



# Love Your NEIGHBOR as yourself.

-Leviticus 19:18

*Trinity United Methodist Church  
Alexandria, Virginia*

*Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany  
February 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 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

*O Thou of God The Father*

J.G. Walther

### INTROIT

*God Himself is Present*

### ✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

Julianne Lane

Come, beloved, let us praise the Lord  
who teaches us the way of godly statutes.

**The Lord gives us understanding,  
that we may observe the royal law of love.**

The Most High faithfully leads us  
in the path of the commandments.

**The Lord inclines our hearts to God's decrees,  
and not to unjust gain.**

Come, let us worship the God  
who, in righteousness, gives us life.

**The Lord fulfills the divine promise  
to all those who stand in awe of God.**

### ✠ OPENING COLLECT

Pastor Bill Davis

Blessed are you, God of holiness and compassion;  
for in Christ Jesus you call us to forsake revenge  
and to seek your way of forgiveness and peace.

Lift from our hearts the burden of hatred,  
and drive all resentment from our lives;  
so that, loving not only our friends  
but even our enemies,

we may, by your grace, be made perfect in love  
even as you are perfect.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God forever and ever. **Amen.**

### ✠ HYMN

*The Church's One Foundation*

Hymnal no. 546

### CONFESSION AND PARDON

Pastor Bill Davis

**God of holiness and mercy,  
we confess that we have not lived according to your love.  
You call us to be the sacred community in which you dwell;  
we often dismiss your call and forget our identity.  
In Christ, you establish us as your church throughout the world;  
we often cause you grief by our disagreements and divisions.  
You set us upon the strong foundation of Jesus Christ;  
we often allow lesser loyalties to serve as the basis of our life.  
Forgive us, we pray, and renew us in your infinite mercy.**

**Firmly fix your law of love within us and among us  
and renew us to be the dwelling place you desire;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen.**

*(Silence for reflection and confession)*

Do you not know that you are God's temple  
and that God's Spirit dwells in you?  
For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple!  
In the name of the living Christ, you are forgiven!  
**In the name of the living 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 209B and elementary-aged children (kindergarten through 2nd grade) may go to room 206 for StoryTime.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON      Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18      Pew Bible, OT, Page 106      Julianne Lane  
The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM      *Plenty Good Room*      arr. Chester L. Alves  
*Plenty good room in my Father's kingdom, so choose your seat and sit down. I would not be a back-slider, I'll tell you the reason why: 'cause if my Lord should call on me, I wouldn't be ready to die. I would not be a gambler...O heaven's so high and I'm so low, O my Lord. I've had my trials here below. There's room for me, there's room for you. There is room enough for all.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON      1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23      Pew Bible, NT, Page 167      Julianne Lane  
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.

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✠GOSPEL LESSON      Matthew 5:38-48      Pew Bible, NT, Page 5      Pastor Bill Davis  
The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON      "A Different Way"      Pastor Bill Davis

SERVICE OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT      *Baptismal Covenant I*      Hymnal no. 33

✠HYMN      *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise*      Hymnal no. 611

CONGREGATIONAL COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care.  
Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you  
and we welcome you in Christian love.**

**As members together with you in the body of Christ  
and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church,  
we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church  
by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness,  
that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

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

*Amazing Grace*

George Shearing

✠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

Blessed are you, God of all holiness,  
for you give generous blessings and fill our hearts with gratitude.  
Inspire us to share joyfully with those who hunger for food  
and those who thirst for spiritual refreshment.  
Move us to embody more fully the loving priorities of your reign  
even as we give our tithes and offerings for the sake of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

✠HYMN

*How Firm a Foundation*

Hymnal no. 529

✠DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Pastor Bill Davis

✠BENEDICTION RESPONSE

✠POSTLUDE

*O Thou of God the Father*

J.S. Bach

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**Today's Anthem** begins with a unison opening statement and builds with rhythmic and harmonic complexity and intensity right up to the final chord. Arranged by Chester L. Alwes (b. 1947), this traditional spiritual assures the listener of room on the Glory Train. Dr. Alwes is on the faculty of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

**The flowers on the altar** are presented to the glory of God and in honor of Sue Stewart,  
on our 52<sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary from her loving husband, Jess Stewart.

