

# Trinity Reformed Church of Northwest Connecticut

Biblical, Traditional, Congregational

Lord's Day Worship for

December 28, 2025

*"But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall." – Malachi 4:2*



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“✠” = Please stand if you are able.

## Welcome, Greeting & Announcements

### Call to Worship – Psalm 8

**Leader:** O LORD, our Lord,

**People:** How majestic is your name in all the earth!

**Leader:** You have set your glory above the heavens.

**People:** Out of the mouth of babies and infants,

**Leader:** You have established strength because of your foes,

**People:** To still the enemy and the avenger.

**Leader:** When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

**People:** What is man that you are mindful of him,  
and the son of man that you care for him?

**Leader:** Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings  
and crowned him with glory and honor.

**People:** You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under his feet,

**Leader:** All sheep and oxen,

**People:** And also the beasts of the field,

**Leader:** The birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,

**People:** Whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

**Leader:** O LORD, our Lord,

**People:** How majestic is your name in all the earth!

### Prayer of Invocation and Confession

### Gospel Absolution Text – Psalm 103:10-12

\*Hymn #100 – “Holy, Holy, Holy”

### Scripture Reading – Romans 1:16-23

### Ancient Creedal Proclamation – Apostles' Creed (pg#845 in the red hymnal)

### Offerings Presented

[Please put your tithe/offering in the plates before or after the service – Thank you!]

[Gifts labeled “Deacon’s Fund go to aid those in need in the congregation.]

\*Doxology #731 (red hymnal)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## **\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Sung Psalm #104A** – “My Soul, Bless the LORD!”

## **Prayers of the Church & Lord’s Prayer** (sins)

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

## **Reformation Creedal Reading** – Belgic Confession, Articles II & III

*Leader: We know Him by two means:*

**People: First, by the creation, preservation, and government of the universe; which is before our eyes as a most elegant book, wherein all creatures, great and small, are as so many characters leading us to see clearly the invisible things of God, even his everlasting power and divinity, as the apostle Paul says.**

*Leader: All which things are sufficient to convince men and leave them without excuse.*

**People: Second, He makes Himself more clearly and fully known to us by His holy and divine Word, that is to say, as far as is necessary for us to know in this life, to His glory and our salvation.**

*Leader: We confess that this Word of God was not sent nor delivered by the will of man*

**People: But that men spake from God, being moved by the Holy Spirit, as the apostle Peter says;**

*Leader: And that afterwards God, from a special care which He has for us and our salvation,*

**People: Commanded His servants, the prophets and apostles, to commit His revealed word to writing;**

*Leader: And He Himself wrote with His own finger the two tables of the law.*

**People: Therefore we call such writings holy and divine Scriptures.**

## **Ministry of the Word**

### **Prayer of Illumination**

**\*Sermon Text** – Psalm 19:1-6

**\*Gloria Patri #735** (red hymnal)

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

**Sermon** – "The Revelation of God in Creation"

**\*Hymn #441** – “Jesus Shall Reign”

**\*Benediction**

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*Everyone is welcome to Coffee Hour Fellowship downstairs after church today*

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## **Announcements**

- TRC needs volunteers for two **support ministries**:
  - 1) Those willing to provide meals for temporary needs, such as emergencies or a funeral reception.
  - 2) Those willing to do casual/friendly visitations of shut-ins.If you are interested in volunteering for either, or both, please contact: Kim Simmons (860-309-9975; kimsimmons7@optonline.net)
- Pastor Doug is on vacation from December 22 through January 5<sup>th</sup>.
- With the holidays, and Pastor Doug's vacation, below is when the various **studies will NOT meet**:
  - Sunday School** (all ages): December 28<sup>th</sup> & January 4<sup>th</sup>. (So church starts at 10:30 on those days.)
  - Tuesday**: December 30<sup>th</sup>, January 6<sup>th</sup>.
  - Wednesday**: December 31<sup>st</sup>, January 7<sup>th</sup>.
  - YADG**: January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## **ONLINE RESOURCES**

<b>TRC's Webpage:</b>	TrinityReformedCT.org
<b>TRC's Facebook Page:</b>	facebook.com/people/Trinity-Reformed-Church/61554974150922/
<b>TRC's Youtube Channel:</b>	youtube.com/@TrinityReformedCT
<b>Pastor Doug's</b>	youtube.com/simplyreformed
<b>Youtube Channels:</b>	youtube.com/@PilgrimsofPlunder

## **INTERNET PRAYER CHAIN**

If you have any prayer requests for our prayer chain, please email them to Donna Ensminger at: **trcnwprayer@gmail.com**. (If you would like to join the Prayer Chain, also see Donna.)

## **LEADERSHIP**

<b>Elders:</b>	Rev. Douglas Aldrich, pastor	860-379-1147	douglas_aldrich@sbcglobal.net
	Bob Ensminger	860-485-8738	robert.ensminger@arthurgrossell.com
	Rich Gabelmann	860-605-7852	rgabelmann0415@gmail.com
	Rev. Jonathan Haulenbeek	203-709-0784	jhaulenbeek@icloud.com
<b>Deacons:</b>	David Mattson (chair), Carl Bierce, Caleb Goodell, Mason Goodell, Dean Winters		
<b>Sunday School:</b>	Verna Aldrich	<b>Music Coordinator:</b>	Cindy Rines
<b>Clerk:</b>	Sheryl Gabelmann	<b>Treasurer:</b>	Cindy Rines

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### **Trinity Reformed Church of Northwest Connecticut**

*Worship Starts At:* 10:30 AM (9:30 AM in the summer)

*Sunday Worship At:* Winchester Grange (100 Newfield Rd; Winchester Center, CT 06098)

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