



Trinity United Methodist Church

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February 18, 2024

8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

We ask that everyone complete an attendance card found in the pew rack or scan the QR code on page 4 with your phone's camera and click the link to register your attendance today. Don't forget to include **each** family member present.

Prelude (8:30)	<i>Adagio in G Minor</i> (Albinoni)	Jerry Rich
Welcome and Announcements		Clergy
* Call to Worship		Taehwan Roh
We are gathered to worship our God. Send your Spirit upon us. We come from many places, with many burdens. Send you Spirit upon us. We turn our hearts to you, O God. Send your Spirit upon us, and make us your beloved family.		
* Gathering Hymn	<i>Come, Thou Almighty King</i>	UMH 61
Reception of New Members: White family (10:30)		Clergy
Children's Message		Laurie Strollo
Prayers of the People		Taehwan Roh
Offering		Neil Hough
This morning's offering will be received as we pass the offering plates. You may also give online at http://umtrinity.org/give and through our app. On the website, scroll down and click on SET UP ONLINE GIVING.		
Offertory (8:30)	<i>It Thou but Suffer God</i> (Neumark)	Caleb Caldwell
Offertory (10:30)	<i>Let Thy Merciful Ears</i> (Mudd)	Chancel Choir
Scripture	1 Peter 1:13-25	Taehwan Roh
Therefore prepare your minds for action; discipline yourselves; set all your hope on the grace that Jesus Christ will bring you when he is revealed. Like obedient children, do not be conformed to the desires that you formerly had in ignorance. Instead, as he who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct; for it is written, 'You shall be holy, for I am holy.'		
If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.		
Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God. For 'All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord endures for ever.' That word is the good news that was announced to you.		
Message	<i>Words to Live By ... Holiness</i>	Neil Hough
Sacrament of Holy Communion (8:30)		Clergy
* Closing Hymn	<i>Lord, I Want to Be a Christian</i>	UMH 402
* Benediction		Neil Hough
* Closing Music	<i>Toccata in E Minor</i> (Pachelbel)	Jerry Rich
* Please stand as you are able.		

Grow — Pray — Study

Things I'd like to remember from today's message:

Monday, February 19 — Psalm 99

Psalm 99 is a hymn of praise. It celebrates God as King of the universe and describes some of God's defining characteristics: being holy, loving justice, establishing equity, executing justice and righteousness, and offering forgiveness.

- Think about your own relationship with God. When you pray, for what do you praise God? Which of God's characteristics are most meaningful to you? What would your hymn of praise celebrate about God?
- Prayer: *Holy God, you are the King of the universe and Lord of all creation. I am in awe of all that you are and all that you have done for creation and for me. I praise you. Amen.*

Tuesday, February 20 — Leviticus 19:1-18

The covenant that God created with us through Moses calls for us to be holy, just as God is holy. The life of holiness includes keeping the familiar commandments. A life of holiness also includes care for the poor, the alien, and people who are on the margins of society (including the laborers, the deaf, and the blind.) The expectation of holiness is summarized in Leviticus 19:17-18, which includes these words: *"you shall love your neighbor as yourself."*

- Reflecting on your own life, how does your relationship with God manifest itself in your relationship with your neighbors?
- Prayer: *Loving God, create in me a clean and pure heart. Forgive my sin and teach me your ways, so that I may keep your commandments and live a holy life. Amen.*

Wednesday, February 21 — Luke 1:46-55

In *The Gospel of Luke*, holiness is one of the primary characteristics of God. In her song of praise, Mary, the mother of Jesus, says *"and holy is his name"* (Luke 1:49). When he teaches his disciples about prayer, Jesus says, *"When you pray, say: 'Father, hallowed be your name'"* (Luke 11:2). The word "holy" means sacred, dedicated to God's purposes, and/or Godly. To be holy is to take on the characteristics of the one who is truly Holy: God.

- How does praying the Lord's Prayer and hallowing God's name help you to grow in your own holiness?
- Prayer: *God in Heaven, holy is your name. Let your kingdom come and let your will be done on earth. Give me what I need for this day. Forgive me. Protect me. Amen.*

Thursday, February 22 — Ephesians 1:3-14

First century followers of Jesus looked to his example and his teaching as the ultimate guides for holy (God-like) living. Just as Jesus said to, *"Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect"* (Matthew 5:48), the letter to the Ephesians said to, *"be holy and blameless before God in love"* (Ephesians 1:4). As followers of Jesus today, we are expected to grow in holiness and God-like-ness. Thankfully, we have access to the best possible example of God-like-ness: Jesus.

- If being holy and blameless before God in love is the criteria, how are you doing today?
- Prayer: *Loving God, Thank you for the teaching and example of Jesus. Help me grow in holiness and God-like-ness today, so that I will be blameless before you in love. Amen.*

Friday, February 23 — Ephesians 4:17-24

When we encounter the living Christ and choose to be his disciples, we experience a transformation of our hearts and of our lives. The old self gives way to a new self, which is *"created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness"* (Ephesians 4:24). This new self has a changed heart and a changed mind, which results in changed behavior.

