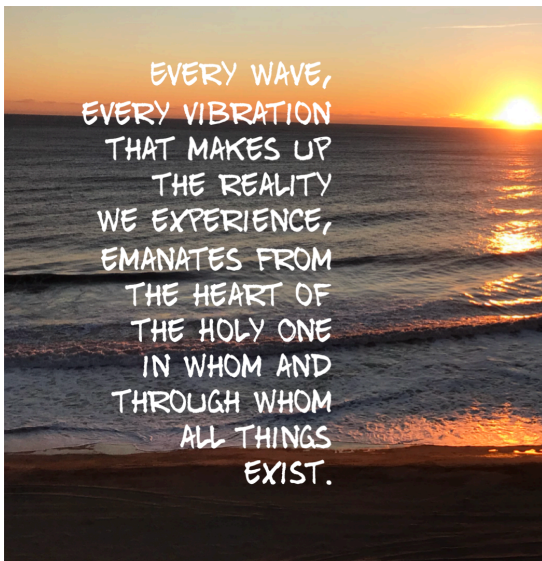




And there was evening and there was morning,  
the first day.



EVERY WAVE,  
EVERY VIBRATION  
THAT MAKES UP  
THE REALITY  
WE EXPERIENCE,  
EMANATES FROM  
THE HEART OF  
THE HOLY ONE  
IN WHOM AND  
THROUGH WHOM  
ALL THINGS  
EXIST.

**Trinity Presbyterian Church  
Arlington, Virginia**

**Service for the Lord's Day  
Sunday, May 31, 2026**

Trinity Sunday  
Worshipping in the Sanctuary  
10:00AM



# Service for the Lord's Day

May 31, 2026  
Trinity Sunday

*Welcome.*

*We are glad that you are here.*

*As an inclusive community of faith, we welcome you just as you are.*

*We celebrate that God's love and grace extends to all, and affirm that each person has sacred worth.*

*So take a moment.*

*Breathe.*

*This service is livestreamed and recorded. People in the first eight pews might be visible on camera.*

## Gathering Music

*Morning Has Broken*  
Congregation

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## Welcome and Announcements

*Please take this time to sign and pass the red Friendship Pad.*

## Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

*Liturgist:* Please stand in body or in spirit  
and join me in the call to worship and opening prayer.

*Liturgist:* O Divine Voice,  
**All:** You sing and the universe comes into being;

*Liturgist:* O Divine Breath,  
**All:** You breathe and all things spring to life;

*Liturgist:* O Divine Word,  
**All:** You call and creation is sustained;

*Liturgist:* O Divine Flesh,  
**All:** You are born among us,  
and the Creator is clothed in creation;

*Liturgist:* O Divine Spirit,  
**All:** You fill all that has been formed;

*Liturgist:* O Divine Life,  
**All:** You are the pulse of all that is.

And so, in amazement and awe, in wonder and celebration  
we marvel at this mystery:  
In you all things live and move and have being,  
In all things, you live and move and express your Divine artistry;  
And so we join with creation  
In a song of worship and wonder...

**Greeting Time & Passing of the Peace****Children's Message**

Creative Reading of Genesis 1:1-31

Children are invited to attend Godly Play after the message or to remain in the sanctuary during worship.  
Please be seated.

**Blessing of the Children**

**All: You are God's beloved child; with you God is well pleased.**

**Old Testament Reading**

Genesis 2:1-3

NRSVUE

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished and all their multitude. On the sixth day God finished the work that he had done, and he

rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

**Gospel Reading**

John 1:1-5

NRSVUE

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one

thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overtake it.

*Leader:* This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon*****In the Beginning Stories: Creation***

Rev. Judith Fulp-Eickstaedt, Pastor

**Song**

*God of Wonders*  
Congregation

Hindalong &amp; Byrd

**Joys & Concerns**

*Please be seated.*

**Prayers of the People****The Lord's Prayer**

**All: 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 debts,  
as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Invitation to Stewardship

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Offertory

*Indescribable*  
Congregation

Tomlin

Prayerful Setting of Intentions

Prayer of Dedication

**All:**           **May we always walk gently upon the Earth,**  
                  **in right relationship,**  
                  **nurtured by your love,**  
                  **open to the wind of the Spirit,**  
                  **taking only what we need,**  
                  **always open to the needs of others,**  
                  **making choices that bring wellbeing,**  
                  **living with generosity,**  
                  **striving for justice,**  
                  **honouring all with reverence,**  
                  **reconciling and peacemaking,**  
                  **mindful of those who will come after,**  
                  **recognising our proper place as part of your creation.**

**Grant us the strength and courage, Lord,**  
**for such a radical transformation into your Kingdom. Amen.**

Hymn

*Holy, Holy, Holy*  
Congregation

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Benediction

Postlude

Free Improvisation on *Lasst uns erfreuen*  
Matt Wheeler, organ

B.M. Wheeler

*You are invited to stay and listen to the postlude or move to the gathering space for fellowship.  
As you depart, please be mindful of those who remain in the sanctuary to listen.*

## Song Lyrics

### ***Morning Has Broken***

1 Morning has broken  
like the first morning;  
blackbird has spoken  
like the first bird.

Praise for the singing!  
Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing  
fresh from the Word!

