



Trinity United Methodist Church

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June 25, 2023

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	<i>Vivace in G Minor</i> (Telemann)	Jerry Rich
Welcome and Announcements		Clergy
* Call to Worship		Anne Hough
Welcome! This is a time to celebrate and worship God who loves us! We are grateful and thankful for all God's blessings in our lives. We gather to remember that Christ gave his life for us. We humbly praise God for such a gift! Come, friends! Come and worship the God of love and hope. Praise be to God at all times and in all places! Amen.		
* Gathering Hymn	<i>Standing on the Promises</i>	UMH 374
Children's Message		Laurie Strollo
Prayers of the People		Anne Hough
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>Grace Alone</i> (Brown)	Joey Wilson
Offertory (10:30)	<i>Praise Canon</i> (Page)	Summer Choir
Scripture	Luke 6:27-36	Anne Hough
'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.		
'If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. '		
Message	<i>Do Good</i>	Neil Hough
Sacrament of Holy Communion (8:30)		Anne Hough
* Closing Hymn	<i>Go Forth for God</i>	UMH 670
* Benediction		Neil Hough
* Closing Music	<i>Harmonious Blacksmith</i> (Handel)	Jerry Rich

* Please stand as you are able.

Grow — Pray — Study

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

Monday, June 26 — Psalm 34

Psalm 34 is a prayer of praise for God's deliverance of David during a time of trouble. In the Psalm, God's goodness is praised, and God's people are called to respond by *departing from evil and doing good* (Psalm 34:13-14). This is a reminder that doing no harm and doing good are not an attempt to earn God's love and favor, but instead are our response to God's goodness, grace, and mercy.

- If you are following the *Three Simple Rules*, what is your motivation? Are trying to be good enough for God? Or are you responding to God's blessings in your life?
- Prayer: *God of Grace, increase my awareness of the depth of your steadfast love and blessing in my life and in the world. Mold my life as a response to your grace. Amen.*

Tuesday, June 27 — Micah 6:6-8

Many people who respond to God's grace and mercy and begin to follow Jesus ask a very important question: *what does God require of me?* The answers to that question are found in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament. In today's reading, the prophet Micah asks and answers the question. He says God's requirements are simple: *"to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God"* (Micah 6:8).

- Use Micah three-fold list of God's requirements to review your life. When and how have you done justice? When and how have you loved kindness? When and how have you walked humbly with God? What might you do differently this week to fulfill God's requirements?
- Prayer: *Eternal God, your requirements are simple, but not easy. Grant me the courage I need to seek your will and take the next steps in faith and obedience. Amen.*

Wednesday, June 28 — Luke 6:27-36

Jesus has very high expectations for everyone who wants to be one of his disciples. He is clear that God requires us to love and do good to everyone. We are expected to love and do good to both our friends and our enemies. We are to follow God's example by loving, and showing mercy and kindness, to everyone — including those who are ungrateful and wicked.

- What do you think about Jesus' expectations for his disciples? Are willing to accept Jesus' authority and obey his teaching? What is preventing you from doing good to everyone?
- Prayer: *Loving God, forgive me for not wanting to love everyone. Inspire in me the desire to love as you love, be kind as you are kind, and be merciful as you are merciful. Amen.*

Thursday, June 29 — Ephesians 2:8-10

Ephesians 2 contains a concise statement of the Christian Gospel: *"by grace you have been saved through faith"* (verse 8). It goes on to say that salvation is a gift of God, not a reward for doing good works (verses 8-9). But it also says that we are created by God *"for good works"* (verse 10). The distinction is critical. We are not saved by our good works, but we are saved by grace so that we might fulfill our God-given purpose: to do good works.

- Ephesians 2:10 says that good works are to be our way of life. How well does this verse describe your life? What will you do today to fulfill your God-given purpose in life?
- Prayer: *Eternal God, thank you for offering me salvation by grace through faith. Help me to accept your offer and fulfill your purpose for my life by doing good works today. Amen.*

Friday, June 30 — 1 Timothy 6:17-19

The New Testament letter to Timothy instructs him to warn wealthy people about the danger of placing their hopes on *"the uncertainty of riches"* instead of placing them on God (1 Timothy 6:17). Instead, they are to *"do good"* and *"be rich in good works"* (1 Timothy 6:18). He contrasts the earthly life, which is based on wealth and treasure, with *"the life that really is life"* (1 Timothy 6:19), which is based on trusting God, doing good, and being generous.

- Which would you rather be, rich in earthly treasure or rich in good works? Do you trust that to be *"rich in good works, generous, and ready to share"* is to live a good life?
- Prayer: *Almighty God, grant me the courage to place my hopes in a life filled with love, grace, and mercy. Help me be willing to live a good life by doing good.. Amen.*

Saturday, July 1 — 1 Thessalonians 5:12-24

The apostle Paul concludes his first letter to the Thessalonian church with a series of exhortations. He says, *"See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to all"* (1 Thessalonians 5:15). He insists that the Thessalonians should *"do good to one another"* within the church family, and *"to all"* in the community and in the world. It's not either-or; it's both-and.

- In what ways have you embodied 1 Thessalonians 5:15 this week? What have been your biggest challenges? Have you been tempted to *"repay evil for evil"* or to limit your willingness to *"do good"* to others? What helps you choose to *"do good"*?
- Prayer: *Heavenly Father, thank you for challenging me and leading me out of my comfort zone. Grant me the ability to "do good" to everyone, everyday. Amen.*

Nursery on Sundays

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

This Week on Zoom

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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: 874 9967 0045

Prayer Group

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



Sermon Series

In the mid-1800's John Wesley established General Rules for the members of the Methodist Society. Wesley's General rules have been a guide for faithful discipleship for Methodists for more than 280 years and are still relevant in our 21st century world. In this series, we'll look at these Three Simple Rules and consider what they mean for us today.

