



**TRINITY**

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A S H E V I L L E

**May 19, 2024**

# Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church!

## (Presbyterian Church in America)

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We are glad that you are with us this morning. We hope you feel welcome. Please let us know if we can help you in any way.

**Our Worship Service** lasts for about 75 minutes. Please use this worship bulletin as an aid in following the service. We hope you will find the service accessible whether you have spent your whole life in church or are attending for the very first time. Christian Education classes are available for all ages following the worship service.

**Devices for the hearing impaired are available.** Please go to the sound booth in the sanctuary if you would like one.

**There are a few options for your children.** We welcome children of all ages and abilities to remain with their parents in worship. We have children's bulletins and Bibles available in the foyer. Room 101 is a dedicated cry room for nursing mothers. Children ages two through five are given the choice of attending a children's worship time in Room 104; dismissal is before the sermon. We love children here at Trinity. For their safety, please do not leave them unattended in or outside the building.

**The Trinity 'Weekly' is an email that comes out every Thursday evening. It is the central line of communication for our church.** To receive the Weekly, please subscribe at the bottom of the church website home page.

**To connect with our church,** please feel free to speak with our pastor, elders, or greeters. They can give you information on our small group Bible studies and other ministry opportunities. You may also complete a contact card (found on the back page of this bulletin) or send an email to [tish@trinityasheville.com](mailto:tish@trinityasheville.com). Additional information may also be found at the welcome table in the foyer or on our website: [trinityasheville.com](http://trinityasheville.com).

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# GOD CALLS US

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*\* Please stand as you are able.*

## \* Gathering Song

*Rejoice*

Rejoice in the Lord, now and always; sing it again, we rejoice.  
Delight in the love he has shown us, gratefully lift up your voice.  
His gentleness among us will join our hearts with praise.  
We gather in his goodness; a family of grace.

*Chorus*

*With each breath he's given, praise the Lord!  
In these times we live in, we will praise the Lord.  
Throughout ev'ry season, I am sure  
we have every reason to praise the Lord.*

Rejoice and be anxious for nothing, praying for all that you need.  
Come with a song of thanksgiving; lay your requests at his feet.  
His peace will fall upon us, to guard our hearts and minds  
in Christ, who reigns eternal; the Shepherd of our lives.

*Chorus*

Rejoice in the Lord, now and always; tell of the good he has done.  
Worship the Lord to remember all of the joy yet to come.  
The hope that burns within us the dark cannot destroy.  
With praise that's never ending, we say again, "Rejoice!"

*Chorus*

We have every reason to praise the Lord.

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Welcome and Announcements

(See rear pages for more information)

\* Call to Worship

Psalm 124

Leader: If it had not been the LORD who was on our side — let Israel now say — if it had not been the LORD who was on our side when people rose up against us, then they would have swallowed us up alive, when their anger was kindled against us; then the flood would have swept us away, the torrent would have gone over us; then over us would have gone the raging waters. Blessed be the LORD, who has not given us as prey to their teeth! We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers; the snare is broken, and we have escaped!

**All: Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.**

\* Hymn of Praise

*Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim*

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,  
and publish abroad his wonderful name;  
the name, all victorious, of Jesus extol;  
his kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;  
and still he is nigh – his presence we have.  
The great congregation his triumph shall sing,  
ascribing salvation to Jesus, our King.

Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!  
Let all cry aloud and honor the Son.  
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,  
fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right,  
all glory and pow'r, and wisdom and might,  
all honor and blessing, with angels above,  
and thanks never ceasing for infinite love.

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\* Prayer of Invocation & Adoration

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## GOD CLEANSSES US

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The Law of God

from Exodus 20

Leader: You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make a graven image. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Honor your father and mother. You shall not kill. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness. You shall not covet.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty, eternal, merciful God and Father, we confess that we have sinned in many ways against you and your commandments: we have put our faith more in creatures than in you; we have created idols in our hearts, and bowed down and served them; we have misused your name; we have not kept your day holy; we have been disobedient to all those to whom we owe honor and obedience; we have not respected life; we have been unchaste, delighting in the sins of the flesh; we have been greedy and unwilling to admit our love of the things of this world; we have shaded, twisted, and denied truth; we have longed for the possessions and loved ones of others. Father, we pray that you would forgive us of these and all our sins. Keep and preserve us that we may walk only in your ways and live according to your will, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 8:31-39

Leader: What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died -more than that, who was raised- who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life,

nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

\* Response Song

*Come, Ye Souls by Sin Afflicted*

Come, ye souls by sin afflicted, bowed with fruitless sorrow down;  
by the broken law convicted, through the cross behold the crown;  
look to Jesus, mercy flows through him alone.

Take his easy yoke and wear it, love will make obedience sweet;  
Christ will give you strength to bear it, while his wisdom guides your feet  
safe to glory, where his ransomed captives meet.

Blessèd are the eyes that see him, blest the ears that hear his voice;  
Blessèd are the souls that trust him, and in him alone rejoice;  
his commandments then become their happy choice.

Sweet as home to pilgrims weary, light to newly opened eyes,  
or full springs in deserts dreary is the rest the cross supplies;  
all who taste it shall to rest immortal rise.

