



# Trinity United Methodist Church

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August 14, 2022

8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

We ask that everyone complete an attendance card found in the pew rack or scan the QR code with your phone's camera to register your attendance today. This attendance will be used should contact tracing become necessary.



Prelude	<i>Seek Ye First</i> (Lafferty, arr. Tornquist)	Diane Pelak
Welcome and Announcements		Clergy
* Call to Worship		Eileen Gilmer
Sing to the Lord a new song! <b>We sing a song of peace and hope!</b> Sing to the Lord a song of strength. <b>Our strength is in the Lord of hosts!</b> Sing to the Lord a song of joy! <b>Our song is a song of service and faithfulness. Amen.</b>		
* Gathering Hymn	<i>Come, Christians, Join to Sing</i>	p. 3 / UMH 158
Children's Message		Neil Hough
Prayers of the People		Gilmer
Offering		Hough
This morning's offering will be received as we pass the offering plates. You may also give online at <a href="http://umtrinity.org/give">http://umtrinity.org/give</a> and through our app. On the website, scroll down and click on SET UP ONLINE GIVING.		
Anthem (8:30)	<i>Just As I Am</i> (Elliot & Bradbury)	Philip Keirstead
Anthem (10:30)	<i>Canon for Pentecost</i> (Catherwood)	Catherine Wethington & Philip Keirstead
Scripture	Luke 12:22-34	Gilmer
He said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, you of little faith! And do not keep striving what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.		
"Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.		
Message	<i>Greed (Charity)</i>	Neil Hough
The Sacrament of Holy Communion (8:30)		Gilmer
* Closing Hymn	<i>Take Time to Be Holy</i>	p. 3 / UMH 395
* Benediction		Hough
Closing Music (8:30)	<i>Simple Gifts</i> (arr. Carter)	Pelak

\* Please stand as you are able.

# Grow — Pray — Study

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

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## **Monday, August 15 — Jeremiah 6:10-15**

The prophets of the Old Testament spoke a word from God for the people of God. They would announce, *"Thus says the Lord"* (see Jeremiah 5:14) and proclaim a message from God. In the sixth chapter, Jeremiah warned the people of Jerusalem about the impending consequences of their unfaithfulness to God. Notice that one of the charges against the people was that *"everyone is greedy for unjust gain"* (Jeremiah 6:13).

- What do you think God's prophets would say to us, the people of God, today? Would greed be one of God's warnings? Would God warn you about the danger of greed in your life?
- Prayer: *Eternal God, thank you for the words of the prophets. Help me to hear, understand, and obey their message for me today. Amen.*

## **Tuesday, August 16 — Matthew 6:19-24**

According to writers of the Gospels, Jesus often spoke about the temptations of wealth and the dangers of greed. He was well aware of our human condition: we always want more, and we mistakenly believe that we find our security in material wealth and an abundance of possessions. He warns us that we cannot serve both God and our possessions and that we should intentionally store up eternal treasure with God in heaven.

- Do you see the wisdom of Jesus' words? Do you agree with Jesus' warnings about trying to serve two masters? Who or what is the master of your life? How will you store up treasure with God in heaven?
- Prayer: *Heavenly Father, today I renew my commitment to serve you and you alone. I will allow you to be the only master in my life. Amen.*

## **Wednesday, August 17 — Luke 12:13-21**

Jesus precedes the parable of the rich fool with these words: *"Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions"* (Luke 12: 15). Then, in the parable, he says that when we focus our lives on the accumulation of wealth, we leave no time to nurture and cultivate our relationship with God. Despite an abundance of wealth and material possessions, we can still be quite "poor" with God.

- Do you see yourself in Jesus' parable? Have you ever been too busy to cultivate a relationship with God? Are you ready to meet God?
- Prayer: *Merciful God, forgive me for the many times I have been too busy to grow in love and faith and service. Grant me mercy. Amen.*

## **Thursday, August 18 — Colossians 3:1-11**

The third chapter of the letter to the Colossian church, begins with a description of new life in Christ. It instructs the Colossians to, *"Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: ... evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry)"* (Colossians 3:5). These kinds of desires are remnants of the old life and are incompatible with the life expected of a disciple of Jesus Christ.

