

**Trinity Presbyterian Church
Arlington, Virginia**

**Service for the Lord's Day
Sunday, May 18, 2025**

Fifth Sunday of Easter
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

Precious Lord, Take My Hand
(Based on Hymn #834)
arr. Mark Hayes

Carol Feather Martin

Announcements

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

Call to Worship

Holy God, in the promised Holy Spirit

You are making all things new.

A new heaven

A new earth

A new way of thinking

A new way of being.

You are making all things new.

No more Death

No more mourning

No more crying

No more pain.

You are making all things new.

Renew our minds

to renew the world

by living out your

commandment of love.

You are making all things new.

Hymn #39

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Spirit, you are alive in me.
And sometimes I'm afraid.
Spirit, you nudge me.
You whisper in my ear.
You blow around me,
urging me to action.
And sometimes I'm afraid.
Spirit, you are alive in me.
And you are always here.
Always moving, always calling.
And I am unaware.
And sometimes I'm afraid.
Afraid of the task.
Afraid of caring.
Afraid of responsibility.
Afraid of myself.
Forgive me, forgive us,
when fear gets in the way.
Spirit, you are alive in me.
and I am alive in you.
Help me to journey with you,
Even when I'm afraid. Amen.

Silent Confession

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 Hymn #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

How Can I Keep From Singing
Jeffrey Honoré

Trinity Singers

Reading

John 14:8-17
Acts 9:36-43

Sermon

Beyond the Tomb: Saints and Widows Rejoice
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 and Reflection

Great Is Thy Faithfulness
(Based on Hymn #39)
arr. Jim Martinez

Carol Feather Martin

Doxology Hymn #606

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

Prayer of Dedication (Unison)

Speak to us, Giver of Life, and make us new.
We thirst for the waters of eternal life,
we yearn to know ourselves as Resurrection People.
Send your Holy Spirit upon us this day,
and create in us your new heaven and new earth.
Speak to us words of comfort and hope,
words of challenge and courage.
Send us forth to do signs and wonders -
to raise each other from the dead,
to use our healing hands and hearts,
in real situations,
to proclaim your presence in the world. Amen.

Hymn #834

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

Benediction

Postlude

Swing Five on ERHALT UNS HERR
(Based on Hymn #793)
Johannes Matthias Michel

Carol Feather Martin

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

Hymn #39

1 *Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee.
Thou changest not;
thy compassions they fail not.
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness!
Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning, new mercies I see.
All I have needed thy hand hath provided.
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

2 Summer and winter,
and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.
(Refrain)

3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today
and bright hope for tomorrow:
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!
(Refrain)

Hymn #793

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 #834

1 Precious Lord, take my hand;
lead me on, help me stand;
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
Through the storm, through the night,
lead me on to the light;
take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

2 When my way grows drear,
precious Lord, linger near;
when my life is almost gone,
hear my cry, hear my call,
hold my hand lest I fall;
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

John 14:8-17

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

Acts. 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, “Please come to us without delay.” So Peter got up and went with them, and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, “Tabitha, get up.” Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile, he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

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

Joys:

+ The Baptism of **Allan (Hank) Hanckel** at the 9:00 service today.

Concerns:

- + Prayers for students with year-end tests and added stress.
- + **Polly Bare**, mother of **Tracy Bare**, 94 years old and diagnosed with metastatic cancer. Prayers for comfort and peaceful time with family.
- + **Kay Plitt**, recovering at home following hip replacement surgery and rehabilitation.
- + **Art Hoffman**, in rehab after complications following hip surgery. Access the CaringBridge site here: <https://www.caringbridge.org/profile/signin>.
- + **Cooper Shirley**, newborn son of the niece of **Dan Campbell**, being treated for heart issues.
- + **George Schaefer**, high school friend of **Mark Stanga**, diagnosed with hairy cell leukemia.
- + **Bill Plitt**, in treatment for multiple myeloma.
- + **Kathy Fulp**, sister-in-law of pastor Judith, in rehab in North Carolina.
- + **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.
- + **Barry Schneider**, **Troy Schneider's** uncle, with ALS.
- + **Jackie Ailing**, 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.
- + **Brooks Bare**, for strength, comfort, healing, and patience during his incarceration.
- + **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 another cease-fire.
- + **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. 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. We will be continuing our support of ecumenical global partners as the PCUSA shifts its model for international engagement.

