



*“Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?”
Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times”*

~ Matthew 18:21-22

**Trinity United Methodist Church
Alexandria, Virginia**

5th Sunday of Easter

May 19, 2019

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 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

Be Thou My Vision

Healey Willan

INTROIT

Love One Another

Anne Krentz Organ

Holy God, by your Holy Spirit, write this commandment in our hearts: "Love one another as I have loved you."

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Tom Tyler

Jesus has given us a new commandment:

We are commanded to love one another.

Just as Christ has loved us,

So we ought to have love for one another.

By this, everyone will know we are Christ's disciples:

By our love for one another.

Come, may we join our hearts in worship:

Worship God by loving one another.

*HYMN

God Is Here

Hymnal no. 660

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

Pastor Grace Han

Compassionate and Loving God,

we confess that we struggle to forgive one another.

We confess that rather than seeing the log in our eye,

we obsess over the speck in our neighbor's eye.

We confess that we have become scorekeepers,

keeping track of the offenses against us, and

using them as grudges and weapons in our families, friends, and relationships.

We confess that these burdens are heavy and

draining, hurting our relationships with others and with you.

Forgive us we pray, heal us we pray.

(All offer prayers of confession in silence)

The blazing fire of God's presence refines us,

but in mercy it does not destroy us.

God does not repay evil for evil,

but comes to deliver us and restore us to life.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Be at peace. **Amen.**

*THE PEACE

All exchange signs and words of peace and reconciliation.

RECONCILING CONGREGATION ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION

Jeff Lane and Pastor Grace Han

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

Give Me Jesus

arr. Keith Hampton

Carol Bowers, soprano

In the morning when I rise, give me Jesus. You may have all this world, give me Jesus. Dark midnight was my cry...give me Jesus. Just about the break of day...give me Jesus.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 12:17-21

Pew Bible, NT, page no. 162

Tom Tyler

¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰ No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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

Matthew 18:18-22

Pew Bible, NT, page no. 20

Pastor Grace Han

¹⁸ Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹ Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." ²¹ Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" ²² Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

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

SERMON

"How Many Times"

Pastor Grace Han

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

*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 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 you 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 *Jesus, United By Thy Grace* Hymnal no. 561

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING Pastor Grace Han

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE *Trumpet Tune* David Johnson

SUNDAY MORNING AT TRINITY CHURCH

Those Assisting in Worship Today

Acolyte: Eliza Costle-Tyler

Crucifer: Tyler Williams

Liturgists: Tom Tyler

Greeters: John Cardone and Philip Reynolds

Ushers: Claire Kinnane, Lisa Nathan, Lucelle O'Flaherty (Head Usher), George Pinn, Alva Smircina

Today's anthem, a spiritual, is arranged Keith "Doc" Hampton, the Founder and Artistic Director of the Chicago Community Chorus. Additionally, he is an organist, conductor, composer, educator, church musician, adjudicator, and clinician. He is the Cantor to the Seminary Community at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago and the president of Dr. KT Productions, Inc. in Chicago.

The flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Jack Bowers, from his loving wife, Beth Bowers.

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 Mary Beth Buchholz upstairs in room 206 for Children's Worship. Children will return to the Sanctuary at the end of service, during the last hymn.

Sunday School (10-10:45 AM):

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

Disciple's Path Class, a class for Newcomers: Calling newcomers at Trinity! Pastor Grace invites you to join her for a 6 week class about what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ. This class meets weekly until June 9th, on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:45 AM. Childcare is available. Contact Pastor Grace at pastor@trinityalexandria.org with additional questions or concerns.

Sermon Series: Unburdened - This morning, we continue our sermon series called **Unburdened**, a sermon series about forgiveness. Forgiveness can be challenging but the impact of not forgiving ourselves or others often hurts us more. Forgiveness is the foundation of God's character and throughout the Bible we see God offer grace over and over again. In this four week series, we are talking about resentment, guilt and shame, how often to forgive, and God's unfailing grace.

- ❖ 5/26--God's Unfailing Grace

With great sympathy, we share the deaths of:

Raymond Carl, brother of Trinity member Virginia Carl. We extend our prayers and sympathies to Ginny and Renee, family and friends. Condolences may be sent to Ginny at 1225 Martha Custis Drive, #505, Alexandria, Va 22302.

Robert Hanson passed away peacefully on January 31, 2019 in Oklahoma. He is survived by his wife, Conny, his siblings Polly Hanson and Tom Hanson, and his 3 children, Daniel, Janina, and Ben. We extend our prayers and sympathies to Polly Hanson, George Pinn and their family. The Memorial Service is scheduled for Friday, May 31st, at Fort Logan National Cemetery in Denver, Colorado at 10:30 AM. Sympathies may be sent to Polly Hanson and George Pinn, 2019 S. Langley Street, Arlington, Va 22204.

