

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST October 13, 2024

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

Impromptu (from 24 Pièces de Fantaisie) Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We gather before God together, imperfect but present.

Many: Let us worship God together earnestly with our whole selves.

One: We gather before God together, desiring deeper faith.

Many: Let us learn from God together

as we seek harmony between our words and our actions.

All: Let us worship God!

† GATHERING HYMN

Glory to God Hymnal, No. 307

God of Grace and God of Glory
CWM RHONDDA

WE OPEN UP TO GOD

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, Maker of us all, have mercy on us. Jesus Christ, servant of us all, have mercy on us. Holy Spirit, breath of all life, have mercy on us. Before you, we confess our brokenness; and we acknowledge the ways we wound our lives, the lives of others, and the whole world. Before you, we admit our hesitations; and we recognize the ways we sell ourselves short and, most importantly, sell you short. Before you, we embrace your grace; and we covenant to live into its fullness in spite of all that might get in the way. Holy God, Maker of us all, have mercy on us. Jesus Christ, servant of us all, have mercy on us. Holy Spirit, breath of all life, have mercy on us. Amen.

A TIME FOR PERSONAL PRAYER

KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

One: There is good news in the uncertainty, there is grace in letting go.

Many: We embrace the truth we struggle so hard to accept:

That in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

†THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you – And also with you!

†GLORIA PATRI

Glory to God

Glory to God Hymnal, No. 582

GOD SPEAKS TO US

MORNING WATCH

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 12: 13-21

ANTHEM Ubi Caritas

Ola Gjeillo (b. 1978)

Where charity and love are, God is there.

Christ's love has gathered us into one.

Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.

Let us fear, and let us love the living God.

And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

SERMON

Generous Hearts For A Shared Vision - The Myth Of Scarcity

Dr. Steve Lindsley

Generosity makes our world larger, deepens our gratitude, brings joy to life and more intimately connects us to God and each other.

WE RESPOND WITH FAITH AND COMMITMENT

†HYMN OF RESPONSE

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

Glory to God Hymnal, No.353

SOLID ROCK

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From the Northumbria Prayer Liturgy

Lord, you have always given bread for the coming day - and though I am poor, today I believe. Lord, you have always given peace for the coming day - and though my heart is anxious, today I believe. Lord, you have always kept me safe in trials - and though I am prone to doubt, today I believe. Lord, you have always marked the road for the coming day - and though it may be hidden, today I believe. Lord, you have always lightened this darkness of mine - and though the night is here, today I believe. Lord, you have always spoken when the time was ripe - and though you may be silent now, today I believe.

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

A MOMENT FOR GENEROSITY

To make an Offering by text, text TPCGIVE to 73256. For online Offering click <u>HERE</u> or scan QR code to the right.

Kyle Nielsen and Phil Tappy



OFFERTORY

† DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

PRAYER FOR OFFERING

WE GO FORTH TO WITNESS AND SERVE

† SENDING HYMN

Glory to God, Hymnal No. 475

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

† BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Symphony II: Final Charles-Marie Widor (1840-1937)

† All who are able are invited to stand.

WORSHIP LEADERS: Dr. Steve Lindsley, preacher; Rev. Rebecca Heilman-Campbell, Izzy Tappy, and Brannon Tappy, liturgists; Trinity Choir and Dr. Justin Smith, Director of Music and Cultural Events; Mark Swicegood, organist.

For those in need of hearing assistance, our Sanctuary is equipped with a "loop system" that broadcasts the audio into your hearing aids using t-coil technology. Alternately, headphones can be accessed in the Narthex.

WELCOME TO TRINITY

You are welcome and there is a place for you here at Trinity! We strive to be an open and inclusive community, acknowledging and embracing the rich diversity of God's creation so we embody our calling to, "grow together and welcome all." We love having children, and their wiggles, worship with us at Trinity. If you choose, childcare is provided for ages four and under. We are happy your family is here! Whatever in your life brought you to worship with us today, you are welcome, and we hope you feel at home.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYGIENE KIT ASSEMBLY - Join us after the Worship service to help assemble hygiene kits for Western North Carolina. All of the supplies will be provided. This is a great opportunity to come together as a community and support those in need.

WAKE UP WEDNESDAYS - Come enjoy coffee and community in the Cloister on Wednesday, October 16 and 30 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome—church members, families from the Weekday School, Phillips Academy, and friends and neighbors of Trinity. Phillips Academy will proudly brew and serve the coffee. We look forward to sharing a warm cup and great conversation with you!

FILM AND FELLOWSHIP - Join us for a viewing of the film, *Rustin*, with a discussion to follow. Learn about Bayard Rustin, an activist who was central to the inception of the 1963 March on Washington, and who faced intracommunity homophobia as he battled societal racism. Thursday, October 17, at 6:30 p.m., in the Parlor. Popcorn will be provided!

MEN'S BREAKFAST - The Men's Breakfast will meet on Monday, October 14, at 8:30 a.m., in the Youth Center. All are welcome. If you plan to attend, please email John Parker at john e parker@yahoo.com.

GENEROSITY SEASON IS HERE - Generosity expands our world, deepens our gratitude, fills our lives with joy, and strengthens our connection to God and one another. As we embrace this Generosity Season, we invite you to join us in living out God's vision for our church. Generosity packets were sent out last week—if you haven't received yours by the end of this week, please reach out to the church office. Mark your calendars for Response Sunday on October 27!

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING OCTOBER 20 - The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, October 20th, immediately following worship, to act on recommendations from the Officer Nominating Committee regarding the election of new elders for the classes of 2025 and 2027.

ALL SAINT'S SUNDAY - On November 3, All Saints' Sunday, we will honor and give thanks for the lives of Trinity members who have passed away over the past year. If you have lost a loved one who was not a member of Trinity and you would like them to be remembered during the service, please contact the church office by Monday, October 28th to submit their name.

LITTLE FREE PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED! - Please consider purchasing items from our Amazon Wishlist or dropping off items directly at the pantry. Scan the QR code under Offering to view and purchase needed items. We appreciate your support!

NURSERY SCHEDULE -The Nursery is open every Sunday, from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., unless there is no Sunday School and then it will open at 10:30 a.m. Our nursery care providers are Angela Drugan and Sarah Emily Click.

OCTOBER SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE – Sunday School classes for all ages will meet on October 20 and October 27, 9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.