

May 18, 2025

5th Sunday of Easter

11 am

Music Sunday



Trinity United Presbyterian Church

Primary Vision Goals

Worship Service Proclaim Discipleship Community

GATHERING

“GATHERING MUSIC”

“This Little Light of Mine”

arr. Mark Hayes

Duet with Brett Vanderlaan and Badyn Woodford

(playing a four hands piece on Piano)

MUSIC SETTING the TONE for WORSHIP –

Prelude: “Sinfonia” (#2) from Cantata #35

- J.S. Bach (arr. Alexandre Guimant)

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP –

“How Can I Keep from Singing”

by Robert Low’ry

▽ Congregation: please follow along on insert and sing verses 2 & 4 with the choir

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

We wish to extend a warm welcome to Badyn Woodford – Our First Trinity Summer Organ Scholar who will be with us until August 3, 2025.

HAVE YOU BEEN THINKING ABOUT “JOINING THIS CHURCH?” We would like to receive new members into the church within the next couple of weeks. If that is a step that you have been thinking about making, please simply speak with Pastor Simpson after the service.

*CALL to WORSHIP

Worship Leader: Pam Barnhart

One: With all that we are, we gather to worship the Lord our God.

ALL: We gather to remember the gracious goodness of God to us.

One: We gather to receive the future as God’s gift, and to renew our vows to him.

All: Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name we give the glory.

*HYMN – #464 – “Joyful, Joyful, We adore Thee

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*Unison*)**

ALL: Holy God, we do not understand why you keep on loving us. We hurt our loved ones. We turn our backs on the needy. We seek revenge for petty wrongs in petty ways. We do not understand why you keep on loving us. Yet even as we speak these words, we know your presence and your love. We are sorry, O God, for we know that sins against one another are sins against you. Make us strong and tender, we pray that we may live more as you would have us live, following the example of your Son. Amen

Please pause in silence as we think through what we all just said aloud...

***ASSURANCE of GOD'S LOVE and FORGIVENESS**

One: Friends, hear and believe the healing words that Christ speaks to us,
"Your sins are forgiven; go and sin no more.

ALL: Thanks be to God, who gives us new life and hope through Christ Jesus!
Amen.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

MUSICAL ACT OF PRAISE: "Siyahamba" traditional Zulu Song : arr. Russell Robinson

Conga Drums: Liz Roseski, Rhythm Sticks: Brett Vanderlaan

Translation – "Si-ya-hamb-eku-ka nyen kwen-khos"

"We are marching in the light of God"

***MOMENT with CHILDREN**

Children are now dismissed to Junior Church.

Participating children exit the rear of the sanctuary with their instructors.



ANTHEM - ". Sing A New Song" Psalm 96 (paraphrased) Heinrich Schutz

Flutist: Lourie Stewart

Arr. Caroline Jennings

THE WORD

PRAYER for Illumination

ALL: O Lord, we pray that your light would pour over these pages and illumine these old, old words – that they would dance with newness in our hearts and minds, that we would be radiant in reflecting your Word in our living and serving one another. Amen

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 100

pg. 541 in your pew bible

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND LESSON

I Samuel 16: 16-23

pg. 257 in your pew bible

*HYMN – #220 - “Psalm 100”

MESSAGE

“The Gift of Music ”

Rev. Simpson

JOYS AND CONCERNS 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.

RESPONDING and SENDING

FELLOWSHIP of GIVING

Offertory – “ Irish Tune from County Derry (Londonderry Air) Douglas E. Wagner (ASCAP)
The Trinity Ringers

*Doxology

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

P: **We serve you, Great God, with whatever we have, with our financial resources, with our musical skills, with our voices and our pens, with hands that can be folded in prayer and open in the service of others, with our feet that bring us here and take us out again into the world for which you gave your Son Jesus in life and resurrection. Amen.**

*HYMN - #146 – “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION – chorus of “How can I Keep From Singing”
Choir and Congregation

*MUSIC SENDING US OUT to SERVE CHRIST

Postlude: “Toccata on “Amazing Grace”

arr. J. Christopher Pardini

*(*All who are able, please stand.)*

TODAY’S GREETERS ARE: John & Pam Barnhart



- Coffee & Cookie Fellowship following the service in the chapel.
- Hosted today by: Bill & Linda Kina

Signup sheet for coffee hour is in the chapel

Highlights



If anyone has announcements, articles, etc. for the July/August 2025 Touchstone Newsletter, please turn into the church office manager Barb by Monday, June 18, 2025 deadline. Thanks!