- Take some time to examine the state of your life. Do you find any remnants of your "old life"? Are there any parts of your life that need to be "put to death" so that God can give you a new life in Christ?
- Prayer: *God of Life, fill me with the power of your Holy Spirit. Help me get rid of my old life and live my life as a follower of Jesus. Amen.*

## **Friday, August 19 — Ecclesiastes 11:1-6**

In *The Message*, Ecclesiastes 11:1-2 says, *"Be generous: Invest in acts of charity. Charity yields high returns. Don't hoard your goods; spread them around. Be a blessing to others. This could be your last night."* These words of wisdom assume that we cannot take our goods with us when we die and suggest that generosity and charity are good for us. God is honored — and we are blessed — when we seek to be a blessing to others.

- How might you test the wisdom of Ecclesiastes 11:1-2 in your life today? Who might you be able to bless with generosity and acts of charity?
- Prayer: *Generous God, remind me that everything I have comes from you. Teach me to be generous and to be a blessing to others. Amen.*

## **Saturday, August 20 — 1 Corinthians 13:1-13**

The apostle Paul's magnificent celebration of love is preceded by these words, *"And I will show you a still more excellent way"* (1 Corinthians 12:31). The point is that love is the *"more excellent way."* Paul says that even if we have many spiritual gifts, but do not have love, we have nothing at all. He closes his celebration of love by affirming that faith, hope, and love are the primary gifts of God, but that love is the greatest of the three.

- The kind of love described in 1 Corinthians 13 is not possible without the love of God. How does your love for God inspire your love for others? Which parts of your life are love-less? How are you growing in love?
- Prayer: *Loving God, thank you for Jesus, the ultimate gift of your love. Fill me with love so that I might live the more excellent way. 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. Nursery attendants and children's ministry volunteers wear masks.

## This Week on Zoom

Password 1205

### Engage Bible Study

Monday at 7 p.m. Meets twice a month during summer, next meeting: August 22. Contact Jim Wilson for log in link. [jaswilson@sloft.com](mailto:jaswilson@sloft.com).

### Pastor's Bible Study: The 7 Deadly Sins

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

Wednesday at 7 p.m.: Meeting ID: 886 5257 6837

### Prayer Group

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

## Our Prayer List

Al, Alan, Alex, Alex & Sarah, Amber & Briana, Ann, Annabelle, Asher, Ballard family, Barb & JR, Barbara & Barry, Betty & Tracy, Bev, Bill & Ann, Bill & Maddie, Boris, Bricker family, Brunnet family, Carol & Rich, Carolina, Cathryn, Cathy, Chris, Claire, Connie, Claudia, Daniel, Danny, Darlene & Steve, Dave & Carol, Dave & Siri, Davey, David, Dillian & Abby, Earl & Mary Lou, Eason-Williams family, Elaine, Elizabeth, Ellie, Evey, Fran & Tom, Gary & Lindie, Gerry & Kathy, Hanse family, Hanson family, Harriet, Hoda, Howard, Janet, Jeremy, Jill, Joe & Marie, John, June, Karen, Kathy, Kay & John, Krista, Kristin, Kyu, Ladye, Lana, Lena, Lindstedt family, Liz & David, Luana, Lauren, Maher family, Marcia, Marciene, Marcy, Maria, Marilyn, Mary, Matthew, Mickey, Monica, Nancy, Nell, Neil & Anne, Owen, Pauline & Merlin, Peg & Dick, Raymond, Rob, Robert, Roberto & Erica, Sandy & Vinnie, Sarah, Sasha, Shelley, Suzy, Tatiana, Thomas, Tom, Vanna, Williams family, Woodward family, Yancey, travelers, the people of Ukraine and those assisting them, Afghanis, Sudanese, victims of human trafficking, Trinity's children, youth and volunteers, healthcare and emergency workers, hospital chaplains, those who mourn, the homeless, those distributing vaccines, racial reconciliation in our country, those affected by natural disasters and political turmoil around the world.

Send us your prayer requests at [umtrinity.org](http://umtrinity.org).

### Summer Sermon Series

This summer, Pastor Neil is preaching a series of sermons on ***The Seven Deadly Sins (and the Seven Holy Virtues)***. There is no list of Seven Deadly Sins in the Bible, but centuries ago, the church named these sins and called them "deadly." This series will explore what they are and why they are so dangerous. We'll learn how to name them and confess them in our own lives, and we'll discover the corresponding virtues that God's grace makes possible. The ***Deadly Sins*** are some of the ways we interfere with God's intentions for our lives. Join us in person or online each week as we discover that, when we reduce the interference of sin, we experience more fully the Kingdom life that God dreams for every one of us.

Today's hymn texts for those worshipping at home.

