



## Trinity Presbyterian Church Arlington, Virginia

Service for the Lord's Day Sunday, September 29, 2024

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost Worshiping in Calvin Hall and the Sanctuary 9:00a.m. and 11:15 a.m.



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Welcome.

We are glad that you are here.

As an inclusive community of faith, we welcome you just as you are. We celebrate that God's love and grace extends to all, and affirm that each person has sacred worth.

So take a moment.

Breathe.

## 11:15 a.m. Traditional Order of Worship

(For the lyrics and scripture text, click on the underlined text. This service is livestreamed and recorded.

People in the first 8 pews might be visible on camera.)

Welcome

**Prelude** Prelude on MIT FREUDEN ZART Carol Feather Martin

(Based on Hymn #645) setting by John Leavitt

**Announcements** 

(Please take this opportunity to check in using the red friendship pad.)

Moment for Mission Crop Walk Todd Stievater

Call to Worship

Come one and all to meet God here.

Let all who are suffering find hope in this place.

This is a house of prayer.

God hears our prayers and answers us.

This is a sanctuary of worship and praise.

Let us sing songs and remember God's wondrous deeds.

This is a place of comfort and healing.

God's presence and help are real.

**Hymn #645** Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

**Call to Confession** 

**Prayer of Confession** 

Holy God, we confess that we have sinned against you

And against your whole creation.

We have not loved you with our whole being;

rather we have love ourselves at the expense of others.

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves,

Rather we have shunned those who are different from us.

Forgive us, O God.

Open our eyes, our ears, and our hearts to your presence all around us.
Set us on right paths to our own health, the health of all your children, and the health of the earth.
Teach us how to live in harmony with all that you have made. Amen.

#### **Words of Assurance and Faith**

Friends, rejoice in the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

**Anthem** Prayer Litany Trinity Singers

Helen Kemp

Passing of the Peace or Greeting

**Children's Message** (Hymn #469 "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying") \*Children are invited to attend Godly Play after the Message or to remain in worship

Blessing of the Children

You are God's beloved child; with you God is well pleased.

Readings Mark 9:38-41

James 5:13-16

**Sermon** Walking Together with Jesus the Healer

Rev. Judith Fulp-Eickstaedt

Hymn #793 O Christ the Healer

**Joys and Concerns** 

**Prayers of the People** 

Invitation to Stewardship www.trinityarlington.org/GIVE

(Please take this opportunity to check in using the red friendship pad if you have not already done so.)

**Offertory** If You But Trust in God to Guide You Carol Feather Martin

(Based on Hymn #816)

Setting by Aaron David Miller

**Doxology** Glory to God Hymnal #606

**Prayer of Dedication (Unison)** 

Reigning God, whose dominion is over all worlds,
And whose witness comes from many places and points of view,
Expand our knowledge of your truth
So we may find common ground with others
Rather than being stumbling blocks in their way.
Show us how to be at peace with one another and faithful to you. Amen.

Hymn #816 If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee

**Benediction** 

**Postlude** Swing Five Carol Feather Martin

(Based on Hymn #793)

Setting by Johannes Matthias Michel

We invite you to stay for the postlude. However, you are also welcome to leave quietly.

#### James 5:13-16

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.

## Mark 9:38-41

John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

# Our Thoughts and Prayers Please pray for the following friends and family of Trinity

#### Joys

David and Morgan Whalen celebrate the arrival of their daughter, Blair Elizabeth on September 10<sup>th</sup>. David and Jocelyn Hunn celebrate the birth of a new grandchild, Rosemary Lee, to Sean and Allison.

