

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA



“Tarshish or Bust”

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN VISION STATEMENT

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we seek to BE Christ’s faithful disciples, living – intentionally – the inward/outward journey as a community of the concerned, a fellowship of the forgiven, and a company of the committed – reaching out to make Christ’s presence known in society through face-to-face servant ministry.

November 10rd 2024 ~ Twenty-fifth Sunday After Pentecost

"The ringing of the bells moves us from a spirit of getting here to a spirit of being here."

GATHERED BY GOD IN WONDER

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

GATHERING SONG: NO. 301 "Let us Build a House" v.4

MOMENT FOR MISSION: What I Bring to the Table

CALL TO WORSHIP

Whether we embrace God's call in our lives
or try to avoid it,

**God is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

Whether we are longtimers or latecomers
in the life of faith,

**God is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

Whether our lives in Christ are comfortable
or bring hardship,

**God is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

We praise God's name forever and ever!

*OPENING HYMN: NO. 336 "We Gather Together"

ADMITTING THE BROKENNESS OF LIFE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Forgiving God,
we repent of all the ways we turn from you.
You call, but we do not listen;
you show us your path, but we prefer our own way.
Forgive us, heal us, and lead us back to you,
that we might show mercy to others.
In Jesus' name we pray.
Time for Silent Confession
Amen.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*SONG OF RESPONSE: NO. 767 "Together We Serve" v.4

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*School-aged young disciples are welcome to proceed upstairs to
continue to worship with engaged hands, bodies, and minds.*

ENCOUNTERING THE WORD IN OUR MIDST

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Luke 18:13 and Jonah 1:1-17; 3:1-10, 4:1-11

SERMON: "Tarshish or Bust"

HYMN OF RESPONSE: NO. 722 "Lord Speak to Me, That I May Speak" "

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

RESPONDING IN GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*DOXOLOGY: NO. 709 "God, We Honor You"

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

*FINAL HYMN: NO. 546 " Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing" v. 1-2

*CHARGE

*SUNG BENEDICTION: NO. 700 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" v.

Worship Leadership

Stephanie Sorge, Preacher

Linda Bradley, Liturgist

Eric Ruple, Pianist

Amy Lemmons, House Steward

*We welcome all who are visiting with us today
and encourage you to sign the guest book or to fill out the blue
"Welcome to Trinity" slip.*

Trinity Announcements

Help International Bridgewater College Students: Sanctuary House Church is expanding our mission to help international Bridgewater college students who might experience food insecurities when the college is closed for breaks. Would you be willing to help? We are inviting you to contribute the following items: individual microwave rice bowls, 100% juice boxes or pouches, hot chocolate pouches without marshmallows, and any other shelf stable foods. There will be a box in the Commons area beginning today. The pop-up food pantry will be at Bridgewater Methodist Church on Wed., November 27. Reach out to Donna Barber with any questions!

Clothes Closet Gift Bags: The Clothes Closet is collecting donations to make gift-bags to hand out to children who come to the clothes closet. We are collecting books, crayons, stuffed animals and gift bags. If you are unable to donate a physical item, monetary donations are always appreciated! Sign up with which items you are bringing through the sign-up form on our website or in our emails, and bring your items back to Trinity by *November 17th*. The bin to collect items is in the church hallway by the stairs.

For more details and announcements: Visit the "What's Happening Now" page on our website.



This Week at Trinity

November 10 - November 17

Sunday, November 10

7:45 am - Book Study

Zoom

10:00 am - Hybrid Worship

Church House & Online

11:15 am - Nurture

Church House

Wednesday, November 13

5:45 am - Lectio Divina

Zoom

9:00 am - Clothes Closet set up

Commons

10:00 am - Reaching Out

Yoke Room

12:00 pm - Al-Anon Meeting

Yoke Room

6:30 pm - Clothes Closet Open

Commons

Thursday, November 7

9:00 am - Backpack Program

Keister Elementary

11:30 am - Grief Support Group

Harbor Room

7:00 pm - Chess Club

Commons

Friday, November 8

5:45 am - Lectio Divina

Zoom

8:30 am - Rocktown Wellness

Sanctuary



*More
Announcements*



*Online
Calendar*

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN MISSION STATEMENT

Confident of our identity as God's pilgrim people sent into the world to embody the gospel and serve God's people as prophets, we eagerly search – with eyes and ears wide open – for the newness of Christ's love and grace breaking into our lives each day. To ALL, we offer a receptive, safe space:

- to *worship* in creative and participatory ways,
- to *nurture and be nurtured* as we learn and grow together – fearless of the questions and challenges that faith stirs within us,
- to be in *fellowship* with one another – building together a loving, forgiving, caring community; and,
- to experience the *mission* and ministry that calls us out - beyond ourselves – to work with God for justice, peace, and love.

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN SESSION

Stephanie Sorge, *Moderator*
Linda Bradley, *Clerk of Session*

CLASS OF 2024

Jason Brown
Rick Comstock
Kandy Grant
Virginia Healy

CLASS OF 2025

Yogi Gillette
Mark Dewey
Mary Lou McMillin
Susie Phend

CLASS OF 2026

David Carothers
Amy Lemmons
Ginnie Reinhold
Bob Schminkey



Church Office Hours:
Mon-Fri 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Stephanie's Sabbath: Friday
Kim's Sabbath: Tuesday

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