



He became the source of eternal salvation. - Hebrews 5:9

Trinity United Methodist Church
Alexandria, Virginia

Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 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 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.

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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

Chorale Prelude on Jesu Kreuz, Leiden und Pein

J.G. Walther

INTROIT

Jesus, I Will Ponder Now

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP *(after Psalm 119)*

Jill Robinson

Come, beloved, let us seek the Eternal with our whole heart.

Let us live according to the commandments of God.

Blessed is the Lord, God Most High!

The Lord instructs us in the everlasting statutes!

Meditate on God's commands and attend to God's ways.

Delight in God's commands and remember God's word.

✠ OPENING COLLECT

Pastor Bill Davis

Blessed are you, God of eternity,

for deep within our hearts

you have written your law,

and high upon the cross

you have lifted up our salvation

in Jesus Christ our Lord.

From the death of that single grain

sown in your good earth,

bring forth in this lenten springtime

a rich harvest of life.

As the hour of Christ's passion draws near,

glorify your name,

and in our baptismal renewal,

let it be glorified again;

through Jesus Christ,

the pioneer and perfecter of our faith,

who lives and reigns with you

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

✠ HYMN

Lift High the Cross

Hymnal no. 159

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Pastor Bill Davis

Have mercy upon us, O God, according to your lovingkindness.

According to the multitude of your tender mercies, blot out our transgressions.

Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities, and cleanse us from our sins.

For we acknowledge our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us.

Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew a right spirit within us;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Silence for reflection and confession)

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
The almighty and merciful God grant us remission of all our sins,
true repentance, amendment of life,
and the grace and consolation of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

✠THE PEACE

Pastor Bill Davis

As God's people, forgiven and reconciled in Jesus Christ,
let us exchange signs of reconciliation and love.

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

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Pew Bible, OT, Page 735

Jill Robinson

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

ANTHEM

Ave Verum

Philip Stopford

Hail, true body of Christ, born of the Virgin Mary, who truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mankind, from whose pierced side flowed water and blood, Be our consolation in death's ordeal. O Jesu, sweet Jesu, O Jesu, holy Jesus, O Jesu, son of Mary, Have mercy upon us. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Hebrews 5:5-10

Pew Bible, NT, Page 220

Jill Robinson

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

John 12:20-33

Pew Bible, NT, Page 106

Pastor Bill Davis

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

SERMON

“Jesus, Our High Priest”

Pastor Bill Davis

SERVICE OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT I

Hymnal no. 33

HYMN

This Is the Spirit's Entry Now

Hymnal no. 608

Commendation and Welcome

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

Pastor Bill Davis

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.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

Jill Robinson and Liz Williams

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Pastor Bill Davis

OFFERTORY

Chaconne in d minor

Louis Couperin

✠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, O God,
for with steadfast love you draw us to yourself
and in mercy you receive our offering.
Strengthen us to produce the fruit of the Spirit,
that, in dying to self and living in Christ,
we may serve to bring others to eternal life
through Jesus Christ, our Lord and High Priest. Amen.

✠HYMN

Jesus Shall Reign

Hymnal no. 157

✠DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Pastor Bill Davis

✠CHORAL RESPONSE

✠POSTLUDE

Toccata in c minor

J.G. Walther

Those Assisting in Worship Today:

Acolyte: Sophie Moran

Counters: Marshall Cook, Rich McKinney

Liturgist: Jill Robinson

Greeters: Allen and Alicia St. Jean with their daughters, Abigail and Anna

Pew Duty: John Ploch

Sound: Harley Hopkins

Ushers: Jenny Darlington, Kaaren Christopherson, Paul Griffith, Pat and Ellan Moore (Head Ushers), George Pinn

Today we present for baptism Matthew Tyler Rhodes and Aurora Charlene Rhodes, infant daughter of Tyler and Jennifer Rhodes. We also receive Tyler as a professing member of Trinity Church.

The flowers at the altar today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Tyler, Jennifer & Rory's Special Day! Much Love, The Grandparents

The rosebud on the altar today is given to the glory of God and in celebration of the birth of Rita Newbegin's great-granddaughter, Skylar Regan Long. Daughter of Stan and Melissa Long, born March 10th, weighing 7lbs. and 5oz. in Margate, FL.

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

Today's anthem is a setting of Ave Verum Corpus by Philip W J Stopford (b. 1977), a sacred music choral composer, organist and choir director at Belfast Cathedral in Northern Ireland. He is known for his contemporary a cappella and accompanied settings of traditional Latin and English prayers and hymns. Stopford writes, "Ave Verum was commissioned in 2007 by the Board of St. Anne's Cathedral as a gift to the administrator of St. Peter's Cathedral, Belfast. A gift of music is a rare gift to give, and more poignant in a society that has struggled to bring together its political and religious differences... This anthem brings unity in the ultimate sacrifice God made for us all, through His passion and death, and triumphant resurrection, a theme that both Protestants and Catholics celebrate in harmony... I am extremely grateful and feel blessed to have had this opportunity to offer my small part in the healing of the nations."

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Wednesday, March 21

5³⁰ PM Trinity's Table Dinner
6¹⁰ PM Lenten Scavenger Hunt

Please join us to observe Lent with dinner and a Lenten scavenger hunt!
RSVP: office@trinityalexandria.org

TRINITY UMC'S WEEKLY NEWS

Order your Easter Flowers today! On Easter Sunday, April 1, the sanctuary is decorated with hydrangeas and azaleas. Designating flowers for a loved one adds to the beauty of the sanctuary and allows you to take your flowers home to enjoy after the service or to give as a gift. Order forms are available in the Narthex and by request at office@trinityalexandria.org. There is also a "fillable" form available on the Trinity UMC internet home page. Questions? Please contact Mary Beth Buchholz at marybeth@freespiritfloral.com.