- Read the next section of Ephesians, verses 25-32. Use this description of new life in Christ to reflect on the state of your life. Where might God's transforming love and grace be at work in your life right now?
- Prayer: *Gracious God, forgive me for not wanting to give up the old life that served me so well. Clothe me with righteousness and holiness. Make me more like Jesus. Amen.*

Saturday, February 24 — 1 Peter 1:13-25

The first letter of Peter begins with a blessing and a reminder of the hope that comes from God's grace and mercy, which we have received through Jesus (1 Peter 1:1-12). In response to God's grace and mercy, we can – and should – live a holy life. Quoting Leviticus 19:2, Peter says: *"You shall be holy, for I am holy"* (1 Peter 1:16). According to Peter, God-like holiness looks like Christ-like love, genuine mutual love, love that comes from a transformed and purified heart (1 Peter 1:22).

- How has God's love and grace changed your life?
- Prayer: *God of love, purify my heart through the saving grace that you offer through Jesus' death and resurrection. Help me love others with the love that comes from you. Amen.*

Nursery on Sundays

The Nursery is staffed during both Sunday worship services for children 3 years old and under.

This Week on Zoom

Password 1205

Engage Bible Study

Monday at 7 p.m. Contact Jim Wilson for log in link. jaswilson@sloft.com.

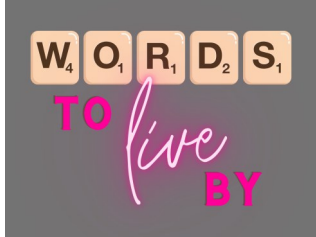
Pastor's Bible Study

Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. Meeting ID: 894 8087 9762
Tuesdays are hybrid (in-person & on Zoom).
Wednesday at 7 p.m.: Meeting ID: 886 5257 6837

Prayer Group

Wednesday at 9 a.m. Meeting ID: 875 6105 5580

Sermon Series: *Words to Live By*



Between now and Easter, we will focus on some of the most important words that describe life as followers of Jesus.

These are words we use all the time, and we too easily lose sight of their meaning.

Each week, we will focus on

one of these words, explore its meaning, and be challenged to embody the "the word of the week" in our daily lives. We'll discover that these words are not only part of our Christian vocabulary, they are **Words To Live By**.

Our Prayer List

Adam, Adams family, Alan, Alberto, Alice, Amanda & David, Amber & Brianna, Andi, Andrea, Andrew, Anne, Annie Ruth, Arnold, Audrey, Barb, Barry & Diane, Betty, Bill & Maddie, Brett, Brian, Briscoe family, Bruce, Bud, Catherine, Carol & Rich, Caroline, Carrie, Carson, Cathy, Chris, Christopher, Currie family, Daniel, Daniel & Cindy, Danny, Dara, Davey, David, David & Carol, Darlene & Steve, Desarae, Di Letti family, Donnie, Doris, Doris & Joe, Dudley & Susan, Easley family, Ed, Elaine, Eileen, Ellie, Emmett, Eric, Erica & Roberto, Erik, Evans family, Fran & Tom, Frank, Gabe, Gabrielle, Gary & Lindie, Garry, Glenda, Geoff, George, Gray, Greg, Gregg, Gwen, Hager family, Hammer family, Hanna, Harriet, Harris family, Harry, Heather, Hefferon family, Helena, Hemingway family, Henry, Hilary, Holmes family, Hong family, Jackie, Jan, Janice, Jason, Jean, Jeanette, Jeanne, Jeff, Jenna, Jenny & Michael, Jessica, Jimmy, Joann, Joe, Joe & Marie, John, John & Angeliki, Jomer, Josie, Judi, Judy, June, Karen, Kathy, Kay & John, Kelly, Kenny family, Krista, Kobi, Landaverde family, Laura, Leigh, Lejoy family, Leslie, Linda, Lindstedt family, Lisa, Liz & David, Lois, Lon, London family, Long family, Lorene, Lori, Luana, Luis, Lynne, Mack, Macy, Marcia, Marcienne, Marilyn, Maher family, Mark, Matha & Ken, Marty & Mary, Mary, Matt, Matthias, McClain family, Melissa, Meredith, Michael, Michelle, Mickey & Ruth, Mike, Moore family, Nancy, Nell, Nina, Niro, Norma, Norman, Olivia, Pat, Patty, Paul, Pauline & Merlin, Pearl family, Peg & Dick, Peter, Peter & Laura, Priscilla, Quinn family, Randall family, Rebecca, Rob, Robin & Jim, Sabbagh family, Sally, Sam, Samantha, Sandra, Scott, Sheila, Spencer, Skyard family, Stephanie, Stephen, Steve, Sue, Summers family, Susan, Sushi, Teresa, Tim, Tom, Tony, Trapp family, Vanna, Velda, Vinnie, Wayne, Williams family, and Yancey, travelers, those who mourn, the homeless, racial reconciliation in our country, those affected by the opioid epidemic and those working to end it, victims of famine and war, peace and more empathy in the world, protection from gun violence in the world and for its victims and families, those living in war zones, hostages, those living with cancer.