Life of the Church and Announcements May 2025

Upcoming Events and Happenings

"Be Curious, Not Judgmental" - Ted Lasso

A **3-part, 10:10 series** in the **Lewis Room** on how to navigate, understand, and engage our current world-life situations in ways that are healthy, keep us grounded, and allow us to be actively involved in ways that make a difference. Mark your calendar and plan to gather together for:

May 4 - Talking Across the Divides *with Pastor Judith*

May 11 - Complexifying Immigration *with Bill Davnie*

May 18 - Social Justice and Advocacy with Mission and Service Ministry and Racial Justice Ministry in the Lewis Room

We are hosting a speaker from the Legal Aid Justice Center who will give us a picture of what immigrants are facing in our community as a result of the current administration's policies. Our own Stephen Ward will then speak on how to contact your member of Congress – it's easier and more effective than you think!

Service of Gratitude for USAID

Join us on **June 8 at 3:00 p.m.** for a service of worship in gratitude for USAID and for those who have carried out the work of this agency. We are grateful for those directly employed by USAID and for those who supported the work of international aid and development through organizations that carried out USAID contracts.

Summer Worship Schedule Begins May 25th Upcoming Dates!

May 25th-August 31st: At 10:00 a.m., the Summer Worship Schedule begins with one blended service followed by Lemonade on the Lawn.

June 8th: 10:00 a.m. Worship and the Summer Picnic with Graduation and Confirmation Recognition. (see below how to send in your grad info!)



Let's Celebrate Our Graduates!



We will be recognizing our graduates...from high school, higher education, or certificate programs, in the bulletin and in worship on **Picnic Sunday, June 8th!** Please send an email to the Church Office by Tuesday, June 3rd with the name of the graduate and place of graduation to office@trinityarlington.org.

Thank you!

Mental Health Blogs by Rich Long

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

Thoughts on how to modulate your emotional responses to all the information coming at you these days.

Managing Career Stress

Any uncertainty is a challenge, and professional changes are always anxiety-provoking. Here are some thoughts on managing career stress during times of uncertainty.

Waking Up at 3 AM

Here are some thoughts on understanding what is happening to your mind in the middle of the night, how to navigate it, and move forward in healthy ways.

You can use this QR Code or the link below to access all 3 blog posts →

<https://tpcarlington.churchtrac.com/mentalhealthblog>



Mega Cents-ability Collection for Bread for the World

The Mission and Service Ministry is pleased to announce that the Cents-ability Collection of bulk coins on **Sunday, March 23**, and **Sunday, March 30**, to benefit Bread for the World collected a grand total of **\$602.00**.

Thank you, Trinity, for cleaning out your homes, cars, and sofa cushions to make a difference in domestic and global humanitarian aid efforts!!!

Classes and Spiritual Formation Opportunities

Social Justice and Advocacy with Mission and Service Ministry and Racial Justice Ministry in the Lewis Room

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Meditation Group

The Meditation Group is once again meeting in the Meditation Room on Sunday mornings from 10:10 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. We explore meditation philosophy and practice, spending 30 minutes in meditation—sometimes in silence, with guided audio, or quiet music. Everyone is welcome to join for one meeting or all of them. If you're looking for a small group connection at Trinity without having to talk or listen to others talk all the time, this is the perfect space for you! Come experience how silence can deepen your connection with God and others.

Just Coffee

Knox Room (Preschool Building)

A place to gather informally, drink coffee, eat pastries, and get to know people.