#### **Concerns**

- +Brian Tuskey, brother-in-law of *Jennie Gwin*, for lymphoma return after stem cell transplant.
- + Family of **Lee Anne Geiger**, friend of **Vince and Wren Abramo**, who passed away from bulbar-onset ALS.
- + Family and friends of **Dorothy Campbell**, **Dan Campbell's** aunt, who passed away in early September.
- + Nancy Reese, friend of *Diane Allard*, who passed away last week while in hospice care.
- + Family and friends of Barbara McLean, stepmother of *Jeff McLean*, who passed away on August 30.
- + Family of Munnu Singh, husband of Pramila Singh, who passed away on September 9th.
- + Residents of Allen Dayal's home state who are recovering from mass flooding.
- + Robyn McCracken, friend of *Janae Ferguson*, recovering after surgery for thyroid cancer.
- + William Sever, friend of *Joshua Knopf*, for continued recovery.
- + Alec Gibson, recovering from surgery at Alexandria Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center.
- + Judy Freeman and her sister severely injured in a car accident.
- + Kristine Rogers, cousin of *Jim Dykstra*, in treatment for pancreatic cancer.
- + Harold Fulp, Pastor Judith's father, in palliative care at home, with cancer.
- + Kathy Fulp, Pastor Judith's sister-in-law, continuing treatment at home.
- + Julie Bradsher's father, Thomas Leidy, transitioning to assisted living.
- + Keiko, Michelle Edwards' mother, prayer for long term care following her hospitalization.
- + Shelia Wayman, Marilyn Scholl's sister, treatment for carcinoma cancer and other health concerns.
- + Sandi Thompson-Royer, PC(USA) missionary and friend of Trinity, diagnosed with brain cancer in late May. You can follow her CaringBridge site by clicking here.
- + Jason Ferguson, Janae Ferguson's brother, recurrence of cancer. Prayers for another remission.
- + Gwen Sutherland, Amy Arnold's mother, in treatment for glioblastoma.
- + Doug Hardt, in rehab after heart issues.
- + Bonnie Westlake, Gil Klein's niece, recovering from surgery for ovarian cancer.
- + Daoud and Jihan Nassar, for safety and the ability to retain ownership of their land in the West Bank.
- + Barry Schneider, Troy Schneider's uncle, with ALS.
- + Jackie Alling, living at Vitality assisted living.
- + Lani, Nene Pisigan's cousin, and mom of two young children, recurrence of cancer.
- + Nene Pisigan's parents in the Philippines, struggling with long term illness and financial hardship.
- + Immigrants and refugees in many parts of the world. Displaced by war, violence, poverty, and natural disasters.
- + Civilians on both sides of the Israeli/Hamas war, including **Fakhira Haloun**, a Palestinian Israeli and friend of **Priscilla Hoffman-Stowe**. Prayers for a ceasefire and return of hostages.
- + Civilians in Lebanon, including mission co-workers Elmarie and Scott Parker and Doug Dicks.
- + Graham Bardsley's sister, Kyila Sninsky, in California, with ongoing lung and heart issues.
- + Ron Shimabukuro, *friend of Yvonne McIntire*, recovering at home.
- + For peace in Ukraine and an end to the Russian invasion into Ukrainian regions.
- + Mary Warchot, Jim and Susan Dykstra's friend and neighbor, with advanced lung cancer.
- + Trinity Presbyterian Church helps sponsor the missionary work of those listed below who serve in the international field. We also support them with our prayers: **Sharon Kandel**, South Sudan; **Mark Adams** and **Miriam Maldonado** (husband and wife) on the US/Mexico border; **Larry and Inge Sthreshley**,

Republic of Congo; *Elmarie and Scott Parker*, Lebanon and Syria; *Eliane Menezes* in Guatemala, and *Doug Dicks* for Israel/Palestine.

Get Ready for Fall! Mark your calendars and sign up now!

## **Spiritual Formation Opportunities:**

#### **Questions Jesus Asked.**

This four-week Sunday School class, inspired by Magrey R. DeVega's book *Questions Jesus Asked*, will explore several of the questions Jesus posed to His disciples and reflect on what those questions mean to us. We'll dive into questions like "Who do you say I am?" "Why are you afraid?" "What do you live for?" and "What are you looking for?" The class will be led by Ben Stewart. There's no need to purchase the book to participate. Class meets in the Lewis Room starting September 15.

## Mediation Group Please join us!

The meditation group will continue meeting in the Mediation Room on Sunday mornings. The meeting time is 10:10 am- 11:00 am. We will be learning more about Meditation philosophy and practice. We will do meditation together for a total of 30 minutes, not all in one session, at each meeting. We will be in silence, listen to an audio guided meditation, or have quiet music for our meditation time. We will share together about what we are learning. Everyone is welcome for one meeting or all of them. If you are looking for a small group connection at Trinity but don't like to talk or listen to others talk all the time, this may be your group! For talkers and non-talkers, it is sometimes a surprise what the silence may bring, including a deepening spiritual connection with God and others in the group.