**Our Christian love and sympathy** is extended to the family of longtime Trinity Member, Sara J. Stukenbroeker, who entered eternal rest on February 15<sup>th</sup>, at Avalon at Westminster at Lake Ridge Retirement Home, 12191 Clipper Drive, Lake Ridge, VA 22192. A memorial service was held on February 18<sup>th</sup> at Westminster at Lake Ridge. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Trinity UMC or Westminster at Lake Ridge in her memory.

**Today we present** for the Sacrament of Baptism James Emmett Fitzgerald, son of Dave and Catie Fitzgerald, born on May 3, 2016 in Charlotte, North Carolina. We also receive into Professing Membership James' parents, Catherine Winslow Fitzgerald, baptized in 1986 at Irving Park United Methodist Church, Greensboro, North Carolina, and David Robert Fitzgerald, baptized in 1984 at St. Ambrose Catholic Church, St. Louis, Missouri. Catie is a stay at home mom and Dave is employed with Akin Gump Strauss Hauer and Feld. Ronnie Willett is the congregational sponsor for the Fitzgeralds. Please warmly welcome Catie, Dave, and James to the Trinity Church family.

# TRINITY'S WEEKLY NEWS

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

Monday, February 20, 2017, the Church Office will be closed in observance of Presidents' Day.

## Our Discipleship from Last Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>

Worship: 167 Offering: \$8,297.00

Weekly Electronic Offering: \$2,839.02

## Those Serving at Worship Today:

*Acolyte: Eliza Costle-Tyler*

*Counters: Marshall Cook, Mike Cooley*

*Crucifer: Aidan Gibson*

*Greeters: Richard and Nancy Hunt*

*Pew Duty: John Ploch*

*Sound: Harley Hopkins*

*StoryTime Leaders: Keri Carlson, Lynn Clark*

*Usbers: Kaaren Christopherson, Greg Hlinka, Joan Hlinka, Pat Nordine, Lucelle O'Flaberty (Head Usber)*



**Members of Trinity Church's Confirmation 2017 and The Youth Fellowship** share in a combined meeting today, February 19, 2017 from 5:30 to 7:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall. The theme of the meeting is "Come Home, All Is Forgiven," as we delve into the topics of sin and redemption within the Christian story. Youth Fellowship members not participating in confirmation, please bring \$5 each for supper.

**The Next TUMC Book Group** - Sundays, 5:30 - 7:00 P.M., March 5<sup>th</sup> - April 9<sup>th</sup> in the Parlor. For a Lenten experience, we will read together Frederick Buechner's *The Sacred Journey: A Memoir of Early Days*. Buechner is an ordained Presbyterian minister and 20<sup>th</sup> Century author. This book is the first of 3 volumes of personal spiritual memoir in which Buechner "listens" to his life, discovering God making himself known quietly and through everyday events. Together, we have the opportunity to listen to our lives, hearing how God has spoken through our past as a guide to how God is speaking to us in the present. Contact Mary Beth Buchholz ([marybeth@freespiritfloral.com](mailto:marybeth@freespiritfloral.com)) or Martha Sherman ([msberman4420@yahoo.com](mailto:msberman4420@yahoo.com)) with questions or to sign up. Copies of the book are available in the narthex.

**The Children's Ministry Team needs Story Time volunteers!** Our pool of StoryTime volunteers has become quite small over the past couple of years. We need new volunteers to staff StoryTime. 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 will plan and provide the story time lesson for you! Please see Michelle Hoganson ([michelle.hoganson@gmail.com](mailto:michelle.hoganson@gmail.com)), our StoryTime Coordinator or Mary Beth Buchholz ([marybeth@freespiritfloral.com](mailto:marybeth@freespiritfloral.com)), our Christian Formation Chair if you have questions or to sign up for a story time date.