Youth

6th grade - 12th grade meets each Sunday at 10:10 a.m. for Sunday School Class and each

evening at 5:30 p.m. for Youth Group activities. *Trinity adults, please consider signing up to chaperone at Sunday evening Youth Group! Sign up here!* <https://signup.com/go/KpoODHo>

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 to get on the email list or see the E-news or announcements in the church app for the Zoom link.

Wednesday Bible Study

For May, the Wednesday Bible Study will be reading the letter to the Ephesians.

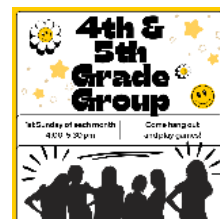
It doesn't matter if you didn't know there was a letter to the Ephesians or if you are an expert on it, all are welcome to read it together and share their thoughts. We meet in **Classroom A** from **7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** and hope to see you there.

Sunday Afternoon Virtual Coffee Hour

Sundays at 4:00 p.m. Pastor Judith hosts 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 **June 1, 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 a.m. 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

VBS Registration is now Closed

Parents will receive more information about the VBS week closer to the date. In the meantime, if you have questions or would like to volunteer at VBS, please contact trinityarlingtonvbs@gmail.com



Ways to Serve in the Community and in the Church

Lemonade on the Lawn

It's almost time for *Lemonade on the Lawn* (in the Narthex) to resume! Please choose a date for your small group or Ministry to host and sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4EAFAD2FA31-56538891-lemonade#/>

Youth Mission Trip needs a Chaperone from July 27 - August 2, 2025

The Youth Mission Trip is in need of at least **one male chaperone**! The mission trip will be from July 27th - August 2nd this summer. Come join us and invest in both the youth program and the community that we will serve. If you have any questions, please contact Keeley directly at youth@trinityarlington.org.

Books for Brooks

Brooks Bare reads a lot and one way that we, as a community, can support him during his time of incarceration, is by providing him with books. If you would like to participate in this effort, the Church Office will be collecting book suggestions as well as Amazon Gift Cards (along with the name of the giver) and facilitate the delivery through a required, 3rd party vendor process with notification to the Bare family. If you have questions, please contact Ken at office@trinityarlington.org.

Also, we finally have a mailing address for Brooks that works! You can send mail to:

Brooks Bare P# 203876
Arlington VA c/o Securus DMC
PO Box 21406
Tampa FL 33622

Once the mail is received at the Securus Digital Mail Center it is scanned and Brooks sees a picture of it on his tablet. They can easily scan letters on 8 x 11 paper. They also scan cards, pictures and drawings. He enjoys seeing pictures of friends and family. Remember that all the mail is read before given to Brooks.

Thank you for helping keep his spirits up by sending him cards and letters.

Help Make the Fun Happen!

Fellowship Ministry is looking for volunteers to coordinate an upcoming gathering. Opportunities include the **June 8th Picnic** and **Lemonade in the Lobby** on any Sunday during the summer. Detailed instructions are available – no experience required - Please text Ellen Greer (202-236-1300) or email trinityfellowshipmin@gmail.com for more details and to volunteer!



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 cwl@trinityarlington.org.

Serving with S.O.M.E.

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>

Massanetta Springs Support Update - At its January meeting, Session committed to matching Trinity member gifts, up to \$5,000, for Massanetta Springs conference center's capital campaign to raise funds needed for upgrades to facilities used when churches such as Trinity visit there for things like our Annual Fall Retreat. Massanetta Springs has been a wonderful host and resource for Trinity members for many years.

The response of those who have made contributions following Session's pledge is appreciated. We've now heard from Massanetta Springs that congregational support from a number of churches has been strong and that they are now \$24,000 away from meeting their initial goal to raise \$4.5 million by June 1. If you haven't yet had the chance to contribute, but would like to do so, this would be a great time to do it, especially knowing that Session will match your contribution (up to \$5,000).

If you would like to help Massanetta Springs reach its goal, please let Treasurer Carol Hart (treasurer@trinityarlington.org) know. She will share that info with Pastor Judith and Clerk of Session Jim Dykstra so that session can match your contribution. Many thanks for your consideration.

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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