TRINITY CHURCH'S WEEKLY NEWS

Reconciling Congregation Anniversary: Join us after worship as our Trinity family continues to celebrate the fourth anniversary of its decision to become a reconciling congregation that welcomes and affirms all people, including our LGBTQ brothers and sisters. In the Courtyard there is ice cream and fellowship as we commemorate this important milestone in the life of our church.

2019 Lenten-Easter Offering – To date Trinity Church has surpassed its Lenten-Easter giving goal of \$5,000! We have raised over \$5,387. Please consider donating a bit more through the end of May. We will donate more to Community Lodgings, ALIVE!, UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) Disaster Relief Fund, and Rising Hope's Capital Campaign. Please make checks payable to Trinity UMC and note "2019 Lenten-Easter Offering" on the memo line. Or give online through Trinity's Online Giving. Visit us at www.trinityalexandria.org and click the "♥ Giving" button in the top right hand corner. Locate the Missions Fund line and specify an amount and indicate "2019 Lenten-Easter Offering" in the memo box.

Church Clean-up: Ever see something broken or dirty in our church and think: "I should fix that?" Well now is your chance! On June 1st, we are planning to clean out the winter cobwebs during our spring spruce up. We are asking individuals and families to commit to a few hours of healthy manual labor at our church. We will be cleaning the kitchen, sprucing up the grounds and mending some of the wear and tear. Next week there will be a sign up sheet for projects. We ask that you take a look at what we hope to accomplish and then dedicate a few hours out of your weekend. If you have questions, or would like to volunteer, please contact Jon Hoganson at jonhoganson@gmail.com.

New Member Sunday, June 9th! We will be receiving new members on Sunday, June 9th! Membership is one of the tangible ways we live out our baptismal vows to live as a disciple of Jesus Christ in and through the local church. We hope you will prayerfully consider joining Trinity Church as a member. Contact Pastor Grace at pastor@trinityalexandria.org if you are interested or have additional questions or concerns.

Coming up on **Sunday, June 9th**, we are celebrating the **day of Pentecost**. Pentecost is the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles. We also celebrate the birthday of the Church. Red is the color associated with Pentecost, which is symbolic of "tongues of the fire" described in the second chapter of Acts. In honor of Pentecost Sunday, we invite you to wear red.

Calling all High School and College Graduates! We are recognizing graduates on Sunday, June 16th during worship. If you are a graduate or know of a graduate, please provide the following information to the Church Office: Graduate's name, where they are graduating from, plans for after graduation, and contact information. Please also indicate if the grad is able to be present for worship on June 16th. For more information contact Jenessa in the Church Office at office@trinityalexandria.org.

Annual Conference information now available: Preparations for the 2019 session of the Virginia Annual Conference held June 20-22 at the Berglund Center, Roanoke, VA are underway. This year's theme is "Moving Forward in God's Mission." For more information visit the Virginia Annual Conference website www.vaumc.org/AC2019.

Wednesday, May 22nd
5:30 - 7:00 PM

Trinity's Table

All proceeds from tonight will go towards the Trinity Lawnmower Fund.

Menu

Taco Bar

Taco Ground Beef/Vegan Ground Crumbles
Flour Tortillas/Crispy Corn Shells/Tortilla Chips
Black Beans, Shredded Cheese, Shredded Lettuce
Pico de Gallo, Sour Cream, Guacamole

Dessert

\$8 per Adult meal/\$5 per Child meal
\$25 per family of 4 (2 Adults/2 Children)
Children are ages 3-12 years old.
Children 2 and under are free.

RSVP on the Connection Card or by sending an email to office@trinityalexandria.org.

TRINITY CHURCH'S UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, May 20th - Wednesday, May 22nd ~ UMC Next Gathering, Kansas City, MO

Wednesday, May 22nd ~ Trinity's Table - Taco Bar

Wednesday, May 29th ~ Youth Summer Mission Trip - Jeremiah Project Pizza Fundraiser at Trinity's Table

Thursday, May 31st ~ Lenten-Easter Offering Due

Saturday, June 1st ~ Church Clean up Day

Sunday, June 2nd ~ Children & Youth Sunday

Sunday, June 9th ~ New Member Sunday

Saturday, June 15th ~ Ride Event: Event in partnership with Washington Street UMC. Stay tuned for details.

Sunday, June 16th ~ Graduation Sunday/Father's Day

Thursday, June 20th - Saturday, June 22nd ~ Annual Conference, Roanoke, VA

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.



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