



The Temptation of Christ, Vasili Surikov, 1872

Trinity United Methodist Church
Alexandria, Virginia

First Sunday in Lent
February 18, 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 worshippers, 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.

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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

Vater unser im Himmelreich

J.S. Bach

INTROIT

Your Heart, O God, is Grieved

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP *(from Psalm 25)*

Nancy Hill

To you, O Most High, we lift up our souls.

O God, we put our trust in you.

Show us your ways, O God,
and teach us your paths.

**Lead us in your truth and teach us,
for you are the God of our salvation.**

Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.

**Remember us according to your steadfast love
and for the sake of your goodness.**

You are gracious and upright, O God;
therefore you teach sinners in your way.

**You lead the humble in justice
and teach the lowly your way.**

✠ OPENING COLLECT

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Blessed are you, God Most High,
for you set your rainbow in the clouds
as a sign of the covenant
between you and all the creatures of Earth;
and the sign of Christ is traced on our foreheads
as a sign of the mystery that seals our lives.

Bring us through these forty days of Lent
in the power of Christ's victory,
as at the font of living water
the baptized receive new birth,
the penitent discover pardon,
and all of us are graced with joy;
through the pioneer and perfecter of our faith,
your Son, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

✠ HYMN

Jesus! the Name High over All

Hymnal no. 193

Merciful God, whose only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ,
was tempted in every way as we are, yet without sin,
we confess before you our own sinfulness.
We have hungered for what does not satisfy;
we have compromised with evil;
and we have doubted your power to deliver us.
Forgive us our lack of faith, and have mercy on our weakness.
Restore within us and among us such trust and love
that we may walk in your ways and delight in your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Silence for reflection and confession)

Return to the Lord your God, for God is gracious and merciful,
 slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.
 In the name of the merciful Christ, you are forgiven!
In the name of the merciful Christ, *you* are forgiven!
Thanks be to God for this indescribable gift!

✠THE PEACE

Pastor Bill Davis

Since we are justified by faith,
 we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,
 who has given us access to divine grace.
 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

Carrie Pritts

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

Genesis 9:8-17

Pew Bible, OT, Page 7

Nancy Hill

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

ANTHEM

Here's One

William G. Still

Carol Bowers, soprano

My Lord! Talk about a child that do love Jesus, Here's one. In old Satan's snares I once was falling, but I heard the voice of my Lord calling. Talk about a child that's been converted, here's one. Ever since I learned the gospel story, I've been walking up the path to glory.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Peter 3:18-22

Pew Bible, NT, Page 234

Nancy Hill

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

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

Bless-ed Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to hear thee.
 let our hearts and souls be stirred now to seek and love and fear thee.
 by thy teach - ing sweet and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.

✠GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1:9-15

Pew Bible, NT, Page 34

Pastor Bill Davis

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

SERMON

“Without Illusion”

Pastor Bill Davis

✠HYMN

When Jesus Came to Jordan

Hymnal no. 252

✠AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A Modern Affirmation

Hymnal no. 885

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Bill Davis

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

Pastor Bill Davis

OFFERTORY

I Call To Thee, Lord Jesus Christ

J.S. Bach

✠THE DOXOLOGY

O Love, How Deep

Hymnal no. 267 v. 5

All glo - ry to our Lord and God
 for love — so deep — so high so broad:
 the Trin - i - ty — whom we a - dore,
 for - ev - er and for - ev - er - more.

✠OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor Bill Davis

Blessed are you, God Most High,
 for you provide the precious gift of divine love
 in the renewal of life through water and the Spirit.
 Receive these tithes and gifts that we bring this day,
 and use them as means by which all people may know
 that they are your beloved and cherished children;
 through Jesus Christ, our resurrection and our life. **Amen.**

✠HYMN

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Hymnal no. 140

✠DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Pastor Bill Davis

✠CHORAL RESPONSE

✠POSTLUDE

Prelude in e minor

J.S. Bach

TRINITY UMC'S WEEKLY NEWS

Those Assisting in Worship Today:

Acolyte: Logan Williams
Counters: Marshall Cook, Rich McKinney
Crucifer: Taylor Hoganson
Liturgist: Nancy Hill
Greeters: Mac and Pat McClellan
Pew Duty: John Ploch
Sound: Harley Hopkins
Ushers: Lucelle O'Flaherty (Head Usher), George Pinn

The flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God.

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

Today's anthem by William Grant Still (1895-1978) is an arrangement of a traditional spiritual, for soloist and choir. In addition to his work as a classical oboist, Still was an orchestral conductor, arranger and composer. He was much more successful than his African American contemporaries, earning him the title of Dean of African American composers. "His musical training was twofold, embracing the European tradition at Oberlin College, and the African-American in his work with W. C. Handy in New York." From AfriClassical.com

Trinity's Table: Join us on Wednesdays from 5:30 to 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall for Mark Sakuta's culinary creativity.

Wednesday's Menu (02/21): Build your own Pita and Moussaka: Traditional Pork Souvlaki; Chicken Souvlaki; Moussaka (Greek Eggplant Lasagna w/ beef); Greek Basmati Rice; Tabouleh; Greek Salad; Fixin Bar - Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, Yogurt Sauce; Dessert

Kids Menu: Buttered Noodles

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.

Read and Join! Take part in a book group where we discuss Richard Rohr's, *Falling Upward*. We continue to meet in the parlor tonight 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!

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.

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.

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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 making your donations. For more information, visit: www.hearthavens.org and contact Sarah Wilkinson, Heart Havens Communications and Volunteer Manager, sarah.wilkinson@hearthavens.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.

Convocation on Race and Reconciliation: Bishop Lewis has called a Convocation on Race and Reconciliation on Saturday, April 14, 2018 at Annandale UMC. The convocation will empower participants to become lifelong learning disciples who will be able to conduct the difficult conversations we all need to have related to issues of racial division, justice, and God's call to ministries of reconciliation and peace. Register and learn more at www.vaumc.org.

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.

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 UMC

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 - Falling Upward (Parlor)
Monday	02/19/18	President's Day
		Church Office is closed Trinity Preschool is closed
Tuesday	02/20/18	
	7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop #113 (Fellowship Hall)
	7:30 PM	Investment Committee (Parlor)
Wednesday	02/21/18	
	9:20 AM	Trinity Preschool Group (Fellowship Hall)
	2:30 PM	Staff Meeting (Pastor's Study)
	5:30 PM	Trinity's Table (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00 PM	Centering Prayer (Chapel)
	6:30 PM	Trebles Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite)
Thursday	02/22/18	
	6:15 PM	Trinity Ringers Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	7:45 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite)
Friday	02/23/18	
		Fellowship Hall Closed
Saturday	02/24/18	
	8:00 AM	Mom's Club of Alexandria Consignment Sale (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday	02/25/18	Second 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 III"
	11:00 AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	12:30 PM	Choristers Rehearsal (Music Suite)
	3:00 PM	Cadet Troop #6098 (Fellowship Hall)
	3:00 PM	Junior Troop #5041 (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	Confirmation Class (Fellowship Hall)

TRINITY UMC'S SAVE THE DATES

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.

April 14: Convocation on Race and Reconciliation at Annandale UMC

May 13: Mother's Day: Worship at 11 AM

May 20: Pentecost Sunday: Worship at 11 AM

May 28: Trinity UM Church Office closed in observance of Memorial Day.



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