



Trinity United Methodist Church

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April 30, 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 3 with your phone's camera to register your attendance today.

Prelude	<i>Arioso</i> (Bach)	Jerry Rich
Welcome and Announcements		Clergy
* Call to Worship		Anne Hough
Come to the gate and find the Good Shepherd within. We need a shepherd – round us up and bring us through your Gate, O Lord. If you're hungry or thirsty, the Good Shepherd will provide for your needs. That is just what we need. Our souls thirst for God's word. Come, the Gate and the Shepherd await.		
* Gathering Hymn	<i>Christ for the World We Sing</i>	UMH 568
Children's Message		Anne Hough
Prayers of the People		A. 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.		
Anthem (8:30)	<i>The Lord's My Shepherd</i> (Irvine)	Maggie Rabe
Anthem (10:30)	<i>Grant Us Thy Peace</i> (Mendelssohn)	Chancel Choir
Scripture	1 Peter 5:1-11	A. Hough
Now as an elder myself and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as one who shares in the glory to be revealed, I exhort the elders among you to tend the flock of God that is in your charge, exercising the oversight, not under compulsion but willingly, as God would have you do it—not for sordid gain but eagerly. Do not lord it over those in your charge, but be examples to the flock. And when the chief shepherd appears, you will win the crown of glory that never fades away. In the same way, you who are younger must accept the authority of the elders. And all of you must clothe yourselves with humility in your dealings with one another, for 'God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.' Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters throughout the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.		
Message	<i>A Servant's Heart</i>	Neil Hough
Communion (8:30)		Hough
* Closing Hymn	<i>The Servant Song</i>	FWS 2222
* Benediction		N. Hough
* Choral Benediction (10:30)	<i>Myr, Zaraz / Peace, Now</i> (Szymko)	Chancel Choir
Closing Music	<i>Allegretto</i> (Vivaldi)	Rich

* Please stand as you are able.

Grow — Pray — Study

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

Monday, May 1 — Romans 16:1-27

In the final chapter of his letter to the Roman Church, the apostle Paul writes a series of greetings. These are the men and women he considers co-workers in Christian discipleship and ministry. Paul acknowledges that he does not work alone. The work of ministry is shared among many disciples. The Gospel bears fruit because so many of Jesus' followers answered the call to serve together.

- Think today about the people you work with in all areas of your life. What kinds of relationships do you have with your co-workers? How would you like these relationships to improve?
- Prayer: *Calling God, thank you for surrounding me with the people who share my life and my ministry of love and service. Help me receive their blessing and be a blessing to them. Amen.*

Tuesday, May 2 — 1 Chronicles 22:14-19

Construction of the temple was one of Israel's great accomplishments. King David prepared for the construction, but his son Solomon would complete the project — with God's help. The writer of the Chronicles describes God's provisions — which includes a list of the skilled workers that will accomplish the work.

- God promises to provide the means for God's projects. Do you trust God to provide co-workers you need in your life? Do you trust the co-workers God provides?
- Prayer: *Almighty God, grant me the courage that I need to trust you and the people with whom I work. Forgive me when I fail to trust your promises. Forgive me when I fail to do your work. Amen.*

Wednesday, May 3 — 2 Corinthians 1:23-2:10

According to the two New Testament letters he wrote to them, the apostle Paul had a strained relationship with Christians in the church in Corinth. In 2 Corinthians, Paul refers to some of the accusations against him and the pain he has suffered. He insists that he does not "lord it over" their faith (2 Corinthians 1:23). Instead, he works with them "for their joy" (2 Corinthians 1:24). Their relationship is strained, but Paul seeks reconciliation.

- Strained relationships with co-workers are not unusual. How do you deal with accusations and hurt feelings? How do you seek resolution? Do you ever attempt to "lord it over" the people with whom you work?
- Prayer: *God of Grace, show me how to respond to painful situations with compassion and grace. Help me follow your teaching. Help me work for joy, seek peace and reconciliation. Amen.*

Thursday, May 4 — Matthew 20:17-27

Jesus' disciples are — like most humans — concerned about their status and their position in God's Kingdom. Jesus tells them they don't know what they are asking. He says that if they want to be great, they must be servants. Jesus modeled servant leadership and expected his disciples to follow his example, not the example of the world.

