



The Transfiguration

Trinity United Methodist Church
Alexandria, Virginia

Sunday of the Transfiguration
February 11, 2018
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

Allein Gott in der Höh sei Her

J.G. Walther

INTROIT

O Wondrous Type, O Vision Fair

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 50)

Greg Saunders

The Mighty One, God the Lord, speaks
and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.

Our God comes and does not keep silence,
with a devouring fire before and a raging storm round about.

God calls the heavens and the earth to witness the judgment of the people.

“Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!”

The heavens declare God's righteousness, for the Great Eternal is judge.

✠ OPENING COLLECT

Pastor Bill Davis

Blessed are you, God Most High,
for the Christ was transfigured in dazzling light,
and the resplendent light of your truth
shines from the mountaintop into our hearts
and promises us a share in that destiny of glory.
Transfigure us by your beloved Son
and let the beacon of his good news
pierce again the clouds enshrouding Earth,
so that even in the darkness of these days
we may believe that your day will dawn;
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, in the beauty of glory everlasting. **Amen.**

✠ HYMN

All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine

Hymnal no. 166

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Pastor Bill Davis

**God of transcendent mystery, who meets us
in life's ordinary and extraordinary moments:
we confess that we often choose to walk in darkness,
inattentive to the signs of your presence with us.
We repeatedly have ignored and denied
the enlightening, transfiguring power of Jesus Christ.
Forgive us our sin, we pray,
penetrate our darkness by the light of Christ,
and transfigure us according to his image and likeness
that we may rejoice in hope and serve in love. Amen.**

(Silence for reflection and confession)

Through the glorious light of the Christ of mercy,
we receive faith for our journey, courage for the road ahead,
and trust and clarity in the face of doubt and confusion.
In the name of the Christ of glory, you are forgiven!
In the name of the Christ of glory, you are forgiven!
All glory, majesty, and power be to God. Amen.

✠THE PEACE

Pastor Bill Davis

Christ will transfigure our human body
and give it a form like that of his own glorious body,
for we are the body of Christ and we share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

All offer one another words and signs of peace and reconciliation.

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) and younger may go upstairs to the Nursery in room 210. Worship bags for elementary age children can be obtained from an usher.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Kings 2:1-12

Pew Bible, OT, Page 332

Greg Saunders

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

ANTHEM

Prayer for Transfiguration Day

John Weaver

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Christ, your Son, you have confirmed the mystery of the faith by the testimony of the apostles. In the voice that came from the bright cloud you proclaimed him to be your Son, and told us to heed his teachings. O God, make us heirs with Christ, in his glory forevermore, Alleluia, Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Pew Bible, NT, Page 180

Greg Saunders

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

✠GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*Please sing before and after the Gospel Lesson.*)

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

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

✠GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 9:2-9

Pew Bible, NT, Page 44

Pastor Bill Davis

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

SERMON

“Unveiled”

Pastor Bill Davis

✠HYMN

Be Thou My Vision

Hymnal no. 451

✠AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed, Ecumenical Version

Hymnal no. 882

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Bill Davis

A pause follows each prayer, which ends with: *Leader: Lord of glory ... 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

Pastor Bill Davis

OFFERTORY

Anthem for Transfiguration

Paul Hofreiter

This is my Son, my Chosen One. Listen to him, my Chosen Son! Listen!

✠THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Hymnal no. 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose powers uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

✠OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor Bill Davis

We praise you, O Most High, Light of Light,
for you bless us with the radiant vitality of your love.
Receive and illumine these tithes and gifts, O God,
that the world may witness the brilliance of your light
through this offering and all our faithful deeds
done in faithful response to your glorious love
which blazes forth in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

✠HYMN

Christ Is the World's Light

Hymnal no. 188

✠DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Pastor Bill Davis

Christ Jesus,
the splendor and image of the Father,
draw you to himself
that you may live in his light and share his glory.
Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

