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rise in the darkness
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noonday."
- Isaiah 58:10*

Trinity United Methodist Church
Alexandria, Virginia

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
Disability Awareness Sunday
February 5, 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 209). Please see an usher for more information.

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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.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Adagio

Mendelssohn

INTROIT

Give Praise and Glory Unto God

✠CALL TO WORSHIP

Susan Willis

Come, let us lift our voices

and praise the Most High with all our heart.

**Though we gather with differing gifts, talents, and abilities,
we all acclaim God's glory.**

God displays loving compassion to all the faithful.

Likewise, we seek to be loving and compassionate to all.

Christ teaches us to demonstrate love and compassion

to our friends and neighbors as well as our enemies.

**By God's grace, we make no distinction
in our love and kindness toward others.**

As the community of Christ, we rejoice in the works of the Lord.

With humility, we rejoice that we are a small part of God's vast creation.

✠HYMN

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Hymnal no. 173

✠OPENING COLLECT

Pastor Bill Davis

Blessed are you, O God of justice;

for Jesus your Son, the teacher of righteousness,

calls us to be the salt of the earth and light for the world.

Set your blessing upon us as you gather us in this place.

Confirm in us the truth by which we rightly live;

and confront us with the truth from which we wrongly turn.

We ask not for what we want but for what you know we need,

as we offer this day and ourselves for you and to you;

through Jesus Christ, our Savior,

who lives and reigns with you

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God forever and ever. **Amen.**

TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS

Jill Robinson

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 209B and elementary-aged children (kindergarten through 2nd grade) may go to room 206 for StoryTime.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 58:1-12

Pew Bible, OT, Page 688

Susan Willis

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

ANTHEM

Grant Us Thy Peace

Mendelssohn

Grant us thy peace, Almighty Lord, Thou Source of every blessing. Feeble and frail, trust we Thy word, All things in Thee possessing. In Thee is our hope and safety.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Corinthians 2:1-12

Pew Bible, NT, Page 166

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✠GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,

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✠GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 5:13-20

Pew Bible, NT, Page 04

Pastor Bill Davis

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

SERMON

“Who We Are”

Pastor Bill Davis

✠HYMN

*Christ, from Whom All Blessings Flow*Hymnal no. 550 (*stanzas 1, 2, 5 and 6*)

✠AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from The United Church of Canada

Hymnal no. 883

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 humbly confess our sin before God and one another.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Pastor Bill Davis

**God whose might is known in mercy,
 we confess that we often are separated from others
 by fear, prejudice, and ignorance.**

**We forget who we are in Christ;
 and by our words, our deeds, and our facilities,
 we often mark people as insiders and outsiders,
 welcoming some while refusing others.**

**Forgive us, we pray, and create in us and among us
 your vision of open hearts, minds, and doors.**

**By your Spirit, make us to be as accepting of others
 as you, in love and mercy, are accepting of us.**

**Guide us to discover the joy of the blessed community,
 reaching beyond ourselves to recognize that all people
 bear your image and have gifts and abilities to share;
 in and through Jesus Christ, the Lord of life and light. Amen.**

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

If you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
 then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. (*Isaiah 58:10*)
 In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.

✠THE PEACE

Please exchange signs and words of peace and reconciliation.

OFFERTORY

Andante

Mendelssohn

✠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.**

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.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Milonga Del Angel
Julianne Lane, piano

Astor Piazzolla

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Alan Paton, South Africa, 20th C, alt.

Pastor Bill Davis

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.
Open our eyes that we may see the needs of others;
open our ears that we may hear their cries;
open our hearts so that they need not be without succor;
let us not be afraid to defend the weak because of the anger of the strong,
nor afraid to defend the poor because of the anger of the rich.
Show us where love and hope and faith are needed,
and use us to bring them to those places.
And so open our eyes and our ears
that we may be able to do some work of peace for you;
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

✠HYMN

When the Church of Jesus

Hymnal no. 592

✠DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Pastor Bill Davis

✠POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune

David Johnson



Today's anthem is a choral prayer *Grant us Thy Peace (Da Nobis Pacem)* composed by Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847). He was given a copy of the Lutheran hymnal while he was in Vienna and was struck by the power and beauty of Luther's own hymns. He conceived a project to compose a series of cantatas based on the hymns. *Verleih uns Frieden (Grant us peace)* was written in 1831, with Mendelssohn setting Luther's paraphrase of the famous *Dona nobis pacem* prayer to his own soaring melody. Mendelssohn set only the first verse of the hymn, which is heard first with the men's voices, then in a duet with the women's voices featuring a beautiful countermelody, and then in four-part harmony, with the last line repeated softly in a double canon.

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of my son,
Scott Benning, on his birthday. - L.K. Benning

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

Our Christian Love and Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of John Cockey who entered eternal rest on January 18th. A Memorial Service is scheduled here at Trinity UMC on Friday, March 3rd, 2017 at 11:00 AM.

Our Discipleship from Last Sunday, January 29th:

Worship: 149 Offering: \$7,185.00

Weekly Electronic Offering: \$1,843.68

Those Serving at Worship Today:

Acolyte: Sophie Moran

Communion Stewards: Ellan Moore, Kay Stewart

Communion Servers: Connie Blood, Cheryl Juneau and Tom Tyler

Counters: Jodi Capps, Jenny Palazio

Crucifer: Aidan Gibson

Greeters: Mary Beth Buchholz, Jeff, Julianne and Elizabeth Lane

Liturgist: Susan Willis

Pew Duty: John Ploch

Sound: Harley Hopkins

StoryTime: Jill Robinson

Ushers: Kaaren Christopherson, Pat Nordine, Lucelle O'Flaherty (Head Usher), Eric Schilling, Alva Smircina

TRINITY'S WEEKLY NEWS

It is February and time once again to focus on love & friendship ~ and that means Heart2Heart! Next Sunday, February 12th, our annual Heart2Heart Luncheon is immediately following Worship in the Fellowship Hall.

