brown at 870-299-0989 or jaredotisbrown@gmail.com.

BARBECUE LUNCH ON SUNDAY, MAY 19: Join us in the Fellowship Hall after Pentecost Sunday worship on May 19 for a barbecue lunch. Randy Goodwin will prepare his famous smoked pulled pork with all the trimmings. You definitely don’t want to miss this!

ACOLYTE TRAINING: Acolyte training for children in 3rd grade and above will be held after worship on May 26 and June 2. The sessions will last about 20 minutes and parents should plan to attend.

TECHNOLOGY TEAM FORMING: We are putting together a technology team that could help organize existing technology, particularly used on Sunday mornings and in the Fellowship Hall, help fill in when Jared is away, and help with recommendations on future technology use going forward. If you like tech or this sounds like a good fit for you to serve the church, please call or text Karen Craig at (501) 920-1217 or email Karen at craigkm16@gmail.com.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Trinity family birthdays this week: 5/05 Eli Gillam, 5/10 Henry Lipscomb. We encourage you to reach out to our birthday celebrants by text, email, phone call, or personal note. We want to add your birthday to our list! If your birthday is missing from this list, let us know by contacting the church office at TrinityPresLR@gmail.com or 501-868-5848.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

May 5 we will have fellowship and brainstorm for ideas for summer and fall studies

May 12 and 19 and continuing through the summer: Join us for an enriching Sunday School experience where faith comes alive through shared stories and heartfelt testimonies. Each week, we invite a member of our congregation to speak candidly about their personal journey with faith—its triumphs, trials, and everything in between. Through their experiences, we explore the complexities of belief, the resilience of the human spirit, and the transformative power of faith in navigating life's challenges. Together, we learn, grow, and support one another on our individual paths of spiritual discovery. Come be inspired, encouraged, and uplifted as we journey together in faith.

May 12 Larry Furrer

May 19 Karen Craig

May 26 No Sunday School classes due to Memorial Day holiday

June 2–23 Rev. Mark Clark doing a Law & Religion study

June 30 Sam Parnell

THE SESSION

Pastor Jeff Price, Moderator

Bob Ridgeway, Clerk

Betsy Smith	Education
Karen Craig	Education
Rita Looney	Fellowship
Joe Arnold	Fellowship
Don Eilbott	Administration
Sam Parnell	Administration
Larry Furrer	Building & Property
Chuck Bloser	Building & Property
Wanda Hartnuss	Outreach
Mac Bellingrath	Outreach

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