



# Trinity United Methodist Church

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February 11, 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.

Greeter (10:30): Thomas Lavender, Henry Zimmerman

Prelude (8:30)  
Prelude (10:30)

*Pastel on "Steal Away to Jesus" (Callahan)*  
*He's Got the Whole World in His Hands (Waldrop)*

Jerry Rich  
Trinity Ringers

Welcome and Announcements

Clergy

\* Call to Worship

Carter Ford (8:30), Taehwan Roh (10:30)

The Lord has called you here this day.

**Lord, reveal to us your purposes for us.**

Open your hearts to receive God's good news.

**Lord, make us ready to serve you.**

Come, let us worship God!

**Let us sing our praises to the Almighty One. Amen.**

\* Gathering Hymn

*I Stand Amazed in the Presence*

[UMH 371](#)

Children's Message

Laurie Strollo

Prayers of the People

Taehwan Roh

Anthem (10:30)

*Amazing Grace (Newton)*

Jiawei He, violin

Scout Updates (10:30)

Troop 1130

Aarav Arora

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)

*Dwelling Place (Foley)*

Catherine Wethington

Offertory (10:30)

*O Wondrous Sight (arr. Rich)*

Chancel Choir

Scripture

Luke 9:28-36

Taehwan Roh (8:30), Ashley Thompson (10:30)

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah'—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Message

*Words to Live By ... Trust*

Neil Hough

Sacrament of Holy Communion (8:30)

Clergy

\* Closing Hymn

*Trust and Obey*

[UMH 467](#)

\* Benediction

Neil Hough

\* Closing Music

*Ye Servants of God (Best)*

Jerry Rich

\* Please stand as you are able.

# Grow — Pray — Study

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

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## Monday, February 12 — Luke 9:18-27

In this week's GPS readings from Luke's Gospel, Jesus will "set his face to go to Jerusalem" (Luke 9:51) and we will journey with him and his disciples as we begin to prepare our hearts and minds for Holy Week and Easter. Chapters 9 and 10 (in Luke) invite us to decide for ourselves who we think Jesus is and whether we can trust him with our lives. If we, like Peter, believe that Jesus is "the Messiah of God" (Luke 9:20), then we will have to count the cost of being his disciple.

- Read Luke 9:23-27 once again. What do you think about Jesus' words? What does it mean for you to take up your cross every day and follow Jesus? Do you trust Jesus enough to follow him?
- Prayer: *God of Heaven and Earth, thank you for sending Jesus to be your anointed Messiah. Give me the courage I need to trust him with my life every day. Amen.*

## Tuesday, February 13 — Luke 9:28-36

Luke tells us that eight days after his conversation with Peter and the disciples, he went to the mountaintop, along with Peter and James and John, to pray. While he was praying Jesus was transfigured and Moses and Elijah appeared to talk with Jesus. In response to the disciples' fear and confusion about what they were seeing, a voice from heaven told them that Jesus was God's Chosen Son and that they should "listen to him" (Luke 9:35).

- The Transfiguration story affirms for the disciples that Jesus is the Son of God and that they can trust what he tells them to do. What helps you listen to Jesus and trust him?
- Prayer: *Gracious God, I am too often like Jesus' disciples, confused and afraid. Speak to me once again and teach me to listen. Help me to trust you and trust Jesus today. Amen.*

## Wednesday, February 14 — Luke 9:51-62

Today is Ash Wednesday, the first day in the Christian season of Lent. On this day, we consider our mortality and acknowledge our need for God's saving grace. We are invited to observe a holy Lent and allow God to transform our lives. Just as it wasn't easy to follow Jesus during his earthly ministry, it is not easy to follow Jesus today. We have to trust that Jesus knows what he is doing and that following him is worth the risks (to our reputation, to our relationships, to our priorities, ... etc.)

- Can you think of a time in your life when you took a (risky) step of faith? What would it be like for you to take the next (risky) step of faith as a follower of Jesus?
- Prayer: *Eternal God, forgive my hesitancy to surrender my life to Jesus and fully commit to being his disciple. Help me take the next step today, however risky it may seem. Amen.*

## Thursday, February 15 — Luke 10:25-37

On the road to Jerusalem, Jesus is tested by an expert in God's law. He is asked what is essential for eternal life. After he affirms that loving God and loving your neighbor will lead to "life" (Luke 10:28), Jesus is asked one of the most important questions in the whole of the Gospel: "And who is my neighbor?" (Luke 10:29). Jesus responds by telling a story, a story we know as the parable of the Good Samaritan. It is a striking story that turns the idea of "neighbor" on its head.