2 Sweet the rain's new fall  
sunlit from heaven,  
like the first dewfall  
on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness  
of the wet garden,  
sprung in completeness  
where God's feet pass.

3 Mine is the sunlight!  
Mine is the morning,  
born of the one light  
Eden saw play!  
Praise with elation;  
praise every morning,  
God's re-creation  
of the new day!

### ***For the Beauty of the Earth***

1 For the beauty of the earth,  
for the glory of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies:

Refrain:

Lord of all, to thee we raise  
this our hymn of grateful praise.

2 For the wonder of each hour  
of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale, and tree and flower,  
sun and moon, and stars of light: (Refrain)

3 For the joy of ear and eye,  
for the heart and mind's delight,  
for the mystic harmony  
linking sense to sound and sight: (Refrain)

4 For the joy of human love,  
brother, sister, parent, child,  
friends on earth, and friends above,  
for all gentle thoughts and mild: (Refrain)

5 For thyself, best gift divine  
to the world so freely given;  
for that great, great love of thine,  
peace on earth and joy in heaven: (Refrain)

### ***God of Wonders***

Verse 1

Lord of all creation,  
Of water earth and sky,  
The heavens are Your tabernacle.  
Glory to the Lord on high.

Chorus

God of wonders beyond our galaxy  
You are holy, holy.  
The universe declares Your majesty.  
You are holy, holy,  
Lord of heaven and earth.  
Lord of heaven and earth.

Verse 2

Early in the morning  
I will celebrate the light.  
When I stumble in the darkness  
I will call Your name by night.

Chorus

Bridge

Hallelujah to the Lord of heaven and earth.  
Hallelujah to the Lord of heaven and earth.  
Hallelujah to the Lord of heaven and earth.

Chorus

Chorus 2

God of wonders beyond our galaxy  
You are holy, holy.  
Precious Lord reveal Your heart to me.  
Father, hold me. Hold me.  
The universe declares Your majesty.  
You are holy, holy,  
Lord of heaven and earth,  
Lord of heaven and earth,  
Lord of heaven and earth.

### **Indescribable**

Verse 1

From the highest of heights  
to the depths of the sea,  
Creation's revealing Your majesty.  
From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring,  
Every creature unique in the song that it sings.  
All exclaiming

Chorus 1

Indescribable, uncontainable,  
You placed the stars in the sky  
And You know them by name.  
You are amazing God.  
All powerful, untamable,  
Awestruck we fall to our knees  
As we humbly proclaim  
You are amazing God.

Verse 2

Who has told every lightning bolt  
where it should go,  
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow?  
Who imagined the sun  
and gives source to its light,  
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night?  
None can fathom

Chorus 1

Chorus 2

Indescribable, uncontainable,  
You placed the stars in the sky  
And You know them by name.  
You are amazing God.  
Incomparable, unchangeable,  
You see the depths of my heart  
And You love me the same.  
You are amazing God.

Ending

You are amazing God.

### **Holy, Holy, Holy**

1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

2 Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns  
around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

3 Holy, holy, holy!  
though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinfulness  
thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,  
perfect in power, in love and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name,  
in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

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## **Intentional Through the Week at Home and in Small Groups**

*How do we live in harmony with creation?*

*What does it mean to see ourselves rightly in relationship with God's creation?*

**My intention for this week is:**

### **Morning Prayer for the Week**

In this day's beginning, O God, you create something new  
So I will seek you in the freshness of this morning,  
in the laughter of friends,  
in the colors of creation,  
and in the gift of this day,  
whatever it may bring. Amen.

### **Evening Prayer for the Week**

O God, as I rest this night  
awaken my dreams,  
expand my vision,  
heal me and give me hope,  
That I may awaken with joy to tomorrow's new day.  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### **Readings for the Week** Genesis 1:1-31

(Read daily, and look for opportunities to discuss or contemplate these words)

### **Questions for Reflection**

1. How do you feel when you read the story of creation in Genesis 1?
2. How is creation still unfolding today?
3. If you were writing the ongoing story of creation, what is happening between the morning and the evening of this day?

### **Intentional in Community**

Consider using these reflection questions with a small group or prayer partner.

Share your intentions and/or your experience of living them out with someone else in the Trinity community.

## Our Thoughts and Prayers

*Please pray for the following friends and families of Trinity*

### Joys:

+ Celebrating the return of Sean Long, son of Petey and Richard Long, from military duty in the Middle East.

+ **Lucy Driskill** and her friend **Sarah Watchman** are on a six-month hike of the Appalachian Trail. We will keep the congregation posted on their journey.

