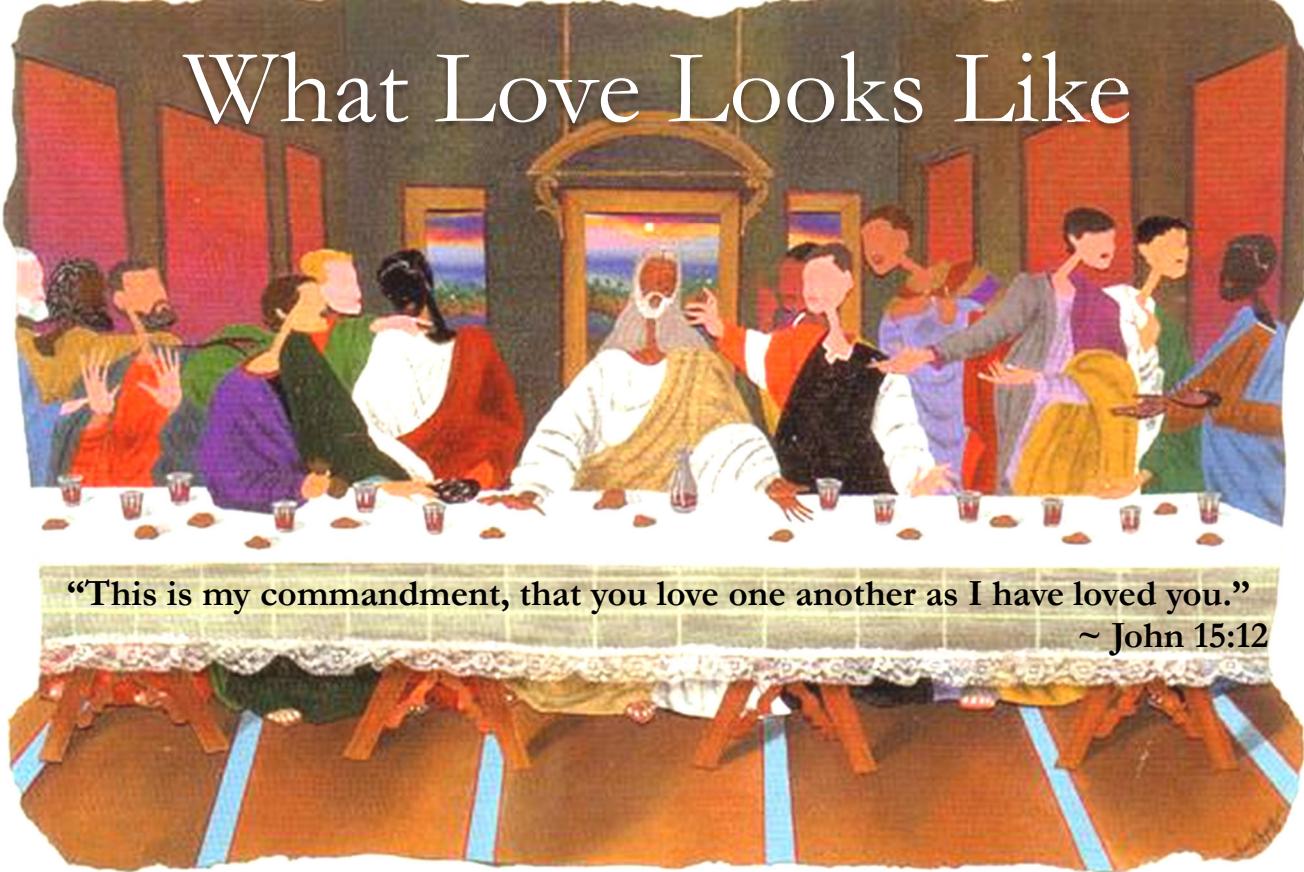


What Love Looks Like



“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.”
~ John 15:12

Artist: Leroy Campbell

Trinity United Methodist Church
Alexandria, Virginia

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
June 28, 2020
Eleven o'clock in the morning



THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome to Trinity online.

As we prepare for a time of worship, we invite you to find an intentional space in your home for worship. We encourage you to light a candle or place something that reminds you of Trinity or your connection with God nearby.

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PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

The Gift of Love
Tom Tyler, tenor

arr. Hal Hopson

WELCOME

As we light our candles in the sanctuary, I invite you to join us in lighting your own candle at home. As we place the cross in the holder, we invite you to place something that reminds you of Trinity or your connection with God in front of you.

CALL TO WORSHIP

(based on Psalm 139)

Jill Robinson

O Lord, you have searched me and known me.
You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
 you discern my thoughts from far away.

For it was you who formed my inward parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
Even before a word is on my tongue, you knit completely.
For it was you who formed my inward parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

When can I go from your spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?

