



Trinity United Methodist Church



*You are looking
for Jesus of Nazareth
who was crucified.*

He has been raised!

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April 5, 2026

Easter Sunday

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. Prayer requests can be submitted by scanning the QR code on page 8 with your phone's camera and clicking the link.

Our service begins in darkness and silence – the echo of a sealed Tomb.

AN ECHO OF GOOD FRIDAY

from Mark 15

Since it was late in the afternoon on Preparation Day, just before the Sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea dared to approach Pilate and ask for Jesus' body. Pilate gave the dead body to Joseph. He bought a linen cloth, took Jesus down from the cross, wrapped him in the cloth, and laid him in a tomb that had been carved out of rock. He then rolled a stone against the entrance to the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James saw where Jesus was buried.

THE FIRST EASTER MORNING

from Mark 16

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they could go and anoint Jesus' body. Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they came to the tomb. They were saying to each other, "Who's going to roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb for us?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man in a white robe seated on the right side; and they were startled. But he said to them, "Don't be alarmed! You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised!"

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: **Christ is risen indeed!**

* HYMN OF JOY

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today (verses 1-5)

UMH 302

Riverside Brass; Bryan Wethington, timpani

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where's thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven, Alleluia!
Praise to thee by both be given, Alleluia!
Thee we greet triumphant now, Alleluia!
Hail the Resurrection, thou, Alleluia!

* CALL TO WORSHIP

from Ps. 118, 1 Cor. 15

This is the day of our salvation; God is our strength and our song.

**Christ has been raised from the dead,
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.**

The One who was rejected has become the firstborn of the Resurrection.

The Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes!

God reigns; let all peoples and nations rejoice, for Christ is risen!

Christ, our guarantee that we also shall rise to new life.

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* OPENING PRAYER

From a dark and shadowed world in need of hope, we greet you, Lord Jesus, with a renewed sense of gratitude for the day of your rising.

We confess that we have grown accustomed to war and talk of violence, **though you are the Prince of Peace.**

And we know many lack what they need for daily sustenance, **though you came to bring abundant living.**

Some live in sickness and fear, lacking basic care, **though you are the Great Physician.**

Still others long for freedom from injustice and oppression, **though you, the Messiah, came to proclaim freedom to all.**

Risen Lord, what might you hold in your pierced hands for us today? **If we dwell in fear, give us courage.**

When we falter for lack of certainty, bring us hope. **Where there is sickness or indifference to the sick, poverty or indifference to the poor, deliver compassion.**

Where our relationships are fractured and broken, **remake and renew us.**

Move not only our hearts today, Risen Savior, but our feet, tomorrow! **So that we can claim a new boldness of belief as our day rises. Amen!**

WELCOME

CHORAL ANTHEM

Gloria from Heiligmesse (Haydn)

Trinity Ensemble (8:30)

Chancel Choir, Riverside Brass (10:30)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Dave Rochford

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 15:1-5, 12-14, 20

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

MESSAGE

A New and Breaking Day

Dave Rochford

* HYMN

He Lives

UMH 310

I serve a risen Savior,
he's in the world today;
I know that he is living,
whatever foes may say.
I see his hand of mercy,
I hear his voice of cheer,
and just the time I need him,
he's always near.

In all the world around me
I see his loving care,
And though my heart grows weary,
I never will despair.
I know that he is leading through
all the stormy blast;
The day of his appearing
will come at last. *{Refrain}*

Refrain: He lives, he lives,
Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me
along life's narrow way.
He lives, he lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know he lives?
He lives within my heart.

Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian,
lift up your voice and sing
Eternal hallelujahs
to Jesus Christ the King!
The hope of all who seek him,
the help of all who find;
None other is so loving,
so good and kind. *{Refrain}*

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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**

OUR OFFERING TO GOD

Offertory

Where'er You Walk (Handel)

Jerry Rich (8:30)
Riverside Brass (10:30)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND 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!

* HYMN

Christ Is Alive

UMH 318

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
His cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
His love in death shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound
to distant years in Palestine,
he comes to claim the here and now
and dwell in every place and time.

Not throned afar, remotely high,
untouched, unmoved by human pains,
but daily, in the midst of life,
our Savior in the Godhead reigns.

In every insult, rift, and war,
where color, scorn, or wealth divide,
he suffers still, yet loves the more,
and lives, though ever crucified.

Christ is alive, and comes to bring
good news to this and every age,
till earth and all creation ring
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

* BENEDICTION

* MUSICAL RESPONSE (10:30)

Hallelujah Chorus from *Messiah* (Handel)

Congregation, Chancel Choir;
Riverside Brass; Bryan Wethington, timpani

* POSTLUDE

Voluntary in D (Stanley-Barnes)

Jerry Rich, Riverside Brass, Timpani

**congregation invited to stand*

We are so grateful to welcome you today to our worship for Easter Sunday!

Thank you for coming.

(Do join us any given Sunday for our continuing celebration of
Christ's victory over death and invitation to new life!)

Easter Flowers

Given by...

