

**TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA**

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Harvest 2026

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 20th 2026 ~ Seventeenth 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
Alex Sonifrank - September 25

GATHERING SONG: no. 401 "Here in this Place" v.2

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

CALL TO WORSHIP: An Unending Love by Rabbi Rami Shapiro

*OPENING HYMN: "Summoned by the God Who Made Us"
**Summoned by the God who made us rich in our diversity,
Gathered in the name of Jesus, richer still in unity:**

(Refrain) **Let us bring the gifts that differ and, in splendid, varied ways,
Sing a new church into being, one in faith and love and praise.**

**Radiant risen from the water, robed in holiness and light,
Every person in God's image, every person God's delight.**
(Refrain)

**Trust the goodness of creation; trust the Spirit strong within.
Dare to dream the vision promised sprung from seed of what has been.**
(Refrain)

*Invitation to stand

**Bring the hopes of every nation; bring the art of every race.
Weave a song of peace and justice; let it sound through time and space.**
(Refrain)

**Draw together at one table all the human family;
Shape a circle ever wider and a people ever free.**
(Refrain)

ADMITTING THE BROKENNESS OF LIFE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: "The Confession I Long to Hear" by Slat's Toole

**it is so hard to say, "we were wrong."
it is only here, in the intimacy of prayer
with a God who became vulnerable to us
that we can dare to whisper in Your ear:
"we thought we were being kind.
we thought we were being good,
and righteous and following Your word.
we thought we were saving souls."
God of mercy, now we know:
judgement and salvation are your task, not ours.
return us to Your call to care and serve all Your children,
may we never again call profane
those who you have made beloved. Amen.**
Time for Silent Confession
Amen

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*SONG OF RESPONSE: no. 292 "As the Wind Song" v.2

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ENCOUNTERING THE WORD IN OUR MIDST

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: Romans 8:38-39 & Acts 8:26-40

SERMON: "Come and Co-Conspire"

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

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

In life and in death we belong to God.

Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

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!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

RESPONDING IN GRATITUDE AND SERVICE

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*DOXOLOGY: no. 715 "The Earth Belongs to God Alone" v.3

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GRATITUDE FOR BARBARA BOWMAN

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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. 315 "In the Midst of New Dimensions"

*CHARGE

*SUNG BENEDICTION: no. 295 "Go to the World!" v.2

Worship Leadership

Stephanie Sorge, Preacher
Christabell DeMichele, Liturgist
Eric Ruple, 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

Assisted Listening Devices: We have assisted listening devices available. You can get them from the usher.

Missing: One box of Trinity's chime collection. Have you seen it, or do you know where it is? There is interest in starting a chime choir, but we're missing half of our collection. If you know or have an idea of where they could be, please reach out to the church office.

Retreat: There will be NO onsite worship and NO livestream on Sunday, September 27. Worship will conclude our retreat at the EMU Seminary Chapel after lunch, around 1:30. All are welcome to come to worship, regardless of participation in the morning retreat!

Fall Yoga Class: Our first fall 2026 yoga session with Robin Atwood will begin on Tuesday, September 22 at 5:00 and run through Tuesday, October 6. In addition, Robin will offer two Thursday classes on September 24 and October 8 at 5:30 pm. You can sign up for the Tuesday only option with a suggested fee of \$20, or for both the Tuesday and Thursday option for a suggested fee of \$30.

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



This Week at Trinity

September 20 - September 27

Sunday, September 20

7:30 am - Book Study	Zoom
10:00 am - Hybrid Worship	Church House & Online
12:00 pm - Shenandoah Pride	Turner Pavilion

Tuesday, September 22

5:00 pm - Yoga	Sanctuary
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Wednesday, September 23

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 24

12:00 pm - Spiritual Direction	Harbor Room
7:00 pm - Chess Club	Commons

Friday, September 25

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

Sunday, September 27

10:00 am - Retreat	Eastern Mennonite University
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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*
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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