- What do you think about Jesus' response to his disciples (and their mother)? How do you seek status or importance in your life? What can you do today to be a servant — like Jesus?
- Prayer: *Serving God, too often I would rather be served than serve others. Teach me your ways, so that I can be a servant, following the example of Jesus, not the ways of the world. Amen.*

Friday, May 5 — John 13:1-17

Not only did Jesus teach his disciples about servant leadership, he also modeled it for them and for the world. According to John's Gospel, during his last earthly meal Jesus washed his disciples' feet. He willingly took on the role of the servant for his friends (see John 15:13-15) and instructed them to do the same for one another. Serving others and being a servant are not the same thing. Serving others is a set of actions. Being a servant is a vocational choice. It's a way of being, not just some things to do.

- What do you think about Jesus' example and his teaching? Would you rather be a servant and serve others, or would you rather be served by others?
- Prayer: *Sending God, I know you have called me to serve you in the world. Grant me courage to serve you by serving my friends, and neighbors along with my colleagues and coworkers. Amen.*

Saturday, May 6 — 1 Peter 5:1-7

As the early church grew and spread, the responsibilities for guiding the church's mission and ministry were given to the apostles and other leaders. Elders were expected to provide oversight for the people of God and the work of the church, first by setting an example and acting with humility. The New Testament is very clear that Biblical leadership is servant leadership.

- If you have leadership responsibility, how do you exercise your authority? If you work for others, what kind of worker are you? Do you lead by example? Do you seek to serve others? How can you "cast your anxiety" on God?
- Prayer: *God of Peace and Joy, help me trust you in all things. Show me how to follow Jesus in the world today. Show me how to serve and lead others in Jesus' name. Amen.*

Nursery on Sundays

Masks are optional for everyone who is fully vaccinated. 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.

Prayer Group

Wednesday at 10 a.m. Meeting ID: 875 6105 5580

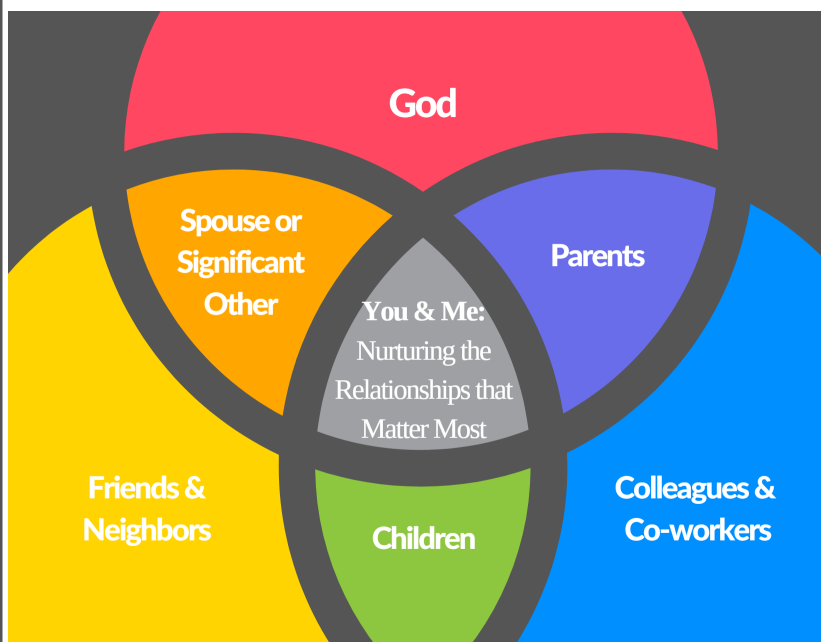
This Week at Trinity on TV

Our sermons air on Fairfax Public Access Channel 36 (on Cox and Verizon) on Wednesdays at 5 p.m., Fridays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 7 a.m.

