



The Anointing of David - Veronese

*Trinity United Methodist Church
Alexandria, Virginia*

*Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Father's Day
June 17, 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

Carrie Pritts

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

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Flor Peeters, Op. 16

INTROIT

Let the Whole Creation Cry

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP *(from Psalm 92)*

Jon Hoganson

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praises to your name, O Most High;
**To declare your steadfast love in the morning,
and your faithfulness by night,**

To the music of the lute and the harp,
to the melody of the lyre.

**For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work;
at the works of your hands I sing for joy.**

The righteous flourish like the palm tree,
and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

**They are planted in the house of the Lord,
they flourish in the courts of our God.**

They still bring forth fruit in old age,
they are ever full of sap and green
to show that the Lord is upright.

**The Lord is my rock, in whom there is no
unrighteousness.**

✠ OPENING COLLECT

Carrie Pritts

God, through the power of your breath and your hands,
everything was created from nothing.

Your never-failing providence set in order all things
both in heaven and earth:

Put away from us, we entreat you, all hurtful things,
and give us those things which bring life.

Remind us that you are still creating,
and that we are partners in this creation.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

✠ HYMN

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Hymnal no. 203

CONFESSION AND PARDON

**Merciful God,
We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,**

**we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen**

(Silence for reflection and confession)

Hear the good news:
Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!
Glory to God. Amen.**

✠THE PEACE

As God's forgiven and reconciled people, let us now exchange signs of love and peace with one another.

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

All exchange signs and words of peace and reconciliation.

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) 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

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

Pew Bible, NT, Page 251

Jon Hoganson

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

ANTHEM

*The Morning Trumpet
tune from the Original Sacred Harp*

arr. by Michael Richardson

SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 11-13, 14-17

Pew Bible, NT, Page 181

Jon Hoganson

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

by Paul Taylor

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, 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 4:26-34

Pew Bible, NT, Page 37

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

SERMON

“I Don’t Know”

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✠HYMN

Hymn of Promise

Hymnal no. 707

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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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 MOMENT

Jill Robinson and Liz Williams

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Carrie Pritts

OFFERTORY

*Cantilene
Improvisation on a Gregorian Melody.*

Flor Peeters

✠THE DOXOLOGY

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 power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

✠OFFERTORY PRAYER

Carrie Pritts

God, you so richly bless us daily.
Please accept this portion of those blessings that we give back to you now.
May they be used in ways that please You,
and may they be used to help further Your kingdom.
All these things we ask in Your precious and holy name. **Amen.**

✠HYMN

Christ for the World We Sing

Hymnal no. 568

✠DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Carrie Pritts

✠CHORAL RESPONSE

✠POSTLUDE

*Let Everything That Has Breath Praise The Lord
Psalm 150: 6*

Douglas Wagner

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Today's anthem features a melody that first appeared in SACRED HARP, a collection of tunes originally published in 1844. Sacred harp music is performed a cappella (voices only) and originated as Protestant Christian music. The original Sacred Harp was a collection of tunes that used "shaped notes", a practice that taught non-musicians how to read music. (Many older hymn books have shaped notes). The text for the anthem today is by John Leland. Refrain: "O when shall I see Jesus and reign with Him above, and shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning; and from the flowing fountain drink everlasting love, and shall hear the trumpet sound in the morning. O shout Glory! I shall mount above the skies when I hear the trumpet sound in that morning."

Verse 1. But now I am a soldier, my captain's gone before, and I hear the trumpet sound in that morning.

Verse 2. He's given me my orders and he bids me ne'er give o'er, till OI hear the trumpet sound in that morning.

Verse 3. When shall I be delivered from this vain world of sin, and shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning.

Verse 4. And with my blessed Jesus drink endless pleasures in, and shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning.

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

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of our Heavenly Father and in celebration of dads, grandpas, and all of those who play a paternal role in the lives of children. Thank you for the blessings you give to the children of our church, our community and our world.