**Membership Class** If you are interested in learning more about what it means to be a member of Trinity, the Membership Class will cover what Trinity believes, how it works, and how you can find a place here. Meets in the Kinzer Room, at the back of the sanctuary, during the Sunday School hour. Led by Pastor Judith and Clerk of Session, Jim Dykstra. The remaining fall schedule is:

September 29 What does Membership Mean? (Using your gifts at Trinity)

October 13 Connect. Grow. Serve (Getting Involved at Trinity)
October 27 Our Shared Ministry (Opportunities to Serve) Part I
November 10 Our Shared Ministry (Opportunities to Serve) Part II

**Just Coffee** Knox Room (Preschool Building) A place to gather informally during the Sunday School hour to drink coffee, eat pastries, and get to know people.

**Wednesday Evening Bible Chat** This weekly informal bible study meets in Classroom A at 7:30 pm. We have been working our way through the Gospel of John, but new members are always welcome. For more information, contact <a href="mailto:ben@trinityarlington.org">ben@trinityarlington.org</a>.

**Sunday Afternoon Virtual Coffee Hour** Sundays at 4:00 p.m. Pastor Judith and Katherine Nichols host a zoom chat. We talk about what happened in worship, the sermon, and just about anything else you can think of. See the Wednesday e-news or announcements in the church app for the link.

**Caregivers Support Group (New Time!)** Starting October 1<sup>st</sup>, the meeting time for the Caregivers Support Group will be changed from Thursdays to noon on Tuesdays.

Are you caring for someone with a long-term illness or declining health? Maybe you are in the sandwich generation, juggling the needs of your children with the needs of your aging parents. Come join a support group. This weekly Zoom call with other caregivers, Pastor Judith, and Katherine

Nichols (Commissioned Ruling Elder), is a place to talk, get strength from each other, and pray. Weekly zoom call on Tuesdays noon -1 p.m. Contact Judith or Katherine to get on the email list.

#### Sign Up Now for the Trinity Fall Retreat!

Please sign up to join us on October 18-20 at Massanetta Springs, in the foothills of the Shenandoah Mountains (2-3 hours from Arlington). We'll have outdoor games, board games, and the world-famous Russ Scholl Obstacle Course. This year, Ben will lead an exercise on Building a Church. But of course, everything is optional—feel free to just kick back and enjoy a good book surrounded by fall foliage. Whether you're a long-time member or just getting acquainted, the fall retreat is a perfect opportunity to get away while deepening ties within the Trinity community. Come as you are. Come solo or bring the family. But come ready for a weekend of relaxation and fellowship.

Cost: The room charge is \$129 per night plus tax; meal cost (for five group meals) is \$70 per adult. Trinity covers the lodging and meal costs of youth/children 18 and under. If our group is too large for everyone to stay in The Lodge, some will be housed in more "retro" and less costly accommodations. Trinity pays the facility up front, and attendees' costs will be assessed and billed after the retreat. Please sign up no later than Oct. 4. More details will be distributed to attendees soon after that. Sign up here: https://forms.gle/3cRuB5PRgNAn6GgC7

# NOTICE: October 20th will only have one service at 10 a.m., and there will be no education hour due to the retreat



**Youth** 6-12<sup>th</sup> grade meets each Sunday at 10:10 am for Sunday School and from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. for weekly Youth Group activities.

Trinity adults: consider signing up to chaperone at Sunday evening Youth Group! Let Keeley know if you are interested or if you have any questions.

## 4th and 5th Grade Group

This group meets once a month and is a time for our fourth and fifth graders to get to know each other outside of Sunday school. We will play games and talk about life and faith.



Led by Ben and Keeley, the next gathering will be on October 6th, 4-5:30 pm. For more information contact either Ben@trinityarlington.org or Keeley youth@trinityarlington.org



### **Confirmation Class: Sign up today!**

This is a membership class for 8th-12th Graders. If you are interested in taking part in the class <u>register using this link</u> or the QR code. For more information contact Keeley (<u>youth@trinityarlington.org</u>)

## Field Trip Sign Up: Saturday, October 5, National Cathedral



The Racial Justice Ministry is sponsoring a trip to the National Cathedral for a tour of the 'Now and Forever Window' that was recently installed. We will meet at Trinity at 9:15am and carpool to the Cathedral. If you are interested or have more questions please contact Donna Parry, the.parrys@comcast.net. For more information about what the tour entails, watch this video.



