



Trinity United Methodist Church
Alexandria, Virginia

Third Sunday in Lent
March 19, 2017

Eleven o'clock in the morning



CONNECTING
GROWING
SERVING
CELEBRATING

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

✠ *Please stand in body and/or spirit.*

Out of reverence for God and respect for fellow worshipers, please silence all electronic devices.

Childcare for children age 3 and younger is available in our nursery (room 210). Please see an usher for more information.



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Bill Davis

Welcome to Trinity United Methodist Church. God's love be in us and among us as we greet all who enter our doors as children of God. Please take a moment to complete the Connection Card and prepare to place it in the offering plate later in the service.

INTROIT

Forty Days and Nights
Trinity Trebles

Michael Bedford

Forty days and nights he stayed, Forty days and nights he prayed, All alone, yet unafraid, Jesus in the wilderness. Jesus went to fast and pray, Faced temptation every day, From God's love he did not stray, May we follow in his way.

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 95

Alan Capps

Come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise with songs of praise!

For the Lord is a great God,
and a great Ruler above all gods,
in whose hands are the depths of the earth
and also the heights of the mountains.

Come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
For the Lord is our God,
we are the people of God's pasture,
the sheep of God's hand.

✠ OPENING COLLECT

Pastor Bill Davis

Blessed are you, God of mercy:
for you are the fountain of living water,
and you quench our thirst and wash away our sin.
Give us this water always,
and bring us to drink from the well
that flows with the beauty of your truth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

✠ HYMN

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Hymnal no. 731

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Pastor Bill Davis

Everlasting God, fountain of all life
and the true home of every heart,
our hearts are restless until they rest in you.
We confess that our hearts have been enslaved
by selfish passion and base desire.
We have sought after many things
and have neglected the one thing necessary:
we have not loved you with our whole hearts.
Help us to turn to you and find forgiveness.
Lead us home, that we again may find in you
our life, and joy, and peace;
through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Silence for reflection and confession)

God proves his love for us
in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. (Romans 5:8)
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God! Amen.

TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Holly Stowell

We encourage children to stay and participate in worship. If necessary, however, preschool-age children (those not yet in kindergarten) may go upstairs to the Nursery in room 210 and elementary-aged children (kindergarten through 2nd grade) may go to room 206 for StoryTime.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 17:1-7

Pew Bible, OT, Page 64

Alan Capps

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

I Never Touched a Rainbow

Ruth Artman

Trinity Trebles

I never ever touched a rainbow; I never held a breeze in my hand; And I could never push the darkness away; But God can, and God will, and He does every day. He gives each tiny bird a song to sing; and turns the winter into spring; and He makes the sun to shine on every one; Sometimes I wonder how the Lord of Life can care for all of His creation: The moon, the stars, every flower and tree, And all creatures of land and sea. Even me! Can it be? I know I'll never touch a rainbow; Yet its promise will live on forever; Showing God's love for all, the great and the small; And to belong to Him, to belong to Him, Is everything to me.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 5:1-11

Pew Bible, NT, Page 155

Alan Capps

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

☒ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Bless-ed Je-sus, at thy word we are gath-ered all to hear thee.
let our hearts and souls be stirred now to seek and love and fear thee.
by thy teach-ing sweet and ho-ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole-ly.

☒ GOSPEL LESSON

John 4:5-42

Pew Bible, NT, Page 94

Susan Collins and Pastor Bill Davis

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

“Thirsty?”

Pastor Bill Davis

☒ HYMN

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

Hymnal no. 175

☒ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version

Hymnal no. 881

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

A pause follows each prayer, which ends with: *Leader: Lord, in your mercy... People: **Hear our prayer.***

THE 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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass 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.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Adoramus Te, Christe

Palestrina

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you. For by your holy cross and passion you have redeemed the world. O Lord, have mercy upon us.

✠THE DOXOLOGY

Hymnal no. 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

✠OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor Bill Davis

Gracious God, source of peace and wholeness,
bless these tithes and gifts, and those who give them,
to express your promise of living water for the world.
Quench the thirst of all who are touched by this offering
by the goodness of your life, love, and hope;
in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

✠HYMN

O Splendor of God's Glory Bright

Hymnal no. 679

✠DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Pastor Bill Davis

✠BENEDICTION RESPONSE

✠POSTLUDE

Toccata in d minor

Eberlin

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Today's Anthem is a children's anthem composed by Ruth Artman (1919-2010). She was a public school teacher and choral conductor and a prolific composer and arranger. First published by Choristers Guild in 1985, *I Never Touched a Rainbow* remains a favorite in their catalog. **Today's offertory anthem** Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594) contributed mightily to the worship music of the Catholic Church, publishing almost 30 books of masses, motets, and other liturgical compositions in his lifetime. Palestrina published *Adoramus te, Christe* in his Second Book of Motets in 1581; though that volume does not survive, it was immediately reprinted in 1584. He thus probably composed the piece in the 1570s, during a period of both great professional success -- simultaneous postings at St. Peter's Basilica and the pope's Cappella Giulia -- and personal grief, with several family members dying of the plague. (Notes by Timothy Dickey)

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God.