TRINITY UMC'S WEEKLY NEWS

Those Assisting in Worship Today:

Acolyte: Dylan Hoganson

Counters: Ginny Carl, Marshall Cook, Renée Ruppel

Crucifer: Taylor Hoganson

Liturgist: Jon Hoganson

Greeters: Linda and Jenny Darlington with Simon

Guest Organist/Director: Virginia Sircy

Pew Duty: John Ploch

Sound: Harley Hopkins

Ushers: Kaaren Christopherson, Katie Merchant, Patrick Merchant and their father, Al Merchant, Lucelle O'Flaherty (Head Usher)

Dear friends, thank you so very much for providing the wonderful Retirement Picnic last Sunday. We were overwhelmed by your many expressions of love. Your very presence in the face of the torrential deluge was testimony to your care. The feast was deliciously plentiful, the desserts were delectable, and the joy of the celebration was contagious. We are especially grateful to Trinity's Staff-Parish Relations Committee, the Connecting Team, the Flower Committee, the choir, and staff colleagues. You are the best! We shall forever remember your unparalleled care for us in our times of great joy and deep sorrow. And we shall pray for your continued health, peace, and success in Christ.

Our address in Richmond, effective June 26, 2018 is 11413 Stillbrook Road, North Chesterfield, VA 23236.

Also feel free to contact Bill at xelcor@verizon.net or billdavis@vaumc.org and Susan at sdavis214@verizon.net.

~ With much love, Bill and Susan Davis

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 (06/20): *Special New Mexican Dinner.* Signature Green Chili Pork; Navajo Fry Bread Taco (chicken or vegan); Red Chili Tamale (beef or vegan) traditional wrapped in corn husk; Rice & Black Beans; Red & Green Chili Sauce; Pico de gallo (fresh tomato salsa); Dessert **Children's Menu:** Ground Beef Tacos

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 card and place in the offering plate during today's service or contact the church office at office@trinityalexandria.org.

Need Annual Conference 2018 information? AC 2018 webpage is full of information from annual conference on the website. For more information visit: www.vaumc.org/AC2018?rid=906532&trid=25e887bb-9329-40a2-9489-b37f4561f2bb.

Samaritan Offering for Pinnacle Living: Between Mother's Day, May 13 and Father's Day, June 17, we offer the opportunity to support the Samaritan Offering for Pinnacle Living, formerly Virginia United Methodist Homes (VUMH). Ever wonder if you will be able to financially support yourself into your 80s, 90s, even possibly your 100s? The Samaritan Program offers financial assistance to residents in the communities of Pinnacle Living, who have outlived their monetary resources and, through no fault of their own, can no longer afford the full cost of services. Please consider making a gift today, the last day we are accepting gifts, to help those who are in need of your generosity. Make your check out to Trinity Church and notate "Samaritan Offering" on the memo line or give on line on the Pinnacle Living website (www.pinnacleliving.org).

June 2018 Finance Committee Report: Your contributions in May allowed us to contribute to a variety of missions through our apportionment funds. One I'd like to highlight is the Virginia Education Fund. We give almost \$1,700 to this fund this year. Have you every wondered what it is and what it does?

The Virginia Education Fund provides support to five Virginia Conference church-related colleges and universities and one preparatory school. The schools are; Ferrum College - Ferrum; Randolph-Macon College - Ashland; Shenandoah University - Winchester; Virginia Wesleyan University - Norfolk/VA Beach; Randolph College - Lynchburg; Randolph-Macon Academy - Front Royal

The funding provided goes to scholarships for United Methodist students attending these schools as well as the chaplains that provide religious services and programs for those students. Many of our clergy come from these schools.

Your gifts help support this fund and help ensure the future of the Methodist Church in Virginia. THANK YOU!

You also help pay the bills. As most of you know, we have a new fee this year in Alexandria – The Stormwater Utility Fee. Because of the size of our property our fee for Trinity is \$3,780 for the year and in May we paid the first installment. Again, Thank you for your support that allows Trinity to do all that it does. ~ Rich McKinney
Finance Chair and Finance Committee

TRINITY UMC'S WEEKLY NEWS

Why do United Methodist pastors change churches?

Our unique system of deploying clergy has its roots in the earliest days of Methodism. John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist movement, preached up to 40,000 sermons in his lifetime. He was an “itinerant” preacher, traveling from town to town in England, setting up Methodist societies.

“John Wesley believed that itinerant preachers who moved from place to place were more effective than those who settled in, grew comfortable, and wore out what they had to say,” says the Rev. Belton Joyner.

In a letter* to the Rev. Samuel Walker in 1756, Wesley wrote, “We have found by long and consistent experience that a frequent exchange of preachers is best. This preacher has one talent, that another; no one whom I ever yet knew has all the talents which are needful for beginning, continuing, and perfecting the work of grace in a whole congregation.”

In the early days of Methodism in America, a pastor — most often a circuit rider** — might be appointed to half of a state or more. His appointment might be for only three months, after which he moved to another circuit. Thousands of the oldest United Methodist congregations today trace their history to a circuit rider.

