



*Taking Wings and Winning* by: K.V. Subramaniam

“And God, who knows the human heart, has made no distinction between them and us.”

~ Acts 15:8-9

Trinity United Methodist Church  
Alexandria, Virginia

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 30, 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 preschool aged children (birth-preK) is available in our nursery (downstairs, room 105).  
Children's Worship (for elementary aged children) meets immediately following Children's Time  
upstairs in room 206. Please see an usher for more information.*

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### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Grace Han

*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

*In dich hab ich gehoffet, Herr*

Johann Christoph Bach

### INTROIT

*Love God with All Your Soul and Strength*

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Al Merchant

Who among you is seeking the wisdom of God?

**We long to hear God's Word spoken to our hearts.**

Who among you is seeking God's bright and holy truth?

**We long to learn the ways of wisdom and righteousness.**

Who among you is seeking a Spirit-filled life?

**We long to live lives of holiness and light.**

God grants God's wisdom generously to all who ask.

Come near, people of God!

**Let us worship in wisdom and truth.**

**Let us worship in wisdom and truth!**

### \*HYMN

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Hymnal no. 103

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

Pastor Grace Han

**God of glory, we confess that we have not sought your face.**

**We ignore the needs of the poor and turn away from your children.**

**We allow the gospel to go stale, and hide the light you have given.**

**Forgive us; give us grace.**

**By the renewing gifts of your Spirit inspire and empower us again**

**to show the wonder of your love in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*(All offer prayers of confession in silence.)*

The LORD is faithful in all his words,

and gracious in all his deeds.

The LORD upholds all who

are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

Thanks be to God! **Amen.**

### \*THE PEACE

*All exchange signs and words of peace and reconciliation.*

### CHILDREN'S TIME

Jill Robinson

*Immediately following Children's Time, elementary aged children are welcome to participate in Children's Worship upstairs in room 206.  
Children will return to worship during the last hymn.*

### ANTHEM

*Beloved, God's Chosen*

Linda Cable Shute

*Beloved, God's chosen, put on as a garment compassion, forgiveness, and goodness of heart. Above all, before all, let love be your raiment,  
that binds into one every dissonant part. Within call forth Wisdom to dwell in you richly, let peace rule your hearts, and that peace be of  
Christ. And from the heart's chamber, beloved and holy, Let singing thanksgiving to God ever rise.*

\*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

John 4:1-15, 27-30, 39-42

Pew Bible, NT, Page 94

Pastor Grace Han

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

SERMON

“Breaking Down Barriers”

Pastor Grace Han

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Grace Han

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.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Pastor Grace Han

OFFERTORY

*The Morning Trumpet*

Mack Wilberg

*O when shall I see Jesus and reign with Him above, and shall bear the trumpet sound in that morning; and from the flowing fountain drink everlasting love, and shall hear... O shout with Glory! I shall mount above the skies when I hear ... But now I am a soldier, my captain’s gone before, and I hear ... He’s given me my orders and he bids me ne’er give o’er. When shall I be delivered from this vain world of sin, and shall bear ... And with my blessed Jesus drink endless pleasure in and shall bear...*

## \*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

Pastor Grace Han

**All things come from you, O God,****and with gratitude we return to you what is yours.****All that we are, and all that we have, is a trust from you.****And so, in gratitude for all your gifts, we offer ourselves,****and all that we have, in union with Christ’s offering for us.****By your Holy Spirit make us one with Christ,****one with each other,****and one in ministry to all the world;****through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## \*HYMN

*Help Us Accept Each Other*

Hymnal no. 560

## \*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Pastor Grace Han

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

\*POSTLUDE

*Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott*

Dietrich Buxtehude

## SUNDAY MORNINGS AT TRINITY

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### Those Assisting in Worship Today

**Acolyte:** Tyler Williams

**Counters:** Marshall Cook, Rich McKinney

**Crucifer:** Logan Williams

**Liturgist:** Al Merchant

**Greeters:** Janet Johnson

**Pew Duty:** John Ploch

**Sound:** Harley Hopkins

**Ushers:** Josh Hone, Rachel King, Pat Nordine, Lucelle O'Flaherty (Head Usher), Alva Smircina

**The flowers on the altar** are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Beverly Lovasz, Michelle Hoganson's Mother.

**The flowers in the Narthex** are given to the glory of God in celebration of our grandchild, Emerson Olivia Popovich-Judge's 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday from Wade and Linda Popovich.

**The rosebud on the altar** is given to the glory God in celebration of the birth of Vienna Grace Baca, daughter of Jen and Joshua Baca, born last Monday, September 24.

