

# Life of the Church and Announcements

*May 3, 2026*

**9:00 a.m. Service in Calvin Hall**  
**10:10 a.m. Education & Fellowship Time**  
**11:15 a.m. Service in the Sanctuary**  
**4:00 p.m. 4th & 5th Grade Group**  
**5:30 p.m. Youth Group**

## ***Adult Education @ 10:10 and Beyond***

### **Meditation Time**

A time of meditation is provided in the Meditation Room, and is led by Sue Bodner. New participants are welcome as we learn together with the intention of deepening our connection with God and each other.

### **Wednesday Bible Study**

For the next three weeks, we will be studying Psalms. Not the whole book, just some select poems. Join us on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm in Classroom A. Please get in touch with Ben Stewart at [ben@trinityarlington.org](mailto:ben@trinityarlington.org) if you have any questions.

### **May Classes**

- May 3: *Free Minds Book Club*  
The Racial Justice Ministry is delighted to welcome Kelli Taylor, founder of Free Minds Book Club, to Trinity. She and a couple of ambassadors from Free Minds will share about their amazing work with incarcerated and newly released individuals in DC. In addition to presenting short Moments for Mission during each worship service, they will also lead a class during the formation hour and will have a table set up in the Narthex throughout the morning.
- May 10: *Detention, Education, and the Beyond* with Cindy Bare
- May 17: *Learn about Restorative Arlington* with Tracy McLoone

### **Just Coffee**

Stop by the Knox Room for pastries, coffee, and conversation

*For more information on all these classes, visit <https://tpcarlington.churchtrac.com/adulteducation>*

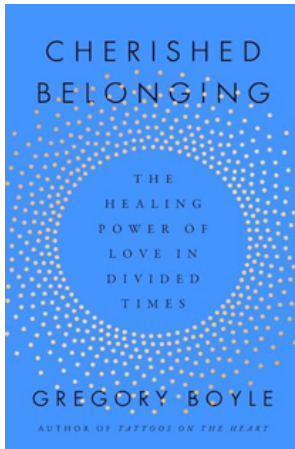
## ***Upcoming Events and Happenings***

### **Pentecost Offering to Benefit UNRWA**

PCUSA has changed its special offerings this year and eliminated the Pentecost offering. MSM believes that in this time of war and devastation, funds are needed more than ever to address the urgent needs created by the tragic situation in the Middle East. MSM has identified UNRWA as an agency that can effectively deliver funds to address the current critical needs. So this year, we will still have a Pentecost offering, and 100% of the proceeds will go to UNRWA to support its relief work in Palestine, including Gaza and the West Bank.

You can see the work of UNRWA here <https://www.unrwa.org/>

## *The Racial Justice Ministry Announces:* **A Spring Congregational Book Read**



We are encouraging all youth and adults to read ***Cherished Belonging*** (see cover below) by Gregory Boyle, a Jesuit priest and founder of Homeboy Industries in Los Angeles, California. His most recent book describes the belief in compassion, redemption, and healing that infuses the community that Homeboy Industries creates for gang members.

You will find nuggets that apply to your life and the life of our congregation. Some examples:

- God is in the loving
- We are all unshakably good
- God IS inclusion

This book includes short vignettes and can be read in small chunks. Read with us and come to book discussions after the services on Sunday, May 31, and June 7.

*Copies of the book will be available (soon) in the Narthex for a recommended donation of \$10*

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## **Let's Celebrate Our Graduates!**

We will be recognizing our graduates...from high school, higher education, or certificate programs, in the bulletin and in worship on **Sunday, May 10th!**

Please send an email to the Church Office by Monday, May 6 th, with the name of the graduate and their place of graduation to Ken at [office@trinityarlington.org](mailto:office@trinityarlington.org).

Thank you!



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## **Music Notes**

Thank you to the Trinity Ringers for a wonderful spring season. Your music has been a gift to worship, and the work behind it — the rehearsals, the focus, the care you bring to every piece — is evident in the music you so prayerfully ring.

Handbells require a kind of musicianship that is easy to underestimate. Many ringers, each responsible for their own notes, somehow producing a single line of music, only works because of the attention and trust you bring to one another. That is no small accomplishment, and you make it look effortless.

Thank you for your dedication, your time, and your artistry. It is a privilege to create music with you, and I look forward to our next season together.

Matt Wheeler  
*Director of Music*

*From the Trinity Mental Health Wellness Team.....*

## **Building Resilient Families: Preventing Substance Abuse in Youth**

Empower yourself with knowledge and tools at our substance abuse and prevention discussion. Learn how to proactively address substance abuse signs and risks to promote healthy development in your children. This discussion offers parents the critical insights, actionable steps, and community resources needed for prevention and early intervention. Offered by the Safe Community Coalition. Led by Sarah Tyler, LCSW, Carey Hitchcock, MSW, and Becky Kohm, M..A.T., Ed.S.

THIS IS A FREE EVENT. PLEASE RSVP [here](#).

