

# 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.*

**September 7<sup>th</sup> 2025 ~ Thirteenth 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. 1

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*OPENING HYMN: NO. 32 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

ADMITTING THE BROKENNESS OF LIFE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Creator God,  
You form all that has been, is, and is to come,  
creating and re-creating, generation to generation.  
We confess that we have tried to harness the earth's  
creativity for our own ends.  
We have hoarded things meant to be shared.  
We have acted like we are in charge.**

**Forgive us for dominating instead of co-existing.  
Forgive us for abusing instead of nurturing.  
Forgive us when we forget who we are and whose we are.  
Restore the order of your creation,  
and restore us as the reflections of your image that we are.  
We ask in the name of Jesus Christ,  
Amen.**

*Time for Silent Confession*  
**Amen.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

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

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ENCOUNTERING THE WORD IN OUR MIDST

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

"COME AND SEE"

Backpack Program

Care Portal

Centering Space

Clothes Closet

Hearts and Hands

Nabarangpur Mercy House

Reaching Out

Sanctuary

VANITA

HYMN OF RESPONSE: NO. 69 "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

\*Invitation to stand

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

**We know our efforts cannot bring in God's kingdom.  
But hope plunges us into the struggle  
for victories over evil that are possible now  
in the world, the church, and our individual lives.  
Hope gives us courage and energy  
to contend against all opposition,  
however invincible it may seem,  
for the new world and the new humanity  
that are surely coming.  
Jesus is Lord!  
He has been Lord from the beginning.  
He will be Lord at the end.  
Even now he is Lord.**

RESPONDING IN GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS TO GOD

\*DOXOLOGY: NO. 290 “O Day of Joy and Wonder” v.3

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Minister/Leader

People

S3

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Minister/Leader

People

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Minister/Leader

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

S4

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full, are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

S5

Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FINAL HYMN: NO. 300 “We are One in the Spirit”

\*CHARGE

\*SUNG BENEDICTION: NO. 751 “From the Nets of Our Labors ” v.5

**Worship Leadership**

Stephanie Sorge, Pastor  
Susie Phend, Liturgist  
Eric Ruple, Pianist  
Amy Lemmons, 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**

**Come & See Sunday:** Today, we will “Come and See” what God has been doing in and through the ministry at Trinity, and how you might be called to participate. 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!

**Shenandoah Valley Pride Festival:** The annual Shenandoah Valley Pride Festival will be held on Sunday, September 21 at Turner Pavillion from 1-5 p.m. We invite you to help with setting up, staffing Trinity's table, and cleaning up. For more information, contact the church office. You can sign up online or contact the office to help.

**Harvest Nurture:** This fall’s Nurture theme is inspired by How We Learn to Be Brave by Bishop Mariann Budde. We’ll explore stories of courage—both from the book and from neighbors in our own community. The first book discussions will be held next Sunday, Sept. 14.

**For more details and announcements:** Visit the “What’s Happening Now” page on our website.



**This Week at Trinity**  
**September 7 - September 12**

<b>Sunday, September 7</b>		
7:45 am - Book Study	Zoom	
10:00 am - Hybrid Worship	Church House & Online	
<b>Tuesday, September 9</b>		
10:30am - Enneagram Class	Centering Space	
<b>Wednesday, September 10</b>		
5:45 am - Lectio Divina	Zoom	
9:00 am - Clothes Closet Set Up	Commons	
10:00 am Reaching Out Book Study	Zoom	
12:00 pm - Al-Anon Meeting	Yoke Room	
6:30 pm - Clothes Closet Open	Commons	
<b>Thursday, September 11</b>		
7:00 pm - Chess Club	Commons	
<b>Friday, September 12</b>		
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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