



Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. "All these I will give you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me."

Matthew 4:8-9

*Trinity United Methodist Church
Alexandria, Virginia*

*First Sunday in Lent
March 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 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.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

arr. McChesney

Trinity Ringers

INTROIT

If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee

J.S. Bach

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 32

Margaret Barton

Blessed are those whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

**Blessed are those whom the Lord does not hold guilty,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

Great are the tribulations of the wicked;
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.

**Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous;
shout for joy, all you upright in heart!**

✠ HYMN

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Hymnal no. 127

✠ OPENING COLLECT

Pastor Bill Davis

Blessed are you, O Lord God, our Strength;
for when death had entered this world through sin,
Jesus your Christ, led by the Spirit
into the wilderness of temptation,
chose to worship and serve you alone.

Lead us through these forty days of Lent.

Lead us from the disobedience of sin
to the righteousness won by Christ's obedience,
till at the font of living water
the baptized find new birth,
the penitent find pardon,
and all find life in your word and living bread.

We ask this in the name of Jesus,
who saves his people from their sins,
and 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 210 and elementary-aged children (kindergarten through 2nd grade) may go to room 206 for StoryTime.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Pew Bible, OT, Page 02

Margaret Barton

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

ANTHEM

Parce Domine

Felix Nowowiejski

Lord, spare your people, do not be angry at us forever. Have mercy on us, O God, according to your great mercy.

✠GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



O_ Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
 O_ Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky:
 we praise you for the ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page,
 a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.

✠GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 4:1-11

Pew Bible, NT, Page 03

Pastor Bill Davis

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

SERMON

"The Choices We Make"

Pastor Bill Davis

✠HYMN

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Hymnal no. 400

✠AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

Hymnal no. 880

CALL TO CONFESSION

"Is not this the fast I choose," says the Lord,
 to loose the bonds of injustice;
 to share your bread with the hungry;
 to bring the homeless poor into your house;
 to clothe the naked?

Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
 and your healing shall spring up quickly." (Isaiah 58:6-8)

As we prepare to come to the Lord's Table,
 let us confess our sin.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Pastor Bill Davis

Eternal God, our Judge and Redeemer,
 we confess that we have tried to hide from you,
 for we have done wrong.
We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you.
We have turned from our neighbors,
 and refused to bear the burdens of others.
We have ignored the pain of the world,
 and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed.
In your great mercy forgive our sins
 and free us from selfishness,
 that we may choose your will
 and obey your commandments;
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

The almighty and most merciful God
grant you pardon, forgiveness of all your sins,
time for true repentance and amendment of life,
and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
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

Meditations on the Cross
Trinity Ringers

Michael Helman

✠THE DOXOLOGY

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.

Hymnal no. 95

✠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

Gordon Johnson, piano

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pastor Bill Davis

Gracious God, we thank you that you have nourished us
with the bread of life and with the cup of salvation.
Grant that we who have received this sacrament
will be strengthened in your service;
that we who have sung your praises
will live in your glory;
and that we who have known the greatness of your love
will see you face to face in your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

✠HYMN

For the Bread Which You Have Broken

Hymnal no. 614

✠DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Pastor Bill Davis

The God of all grace who has called you to eternal glory in Christ confirm and strengthen you and make you perfect in love. **Amen.**
And the blessing of the almighty and merciful God,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be with you and remain with you now and always. **Amen.**

✠POSTLUDE

Prelude and Fugue in e minor

J.S. Bach

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Today's Anthem is a chorus from Nowowiejski's oratorio Kreuzauffindung (The Finding of the Cross, Op. 35.) Written in 1905, the oratorio tells of the decline and ruin of Jerusalem and its people who pursue earthly delights and vain hopes. Parce Domine is a setting of a plainsong melody appointed for times of penance. In the oratorio, it is sung by a chorus of pilgrims who beg God for his forgiveness. Nowowiejski (1877-1946) was a well known composer and conductor during the first half of the 20th century in his native Poland.

The flowers on the altar are for the glory of God and in gratitude for the beautiful gift of His Grace, given freely, that serves to strengthen us for our path forward in His service.

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

Our Discipleship from Last Sunday, February 26th:

Worship: 163 Offering: \$3,016.00
Weekly Electronic Offering: \$2,691.76

Those Serving at Worship Today:

Acolyte: Taylor Hoganson

Communion Stewards: Ellan Moore, Kay Stewart

Communion Servers: Margaret Barton, Susan Collins, Jill Robinson, Tom Tyler

Counters: Jenny Palazio

Crucifer: Aidan Gibson

Greeters: Steve and Connie Blood

Liturgist: Margaret Barton

Pew Duty: John Ploch

Sound: Harley Hopkins

StoryTime: MK Craver, Liz Detmeister

Usbers: John Wesley Collins, Nancy Hill, Mac McClellan, Pat McClellan, Lucelle O'Flaberty (Head Usber)

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 will be available in the Narthex starting today until Sunday, April 2nd which will be the last day to make an order. You may also 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.

