

Welcome to Trinity United Methodist Church. God loves you and so do we! Due to the increased number of cases of the COVID-19 Omicron variant, we ask that both vaccinated and unvaccinated attendees wear a mask during worship services. If you do not have a mask, we have masks available for you in the narthex. The Church Council is monitoring this situation closely and will inform you of any changes in the future. We appreciate your willingness to provide a safe worship environment for all during this challenging season that we are living in.

**Prelude:** Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence arranged by Greg Howlett

**Lighting of the Candles**

**Greeting:**

Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord,  
**that He may teach us His ways, and that we may walk in His ways.**

**Announcements , 2022 Lenten Services, Highlights from our last Administrative Board Meeting, and Committee Reports:** (\*Noted within the bulletin)

**A Time for Prayer:**

**Scripture on Prayer:** I Chronicles 16:11

Pursue the LORD and his strength;  
seek his face always!

**Congregational Prayer:**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
in whom we live and move and have our being,  
you created us for yourself,  
so that our hearts are restless until they find rest in you.  
Grant to us such piety of heart and strength of purpose  
than no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will,  
and no weakness from doing it.  
In your light may we see life clearly  
and in your service find perfect freedom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Opening Hymn:** Amazing Grace

**Scripture Reading:** John 12: 1-8 (CEB)

<sup>1</sup>Six days before Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, home of Lazarus, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. <sup>2</sup>Lazarus and his sisters hosted a dinner for him. Martha served and Lazarus was among those who joined him at the table. <sup>3</sup>Then Mary took an extraordinary amount, almost three-quarters of a pound, of very expensive perfume made of pure nard. She anointed Jesus' feet

with it then wiped his feet dry with her hair. The house was filled with the aroma of the perfume. <sup>4</sup>Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), complained, <sup>5</sup>"This perfume was worth a year's wages! Why wasn't it sold, and the money given to the poor?" <sup>6</sup>(He said this not because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief. He carried the money bag and would take what was in it.)

<sup>7</sup>Then Jesus said, "Leave her alone. This perfume was to be used in preparation for my burial, and this is how she has used it. <sup>8</sup>You will always have the poor among you, but you won't always have me."

This is the word of God, for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Gloria Patri**

**No. 70**

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.  
A-men. A-men.

**Children's Moment:** Lead by Pastor Tim  
At this time, children can come forward or you can bring your child to the alter steps to hear and participate in the children's reflection.

**The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings: Thank you for Giving to this Church!**

**Ushers:** Men's Team (Dennis, Fred, Ruben, and Phil)

**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.  
Amen.

**Offertory Music:** He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word arranged by Paul Taylor

**Doxology**

**No. 95**

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.

**Special Music:** The Anchor Holds (soloist Gary Hall)

*"It was intended that she should save this perfume for the day of my burial."*  
**John 12:7**

**Sermon:** "Seasons Change and So Do We" Psalm 126

**Response to the Word:** A Service of World and Table **No. 12-13**

**Communion Stewards:** Angie Tipton, Donna Mahan, Beth Hagan, and Christy Smith

**Communion Music:** There is a Fountain arranged by Greg Howlett

**Closing Hymn:** Just As I Am **No. 357**

**Postlude:** Cry of My Heart by Terry Butler

**2022 Community Lenten Services**

Each service begins at 12 noon and will be followed by a light lunch prepared by the host church. All donations received will go to the Food Bank.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>SPEAKER/ MUSICAL GUEST</u>
04/07/22	First Christian Church	Rev. Garrett Sheldon Williams Chapel AME Zion
04/14/22	Williams Chapel AME Zion	Elder Carolyn Smith Mychelle Lawson

**\*Offering Stewards for April 2022**

April 10th - Sandra Rich, Angie Tipton, Patty Robbins, and Amy Garcia  
April 17th - Spencer, Ruben, John H. and Paul C.  
April 24th - Beth Hagan, Erin Hagan, Alberta Mitchell, and Lana Prater

**UPS Back Pack Program**

Don't forget that each month we are going to Restock the Shelves for the Union Primary School Back Pack Program with a specific kind of food. The food item for April is Juice Boxes.

The requested flavors are Apple or Grape.