Location: *McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave, McLean, VA 22101*

Date and time: *Thursday, May 14, 2026, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.*

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## **JOIN A TEAM**

### **Welcome Team**

*Duties include Greeting people, handing out bulletins, and collecting the offering. You don't have to do it every Sunday. If you are familiar with the process, feel free to use the sign-up in the email or on the website. If you'd like to know more, contact Grace Montgomery.*

### **Communion Table Setters**

*Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of the month, and you can be part of the team that gets the juice and bread ready for worship. Contact Grace Montgomery.*

### **Back-up Coffee Team**

*Sometimes the Montgomerys can't make the coffee on a Sunday morning, could you do it? It isn't as difficult as it looks. Training is provided. Contact Grace Montgomery.*

### **Liturgist Team**

*Could you read scripture? Say a prayer? Tell the people to greet one another? If so, contact Pastor Judith.*

### **Slide Runner**

*Some training is involved, but mostly it is pressing a button at the right time. If you know what you are doing, use the signup in the email or on the website. If you'd like to know more, contact Grace Montgomery.*

### **Youth Team**

*This team will work with Keeley to help support and nurture our youth. The team will be about more than just sharing ideas; it will be about coming alongside Keeley and the youth to help create a fun, safe environment for them to grow spiritually. Contact Keeley.*

### **Adult Education**

*This team will meet a couple of times a year to dream and plan education opportunities for the adults at Trinity. If you have some good ideas or are willing to bounce ideas around. Contact Ben Stewart.*

### **Children's Ministry**

*This team is about creating a fun, safe environment for children to discover God, faith, and what it means to be the church. It will dream about Sunday School, VBS, how to support parents, and more. Contact Ben Stewart.*

### **Knitting Team**

*This team is looking for a coordinator as well as people interested in knitting/crocheting prayer shawls and baptism blankets.*



For an easier way to join a team, use this: <https://www.trinityarlington.org/teamsignup>

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**PIZZA & PRAYER**

**OUR NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR  
FRIDAY, MAY 8, AT 7:00 PM IN THE  
MEDITATION ROOM.**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!!**



***Youth and Children's Corner***



**Adult Volunteers Need**

Our VBS is June 22nd-26th

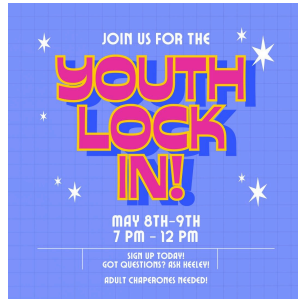
9am - Noon

We need Rotation Leaders and Class Guides.

Use the link the Trinity mail or the QR code to let the planning team know you are willing to help.



For more information contact [ben@trinityarlington.org](mailto:ben@trinityarlington.org)



## Ways to Serve in our Community



### Meal Train



### Meal Train (or visits) Requested for Sandy Montgomery

Sandy Montgomery is recovering at home from a broken ankle that required surgery -- let's support him and Grace until he gets back on his feet by [providing some meals](#) or just by stopping by for a cup of coffee during the work week if you are free.

### Serving with S.O.M.E.

Trinity has been preparing breakfast for over 30+ years on the 3rd Monday of the month for SOME ([So Others May Eat](#)) in DC. They have recently completed a renovation of the kitchen, dining room, and building at 71 O Street NW.

Breakfast preparation consists of 3-4 people arriving at 6:00 a.m. (*finishing by 7:30 a.m.*) and cooking eggs, sausages, grits, and other duties as needed. It's great way to start the morning and support people in need. Visit the [Sign Up Genius](#) link to volunteer - for more information, contact Todd Parker at 703-237-7699.



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[Sign up here!!](#)

*Thank you for helping to keep our community informed.*

## *The Week Ahead @ Trinity*

### *Sunday, May 3*

9:00 am Contemporary Worship Service  
10:10 am Education Time & Fellowship  
11:15 am Traditional Worship Service  
4:00 pm 4th & 5th Grade Group  
5:30 pm Youth Group

### *Monday, May 4*

7:30 pm Trinity Book Club

### *Tuesday, May 5*

12:00 pm Care Giver's Zoom  
7:00 pm Education and Nurture Ministry Meeting

### *Wednesday, May 6*

7:00 pm Contemporary Band Practice  
7:30 pm Bible Study

### *Thursday, May 7*

9:45 am Thursday Morning Book Club  
9:45 am Companions in Christ  
8:00 pm Chancel Choir Practice

### *Friday, May 8*

7:00 pm Pizza & Prayer  
7:00 pm Youth Lock-In

### *Saturday, May 9*

### *Sunday, May 10*

9:00 am Contemporary Worship Service  
10:10 am Education Time & Fellowship  
11:15 am Traditional Worship Service  
12:30 pm Worship and Music Ministry Meeting  
12:30 pm Young Adults  
4:00 pm Zoom Coffee Hour  
5:30 pm Youth DnD

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It is time to pick up  
your artistic works  
from the Gallery  
walls.

# Trinity Presbyterian Pastor & Staff

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Pastor  
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Commissioned Ruling Elder  
Director of Music  
Contemporary Worship Leader  
Director of Spiritual Formation  
Youth Director  
Seminary Intern  
Clerk of Session  
Treasurer  
Preschool Director  
Facility Manager  
Nursery/Godly Play Coordinator  
Bookkeeper

## The People of the Church

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## Ministry Team

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Finance  
Mission & Service  
Outreach  
Pastoral Care  
Worship & Music  
Racial Justice

## Chairs

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Michelle Edwards  
Jay Daugherty  
Ellen Greer / Kim Whittaker  
Greg Wallig  
Terry Cathopoulos  
Tim Foley  
Katherine Nichols  
Grace Montgomery  
Dan Campbell

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Beth Bailey  
Lynn Pollock  
Julie Bradscher  
Patrick Merkel / Zara Johnson  
Matt Jackson  
Pam Michell  
Will Senkus  
Clare Rosenberger  
Luann Moy / Jim St. Pierre  
Merrit Gilliard