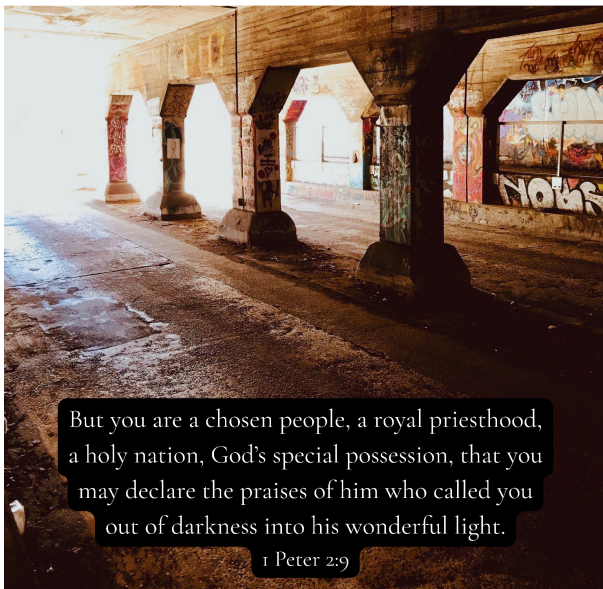


I am the way, the truth, and the life.

John 14:6a



But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

1 Peter 2:9

Trinity Presbyterian Church Arlington, Virginia

**Service for the Lord's Day
Sunday, May 3, 2026**

Fifth Sunday of Easter
Worshipping in Calvin Hall

9:00 AM

Service for the Lord's Day

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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 extend to all, and affirm that each person has sacred worth.

So take a moment.

Breathe.

This service is recorded. Those in the first three rows in the center section might be visible on camera.

Gathering Music

Guide My Feet

Traditional

Opening Prayer

Song

The Jesus Way

Phil Wickham

Welcome & Announcements

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

Children's Message

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

Blessing of the Children

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

Greeting Time

New Testament Reading

1 Peter 2: 2-10

NRSVUE

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." This honor, then, is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, "The

stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," and "A stone that makes them stumble and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the excellence of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Gospel Reading

John 14:1–14

NRSVUE

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.”

Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

A Priestly Calling

Whitney Mallory, Seminarian

Song

Bigger Table

Matt Maher

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Leader: Christ’s table is wide, and his welcome is for all.
This is not a Presbyterian Table. This is not Trinity Church’s Table.
This is the Lord’s table,
and all who feel called to respond to Christ’s invitation, are welcome.
There is a place for you at this table,
whether you have ever communed with Trinity before,
and wherever you are on your faith journey.
You are welcome, period.

Joys and Concerns

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Leader: It is right, it is good, and it is joyful
to give thanks to you, God of mystery and miracle.
When there was only darkness,
you made light.
When we cried out to you from captivity,
you claimed us as your own.
When we forget our love for you,
you did not forget us,
sending your prophets to turn us around and
renewing your promises
with a bow in the sky,
the parting of the sea,
your own Son.
And so we praise you,
Tuning our voices to the angels' songs,
Joining all those who declare on earth and in heaven:

(spoken)

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

Leader: Thank you for Jesus—
for his teaching and healing,
his challenging and feeding,
his living and dying and rising,
that we might be raised with him,
and all the world made new.
And may we now, in solidarity with him,
pray the prayer he taught us to pray:

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.

Words of Institution

Leader: We thank you, Lord, that on the night before he died
he took bread, gave thanks, and broke it,
and shared it with his friend,
saying, take, eat – my body broken for you.
Thank you for the way he took the cup,
The new covenant sealed in his blood,
Shed for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you eat and drink, he said,
Do it in remembrance of me.
With thanksgiving we take this bread and wine,
gifts of the good earth,
offering ourselves as a living sacrifice
dedicated to your service.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on your people gathered here
and on these gifts—
bread and wine of earth,
to body and blood of heaven;
our frail flesh and blood
to your holy people,
that we might be Christ's body to your world.

The Kin-dom Feast is Shared

Prayer After the Supper

All: Through the power of your Spirit unite us with Christ
and with each other
as we work and wait in hope,
confident in that day
when Christ will come to make all things well
and we will feast together at his heavenly table. Amen.

Invitation to Stewardship

www.trinityarlington.org/give

Offertory

The Way (New Horizon)

Smith, Bashta, Barrett

Prayerful Setting of Intentions

Please take this moment of silence to set an intention for the week ahead. Your intention might be a response to today's worship, or it may be something that has been on your heart – a desire for change, an inner nudging, a move toward deeper discipleship. Write your intention down or note it on your phone and take it with you as you go.

Prayer for the Coming Week

All: Almighty God,
your son promised to grant
whatever we ask in his name.
By your Holy Spirit
empower us to minister to the world
as his faithful disciples
that our work may testify to what we pray
and show forth your eternal glory,
through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Song

My Lighthouse

Gilkeson, Llewellyn

Benediction

Song Lyrics

Guide My Feet

1 Guide my feet while I run this race;
guide my feet while I run this race;
guide my feet while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain!

2 Hold my hand . . .

3 Stand by me . . .

4 I'm your child . . .

5 Search my heart . . .

6 Guide my feet . . .

The Jesus Way

Verse 1

If you curse me then I will bless you.
If you hurt me I will forgive.
And if you hate me, then I will love you.
I choose the Jesus way.