This traveling from place to place to begin Methodist societies was adapted for the Methodist congregations many of these early societies would become after the establishment of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1784. It thus became the basis of the itinerant system The United Methodist Church uses today.

United Methodist pastors are sent, not called or hired. “Itinerancy” refers specifically to the commitment by pastors to go and serve wherever their bishops send them. “Appointment” is the action taken by bishops. These are different, yet related.

Clergy in The United Methodist Church commit to serve where their bishop appoints them. Appointments are typically for one year at a time, though the bishop may move any itinerant pastor at any time. The goal of the appointment process is to match as much as possible the gifts and graces of the particular pastor or deacon with the ministry needs of a particular congregation or ministry setting. In this “serial leadership” of consecutive pastors and deacons — no two are alike — over time, the combination of skills blends to form a broad base of developed ministries.

While bishops make appointments, they incorporate a consultative process outlined in The Book of Discipline that includes district superintendents, clergy and pastor/staff parish relations committees. The needs and desires of clergy are considered, but the mission of the church comes first.

Joyner explains, “In a connectional system such as United Methodism, the question from any individual congregation or from any individual [clergy] is not, ‘What is best for me?’ The question is ‘What is best for us, the whole connection?’ The one who has oversight, the bishop, makes those decisions.” (The New Testament word for bishop is episkopos, which means ‘the one who can see the whole picture.’)

“The changing of pastors brings different and often-needed gifts to the local church (*1 Cor. 12:4*). The changing of settings can keep a pastor refreshed. The missionary journeys of Paul are surely a reminder of that (for example, *Acts 13:2-14:7; 15:36-18:22; 18:23-21:19*).”

Have questions? Ask The UMC: www.umc.org/contact. And check out other recent Q&As: www.umc.org/what-we-believe/ask-the-umc.

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* To read the letter visit: www.archives.gcab.org/bitstream/handle/10516/5875/MH-1993-January-Discovery.pdf?sequence=1.

** For more information on circuit riders visit: www.umc.org/what-we-believe/ask-the-umc-why-do-united-methodist-pastors-change-churches

SAVE THE DATES

Sunday, July 1: Sixth Sunday after Pentecost - Worship at 11 AM; Pastor Grace Han's first Sunday; Rise & Shine Inter-Generational Summer Forums begins

Wednesday, July 4: Trinity UM Church Office closed in observance of Independence Day.

Sunday, July 15: Eighth Sunday after Pentecost - Worship at 11 AM; Pastor Grace Han Welcome Reception at Noon in the Courtyard.

Monday, September 3: Trinity UM Church Office closed in observance of Labor Day.

Saturday, September 22: Nationals Faith Day at Nationals Park

Saturday, September 29: Blessing of the Animals at 9 AM in the Courtyard.

Monday, October 8: Trinity UM Church Office closed in observance of Columbus Day.

Sunday, November 4: Daylight Saving Time ends

Monday, November 12: Trinity UM Church Office closed in observance of Veterans Day.

Tuesday, November 20: Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at 7:30 PM

Thursday, November 23 & Friday, November 24: Trinity UM Church Office closed in observance of Thanksgiving.



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	06/17/18	Fourth Sunday after Pentecost/Father's Day Annual Conference at Hampton Roads Convention Center concludes
	9:30 AM	Nursery Opens (Nursery)
	9:30 AM	Children's Sunday School (Rom 206)
	9:30 AM	Rise & Shine Youth and Adult Forum (Fellowship Hall)
	11:00 AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
Monday	06/18/18	
	2:45 PM	Brownie Troop #4905 (Fellowship Hall)
Tuesday	06/19/18	
	10:30 AM	Trinity Preschool Graduation (Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 PM	Boy Scouts #113 (Fellowship Hall)
Wednesday	06/20/18	
	9:20 AM	Trinity Preschool Group Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
	Noon	Trinity Preschool End-of-the-Year Picnic (Courtyard)
	5:30 PM	Trinity's Table (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00 PM	Centering Prayer (Chapel)
Thursday	06/21/18	
	12:15 PM	Trinity Preschool Faculty Luncheon (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	OAR Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
	6:15 PM	Ringers Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	7:30 PM	Trustees Meeting (Parlor)
	7:45 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite)
Sunday	06/24/18	Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
	9:30 AM	Nursery Opens (Nursery)
	9:30 AM	Children's Sunday School (Rom 206)
	9:30 AM	Rise & Shine Youth and Adult Forum (Fellowship Hall)
	11:00 AM	Worship (Sanctuary)

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