### Concerns:

+ Prayers for the family and friends of **Paul Sullivan**, who died on May 20.

+ Prayers for **Aaron Fulp-Eichstaedt**, **Pastor Judith's** husband, recovering at home following hospitalization for an infection.

+ Prayers for **Gabe Paulraj** for successful healing and recovery after recent orthopedic leg surgery.

+ Prayers for **Nancy Long**, sister of **Dan Campbell**, for healing and strength for dementia requiring 24/7 care.

+ Prayers for **Anna Marie Yates**, mother of **Alice Yates**, for her comfort and care, as she has been battling myelodysplastic syndrome; please also pray for wisdom in care-giving decisions.

+ Prayers for **Stephanie Irving**, aunt of **Cameron Pedretti**, with pancreatic cancer.

+ Prayers for **Jack Lutz**, brother of **Ted Lutz**, for his declining health and as decisions are being made about his future care.

+ Prayers for **Jean Meek**, in rehab at The Jefferson, after surgery for a broken leg.

+ Prayers for **Marilyn Scholl** as she is currently trying several alternative health practices to shrink or eradicate her breast cancer to avoid surgery.

+ Prayers for **Sandy Montgomery**, recovering at home after surgery for a broken ankle.

+ Prayers for all our military personnel currently deployed in the Middle East and beyond.

+ Prayers for **Beth Geiseman**, recovering after surgery for breast cancer and anticipating a second surgery.

+ Prayers for **Laura Mendelson**, mother of **Ellen Cathopoulos**, recovering from breast cancer surgery.

+ Prayers for **Ansley Calhoun** following surgery for a broken leg.

+ Prayers for relatives of **Randy Benn - Martie** (cancer), **Doug** (cancer), and **Jennifer** (bone infection).

+ Prayers for **Jean Chubb**, mother of **Nathan Chubb**, in treatment for pancreatic cancer.

+ Prayers for **Cathy**, a friend of **Pastor Judith**, in treatment for pancreatic cancer.

+ Prayers for **Theresa Dike**, a colleague of **Clay Guthridge**, who is recovering from a cerebral event. Theresa is walking and regaining some speech.

+ Prayers for those who are managing the needs of both children and aging parents.

+ Prayers for **Marilyn Brookens**, who is in a memory care facility in Iowa. Please send all correspondence to: Marilyn Brookens, c/o Alan Ostergren, 2506 7th Ave. Ct. SW, Altoona, IA 50009.

- + Prayers for love, stamina, and moments of joy for all who are caregivers and for those they care for.
- + Prayers for those in difficult family relationships: for mutual love, compassion, and understanding.
- + **Bill Plitt**, in treatment for multiple myeloma.
- + **Rowan Smith**, three-year-old great-nephew of **Laurie Setzer**, with cancer. Please pray for strength as cancer spots were recently found on his brain, and the doctors have given him 3-6 months to live.
- + **Jason Ferguson**, brother of **Janae Ferguson**, has a recurrence of cancer. Pray for another remission.
- + **Barry Schneider**, **Troy Schneider's** uncle, has ALS.
- + **Jackie Alling**, living at Vitality Assisted Living.
- + **Lani**, **Nene Pisigan's** cousin, and the mom of two young children, has a recurrence of cancer.
- + **Nene Pisigan's** parents in the Philippines are with long-term illness and financial hardship.
- + **Ron Shimabukuro**, friend of **Yvonne McIntire**, is recovering at home.
- + **Brooks Bare**, for strength, comfort, healing, and patience during his incarceration.
- + Prayers for those whose family members have died in ICE custody or during immigration enforcement actions.
- + Prayers for our country, that people who disagree can choose respectful and non-violent means of protest.
- + Immigrants and refugees all over the world are displaced by war, violence, poverty, and natural disasters.
- + Prayers for the innocent victims of war.
- + We pray for a lasting peace in Israel and Palestine and for the day when the people living in Israel and Palestine can live together without hostility, oppression, or fear.
- + **Fakhira Haloun**, a Palestinian Israeli and friend of **Priscilla Hoffman-Stowe**, and for all living through the trauma of the ongoing violence in Gaza and the wider region.
- + **Daoud and Jihan Nassar**, for safety and to retain ownership of their land in the West Bank.
- + For peace in Ukraine and an end to the Russian invasion of Ukrainian regions.
- + Genocide in Sudan and the conflict in the eastern Democratic Republic of Congo.
- + Prayers for wisdom for our leaders as they handle the situations in Venezuela and Cuba, and for the people who live there.

Trinity Presbyterian Church helps sponsor the missionary work of those who serve in the international field. We are currently supporting **Mark Adams** and **Miriam Maldonado** (husband and wife) on the US/Mexico border, and we continue to seek new ecumenical global partners to support as the PCUSA has shifted its model for international engagement.

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