Verse 2

If you're helpless I will defend you.
And if you're burdened I'll share the weight.
And if you're hopeless then let me show you.
There's hope in the Jesus way.

Chorus

I follow Jesus, I follow Jesus.
He wore my sin. I'll gladly wear His name.
He is the treasure. He is the answer.
Oh, I choose the Jesus way.

Verse 3

If you strike me, I will embrace you.
And if you chain me, I'll sing His praise.
And if you kill me, my home is heaven,
For I choose the Jesus way.

Bridge

I choose surrender. I choose to love.
Oh God my Savior, You'll always be enough.
I choose forgiveness. I choose grace.
I choose to worship no matter what I face.
I choose the Jesus way.
I choose the Jesus way.
I choose the Jesus way.
I choose the Jesus way.

Tag

Oh I choose the Jesus way.

Bigger Table

Verse 1

Come gather 'round the mystery
Of love in our broken history,
Where grace heals the fault lines in me.
Time and time again
It welcomes me in to

Chorus

A house for the hungry,
A well for the thirsty,
Where all saints come together
Shoulder to shoulder.
A welcome for the traveler,
New wine for the vineyard,
In all things, God is able.
Love has a bigger table.

Verse 2

Show me who is my neighbor,
The Christ hidden in the beggar,
'Cause love doesn't meet a stranger.
Love calls them friend,
And welcomes them in to

Chorus

Bridge

There's an empty seat waiting next to me.
We gotta make some room for each other.
Let my enemy be my family.
Fill my cup 'til it's running over (in)

Bridge

Chorus

Ending

Love has a bigger table.
Love has a bigger table.

The Way

Verse 1

Through every battle,
Through every heartbreak,
Through every circumstance,
I believe that You are my fortress.
Oh, You are my portion.
You are my hiding place.
Oh, I believe You are

Chorus 1

The Way the Truth the Life.
I believe You are
The Way the Truth the Life.
I believe.

Verse 2

Through every blessing,
Through every promise,
Through every breath I take,
I believe that You are provider.
You are protector.
You are the One I love.
I believe You are

Chorus 2

The Way the Truth the Life.
I believe You are
The Way the Truth the Life.
I believe You are.

Bridge 1

It's a new horizon
And I'm set on You.
And You meet me here today
With mercies that are new.
All my fears and doubts,
They can all come too,
Because they can't stay long
When I'm here with You.

Bridge 2

Chorus 2

Bridge 2

Chorus 2

My Lighthouse

Verse 1

In my wrestling and in my doubts
In my failures You won't walk out.
Your great love will lead me through.
You are the peace in my troubled sea. Whoa,
You are the peace in my troubled sea.

Verse 2

In the silence You won't let go.
In the questions Your truth will hold.
Your great love will lead me through.
You are the peace in my troubled sea, Whoa,
You are the peace in my troubled sea.

Chorus

My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse,
Shining in the darkness.
I will follow You. Oh
My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse,
I will trust the promise.
You will carry me safe to shore,
Safe to shore, safe to shore, safe to shore.

Verse 3

I won't fear what tomorrow brings.
With each morning I'll rise and sing.
My God's love will lead me through.
You are the peace in my troubled sea. Whoa,
You are the peace in my troubled sea.

Chorus

Bridge

Fire before us
You're the brightest
You will lead us
Through the storms (hey) [REPEAT 3X]

Chorus

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Intentional Through the Week at Home and in Small Groups

The priesthood of all believers means that we all share in a common ministry.

What will you do this week to minister in God's name?

My intention for this week is:

Morning Prayer for the Week

In you, O Lord, I put my trust.

You are my God

and my life is in your hands.

You are my rock and my fortress, O God;

Into your hands I place this day. Amen.

Evening Prayer for the Week

Compassionate God,

in the quietness of the evening,

I come to you in prayer:

I lay before you any regrets of this day,

And anything that troubles or burdens me.

May this night bring rest and healing. Amen.

Readings for the Week John 14:1-14

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

Questions for Reflection

1. Which words or actions of Jesus have had the greatest impact on your life and behavior?
2. What do you think Jesus meant when he said, "If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it?"
3. 1 Peter 2:9 reminds us that we are all priests. In what way do you minister in God's name?

Intentional in Community

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

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.
- + Celebrating the engagement of **Luke Bultena** and **Cameron Pedretti**.
- + Celebrating the birth of **Blake Thomas Bodner**, son of **Ben and Sara Bodner**, grandson of **Sue Bodner**, born on April 8.
- + Celebrating the birth of **Ellie Baker Scholl**, daughter of **Ali and Ethan Scholl** and granddaughter of **Marilyn and Russ Scholl**, born on March 23.
- + **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 **Gabe Paulraj** for successful healing and recovery after orthopedic leg surgery this past week.
- + Prayers for the family and friends of **Suparmin Sunjoyo, Nugroho Mbeo's** father, who passed away on April 18.
- + 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 the family and friends of **Marjorie Douglas, Sandi Parker's** mom, who passed away on March 30.
- + 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 **Nanci**, friend of **Donna Parry**, who is recovering at home following open heart surgery on Monday, March 30.
- + Prayers for **Ike Eickstaedt, Pastor Judith's** father-in-law, in skilled nursing, healing from a hematoma.
- + 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 **Paul Sullivan**, who has stopped cancer treatments and is in palliative care at home.
- + 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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