The Anderson Family
Nathalie W. Bacskay
The Brunner Family
The Conroy Family
Pamela and David Danner
The Faust family
The Gillespie Family

A Friend

Sasha Impastato
Connie Jeremiah
The Lafferty family
The Loving Family
The Daniel Moore Family
Mary, Robert and Jack Newcomb
Sam, Peter and Alison Bricker
Dave, Lisa & Alden
Dave and Lisa Rochford
Gay Rogers
Nancy Rosenberg
Laurie Strollo
The Sullivan Family
The Summers Family
Peter and Michelle Thompson
Sharon Todd
Van Todd & family
Nancy S. Umstott
The Whittington Family
Cindy and Jim Wilson

In memory / honor of...

Byron Anderson and Evelyn Melum
Frank W. Bacskay
Nancy Hedden
Marlene and Jim Conroy, Rosemary Scalponr
Ray and Lorna Beck and George and Hazel Danner
Annie Ruth Duke
Don & Lynn Gillespie
Insook Lee
Rachel Rochford
Ljuba Slavik
David E. Jeremiah, Thomas M. Beem
Howard and Virginia Lloyd
To the Glory of God
Our children and grandchildren
Ginger Laughlin
Dorothy Bricker, Evelyn Burk, Eun Kyung Chung, Sook Rye Oh
Darlene Griffin
our gifted Trinity Staff, and Rev. Taehwan Roh and family
My family
Wilbur Davis, Helen Davis, James Davis
Jackie Boone
Harry & Carolyn Sumner, Jon Sullivan
Family Our Grandparents
Elizabeth and Ashley Thompson
Jim Todd
Shelley & Deanna Rundell, Pat & Bill Todd
My parents, Willie C. Woodson
Loved ones
Extended Buck and Wilson Families



Grow — Pray — Study

Our weekly devotional is available at <https://bit.ly/TrinityGPS>



Monday, April 6 — John 20:11–18

The meaning of Resurrection does not always become clear all at once. What God has already done may be real before it is fully understood. In this passage, recognition comes slowly, and what seems like loss at first begins to take on a different meaning over time.

This reminds us that we often interpret our lives through what we expect to see. When those expectations are not met, we can miss what is actually taking place. Easter invites us to reconsider how we are interpreting what is in front of us, especially in moments where nothing seems to have changed.

- How might your current situation look different if it were not defined primarily by what feels absent?
- What assumptions may be shaping the way you are interpreting your circumstances right now?
- **Prayer:** God of new life, reshape the way I see what is before me. Help me to remain open to what you are doing, even when it does not fit my expectations. Amen.

Tuesday, April 7 — Luke 24:13–35

There are moments in faith when clarity does not come immediately. Questions remain, and understanding feels incomplete. Yet this passage reminds us that uncertainty does not mean God is absent. God meets us within the process of trying to make sense of what we do not yet understand.

Faith, in these moments, is not about reaching quick conclusions, but about continuing the journey with honesty. Easter does not chase away all questions; instead, it gives us a way to carry them differently, trusting that understanding can unfold in time.

- What does it look like for you to stay present in faith without rushing to resolve every question?
- How do you typically respond when you do not immediately understand what God is doing?
- **Prayer:** God who meets me in the unknown, teach me to remain steady when clarity is not immediate. Help me to trust that you are present even when I do not yet understand. Amen.

Wednesday, April 8 — Acts 2:22–24, 32–36

In this passage, Peter speaks about Jesus' death and resurrection with clarity and conviction, interpreting what has happened in light of God's larger work. What was once confusing has now become something he can name and proclaim, not because every question has been resolved, but because he has come to recognize what God has done.

This moment shows how faith grows through understanding. The Resurrection is not only something that is experienced, but something that must be interpreted and shared. As Peter speaks, his words invite others to see the same reality and respond.

- What aspect of your faith has become clearer as you have taken time to reflect on it?
- How might you help others see what you have come to understand more clearly?
- **Prayer:** God of truth, deepen my understanding of your work, and help me to speak with clarity and humility as I share with others what I have come to know. Amen.

Thursday, April 9 — Acts 3:1–10

In this passage, a man who has long been unable to walk is restored, and what follows is not only a personal change but a public sign that draws attention and wonder. Those who witness it are struck by what has happened, and the moment becomes an opening for something greater to be revealed.

This reminds us that God's work often becomes visible in ways that invite others to notice and ask questions. What begins as an act of restoration does not remain hidden, but points beyond itself to the presence and power of God.

- Where have you seen signs of God's restoring work, whether in your life or in others?
- How might those moments become opportunities to point toward something greater than yourself?
- **Prayer:** God who restores, open my eyes to the ways you are at work around me. Help me to recognize and respond to your presence with gratitude and faith. Amen.

Friday, April 10 — Acts 4:13–22

Faith does not remain hidden when it has taken root deeply. In this passage, the disciples speak openly, even when doing so brings risk. What they have experienced cannot be kept private, and their words reflect a conviction that is stronger than fear.

