

**TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA**



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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 12th 2026 ~ Second Sunday of Easter

ADMITTING THE BROKENNESS OF LIFE

"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

Malcolm Cameron- April 12

Emily Kempfer-Ware - April 13

Galen Brown - April 14

Oliver Atwood - April 16

Stuart Davis - April 18

GATHERING SONG: no. 232 "Jesus Christ is Risen Today!" v. 4

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

CALL TO WORSHIP

Do we ask the questions?

Do we voice our doubts?

Do we dare admit we are unsure?

**In honesty and humility
we worship this morning,**

certain or uncertain,

assured or questing,

we are here seeking understanding.

May we respond to your presence, living Lord.

*OPENING HYMN: no. 250 "In the Bulb There is a Flower"

*Invitation to stand

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**You have shown yourself to us, O God,
by Word and Spirit,
with signs and wonders,
in flesh and blood,
yet we still struggle
to live and believe
the good news of Jesus Christ.
Have mercy on us;
forgive us.
Enter into our lives
and cast out our fear
so that we may come to trust in you
and have life in Jesus' name. Amen.**

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 145:13-21 & John 20:19-31

SERMON: "How do you know?"

SPECIAL MUSIC "Doubting Thomas"

What will be left when I've drawn my last breath,
Besides the folks I've met and the folks who know me?
Will I discover a soul-saving love,
Or just the dirt above and below me?

I'm a Doubting Thomas,
I took a promise,
But I do not feel safe,
Oh me of little faith.

Sometimes I pray for a slap in the face,
Then I beg to be spared 'cause I'm a coward,
If there's a master of death I'll bet he's holding his breath,
As I show the blind and tell the deaf about his power,
I'm a Doubting Thomas,
I can't keep my promises,
'Cause I don't know what's safe,
Oh me of little faith

Can I be used to help others find truth,
When I'm scared I'll find proof that it's a lie?
Can I be led down a trail dropping bread crumbs,
That prove I'm not ready to die?

Please give me time to decipher the signs,
Please forgive me for time that I've wasted.

I'm a Doubting Thomas,
I'll take your promise,
Though I know nothin's safe,
Oh me of little faith.

REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT
AND WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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

*DOXOLOGY: no. 717 "For the Life that You Have Given"

*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. 656 "We've Come this Far by Faith" twice

*BENEDICTION

*SUNG BENEDICTION: no. 726 "Will You Come and Follow Me?" v.5

Worship Leadership

Stephanie Sorge, Pastor
Virginia Healy, Liturgist
Paulo Steinberg, 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

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.

New Yoga Session: Registration is open for the next 2026 yoga class led by Robin Atwood. The Yoga Session begins Tuesday, April 21, and runs through May 26 from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. We suggest a donation of \$35.00 for this 6-week class; however, Centering Space will continue to provide this class at no cost to participants. Sign up information can be found on our website.

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



**More
Announcements**



**Online
Calendar**

This Week at Trinity

April 12 - April 17

Sunday, April 12

7:30 am - Book Study
10:00 am - Hybrid Worship

Zoom
Church House & Online

Tuesday, April 14

5:00 pm - Yoga

Sanctuary

Wednesday, April 15

5:45 am - Lectio Divina
9:00 am - Clothes Closet Set Up
12:00 pm - Al-Anon Meeting
6:30 pm - Clothes Closet Open

Zoom
Commons
Yoke Room
Commons

Thursday, April 16

6:30 pm - Faith & Light
12:00 pm - Spiritual Direction
7:00 pm - Chess Club

Sanctuary
Harbor Room
Commons

Friday, April 17

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

Zoom
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!



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

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