

*Today's liturgical color is green which symbolizes growth used in the Seasons after the Epiphany and after Pentecost.*

*To help promote the happenings in our church, you can share our services and events to the community on your Facebook page.*

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**Prelude:** Gratitude by Elevation Worship

#### Lighting of the Candles

Jesus said: "I am the light of the world" (John 8:12). The presence of the light reminds us of Jesus' coming into our world and into our lives. The light is carried into the worship service as a symbol of Jesus' coming into the presence of the worshipping community.

#### Chiming of the Hour

**Call to Worship:** It's Me, It's Me, O Lord No. 352

#### Welcome from Pastor Tim and welcome your neighbors

Brothers and sisters, do you dwell in darkness?

**No, we are children of light.**

As children of light what is your task?

**To encourage one another and build each other up.**

Come, then, let us worship together as children of the day, awaiting the coming of the Lord into our hearts.

#### Announcements (\*noted within the bulletin)

**A Time for Prayer:** Pastor Tim

#### 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 trespasses as we forgive those that trespass 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.**

**Opening Hymn:** We Gather Together No. 131

**Scripture Reading:** Psalm 123

**Lector Reader:** Paula B

<sup>1</sup>raise my eyes to you-you who rule heaven.

<sup>2</sup>Just as the eyes of servants attend to their masters' hand, just as the eyes of a female servant attend to her mistress' hand-that's how our eyes

attend to the LORD our God until he has mercy on us.

<sup>3</sup>Have mercy on us, LORD! Have mercy because we've had more than enough shame.

<sup>4</sup>We've had more than enough mockery from the self-confident, more than enough shame from the proud.

This is the word of God, for the people of God

**Thanks be to God**

**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.**

**Baptism & Reception into Church Membership of Keith Roop.** Nos. 47-49

**Children's Moment:** led by Beth H.

At this time, children can come forward or you can bring your child to the front pew to hear and participate in the children's reflection.

#### The Presentation of Tithes and Offering

**Ushers:** (Chris S., Daniel W., Steve P., Dennis A.)

**Offertory Prayer:** Let us pray,

**O Lord, giver of life and source of freedom, I know that all I have received is from your hand. You call us to be stewards of Your abundance, the caretakers of all you have entrusted to us. Help us to always use Your gifts wisely and teach us to share them generously. May our faithful stewardship bear witness to the love of Jesus Christ in our lives. Amen.**

**Offertory Music:** Thanksgiving Medley by Jennifer Eklund

**Doxology** No. 95

**Anthem/Special Song:** Thanksgiving (a medley of hymns)  
Trumpet Soloist Jason Bailey

**Sermon:** "A Break In Progress!" Mark 2:1-5

**Response to the service: Altar Call**—if you desire to come to the front for prayer you are welcome to do so.

**Apostles Creed** No. 881

**Closing Hymn:** For the Beauty of the Earth No. 92

#### Benediction

**May the Lord watch between me and thee while we are absent one from another. AMEN!**

**Postlude:** Thanksgiving Theme by Vince Guaraldi

**Sending Forth/Extinguishing of the Candles:** At the end of the service, the light is carried out into the world to show that Jesus Christ is for all people everywhere. The acolyte leaves the worship service at the pastor's

direction, carrying out the lighted candle lighter. This symbolizes the light of Jesus Christ going out into the world where believers are to serve.

#### \*Offering stewards for November

Nov 26: Susie W., Amy G., Alberta M., Cecilia R.

#### \*Children's Moment for November

Nov 26: Nicole R

#### \*Greeters for November

Nov 26: Amy G., Patty R.

#### \*Lector Readers for November

Nov 26: Phil R/Psalm 100

#### Nursery Volunteers for November

Nov 19: Amy G., Cathy G.

Nov 26: Katie Z., Judy H.

#### \*Communion Stewards for December 3rd

Paula B, Donna M., Joyce P., Alberta M.

#### \*Communion Stewards for December 24th

Amy G., Beth H., Erin H., Patty R.

**Thanks to Betty Fleenor and her helpers for the beautiful cornucopia, it is always such a gorgeous display!**



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MEETINGS AND SUCH.....

**Adult Sunday School** is Sunday at 10 am.

**Choir Practice** is Wednesday at 7 pm.

The next **meeting for float prep will be Sunday, Nov 26, following worship service**. Please plan to attend as we finalize prep for the Christmas Parade!

