Today's liturgical color is white symbolizes days and seasons of joy and mark pivotal events in the life of Christ.

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

\*\*DISCLAIMER: Trinity UMC utilizes videography to live stream all sanctuary worship services to social media. Service will be available for replay and images, likenesses, and audio may be captured to be used as thumbnails on each TUMC ran website. If you have any concerns, please notify the church office staff.\*\*

PRELUDE: The Water Is Wide

Tuba: Ian Maxie Euphonium: Rick Galyean

#### 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 worshiping community.

#### **CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**— I'll Fly Away

Some glad morning when this life is o'er; I'll fly away; to a home on God's celestial shore; I'll fly away I'll fly away, oh glory, I'll fly away in the morning; when I die, Hallelujah, by and by I'll fly away

**WELCOME** from Pastor Tim and welcome your neighbors

**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:** He Lives No. 310

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Psalm 133

**READER:** Natalie S

1Look at how good and pleasing it is when families live together as one!
2It is like expensive oil poured over the head, running down onto the beard
-Aaron's beard!-which extended over the collar of his robes.

3It is like the dew on Mount Hermon streaming down onto the mountains of Zion, because it is there that the Lord has commanded the blessing:

everlasting life.

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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT: led by Mary Beth A.

THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Ushers: Chris S, Daniel W, Phil R, Rob M

**OFFERTORY PRAYER:** Let us pray,

Gracious God, through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus, you have given immeasurable grace to us. May our offerings reflect the grace we have received, and symbolize lives committed to the service of our risen Lord. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

**OFFERTORY MUSIC:** When I Survey the Wondrous Cross arranged by Greg Howlett

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 Holy City Euphonium Solo

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE No. 12-15

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

COMMUNION MUSIC: I Know That My Redeemer Lives arranged by

Susan W. Henry

\*\*THE NURSERY IS NOW OPEN\*\*

**SERMON:** "Never Left in the Dark" | I John 1:5—2:2

**RESPONSE TO THE SERVICE:** ALTAR CALL —At this time if you desire to

come to the front for prayer, you are welcome to do so.

**CLOSING HYMN:** Crown Him With Many Crowns No 327

**BENEDICTION** 

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

**POSTLUDE:** Fairest Lord Jesus

Tuba: Gage Dunson Euphonium: Rick Galyean

**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.

Here's a snapshot of our current budget numbers:

TITHES AND OFFERINGS	
TUMC 2024 BUDGET	\$159,000.00
WEEKLY GOAL	\$3,057.69
LAST WEEK'S OFFERING	\$5,028.00
YEARLY BUDGET TO DATE	\$42,807.66
YEARLY OFFERINGS TO DATE	\$39,273.70

#### **METHODS OF GIVING**

We have several ways for you to support the ongoing ministries and operating expenses of our church:

- bring an offering to the Sunday worship and put in the collection plate
- use the drop box at the back of the church
- mail a check to the church
- set up recurring payments with your bank
- online donation via website Subsplash—use the following address on your computer, tablet or phone:

https://secure.subsplash.com/ui/access/FJ4VNG

this secure website allows you to make a donation/offering in any amount, in any frequency (weekly, monthly, etc), and to select a specific purpose/fund for your donation. You can complete one of the cards located in the pews and put in offering plate to alert the office that you have made an online donation OR you can scan the QR Code below. With any of the electronic methods, you will need to establish an account prior to your first gift. Afterwards, you can simply sign in to your account.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

MEETINGS AND SUCH......

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL is Sunday at 10am.

CHOIR PRACTICE is Wednesday at 7pm.

Administrative Board Meeting is TODAY following the worship service.

Women of Trinity meeting is TODAY @ 5 pm; all women are welcome to attend.

Methodist Men meeting is Monday, April 8 @ 6 pm, held at Country Kitchen. All men are welcome to attend.

Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for April 10 & 6 pm.

Volunteers—Greeters; if you are, or would like to be, a greeter, please plan to attend a short meeting after the fundraiser meal TODAY.

VBS Planning Meeting scheduled for April 21 following the worship service, bring your ideas to make this year even better than last!

The next POP'N FOR JESUS is scheduled for Wed, Apr 24, 2024-the last one until the Fall session! Interested in helping, contact Betty Fleenor for details.

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......**

Our next Church Budget Fundraiser meal— Hot Dog dinner will be April 14 following the worship service!

The Highland Winds and the Scott County Symphonic Band will be in concert TODAY @ 4pm in the Prior Convocation Center; UVA-Wise.



**RUMMAGE SALE** 

Mark your calendars and clean out those closets!

The Church Rummage Sale is scheduled for Wed-Fri, May 1-3, this year from 9 am to 2 pm each day! We will need volunteers on Monday and Tuesday that week to setup. Please see Kathleen if you're able to assist.

#### \*Offering stewards for April

Apr 14: Chris S, Daniel W, Phil R, Rob M Apr 21: Susie W, Patty R, Sandra R, Joyce P Apr 28: Dennis A, Steve P, Billy W, Spencer Q

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

Apr 14: Mary Beth A Apr 21: Diane B Apr 28: Beth H

## \*Greeters for April

Apr 14: Amy G, Patty R Apr 21: Margaret B, Dotty B Apr 28: Amy G, Tiffany A

#### \*Lector Readers for April

Apr 14: Rob M-Psalm 4 Apr 21: Bob H-Psalm 23

Apr 28: Alberta M-Psalm 22:25-31

#### **Nursery Volunteers for April**

Apr 14: Donna M, Paula B Apr 21: Cathy G, Donna M Apr 28: Amy G, Cathy G

## \*Communion Stewards for May 5:

Amy G, Beth H, Erin H, Patty R

#### **WORSHIP ATTENDANCE Mar 31**

Sunday School: 8 In-Person Worship: 116 Facebook Live: 16 Visitors: 24 Heritage Hall: 37

### **UPS BACKPACK PROGRAM**

Don't forget that each month we are going to Restock the Shelves for the Union Primary School. The food item requested for April is juice boxes—apple or grape.

**ZIMBABWE BACKPACK ITEMS:** Our goal is to fill 60 backpacks. April is cash donations to NOW team fund. Dropoff deadline is 6/3/24.

**DISASTER RELIEF ROOM**: We have a designated room upstairs to house hygiene, home and some clothing for local disaster (fire, etc). If you have any extra items to add to this room, please see Dennis or Cindy.

# **The Trinity Companion**

April 7, 2024



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