



# Trinity United Methodist Church

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8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to Trinity Church! We are grateful you are here. 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 *Prelude on MICHAEL* (Callahan) Jerry Rich

Welcome and Announcements

\* Call to Worship from 1 Chronicles 29

Riches and honor come from the Lord, who rules over all.

**For all things come from God; we return to the Lord what is God's own.**

Greatness and power, glory and majesty belong to the Lord,  
for all that is in the heavens and on earth belongs to God.

**We give open-heartedly, willingly and with sincere intent,  
asking that our Creator would keep such desires and thoughts alive  
and kindled in us forever.**

\* Gathering Hymn *Maker, in Whom We Live*

[UMH 88](#)

Prayer of Confession

Today we gather, holy God,  
our hearts cluttered by a great many hopes, priorities and anxieties.

**We seek to be fed and nourished,  
but also to perceive whose hands these are that provide for us.**

At times, we do not remember why it is that you bless us as a people.

**We stockpile that which you provide, and forget that we are to bless  
our neighbor, our community and your world as we would our own family.**

Remind us this day of the source of our abundance, that we might become agents  
of your grace for others. Seek us out, as we are, Gracious God,  
to give us a vision of what we may become.

*[a time of silent confession]*

Help us to be bold in our belief that in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven,  
**and in him we may begin again. Amen.**

Children's Message Dave Rochford

Children are invited to Children's Worship in Room 402-403,  
a place for those 4 years through 6th grade to connect with God in their own ways.

Prayers of the People Taehwan Roh

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.

Offertory (8:30) *Dear God, We Praise You* (Evans) Philip Keirstead  
Offertory (10:30) *Dear God, We Praise You* (Evans) Chancel Choir

Reading from the New Testament Luke 12:15-34 pew Bible, p. 842 (8:30)  
pew Bible NT, p. 69(10:30)

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

Message *An Uncluttered Heart* Dave Rochford

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*[The minister continues this prayer of thanksgiving, concluding:]*

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And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*[The minister continues the prayer, recalling the institution of the Lord's Supper, concluding:]*

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,  
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving  
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,  
and on these gifts of bread and cup.  
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,  
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

**By your Spirit make us one with Christ,  
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,  
until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.**

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,  
**all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father (God), now and forever. Amen.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

#### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

##### SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

*All are invited to come forward to receive bread and juice by means of intinction (the dipping of a piece of bread in the cup). You may then return to your seat by the side aisle. Those who prefer gluten-free elements may obtain them up front. Those who prefer to remain in the pew and receive Communion may certainly do so, and are asked to signal an usher.*

##### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery  
in which you have given yourself to us.  
Grant that we may go into the world  
in the strength of your Spirit,  
to give ourselves for others,  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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| * Closing Hymn | <i>Take My Life, and Let It Be</i>        | <a href="#">UMH 399</a> |
| * Benediction  |   |                         |
| * Postlude     | <i>Allegro from King Arthur (Purcell)</i> | Jerry Rich              |
- \* Please stand as you are able.

### Our Prayer List

Adam, Amy, Annie Ruth, Arla, Barb & JR, Bill & Maddie, Brett, Bud & Linda, Carol & Rich, Claudia, Corbin, Darlene & Steve, Dave, Davey, David & Carol, Gregg, Joanna, Judy, Kenny family, Ladye, Lorene, Maines family, Marciene, Marie & Joe, Marilyn, Maryann, Merlin, Mickey & Ruth, Naty, Peg & Dick, Russ, Sheila, Shepard family, Smith family, Summers family, Teresa & Norman, Tom, Willis & Carter, Winie & Joseph, Woody, Yancey, and Zerkow family, and prayer life for Trinity congregation, those who are traveling, people losing jobs, employment seekers, the children and staff at Heart to Heart Worldwide Village in Honduras, The Leadership Center, our nation's leadership and unity, soldiers abroad and at home, peace on earth, an end to antisemitism and Islamophobia, those affected by natural disasters, those trying to make a better future for our nation, government employees, immigrants, the homeless, victims of abuse and hostages throughout the world.

## Today at Trinity

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.

### Martha's Table

Following both worship services today, we will 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! See you in the Fellowship Lobby after worship.

**Children's Worship** (ages 4 - 6th grade) meets during the 10:30 service following the Children's Message.

## 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. If you'd like to know more or to participate, please speak to one of our pastors or call the office, 703-356-3312.

### Wednesday, 7 p.m.: Youth Group\*

Youth, grades 7 - 12, meet at Lazy Mike's for an Ice Cream Social from 7 - 8 p.m. 7049 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church

### Friday, 5 p.m.: StringTime Concert

You're invited to the StringTime student/faculty violin, viola, and cello camp end-of-week concert in Trinity's Sanctuary from 5 - 6 p.m. Students will play original pieces by StringTime Resident Composer Daniel Di-Marino (a composer for the Duolingo music app) and teachers will perform short snippets of famous pieces by your favorite classical composers. Children are encouraged to attend!



## Coming Up

### August 12: Youth Group\*

All day trip to **Kings Dominion**. Please RSVP with Catherine at [umtrinityyouth@gmail.com](mailto:umtrinityyouth@gmail.com)

### August 15: Spire newsletter Deadline

### August 16: Christ House Meal Mission

### August 17: Backpack/Back to School Blessing

### September 7: Martha's Table Snack Packaging

### September 7: Bounce Back Sunday

\* All Youth in grades 7-12, including recent graduates are welcome at Youth events. Friends are always welcome! Questions? Reach out to Catherine at [umtrinityyouth@gmail.com](mailto:umtrinityyouth@gmail.com)

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

## Grow — Pray — Study

### Monday, Aug 4 — Luke 12:13-21

The presenting event for Jesus' "Parable of the Rich Fool" is a family squabble: a man in the crowd asks for Jesus to intervene by making a sibling share an inheritance.

