

# **Trinity United Methodist Church**

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July 2, 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 (8:30) Prelude (10:30) AMERICA (Peeters)
Festival Prelude on THAXTED (Pettit)

Jerry Rich Diana Wensley, trumpet

Clergy

Welcome and Announcements

\* Call to Worship Anne Hough

Welcome to worship today! Even when things get hectic, always know that you will find welcome here.

We are grateful for the hospitality and friendship that are offered here.

Come, let us worship the God who always welcomes us.

Let us open our hearts to Christ who welcomed friend and stranger alike. Amen.

\* Gathering Hymn God of the Ages UMH 698

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) Offertory (10:30) This Little Light of Mine (Work)
Holy Manna (arr. Rich)

Maggie Rabe Summer Choir

Celebration of Appointment

Scripture John 21:15-19 Taehwan Roh

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

Message Stay in Love with God Neil Hough

Sacrament of Holy Communion Clergy

\* Closing Hymn My Jesus, I Love Thee UMH 172

\* Benediction Neil Hough

\* Closing Music (8:30) The Rejoicing from Royal Fireworks Music (Handel) Jerry Rich
\* Closing Music (10:30) Trumpet Voluntary in D (Stanley) Diana Wensley, trumpet

\* Please stand as you are able.

# Grow — Pray — Study

Things I'd like to remember from today's message:	
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#### Monday, July 3 — John 1:35-43

The opening chapter of John's Gospel describes Jesus' encounters with his soon-to-be disciples. It is easy to find ourselves in the scene, curiously watching Jesus and being surprised when he turns and addresses us with some of the most powerful words we'll ever hear, "come and see" and "follow me" (John 1:30, 43). In these simple words, we discover the heart of Christian discipleship: following (and trusting) Jesus.

- Read this passage again and imagine that you are in the scene and let Jesus speak directly to you. What will you do when says, "come and see." How will you respond when he tells you to "follow me"?
- Prayer: Eternal God, open my eyes to see and ears to hear your invitation to follow Jesus. Give me the courage I need to trust him. Give me the courage I need to say "yes." Amen.

#### Tuesday, July 4 — John 4:21-26

To follow Jesus is to both follow his example and to obey his teaching. When we encounter Jesus in the Gospel stories, we follow him to the temple and synagogue for worship (see Luke 2:41-51 and Luke 4:16-21). We also hear him describe worship as the heart of our relationship with God (John 4:20-24).

- To worship is to declare the object of our worship as worthy of adoration and praise. Do some honest reflecting today: what or whom do you worship? How does public and private worship of God shape your life?
- Prayer: Almighty God, you alone are worthy of my adoration and praise. Forgive me when I worship other idols. Help me worship you in spirit and truth every day. Amen.

#### Wednesday, July 5 — Luke 5:12-16, Luke 11:1-13

Luke's Gospel emphasizes the depth and discipline of Jesus' prayer-life. It is clear that Jesus was a man of prayer who taught his disciples — by his example and his words — the importance of regular and extended conversation with God. He says that God longs to answer our prayers and give us what we need most of all: the Holy Spirit.

- Jesus describes the need for persistence in prayer (Luke 11:8) and Paul says that we must, "pray without ceasing" (1 Thessalonians 5:17). Review your prayer-life today. When and where do you spend time alone with God in prayer? In what ways do your conversations with God in prayer shape your life?
- Prayer: Heavenly Father, teach me to pray with confidence, faith, and persistence as I follow the example and teaching of Jesus. Send the Holy Spirit into my life today. Amen.

#### Thursday, July 6 — 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

John Wesley taught early Methodists the importance of the Sacrament of Holy Communion. He himself received the Sacrament frequently and encouraged Methodists to do the same. Wesley affirmed that eating the holy meal is a means of God's grace which provides strength for followers of Jesus to stay in love with God, grow in faith and trust, and serve Christ more fully in the church and in the world.

- There are many means of grace. What habits and practices are means of grace for your relationship with God? How does the Sacrament of Holy Communion strengthen your faith and empower your ministry and service to God?
- Prayer: Gracious God, teach me the importance of your means of grace. Use them to open a channel into my heart and mind. Inspire in me a desire to be obedient and faithful. Amen.

#### Friday, July 7 — 1 Timothy 4:13-16, John 20:30-31

For New Testament authors, references to "scripture" (as in 1 Timothy 4:13) were references to the Hebrew Scriptures, what we call the Old Testament. According to the Gospel writers, Jesus often quoted or referred to the Hebrew Scriptures and by his example and teaching demonstrated their importance. Regular reading and study of Scripture, both in daily devotions and in small groups and classes, is an essential spiritual discipline for everyone who loves God and follows Jesus.

- Following Jesus today requires frequent and regular reading of both the Old and New Testament Scriptures. How does your reading of the Bible inform and shape your life?
- Prayer: Merciful God, grant me the discipline I need to read, study, and reflect on your Word every day. Grant me wisdom to learn and grow in understanding. Amen.

# Saturday, July 8 — John 21:15-19

In the final scene of the Gospel, John describes a conversation between Simon Peter and Jesus. If Peter loves Jesus — and he does — he will feed and care for God's children. Jesus' final words in the Gospel reinforce the primary expectation of anyone who wants to be his disciple: "Follow me" (John 21:22).

- Do you love Jesus? Do you love Jesus more than anyone or anything else? Do you desire to stay in love with God forever. If so, follow him, every day, for the rest of your life.
- Prayer: Amazing God, I love you with all my heart, mind, soul, and strength. I love Jesus more than anything else. I will serve and follow him wherever he leads me. 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

### **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



# **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, Brett, Bricker family, Briscoe family, Boris, Bruce, Calvin, Carol & Rich, Carrie, 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, Eileen, Elaine, Evelyn, Fabio, Fran & Tom, Frances, 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, Susan, 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.

# 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

#### **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.

# **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)

**Wednesday, July 13** at 7 p.m: Ice Cream with the Youth Director at Lazy Mikes, Falls Church

Thursday, July 27 at 7 p.m: Free Concert at Cherry Hill Park, Falls Church. Lil Maceo Funk Band featuring award winning Saxophonist Kareem Walkes

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

#### **Coming Up**

# July

4 Office Closed 13 Youth Group 15 Christ House

Welcome Roh familyTrustees Meeting

Vacation Bible Saturday
 Youth Concert in the Park

30 Celtic Service

#### **August**

6 Martha's Table 15 Trustees Meeting 19 Christ House 27 Ice Cream Social 27 Youth Pool Party 27 Celtic Service

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.





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



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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. The Celtic Service can been seen on the last Sunday of the month at 5 p.m. on YouTube and Facebook.