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Old Testament Scripture Reading

Isaiah 55

- 1 "Come, everyone who thirsts,  
come to the waters;  
and he who has no money,  
come, buy and eat!  
Come, buy wine and milk  
without money and without price.
- 2 Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,  
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?  
Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good,  
and delight yourselves in rich food.
- 3 Incline your ear, and come to me;  
hear, that your soul may live;  
and I will make with you an everlasting covenant,  
my steadfast, sure love for David.

4 Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples,  
a leader and commander for the peoples.

5 Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know,  
and a nation that did not know you shall run to you,  
because of the LORD your God, and of the Holy One of Israel,  
for he has glorified you.

6 "Seek the LORD while he may be found;  
call upon him while he is near;

7 let the wicked forsake his way,  
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;  
let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him,  
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

8 For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.

9 For as the heavens are higher than the earth,  
so are my ways higher than your ways  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

10 "For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven  
and do not return there but water the earth,  
making it bring forth and sprout,  
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,

11 so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;  
it shall not return to me empty,  
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,  
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

12 "For you shall go out in joy  
and be led forth in peace;  
the mountains and the hills before you  
shall break forth into singing,  
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

13 Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;  
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;  
and it shall make a name for the LORD,  
an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off."

## Pastoral Prayer (concluding with 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

## Offering

The offering isn't about our monetary gifts alone, since the Gospel demands a much deeper response: God demands "our all" – every ounce of who we are. This act of 'worship through giving' is a spiritual discipline – and a joy – in offering ourselves as "living sacrifices" to God (Romans 12:1), and giving cheerfully out of our thankfulness to him. (2 Corinthians 9:7).

Online Giving: Text any dollar amount to 84321

***Children's Church (ages two through Kindergarten) may dismiss at this time.***

## Hymn of Preparation

## *My Song Forever Shall Record (Psalm 89)*

My song forever shall record the tender mercies of the Lord;  
thy faithfulness will I proclaim, and ev'ry age shall know thy name.  
I sing of mercies that endure, forever builded firm and sure,  
of faithfulness that never dies, established changeless in the skies.

Behold God's truth and grace displayed, for he has faithful cov'nant made,  
and he has sworn that David's Son shall ever sit upon his throne.  
"For him my mercy shall endure, my cov'nant made with him is sure;  
his throne and race I will maintain forever, while the heav'ns remain."

The heavens and earth, by right divine, the world and all therein, are thine;  
the whole creation's wondrous frame proclaims its Maker's glorious name.  
Blest be the Lord forevermore, whose promise stands from days of yore,  
his Word is faithful now as then; blest be his name. Amen. Amen.

Text: excerpted from Psalm 89, *The Psalter* 1912

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## GOD SPEAKS TO US

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*Please stand for the reading of God's Word.*

### \* Scripture Reading

John 4:1-26

<sup>1</sup> Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John <sup>2</sup> (although Jesus himself did not baptize, but only his disciples), <sup>3</sup> he left Judea and departed again for Galilee. <sup>4</sup> And he had to pass through Samaria. <sup>5</sup> So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. <sup>6</sup> Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

<sup>7</sup> A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." <sup>8</sup> (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) <sup>9</sup> The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) <sup>10</sup> Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." <sup>11</sup> The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?" <sup>12</sup> Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." <sup>13</sup> Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, <sup>14</sup> but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." <sup>15</sup> The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

<sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." <sup>17</sup> The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; <sup>18</sup> for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." <sup>19</sup> The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. <sup>20</sup> Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. <sup>22</sup> You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. <sup>23</sup> But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. <sup>24</sup> God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." <sup>25</sup> The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things." <sup>26</sup> Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

## **Sermon Notes**

John 4:1-26

*Living Water*

Rev. Robert Recio

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## GOD STRENGTHENS US

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### Confession of Faith

### The 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 Spirit,  
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 at 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 Spirit,  
the holy catholic‡ church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

† “descended into hell” means Jesus Christ literally experiencing God’s wrath

‡ “catholic church” means the universal church

# Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Trinity Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who have made a public profession of faith and are members of any Bible-believing church to participate in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper with us.

**Gluten free crackers are in the paper liners of each tray.**

## Understanding the Gospel

John 3:16 tells us: "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life."

This passage answers basic questions of who, what, why, when, and how. Please ask any of our church leaders to talk with you about what the Bible says about Jesus.

- God so loved the world...  
God loved the world in such a way to rescue people from their sins against Him (John 3:17; II Corinthians 5:21).
- He gave His only begotten Son...  
He sent His Son to live among us, to show us His love, and to pay the penalty for our sins through His death on the cross (Romans 5:8; 6:23).
- That whoever believes in Him...  
Believing in Christ means trusting in Him as the One who fully paid for our sins, and turning from our sins (including trusting in ourselves). It means receiving His free gift of salvation and full forgiveness, and trusting His Lordship in our lives (John 1:12; Ephesians 2:8-10; I John 5:11,12).
- Shall not perish, but have everlasting life.

