

**Today's liturgical color is purple which symbolizes penance, sacrifice, and preparation. Purple is the color used during Advent and Lent.**

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

**Prelude:** Hosanna (Praise is Rising) by Brenton Brown & Paul Baloche

### 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

**Triumphal Entry John 12:12-13**

<sup>12</sup> The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem.

<sup>13</sup> They took palm branches and went out to meet him. They shouted,  
"Hosanna! Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord!  
[a] Blessings on the king of Israel!"

**Call to Worship:** This is the Day

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

### A Time for Prayer:

Rev. Timothy Robinson  
Special prayer for Barbara Hargrove

**Opening Hymn:** Hosanna, Loud Hosanna No. 278

**Children's Moment:** led by Diane Botts

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.

**Scripture about what the LORD calls us:** 1 John 3:2-3

<sup>2</sup> Dear friends, now we are God's children, and it hasn't yet appeared what we will be. We know that when He appears we will be like Him because we'll see Him as He is.

<sup>3</sup> And all who have this hope in Him purify themselves even as He is pure.

### The Presentation of Tithes and Offering

*(Thank you for your generosity!)*

**Ushers:** (Bill W., Steve P., John H., Gary H.)

"If those who gain all they can, save all they can, will likewise give all they can; then, the more they gain, the more they will grow in grace, and the more treasure they will lay up in heaven." - John Wesley

### Offertory Prayer

Lord God of all, accept our offering of money this day, but also the offering of our lives. Help us to live simply, generously and courageously, that our lives may point to You. In Jesus Name, Amen.

**Offertory Music:** In the Garden arranged by Greg Howlett

**Doxology** No. 95

### Trinity UMC Chancel Choir Presents "The Old Rugged Cross"

Calli Shell—Pianist  
Michael Shell—Percussion & Sound  
Mark Wooten—Bass  
Paul Clark—Narration

#### Soprano

Paula Barton  
Alice Gibson  
Kim Parsons

#### Tenor

Bob Horne  
Caitlyn Shell  
Daniel Claggett

#### Alto

Diane Botts  
Amanda Gouge-Salyer

#### Bass

Paul Clark  
David Gibson

### Order of Music

~The Old Rugged Cross

~Ten Thousand Angels

~Remember Me

### Service of Word and Table

No. 12-15

**Communion Stewards:** Paula B., Donna M., Joyce P., Alberta M.

**Communion Music:** The Old Rugged Cross (Reprise) arranged by Callie Shell

~Via Dolorosa

~Were You There

~Easter Hallelujah

~He's Alive

**Closing Hymn:** The Old Rugged Cross

No. 504

### Benediction

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

**Postlude:** Ride On, King Jesus African-American Spiritual

**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 April

9th—Alberta M., Beth H., Erin H., Donna M.

16th—Phil R., Dennis A., Steve P., Chris S.

23rd—Cindy A., Susie W., Joyce P., Amy G.

30th—Spencer Q., Paul C., Alberta M., Patty R.

### \*Children's Moment for April

9th—Cindy A

16th—Fred H

23rd—Kim P

30th—Nicole R.

### \*Greeters for April

9th—Alberta M, Amy G

16th—Patty R, Joyce P

23rd—Angie T, Amy G

30th—Alberta M, Patty R

### \*Communion Stewards for May 7

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

**MONTHLY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES ARE NOW BEING POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD OUTSIDE OF THE CHOIR ROOM.** We will be posting activities, schedules, etc. on this bulletin board moving forward. Please take a moment to check it out. If there is something you would like to see posted, please see Amy Garcia. thanks!

**New feature on bulletin board—Trinity's Classified Corner;** got something to sell or trade, looking for something, lost something.....let Amy know and we will post it on the bulletin board! Take a peek! (there's already something posted....wanna know what it is—check the board!!)