**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](mailto:office@trinityalexandria.org). Interested applicants should send resumes and cover letters to Jeff Lane, SPRC Chair, by email at [Jeff.lane38@gmail.com](mailto:Jeff.lane38@gmail.com), with a copy to [office@trinityalexandria.org](mailto: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](mailto:jillrobinson55@gmail.com).

### Trinity's Table

Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 5<sup>30</sup>-7<sup>30</sup> PM

*Menu: Cheese Piz̄za, Veggie Piz̄za, Pepperoni Piz̄za  
Gluten Free Piz̄za Option, Salad, Dessert*

RSVP on the Connection Card.



# TRINITY WEEKLY NEWS

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## Save the Dates

**February 28<sup>th</sup>:** Shrove Tuesday- Join us for all you can eat pancakes with all the fixings. We start serving at 5:30 PM and continue until 7:30 PM. To make a reservation, please indicate on the connection card and place it in the offering plate or contact the Church Office at 703.549.5500/[office@trinityalexandria.org](mailto:office@trinityalexandria.org).

**March 1<sup>st</sup>:** Ash Wednesday, the first day of the season of Lent, is on March 1 this year. In keeping with past practice, Trinity Church joins in worship, including the Imposition of Ashes, that evening at 7:30 PM. Earlier in the day, from 6:30 to 8:30 A.M., Pastor Bill is in the sanctuary to mark with ashes any who wish to receive them before the work and school day begin.

Our Book of Worship teaches, “Ash Wednesday emphasizes a dual encounter: we confront our own mortality and confess our sin before God within the community of faith. The form and content of the service focus on the dual themes of sin and death in the light of God’s redeeming love in Jesus Christ.” Please join us on Ash Wednesday and throughout the Lenten season.

**March 12<sup>th</sup>:** Daylight Saving Time Begins - Don’t forget to set your clocks to “spring” forward an hour.

**April 9<sup>th</sup>:** 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 13<sup>th</sup>:** 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. Holy Thursday Worship follows at 7:30 PM, ending with the Stripping of the Altar.

**April 14<sup>th</sup>:** 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 15<sup>th</sup>:** The Annual Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. Stay tuned for details.

**April 16<sup>th</sup>:** 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 17<sup>th</sup>:** Church Office closed in observance of Easter Monday.

**May 6<sup>th</sup>:** Join us for a Morning of Giving! Trinity’s Semi-Annual Blood Drive and our Annual Bikes for the World event is scheduled for Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. 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

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**Sunday**            **02/19/17**        **Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany**  
9:30 AM            Adult Forum - Welcoming the Stranger (Fellowship Hall)  
10:00 AM           Children's Sunday School (StoryTime Room 206)  
11:00 AM           Worship (Sanctuary)  
Noon                Choristers Rehearsal (Music Suite)  
3:30 PM            Cadet Troop #2402 (Fellowship Hall)  
5:30 PM            Confirmation Class - Youth Group (Fellowship Hall)

**Monday**            **02/20/17**        **Presidents' Day**  
Church Office Closed  
Trinity Preschool Closed

**Tuesday**           **02/21/17**  
7:00 PM            Boy Scouts #113 (Fellowship Hall)

**Wednesday**       **02/22/17**  
5:30 PM            Trinity's Table (Fellowship Hall)  
6:00 PM            Centering Prayer (Chapel)  
6:15 PM            Trebles Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite)

**Thursday**           **02/23/17**  
6:15 PM            Ringers Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
7:45 PM            Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite)

**Sunday**            **02/26/17**        **Eighth Sunday after the Epiphany**  
9:30 AM            Adult Forum - Christian Civics (Fellowship Hall)  
10:00 AM           Children's Sunday School (StoryTime Room 206)  
11:00 AM           Worship (Sanctuary)  
Noon                SPARKS! (Fellowship Hall Classroom)  
1:30 PM            Brownie Troop #1193 (Fellowship Hall)  
3:00 PM            Cadet Troop #6098 (Fellowship Hall)  
5:30 PM            Confirmation Class (Fellowship Hall)



## **Trinity United Methodist Church**

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Monday - Thursday 9 AM - 5 PM | Friday 9 AM - 2 PM

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