- What do you think about the parable's lesson, that "the one who showed ... mercy" (Luke 10:37) is the one who is obeying God's law? Do you trust Jesus enough to make loving God, loving your neighbor, showing mercy your highest priorities?
- Prayer: *God of Mercy, thank you for the teaching and example of Jesus. Thank you for the hard teachings that challenge my priorities. Teach me how to show mercy. Amen.*

## Friday, February 16 — Luke 10:38-42

The account of Jesus' visit with Martha and Mary hits close to home in our world of busy type-A personalities. Many of us can relate to Martha, busy making sure everything gets done and feeling frustrated at having to do it all by herself. The point of the story is not that we should ignore our long to-do lists, but that we can and should put our priorities in order. In the parable of the Sower (Luke 8:4-8, 11-15), Jesus us warns us about the danger of the "cares" of life (Luke 8:14).

- Think back over this week. Have you made time for what's most important? Have you made time for your relationship with God? Does stopping your "work" long enough to sit with God in prayer seem risky? What needs to change for you to take the next step?
- Prayer: *God of the Universe, I am amazed that you know and love me and want to be in a relationship with me. Show me how I can make time to spend with you every day. Amen.*

## Saturday, February 17 — Luke 12:22-34

The most difficult of all of Jesus' teachings just might be found in today's reading: "do not worry ..." Luke 12:22 and Luke 12:29). Jesus' teaching here — and elsewhere in the Gospel — is simple, but it's not easy. Jesus says that the antidote to worry consists of: (1) paying attention to God's goodness; (2) remembering that worrying doesn't change anything; (3) striving for God's Kingdom (living the life that God intends for us to live and helping others do the same); and (4) trusting God. Striving for the Kingdom and trusting God are interdependent. We can't have one without the other.

- What **can** you do today to increase your ability to trust God? What **will** you do today to increase your ability to trust God?
- Prayer: *Promise-Keeping God, grant me the confidence I need to strive first and foremost for your Kingdom and to trust you with everything else. Help me stop worrying. 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](mailto:jaswilson@sloft.com).

## Pastor's Bible Study Resumes 2/21 & 2/22

Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. Meeting ID: 894 8087 9762

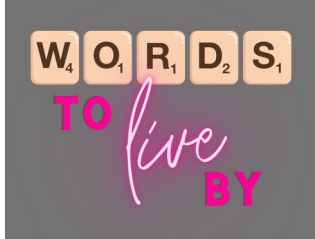
Tuesdays are hybrid (in-person & on Zoom).

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, 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, Dave & Gail, 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, 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 & 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, Marciene, 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, Prisilla, 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\*\*



Contact Jim Wilson at [jaswilson@sloft.com](mailto:jaswilson@sloft.com) to volunteer.

## Highlights from E-News

If you're not receiving our Friday e-mail, please send your email address to [info@umtrinity.org](mailto: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>.

### 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](http://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](mailto:alesha.luxon@gmail.com).

### Mission Trip: March 2024

Exciting news! Join our team on a trip to The Leadership Center in rural Honduras from March 2 to March 7, 2024. For details, contact Chris Moore ([christinecmoore@gmail.com](mailto:christinecmoore@gmail.com), 571-215-2948) or Dan Moore (703-980-5050, [danmoore53@gmail.com](mailto:danmoore53@gmail.com)). **Registration deadline: Feb. 15.**

### Preschool Enrollment Open

Enrollment for **Summer Camp 2024** and **2024-25** is open. For details, please visit [umtrinity.org/preschool](http://umtrinity.org/preschool).

### Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

This year's pancake supper will be in Langley Hall on **Tuesday, Feb 13**, 5 - 7 p.m. The cost is \$10 per person; \$25 per family PLUS two (2) or more cans of food for Trinity Youth's SHARE the Love collection to benefit SHARE of McLean. Many volunteer hands make the event a real success. Contact Jim Wilson at [jaswilson@slofit.com](mailto:jaswilson@slofit.com).

### Ushers Needed

Ushers are needed each Sunday. If you would like to volunteer please sign up at [umtrinity.org/ushers](http://umtrinity.org/ushers).

### Youth Group (Grades 7-12)

No Youth Group tonight. Share the Love Collection at Pancake Supper- Youth should attend the supper on **Tuesday, Feb 13**, 5 - 7 p.m. Join us for Ash Wednesday worship **Wednesday, Feb 14**, 7 p.m.

**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](mailto:umtrinityyouth@gmail.com). Scan the QR code at the right to register for 2023-24 youth activities.

## Coming Up

### February

- 12 Crafts for a Cause
- 13 Pancake Supper
- 14 Ash Wednesday
- 15 *Spire* deadline
- 17 Christ House
- 17 Bill Trapp funeral at St. John the Beloved
- 19 Office Closed
- 22 *Spire* assembly
- 23-25 Youth Retreat
- 25 Celtic Service
- 26 Crafts for a Cause
- 27 Book Chat

### March

- 2-7 Mission Trip to Honduras
- 3 Martha's Table
- 11 Crafts for a Cause
- 12 Book Chat
- 16 Christ House
- 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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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](https://youtube.com/UMTrinity). The Celtic Service can be seen on the last Sunday of the month at 5 p.m. on YouTube and Facebook.