

**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.*

**August 31<sup>st</sup> 2025 ~ Twelfth 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

Nancy Camp- September 1

Hannah Facknitz - September 3

Alice Facknitz - September 3

GATHERING SONG: NO. 283 "Come, O Holy Spirit, Come"

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come and walk in the light of the Lord!

**The gates are always open and God's home is here among us.**

Come to the river of life,

**to celebrate, to heal, to see the promise of what can be,  
what will be.**

\*OPENING HYMN: NO. 400 "I Rejoiced When I Heard Them Say" V. 1,4, 5

ADMITTING THE BROKENNESS OF LIFE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Loving God, from the beginning to the end,  
you are re-creating for the flourishing of all.**

\*Invitation to stand

**We confess our complacency.**

**We've often settled, choosing not to rock the boat too much.**

**Forgive us for our apathy, inconsistency, and inattention.**

**We've thought we had everything under control, forgetting  
our need for you.**

**Forgive us for our self-reliance, for thinking our own strength  
and ingenuity sufficient.**

**Shine your light, and let your living waters flow to revive our  
spirits**

**that we may persevere on the way to your new creation.**

**We ask in the name of Jesus the Christ.**

**Amen.**

*Time for Silent Confession*

**Amen.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\*SONG OF RESPONSE: NO. 288 "Spirit of the Living God"

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ENCOUNTERING THE WORD IN OUR MIDST

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: John 4:1-14 and Revelation 21:1-6; 22:1-5

SERMON: "It's the End of the World As We Know It"

HYMN OF RESPONSE: NO. 19 "God of Great and God of Small"

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: from *A Declaration of Faith, What is God  
Saying to Trinity*, and *A Brief Statement of Faith*

**We are grateful heirs of reformations and awakenings. We  
are faithful to the reformers of the past when we hold**

**ourselves open in the present to the reforming and renewing work of the Spirit.**

**We believe that the Holy Spirit offers us freedom from new molds of our own making. Therefore, we rejoice in the “worldly insecurity” that will enable us to continue in an open-ended search for the will of God, wondering and eagerly listening for what God will say to our church tomorrow.**

**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!”**

## **NOTES, PRAYERS, & HOLY DOODLES**

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

\*FINAL HYMN: NO.366 “Love Divine, All Love’s Excelling”

\*CHARGE

\*SUNG BENEDICTION: NO. 744 “Arise, Your Light is Come” v.1

### Worship Leadership

Stephanie Sorge, Pastor  
Mary Colleen Knapp, Liturgist  
Bryce Hayes, Pianist  
Karla Irving, 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

**Nursery/Young Disciples:** If you would like to volunteer to help in the nursery or with young disciples in the commons, we will have a brief meeting after worship today. Grab some coffee and join us in the Yoke Room.

**Faculty Showcase Concert:** The JMU School of Music is hosting a "Faculty Showcase Concert" at 7:30pm on Monday, September 1, in the Forbes Center Concert Hall. The concert will include performances by Rachel Grimsby, Paulo Steinberg and Eric Ruple. It is free and open to the public.

**Come & See Sunday:** Next Sunday, we invite you to "Come and See" what God has been doing in and through the ministry at Trinity, and how you might be called to participate. During worship, we will have brief presentations from each current ministry group and an opportunity to hear about newly forming groups. Following worship, each group will have one or more members available to answer questions or provide more information to anyone interested in learning more, like a mini-mission fair!

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



### This Week at Trinity

**August 31 - September 6**

#### **Sunday, August 31**

7:45 am - Book Study	Zoom
10:00 am - Hybrid Worship	Church House & Online

#### **Monday, September 1**

**Labor Day, Office Closed**

1:00pm - Pastoral Care Meeting	Yoke Room
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#### **Wednesday, September 3**

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, September 4**

6:30 pm - Faith & Light	Sanctuary
7:00 pm - Chess Club	Commons

#### **Friday, September 5**

5:45 am - Lectio Divina	Zoom
8:30 am - Rocktown Wellness	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

## Trinity Presbyterian Staff

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