Please join us following worship in the Narthex for fellowship and refreshments with our church family.

Our Discipleship from Last Sunday, March 12th

Worship: 138 Offering: \$6,171.00

Weekly Electronic Offering: \$3,007.71

Those Serving at Worship Today:

Acolyte: Logan Williams

Counters: Jodi Capps, Mike Cooley, Richard McKinney

Crucifer: Aidan Gibson

Greeters: Al and Em Rusch

Pew Duty: John Ploch

Sound: Harley Hopkins

StoryTime Leaders: Liz Detmeister and Michelle Hoganson

Ushers: Kaaren Christopherson, John Wesley Collins, Pat Nordine, Lucelle O'Flaherty (Head Usher), George Pinn

TRINITY'S WEEKLY NEWS

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee is pleased to announce that DeLishia Davis joins the Trinity UMC community as our new Director of Christian Formation. DeLishia has two decades of experience in church administration and Christian Education. Most recently she was the Church Administrator at Epiphany Episcopal Church in Herndon. She has previously served as Christian Education Director and Youth Program Manager at the Urban Ministry Center in Jackson, Mississippi, and as the Youth Ministry Director at the First African Methodist Episcopal Church in Manassas. DeLishia received her college degree in Christian Education from Grace University. She joins our staff tomorrow, March 20th, and her first Sunday with us is April 2nd. DeLishia and her husband live in Burke with their two children.

Change the World Through Sandwiches! Please join us after service next Sunday, March 26th, for our multi-generational mission project of compiling sandwiches for distribution to our neighbors by Martha's Table. They distribute sandwiches through their McKenna's Wagon Program, a volunteer-run, mobile food service that provides hot, nutritious evening meals, sandwiches, fruit, and snacks to 150-250 homeless people at three locations across the city every night. More information on Martha's Table visit www.marthastable.org. For more information, contact Mary Gillman at marygillman@gmail.com.

We request the congregation donate supplies for the event based on last name:

Last names A-G:
bring at least 1 loaf of wheat bread.

Last names H-N:
bring at least 1 package of ham or turkey.

Last names O-Z:
bring at least 1 package of American cheese slices.

SPARKS! children and families take part in the sandwich prep and then gather for lunch to celebrate human diversity through food and culture but unity in our work for peace. We invite parents to join us for lunch, drawing from different ethnic foods...another way to say our foods and customs may be different but globally we and our neighbors come together around common practices of hospitality and sharing food and fellowship. RSVP for lunch and lesson to marybeth@freespiritfloral.com.

Trinity's Table
Wednesday, March 22nd, 5³⁰-7³⁰ PM
*Menu: Meat & Veggie Lasagna, Salad,
Bread, Cake, Ice Cream*

RSVP on your the Connection Card.

Thanks to your generous contributions to Trinity, we have begun the year with a net positive north of \$22,000. Compared to last year, giving is slightly up and expenses are down.

	YTD 2017	YTD 2016
Revenue	\$95,549	\$91,317
Expenses	<u>\$73,444</u>	<u>\$85,853</u>
	\$22,105	\$5,464

Trinity recently received a check from Amazon. We have reaped the benefits of our members and friends utilizing AmazonSmile and selecting us as the beneficiary. It's an effortless way to raise money for Trinity: simply visit www.smile.amazon.com, search for and select "Trinity United Methodist Church-Alexandria" and shop as usual. Trinity will receive a portion of all sales made via the program. Happy shopping!

With gratitude,
Shauna Root
Chair, Finance Committee

On **Easter Sunday, April 16th** we are decorating the sanctuary with hydrangeas, azaleas and Easter lilies. Designating flowers for a loved one will add to the beauty of the sanctuary and allow you to take your flowers home to enjoy after the service or give as a gift. Order forms are available in the Narthex today until Sunday, April 2nd which will be the last day to make an order. You can request an order form by emailing office@trinityalexandria.org. There is also a "fillable" form available on the Trinity UMC website on the Altar Flowers page. Questions? Please contact Jodi Capps at jscapps@alum.lehigh.edu or 703-505-7867.

