



Abraham and Isaac, by Rembrandt

Trinity United Methodist Church
Alexandria, Virginia

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
July 2, 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

Carrie Pritts

*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.*

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Voluntary on "America"

arr. David Johnson

INTROIT

Creator God, Creating Still

✠CALL TO WORSHIP

Barbara Archey

With all our heart, let us take refuge in God Most High,
**who creates all things,
the merciful Father, Source of all goodness.**

With all our heart, let us take refuge in Christ,
**the Redeemer from sin,
who restores our true nature,
the perfect and mysterious Word.**

With all our heart, let us take refuge in the One who embraces the universe,
**who at all times and in all places responds to our needs,
the pure and tranquil Holy Spirit.**

✠OPENING COLLECT

Rev. Dr. Youtha Hardman-Cromwell

Blessed are you, strong and faithful God,
for you direct our lives by your grace
and pour forth into our hearts
the wisdom and daring of your Spirit;
and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world.
Let no earthly affection dissuade us,
and no inner fear deter us,
as you mold us into a people
who welcome your word and serve one another;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God forever and ever. **Amen.**

✠HYMN

The God of Abraham Praise

Hymnal no. 116

TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Carrie Pritts

Children are invited to stay and participate in worship. No StoryTime this morning.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 22:1-14

Pew Bible, OT, Page 17

Barbara Archey

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

All: Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;
 He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
 He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword:
 His truth is marching on.

All Refrain: Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!
 Glory! Glory! Hallelujah! His truth is marching on!

Women: I have seen Him in the watchfires of a hundred circling camps;
 They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps;
 I can read His righteous sentence in the dim and flaring lamps,
 His truth is marching on!

All: Refrain “Glory...”

Men: In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea... (Pause)
 With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me... (Pause)
 As He died to make men holy, Let us live to make men free,
 While God is marching on!

All: Refrain **sing twice** “Glory...”

Then add: A....men.....A....men!

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 6:12-23

Pew Bible, NT, Page 156

Barbara Archey

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

✠GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

✠GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 10:40-42

Pew Bible, NT, Page 11

Rev. Dr. Youtha Hardman-Cromwell

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

SERMON

“Unthinkable Choices”

Rev. Dr. Youtha Hardman-Cromwell

✠HYMN

Where He Leads Me

Hymnal no. 338

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Dr. Youtha Hardman-Cromwell

WORDS OF INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
 who earnestly repent of their sin
 and seek to live in peace with one another.
 Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Rev. Dr. Youtha Hardman-Cromwell

Merciful God,

we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will,

we have broken your law,

we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Silence for reflection and confession)

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:
everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!
All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ,
and has given us the ministry of reconciliation.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
In the name of Jesus Christ, *you* are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.

✠THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please offer one another signs of peace and reconciliation.

OFFERTORY

Day Is A-Breakin' in My Soul

arr. Christine Perkey

Bright morning stars are rising, day is breaking in my soul. Oh where are our dear fathers? Oh where are our dear mothers? Oh where are sisters and brothers? Day is breaking in my soul. Some are down in the valley praying, some are deep in the mountain sleeping, some are up in heaven shouting, day is breaking in my soul.

✠THE DOXOLOGY

Hymnal no. 95

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

✠PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

Musical Setting C

Hymnal no. 20

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.**

BREAKING THE BREAD

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

We invite all persons to the Lord's Table. This is the table, not of the church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love Him and for those who want to love Him more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow, and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is His will that those who want Him should meet Him here.

Following the direction of the ushers, please come to the Communion station nearest you. The center station is for those who require gluten-free bread. We serve Holy Communion by intinction. Please extend your hands to receive the bread and then dip the bread into the cup as it is offered to you. After you partake, you also may kneel at the rail for prayer and meditation.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Rev. Dr. Youtha Hardman-Cromwell

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.
Help us to welcome each person we meet
as we would welcome Christ.
Grant that we may go into the world
in the strength of your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

✠HYMN

This Is My Song

Hymnal no. 437

✠DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Rev. Dr. Youtha Hardman-Cromwell

✠CHORAL RESPONSE

✠POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune

Manfredini

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Today's anthem is a setting by Christine Perkey, professor of music at Tennessee State University in Nashville, of the Appalachian hymn "Bright Morning Star". This traditional hymn, said to be of Kentucky origin, with its warm and hopeful lyric is now very widespread in the modern folk music repertoire.

The flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Youtha Hardman-Cromwell's homecoming at Trinity! We've missed you and are blessed to have you back in our pulpit! With much love from your Trinity family.

We welcome Youtha Hardman-Cromwell once again to our pulpit this Sunday! Youtha has been assisting at Peace Fellowship Church in Washington, DC while they have been in search of a full-time pastor. We are thrilled to have her back with us today!

Please continue to hold Bill and Susan Davis in prayer as they are traveling home from Idaho Falls, ID this week, where they attended the court hearings regarding the vehicular accident that caused their daughter Anne's death last July 13th. Bill will return to worship next Sunday, July 9th.

Wishing you and your loved ones a safe and happy Independence Day! In observance of the holiday, Trinity UMC Office will be closed Tuesday, July 4th. ~ Pastor Bill, Carrie, Linda, Ronnie, Luz, Zayda and Jenessa.

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

Pastor's Helping Fund: Just a friendly reminder that your communion offering goes to the Pastor's Helping Fund, which helps provide emergency assistance to local families in need. To provide this special offering, simply write "communion" on the memo line of your check or indicate so on your offering envelope.

Our Discipleship from Last Sunday, June 25th:

Worship: 133 Offering: \$3,266.00

Weekly Electronic Offering: \$2,994.43

Those Serving at Worship Today:

Acolyte: Logan Williams

Communion Stewards: Ellan Moore, Kay Stewart

Communion Servers: Susan Collins, Greg and Joan Hlinka

Crucifer: Aidan Gibson

Greeters: Susan Collins, Linda Pitts

Liturgists: Barbara Archey

Pew Duty: John Ploch

Sound: Harley Hopkins

Ushers: Christine Gager, Lucelle O'Flaherty (*Head Usher*), George Pinn, Eric Schilling, Kelsey Shannon

TRINITY'S WEEKLY NEWS



Please join Trinity UMC and Beverley Hills UMC on July 12th, July 26th, and August 9th for food, fellowship, and fun as we learn more about how we can use the resources God has given us and pass them along to others.

We will join together for a meal from 6 PM -6:30 PM then programs for all ages from 6:30-7:30 PM. July 12th's theme is "Breakfast". Bring your favorite breakfast food to share. The church is providing sausage. Also bring a non-perishable breakfast item for the food pantry. July 26th's theme is "Lunch". Bring your favorite lunch items (salad or dessert) to share and a non-perishable lunch item to donate. The church is providing lunch meat and bread. August 9th's theme is "Dinner". Bring your favorite dinner casserole/side dish/dessert to share. The church is providing pizza. And bring any non-perishable food items to donate. For more information contact Carrie Pritts at christianformation@trinityalexandria.org. Please sign up on the Connection Card. Hope to see you there!

Come join our Summer Music Program at Trinity!

We invite you to join us as we continue our current season of anthems. Teens are invited to rehearse with the Chancel Choir on Thursday nights at 7:45 PM and to sing with us in Sunday worship. (And if you are interested in handbells but have never rung with us, we will plan a workshop for interested ringers of all ages.)

In addition, while the Chancel Choir enjoys a sabbatical during August, we look to you in the congregation to share your talents with us. Solos, duets, ensembles, instrumentalists - all are welcome! If you wish some private coaching or an accompanist, that is also available. Questions? Contact our Director of Music, Linda Cancellieri at music@trinityalexandria.org.

Register for one of Wesley Theological Seminary's variety of courses. Check out the exciting learning opportunities this summer at Wesley Theological Seminary including courses: "Thou Shalt Not Bear False Witness: The Role of Scripture and Tradition in Presidential Politics," "Spirituality in Nature," "T.S. Eliot and the Search for God," and "Liturgical Dance as Spiritual Practice." Learn more and register for a class today by visiting www.wesleyseminary.edu/admissions/try-a-class-3.