✠CHORAL RESPONSE

✠POSTLUDE

The Heavens Declare

Benedetto Marcello

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Those Assisting in Worship Today:

Acolyte: Logan Williams

Counters: Mike Cooley, Rich McKinney

Crucifer: Taylor Hoganson

Liturgist: Greg Saunders

Greeters: Kay and Herb Stewart

Pew Duty: John Ploch

Sound: Harley Hopkins

Ushers: Jenny Darlington, Lisa Nathan, Pat Nordine, Lucelle O'Flaherty (Head Usher), Eric Schilling

The flowers at the altar today are presented to the glory of God and in celebration of the twenty-fourth birthday of the late Anne Kimball Davis, beloved daughter of Bill and Susan and dear sister of Rob.

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for the Heart2Heart Luncheon and fellowship with our church family.

TRINITY UMC'S WEEKLY NEWS

Today's Anthem is composed by Dr. John Weaver, concert organist and Director of Music at Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church in New York City since 1970. He was Head of the Organ Department at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia from 1972 to 2003, and also Chair of the Organ Department at The Juilliard School from 1987 to 2004, in addition to many professional affiliations and credits. His atmospheric Transfiguration Prayer begins with each voice part entering separately, creating dissonant harmonies to evoke the clouds through which we will then see the Christ; the harmonic tension created is then followed by harmonic resolutions and a prayerful Alleluia and Amen.

Today's Offertory Anthem is a setting by Paul Hofreiter (1952-2007). Hofreiter alternates the singing of text from Luke 9:35 with accompaniment from an early 15th century English melody "Deo Gracias" (the same tune as today's introit). The ethereal harmony of the organ and the rich texture of the four-part writing show the mystery of the voice of God in this proclamation "This is my Son, my Chosen One." Hofreiter was a composer, conductor, organist, pianist and church musician and had been a faculty member at Westminster Conservatory in Princeton.

Trinity's Table: Join us on Wednesdays from 5:30 to 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall for Mark Sakuta's culinary creativity. **This week in lieu of Trinity's Table** on Ash Wednesday, February 14, we celebrate Shrove Tuesday the day before on February 13.

Tuesday's Menu (02/13): *Shrove Tuesday:* Assorted Pancakes - Apfelpfannkuchen (German apple pancake); Banana Foster Pancake; Gumbo (hearty and can be a meal) Sausage and Chicken, Shrimp Gumbo (some gumbo no shrimp for allergies); Jambalaya; Dessert-Fruit w/Chocolate Dip

Cost: \$8 per adult/\$5 per child (12 and younger)/\$25 for family of 4 or more (2 adults and children, 12 and younger). Please RSVP on the Connection cards and place in the offering plate during today's service or contact the church office: office@trinityalexandria.org.

The **Della Somerville Circle** meets on Tuesday, February 13 at 7:00 PM in the Parlor following Trinity's Table ~ Shrove Tuesday. Join us at 5:30 PM at Trinity's Table to celebrate Shrove Tuesday and then stay for our meeting and fellowship. Mark your connection card to RSVP to dinner or send an email to office@trinityalexandria.org. And don't forget to let Linda Pitts (ibcpitts@aol.com) know that you are attending the Circle Meeting.

Read and Join! Take part in a book group where we discuss Richard Rohr's, *Falling Upward*. We continue to meet in the parlor February 18 and March 4 from 5:30-7 PM. For more information contact Jill Robinson: jillrobinson55@gmail.com. If you need a book, please let Jill know as soon as possible so she can order one for you!

Community Lodgings' 30 Year Anniversary Pearl Gala is a celebratory fundraiser to honor 30 full years of serving disadvantaged families in the City of Alexandria, VA. This black-tie event includes dinner and dancing, live entertainment by Motown legends, The Intruders, a live and silent auction, a video presentation and a special awards ceremony honoring the contributions of several long-time board members, founding faith partners and other community partners.