Easter faith is not only about inner change, but about how that change becomes visible, especially in moments when it would be easier to remain silent. There are times when faith calls for courage—not because everything is certain, but because something has become clear enough that it must be spoken.

- Where do you feel pressure to stay silent about your faith or convictions?
- What would it look like to respond with quiet courage in that situation?
- **Prayer:** God of courage, strengthen me when I am hesitant to speak or act. Help me to live faithfully, even when it is not easy, and to trust the work you have begun in me. Amen.

Saturday, April 11 — John 21:1–14

Much of faith is lived in ordinary settings, not only in significant moments. This passage reminds us that God's presence is not limited to what feels spiritual or meaningful at first glance. Instead, it is often discovered within the rhythms of everyday life.

Easter shifts not only what we believe, but how we pay attention. The same routines can become places of encounter when we begin to perceive the ordinary in a new way. What appears unchanged may, in fact, hold a deeper sense of presence and meaning.

- Which part of your daily routine tends to pass by with little notice?
- How might you intentionally approach an ordinary circumstance differently in the coming days?
- **Prayer:** God of all days and each day, help me to become more attentive to your presence. Teach me to recognize your movement within the ordinary moments I often overlook. Amen.

Today at Trinity

Fellowship Hosts

9:30 a.m. Connie Jeremiah

Martha's Table Snack Packaging, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

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!

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, jrjch@potomacschool.org.

Children's Worship, 10:30 a.m. (ages 4 - 6th grade)

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

This Week

Wednesday, 9 a.m.: Prayer Group

A dedicated community that meets via Zoom to lift up the needs of our church family, community and world. We are praying for you to join us! If you'd like to know more or to participate, please speak to one of our pastors or call the office, 703-356-3312.

Our Prayer List

Adeline, Aldridge family, Anne, Annie Ruth, Barb & JR, Billy & Susie, Brian, Carina, Carol & Rich, Carol & David, Carol, Carolyn, Carrie, Cathey, Chris, Daniel, Dara, Darlene & Steve, Dan, Daniel & Krissy, Davey, David, David & Meg, Emily, Emmett, Gail, Geoff, George, Greg & Rubina, Gregg, Jack, Jason, Jennifer & Carrie, Jenny, Jimmy, Joanna, Linda, Maddy & Bill, Marciene, Margie, Marilyn, Marina, Marguerite, Matthew, Meri, Nancy, Norman & Teresa, Ogle family, Peg & Dick, Rich family, Roh family, Ruth & Mickey, Silva, Thomas, Vicki, Vinod, Viviana, Wayne family, Winie & Joseph, Yancey, and peace in the Middle East and efforts of those seeking peace, our nation's leadership and unity, people experiencing natural disasters, those without housing, those who are hungry, those trying to do the right thing, peace in our nation, Spring Break travelers, students finishing the school year.

Coming Up

April 14: Book Chat

Book Chat will meet on Zoom at 6:30 p.m. to discuss *Tell Me Everything* by Elizabeth Strout. For more information, contact Suzanne Hamilton.

April 15: Spire Deadline

April 18: Christ House Meal Mission

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

April 18: SHARE New Beginnings

Imagine being able to help someone to make a new beginning – even against great odds. That is exactly what we as a Church will do again this year, in partnership with SHARE of McLean. Be a part of our SHARED effort to enable a family of 6 (a mother, her four young children and her 17-year old brother whom she is raising) to get established in their new safe, fully-furnished apartment home. Some of us may shop, others make a meal for the day, and still others help our Youth with the Move-In on April 18! It will take us all to become somebody's good news that day, and *God's Good News*. Use the QR code on page 8 to volunteer and to view the client's Wish List of items you can donate. Some items can be gently used, but fabric items should be new. When you purchase an item on the Wish List, please let Cindy Oh know so that the item can be removed from the list. With any questions, speak with Catherine Wethington, umtrinityyouth@gmail.com, or Cindy Oh, cohva7762@gmail.com.

April 18: Youth at SHARE New Beginnings!

The Youth Group will join Church & Society to create a welcoming and homey environment for one of Share's previously unhoused clients—a single mother caring for 5!

April 26: Youth Group

Youth Group, grades 7-12, meets 4:30 - 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Building.

May 3: Martha's Table Snack Packaging

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 at the right 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.



Quick Links

Scan QR code with your phone's camera & click the link.

- > Prayer Requests
- > Children & Youth registration
- > Book Chat discussion group
- > Christ House wish list
- > Children's Creation Story Skit
- > Fellowship Hour hosts, Ushers
- > Share New Beginnings volunteers
- > Share New Beginnings Wish List



All children are invited to be part of this special presentation on Mother's Day. Rehearsals begin today and continue on Sundays through May 3, except today and April 12. Rehearsals are 11:35 a.m. - 12:05 p.m. in Room 402-403. Use the QR code on the left to learn more or contact Meredith Faust.

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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. Our 5 p.m. Celtic Service is in-person and streamed on the last Sunday of the month. If you're not yet receiving our Friday weekly events e-mail, please send us your address at info@umtrinity.org