The Children's Ministry Team needs Story Time volunteers! You do not need to be a parent to volunteer! No need to feel overwhelmed about what to do with the children. The Christian Formation Team plans and provides the story time lesson for you! Please see Michelle Hogganson (michelle.hogganson@gmail.com), our StoryTime Coordinator or Mary Beth Buchholz (marybeth@freespiritfloral.com), our Christian Formation Chair if you have questions or to sign up for a story time date.

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Our Music Program at Trinity is open to all! We invite you to join us as we begin a new season of anthems for singing and compositions for ringing. In addition, if there are those who wish to contribute instrumental music to our services, please know that your talents are welcome. We have a three octave set of handbells and need more ringers to complete the choir. If you have experience but cannot commit, you could offer to be a substitute ringer. The Chancel Choir welcomes new singers in all sections. There are no auditions for any of the choirs. Come try us out! And if you wish some private coaching, that is also available. Questions? Contact Linda Cancellieri. Come see Linda at the organ after a service or email her at msc@trinityalexandria.org.

Praying Our Way Forward - From April 2 - 8, 2017, the Virginia Conference participates in a week of intentional prayer for the mission of The United Methodist Church and for the work of the Commission on a Way Forward which began meeting in January. Praying Our Way Forward is an initiative of the Council of Bishops as they lead the Church in worship, study, discernment, confession, and prayer for God's guidance. Each annual conference of The United Methodist Church is participating in this prayer ministry which began on January 1 in the North Carolina Conference and concludes in the West Angola Episcopal area in June 2018. Members of Trinity Church are responsible for two two-hour times of prayer: Thursday, April 6 (8:00 – 10:00 P.M.) and Saturday, April 8 (8:00 – 10:00 P.M.). Sign-up sheets and resources are available in the church office and in the Narthex.

Walkway to Independence: Community Lodgings' mission is to lift families from homelessness and instability to independence and self-sufficiency through transitional housing, affordable housing and our Youth Education programs. You can support our mission by purchasing a brick that will be part of our "Walkway to Independence". Your brick can be engraved with the name of your business or organization or in honor a loved one. The bricks will construct the walkway from the sidewalk to the entry doors of the Fifer Family Learning Center, one of the locations for our Youth Education programs, located at 607 Notabene Drive, Alexandria, VA 22305. The bricks will be installed during the renovation to the building to be completed in 2017. These are quality bricks with laser engraving that should last a lifetime. To place an order visit: www.fundraisingbrick.com/communitylodgings. For questions regarding our engraved brick campaign, please contact Susan Fitzpatrick at esfitzpatrick@msn.com.



March 26th ~ Becoming the Beloved Community - A Conversation about race and whiteness. "Our goal is to create a beloved community and that will require a qualitative change in our souls as well as a quantitative change in our lives."
- Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

April 2nd ~ Lenten Jeopardy: an Inter-Generational (There will be no Children's Sunday School)

The Carpenter's Shelter invites you to the 15th Anniversary Carpenter's Cook-Off! Sunday, April 23rd from 12:00-3:00 PM at The Birchmere (3701 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, VA.) It is the tasting event of the season! The afternoon's celebration consists of 25 top-rated local restaurants showcasing their delicacies (you get to taste and judge), live music by the Alpha Dog Blues band, award presentation, live auction and raffle prizes. This is a family friendly affair that's fun for all! Early bird tickets are on sale now at www.carpentersshelter.org/cook-off/.

Caretakers of God's Creation Climate Justice Conference takes place in Northern Virginia. The 10th Annual United Methodist Caretakers of God's Creation Conference is at Mt. Olivet UMC in Arlington this year to complement the National People's Climate Justice March on April 29th. The conference is a day of inspiration, education and preparation. It begins with worship, with a message of hope by UM Bishop C. Joseph Sprague. The service also includes major addresses by the Rev. Fletcher Harper, the Rev. Jeny Phillips, and concludes with communion and sermons by Bill McKibben and Michelle Roberts. Please contact Jaydee Hanson at jaydeehanson@gmail.com with questions.

You may have noticed a new candle near the baptismal font. Representative of the light of the risen Christ, and the corollary in the new exodus of the pillar of fire in the Hebrew exodus, the Paschal Candle traditionally is lighted throughout the Great Fifty Days of Easter and stands near the Lord's Table. Thereafter it stands at the font and is lighted at baptism, which the ancient church called "enlightenment." At funerals, the candle is lighted and stands near the head of the coffin in token of Christ's leading the baptized through the exodus of death.

