

Trinity Reformed Church of Northwest Connecticut

Biblical, Traditional, Conservative, Congregational

Lord's Day Worship for

August 16, 2026



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"But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone" (Hebrews 2:9)

"*" = Please stand if you are able.

Welcome, Greeting & Announcements

Call to Worship – 1 Peter 2:21-24

Leader: *For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you,*

People: **Leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps.**

Leader: *He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth.*

People: **When he was reviled, he did not revile in return;**

Leader: *When he suffered, he did not threaten,*

People: **But continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly.**

Leader: *He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness.*

People: **By his wounds you have been healed.**

Prayer of Invocation and Confession

Gospel Absolution Text – Psalm 139:23-24

***Hymn #296**– "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

Scripture Reading – John 1:1-18

Ancient Creedal Proclamation – Nicene Creed (pg#846 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 #22B** – "My God, My God"

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 – Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q27

Leader: Wherein did Christ's humiliation consist?

People: Christ's humiliation consisted in his being born, and that in a low condition,

Leader: Made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life,

People: The wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross;

Leader: In being buried,

People: And continuing under the power of death for a time.

Ministry of the Word

Prayer of Illumination

***Sermon Text** – Philippians 2:5-8

***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 Humiliation of Christ”

Ministry of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation & Warning

TRC practices guarded open communion. All who profess faith in Christ, have been baptized, have a basic understanding of this sacrament, and are in good standing with a biblical local church are welcome to the Lord's Table. If you are uncertain whether you should partake, it is wise to abstain and speak with the pastor afterward.

Prayer

Words of Institution – Matthew 26:26-28 + Luke 22:19-20; 1Corinthians 10:16-17; 11:26

“While they were eating, Jesus took some bread, and after a blessing, He broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, ‘Take, eat; this is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me.’ And when He had taken a cup and given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, ‘Drink from it, all of you; for this is My blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for many for forgiveness of sins.’ . . . Is not the cup of blessing which we bless a sharing in the blood of Christ? Is not the bread which we break a sharing in the body of Christ? Since there is one bread, we who are many are one body; for we all partake of the one bread. For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.”

Partaking of the Bread and then the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

***Hymn #252** – “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

***Benediction**

Everyone is welcome to Coffee Hour Fellowship downstairs after church today

Announcements

- After church, on **August 30th**, Pastor Doug would like to have a **discussion** with those who are interested about: 1) How can the church support Home Schoolers. 2) To see who is interested in children's Sunday School. 3) To see if there is interested in a Wednesday Night Study.
- The elders would like to take a **new photo of the entire church** sometime in September after church when the majority of members will be in attendance. Please email Pastor Doug what Sunday(s) you will NOT be in church in September.
- This church has experienced **cyber-attacks** before. Please be very discerning about any emails you get from the church, Pastor Doug or any church member. We will never ask for money via email or texts. When in doubt *call* Pastor Doug.
- Pastor Doug will be on vacation from August 3rd to 24th.
- **Sunday School** for all ages returns on Sunday, September 13th.
- The next in-person **Elder & Deacon Meeting** will be at Pastor Doug's house on **October 3rd**.
- **October 10th**, Saturday, there will our annual **Oktoberfest** at the Aldrich's. (*Rain Date*: October 17th)
- The **4th Annual Christmas Party** will be on Friday, **December 4th**.
- TRC's **Annual Meeting** is after church, on Sunday, **December 13th**. The snow-day is December 20th.

Regular Studies & Gatherings (for the summer)

- Sunday School, Tuesday Morning Study & Wednesday Study have stopped for July & August.
 - **Saturday Morning Prayer Group** at the Gabelmann's. (Please call Sheryl to confirm if the group is meeting that day, 860-309-7250.)
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ONLINE RESOURCES

TRC's Webpage: TrinityReformedCT.org
TRC's Facebook Page: facebook.com/people/Trinity-Reformed-Church/61554974150922/
TRC's Youtube Channel: youtube.com/@TrinityReformedCT

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

Elders:	Rev. Douglas Aldrich, pastor	860-379-1147	douglas_aldrich@sbcglobal.net
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	Rev. Jonathan Haulenbeek	203-709-0784	jhaulenbeek@icloud.com
Deacons:	David Mattson (chair), Carl Bierce, Caleb Goodell, Mason Goodell, Dean Winters		
Sunday School:	Verna Aldrich	Music Coordinator:	Cindy Rines
Clerk:	Sheryl Gabelmann	Treasurer:	Cindy Rines

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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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