

**TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA**



called & named

**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.*

April 5<sup>th</sup> 2026 ~ Easter Sunday

**"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

Cheri Stakely - April 8

Sherry Satin - April 10

Sara Holben - April 11

GATHERING SONG: no. 232 "Jesus Christ is Risen Today!" v. 1

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rejoice, rejoice! The tomb is empty, what was dead is alive.

**With Mary Magdalene we come creeping into the light,  
tears of sadness turned to tears of joy, for Jesus is alive!**

Is this a giant divine joke? Is God having the last laugh?

**Yes and yes and so much more. We come to worship with laughter  
and hope, for life is here.**

\*OPENING HYMN: no. 231 "Christ has Risen While Earth Slumbers"

ADMITTING THE BROKENNESS OF LIFE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit  
we have been raised from the waters of baptism  
to share in your glorious resurrection.  
Yet we have not lived as Easter people.**

\*Invitation to stand

**Like Mary, we weep at the tomb, but do not recognize  
your presence.**

**Call us by name, risen Lord, that we may know  
you with confidence.**

**Whenever we are tempted to fear death,  
give us courage to confess your Easter victory.**

**Whenever we are distracted by petty conflicts,  
keep our minds on your reconciling love.**

**Whenever we are overwhelmed by the power of evil,  
reveal again to us your triumph over the destructive powers  
of oppression.**

**Forgive us our sin**

**and let our lives be a testimony to your salvation**

**through the love of God and by the power of the Holy Spirit.**

*Time for a silent confession*

**Amen**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\*SONG OF RESPONSE: no. 243 "Be Not Afraid"

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ENCOUNTERING THE WORD IN OUR MIDST

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 118:21-29 & John 20:1-18

SERMON: "I have seen the Lord!"

HYMN OF RESPONSE: no.241 "Woman, Weeping in the Garden"

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**In the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus**

**God kept God's promises.**

**All that we can ever hope for  
was present in Christ.**

**But the work of God in Christ is not over.**



## Worship Leadership

Stephanie Sorge, Pastor  
Mary Lou McMillin, Liturgist  
Eric Ruple, Pianist  
Mark Facknitz, 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

**One Great Hour Of Sharing:** We will observe the One Great Hour of Sharing on this Easter Sunday. The OGHS supports our denomination's responses to disaster recovery, hunger, poverty, climate change, and immigration/migration issues and refugees. You can also donate under the "Online Giving" tab of our website.

**Supper Club:** The Lent/Easter Team is exploring the idea of creating some 'Supper Club' Once you meet the group will decide: how often you will gather, and how you spend your evening. If you are interesting in joining, reach out to Mary Lou McMillin.

**Grounds For Hope:** We will have one more Zoom meeting for feedback on the concept draft on Wednesday, April 15, at 4 pm . At 3pm on Sunday, April 19, we will have one final opportunity to gather in person to share thoughts and ask questions before we send feedback to the design team.

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



**More  
Announcements**



**Online  
Calendar**

## This Week at Trinity

**March 29 - April 4**

### **Sunday, April 5** *Easter Sunday*

7:30 am - Book Study	Zoom
10:00 am - Hybrid Worship	Church House & Online
11:00 am - Easter Egg Hunt	Church House
12:00 pm - Easter Brunch	Church House

### **Monday, April 6**

1:00 pm - Pastoral Care Mtg.	Yoke Room
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### **Tuesday, April 7**

5:00 pm - Yoga	Sanctuary
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### **Wednesday, April 8**

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, April 9**

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

### **Friday, April 10**

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

## 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*  
Stephanie Gardner, *Clerk of Session*

### CLASS OF 2026

David Carothers  
Amy Lemmons  
Ginnie Reinhold  
Bob Schminkey

### CLASS OF 2027

Karla Irving  
Stephanie Gardner  
Lauren Strawderman  
Mary Colleen Knapp

### CLASS OF 2028

Donna Barber  
Mark Facknitz  
Lizzy Healy  
Rollin Johnson

## Contact Us!



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Mon-Fri 9:00 am – 3:00 pm  
Stephanie's Sabbath: Friday

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