- Why does Jesus decline to respond to the man's request for help? How does he (characteristically) "go big" in his reply?
- Prayer: *Lord Jesus, we all are preoccupied with life's details. Money management is just one of them. Share with me this week why your focus on this matters. Amen.*

### Tuesday, Aug 5 — 1 Timothy 6:6-11

1 and 2 Timothy offer strident practical instruction and moral urgency for 2nd-generation Christians in a pagan world. Verse 6:10 is quite often quoted ("For the love of money...") - but very few will know its context.

- Why is contentment an important Christian virtue, according to Paul? And why is the love of money (and all that wealth offers) a peril, in his view?
- Prayer: *Lord, almost no one thinks they are rich. But help me to hear such instruction with the awareness that all of us have much! Rescue me from ever becoming so poor that all I would have is my money. Amen.*

### Wednesday, Aug 6 — Luke 14:25-33

These are among the hardest sayings of Jesus about the commitment required to be one of his disciples - and indeed, it is hard to imagine anybody else putting such words in Jesus' mouth!

- How have we struggled to live out Jesus' teachings about the demanding way of discipleship? How have we capitulated to the world?
- Prayer: *Lord Christ, I know that you are no meek and mild Savior. You came to confront evil and challenge the world to see God's way as costly, but worthy. Help me walk it with you, so that I can listen, and be reminded along the way that I am made new. Amen.*

### Thursday, Aug 7 — 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Paul pens this passage after encouraging an offering for those in need in Jerusalem. He calls for the truly joyful, cheerful and freely-given practice of Christian charity - which quite often the Church seems challenged to develop or perhaps to imagine.

- Considering the arc of Paul's own life, how did he exemplify the kind of generosity for which he calls? What exactly enables a person to become both self-sacrificing and joyful?
- Prayer: *Jesus, I thank you for the joy that has flowed into and through my life. Today, help me to express that I really do know from Whom this goodness comes. Amen.*

### Friday, Aug 8 — Matthew 6:19-24

This passage is part of Matthew's presentation of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, with its extended teaching on the very stark way that uniquely Christian practices stand contrast with the world.

- Are our practices involving money strangely noteworthy, as people, as families, as a church? If so how? If not enough so, what needs to change?
- Prayer: *Blessed Savior, I thought your focus on money matters seemed severe. But I now begin to see that your focus is on us and on me; apparently you mean to save us. Amen.*

### Saturday, Aug 9 — Luke 12:22-34

It is startling how much Jesus has to say (and Luke has to share!) about the connection between placing our trust in finances and the destructive power of anxiety.

- Does it seem that the US, the wealthiest nation the world has ever seen, has overcome anxiety? Or are we awash in it? Why, and what is the solution?
- Prayer: *Son of God who walked with us, I need to cover some more miles with you. But I name what I have as belonging to your Father, and myself as belonging to you. Amen.*

## About Our Ministries

### 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 cordially invited to meet friends and neighbors after each of our worship services. Join us in the Fellowship Lobby to the right of the breezeway. Each week individuals, families or ministry groups host our refreshments. Please consider signing up for either the 8:30 or 10:30 service's Fellowship time. Scan the QR code under Quick Links at the right to sign-up.

### Trinity Preschool of McLean

At Trinity Preschool of McLean, skills and content are integrated through imaginative play activities and hands-on learning stations. The daily schedule includes a circle/story time, art, sensory play, active play, snack and lunch, and lots of time for exploration. Children attend a weekly Music class, and Chapel Time led by our Pastors.

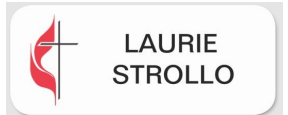
A ministry of TUMC, Trinity Preschool of McLean is very popular in our community! Call the school office, 703-790-2767, to inquire about space in one of our programs. For more information visit [umtrinity.org/preschool](http://umtrinity.org/preschool)

### 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.

## To Know and Be Known

In the hope of making it easier to meet and get to know one another, we are making nametags available to all who are willing will wear them! If you need a name tag, please email your first and last name (and those of any family member who attends) to [hlatta@umtrinity.org](mailto:hlatta@umtrinity.org)



Name tags will look similar to the one above, and be printed on durable plastic with magnetic backing. (If you prefer the pinback style, you may indicate that in your email.) For any who would like to contribute to the cost of their name tags, they are \$6 each.

## Keeping Our Young Ones Safe

In order to ensure the safety of children in our Nursery, during the 10:30 service the exterior doors to our Fellowship Building will now be secured. Parents/caregivers needing to pick up their child prior to the conclusion of worship may speak to an usher in the back, or signal an attendant from an exterior nursery window to obtain access.

## Quick Links

Scan this QR code with your phone's camera and click the link. Or, visit: [umtrinity.org/about-us/quick-links](http://umtrinity.org/about-us/quick-links)  
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- > Worship attendance
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- > Ushers



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Summer Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
Friday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Worship is 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](https://youtube.com/UMTrinity). If you're not receiving our Friday weekly events e-mail, please send us your address at [info@umtrinity.org](mailto:info@umtrinity.org)