

Message Notes

Today: *Vision - A Clear Focus*

Introduction

1. God Has a Vision for the Church.



August 12, 2018

2. Vision Gives Us a Clear Focus.



You've been invited! Long ago God invited us into a relationship with Himself through His son Jesus Christ. When we gather to worship, we have the opportunity to experience God's presence, hear His word, and respond to this invitation. That's why we're glad you're here!

Current Message Series



People have strong opinions about issues. While this isn't unique to our time in history, we do have unprecedented means available to publish our opinion. As followers of Jesus, we believe God's will is revealed in Scripture. A good question to ask ourselves is "what does the Bible say about....?" The Bible gives us much needed guidance for the issues of our day.

August 19: *Immigration*

Deuteronomy 10:14-19; Leviticus 19:33-34; Romans 13:1-7

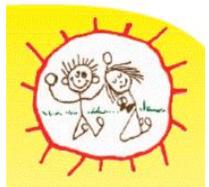
It's been said that we are a nation of immigrants. While immigration is a substantial part of our history, it's currently a hotly debated topic. Under what circumstances should people from other countries be allowed to live in this country? Immigration was an issue in the past, too – and the Bible has much to say about it.

Kids are Welcome too!

Kids of all ages are welcome in the sanctuary. We also offer Nursery for newborn through 3-year-old. Four-year-old through 2nd grade children will be invited to participate in children's worship most Sundays September through May.

Something Special for your Children

Children & Worship was created to make a special place where Children can come to encounter God, to be still with God, and to listen to God. It is a place where Children come to nurture their spiritual life. Children & Worship is a spiritual formation approach that presents a joyful way for children to worship God.





All Generations. One Family.

Compelled by Christ's love, our mission is to:
Invite all generations into God's family.

We do this by

- Worship: Experiencing life-giving presence of God
- Discipleship: Making passionate disciples of Jesus transformed by God's Word.
- Mission: Showing God's love and telling the gospel.
- Community: Encouraging followers to practice their faith.

Next Steps



If you're new to Trinity or to being part of a church family, you may be wondering, "What do I do after today?" Let us extend a few invitations to you:

1. Let us take you out for breakfast, lunch, or coffee. No big agenda. Who's us? Good question. That would be Pastor Randy or Elder Mike.
2. Visit a small group. We've got friendly groups that meet to talk about the Bible and life, pray for each other and encourage one another. Find out about all our small groups at: trc-gh.org/kids-youth-and-small-groups/
3. Take the Next Steps Christian Growth Survey. Discover personal, practical, and proven ways to grow in Christian faith. You can take it on-line at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BasicNextSteps>
4. Make a decision to follow Jesus and become part of God's family. Just check the box below, we'll contact you.

My Next Step - I'm interested in: (Check all that apply)

- Information on becoming a member
- Having coffee, breakfast or lunch
- Starting a relationship with God
- Pastoral visit
- Joining a Small Group

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Today in Worship

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Pastor Mike will be sharing a message with us today.
Vision - A Clear Focus

Mark 9:1-9

Jesus takes a life of sin and restores a wounded heart. He completes a picture of a life lived in Glory to God. Jesus beats death and suffering, He beats destruction and sorrow, because He beats evil and sin. How does this apply in our lives today???

We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome
Invitation to Worship
Songs of Praise
Prayers of the People/Lord's Prayer

God Revealed in Word and Sacrament

Scripture: Mark 9:1-9

Message: **Vision - A Clear Focus**

Prayer for Blessing

Our Response to God

Offering (**Please sign Friendship Pad**)

Closing Song: Hymn No. 473 "Victory in Jesus"

Benediction

What's Next?

Coffee and Conversation after worship. Take a left out of the Sanctuary right after worship. Step up to the coffee bar. Meet some new people.



Roots Small Group

A six-week small group experience with other newly arrived friends.

Get to know them, the good things

God intends for all of us and how they're happening at Trinity Church. Watch the bulletin for the next Roots Small Group.