SHARE THE LOVE FOOD DRIVE

February 4 - 25, 2024

Sunday mornings
and

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Feb. 13, 5 - 7 p.m.

Place Items in Donation Bins

Canned fruit, chicken, fish
Canned or dried beans (pinto, garbanzo, kidney)
Canned diced tomatoes and tomato sauce (15 oz.)
Pasta (elbow, penne, rigatoni)
Crackers
Toilet paper, Paper towels
Pull-Ups (Size 4T-5T)
Panty liners
Laundry detergent (15 - 32 loads)
Toothbrushes (individually wrapped) and toothpaste
New socks for Men
New underwear for Men and Women

** We currently do not need spaghetti, canned vegetables, or soup**

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday
Sunday, March 24
8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Maundy Thursday
Thursday, March 28
7 p.m.

Good Friday
Friday, March 29
7 p.m.

Easter Sunday
Sunday, March 31
7, 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Highlights from E-News

If you're not receiving our Friday e-mail, please send your email address to info@umtrinity.org

Book Chat

Meets Tuesday, **February 27** at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom. New readers are always welcome: <http://umtrinity.org/education/adults>.

Called Charge Conference

There will be a Called Charge Conference on **February 27**, at 7 p.m. in-person and on Zoom. The agenda for the Charge Conference will be limited to one item: approve proposed changes to clergy compensation for 2024. The Charge Conference is open to everyone, but members of the Executive Council are the voting members.

Children's Ministries

Children's Worship Folders are available during worship services and are categorized by age and reading ability. Please return your folder to the used bin so it can be replenished.

Children's Worship (ages 4 - 4th grade) and **Club 56** (grades 5 & 6) meet during the 10:30 service following the Children's Message.

Easter Flowers by March 10

On Easter Sunday, March 31, Trinity's Sanctuary will be decorated with lilies, tulips and hydrangeas, given in honor or memory of loved ones. Please fill out the form at umtrinity.org/worship/easter-flowers. All memorials/honors will be noted in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Deadline is **March 10**.

Fellowship

To provide snacks during Fellowship, sign up on the white board on the coffee bar. Contact Alesha Luxon, alesha.luxon@gmail.com.

Preschool Enrollment Open

Enrollment for **Summer Camp 2024** and **2024-25** is open. For details, please visit umtrinity.org/preschool.

Martha's Table

Martha's Table is on the first Sunday after both services. We package trail mix at Trinity and deliver it to Martha's Table ministry, which supports unhoused in Washington, DC. All are welcome to participate in this fellowship/volunteer opportunity. While there is gratitude for those filling trail mix bags, volunteers are also needed for delivering the packed trail mix to Martha's Table. If you are interested in serving as a delivery driver, please sign up online (<http://umtrinity.org/marthat>), on the Fellowship Lobby sign-up sheet, or contact William Liu at williamliu@att.net /703-389-2253.

Ushers Needed

Ushers are needed each Sunday. If you would like to volunteer please sign up at umtrinity.org/ushers.

Youth Group (Grades 7-12)

No Youth Group tonight.

February 23-25: Youth Retreat at Skycroft Conference Center. We'll join youth from Chesterbrook and Cherrydale for a spiritual weekend exploring **Our Story** and getting to know each other all while have loads of fun! Cost is \$195 per person, which includes room, meals and facilities.

Contact Catherine Wethington, umtrinityyouth@gmail.com. Scan the QR code at the right to register for 2023-24 youth activities.

Coming Up

February

19 Office Closed
20 Trustees
22 *Spire* assembly
23-25 Youth Retreat
25 Celtic Service
26 Crafts for a Cause
27 Book Chat
27 Charge Conference & Executive Council

March

2-7 Mission Trip to Honduras
3 Martha's Table
11 Crafts for a Cause
12 Book Chat
16 Christ House
23 Good Works Day
24 Palm Sunday
25 Crafts for a Cause
28 Maundy Thursday
29 Good Friday
31 Easter Sunday

Quick Links

Scan this QR code with your phone's camera and click the link for quick access to forms. This page currently holds:

- > worship attendance
- > children and youth registration
- > flower orders, etc.
- > ushers



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Monday – Friday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Worship is live streamed on Sundays from the Chapel at 8:30 a.m. and from the Sanctuary at 10:30 a.m. on YouTube: youtube.com/UMTrinity. The Celtic Service can be seen on the last Sunday of the month at 5 p.m. on YouTube and Facebook.