As in years past, this is a special day in the year of the church when we recognize all of the members who have joined our Trinity Family since February of last year. We look forward to you joining us for this special celebration.

On the Connection Card, please indicate how many from your family will be joining us, and if you're able to assist in any of the following ways:

- ♥ Help make & serve soup on Sunday
- ♥ Bring Sandwiches
- ♥ Bring a Dessert
- ♥ Help with cleanup after the luncheon

Join Us for Confirmation 2017! Confirmation classes offer a concentrated focus on the basics of the Christian story; the core beliefs, practices, and emphases of United Methodist Christians; and the commitment that comes with being confirmed as a professing member of The United Methodist Church. Using the Credo curriculum, Confirmation 2017 is a 12-session experience and begins on Sunday, February 12th, from 5:30 to 7:00 PM. We encourage all students in grade 6 and beyond to register their intention to participate with Pastor Bill at pastor@trinityalexandria.org.

Trinity is seeking applicants for the position of the Director of Christian Formation (DCF). This is a part-time position with an expected commitment of 20 to 25 hours per week. The DCF should be present on Sunday mornings for Sunday School and Worship. Total annual compensation is \$25,000 to \$35,000, commensurate with experience and the schedule agreed upon by the Staff Parish Relations Committee and the candidate. Request a full job description at office@trinityalexandria.org. Interested applicants should send resumes and cover letters to Jeff Lane, SPRC Chair, by email at Jeff.lane38@gmail.com, with a copy to office@trinityalexandria.org. Applicants should provide a mailing address, daytime and evening telephone numbers, and an email address. Direct any questions you may have to Mr. Lane via the email address above.

Trinity's Table is on Wednesday each week from 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM before the Trebles Choir Rehearsal. It is a time for us to come together during our busy week to spend time and fellowship with our church family. To keep this ministry going it takes volunteers like you. Please consider signing up to host an evening or part of the evening. To talk about a way to help out contact, Jill Robinson: jillrobinson55@gmail.com.

Today is Disability Awareness Sunday: According to the Book of Discipline, Disability Awareness Sunday is observed annually and the date is determined by each annual conference. Disability Awareness Sunday calls the Church to celebrate the gifts and graces of persons with disabilities and calls the church and society to full inclusion of persons with disabilities in the community." For more information on this day of awareness, visit www.umdisabilityministries.org.

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. We are planning a musical for the Trebles and Choirsters and need more singers. 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 music@trinityalexandria.org.

A warm thank you to Margaret Barton, Richard Shullaw and Steve Norwood for getting the new year off to a great start for folks at Christ House earlier this month. The next opportunity for Trinity members to serve dinner will be on Sunday, February 12, from 3:45-6:00. If you are interested in volunteering or you have questions, please contact Susan Willis, shwillis76@gmail.com -- you'll be glad you did!

Thanks to the following persons who donated to Rising Hope United Methodist Mission Church's 5th Sunday dinner: Nancy Hunt, Sharyn Abbott, Barbara Archey, Jo Mossman, Liz Detmeister, Linda Popovich, Linda Pitts, Alva Smircina, Joanna Capps, Jill Robinson, and SPARKS! (Mary Beth Buchholz). Trinity has always been a faithful supporter of our Alexandria District mission church and again we are supplying a wonderful dinner for Sunday after their worship.

Trinity's Table

Wednesday, February 8th, 5³⁰-7³⁰ PM
Menu: *Pork Chops, Cheesy Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans, Salad, Rolls, Dessert*

RSVP on your the Connection Card.

THIS WEEK AT TUMC

Sunday	02/05/17	Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany - Disability Awareness Sunday
	9:30 AM	Adult Forum - Raising Our Consciousness about Disabilities (Fellowship Hall)
	10:00 AM	Children's Sunday School (StoryTime Room 206)
	11:00 AM	Worship - Service of Word and Table (Sanctuary)
	Noon	Choristers Rehearsal (Music Suite)
	1:30 PM	Brownie Troop #1193 (Fellowship Hall)
	3:30 PM	Cadet Troop #2402 (Fellowship Hall)
Monday	02/06/17	
	2:30 PM	Brownie Troop #4905 (Fellowship Hall)
	7:30 PM	Investment Committee Meeting (Parlor)
Tuesday	02/07/17	
	4:30 PM	Daisy Troop #60044 (Fellowship Hall)
	7:30 PM	Boy Scouts #113 (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday	02/08/17	
	5:30 PM	Trinity's Table (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00 PM	Centering Prayer (Chapel)
	6:15 PM	Trebles Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite)
Thursday	02/09/17	
	6:15 PM	Ringers Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	7:45 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite)
Friday	02/10/17	
	10:00 AM	Cardinal Quilters (Fellowship Hall)
	12:15 PM	Trinity Preschool Staff Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday	02/12/17	Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany - Boy Scout Sunday
	9:30 AM	Adult Forum - Divine Wrath: Religious Strife in National & Global Affairs (Fellowship Hall)
	10:00 AM	Children's Sunday School (StoryTime Room 206)
	11:00 AM	Worship - Service of the Word (Sanctuary)
	Noon	Heart2Heart Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)
	3:00 PM	Cadet Troop #6098 (Fellowship Hall)
	3:00 PM	Junior Troop #5041 (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	Confirmation Class (Fellowship Hall)

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