## Announcements

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

**No Youth Gathering** this evening.

**Book Study and Discussion** is Monday at 6 pm.

**Apprentice Study** is Tuesday at 6:30 pm.

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

**Trinity United Methodist Church Committee List**—There are committee lists available at each of our information stations in the church which show who is a part of each committee. Please feel free to take a copy for future use.

**Lent 2022**—This year, Lent takes place from Wednesday, March 2nd to Saturday, April 16th. Lent is the season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. During the season of Lent, it is encouraged for all to prepare, focus, and reminisce on Jesus' time in the wilderness before he started his public ministry. To help you focus on Jesus' time in the wilderness, you can give up something or start a healthy or productive routine for the forty days of Lent. Here are some ideas: you can offer forgiveness to someone, check-in on loved ones, refuse to give negative feedback, stop frivolous spending, or stop eating your favorite junk food. As you can see, there are a lot of things that you can do during this season. If you decide on a new routine, do it for the sake of honoring the Lord.

**Administrative Board Meeting**—Our next board meeting is Sunday, April 24th. If you have completed a committee report, please attend the meeting.

**Committee Reports**—We ask that all committees and circles meet to talk about duties and goals for 2022. A report about our plans for the year of 2020 needs to be prepared for our March or April 2022 Administrative Board Meeting. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Tim. Below is the list of the groups within the church that are to give a report.

Trustees Board	UMM
Kitchen Team	Financial Committee
Memorial	Outreach (NOW/SONS/water)
SPRC	Parsonage Committee
Ladies Circle	Worship Committee
	Youth Ministry

**Easter Cantata**—The Easter Cantata is Sunday, April 10th at 11 am. If you want to participate in the cantata, please talk to our Music Director Rick Galyean.

**Easter Egg Hunt**—The Easter Egg Hunt is Sunday, April 10th from 2 pm until 3:30 pm. If you want to contribute to help, please talk to Christy Smith.

**Blue Ridge Animal Control**—The work crew will be here on Monday, April 11th to finish the bat and racoon project.

**New Membership Class**—If you want to be a member of Trinity UMC, there will be a class on Sunday, April 10th at 10 am. Please let Pastor Tim know if you plan to come to class.

### Highlights from the Administrative Board Meeting

- Supplies for the new fence will be purchased and the fence replacement will start soon. If you are willing and able to help, please contact Trustees' Chair Karen Hall.
- The Board suggested to investigate getting a heat source in the library. Also, the library can be used for nursery purposes.
- Beginning April 1st, the Board moved to make the wearing of masks while in the church building optional.
- The Board moved to add the Administrative Chair to our church bank account (Powell Valley National Bank).

### Committee Reports

- The Staff Parish Committee is currently working on revising the staff job descriptions and the committee has set their meetings for the rest of the year: May 22nd, August 14th, and November 13th. If you have any questions, please contact Chairperson Dana Barlow.
- The NOW Team is planning to have a water and prayer station at the 2022 Recovery Fest.
- The Kitchen Team plans to do a deep cleaning and plans to purchase a new oven in the future. If you want to help or contribute, please contact our Kitchen Coordinator Kathleen Gillespie.
- Our Music Director Rick reported that he has been well pleased with the music and worship at the church and continues to recruit new choir members. If you are interested in being in the choir, contact Rick.
- The Women's Circle has organized several baby showers this year and plans to start a visitation ministry.
- The United Methodist Men plan to start fundraising and meeting again. President Don Shorter talked about the importance of our church supporting the Scouts of America.
- The United Methodist Women have a new name which is "The United Women in Faith." Currently, our church does not have a leader for this group. If you are interested in helping, please contact Pastor Tim.
- The Youth Ministry has been meeting weekly on Sunday evenings. However, we are struggling with getting youth involved. If you have any suggestions, please contact Pastor Tim or our Youth Director Christy Smith.
- The Board of Trustees, Parsonage Committee, Memorial Committee, and the Nomination Committee will be meeting soon.

## The Trinity Companion April 3, 2022 Season of Lent



The LORD hath done  
*great things*  
for us; whereof  
*we are glad.*

~PSALM 126:3, KJV~

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