**Please complete a Member record update form and return to Amy Garcia's mailbox located across from the bulletin board/choir room. Blank forms are available as you enter the Fellowship Hall.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MEETINGS AND SUCH.....

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

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

**Administration Board Meeting**—Our next meeting is Sunday, April 23, immediately following the worship service

**Methodist Men**—The next meeting is scheduled for **Monday, April 10 @ 6 pm; the meal cost is \$12 per person.** The guest speaker will be Emil Schanck. Emil is the youth pastor at First Apostolic Faith Church of God. Also, he is the cross country and wrestling coach at Union High School. All men are welcome to attend.

**Safety Team**—The next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, April 11 @ 6pm.**

**Trinity Book Club**—Our next book is “The Power of a Praying Church” by Stormie Omartian. The ISBN number is 0736920773. We will resume our gatherings on **Monday, April 17 at 6 pm.** All are welcome to attend, and please notify the church office if you need assistance with purchasing the book.

**Laity Sunday**—April 30th with special guest speaker D.S. Jeff Lambert

**Women of Trinity**—The sanctuary has a little extra sparkle this morning doesn't it!?! Thank the women of Trinity! The next meeting will be held on **May 7 @ 5pm .**

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

**Birthdays**—a monthly calendar listing our members birthdays of the month is posted in the hallway next to the choir room so check it out! Blank member record update forms are available as you enter the Fellowship Hall and this is how we can share birthday info-if you haven't already, please take a form to complete and return to Amy Garcia.

**Change for Children**—We are receiving loose change through mid-May to benefit children's ministries within the Holston Conference and in other United Methodist ministries around the world. Each year, people and organizations receive these funds through grants. These grants support new and existing ministries with economically disadvantaged children from birth to age 12 and their families. If you want to donate loose change, you can place your donation in the designated buckets located throughout the church building.

**Flower Fund**—If you want to donate to the Easter flowers, you can send a donation marked for the flower fund.

**Pop-N-for-Jesus**—Our next opportunity to serve the students and staff

members of Mountain Empire Community College is Wednesday, April 26th at 9 am.

**Community Lent Service Schedule**— Thursdays @ Noon; each service will last about 25 minutes and the host church will prepare a light lunch:

- **April 6:** Christ Episcopal Church-Canton Ave E; **guest preacher Rev Timothy Robinson of Trinity UMC;** Musical guest Leonce Hall

**Easter Cantata**—Today during the worship service, we will have our annual Easter Cantata—“The Old Rugged Cross”. All are welcome to attend.

**Easter Egg Hunt**—Today @ 2 pm-weather permitting will be outside; if you'd like to help hide the eggs for the young hunters, please arrive at church by 1:30 pm.

**Baptism Sunday**—On Sunday, April 16th, during the worship service, we will be baptizing Addaleigh Blake Barton. Addaleigh is the daughter of Brandee and Stuart Barton and is the granddaughter of Paula and David Barton. Come celebrate with us as we welcome another precious child into the life of the church!

**A Spaghetti Supper fundraiser** will be hosted by Women of Trinity group on April 16 at 12:30pm in the fellowship hall. Mark your calendars and share the info! The Methodist Men have volunteered for clean up duty—bring your aprons guys! All proceeds will be used to furnish backpacks filled with school supplies for underprivileged children in Zimbabwe.

**Blessing Box**—If you want to bring food or other items for the blessing box, you can place your donated items in the labeled plastic bin located in the fellowship hall.

Bargain Hunters get ready; mark your calendars—it's almost time for our **Spring Yard Sale—May 1-5!** If you can volunteer to assist, we will feed ya!

**Bulletin color donation in memory of all the choir members who have joined the church triumphant and will not be forgotten.**

#### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE MARCH 26th:

Sunday School: 8  
In-Person Worship: 73  
Facebook: 20  
Visitors: 6

#### 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 March, the requested item is Mac n Cheese.

The food item requested for March is single serve mac n cheese.



## The Trinity Companion

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