

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA



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.

October 26th 2025 ~ Twentieth 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. 372 "O For a World" v.2

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

CALL TO WORSHIP

God is here, in this place –

Consider the kindness of a stranger that passes by your way

Our Living God dwells here among the people –

Where touching a brokenhearted friend brings healing to the soul

The spirit fills our hearts –

There's evidence everywhere of the God of Love

*OPENING HYMN: NO. 385 "All People that on Earth Do Dwell"

ADMITTING THE BROKENNESS OF LIFE

CALL TO CONFESSION

*Invitation to stand

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we admit to you that all is not right – in our hearts and in our world,

We look to the darkness and not to the light.

We look for what is broken, and not at what is being mended.

We look to criticize and not to praise.

We look at ourselves and not to you.

Turn us around so that we look at possibility, at hope, at promise, at grace, at healing, at love.

Time for Silent Confession

Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*SONG OF RESPONSE: NO. 750 "Goodness is Stronger than Evil"

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

SPECIAL MUSIC: "Papagaio Azul," E. Villani-Cortes

ENCOUNTERING THE WORD IN OUR MIDST

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: John 2:19-21 & 1 Kings 5:1-5; 8:1-13

SERMON: "Rage Soup"

HYMN OF RESPONSE: NO. 340 "This is My Song"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: from *A Declaration of Faith*

We are not alone, for we live together in God's world. We believe in a God who created and is ever creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make

new, who works in us and others through the Holy Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect for Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus as our judge and our hope. In life and in death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

PRAYERS, NOTES, AND HOLY DOODLES

RESPONDING IN GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY: "Aria from Bachianas Brasilieras no. 5," Heitor Villa-Lobos

*DOXOLOGY: NO. 290 "O Day of Joy and Wonder" v.3

*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 and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

FINAL HYMN: NO. 753 "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

*CHARGE

*SUNG BENEDICTION: NO. 751 "From the Nets of Our Labors " v.5

Worship Leadership

Mark Facknitz, Preacher

Sally Boucher, Liturgist

Paulo Steinberg and Gustavo Balllestros, Music

Mary Lou McMillin, 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

Oct. 29, 7pm - JMU Concert: A Musical Journey to Brazil with Dr.

Paulo Steinberg & Colleagues: Join pianist and JMU Professor Dr. Paulo Steinberg for an unforgettable evening celebrating the vibrant sounds of Brazil. They will bring to life the works of renowned Brazilian composers. From lush melodies to rhythmic flair, this performance offers a captivating glimpse into the heart and soul of Brazilian classical music. Tickets are available for purchase at the JMU Forbes Center box office and online.

Trunk or Treat: This Friday, October 31, we will turn our parking lot into a can't miss spot for those trick-or-treating in Sunset Heights. We'll gather at the church at 5 pm, set up vehicles, and enjoy some pizza together to fuel us for the evening. We'll also celebrate Malaya's birthday! Come ready to dress up your trunk or dress up yourself as we take part in the neighborhood fun.

Church Retreat: We encourage attendance at the annual church retreat **next Sunday**, November 2. There will NOT be worship at Trinity or online that morning. The retreat program will focus on creativity and grief. We will gather starting at 9:30 am in Stewart at Massanetta Springs, with the program starting at 10 am. Lunch will be shared in the dining room from 12:30-1:30. We will worship together at 1:45 in Stewart, celebrating the great cloud of witnesses on All Saints Sunday. You are welcome to join for any or all of those segments. We hope to see you there!

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



This Week at Trinity

October 26 - November 1

Sunday, October 26

7:30 am - Book Study

Zoom

10:00 am - Hybrid Worship

Church House & Online

Monday, October 27

7:00 pm - Rocktown Camera

Commons

Tuesday, October 28

10:30am - Enneagram Class

Centering Space

Wednesday, October 29

5:45 am - Lectio Divina

Zoom

9:00 am - Clothes Closet Set Up

Commons

12:00 pm - Al-Anon Meeting

Yoke Room

6:30 pm - Clothes Closet Open

Commons

Thursday, October 30

9:00 am - Backpack Program

Keister Elementary

7:00 pm - Chess Club

Commons

Friday, October 31

5:45 am - Lectio Divina

Zoom

8:30 am - Rocktown Wellness

Commons

5:00 pm - Trunk or Treat

Church Parking Lot

Saturday, November 1

9:00 am - CWS Family Workshop

Commons



**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 2025

Yogi Gillette
Mark Dewey
Mary Lou McMillin
Susie Phend

CLASS OF 2026

David Carothers
Amy Lemmons
Ginnie Reinhold
Bob Schminkey

CLASS OF 2027

Karla Irving
Stephanie Gardner
Lauren Strawderman
Mary Colleen Knapp



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

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