Trinity Book Journey



Tuesday, May 20, 2025 @ 11:30 a.m. at The Olive Garden
The book is “Surviving Savannah” by Patti Callahan.

All are welcome!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either
Susan Fox, at 724-970-9066 or sefox55@gmail.com

OR

Cindy Jones, at 724-437-7856 or cbjonz1@aol.com

Kindred Souls



Kindred Souls meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month, for a luncheon, & time of fellowship.

This is for single & widowed women. All women are welcome, not just church members. The next luncheon is Wednesday, June 11th at 11:30 a.m. at Mark C's Dinner.

For more information call Carol @ 724-438-0709

Reservations are appreciated by the day before. Thanks!

Chancel Table Flowers



There are many Sundays available to give flowers in memory or honor of loved ones or friends. The flowers are displayed on the Chancel table and are a nice addition to our beautiful sanctuary during the worship service. If this is something you would be interested in, please contact

Cindy Jones: 412-582-4581.

Thank you!

Interfaith Outreach Missions

~ Loaves 'N' Fishes Ministries-St.Vincent-30 Lunches-A Few Feeding Many
- Every Tuesday @ 10:00 a.m.

~ Trinity's Blue Bird House: For those less fortunate than us.

- The Bird house is filled on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays.

- Interfaith Office Hours: Mon.—Thurs.9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

If interested in volunteering at the Interfaith Office

Call Carol @ 724-438-0709

Supplies needed: **Peanut Butter**

Average Worship Attendance 2024: 36 (based on available numbers)
Average Worship Attendance 2025: (YTD): 45 (based on available numbers)

<u><i>Week of</i></u>	<u><i>Worship</i></u>	<u><i>Adult Sunday School</i></u>
SUNDAY, May 04	48	8
MONDAY, May 05	Uniontown Chorale Concert	42
SUNDAY, May 11	35	9

This Week

TUESDAY:

5/20 -- Loaves & Fishes - @ 10:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY:

5/21 –Bible Study @ 6:00 p.m. **(Final Week)**

THURSDAY:

5/22 – Darts and Devotions - @ 10:00 a.m.

5/22 - Youth Group - @ 5:30 p.m.

5/22 – Handbell Choir - @ 6:00 p.m.

5/22 – Choir Practice - @ 7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY: Worship Leader: Jim Williams

5/25 Greeters: Ellie Walencheck and Bill Ulmer

5/25 - Adult Sunday Bible Discussion - @ 10:00 a.m.

5/25 – Coffee Hour following the Service hosted by The Church

Upcoming Dates & Events

5/26 – Memorial Day – Office Closed for Holiday

5/27 – Mission Interpretation Meeting @6:30 p.m.

06/08 – Day of Pentecost – Church Family Celebration

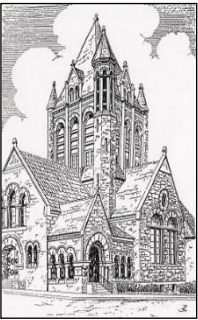
06/15 – Father’s Day

Notes on Worship

Welcome The people of God are looking forward to worshipping with you!

Giving Scriptural giving is one of the basics of the Christian faith. If you are a visitor with us today, you do not need to feel obligated to give, though your gifts are much appreciated. The Offering is an opportunity for those who call Trinity their home church to be faithful to this aspect of their relationship with Christ. There are also opportunities to give on our website and on our Facebook page.

If you would like to be placed on the church newsletter and/or email list, contact the church office. For updates, visit and “like” us on Facebook: Trinity United Presbyterian Church, or visit our webpage.



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Barb Slavin, Office Manager
Bill Thompson, Sexton

Our Mission: to worship and serve Jesus Christ by proclaiming his Gospel to all persons. As servants of Christ, we will always be a community of love, hope, service and reconciliation.

Welcome to Worship! We are here today to proclaim the Good News.

▲ Through Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, our sins are destroyed, never to besiege us again.

▲ Our sinful nature was replaced with Christ's sinless nature, as he continues to live through us and bring in his Kingdom.