For it was you who formed my inward parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
I praise you for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
For it was you who formed my inward parts;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.

HYMN

Lord God, Your Love Has Called Us Here

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PRAYER OF 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 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.

(Time for Silence and Prayer)

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.

Pastor Grace Han

PASSING OF THE PEACE

We'd love to know you worshiped with us! Please register your attendance [here](#). We also encourage you to comment below so we can be in community with you!

CHILDREN'S TIME

We invite the children who are worshiping at home to pay extra special attention. Each week Hannah Day Donoghue will send out [Children's Worship Bulletins](#) and [Coloring Pages](#) for the children to do at home during this time.

Jill Robinson

SOLO

Let Us Break Bread Together

arr. Moses Hogan

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-16

Jill Robinson

¹ O Lord, you have searched me and known me. ² You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. ³ You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. ⁴ Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely. ⁵ You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. ⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

¹³ For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. ¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well. ¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. ¹⁶ Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed.

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

GOSPEL LESSON

John 15:9-17

Pastor Grace Han

⁹ As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. ¹⁰ If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹ I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. ¹² "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ¹³ No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command you. ¹⁵ I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. ¹⁶ You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. ¹⁷ I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

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

SERMON

Created In the Image of Love

Pastor Grace Han

THE LOVE FEAST

The Love Feast, or Agape Meal, is a Christian fellowship meal recalling the meals Jesus shared with disciples during his ministry. It is an expression of love and community enjoyed by the family of the church as we remember the significance of Jesus' ministry on earth. The Love Feast has often been held on occasions when Holy Communion isn't able to be celebrated. To prepare for the Love Feast, you will want food for your meal: bread and water are customary, but please feel free to make substitutions as needed.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

We invite you to consider giving on-line or giving by text! To give on-line, go to [Trinity's website](#) and click on the Giving tab. To give by text, text "GIVE" to 703-783-3034. Further instructions will follow. For further information about online giving, please see the announcement in the bulletin ([page 8](#)).

OFFERTORY PRAYER

**All good gifts come from you, dear Lord,
and from these riches we bring this offering.
Help us to use it for the furtherance of your purpose in this place,
and for the benefit of those in need. Amen.**

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Following online worship, we invite you to join us on [Zoom](#) for a time of intentional fellowship and conversation.

Pastor Grace Han

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune

David Johnson

SUNDAY MORNING AT TRINITY CHURCH

Music Notes

Today's Preparation for Worship: “The Gift of Love” first appeared as a very popular anthem in 1972. Both the text and the music are effective paraphrases -- the text of I Corinthians 13:1-3 and the melody as an adaptation of the beautiful folk melody “O Waly, Waly.” The original tune was collected by American folksong specialist Cecil Sharp and published in his Folk Songs from Somerset (1906). From the composer: Mr. Hopson said: “The first ‘Gift of Love’ was a two-part choral arrangement. Years later, at the suggestion of [editor] George Shorney at Hope Publishing Company, I cast it in a form to be used as a congregational hymn. Since then it has become a standard hymn to be included in many hymnals. It is noteworthy that The United Methodist Hymnal, 1989, was the first hymnal that included ‘The Gift of Love.’ I was once surprised to be introduced at a seminar as the Gift-of-Love-Man.” notes from Dr. C. Michael Hawn: History of Hymns

Today's Solo arrangement is by Moses Hogan (1957-2003). African American composer John Rosamond Johnson (1873-1954) arranged the first solo version with the three stanzas that are common to most hymnals in the United States. This version of the spiritual was popularized by notable African American soloists in the mid-twentieth century such as Paul Robeson, Roland Hayes, and Marian Anderson. In a recently published article in the Canterbury Dictionary of Hymnology, written by United Methodist Hymnal editor, Dr. Carlton Young, he reveals the probable roots and major variants of this spiritual. Dr. Young suggests that this “spiritual was formed in the West African Gullah/Geechee slave culture that developed in the coastal areas of South-Eastern colonial America, including St Helena Island, Beaufort, and Charleston, South Carolina . . .” notes from Dr. C. Michael Hawn: History of Hymns

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God.

Fellowship Time via ZOOM on Sunday after Church: After worship this morning, we invite you to a time of fellowship via [Zoom](#) led by our Program Director Hannah Day Donoghue! This will be a time for us to connect after worship, check-in, and to have a time of conversation about worship. [Click here to join.](#) For questions, contact our Program Director, Hannah at programdirector@trinityalexandria.org.