- ◇ Do No Harm
- ◇ Do Good
- ◇ Stay in Love with God

Pastor's Bible Study

Pastor Neil Hough is leading a study about *Three Simple Rules*, an exploration of John Wesley's General Rules for the members of the Methodist Society. These rules are still part of United Methodist doctrine and apply to 21st century life. Using a book by Bishop Reuben Job (entitled *Three Simple Rules*), we will look at the General Rules and consider what they mean for us today. It's not too late to join the study.

Tuesday mornings at 10:30 in the library or on Zoom:

- June 27 — Study guide chapter 6
"Stay in Love with God — Practicing the Rule"

Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. on Zoom:

- June 28 — Study Guide chapter 5 & 6
"Stay in Love with God —
Understanding/Practicing the Rule"

Our Prayer List

Al, Alan & Rhonda, Alessandro, Amanda, Amber & Briana, Andrew, Ann, Ann Ruth, Anne, Annie, Art & Marcie, Ashton, Barb, Barb & JR, Barbara & Betty, Becki, Bennett, Bethany, Betty, Beverly, Beverly & Wally, Bill & Maddie, Bricker family, Briscoe family, Boris, Bruce, Calvin, Carol & Rich, Catherine, Cathy, Chad, Charles, Chatham family, Chris, Chris & Russ, Connie, Coston family, Cusenza family, Daniel, Danny, Darlene & Steve, Dave, Dave & Julie, Davey, David, David & Carol, Decca, DeMicco family, Detwiler family, Dick, Dicky, Dorothy, Fabio, Fran & Tom, Eileen, Elaine, Evelyn, Frank, Gail, Gary & Lindie, Griggs family, Hager family, Hanna and Franz, Harriet, Harry, Hayley, Hein family, Helen, Henrietta, Hunt family, Jackie, Jen, Jessica, Jewell family, Hill, Immuergut family, Jim, Joe, Joe & Marie, Judi, Julia, Kaki, Kathy, Kay & John, Keith, Leah, Ladye, Libby, Linda, Lisa, Liz & David, Lois, Louise, Luana, Lucie, Marciene, Marilyn, Martha & Fred, Mary, Mickey & Ruth, Minou, Nadjmeh, Neil, Pat, Patrick, Pauline & Merlin, Peg & Dick, Peter, Phil, Quinn family, Ray, Rebecca & Craig, Robert, Roberto & Erica, Ron, Rosemary, Ruby, Rudi, Russell family, Ryan, Samantha, Sara, Sarah, Sasha, Scott, Sihoo, Steve, Summers families, Teresa, Tim, Tom, Tony, Vanna, Wally, Wood family, Yancey, Yorke, students, seminarians, graduates, travelers, those who mourn, the homeless, racial reconciliation in our country, those affected by the opioid epidemic and those working to end it, those affected by natural disasters, violence and political turmoil.

Prayer Group continues to meet on Zoom on Wednesdays at their new time - 9 a.m.! Everyone is welcome to attend.

July Collection

School Supplies for Grace Ministries

- Backpacks
- No. 2 pencils
- Crayons
- Erasers
- Wide-ruled notebooks
- Glue sticks
- Rulers
- Blunt-tipped scissors
- Colored pencils
- Washable markers
- Plastic folders
- Pencil sharpeners
- Assorted construction paper



GRACE Ministries of the United Methodist Church (graceministriesumc.org) is a faith-based community outreach program serving over 1,000 low-income families each month in Northern Virginia. GRACE provides emergency food, clothing, household items, diapers and healthcare information and screenings at seven local United Methodist Churches.

Highlights from E-News

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

Charge Conference

There will be a Called Charge Conference on Tuesday, June 27 at 7 p.m. to approve the compensation package for our new associate pastor.

Children's Ministries

Children's Worship Folders are available during Sunday morning worship services and are categorized by age and reading ability. Please remember to 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.

Crafts for a Cause

We meet every other Monday from 7 to 8:30 p.m., in Room 124: July 3, 17 & 31. All are welcome. For more information, contact Alesha Luxon at alesha.luxon@gmail.com.

Fellowship

Fellowship hosts provide snacks during Fellowship following the Sunday morning worship services. Please consider signing up for a week. The sign up is on a white board sitting on top of the coffee bar in the Fellowship Lobby. Contact Alesha Luxon, alesha.luxon@gmail.com.

Vacation Bible Saturday

A one-day (July 22) fun-filled Bible adventure for children ages 3 through rising 4th graders. We will follow the clues and discover who Jesus is through Bible stories, crafts, games, songs, and science experiments! Visit umtrinity.org/vbs for more details and to register.

Youth Group (Grades 7-12)

Contact Catherine Wethington to stay up to date with youth group happenings this summer or to volunteer: umtrinityyouth@gmail.com.

Coming Up

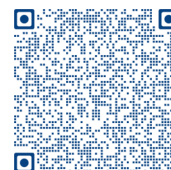
June

- 25 Martha's Table
- 27 *Spire* assembly
- 27 Called Charge Conference & Executive Council
- 28 Trustees Meeting
- 30 VBS Registration Deadline

July

- 3 Crafts for a Cause
- 4 Office Closed
- 15 Christ House
- 16 Welcome Roh family
- 17 Crafts for a Cause
- 18 Trustees Meeting
- 22 Vacation Bible Saturday
- 30 Celtic Service
- 31 Crafts for a Cause

Attendance: Please complete a pew rack attendance card or scan the QR code with your phone's camera and click the link.



Vacation Bible Saturday

July 22, 2023

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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Finding Jesus

Details and register at umtrinity.org/vbs
Register by June 30.

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Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. - 12 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.