Mission Encounter to be held July 28-29: Mission Encounter is a cooperative event sponsored by the Virginia Conference Missional Ministries Board (formerly the Board of Global Ministries) and the Virginia Conference United Methodist Women. This event offers a wonderful opportunity to come alive to mission by participating in an exciting weekend mission education experience. There are clas-

ses for adults in which men, women, clergy, and laity alike come to learn and be involved in mission groups by choosing one class out of three choices — "Living as a Covenant Community," a spiritual growth study; "The Missionary Conferences of the UMC in the US (Red Bird, Oklahoma, and Alaska), a geographical study; or "Climate Justice," a social issue. This year's Mission Encounter occurs from 800 AM on Friday, July 28th through 500 PM on Saturday, July 29th and is offered at Bon Air United Methodist Church, 1645 Buford Road, North Chesterfield, VA 23235. Contact Gail Sutcliffe with questions at 703-490-3381.

5 Talent Academy- October 19, 2017: Registration open for, "How to Structure your Church for Evangelism" with Jacob Armstrong. Armstrong will lead the event in exploring key principles for evangelism in local church including crafting a vision that fits your mission field, rethinking worship and leadership development and structure. The event will be streamed to locations across the conference. Visit www.vaumc.org/5talent for more information and to register.

Financial Stewardship in Action – The Virginia Education Fund: Within The United Methodist Church, of which Trinity Church is an historic member, the primary way by which ministries are financially supported is through apportioned funds or apportionments. This method of support proportionally allocates the denominational budget to conferences and local churches. Each conference also uses this method to provide for ministries specific to the conference. The Virginia Education Fund is one such significant ministry.

The Virginia Education Fund provides support to five Virginia Conference church-related colleges and universities and one preparatory school. Based on recommendations of the Conference's Common Table, the 2017 apportionments will be distributed as follows:

Ferrum College – Ferrum, VA 19.5%
Randolph-Macon College – Ashland, VA 18.5%
Shenandoah University – Winchester, VA 18.0%
Virginia Wesleyan College – Norfolk/Virginia Beach 18.0%
Randolph College – Lynchburg 16.0%
Randolph-Macon Academy – Front Royal 10.0%

Together, through our connected congregations, we accomplish what no single church, district, or annual conference ever could hope to do alone. In this way, each individual, family, and congregation provides a fair share for the work of Christ in and through the church. Giving and serving together, we make a significant difference in the lives of God's people.

TRINITY'S WEEKLY NEWS

Save the Dates

July 4th: Trinity UM Church Office closed in observance of Independence Day.

July 9th: Start of Rise and Shine Intergenerational Forum

July 12th: Abundance Orchard Summer Suppers - Potluck Dinner at 6 PM and activities begin at 6:30 PM.

July 26th: Abundance Orchard Summer Suppers - Potluck Dinner at 6 PM and activities begin at 6:30 PM.

August 9th: Abundance Orchard Summer Suppers - Potluck Dinner at 6 PM and activities begin at 6:30 PM.

September 4th: Trinity UM Church Office closed in observance of Labor Day.

September 17th: Fall Kick-Off and Picnic ~ Worship with us in Ft. Ward Park and stay and enjoy lunch with us.

October 9th: Trinity UM Church Office closed in observance of Columbus Day.

November 5th: Daylight Saving Time ends

November 17th: Trinity UM Church Office closed in observance of Veterans Day.

November 23rd & 24th: Trinity UM Church Office closed in observance of Thanksgiving.



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 TRINITY

Sunday	07/02/17 11:00 AM	<i>Fourth Sunday after Pentecost</i> Worship (Sanctuary)
Tuesday	07/04/17	<i>Independence Day</i> <i>Church Office Closed</i>
Wednesday	07/05/17 2:30 PM 6:30 PM	TUMC Staff Meeting (Parlor) Centering Prayer (Sanctuary)
Sunday	07/09/17 9:30 AM 9:45 AM 11:00 AM	<i>Fifth Sunday after Pentecost</i> Light Breakfast and Fellowship (Fellowship Hall) Rise and Shine Intergenerational Forum (Fellowship Hall) Worship (Sanctuary)

**GOOD
BLESS
AMERICA**



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