Blessing of the Pets – October 13 from 2:00 – 4:45 p.m.

Pastor Judith will be on the front lawn of the church to bless your furry, scaly, or slithery friend. All are welcome for this annual tradition in honor St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of pets and lover of all God's creation. Judith's favorite pastoral activity!

## Ways to Serve in the Community and in the Church:



#### **Hygiene Kits for SOME**

Trinity High School student, Ian Ledford, is collecting items to assemble hygiene kits for the clients of SOME (So Others May Eat). A collection box is located in the narthex. Here is a list of needed items:

1 toothbrush/ 2 razors

1 toothpaste (4.8-6 oz)/ 1 lotion (2-3oz)

1 soap (3.5-4 oz)/ 1 deodorant

Q-tips (10 individual)/ 1 washcloth

1 2-in-1 shampoo/conditioner (12-15oz)/ 1 comb

2 ziplock bags (sandwich size)

5 single-use hand sanitizer wipe packs

Donate whole kits or individual items!

## **Bagged Lunches for Homeless Neighbors**

Parents, bring your Preschooler, Kindergartner, or 1st Grader for a heartwarming activity on Sunday, October 6, at 10 AM in Fellowship Hall at Trinity Church.

Together, you and your child will assemble bagged lunches to benefit clients at Path Forward, a local Arlington agency that supports individuals experiencing homelessness with essential services like food, shelter, and medical care. All necessary supplies will be provided, and we'll guide you and your child through the lunch-making process. While an RSVP isn't required, it helps us plan for supplies. For more details or to let us know you're coming, please contact Tim Foley at <a href="mailto:timothy.john.foley@gmail.com">timothy.john.foley@gmail.com</a>.

**PathForward** 

#### 2024 CROP Hunger Walk - Trinity Trekkers

Trinity Trekkers are participating in the 2023 CROP Hunger Walk to support CWS and help families who are struggling with hunger. Please join us - with your steps and your donations - to provide more meals for the growing number of people in our community who need them and create greater food security in communities around the world. The Arlington CROP Hunger Walk is one of the largest Walks in Virginia. During this time, we have raised over \$1,100,000 to help feed hungry people, provide food and supplies for disaster zones, assist refugee settlement, and support sustainable agriculture. Trinity has consistently been one of the top - if not THE TOP - contributor to the Arlington CROP Hunger Walk, and our community has a long history of supporting this important effort. Please donate to our team today! events.crophungerwalk.org

#### **VOICE Assembly: Today**

This afternoon, September 29 from 3:15- 5 PM at Fairfax High School, VOICE and its allies will hold an Assembly in support of additional Behavioral Health Programs for Youth: A Regional Crisis Receiving Center for Youth and a co-located Youth Residential Substance Use Treatment Center, and behavioral health education programs in our community. Co-sponsors of the event include INOVA Health, NAMI, and the Chris Atwood Foundation. Please let RJM know you are coming by emailing <a href="mailto:dancampbell@aol.com">dancampbell@aol.com</a>.



CALLING ALL QUILTERS!

## Calling all quilters!

Each week of our Advent theme this year will be illustrated by a specific quilt block that has been designed to coordinate with the weekly worship emphasis. We will be sewing pulpit hangings that feature each quilt block and could use your help! If you would like to help piece the blocks and sew the hangings, please contact Katherine Nichols at katherine@trinityarlington.org

#### Gallery T is gathering submissions for the fall show.

The deadline for submitting is Sunday, September 29 at noon. Submissions may be left in the church office. The theme for the fall is "God's World". Share with us your view of God's World as you experienced it through the summer (or any summer). Any media including sculpture, mobiles, graphic displays are welcome. Please bring your creations ready to display in a case or hang. The opening date for the new show will be October 6. If you have items in the current show, please retrieve them as soon as possible.



#### **Get Connected:**

**Church Connect: E bulletin/App/Giving/Directory!** 

The old app will no longer work, so please switch to Church Connect!

