SUNDAY EVENING

Vespers



CONCLUDING THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH | NOVEMBER 1, 2026 AT 6:00 P.M.

Lord's Day Vespers

EVENING VESPERS MEDITATION

Almighty God, we give You thanks for surrounding us, as daylight fades, with the brightness of vesper light; and we implore You in Your great mercy that, as You enfold us with the radiance of Your light, so You would shine into our hearts the brightness of Your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord dispel the darkness of our hearts, that by Your brightness we may know You to be the true God and Eternal Light, living and reigning forever and ever. Amen.

CALL TO PREPARATION Mr. Cody Muzio

PRELUDE *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* Kathleen Thomerson

CALL TO WORSHIP ***(congregation reads bold type)*** Psalm 95:1-2

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION Mr. Muzio

† **HYMN 546** *Before the Throne of God Above* BEFORE THE THRONE

CONFESSION OF FAITH – Children's Catechism

Q. 84. What is the third commandment?

A. The third commandment is, Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.

Q. 85. What does the third commandment teach me?

A. To reverence God's name, word, and works.

EVENING PRAYER Mr. Muzio

† **HYMNS 323** *We Are Called to Be God's People* AUSTRIAN HYMN

426 *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* HOUSTON

During the final verse of "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light," 1st through 5th grade children are dismissed to attend their classes. Middle Schoolers are dismissed to the Frith.

† **SCRIPTURE READING** – Matthew 5:13-16 pew Bible, page 1029

HOMILY **THE UPSIDE-DOWN KINGDOM** Rev. Michael Howell

XI. Salt and Light

† **HYMN 577** *In Christ Alone* IN CHRIST ALONE

† **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *In Christ Alone* Keith Getty

The sanctuary flowers this Lord's day are given to the glory of God and in grateful celebration of the life of

Kathryn Elliot Patterson Williams

November 8, 1975 – May 28, 2012

by Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Patterson and family

THE UPSIDE-DOWN KINGDOM

XI. Salt and Light

Matthew 5:13-16

I. The Metaphor of Salt: v. 13
   A. Statement of Identity

   B. Function of Salt
      1. Preservation

      2. Flavor

   C. Warning of Loss

II. The Metaphor of Light: vv. 14-15
   A. Statement of Identity: v. 14a

   B. Illustration of Visibility: v. 14b

   C. Illustration of Purpose: v. 15

III. The Mandate for Action: v. 16
   A. Command

   B. Medium

   C. Objective

LEADING IN WORSHIP

Rev. Michael Howell, *Assistant Minister*

Mr. Cody Muzio, *Deacon & SEAL Presbytery Intern*

Aaron Perez, *piano*; Kim Steen, *flute*

Chip Lasseter, *guitar*; Robert McGowin, *bass*

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