

## Message Notes

Today: *The Kingdom is Like... part 1*

Matthew 13

### Introduction

#### I. Seeds

Matthew 13:1-23

#### II. Weeds

Matthew 13:24-29; 36-40

#### III. Mustard and Yeast

Matthew 31:31-34

#### IV. Hidden Treasure

Matthew 13:44-46

#### V. Fishing Net

Matthew 13:47-52



January 27, 2019



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!

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### Current Message Series



#### Kingdom Seeking

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#### February 3: The Kingdom is Like...part 2

Luke 15, Matthew 18:23-25; Luke 14:7-10

Even though Jesus' parable about the Kingdom used familiar life examples, they revealed a Kingdom very different than our world and life. Let's discover how God's Kingdom will change the world in strange and wonderful ways.

#### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 on another. Find out about all our small groups at: [trc-gh.org/kids-youth-and-small-groups/](http://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.

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**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

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Tear off & put in offering plate

## Today in Worship



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Jesus began many of His teachings with "The Kingdom of God is like...". It would have been nice if a simple, clear, and easy to understand explanation followed. It rarely did. Instead Jesus spoke in parables comparing the Kingdom to a familiar earthly experience. What can we discern from these familiar yet strange parables?

### We Gather in God's Presence

Welcome

Invitation to Worship

Songs of Praise

Prayers of the People/Lord's Prayer

Children 4 yrs-2nd grade dismissed for C&W

### God Revealed in Word and Sacrament

Scripture: Matthew 13

Message: **Kingdom Seeking: The Kingdom is Like.. Part 1**

Prayer for Blessing

### Our Response to God

Offering (**Please sign Friendship Pad**)

Closing Song: Hymn No. 404 "The Solid Rock" (vs. 1, 3 & 4)

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.