**Today's anthem** is a commissioned setting by Linda Cable Shute of a text by Lutheran poet Susan Palo Cherwien. Shute is the Associate Minister of Music at St. Ann Catholic Church in Atlanta. Shute writes: "I will not begin a project unless I can find the best poetry possible. A good "marriage" of text and music is essential." Cherwien is well known for her hymn texts, and her Beloved, God's Chosen text has been set by several other composers and can be found in the Evangelical Lutheran Hymnal with Robert Hobby's hymn tune Andrew's Song. **The Offertory anthem** is 'one of the best examples of revival spiritual song', and 'one of the most widely sung of all folk hymns'. B. F. White (1800-79), the chief compiler of the influential Sacred Harp hymnal (1844) and an itinerant singing teacher and preacher, composed the tune. The words of Morning Trumpet are by the Baptist writer John Leland (1754-1841), who was born and died in Massachusetts but spent several years preaching in the mountain areas of Virginia and North Carolina. The setting is by Mack Wilberg, associate director Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

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

**Nursery (9:45 AM - 12:15 PM):** For children birth--preK (Room 105, downstairs, around the corner to the left, first door on the right). Led by Luz Reyes and Helen Simms.

**Children's Worship:** During the 11 AM worship, elementary aged children (K-5) are invited to participate in an age appropriate time of worship. After Children's Time, join Carrie Pritts upstairs in room 206 for Children's Worship. Children will return to the Sanctuary at the end of service, during the last hymn. We are also seeking volunteers to be assistants during Children's Worship once every two months. Contact our Director of Christian Formation, Carrie Pritts at [christianformation@trinityalexandria.org](mailto:christianformation@trinityalexandria.org) if you are interested.

### Sunday School (10-10:45 AM):

- ◆ Children (K-5) - Room 206
- ◆ Youth (6-12) - Chapel
- ◆ Adult Forum - Fellowship Hall

# TRINITY UMC'S WEEKLY NEWS

**Jeremiah Project (Junior High Missions) Information Session!** For Junior High Youth (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders) and their families: we invite you to an information session about Jeremiah Project, a week-long home repair mission project to make homes warmer, safer, drier, and more accessible for God's people in need. Join us today at 12:15 PM in the Fellowship Hall, immediately following worship! For questions or concerns, contact our JP Coordinator Tom Tyler ([tstandco@aol.com](mailto:tstandco@aol.com)) or Pastor Grace ([ghan@trinityalexandria.org](mailto:ghan@trinityalexandria.org)).

**Trinity's Table:** Join us in the Fellowship Hall this Wednesday, October 3 from 5:30 to 7:00 PM. Mark Sakuta will prepare a delicious meal for us.

**Wednesday's Menu (10/03):** Fried Chicken, Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Mac & Cheese, Cole Slaw, Bacon Corn Chowder, Banana Pudding

**Children's Menu:** Mac & Cheese, Chicken Fingers

**Vegan:** Veggie Stew, Rice, Salad

**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](mailto:office@trinityalexandria.org).

**Breakfast and Intergenerational Forum, Sunday, October 14:** Join us on Sunday, October 14 for breakfast and a special program! All our Sunday school classes (children, youth, and adults) will be meeting together on this date. We will have breakfast at 9:45 AM and the program will start at 10 AM. We will honor and celebrate our junior high youth as they receive their new Bibles, as well as talk about the significance of Bibles. For questions or concerns, contact Mary Beth Buchholz at [marybeth@freespiritfloral.com](mailto:marybeth@freespiritfloral.com).

**Lunch with Pastor Grace:** Are you new to the church? Are you wondering what it means to get more involved or to join as a member? We invite you to Lunch with Pastor Grace on Sunday, October 21, immediately following worship, at the Parsonage. It will be an opportunity to eat, chat, ask questions, and learn more about Trinity. You can RSVP on the connection card or contact the church office at [office@trinityalexandria.org](mailto:office@trinityalexandria.org).

**Trinity's Trunk or Treat & Fall Fun:** It's that time of year again! The air is crisp, the leaves are falling, and pumpkins are popping up all over – so let's celebrate! Get your costumes ready and invite your neighbors and friends and join us for this year's Trunk or Treat & Fall Fun!

On Saturday, October 27 from 4 – 6 PM the Trinity parking lot will be transformed into a fall festival of fun! We will have games, prizes, a Bake-off and even a Moon-Bounce! There will be a Food Truck or two on site where

you can purchase yummy treats. We invite you to participate in the Great Trinity Church Bake-off Contest. All proceeds and donations are going to UMCOR to help with Hurricane Florence relief. Starting next Sunday there will be a basket in the Narthex to donate candy for the event. As a reminder we are a nut free environment. Mark your Connection Card or contact the Church Office ([office@trinityalexandria.org](mailto:office@trinityalexandria.org)) if your family would like to participate in Trunk or Treat, enter into the Great Trinity Church Bake-off, be available to help set-up, tear down or volunteer during the event.