All the proceeds from the event go towards Community Lodgings' programs for youth education, transitional housing for homeless families, and affordable housing for the working poor. We invite you to join us on Saturday, February 17 from 6-10 PM at Belle Haven Country Club (6023 Fort Hunt Rd, Alexandria, VA) and become part of the growing legacy of Community Lodgings and its service to vulnerable Alexandria families.

Ticket prices are \$125 for individuals, \$100 for Young Professionals Under 30. For more information or to order tickets visit, www.eventbrite.com/e/30-year-anniversary-pearl-gala-tickets-41319275064.

Join Us for Confirmation 2018! 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 2018 is a 12-session experience that begins on Sunday, February 18, from 5:30 to 7:00 PM. We encourage all students in grade 6 and beyond to register their intention to participate with our Director of Christian Formation, Carrie Pritts at christianformation@trinityalexandria.org.

TRINITY UMC'S WEEKLY NEWS

Anatomy of Peace: On February 21 from 7-8:30 PM at Annandale UMC, Rev. Brian Brown who serves Alexandria's Woodlawn-Faith UMC, speaks to us based upon the book *Anatomy of Peace – Resolving the Heart of Conflict*, by the Arbinger Institute. The book is on the resource list for the Commission on a Way Forward and is important for anyone dealing with conflict of any kind. Brian has been trained by the Arbinger Institute in facilitating conversations around *Anatomy of Peace*.

Reverend Brown will walk us through a way to transform personal, professional and global conflicts as we seek to find real, lasting peace. He will move us from awareness to the implementation of the practices and disciplines that facilitate a heart at peace. *Reading the book beforehand will be very helpful to those attending. For more information and to register visit: www.eiseverywhere.com/spiritual-formation.

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. The Trebles and Choristers welcome new singers. Come sing with the Chancel Choir as we prepare the Fauré Requiem for March 11, with strings and harp. Please ring with us as we prepare music for Ash Wednesday, February 14. 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. In addition, if there are those who wish to contribute instrumental music to our services, please know that your talents are welcome. There are no auditions for any of the choirs. Come try us out! And if you wish some private coaching, that is also available. Contact Linda Cancellieri, our Music Director with any questions at music@trinityalexandria.org.

TUMC Boy Scout Troop 113 Annual Mulch Sale 2018.

All members of Trinity UMC receive a special 10% discount when they order mulch from Troop 113. Just visit bsa113.com/shop/, select Hardwood Mulch and enter the coupon code "trinity" at checkout.

The shredded hardwood mulch is sold in large 3 cubic foot bags. If you order 10 bags or more and live within the delivery area, the Scouts deliver the mulch to your house for free. Don't need much mulch? You can pick up your order at the church or make a donation to the troop online. Home deliveries are made April 3-7. Orders must be received before March 21. Questions? Visit bsa113.com or contact Jennifer Murphy at Jennifer@7murphys.com.

The Carpenter's Shelter invites you to the Carpenter's Cook-Off! Join us on Sunday, April 22 from noon to 3:00 PM at The Birchmere (3701 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alex-

andria, VA) for the tasting event of the season! Carpenter's Cook-Off is one of Carpenter's Shelter's signature events held every spring. This year, nearly 500 attendees enjoy tastings from 20+ area restaurants, bid on hot ticket items during the live and silent auctions, and listen to live music by the Alpha Dog Blues Band. This is a family friendly affair that's fun for all! For more information, to register, to preview silent auction items, to become a sponsor, or a participant visit: www.carpentersshelter.org/cook-off/.

Be a Part of SUYTI 2018! The Youth Theology Institute at Shenandoah University is now accepting nominations and applications for the 2018 cohort! Application requirements: completed application form; letter of reference from your pastor or youth leader; be in high school; identify as a Christian and be interested in exploring how your faith intersects with who you are and what you're called to do in the world. Final application deadline is May 1, 2018. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. Apply as soon as possible. Have questions? Want more information? Contact Carrie Pritts, our Director of Christian Formation at christianformation@trinityalexandria.org.

