





Trinity Presbyterian Church Arlington, Virginia

Service for the Lord's Day Sunday, March 16, 2025

Second Sunday of Lent Worshipping in Calvin Hall and the Sanctuary 9:00 AM and 11:15 AM



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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 AM 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

Variations on FOUNDATION (Based on Hymn #463) arr. Joseph Martin Carol Feather Martin

Announcements

(Please take this opportunity to check in using the red Friendship Pad.)

Moment for Mission

Kathryn Young

Call to Worship

If God is a hen, we are under God's wing. If God is a table, we each have a seat. If God is a house, we are safe from the storm. If God is a party, we're invited to dance. If God is a melody, our names are the lyrics. If this is God's house, then all are welcomed. All are loved. All belong. God is holy. Let us worship God.

Hymn # 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession When the Pharisees tried to stop Jesus, Jesus said, "I will keep on." I will keep on healing.
I will keep on teaching.
I will keep on preaching.
I will keep on flipping the tables of injustice.
I will keep on treating every person like a child of God.
I will keep on believing that this world can change.
I will keep on

and keep on
and keep on until God's promised day.

Forgive us, God, for the times when we stop.
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!

Gloria Patri # 581

Glory Be to the Father

Passing of the Peace or Greeting

Children's Message

*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.

Anthem	The Lord is My Light and My Salvation	
	Kenneth Kosche	

Reading

<u>Psalm 27</u> Luke 13:31-35

Sermon

Full to the Brim: Under God's Wing Rev. Judith Fulp-Eickstaedt

Hymn #816

If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee

Life of the Church, Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, **Trinity Singers**

but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to Stewardship <u>www.trinityarlington.org/GIVE</u> (Please take this opportunity to check in using the red Friendship Pad if you have not already done so.)

Offertory and Reflection

If You But Trust in God to Guide You (Based on Hymn #816) setting by Aaron David Miller

Doxology #606

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

Prayer of Dedication

The Lord is my light. The Lord surrounds me like a warm, familiar quilt, in layers of grace. Whom shall I fear? The Lord is the sturdy foundation and the roof over my head. I am not afraid.

When the world is at its worst when grief clings to my bones, when fear eats at my confidence, when loneliness moves into my house— God sets the table, turns on the lights, and invites me to dance.

So even though there are days that feel like too much to bear, I know—I am not alone. So I ask the Lord, I seek and I pray let me live in your house all of my days. Amen.

Hymn #463

How Firm a Foundation

Benediction

Choral Response

Prayer of St. Patrick setting by Bernard Sexton

Trinity Singers

Carol Feather Martin

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

<u>Hymn #35</u>

1 Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!

2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what he ordaineth?

3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him! Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly for aye we adore him.

<u>Hymn #816</u>

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 I call thee to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow; for I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

4 "When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply; the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design 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.

<u>Hymn #463</u>

1 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word! What more can be said than to you God hath said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

2 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

3 "When through the deep waters thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

5 "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

Psalm 27

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh— my adversaries and foes— they shall stumble and fall.

Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

One thing I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.

Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD.

Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me!

"Come," my heart says, "seek his face!" Your face, LORD, do I seek.

Do not hide your face from me. Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!

If my father and mother forsake me, the LORD will take me up.

Teach me your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.

Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen against me, and they are breathing out violence.

I believe that I shall see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.

Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

Luke 13:31-35

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

Our Thought and Prayers Please pray for the following friends and families of Trinity.

<u>Joys:</u>

+ Joy for the way the Holy Spirit works in our lives.

Concerns:

- + Family and Friends of Craig Savage, husband of Anne Marie Riha, who passed away on March 9.
- + George Schaefer, high school friend of *Mark Stanga*, diagnosed with hairy cell leukemia.
- + Bill Plitt, recently diagnosed with multiple myeloma.
- + Kathy Fulp, sister-in-law of pastor Judith, hospitalized with kidney and heart issues.

+ Family and Friends of the next-door neighbor of *Catherine and Elmer Ransom* who passed away unexpectedly.

+ Family and Friends of Mary Warchot, Jim and Susan Dykstra's friend and neighbor, who passed away on February 28.

+ Family and Friends of David, friend of *Patrick Merkel*, who passed away suddenly from colon cancer on February 26.

+ Nancy Ponraja, mother of Diana Paulraj, recovering after cardiac surgery.

+ Sek-Man Young, Kathy Young's ex-husband and Kay Miller's father, is out of the hospital and continuing recovery at home in Shanghai, but his serious heart issues continue.

- + Gwen Sutherland, Amy Arnold's mother, in treatment for glioblastoma.
- + Rowan Smith, three-year old great nephew of Laurie Setzer, with cancer.
- + Brian Tuskey, brother-in-law of Jennie Gwin, for lymphoma return after stem cell transplant.
- + William Sever, friend of Joshua Knopf, for continued recovery.
- + Doug Hardt, recovering at home.
- + Alec Gibson, at Braddock Glen. 4027 Olley Lane, Fairfax, VA 22032
- + Kristine Rogers, cousin of Jim Dykstra, in treatment for pancreatic cancer.