Through faith in Jesus, we have eternal life and a family relationship with God as our Father. Because we trust Jesus as the One who died for our sins, we are rescued from God's judgment and have new life in His name (John 5:24; John 10:10; John 11:25,26).

## \* Closing Song

*Arise, My Soul, Arise*

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears:  
the bleeding Sacrifice in my behalf appears:  
before the throne my Surety stands,  
before the throne my Surety stands,  
my name is written on his hands.

He ever lives above, for me to intercede,  
his all-redeeming love, his precious blood to plead;  
his blood atoned for ev'ry race,  
his blood atoned for ev'ry race,  
and sprinkles now the throne of grace.

Five bleeding wounds he bears, received on Calvary;  
they pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me.  
"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,  
"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,  
"nor let that ransomed sinner die!"

My God is reconciled; his pard'ning voice I hear;  
he owns me for his child, I can no longer fear;  
with confidence I now draw nigh,  
with confidence I now draw nigh,  
and "Father, Abba, Father!" cry.

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## \* Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him, above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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## **GOD SENDS US**

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## \* Benediction and Dismissal

The LORD always has the final word in our worship service.  
This "bene" (good) "dictos" (word) is always a promise  
of His presence and blessing for all those who are in Him.

# THIS WEEK

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## **SUNDAY, May 19**

Worship Service.....9:30AM in Worship Area  
Sunday School for Children and Youth ..... 11:00AM in Classrooms  
Twos and Threes (Room 102), Pre-K and K (Room 104), 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> (Room 105), 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> (Room 107)  
MS and HS (Modular Room 501)  
Sunday School for Adults ..... 11:00AM in Worship Area  
Swannanoa Valley Christian Ministries  
Young Adult Hangout Lunch ..... 12:30PM at Basham home  
9 Cedar Trail, 28803; RSVP to Pepper  
Summer Nights at Trinity ..... 5:00-7:00PM at church  
*How Did We Get Here?* For Adults and Youth in Worship Area  
Children 5<sup>th</sup> grade and younger in Room 105  
Singles bring one dish; families bring two dishes to share in Library  
Bring lawn chairs and/or blankets; water will be provided. We will eat outdoors.

## **TUESDAY, May 21**

Pilgrim's Progress Study.....6:30-8:00PM in 205

## **WEDNESDAY, May 22**

Prayer Meeting ..... 5:45PM in Foyer  
Choir Rehearsal..... 6:30PM in Worship Area

## **THURSDAY, May 23**

Band Rehearsal ..... 7:00PM in Worship Area

## **UPCOMING DATES**

May 26 - No Sunday School  
May 27 - Office holiday  
May 28 - VBS Early bird registration deadline  
June 1 - Men's Cookout  
June 2 - NEW worship time (10:30AM)  
June 2 - Summer session of Sola Fide class (9:15AM)  
June 2 - Promotion Sunday  
June 10-14 PCA General Assembly

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## GENERAL

**Beginning June 2, Trinity will gather at 10:30AM for worship.**

**Summer Nights at Trinity** is a whole-church gathering that will meet on six different Sunday evenings at 5 PM beginning this evening. The purpose of the gathering is two-fold: discipleship and fellowship. We will spend the first hour discussing what it means to think biblically and redemptively about issues relating to sexuality and gender identity. As one of the most hot-button, controversial, and pressing issues of the day, we want to work through, as a church, what it looks like to think and live in a way that is grounded in the scriptures, theologically robust, and motivated out of a love that is always seeking the good of our neighbors. Following our discussion, we will gather for a **potluck meal** enjoying the summer evenings and our company with one another. Singles bring one dish to share; families bring two dishes to share. All please bring lawn chairs or blankets. Water and paper products will be provided.

## MEN

Save the Date: **Cookout** on Saturday, June 1 @ 5PM at Trinity.

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH

**VBS Registration** and Youth Volunteer forms are available in the foyer (and in the Weekly). Registration fees will increase on May 28.

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## OFFICERS

**ELDERS:** Zach Ashton, Randy Bartlett, Bill Brown, Conley Brown,  
Bryson Fleming, Joe Mullen, Brandon Ray, Robert Recio, Stephen Todd

**DEACONS:** Harold Frost, Steve Miner, Dale Slusser

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# MISSIONARIES

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**Donnie & Kara**  
West Africa

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## SUPPORTED ORGANIZATIONS

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PCA | Administrative Committee

Swannanoa Valley Christian Ministry

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# CONTACT CARD

*We are thankful to have you with us this morning.  
Please fill out this card if you would like to let us know  
you were here or if you would like to update your contact  
information with us. **We ask that you place contact  
cards in the offering plate or turn them in at the  
welcome table or church office.***

- I am new to church
- I am new to Trinity
- I am a regular attendee
- Please update my contact info

Mr.    Mrs.    Ms.    Miss.

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Spouse:**

**Spouse email:**

**Children (names & ages):**

**Street Address:**

**City/State/ZIP:**

**Home Phone:**

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**I would like to receive more info about:**

- Learning about Christianity*
- Joining a growth group*
- Becoming a church member*
- Volunteering at Trinity*
- I would like to receive church emails*