Did you know you can support Trinity UMC with a tax-free transfer from your IRA? If you are age 70½ or over and have a Traditional, Rollover, SEP, or SIMPLE IRA, you are required by law to take Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs) annually. But did you know that you can use the RMD as a way to make a tax-free transfer to a charity, including Trinity UMC? The transfer must be directly from your IRA to Trinity, and your broker can help you with this process so that you get the full tax benefit. Please notify Trinity when you authorize a transfer so that we may confirm receipt.

Another way to provide financial support to Trinity is with a gift of stock. Please consult with your broker and a tax adviser (prior to selling stocks intended to benefit Trinity) on how to handle to maximize the tax benefits.

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 (03/21) Corned Beef; Cabbage, Carrot, Potato Shepherds Pie; Potato Leek Soup; Irish Pub Salad; Bread; Dessert; **Kids Menu:** Hamburgers

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 at office@trinityalexandria.org.

Thank you to Katie Cook and Carlie and Richard McGuire for showing their hearts full of love when they served at Christ House in February. Trinity volunteers the second Sunday of every month to prepare and serve dinner to the homeless. Please contact me if you are interested in helping at shwillis76@gmail.com.

On March 24, the families of **March For Our Lives** take to the streets of Washington, DC to demand that their lives and safety become a priority and that we end gun violence and mass shootings in our schools today. For more information visit www.marchforourlives.com.

Breakthrough Prayer: On April 12 from 7-8:30 PM at Centreville UMC, Sue Nilson Kibbey, an ordained United Methodist elder who serves as the Director of the Mission- al Church Consultation Initiative (MCCI) for the West Ohio Conference teaches about breakthrough prayer.

Every church recognizes prayer as important. But what happens when a congregation unites to pray collectively and consistently for God to break through in new and miraculous ways? Any congregation can launch into the kind of church-wide breakthrough prayer initiative that fuels the atmosphere of possibility, and the entire focus begins to shift from inward to up-and-outward. It's easier than you think—and the results will make spiritual history right in your own community and beyond.

For more information and to register for \$10/person visit: www.eiseverywhere.com/spiritual-formation.

The Carpenter's Shelter invites you to the 16th Annual Carpenter's Cook-Off! Join us on Sunday, April 22 from noon to 3:00 PM at The Birchmere (3701 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, 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! With our impending move to Macy's in Landmark to make way for construction to begin on our new building at 930 N. Henry Street, this event brings in funds to allow us to continue the life-changing services we give to our residents and community families. For more information, to register, to preview silent auction items, to become a sponsor, or a participant visit: www.carpentersshelter.org/cook-off/.

Save the Date For Trinity's Semi-Annual Community Blood Drive on Saturday, May 12, from 8:00 to 11:30 AM in Inova's Bloodmobile. It must be at least 56 days (8 weeks) since you last donated, so you can't donate after March 17 in order to participate in the May 12 blood drive. Most healthy people can be blood donors and must be at least 16 years old, with signed parental consent form, or 17 years old and up with no consent form (no upper age limit), well for 3 days (no symptoms of illness, including colds), and 110 pounds minimum. You are also invited to donate double red cells — please contact Carol Bowers for more information. Sign-ups begin on Easter Sunday (April 1) after the service. Questions? Contact Carol Bowers at carol_bowers@cox.net or 703-534-5230.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY UMC

Sunday	03/18/18	Fifth Sunday in Lent
	9:30 AM	Nursery Opens (Room 210)
	9:30 AM	Rise and Shine Youth and Adult Forum (Fellowship Hall)
	9:30 AM	Children's Sunday School (Room 206)
	11:00 AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	3:00 PM	Brownie Troop #1193 (Fellowship Hall)
	3:00 PM	Junior Troop #5041 (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	Confirmation Class and Youth Group (Fellowship Hall)
Monday	03/19/18	
	9:20 AM	Trinity Preschool Group Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
	2:45 PM	Brownie Troop #4905 (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 PM	Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) (Fellowship Hall)
	7:30 PM	Church Council (Fellowship Hall Classroom)
Tuesday	03/20/18	
	7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop #113 (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday	03/21/18	
	2:30 PM	Trinity Church Staff Meeting (Parlor)
	5:30 PM	Trinity's Table (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00 PM	Centering Prayer (Chapel)
	6:10 PM	Lenten Scavenger Hunt (Fellowship Hall)
	6:15 PM	Trebles Rehearsal (Music Suite)
Thursday	03/22/18	
	6:15 PM	Trinity Ringers Rehearsal (Music Suite)
	7:45 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite)
Sunday	03/25/18	Palm Sunday of Our Lord's Passion
	9:30 AM	Nursery Opens (Room 210)
	9:30 AM	Rise and Shine Inter-Generational Forum (Fellowship Hall)
	10:45 AM	Processional with Donkey (Entrance Plaza)
	11:00 AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	3:00 PM	Cadet Troop #6098 (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	Confirmation Class (Fellowship Hall)



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

March 21: Lenten Scavenger Hunt at 6:10 PM during Trinity's Table.

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 are available for your use and you may attend 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 3-4: Rally to End Racism - For more information visit: www.rally2endracism.org

April 14: Convocation on Race and Reconciliation at Annandale UMC at 8:30 AM.
Bikes for the World at 9AM

April 22: Bi-District Celebrate the Increase Banquet (Christ UMC)

May 12: Trinity UMC Semi-Annual Inova Blood Drive at 8 AM
Stamp Out Hunger 2018

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

May 20: Pentecost Sunday and Confirmation: Worship at 11 AM

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



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