### Come, Christians, Join to Sing

1. Come, Christians, join to sing:  
Alleluia! Amen!  
loud praise to Christ our King:  
Alleluia! Amen!  
Let all, with heart and voice,  
before his throne rejoice;  
praise is his gracious choice.  
Alleluia! Amen!
2. Come, lift your hearts on high:  
Alleluia! Amen!  
Let praises fill the sky:  
Alleluia! Amen!  
He is our guide and friend;  
to us he'll condescend;  
his love shall never end:  
Alleluia! Amen!
3. Praise yet the Lord again:  
Alleluia! Amen!  
Life shall not end the strain:  
Alleluia! Amen!  
On heaven's blissful shore  
his goodness we'll adore,  
singing forevermore:  
Alleluia! Amen!

### Take Time to Be Holy

1. Take time to be holy,  
speak oft with thy Lord;  
abide in him always,  
and feed on his word.  
Make friends of God's children,  
help those who are weak,  
forgetting in nothing  
his blessing to seek.
2. Take time to be holy,  
the world rushes on;  
spend much time in secret  
with Jesus alone.  
By looking to Jesus,  
like him thou shalt be;  
thy friends in thy conduct  
his likeness shall see.
3. Take time to be holy,  
let him be thy guide,  
and run not before him,  
whatever betide.  
In joy or in sorrow,  
still follow the Lord,  
and, looking to Jesus,  
still trust in his word.
4. Take time to be holy,  
be calm in thy soul,  
each thought and each motive  
beneath his control.  
Thus led by his spirit  
to fountains of love,  
thou soon shalt be fitted  
for service above.

## Highlights from E-News

If you're not receiving our Friday e-mail, please send the address where you want to receive it to [info@umtrinity.org](mailto:info@umtrinity.org)

### 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 for next week.

**Children's Worship** (ages 4 - 4th grade) and **Club 56** (grades 5 & 6) meet during the 10:30 service following the Children's Message. **Children's Worship and Club 56 are not meeting this week.**

### Christ House Closet

Christ House is a medical facility for homeless men in Washington, D.C. All newly admitted patients are provided with comfortable, clean clothing. The current needs list is in the E-News. Collection bins are in the Fellowship Lobby.

### Crafts for a Cause

Crafts for a Cause meets every other Monday from 7 to 8:30 p.m., in Room 124: Aug. 22. No crafting experience is needed and all are welcome. If you'd like to sign up, please email **Alesha Luxon** at [alesha.luxon@gmail.com](mailto:alesha.luxon@gmail.com).

### Fellowship

Fabulous Fellowship is restarting! As we gather back at church we look forward to fellowship with our friends and family. We look forward to catching up and getting to know each other better. Feel free to join us after each service in the Fellowship Lobby. We also need volunteers to make this Fellowship happen. Please email Alesha Luxon ([alesha.luxon@gmail.com](mailto:alesha.luxon@gmail.com)) if you are willing to help. Instructions will be provided. Thanks to all for supporting this church and this ministry.

### Pastor's Bible Study

Pastor Anne Hough is teaching a Bible study on **The Seven Deadly Sins** to complement Pastor Neil's summer sermon series. The Zoom study will be offered on four Tuesday mornings at 10:30 and Wednesday evenings at 7. Each week's class is connected by the theme but can stand alone if you are unable to attend each one. The study concludes Aug. 16 & 17.

### Trinity Preschool of McLean

For 2022-23, we have class options for children two and a half years old - Kindergarten. <http://umtrinity.org/preschool>.

### Youth Group (Grades 7-12)

**Saturday, August 20**, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Outdoor Movie Night, join us for a family friendly movie, BYOC (bring your own chair) and snacks.

**Sunday, August 28**, 3 - 5 p.m. Pool Party at the Wethington Residence, celebrate the end of Summer and the start of the school year with a Pool Party!

Youth group is for all youth in 7th-12th grade. Are you an adult interested in volunteering with our youth or do you want more information about joining youth group? Contact Catherine Wethington ([umtrinityyouth@gmail.com](mailto:umtrinityyouth@gmail.com)).

## Coming Up

### August

20 Outdoor Movie Night  
22 Crafts for a Cause  
28 Celtic Service  
28 Youth Group Pool Party

### September

5 Office Closed  
6 Crafts for a Cause  
11 Bounce Back Sunday  
19 Crafts for a Cause

### Trinity Church Staff

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### Summer Office Hours:

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](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. 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.