

Sunday, November 2nd, 2025
Sermon Series: “We/I Believe.” The Nicene Creed.
(Pentecost, 2025)
“The Trinity.”

The God of Scripture... A Trinity

(The Holy Spirit)...who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.

Matthew 28.19-20 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

“The central dogma of Christian theology, that the one God exists in three Persons and one substance, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit...one God equally in three distinct modes [or *persons*] of existence, yet remains one through all eternity.”
(*Oxford Dictionary of the Christian Church*)

ὕποστασις (*hypostasis*): Lit., “To stand under” “Essence” (Person/Identity)

...who **proceeds** from the Father and the Son.

“*Filioque*”... Latin for “and son.” The Holy Spirit *proceeds* from the Father “and Son” *eternally*.

John 15.26 “But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me.

The Doctrine of the Trinity Reveals...What We Confess in the Nicene Creed...

God (The Trinity) _____.

Titus 3.4-6 But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, ⁵ he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, ⁶ whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior...

“*Perichoresis*.” Perichoresis describes the three persons, God the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit, three distinct persons, but all of one “*ousia*” or essence, indwelling in each other, partaking in each other, and “dancing” around each other in a creative, spontaneous dance of love and joy and relationship

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Colossians 2.6-7, 9 Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, ⁷ rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving... ⁹ For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰ and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority.

(Answers: Loves. Gives).