Our Prayer List

Al, Alan, Alex, Alex & Sarah, Allesandro, Alexandra & Jeff, Amanda & David, Analise, Andrea, Andrew, Angeliki, Ann, Anne & Neil, Annette, Annie Ruth, Art & Marcie, Barb & JR, Barbara & Barry, Bennett family, Bernadette, Betty, Bill & Maddie, Boris, Brooks family, Bruce, Bud & Steve, Candice, Carol & Rich, Carrine, Catherine, Cathy, Chatham family, Christopher, Cindy, Claudia & Yauwu, Cusenza family, Dan & Chris, Daniel, Danny, Darlene & Steve, Dave, Davey, David & Carol, Debbie, Debbie & Steve, DeMicco family, Desarae, Detwiler family, Dick, Eileen, Eileen & Ray, Elaine, Eliana, Elizabeth, Emily, Emma, Evelyn, Evey, Fran & Tom, Friend, Ferd & Martha, Gabrielle, Gaeber family, Gary & Lindie, George, Greg, Griggs family, Guizen, Gwen, Hanna & Franz, Harry, Harriet, Henrietta, Hunt family, Jackie, Jacob, Jean, Jeanne, Jenny, Jeffrey, Jessica, Jewell family, Jill, Jim, Joan, Joe, Joe & Marie, John, Jon, Jorge, June, Justin, Karen, Katharine, Katherine, Kathy, Kay & John, Keith, Kelly, Kim, Laurie, Lazalier family, Leonard family, Linda, Lisa & Mike, Liz & David, Lois, Lorna, Luana, Marcienne, Marcy, Marilyn, Mark, Martha & Fred, Melinda, Meredith, Miller family, Minou, Myers family, Quinn family, Pam, Pauline & Merlin, Peg & Dick, Peggy, Podesta family, Preston, Priscilla, Rae, Rasmussen family, Raquel, Richard, Richard & Anne, Robert, Roberto & Erica, Ruby, Sarah, Scott, Shadle family, Sharon, Spencer & Emily, Strollo family, Suzanne, Sweeney family, Teresa, Terry, Tessa, Tim, Tom, Tony, Tracie, Vanna, Vicki, Vinnie, Wally & Beverly, Yancey, Yorke, Zanarini family, 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.

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Sermon Series: *You and Me: Nurturing the Relationships that Matter Most*

Our lives are lived in the middle of intersecting circles of relationships: with God, with friends and neighbors, with colleagues and co-workers, with spouses and significant others, and with parents and children. These relationships are a gift from God and the source of many blessings in our lives. But they are also the source of much pain — through conflict, disappointment and hurt feelings. Starting on April 16, we'll look at what the Bible says about these relationships. We'll discover how our relationship with God affects our human relationships and what we can do to strengthen the most important relationships in our lives. Focusing on our own lives (what we can control, not on our desire to change others) we'll learn how to be better children of God, better friends, better workers, better spouses/partners, and better parents or children.

Highlights from E-News

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

Book Chat

Our next meeting is on Tues., **May 9** at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom. New readers are always welcome. More at <https://umtrinity.org/education> or contact Kathy Maher, kathyngs@gmail.com.

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: May 8 & 22. 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.

Interfaith Community Concert

On Sunday, **May 7** at 7 p.m. in the Trinity Sanctuary, Trinity's Chancel Choir will join singers from other faith communities in the McLean community for a One World Interfaith Choir Concert. Through the power of music, we'll celebrate what we have in common as people of faith and how we are in ministry together as supporters of SHARE of McLean. The concert is free. Everyone is asked to bring an item for Share. Invite a friend and join us.

Youth Group (Grades 7-12)

Sunday, 4:30 - 6 p.m.

For more information about volunteering or joining youth group, contact Catherine Wethington, umtrinityyouth@gmail.com. Youth registration QR code:



Coming Up

April

30 Celtic Service

May

7 Martha's Table
7 One World Concert
8 Crafts for a Cause
9 Book Chat
16 Trustees Meeting
20 Christ House
22 Crafts for a Cause
28 Celtic Service
29 Office Closed

June

4 Martha's Table
4 Confirmation Sunday
5 Crafts for a Cause
11 Eileen Gilmer Farewell
13 Book Chat
17 Christ House
18 Crafts for a Cause
19 Trustees Meeting
25 Celtic Service

Volunteers Needed

- Children's Ministry
- Fellowship Hosts
- Ushers
- and more



For more information, scan the QR code or visit umtrinity.org/get-involved/volunteer

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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. The Celtic Service can be seen on the last Sunday of the month at 5 p.m. on YouTube and Facebook. Sermons air on Fairfax Public Access Channel 36 (on Cox and Verizon). Tune in Wednesdays at 5 p.m., Fridays at 7:30 p.m., and Sundays at 7 a.m.