

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.

November 12, 2023 ~ 24th Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERED BY GOD IN WONDER

PRELUDE: "The Love of Jesus Medley" arr. Mark Hayes

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

GATHERING SONG: "The Lord Looked Down"

The Lord looked down and there God found the people turned away.

"All toil and strife now is their life!" all heaven heard God say.

Though they may say, "Let's turn away!" said God's child Israel.

"Still my compassion and my love," said God, "won't go away!"

The Lord called down, God's voice did sound like fire and love and peace.

"I'll send you help so you can tell I'll love you faithfully."

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

CALL TO WORSHIP

When we were children

God loved us.

When we were captive

God set us free.

When we walk away

God's call remains.

When we are in need

God bends down to care for us.

Come, let us gather.

Come, let us worship

the One who loves us

with an everlasting love.

*OPENING HYMN: NO. 614 "Great Are You Lord"

ADMITTING THE BROKENNESS OF LIFE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, you are the giver of every good and perfect gift. You give us our talents, our freedom, and our financial resources. We struggle to give back to you from these gifts. We often worry that these gifts are not enough; that we must hold onto them for ourselves and for our family. We acknowledge that our actions and inactions have led to the oppression of our neighbors. We have willingly benefitted from privileges that cause harm to others. We have failed to heed your call to lead from a place of humility, and to care for our communities in a way that makes it possible for all to flourish. Forgive us our fear of scarcity and love of power, and keep us ever mindful of the needs of others.

Time for Silent Confession

Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*SONG OF RESPONSE: NO. 110 "Love Has Come" v. 3

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ENCOUNTERING THE WORD IN OUR MIDST

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Mark 10:13-14 & Hosea 11:1-9

SERMON: "The Vows We Make"

*HYMN OF RESPONSE: NO. 710 "We Lift Our Voices"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

RESPONDING IN GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY: "In the Garden" C. Austin Miles/arr. Mark Hayes

*DOXOLOGY: NO. 643 "Now Thank We All Our God" v. 1

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

COMMISSIONING PRAYER FOR BILL REINHOLD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*FINAL HYMN: NO. 36 "For the Fruit of All Creation"

*CHARGE

*SUNG BENEDICTION: NO. 733 "We All Are One in Mission"

NOTES, PRAYERS, & HOLY DOODLES

Worship Leadership

Stephanie Sorge, Pastor
Nancy Hopkins-Garriss, Liturgist
Paulo Steinberg, Pianist
Virginia Healy, House Steward

*We welcome all who are visiting with us today
and encourage you to sign the guest book in the hallway.*

Trinity Announcements

Advent Fair: Join us for our Advent Fair on Sunday, November 26th, starting at 3pm. From 3-4:30 we will have a variety of stations, including an option to make Advent Wreaths, decorate the church, and other creative opportunities. We'll share a meal from 4:30-5:15 offered by Turning Tables. Sign up to bring food or participate in the activities on our website.

Guns to Gardens: All those who helped in planning and presenting the Guns to Gardens safe dismantling and refashioning of guns on October 22, are urged to attend the final meeting and evaluation of the event on November 19, at 12:30 here at the church house.

December Special Music: We will be having a choir in December, singing in worship on 12/10! There will be rehearsals on 11/26 and 12/3 after worship in the Sanctuary and on 12/10 before worship at 9 AM.

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



This Week at Trinity

November 12 - November 18

Sunday, November 12

7:45 am - Book Study	Zoom
10:00 am - Hybrid Worship	Church House & Online
11:00 am - Coffee Fellowship	Commons
11:15 am - Nurture	Church House

Tuesday, November 14

5:00-6:00 pm - Yoga Class (Registration Required)	Sanctuary
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Wednesday, November 15

5:45 am - Lectio Divina	Zoom
9:00-11:00 am - Clothes Closet Set-up	Commons
12:00-1:00 pm - Al-Anon Meeting	Sanctuary
6:30-7:30 pm - Clothes Closet Open	Commons
7:30 pm - <i>Breaking Bread</i> Study	Church House & Zoom

Thursday, November 16

9:00 am - Lectio Divina	Yoke Room
9:00 am - Backpack Program Packing	Keister Elementary
7:00 pm - Chess Club	Commons

Friday, November 17

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

Saturday, November 18

9:00am - Art Journaling Workshop	Church House
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**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 2023

Mark Facknitz
Nancy Hopkins-Garriss
Rick Orem
Patti Warner

CLASS OF 2024

Jason Brown
Rick Comstock
Kandy Grant
Virginia Healy

CLASS OF 2025

Dane Byers
Mark Dewey
Mary Lou McMillin
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Trinity Presbyterian Staff

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(Temporary) Church Office Hours:
Tue-Fri 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
Stephanie's Sabbath: Friday
Kim's Sabbath: Tuesday

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