

Trinity United Methodist Church



*The Vision of the Lord Directing Abraham to Count the Stars,
Julius Schnorr von Carolsfeld (German Wood engraving) 1860*

When I consider your heavens,
the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars,
which you have set in place

what is humankind that you are mindful of it,
human beings that you care for them?

Psalm 8:3-4

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June 21, 2026

8:30 & 10:30 a.m.



Welcome to Trinity Church! We are grateful you are here. We'd appreciate it if you would complete the registration pad and pass it down. For those worshipping in the Chapel today, please complete an attendance card. Remember to name each family member present today.

Please join us in our Fellowship Lobby following each service for delicious food and a chance for us to get to know one another!

We wish all the fathers among us a blessed day!

PRELUDE

Basse et Dessus de trompette (Clérambault)

Jerry Rich

WELCOME

* CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 147

Praise the Lord! How good it is to sing praises to our God;
for the Lord is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel.
He heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds.

He determines the number of the stars, and gives to all of them their names.
Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;
whose understanding is beyond measure.

* GATHERING HYMN

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

UMH 89

**Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day!**

**All thy works with joy surround thee,
earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.**

**Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.**

**Mortals, join the mighty chorus
which the morning stars began;
love divine is reigning o'er us,
binding all within its span.
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife;
joyful music leads us sunward,
in the triumph song of life.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Great God of Mystery,
You who set the stars in their places and still speak through their ancient light,
**we confess to You that at times
we have looked about us and appreciated little of your handiwork.
We have let the moment pass to speak wisdom in your name,
and thus withheld from others the Good News.
We consider our faith to be a private matter,
and squander the chance to encourage another to seek for You.
Forgive us our halting witness, our indifference to your presence,
and our inclination to repeat the mistakes of the past.**

[a time of silent prayer]

Awaken in us, this yet un-lived day, the hope of finding our confidence
in the nearness of your presence with us. **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Laurie Strollo

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Our prayer will conclude with:

**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.**

ANTHEM

Grace Alone (Brown & Nelson)
Holy Manna (Trad.)

Brendon O'Donnell (8:30)
Chancel Choir (10:30)

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 1:1-5

Vinnie DeMicco (8:30)
Bennett Brunner (10:30)

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

This is the Word of God, for us, the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

Is This Our Father's World?

Dave Rochford

COMMUNION (8:30)

OFFERING

*Our offering is received as we pass the plates, but you may also give online at
<http://umtrinity.org/give> or through our app.*

Doxology

UMH 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 up lifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

* CLOSING HYMN

Let All Things Now Living

FWS 2008

**Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
To God the Creator triumphantly raise;
Who fashioned and made us,
protected and stayed us,
Who guides us and leads to the end of our days.
God's banners fly o'er us,
God's light goes before us
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night!
Till shadows have vanished
and darkness is banished,
As forward we travel from light into light.**

**The law of God enforces, the stars in their courses,
and sun in its orbit, obediently shine.
The hills and the mountains,
the rivers and fountains,
the deeps of the ocean proclaim the divine.
We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
With glad adoration a song let us raise
Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving
to God in the highest, hosanna and praise!**

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

Sonata in D, K. 288 (Scarlatti)

Jerry Rich

**congregation invited to stand*

Today at Trinity

Chancel Choir, 10 a.m.

The Chancel Choir meets each Sunday at 10 a.m. to prepare to lead worship at 10:30 a.m. New singers are always welcome! If you'd like to know more about Trinity's music ministry, please contact Jerry Rich, jrlich@potomacschool.org.

Children's Worship, 10:40 a.m. (ages 4 - 6th grade)

Children's Worship takes place following the Children's Message in our Fellowship Building (across the Breezeway).

Iglesia de Diós Worship, 6 p.m.

This Week

Monday, 7:30 p.m.: Scout Troop 869

Tuesday, 7 p.m.: Scout Troop 1130

Wednesday, 9 a.m.: Prayer Group

Join our weekly Zoom Prayer Group as we lift up the needs of our church, community, and world. For details, talk with a pastor or call 703-356-3312.

Thursday, 1 p.m.: The Spire newsletter assembly 6:30 p.m.: Executive Council

Saturday, 6 p.m.: Iglesia de Diós

Coming Up

June 28: Iglesia de Diós Youth Fundraiser

All proceeds help Iglesia de Diós Youth serve on summer mission trips. Thank you for supporting our shared ministry and for helping nurture the next generation of disciples. More on page 7.

July 2: Youth Group at Lazy Mike's, 7 p.m.

Every Thursday in July, from 7 to 8 p.m., we're heading to Lazy Mike's for ice cream, laughter, and good old-fashioned fellowship. Lazy Mike's is located at 7049 Leesburg Pike in Falls Church. Come cool off and catch up with friends!

July 3: Office Closed for Independence Day

July 5: Martha's Table Snack Packaging

Following both worship services, we will gather in the Fellowship Lobby to make bags of trail mix for weekday distribution by Martha's Table in Washington, D.C. The snack bag assembly line is fun and also makes a difference in the lives of hundreds of people in our community. All supplies provided!

July 9: Finance Committee, 7 p.m.

Youth Group at Lazy Mike's, 7 p.m.

July 12: Acolyte Training, 11:40 a.m.

July 13: Staff-Parish Relations Committee, 7 p.m.

July 15: A New Nation, a New Denomination, 7 p.m.

Join Pastor Dave in the Chapel for a conversation on how Methodism took shape during the American Revolution. Learn how a movement rooted in the Church of England navigated political turmoil and emerged as a distinctly American church: fast-growing, influential, and shaped by the same hopes and tensions that marked the new nation. Time for questions and discussion.

