



“Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones.”

~ Genesis 50: 19-21

Trinity United Methodist Church
Alexandria, Virginia

6th Sunday of Easter

May 26, 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 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

Voluntary on "Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising"

Healey Willan

INTROIT

Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Susan Collins

I lift my eyes up to the mountains,
from where does my help come?

**My help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.**

We look not to the mountains or valleys,
even heaven or earth,

For God is found among us.

Wherever two or three are gathered in Christ's name,

God is here among us.

Come, let us worship the God of Creation,
the God of People, the God of Community.

Let us follow Jesus, for Jesus is The Way.

Let us worship together in faith.

*HYMN

Maker, in Whom We Live

Hymnal no. 88

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

Pastor Grace Han

Gracious God,

**our sins are too heavy to carry,
too real to hide, and too deep to undo.**

**Forgive what our lips tremble to name,
what our hearts can no longer bear,
and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.**

**Set us free from a past that we cannot change,
open to us a future in which we can be changed;
and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image,
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.**

(All offer prayers of confession in silence)

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy,

slow to anger and has not dealt with us according to our sins.

Instead, God has chosen the sacrifice of God's own son on our account.

It is because Jesus Christ pays the last full measure that our sins are forgiven.

This gift of forgiveness makes us able, with the power of Holy Spirit,
to choose to forgive, renew

and live again in right relationship with each other and with our God.

In the name of Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*THE PEACE

All exchange signs and words of peace and reconciliation.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Baptismal Covenant I

Hymnal no. 33

The Baptismal Covenant of Vienna Grace Baca.

HYMN

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise

Hymnal no. 611

Commendation and Welcome

Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care.

Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

**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.

CHILDREN'S TIME

Tom Tyler

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

Order My Steps

Burleigh/Schrader

Order my steps in your Word, dear Lord, lead me, guide me, every day. Send your anointing, Father, I pray. Humbly I ask Thee, teach me your will, while You are working, help me be still. Though Satan is busy, God is real! I want to walk worthy, my calling to fulfill.

And I'll do your blessed will. The world is ever changing but You are still the same. If You order my steps, I'll praise your name. Order my tongue, guide my feet, wash my heart, show me how to walk in your Word. When I need a brand new song to sing, show me how to let your praises ring, in your Word...

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 50:15-21

Pew Bible, OT, page no. 48

Susan Collins

¹⁵ Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" ¹⁶ So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, ¹⁷ 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. ¹⁸ Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." ¹⁹ But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? ²⁰ Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. ²¹ So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

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 Luke 23:32-43 Pew Bible, NT, page no. 89 Pastor Grace Han

³² Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³ When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [[³⁴ Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.”]] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵ And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!” ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷ and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.” ⁴² Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” ⁴³ He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

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

SERMON “God’s Unfailing Grace” 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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Voluntary on “Amazing Grace”

George Shearing

*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

My Hope Is Built

Hymnal no. 368

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Pastor Grace Han

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune

Henry Purcell

SUNDAY MORNING AT TRINITY CHURCH

Those Assisting in Worship Today

Acolyte: Ayden Hoganson

Crucifer: Sophie Moran

Liturgists: Susan Collins

Greeters: Janet Johnson

Ushers: Bryce Benson, Joshua Hone, Lucelle O'Flaherty (Head Usher), George Pinn, Alva Smircina

Today's Anthem is a gospel style choral arrangement of the words and music of Glenn Edward Burleigh. (1949-2007). It was recorded by the Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir and was nominated for Song of the Year in 1995. Inspired by Psalm 119:133 "Keep my steps steady according to your promise, and never let iniquity have dominion over me," this passionate plea for guidance is one of the most popular titles in the gospel genre.

The flowers on the Altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of John Duty Collins, III from Susan and Virginia Collins.

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.

Join us next Sunday, June 2nd, for Children and Youth Sunday! Our children and youth will be leading us in worship by serving as worship leaders, greeters, ushers, and communion servers. Hope to see you there!

New Sermon Series: Acts: What it Means to be the Church: Starting Sunday, June 2nd, we begin a new sermon series on the book of Acts. Through this sermon series, we will follow the early church and consider what it means to be church today. The early church was spirit-filled and broke down barriers. What does it mean for us today to be like the Acts church? In addition to the sermon series, starting June 9th, Dr. Allan Barnes will be teaching a in depth class on the early church in Acts at 10 AM. We hope you will join us for this journey through the early church.