Worship Online this Sunday: We are worshiping online via our Trinity's [Facebook page](#) and our website: www.trinityalexandria.org. On Saturday evenings, we are sending out an email with links to the worship sites and the bulletin for worship that Sunday. This Sunday, we invite you to be intentional about finding a space in your home to worship and to be truly present in a time of worship. For additional questions about how to worship online, please contact the Church Office: office@trinityalexandria.org.

IN SYMPATHY....

It is with sadness we share the death of **Geraldine Strozier**, Trinity Member, and Jessica Gibson's Mom. We extend our prayers and sympathies to the Jessica, her son Aidan and their family. Expressions of sympathy can be sent to Jessica Gibson, at 27 Leigh Road, South Hamilton, MA 01982.

Lord God, Your Love Has Called Us Here

1. Lord God, your love has called us here, as we, by love, for
 2. We come with self - in - flict - ed pains of bro - ken trust and
 3. Lord God, in Christ you call our name, and then re - ceive us
 4. Then take the towel, and break the bread, and hum - ble us, and
 5. Lord God, in Christ you set us free your life to live, your

love were made; your liv - ing like - ness still we bear, though
 cho - sen wrong, half - free, half-bound by in - ner chains, by
 as your own; not through some mer - it, right, or claim, but
 call us friends; suf - fer and serve till all are fed, and
 joy to share; give us your Spir - it's lib - er - ty to

marred, dis - hon - ored, dis - o - beyed; we come, with all our
 so - cial forc - es swept a - long, by powers and sys - tems
 by your gra - cious love a - lone; we strain to glimpse your
 show how grand - ly love in - tends to work till all cre -
 turn from guilt and dull de - spair, and of - fer all that

heart and mind, your call to hear, your love to find.
 close con - fined, yet seek - ing hope for hu - man - kind.
 mer - cy seat, and find you kneel - ing at our feet.
 a - tion sings, to fill all worlds, to crown all things.
 faith can do, while love is mak - ing all things new.

Go Forth for God

1. Go forth for God, go to the world in peace;
 2. Go forth for God, go to the world in love;
 3. Go forth for God, go to the world in strength;
 4. Go forth for God, go to the world in joy,

be of good cour - age, armed with heaven - ly grace,
 strength - en the faint, give cour - age to the weak;
 hold fast the good, be ur - gent for the right;
 to serve God's peo - ple ev - ery day and hour,

in God's good Spir - it dai - ly to in - crease,
 help the af - flict - ed; rich - ly from a - bove
 ren - der to no one e - vil; Christ at length
 and serv - ing Christ, our ev - ery gift em - ploy,

till in the king - dom we see face to face.
 God's love sup - plies the grace and power we seek.
 shall o - ver - come all dark - ness with his light.
 re - joic - ing in the Ho - ly Spir - it's power.

TRINITY CHURCH'S WEEKLY NEWS

“What Love Looks Like” Sermon Series: Shortly after the death of George Floyd, an Episcopal priest named Craig Loya asked: “What does love look like?” He concluded: “Not like this.” In the past few weeks and months, we have been haunted by images of racialized violence across our country. We have faced a global pandemic that has limited the way we care and love for one another. We are facing a difficult reality where it seems, at times, that love is absent. Through this series we will look at what love looks like in the face of COVID-19. What love looks like as we face racial injustice and prejudice. And how we are called not only to look, but to act in love. I hope you will join us for this important series.

- ◆ 7/5--Love that Puts Aside Prejudice and Bias
- ◆ 7/12--Love that Stands Up to Injustice
- ◆ 7/19--Love that Chooses the Other
- ◆ 7/26--Love that Takes Action

Centering Prayer meets weekly on Wednesdays from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM, via [Zoom](#). Centering Prayer is a 20 minute practice to sit in quiet prayer to make ourselves open to God. A reading is shared by the leader with a short discussion prior to the prayer time. [Click here to connect.](#) For more information contact, Alva Smircina via email at asmircina@gmail.com.

Join us for “Family Fun Food Trucks” on Wednesdays and Fridays from 4-7 PM. In partnership with the [North Ridge Civic Association](#), join us this week for Family Fun Food Trucks in our blacktop parking lot! Stay tuned to [North Ridge's Facebook page](#) for which trucks will be available on which days. This is a way for us to support local restaurants as well as raise donations for “Meals for Alexandria Heroes” (to provide meals for first responders, medical professionals and others). We will practice safe social distancing as regulated by the city! Come, eat, support local businesses & be in fellowship (from afar) with one another!

Drive-through Food Drive for Rising Hope Mission Church: As more and more people are out of work, the demand on food pantries has increased exponentially. Rising Hope Mission Church, one of our ministry partners, is looking for non-perishable food items (canned meats, pasta, canned tomato products, cereal, coffee, peanut butter, jelly) as well as personal hygiene items (toothpaste, deodorant). Wednesdays from 4-7 PM, we are hosting a drive through drop off food drive. Just come by the church parking lot (off Cameron Mills). For the sake of safety for all

involved, we ask you to stay in your car, so we can have people drop off food one at a time. For additional questions contact Mary Gillman: marycgillman@gmail.com. For future food drive dates, please see [here](#).