Church Connect is a one stop shop for Trinity members and visitors. The Church Connect that you used to sign up for the online directory

is also a portal that is the place to get calendar information, announcements, bulletins, live stream links, and signups! This is now the QR Code in the pews! How do you access it? Glad you asked! Just go to tpcarlington.churchtrac.com to put the webpage on your phone (like an app) for easier access here are some simple instructions. If you have questions or need help, contact Ben.



## Social Media Photograph Release Form (please fill this out!)



The Outreach ministry would like to be able to use more photos of Trinity members in action on our website and social media platforms. We respect that some people would prefer to not have their images on public platforms, so we are asking for a simple photo release from each Trinity household. To sign the release, you can use the <a href="Church Connect link">Church Connect link</a> (or the QR code below) to the right and scroll until you see the Photograph Release Form.

## **Changes to Office Staff**

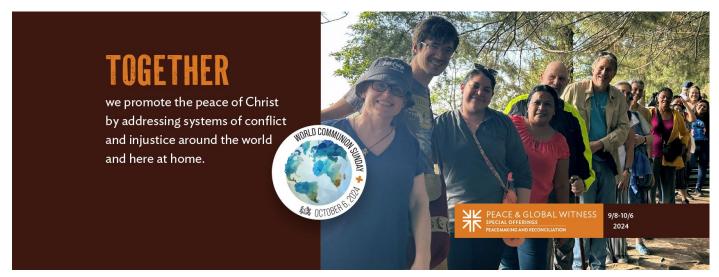
Caitlin Naranja is our office temp, helping to keep the office running smoothly while we search for a new office manager. If you have announcements, prayer requests, Moments for Mission, or anything else for the bulletin, please send an email to both <a href="mailto:officetemp@trinityarlington.org">officetemp@trinityarlington.org</a> AND <a href="mailto:pastorjudith@trinityarlington.org">pastorjudith@trinityarlington.org</a>. (If you use the office e-mail it will be forwarded to the office temp).

Thank you for your patience as people adjust to new roles and the staff collaborate to make Sunday worship happen. We also welcome a part-time bookkeeper, Yolanda Darden.









This PCUSA offering will be taken next Sunday, World Communion Sunday. Envelopes are in the pew rack today if you wish to give now. Please make your check to Trinity and designate it for "Peace and Global Witness Offering," or give through the Trinity website.

# Hymn #645 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

- 1.Sing praise to God
  who reigns above,
  the God of all creation,
  the God of power, the God of love,
  the God of our salvation.
  With healing balm my soul is filled,
  and every faithless murmur stilled:
  to God all praise and glory!
- 2. What God's almighty power has made God's gracious mercy keepeth; by morning glow or evening shade God's watchful eye ne'er sleepeth. Within the kingdom of God's might, lo! all is just and all is right: to God all praise and glory!
- 3. The Lord is never far away, but, through all grief distressing, an ever-present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing, as with a mother's tender hand God gently leads the chosen band: to God all praise and glory!
- 4. Thus, all my toilsome way along I sing aloud thy praises, that all may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises.
  Be joyful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and body, take your part: to God all praise and glory!

#### Hymn #793 O Christ, the Healer

- 1. O Christ, the healer, we have come to pray for health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to be restored when reached by love that never ends?
- 2. From every ailment flesh endures our bodies clamor to be freed; yet in our hearts we would confess that wholeness is our deepest need.
- 3. How strong, O Lord, are our desires, how weak our knowledge of ourselves! Release in us those healing truths unconscious pride resists or shelves.
- 4. In conflicts that destroy our health we recognize the world's disease; our common life declares our ills. Is there no cure, O Christ, for these?
- 5. Grant that we all, made one in faith, in your community may find the wholeness that, enriching us, shall reach the whole of humankind.

## Hymn #816 If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee, with hopeful heart through all thy ways,

God will give strength, whate'er betide thee,

to bear thee through the evil days. Who trusts in God's unchanging love builds on the rock that nought can move.

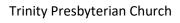
- 2 Only be still, and wait God's leisure in cheerful hope, with heart content to take whate'er thy Keeper's pleasure and all-discerning love hath sent.

  No doubt our inmost wants are clear to One who holds us always dear.
- 3 Sing, pray, and swerve not from God's ways,

but do thine own part faithfully. Trust the rich promises of grace; so shall they be fulfilled in thee. God never yet forsook at need the soul secured by trust indeed.

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