

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Preacher. Jerry Croyts has been in pastoral ministry for over 25 years. He was recently hired as Assistant to Pastor Aaron Carr at First Pres in Trenton, MI. He pastored in Warren, OH for 18 years. He lives in Allen Park, MI with his wife and high school sweetheart, Jennifer. Their children are Jana (22), Josiah (18), Jaxson (13), and Jude (8). He enjoys spending family time, reading good books, listening to good sermons, exercising, and football.

Next Week's Sermon Text. Next week's sermon will be on Deuteronomy 17:14–20.

Christmas Party. December 10th at the Luecks' house. More info to come.

Bible Studies. Our Bible studies are on break until January

INFORMATION

Minister:	Taylor Wright (pastor@stonebridge-epc.org)		
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	Abraham Lee, Clerk		
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Welcome to



A Reformed Church For Toledo, OH

The Lord's Day, November 20, 2022

ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome And Preparation For Worship

Prelude

Call To Worship

John Leafgren

***Hymn Of Adoration**

“Oh For A Thousand Tongues To Sing”
Trinity Psalter Hymnal #291

***Prayer Of Invocation**

***Confession Of Faith**

Minister: Christians, what do you believe?

All: We believe that God is perfect and holy, and that every sin deserves His anger and curse, both in this life and in the life to come.

We believe that since the fall no ordinary man or woman perfectly keeps the commandments of God in this life but breaks them every day in thought, word and action.

We believe that to escape God’s anger and curse, which we deserve for our sin, God requires from us faith in Jesus Christ and repentance unto life.

We believe that faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace, by which we receive and rest on Him alone for salvation, as He is offered to us in the gospel.

We believe that repentance unto life is a saving grace, by which we, being truly aware of our sinfulness, understand the mercy of God in Christ, grieve for and hate our sin, and turn from it to God, fully intending and striving for a new obedience.

(from Westminster Shorter Catechism in Modern English Questions 84–87)

Scripture Reading

Acts 20:1–16

Confession Of Sin

All: Almighty and most merciful Father; we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to Your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen. (from the book of Common Prayer 1928)

* Congregation stands as able.

Assurance Of Pardon

Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted. (Hebrews 2:14–18)

Hymn

“I Will Take Heed And Guard My Ways”
Trinity Psalter Hymnal #39

Tithes And Offerings

***Gloria Patri**

Trinity Psalter Hymnal #572

Prayer Of Intercession

Abraham Lee

***Hymn**

“A Debtor To Mercy Alone”
Trinity Psalter Hymnal #434

Sermon

James 4:1–6
“The War Within”
Rev. Jerry Croyts

***Closing Hymn**

“Nothing But The Blood”
Trinity Psalter Hymnal #278

***Closing Prayer**

***Benediction**

***Congregational Response**

“And Can It Be That I Should Gain”
Trinity Psalter Hymnal #431, Verse 5

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