July 16: Youth Group at Lazy Mike's, 7 p.m.

July 19: Christ House Meal Mission

Christ House is a residential medical facility for homeless men located in the Adams Morgan area of Washington, DC. We prepare and serve lunch on the third Saturday of every month. Contact Connie Jeremiah for more information, dcjeremiah@verizon.net or 703-307-4635.

July 20: Church & Society Committee, 7:30 p.m.

July 23: Youth Group at Lazy Mike's, 7 p.m.

July 27 - 31 and Aug. 3 - 7: Stringtime Camp

Full-day camp for children ages 7 – 12 to try violin, viola or cello. Instruments are provided; no experience necessary. See Stringtime's website for more details at stringtimemusic.org.

July 30: Youth Group at Lazy Mike's, 7 p.m.

June Sermon Series

What's Wrong with Organized Religion

It's what some would call a head-scratcher: at a time when a deep wistfulness for connection and belonging, as well as curiosity about spirituality are on the rise, one in three Americans identifies with no faith tradition – an all-time high. What's the disconnect here? Dare we ask, what do our neighbors see as "wrong with organized religion?"

Today we consider how strange it seems to millions of Americans that in the age of scientific enquiry, reasoned and reasonable people somehow still hold to faith in a Merciful God. How can we express to our neighbors the hope we find in salvation through the ministry of Jesus, with so little to "prove" its truthfulness?

Hope to see you next week, when we conclude our series when we consider how wisdom can possibly be found in an ancient book full of implausible stories (which most Christians don't know all that well, anyway!) Join us then for a reappraisal of the Book of the Church, the Christian Bible, as we strive to "speak to the critique!"

About Our Ministries

Nursery

The **Nursery** is staffed during both our Sunday worship services for children 3 years old and under. Our nursery is located in the Fellowship Building; simply speak to an usher and they will provide assistance.

Children's Worship Folders

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.

Fellowship: Getting Connected

You are invited to meet friends and neighbors after each of our worship services! Join us in the Fellowship Lobby across the breezeway. Each week individuals, families or ministry teams host our refreshments. Please consider signing up for the 8:30 service's Fellowship time. Scan the QR code under Quick Links below to sign-up.

Trinity Preschool of McLean

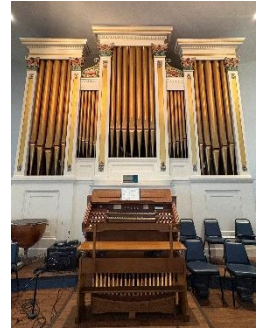
TPoM welcomes all students ages 2-6. Please visit umtrinity.org/preschool to learn more about this vibrant ministry or to schedule a tour for your child.

Ushers Needed

Ushers are needed each Sunday to greet people, answer questions and hand out bulletins. Use the QR code below to volunteer for this essential ministry of hospitality or speak to one of the pastors.

Did You Know?

Not many Methodist congregations date back to the early 19th Century; even fewer enjoy music every Sunday from an equally historic organ. *But Trinity does!*



The majestic instrument you see before you was built in 1850 by renowned New York City organbuilder Henry Erben – a driven, perfectionistic and sometimes tempestuous man with an earned reputation for building exceptionally fine and long-lasting pipe organs. (Hard to argue with the results, as ours is 176 years old!) This complex three-manual model was made for Monumental Episcopal Church in Richmond, where it served until 1926, when it was donated to nearby Mt. Olivet Baptist Church.

By 1970, the loose and stacked pipes were in imminent danger of being *thrown out* when they were rescued by a determined group of Trinity laypersons led by Ben Faidley, and brought to McLean via many trips in personal automobiles! Reunited with its original Greek Revival case in 1976, the organ has been meticulously restored and thoughtfully improved.

Fun fact: only one other 1850 Erben is now known to exist, and ours is the sole example in a church setting. Exactly as Henry intended it to be.

Quick Links

Scan QR code with your phone's camera & click the link. This page currently includes:

- Memorial Service for Jim Sprouse
- Trinity House renovation video
- Prayer Requests
- Children & Youth ministry registration
- Christ House wish list
- Fellowship Hour hosts sign-up
- Ushers sign-up



Our Prayer Ministry

Trinity Church is grateful to receive any request for intercessory prayer. Each Wednesday, our Prayer Group meets at 9 a.m. to lift up these submissions as well as on-going needs. Those willing to pray with us are both welcomed and invited! Please speak to one of our pastors if you would like to know more.

Prayer requests can be submitted by scanning the QR code on the left with your phone's camera and clicking the link, or you may fill out a prayer card and place it in the offering plate.

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Worship is in-person and livestreamed on Sundays from our Chapel at 8:30 a.m. and from our Sanctuary at 10:30 a.m. on YouTube: youtube.com/UMTrinity. If you're not yet receiving our Friday weekly events e-mail, please send us your address at info@umtrinity.org.



IGLESIA DE DIÓS YOUTH FUNDRAISER EVENT

JUNE 28

Starting at 11 a.m.

Food Sale Fundraiser

Please place your food order by June 23.

To order email ksandovko@hotmail.com

or text your order to 571-277-6678

Pay by cash or check to: Iglesia de Diós.

Purchase a meal and help support our
evangelical missions.

Menu

- Stewed Chicken
- Rice
- Garden salad
- a can of soda or
juice **\$15.00**

Thank you for your support!

Iglesia de Diós Luz a Las Naciones

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