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Save the Dates

March 23rd: Take the night off from cooking and enjoy a meal with friends at one of Old Town's favorite family friendly restaurants between 5 PM and 9 PM. Chadwicks has generously reserved the entire upstairs sales to go to Trinity Pre-school. Paid parking is located directly across the street and street parking is available too. Hope to see you all there! Chadwicks - 203 Strand Street, Alexandria, VA 22314. (www.chadwicksrestaurants.com)

March 26th: Changing the World through Sandwiches Event

April 9th: Palm Sunday of Our Lord's Passion - Join us for the annual processional with donkey at 10:15 AM. Worship to follow at 11:00 AM.

April 13th: Holy Thursday - Join us for dinner (in lieu of Trinity's Table for the week) in the Fellowship Hall anytime between 5:30-7:30 PM for Soup and Salad. We invite you to make your favorite soup to share. If you are unable to bring soup to share, then bring a loaf of good crusty bread to go with the soup! Holy Thursday Worship follows at 7:30 PM, ending with the Stripping of the Altar.

April 14th: Good Friday - Self-Guided Prayer Vigil in the sanctuary between Noon and 3:00 PM. Printed resource guides will be available for your use and you may be here throughout the time or a portion thereof.

April 15th: Holy Saturday - The Annual Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, April 15th. Stay tuned for details.

April 16th: Easter Sunday - There are no Sunday School Classes. Worship begins at 10:45 AM with a choral prelude. The Festive Easter Service continues with all choirs participating, accompanied by strings, organ and trumpet. The service concludes with the congregation and choir singing the Hallelujah Chorus.

April 17th: Church Office closed in observance of Easter Monday.

May 6th: Join us for a Morning of Giving! Trinity's Semi-Annual Community Blood Drive and Trinity's Bikes for the World event will be held on Saturday, May 6th from 7:30 AM - 11:30 AM. It must be at least 56 days (8 weeks) since you last donated, so you can't have donated since March 11, 2017. Most healthy people can be blood donors and must be at least 17 years old, well for 3 days (no symptoms of illness, including colds) and 110 pounds minimum. The blood drive will be held again in Inova's Bloodmobile and Inova Blood Donor Services has an immediate need for all blood types. Please consider participating in this worthy mission. For more information on the Blood Drive contact Carol Bowers at carol_bowers@cox.net or 703-534-5230. For more information on the Bikes for the World event contact Gordon Johnson at gfbj_va@yahoo.com. For more information on Trinity's Mission Projects contact Mary Gillman at marygillman@gmail.com.

July 10th-14th: Vacation Bible School. Stay tuned for details.

The Welcome Statement of Trinity United Methodist Church is:

"Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me." Matthew 10:40

Trinity United Methodist Church is committed to be a congregation of Open Hearts, Open Minds and Open Doors. We believe all people are of sacred worth and dignity as part of God's creation and as demonstrated by the life and ministry of Jesus Christ. As God's love extends to all, we welcome everyone without exception, regardless of age, race, ethnicity, gender, family structure, socio-economic or marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, faith history or life experience. We recognize that we are all different, and those differences make us a stronger community of faith as we worship together to grow in our relationship with God and one another.

The Mission of Trinity United Methodist Church is:

Building a strong Christian community to find, share, and celebrate the love of Christ in our hearts, neighbors and our world.

THIS WEEK AT TUMC

Sunday	03/19/17	<i>Third Sunday in Lent</i>
	9:30 AM	Adult Forum (Fellowship Hall)
	10:00 AM	Children's Sunday School (StoryTime Room 206)
	11:00 AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	Noon	Choristers Rehearsal (Music Suite)
	3:00 PM	Junior Troop #5041 (Fellowship Hall)
	3:30 PM	Cadet Troop #2402 (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	Confirmation and Youth Group (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	Trinity Book Group (Parlor)
Monday	03/20/17	<i>First Day of Spring</i>
	7:00 PM	DAR Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
	7:30 PM	Church Council Meeting (Fellowship Hall Classroom)
Tuesday	03/21/17	
	7:00 PM	Boy Scouts Troop #113 (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday	03/22/17	
	2:30 PM	TUMC Staff Meeting (Parlor)
	5:30 PM	Trinity's Table (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00 PM	Centering Prayer (Chapel)
	6:15 PM	Trebles Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite)
Thursday	03/23/17	
	6:15 PM	Ringers Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	7:45 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite)
Saturday	03/25/17	
	10:00 AM	Colonial Dames XVIIC Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday	03/26/17	<i>Change the World Sunday</i>
	9:30 AM	Adult Forum (Fellowship Hall)
	10:00 AM	Children's Sunday School (StoryTime Room 206)
	11:00 AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	Noon	Change the World Event & SPARKS! Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
	1:30 PM	Brownie Troop #1193 (Fellowship Hall)
	3:00 PM	Cadet Troop #6098 (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	Confirmation (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	Trinity Book Group (Parlor)

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