**Care Packages for Our College Freshmen:** It is hard to believe it's been over a month since we bid our college freshmen farewell and sent them on their way. We want them to know they are still a part of the Trinity family and that we are praying for them as they adjust to college life. We are asking Trinity folks to write notes to be included in their boxes. Boxes are in the Narthex today so please be sure to write notes before you leave worship! Our college freshmen are Kevin Juneau, Jack Donohue, Tess Moran, Carson Hopkins, and Grace Vannatta. For questions contact, Carrie Pritts at [christianformation@trinityalexandria.org](mailto:christianformation@trinityalexandria.org).

**Singers invited:** As we prepare music for All Saints Sunday, November 4, we invite you to sing with the Chancel Choir. We rehearse in the music suite on Thursdays at 7:45 PM. Adults and older teens are welcome. We are singing Morten Lauridsen's Lux Aeterna (Eternal Light) — a work premiered in 1997 for chorus and chamber orchestra. We will be accompanied by string quintet and organ. In addition, we will soon begin preparing music for An Appalachian Christmas service on December 9 accompanied by instruments native to the region. If you can read music and enjoy the fun and fellowship of singing in a group, please join us. For more details, please contact Linda Cancellieri at [music@trinityalexandria.org](mailto:music@trinityalexandria.org) or stop by the organ after worship.

**Reserve Altar Flowers:** The Trinity Flower Committee invites you to reserve altar flowers in honor or memory of a loved one. The sign-up sheet is across from the church office. We request a \$65 donation to the Flower Committee. Designations for the bulletin can be included on the sign-up sheet. Following the worship service, the altar flowers are yours to take home and enjoy or share with a friend or family member. If you have questions, please contact Jenessa in the Church Office [office@trinityalexandria.org](mailto:office@trinityalexandria.org) or Mary Beth Buchholz at [marybeth@freespiritfloral.com](mailto:marybeth@freespiritfloral.com).

# TRINITY UMC'S WEEKLY NEWS

**Volunteers Are Needed!** Are you looking for a place where you can be a tremendous support to the overall operations of Trinity UMC, with little time commitment and not much physical demand? Then look no further! The Trinity Counters need you!! The commitment is coming to the church office after the sermon and working with two other congregational members to add up all the contributions that have come in since the previous Sunday's count. It generally takes less than 30 minutes. Using your fingers and toes to count is acceptable, but may not be preferred. We do provide an adding machine, circa 1975, to aid you (at least it's not a slide rule). You have your choice of which Sundays you can serve Trinity in this capacity. We are using the on-line website, Sign Up Genius, and when you receive the e-mail request to sign up, you simply go to the link and pick which Sundays you can count over that next few months. A few days prior to the days you selected, you will get a reminder e-mail. It really is that simple. If you have any questions or would like to sign up, please contact Rich McKinney at [cbrm@mac.com](mailto:cbrm@mac.com).

**Children's Choirs:** You are invited to join the Trebles (K-4) from 6-7 PM and the Choristers (grades 5-12) from 7:15-8:15 PM as we rehearse in the music suite on Wednesday nights. A love of singing is all that is required! The choirs sing the second Sunday of each month. Parents: if your young child is reluctant to come to a rehearsal alone, please do come, too. Please contact Linda Cancellieri, Director of Music at [music@trinityalexandria.org](mailto:music@trinityalexandria.org) for more details. Organist Assistants Needed! If you are in grades 3 and above, you are eligible to help me on Sunday mornings at the organ, assisting me with turning pages, pushing pistons and helping me throughout the service. In return, after four Sundays, if you wish, you will receive a one hour free organ lesson. Even if you don't play an instrument, it is great fun to learn about and try out our amazing pipe organ. Come see me (Ms. Linda) at the organ after a service and sign up for a Sunday.

**Have you always wanted to ring handbells?** Well, here is your chance. If you read music (treble or bass staff), we need you! Only one staff is required and only two notes for each ringer...how easy is that! Do join us on Thursday nights in the sanctuary at 6:15 PM. You will be an important part of an ensemble and have the opportunity to ring our Malmark bells and chimes, while enjoying the fellowship of others. I will be happy to give you private coaching lessons on bell techniques if you are concerned about how to ring a bell. We always welcome new ringers and look forward to you joining us! For more information, contact Linda Cancellieri, Director of Music at [music@trinityalexandria.org](mailto:music@trinityalexandria.org) or see me after a service.