Convergence: A High School Youth Theology Institute offers "Where Faith and Science Meet," a nine-day program (June 23-July 1, 2018) that allows rising 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students to come to the campus of Randolph-Macon College in Ashland, Va to learn about the intersection of science and Christian faith. They will dive deeper into their religious beliefs, deeper into the study of science, and will meet other high school students and Randolph-Macon College student leaders with those same interests. There will be time in the classroom and outdoor experiences throughout the region. The cost to participate is only \$100 for this nine-day program. Upon high school graduation, if any Convergence participants choose to attend Randolph-Macon, each will receive a \$1,000 annual scholarship for each year of participation in Convergence. For more information, please contact Pastor Bill at pastor@trinityalexandria.org.

February is Heart Havens Month in the Virginia Conference, a time when churches are asked to make financial contributions to this agency that provides residential services for men and women with intellectual disabilities by operating 11 group homes throughout Virginia. In February information and special offering envelopes will be located in the Narthex to assist in make your donations. For more information, visit: www.hearthavens.org and contact Sarah Wilkinson, Heart Havens Communications and Volunteer Manager, sarah.wilkinson@hearthavens.org.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY UMC

Sunday	02/11/18	Sunday of the Transfiguration
	9:30 AM	Nursery Opens (Room 210)
	9:15 AM	Rise and Shine Inter-Generational Forum (Fellowship Hall) “We Can End Homelessness in Alexandria”
	11:00 AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	Noon	Heart2Heart Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)
	3:00 PM	Cadet Troop #6098 (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	Book Group - Falling Upward (Parlor)
Monday	02/12/18	
	3:45 PM	Junior Troop #4164 (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 PM	Finance Committee Meeting (Parlor)
Tuesday	02/13/18	
	2:30 PM	Daisy Troop #60044 (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	Trinity’s Table ~ Shrove Tuesday (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 PM	Della Somerville Circle (Parlor)
	7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop #113 (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday	02/14/18	Ash Wednesday
	2:30 PM	Staff Meeting (Pastor’s Study)
	6:00 PM	Centering Prayer (Chapel)
	7:30 PM	Ash Wednesday Worship (Sanctuary)
Thursday	02/15/18	
	6:15 PM	Trinity Ringers Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	7:45 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite)
Sunday	02/18/18	First Sunday in Lent
	9:30 AM	Nursery Opens (Room 210)
	9:30 AM	Children’s Sunday School (Room 206)
	9:30 AM	Rise and Shine Youth and Adult Forum (Fellowship Hall) “Zionism: Biblical Beginnings to Modern Day Movement-Part II”
	11:00 AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	12:30 PM	Choristers Rehearsal (Music Suite)
	3:00 PM	Brownie Troop #1193 (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	Confirmation and Youth Group (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	Book Group - <i>Falling Upward</i> (Parlor)



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.

TRINITY UMC'S SAVE THE DATES

February 13: Trinity's Table: Shrove Tuesday - Dinner and Fellowship at 5:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall

February 14: Ash Wednesday: Worship at 7:30 PM

February 18: Confirmation Class 2018 Begins

February 19: Trinity UM Church Office closed in observance of Presidents Day.

February 21: Spiritual Formation Session: Anatomy of Peace with Brian Brown at Annandale UMC

February 24: Bishop Lewis' Chat n' Chew 2.0 - Ebenezer UMC

March 11: Worship 10:45 AM: Requiem by Gabriel Fauré, accompanied by strings and harp.
Daylight Saving Time Begins - Don't forget to set your clocks to "spring" forward an hour.

March 25: Palm Sunday of Our Lord's Passion: Annual processional with donkey. Worship to follow at 11:00 AM.

March 29: Holy Thursday: Worship at 7:30 PM

March 30: 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 1: 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 2: Church Office closed in observance of Easter Monday.



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