+ 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. Pray for another remission.
- + Daoud and Jihan Nassar, for safety and 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, with long term illness and financial hardship.
- + Graham Bardsley's sister, Kyila Sninsky, in California, with ongoing lung and heart issues.
- + Ron Shimabukuro, *friend of Yvonne McIntire*, recovering at home.

+ Family and friends of Nick Rados, son of Mike and Lisa, and boyfriend of Josie Gieseman, who died in a tragic car accident on October 11.

+ Brooks Bare, and his family, dealing with the aftermath of the car accident, in which he was the driver.

+ 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 that the ceasefire will hold and that all hostages will be released.

- + Daoud and Jihan Nassar, for safety and to retain ownership of their land in the West Bank.
- + For peace in Ukraine and an end to the Russian invasion into Ukrainian regions.
- + Genocide of Sudan and the conflict in eastern Democratic Republic of Congo.
- + We continue prayers for those affected by the wildfires in California and by Hurricanes Helene and Milton.

Trinity Presbyterian Church helps sponsor the missionary work of those listed below who serve in the international field: *Sharon Kandel*, South Sudan; *Mark Adams* and *Miriam Maldonado* (husband and wife) on the US/Mexico border; *Larry and Inge Sthreshley*, Republic of the Congo; *Elmarie and Scott Parker,* Lebanon and Syria; *Eliane Menezes* in Guatemala, and *Doug Dicks* for Israel/Palestine. We pray for these partners and for other PC(USA) mission co-workers who are being affected by changes to the mission structure of the PCUSA. We will provide more information as it becomes available.

Announcements in the Life of the Church March 2025

PIZZA and PRAYER

Pastoral Care During a Time of Transition and Change

Many in our congregation are experiencing uncertainty and transition right now and the church staff will respond in various ways over the coming weeks and months.

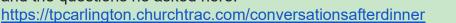
This past **Friday, March 14th** we hosted our "**Pizza and Prayer**" drop-in group at **7:00 pm** in the **Lewis Room**, a time and place to support those in our community who are affected by the changes that are happening at this time or by those yet to be determined. We will continue to meet on Fridays at 7:00 p.m. until further notice.

People are impacted in many different ways, and we will continue to look for pathways to provide support and care for one another. In addition, Pastor Judith will continue to be available on Saturdays since for individual counseling and prayer. Please e-mail her directly to set up an appointment at *pastorjudith@trinityarlington.org.*

Conversations after Dinner

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If you couldn't make it to the last Conversations After Dinner, don't worry; there is still room at the table. You are invited to join us on Wednesday, March 19 at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. We will share Communion and then have a guided conversation. If you missed the last one, you can read what Ben said and the questions he asked here:





This is a great Lenten exercise to give us time to connect and the freedom from distractions to think more deeply about what it means to follow Jesus. For more information, please contact Ben at Ben@trinityarlington.org.

Services: March 19 and 26; April 2 and 9



Gallery T Opens this Sunday, March 16

The theme of this exhibit is "HOPE." Thanks to all our contributing artists, there are multiple artistic expressions on display for you to experience and enjoy.

VBS Registration is OPEN

June 23rd – 27th from 9 am - Noon Cost: \$100 per child

We are still looking for volunteers, so please consider joining us, even for a couple of days. Scholarships are available for families that need help with the cost. Contact <u>trinityarlingtonvbs@gmail.com</u>





Massannetta Springs Capital Campaign. Massannetta has been an important place for Trinity Presbyterian over many years of camps, retreats, and conferences attended by Trinity members.

Massannetta is upgrading its facilities so that groups like ours have nicer accommodation when we have more than will fit in the lodge. It also has a much broader ministry than accommodating church groups. Since 2016 they have been providing temporary housing for

refugees who are relocating to the Shenandoah Valley. Their most recent work in this area is in partnership with Church World Service. Watch a great video and learn more at <u>https://massanettasprings.org/bpa</u>. Due to our long-standing relationship and love of Massannetta, the Session has committed to matching member gifts with this fund-raising campaign up to \$5,000. Please e-mail Pastor Judith or Jim Dykstra to let them know of your contribution so we can match it.

ATTENTION TRINITY MEN'S FELLOWSHIP!

Please join Trinity Men's Fellowship for one of the most widely attended and popular events of the fellowship year -- that's right -- it's **TRINITY MEN's BOWLING** night.

Jay Daugherty and Ted Lutz have reserved some lanes at Bowl America in Falls Church on **Friday, March 21 from 7-9 pm**. There will be awards for best (and lowest) scores, and even some random commentary on the best bowling style, so come prepared for heckling, howling ... and a little bowling.

If you have never participated, it is a lot of fun. You can bowl as many or as few games as you like. You can even come just for the fries and unhealthy cuisine....



Jay will need a rough headcount to reserve the appropriate number of lanes. Please let him know if you plan to be there. His email is <u>jxdaugherty@gmail.com</u>.