Warmest thanks to Katie Cook, Virginia Hodges, and Erin and Isaiah Odoyo for being special valentines through their service to the folks dining at Christ House on February 12th. The next opportunity for Trinity volunteers to prepare and serve the evening meal is March 12th. Please contact Susan Willis at sbwillis76@gmail.com if you have questions or are interested in volunteering.

Trinity's Table

Wednesday, March 8th, 5³⁰-7³⁰ PM

*Menu: Sloppy Joes, Hot Dogs, Oriental Salad
Assorted Chips, Pickles, Fruit, Cookies*

RSVP on your the Connection Card.

TRINITY'S WEEKLY NEWS

Rising Hope United Methodist Mission Church on the Route 1 corridor has a food pantry that serves 350 families per month. We have been asked to run a food drive for the month of March that will help them continue to serve these needs during some difficult days for families. Since food donations diminish after the holidays, special attention needs to be given to this request. They have identified the following as foods that represent needs in their community:

- ✦ Pasta – any kind
- ✦ Rice – large bags that will be divided into smaller ones depending on family size
- ✦ Macaroni and Cheese boxes
- ✦ Canned meat, such as tuna, chicken, chunky soups, and ravioli

When you are grocery shopping in March, pick up 2-3 extra cans each week and let's make a difference in the food pantry at Rising Hope. There is a trunk in the closet to the left of the church's main entrance that is labeled for "Rising Hope." Trinity has a Lenten tradition of raising funds for various projects and now we can continue that support with the need for basic foods at our local mission church.

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 will plan and provide the story time lesson for you! Please see Michelle Hoganson (michelle.hoganson@gmail.com), our Story Time 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.

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.

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.

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! Carpenter's Cook-Off is one of Carpenter's Shelter's signature events held in the spring. This year, we will feature a special presentation to three extraordinary honorees for taking the idea of the cook-off from concept to reality. Almost 15 years later, the cumulative funds raised at the previous cook-offs total nearly \$1 million. The honorees will receive the first Carpenter's Cook-Off Leadership Award. The Awards are given to honor the creativity and outstanding service to the homeless men, women and families in Alexandria.

The afternoon's celebration will consist 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/.

TUMC Boy Scout Troop 113 Annual Mulch Sale 2017. Our Shredded Hardwood Mulch is sold in large 3 cubic foot bags and delivered right to your door for \$6.00 a bag (10 bag minimum). Home deliveries begin March 28th and continue to April 1st, just in time for your Spring Mulching! You must order now to assure delivery! There are limited lot sales this year, so order early by mail or online. Order on line at www.bsa113.com. Orders are due before March 20th to ensure delivery. Questions? contact Jennifer Murphy at Jennifer@7murphys.com.

TRINITY'S WEEKLY NEWS

Save the Dates

March 12th: Daylight Saving Time Begins. Remember to set your clocks forward an hour before you go to bed on Saturday, March 11th.

March 14th: 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)

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 Blood Drive and our Annual Bikes for the World event is scheduled for Saturday, May 6th. 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	03/05/17	<i>First Sunday in Lent</i>
	9:00 AM	Breakfast & Conversation with Tom Gjelten (Fellowship Hall)
	9:30 AM	Adult Forum - Tom Gjelten: A Nation of Nations (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 (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	Trinity Book Group (Parlor)
Monday	03/06/17	
	2:30 PM	Brownie Troop #4905 (Fellowship Hall)
Tuesday	03/07/17	
	4:30 PM	Daisy Troop #60044 (Fellowship Hall)
	7:30 PM	Boy Scouts #113 (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday	03/08/17	
	2:30 PM	Trinity UMC Staff Meeting (Parlor)
	5:30 PM	Trinity's Table (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00 PM	Centering Prayer (Chapel)
	6:15 PM	Trebles Rehearsal (Music Suite)
Thursday	03/09/17	
	6:15 PM	Ringers Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	7:45 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite)
Friday	03/10/17	
	10:00 AM	Cardinal Quilters (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday	03/12/17	<i>Second 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	Cadet Troop #6098 (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	Confirmation Class (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	Trinity Book Group (Parlor)



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