The **SPPR, Trustees & Finance committee meetings have been rescheduled to Thursday, Dec 7 at 5 pm**. A meal will be provided. Please plan to attend if you are a member of any of these committees.

**Women of Trinity**—The next meeting will be held at the **Fox House** for our holiday meeting, **Sunday Dec 3 @ 5 pm**. All women are encouraged and welcome to attend.

The next **Pop’N for Jesus** is scheduled for **Wed, Jan 31st, 2024**. Interested in helping? **Meet at church or Hardees at 8:30 am!**

Worship service at Heritage Hall **every Wednesday at 1:30-3 pm**, all are welcome to attend. Pastor Tim is in high demand, they have requested two services each Wednesday in two separate areas of Heritage Hall!

### EVENTS AND CHURCH HAPPENINGS.....

**Nov 19 @ 6 pm**—Pennington Gap UMC will hold a **Thanksgiving Service** with a blended choir from area churches—including Trinity! Everyone is encouraged to bring a covered dish to pass for a pot luck meal following the service. This is sure to be a ‘Don’t Miss’ opportunity!

**Nov 30 @ 6 pm**—**Big Stone Gap Christmas Parade**...prep work continues to get our float parade-ready! If you’d like to help out, call the office for details!

**Greenbelt display**—we have a fabulous display that may, or may not, already be up :), Calli can possibly provide an update.....if it’s not up yet, we may need some assistance....if it’s already up—check it out cause it’s **FABULOUS!!**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**—our **CHRISTMAS CANTATA IS SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 10 AT 11 AM!!**

### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE Nov 12:

Sunday School: 5  
In-Person Worship: 33  
Facebook Live: 13  
Visitors: 2  
Heritage Hall Nov 15: cancelled  
United Methodist Men: 8  
Pop’N for Jesus: 5



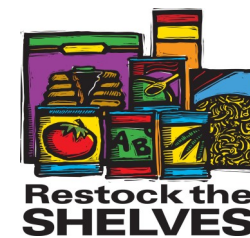
**Sacred Harmony**—last Sunday night (the 12th) - what an amazing group!!

### UPS Back Pack Program

Don’t forget that each month we are going to Restock the Shelves for the Union Primary School. During the month of November, the requested item is breakfast bars.

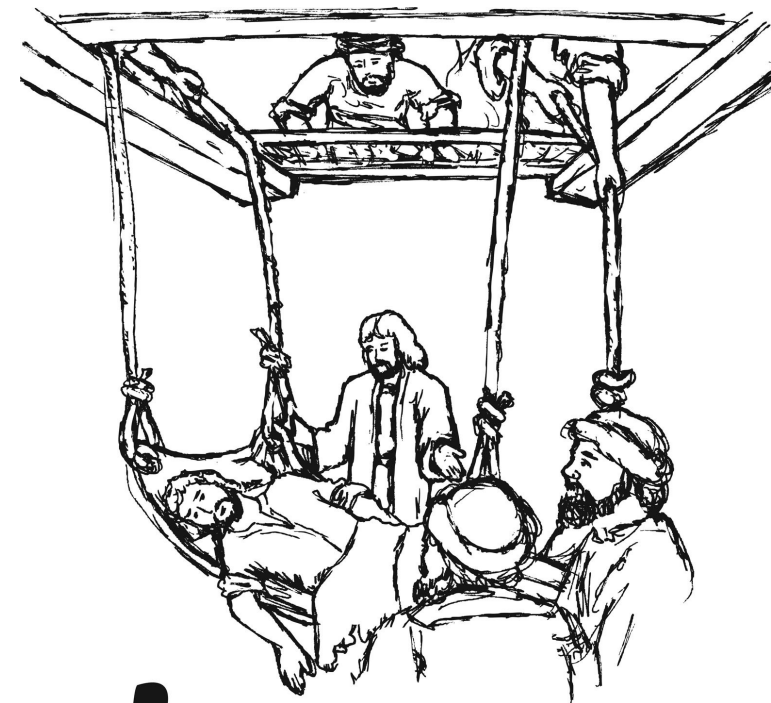
The food item requested for November is breakfast bars—apple/cinnamon or strawberry.

**ZIMBABWE BACKPACK ITEMS:** Our goal is to fill 60 backpacks. The donation requested for November is bottles of glue; there is a box in the fellowship hall to deposit supplies.



## The Trinity Companion

November 19, 2023



**Jesus** Heals  
a Paralyzed Man

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