Join the Trinity Prayer Chain: During times of trial and uncertainty, we pray to grow in our faith and encourage one another. To respond to our growing prayer needs, we will be starting an email prayer chain to share our prayer concerns with one another. We will share joys as well as concerns and needs. If you are interested in being part of this prayer chain, please email prayer@trinityalexandria.org.

Youth Summer Mission Week- Unfortunately due to COVID-19, Appalachia Service Project has canceled their summer programming, including our Youth's trip, this summer. Our leaders at Trinity and Beverley Hills have begun planning a local mission week from July 19th-25th. Since the week and all our summers plans are changing and shifting we are reopening the week. Anyone who has completed 6th-12th grade is welcome to express interest here. There will be a virtual meeting in May. Contact Program Director Hannah at programdirector@trinityalexandria.org with any questions.

Social Justice Bible Study- Join our Program Director, Hannah Day Donoghue Wednesday evenings at 7 PM to 8 PM for our virtual Bible study. We will look at different issues affecting our community, what the Bible says about these issues and what our call as Christians is. We will end each study with an action item to complete before our meeting the following week. This Bible study will involve unearthing some of our own biases and assumptions we have been taught about people who are directly affected by these issues. I hope to see many of you there. Stay tuned for further details. For questions contact, Hannah at programdirector@trinityalexandria.org.

College Q & A, June 30th @ 5 PM: High Schoolers, join current college students, MA students and those who are on their career paths, to answer some questions about college and the future. It will start off with a few questions to our panelists and then open it up to any questions that our high schoolers/graduates want to know. We are hoping this can be a space where anxieties and curiosities are shared and maybe given some answers. High Schoolers only. No parents/guardians. Email our Program Director, Hannah at programdirector@trinityalexandria.org to sign up and get on the email list.

TRINITY CHURCH'S WEEKLY NEWS

Tithes and offerings may be sent to Trinity via normal mail (checks only) or via the online donation portal on [Trinity's website](#). (click on “ **Giving**” in the top right corner). You may make online donations directly from your checking account with no check required to be mailed. This will help us immensely as our office will have limited hours to receive and process the checks. However, you may still give by mailing a check - whatever donation you want to provide will be very welcome.

We also have the capability to give by text. Just send a text that says “Give” to: 703-783-3034.

If you want more information on giving by texting works read on:

Step 1. Text the word “Give” - to 703-783-3034. Don’t worry - nothing will be charged to you until you enter your credit card or bank information.

Step 2. You will receive a text back to you saying, “It looks like you are a new giver ; to begin (a link to the text giving site will appear), click on it.

Step 3: A form will appear that will clearly say “Trinity United Methodist Church” at the top left. It will ask you to fill in the following information:

1. Amount you want to give and the fund you want to give to. If you want to give a general offering, you don’t need to write anything! If you want to give to a specific fund, you can use one of the following funds: Lent; Flowers; Music; Pastor (For Pastor’s Helping Fund)
2. How you want to give - credit card or direct deposit from your bank (called ACH bank transfer)
3. If you select credit card, it will ask for your name, address, email address and credit card information.
4. If you select ACH - it will ask for you name, address, email address and bank routing and bank account information
5. At the bottom you can select one time gift or a recurring period. Suggest you select one time gift for the first time.
6. That is it. Then click on Donate Now!

If you made a mistake or change your mind - no worries just send the word “refund” to the same number the last amount you sent them will be refunded to you! Also you can send the word “commands” that will give you a list of options on how to change your account or update your giving amounts. If all else fails - please contact Rich McKinney at cbrm@mac.com. Thank you again for your giving - no matter how you give!

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

Sunday, June 28th: Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

Worship at 11 AM via Facebook Live and Trinity Website
Fellowship Time at Noon via Zoom

Wednesday, July 1st

Family Food Truck Night at 4-7 PM in Allison Street Parking Lot
Food Donations Drop-Off 4-7 PM in Allison Street Parking Lot
Centering Prayer at 6 PM via Zoom
Trebles & Choristers Rehearsal at 6:30 PM via Zoom
Social Justice Bible Study at 7 PM via Zoom

Thursday, July 2nd

Trinity Ringers Rehearsal at 6:30 PM via Zoom
Chancel Choir Rehearsal at 8:30 PM via Zoom

Sunday, July 5th: Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

Worship at 11 AM via Facebook Live and Trinity Website
Fellowship Time at Noon via Zoom



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