BOWLING

Friday, March 21, 2025, 7:00 p.m.- 9:00 pm, Bowl America, Falls Church, 140 S. Maple Ave, Falls Church 22046

Mega Cents-ability Collection for Bread for the World

The Mission and Service Ministry is sponsoring a Cents-ability Collection of bulk coins on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>March 23 and Sunday</u>, <u>March 30</u> to benefit Bread for the World. In light of the recent reduction of U.S. federal funding for domestic and global humanitarian aid, the need for systemic solutions to food insecurity is greater than ever. This collection of bulk coins over two Sundays will offer Trinity members the opportunity to help a very worthy cause while also cleaning out their house, car, purse, and sofa cushions of valuable coinage



EXPRESS YOURSELF!!!!



Everybody has an opinion....and we would love to hear yours!!! In May, as part of their retreat, the **Session** will examine the current ministry system – taking a deep dive into our structure and processes. Questions like, "What works?" and "What doesn't?" are just the start of this important self-evaluation project.

It would be helpful to hear from people who are presently part of a ministry or who have been part of a ministry team in the past. Please take a few minutes to fill out this short questionnaire and share your thoughts. Thanks, in advance, for helping us to continue growing forward.

An Invitation: Sponsored by Mission and Service Ministry

The Heart Leaf Center invites you join them for an enchanted time of fellowship with friends and family as we sip tea while indulging in a delicious five-course meal featuring a fruit cup, soup, delectable tea sandwiches, warm scones, and amazing desserts.

This event is not just a gathering; it's a heartfelt opportunity for individuals, families, and organizations to come together and make a meaningful difference in the lives of children by providing them with essential mental health support.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER!

Spiritual Formation Opportunities

Trinity's Spring Membership Class

Trinity's Membership Class provides an opportunity to become acquainted with our church and to learn about membership. The class is led by pastor Judith and elder Jim Dykstra, who are available to answer any questions and help you get connected at Trinity.

The class meets in the Kinzer Room (across the hall from the back of the sanctuary) during the Sunday School hour from 10:10 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. and there is childcare available in our nursery.

March 16 What does Membership Mean?

Meditation Group

The Meditation Group will resume meeting on Sunday mornings during the Education time in the Meditation Room on **March 16th**.

The meeting time is 10:10 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. and we will be learning more about Meditation philosophy and practice. We will do meditation together for a total of 30 minutes, across each meeting. We will be in silence, listen to audio guided meditation, or have quiet music for our meditation time, and 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.



Caregivers 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 calls happen on Tuesdays, noon -1:00 p.m. Contact Pastor Judith or Katherine to get on the email list or see the E-news or announcements in the church app for the Zoom link.

Just Coffee in the Knox Room (Preschool Building)

It is a place and a time to gather informally during the Sunday School hour to drink coffee, eat pastries, and get to know people.

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.

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 **April 6th, from 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.** For more information please contact either Ben at Ben@trinityarlington.org or Keeley at youth@trinityarlington.org.





Youth 6-12th grade meets each Sunday at 10:10 am for Sunday School and from 5:30 p.m. -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 have any questions

New Mental Health Blog

"Why is watching the news driving me nuts, and what can I do about it?"

Rich Long offers thoughts on how to modulate your emotional responses to all the information coming at you these days. You can use this QR Code to access this new blog post \rightarrow



Ways to Serve in the Community and in the Church

Upcoming Fellowship Volunteer Opportunities

Fellowship Ministry is looking for volunteers to coordinate an upcoming gathering. Opportunities include Easter potluck brunch and the June 8th picnic. Detailed instructions are available – no experience required! Please text Ellen Greer (202-236-1300) or email <u>trinityfellowshipmin@gmail.com</u> for more details and to volunteer!



Serving with S.O.M.E.

Do You Play Piano or Keyboard?

The Contemporary Service's Praise Band would love to have you bring your talents to worship -- whether for one song or every week. Practices are held on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m., and ALL interested musicians and singers are welcome. To learn more email Alan MacEwen at <u>cwl@trinityarlington.org</u>.

Trinity has been preparing breakfast for over 30+ years on the 3rd Monday of the month for SOME (So Others May Eat https://some.org/get-involved/volunteer/) in DC. They have recently completed a renovation of the kitchen, dining room and building at 71 O Street NW.

TPC resumed this local mission support last December. Breakfast preparation consists of 3-4 people arriving at 6:00 a.m. *(finishing by 7:30 a.m.)* and cooking eggs, sausages, grits and other duties as needed. It's a great way to start the morning and support people in need. Visit the sign-up genius link to volunteer (calendar set up through Dec. 2025) - for more information contact Todd Parker (703-237-7699). https://signup.com/go/eahNdeL

Get Connected

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 not to have their images on public platforms, so we are asking for a simple photo release from each Trinity household.



Use the Church Connect link to review and sign the Photograph Release Form.

Do You Have Items for the Bulletin?

Reminder that if you have announcements, prayer requests, Moments for Mission, or anything else for the bulletin, please send an email to office@trinityarlington.org. For announcements to be put in the bulletin for Sundays, please send them no later than noon on **Wednesdays**.

Thank you for helping to keep our community informed!

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