Welcome to Trinity Church!

Sermon Series | This summer, we are exploring the Gospel of Matthew with a focus on growing as disciples. Matthew focuses on Jesus as a teacher and rabbi, and he writes with great detail about the calling of the disciples and their ongoing formation. We will join the Twelve as they seek to grow as disciples by learning from the One they follow and from each other. And as we walk along with them, may we, as disciples of Jesus, consider how the Spirit is inviting us to grow and learn from the One we follow too.

Notes on our Worship Service...
While we use projection for our songs and liturgy, we do not project the Scripture reading. **Pew Bibles** are located below the seat in front of you and page numbers are included in the Order of Worship. You'll also find a hymnal there too.

Do you need help hearing the service? We have a **T-loop** installed in our sanctuary. Please see the Sound Room Team if you need help connecting.

We have several members on-call to help care for your little ones in the **nursery**. Please see one of the Greeters before the service who can help.

If you wish to **give online** rather than in the offering plate, please go to trinityrc.org/give/ or scan the QR code to the right to make your offering.

For our youngest members in the service, please visit our **Children's Worship Center** located in the sanctuary. Here your child will find helpful resources to engage them in worship, including children's bibles, books on faith, and coloring pages connected to our service.

Interested to know more about Trinity Church? We'd love to learn more about you! See the Welcome Desk for more information about how to connect.

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Trinity Reformed Church

09 August 2026
11th Sunday After Pentecost

Order of Worship

Gathering

Prelude

Tolling of the Bell

Gathering Song: *Gather Us In*

*Call to Worship: Matthew 11:28-30

Approaching

*Songs of Praise: *All Are Welcome*

My God, How Wonderful You Are

*God's Greeting + Mutual Greeting

Prayer of Confession

Song of Assurance: *Just as I Am, Without One Plea*

Listening

Scripture Reading: Matthew 14:22-33 (p.1520)

Sermon: Ghost or Savior?

Sending

*Song of Response: *My Life Flows On in Endless Song*

Welcome of New Members: Tim & Cindy Alicki

Congregational Prayer

Offering: *We Give Thee Thine Own*

Charge: Matthew 28:18-20

*Benediction

*Sending Song: *Three-fold Amen #820*

Postlude

Please join us in the Cafe for conversation and connection!

Rev. Amanda Bakale, Preacher & Liturgist
Dan Kruithof, Song Leaders
Deb Koopmans, Organist
Kevin Brower + Russ Johnson, Sound + Tech

** Please rise in body or spirit*

Trinity News + Updates

Pre-Service Coffee | We hope you enjoy our pre-service coffee station and new seating in the back of the sanctuary. In the spirit of hospitality, this is one of the ways the Elders are exploring caring for members and visitors who attend Trinity.

Community Connections Event | In an effort to connect with and serve our neighbors, we would love your help spreading the word about our **August 12th Picnic**. You can find more flyers on the Welcome Desk to share with a neighbor or friend!

Church Directory | In the upcoming weeks, we will be printing copies of our church directory upon request. You can find some current printed copies available for review by the nametag station. Would you like to update your photo? If so, please submit your photo to the church office by **Monday, August 10.**

Staff Updates | Pastor Lydia will be away at a conference and out of the office from August 4-9.

Consistory Highlights

- Rick Fisher as chair of the Endowment Team presented changes to our policy to match state law. Consistory postponed a vote on approval of the policy changes until after the Consistory Budget & Finances Workshop on August 10th.
- Consistory established the following 2026-2027 goals: 1. Complete New Facilities Agreement by Feb; 2. Finish the Pavilion Project; 3. Try out "Trinity Talks" in order to hear more thoughts and feedback from the congregation; 4. Increase financial education and budget literacy of elders and deacons.
- Consistory received, with sadness and shock, the resignation of Pastor Lydia from her residency position effective September 8th.

For more details see the latest issue of Connections or visit trinityrc.org