Thank you church family for all your prayers, cards and condolences on the passing of my dear brother, Raymond Lloyd Carl on May 10th. - Ginny Carl

With great sympathy, we share the deaths of:

Franklin Delano Lomax, Sr. (77), who died peacefully at home on May 10, 2018 from senile degeneration of the brain. He is survived by his wife, Verna Hahn Sigmon Lomax; son Franklin Delano Lomax, Jr. and family and daughter Verna Leigh Lange and family. A service will be held at the Old Post Chapel at Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall on July 15, 2019 at 1:00 PM. Interment with full military honors will follow at Arlington National Cemetery.

TRINITY CHURCH'S WEEKLY NEWS

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.

UMCNext Information Session: Last week, more than 600 United Methodists gathered in Kansas for UMCNext, a conversation about how the UMC can be a fuller and more inclusive denomination. This conversation was in response to the adoption of the Traditional Plan by the 2019 Special General Conference. There will be two information sessions in NOVA to share updates and next steps. The first will be next Sunday, June 2nd at 7:00 PM at Fairlington UMC and the second will be on Monday, June 10th at 7:30 PM at Herndon UMC. For more information, contact Jeff Lane at jeff.lane38@gmail.com.

Join the United Methodist DC Pride Parade Witness: Join Trinity members and other United Methodists as part of the National Capital Pride Witness on Saturday, June 8th in the late afternoon. There is still need for volunteers to help decorate and set up the parade truck and float. If you aren't able to participate but would like to support the parade, we are looking for financial donations. For further questions or concerns, please contact Ashley Parker at ashleyelizabethparker@yahoo.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.

Mission Project: After worship on Sunday, June 9th, the Missions Team invites you to join us in the Fellowship Hall to help assemble Health Kits. The kits will be distributed by UMCOR for those in need both domestically and abroad. Our Annual Conference team is transporting the kits to Annual Conference, June 20th - 22nd in Roanoke. Please stay immediately after worship to help with this very important endeavor. For questions about this mission opportunity, please contact Mary Gillman, our Missions Team Chair, at marycgillman@gmail.com.

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.

Trinity's UMW: The United Methodist Women will meet on Tuesday, June 12th at 6:00 PM for dinner at Tempo Restaurant, 4231 Duke Street in Alexandria. Please contact UMW President, Linda Pitts (ibcpitts@aol.com) if you are able to join us.

The Christian Formation Team needs Children's Worship volunteers! You do not need to be a parent to volunteer! No need to feel overwhelmed about what to do with the children. The Christian Formation Team plans and provides the lesson for you! Please see Mary Beth Buchholz (marybeth@freespiritfloral.com), our Christian Formation Team Chair if you have questions or to sign up to lead.

TRINITY CHURCH'S WEEKLY NEWS

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.

Rising Hope 5th Sunday Dinner: Another opportunity to share dinner with Rising Hope United Methodist Mission Church on the Route 1 corridor which ministers to the least, lost, left-out, and lonely happens on Sunday, June 30th. The following dishes are needed and should be brought to Trinity by Friday, July 28, 10 AM and placed in the freezer/refrigerator, marked with directions to reheat or cook and with Rising Hope's name. They will be picked up that Friday by 11 AM for delivery to Rising Hope. Please contact Jenessa in the Church Office by email at office@trinityalexandria.org to let her know how you will share in this meal preparation.

Dinner needs:

- 5 persons to prepare your favorite Hamburger casserole recipe for 12 persons
- 3 persons to bring canned fruit, enough to serve 20 persons
- 2 persons to bring bag salad, enough to serve 30 persons
- 2 person to bring dinner rolls for 30 persons
- 4 persons to bring 3 dozen cookies each

Thanks to those who will participate in this ministry.

Rising Hope Food Drive: Rising Hope United Methodist Mission Church on the Route 1 corridor has a food pantry that serves 350 families per month. During the month of June we are collecting non-perishable food items to help them continue to serve those in need. The following food are in the most need.

- ◆ Pasta – any kind
- ◆ Rice – large bags that will be divided into smaller

ones depending on family size

- ◆ Macaroni and Cheese boxes
- ◆ Canned meat, such as tuna, chicken, chunky soups, and ravioli

Let's help make a difference in the food pantry at Rising Hope. Drop off donations in the trunk in the Narthex Coat Closet. If you would like to make a monetary donation, mark "Rising Hope" on the memo line of your check. To give online 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 "Rising Hope Food Drive" in the text box.

Wednesday, May 29th

5:30 - 7:00 PM

Trinity's Table

All proceeds from tonight will go towards Youth Summer Mission Trip - Jeremiah Project.

Menu

Cheese Pizza
Pepperoni Pizza
Veggie Pizza
Spring Salad
Veggie Platter
Assorted Pies

\$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.

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 CHURCH'S UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Saturday, June 8th ~ National Capitol Pride Witness Parade

Sunday, June 9th ~ New Member Sunday - Health Kits Assembly after worship in the Fellowship Hall.

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



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