**Empty Bowls Alexandria!** Please join us for the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Empty Bowls Alexandria! on Saturday, November 10 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Durant Arts Center 1605 Cameron Street, Alexandria, VA. Fill a Bowl, Fill a Need. Choose a bowl handmade by local artists. Enjoy a simple supper provided by area restaurants and bakeries. Keep your bowl as a reminder that you are helping to fill bowls, alleviate suffering and build stronger futures for children, families and individuals living in poverty and with hunger in the city of Alexandria. All proceeds will provide food, shelter, emergency help and education for at-risk Alexandrians. To buy tickets, become a sponsor or make a donation visit: [www.app.etapestry.com/cart/Alive/default/index.php](http://www.app.etapestry.com/cart/Alive/default/index.php). For more information about sponsor opportunities, contact Allison at [acoles@alive-inc.org](mailto:acoles@alive-inc.org).

**Update on Hurricane Florence relief efforts:** As information becomes available, the VA conference of the United Methodist Church will share more ways that you can help in the aftermath of Hurricane Florence. Earlier this week the Rev. Bob Pihlcrantz, Virginia Conference disaster response coordinator, shared that all Early Response Team (ERT) members and churches should not self-deploy in response to Hurricane Florence. You can make a donation to disaster response through United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) by visiting: [www.umcor.org/umcor/resources/news-stories/2018/august/umcor-responds-to-current-disasters-around-the-world](http://www.umcor.org/umcor/resources/news-stories/2018/august/umcor-responds-to-current-disasters-around-the-world). The Virginia Department of Emergency Management has offered instructions and tips for donating to help with Hurricane Florence Relief efforts. Visit [www.vaemergency.gov/get-involved/](http://www.vaemergency.gov/get-involved/) to learn the best ways to get involved (and what not to do).

**Join mission team traveling to U.S.-Mexican border:** Why do people migrate? What happens on the migrant journey? Learn from people directly affected by current economic and immigration policies. Meet with humanitarian aid organizations and immigration rights advocates, walk desert trails, witness court proceedings, visit migrant shelters and immigration detention centers and learn about community-based projects that create economic and social opportunities within immigrant communities. Team will travel February 4-11. Deadline to register is September 30. For more information, please contact the Rev. Judy Worthington at [judyworthington@vaumc.org](mailto:judyworthington@vaumc.org) or 757-442-3481.



# TRINITY UMC'S SAVE THE DATES

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Sunday, October 14:

Breakfast & Intergenerational Sunday School - Breakfast at 9:45 AM and Program at 10:00 AM

Friday, October 19 – Sunday, October 21:

Trinity Chancel Choir Retreat

Saturday, October 27:

Trinity UMC's Trunk or Treat & Fall Fun at 4 PM

Sunday, November 4:

All Saints Day - Worship at 11 AM with special music; Daylight Saving Time ends

Sunday, November 11:

Trinity Charge Conference at 12:15 PM

Tuesday, November 20:

Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Service - 7:30 PM at Agudas Achim Congregation,  
Rev. Grace Han preaching.

Thursday, November 22:

Thanksgiving Day

Friday, November 30:

Norther Ridge Community Christmas Tree Sale

Saturday, December 1:

Norther Ridge Community Christmas Tree Sale

Sunday, December 2:

Advent Begins - Worship at 11 AM

Christmas Luncheon at Noon

Norther Ridge Community Christmas Tree Sale

Sunday, December 9:

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent - Worship at 11 AM with Christmas Music Program



## **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

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>09/30/2018</b>	<b>Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>
	9:45 AM	Nursery Opens (Nursery - Room 105)
	10:00 AM	Children's Sunday School (Room 205)
	10:00 AM	Youth Sunday School (Chapel)
	10:00 AM	Adult Forum (Fellowship Hall)
	11:00 AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	12:15 PM	Jeremiah Project Information Session (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 PM	Youth Group (Beverly Hills UMC)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>10/01/2018</b>	
	5:30 PM	Trinity Preschool Fall Family Cookout & Potluck (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>10/02/2018</b>	
	9:20 AM	Trinity Preschool Chapel (Sanctuary)
	7:00 PM	Boy Scout Troop #113 (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10/03/2018</b>	
	5:30 PM	Trinity's Table (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00 PM	Centering Prayer (Chapel)
	6:00 PM	Trebles Rehearsal (Music Suite)
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10/04/2018</b>	
	6:00 PM	OAR Meeting (Parlor)
	6:15 PM	Trinity Ringers Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	7:45 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10/05/2018</b>	<b>Twenty Sunday after Pentecost</b>
	9:45 AM	Nursery Opens (Nursery - Room 105)
	10:00 AM	Children's Sunday School (Room 205)
	10:00 AM	Youth Sunday School (Chapel)
	10:00 AM	Adult Forum (Fellowship Hall)
	11:00 AM	Worship (Sanctuary)
	5:30 PM	Youth Group (Trinity UMC)

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