

**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.**

**\*\*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:** God is Good All the Time by Don Moen

#### **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:** Soon and Very Soon No.706

**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, the power and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.**

**Opening Hymn:** A Mighty Fortress Is Our God No. 110

**Scripture Reading: Psalm 17:1-7, 15 CEB**

**Lector Reader:** Rob M

<sup>1</sup>Listen to what's right, LORD; pay attention to my cry! Listen closely to my prayer; it's spoken by lips that don't lie!

<sup>2</sup>My justice comes from you; let your eyes see what is right!

<sup>3</sup>You have examined my heart, testing me at night. You've looked me over closely, but haven't found anything wrong. My mouth doesn't sin.

<sup>4</sup>But these other people's deeds? I have avoided such violent ways by the command from your lips.

<sup>5</sup>My steps are set firmly on your paths; my feet haven't slipped.

<sup>6</sup>I cry out to you because you answer me. So tilt your ears toward me now—listen to what I'm saying!

<sup>7</sup>Manifest your faithful love in amazing ways because you are the one who saves those who take refuge in you, saving them from their attackers by your strong hand.

<sup>15</sup>But me? I will see your face in righteousness; when I awake, I will be filled full by seeing your image.

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.

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.

Children are a gift! Psalm 127:3

<sup>3</sup>No doubt about it: children are a gift from the LORD; the fruit of the womb is a divine reward.

#### **The Presentation of Tithes and Offering**

**Ushers:** (Lana P., Angie T., Susan H., Patty R.)

Your generosity is appreciated and keeps these doors OPEN!

**Offertory Music:** He Touched Me arranged by Phillip Keveren

**Doxology** No. 95

**Anthem/Special Song** Jerusalem

**Response to the Service: A Service of Word and Table** No. 13-15

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

**Communion Music:** Way Maker by Sinach

**Sermon:** "Little Can Become Much" Matthew 14:13-21

**Closing Hymn:** Blest Be the Tie That Binds No. 557

#### **Benediction**

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

**Postlude:** Shine, Jesus, Shine by Graham Kendrick

**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 August**

Aug 13: Chris S., Dennis A., Spencer Q., Steve P.

Aug 20: Amy G., Cindy A., Lana P., Susie W.

Aug 27: Fred H., Paul C., Phil R., John H.

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

Aug 13: Diane B.

Aug 20: Patty R.

Aug 27: Nicole R.

#### **\*Greeters for August**

Aug 13: Alberta M., Amy G.

Aug 20: Ann W., Don W.

Aug 27: Amy G., Donna M.

#### **\*Lector Readers for August**

Aug 13: Caitlyn S (Psalm 105:1-6)

Aug 20: Kim P (Psalm 133)

Aug 27: Paula B (Psalm 124)

#### **Nursery Volunteers for August**

Aug 6: Amy G., Judy H.

Aug 13: Donna M., Paula B.

Aug 20: Nicole R., Katie Z.

Aug 27: Cathy G., Paula B.

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

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

**\*\*If you were involved in VBS this year, please pick up a survey in the fellowship hall, complete and return it to the office. We need your input to make improvements for next year!\*\***

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

**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 postings....wanna know what it is—check the board!!)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MEETINGS AND SUCH.....

Adult Sunday School is Sunday at 10 am.

Choir Practice is cancelled for Aug 9; next practice is Aug 16.

**Fall Festival?! Planning Meeting: Sunday, August 20th, following the worship service. Let's plan a fall festival, bring your ideas and let's make it happen!**

**Confirmation Class:** Pastor Tim is offering classes. This class is for any pre-teen or teen who wants to join the Church, learn more about how to live their faith & begin to understand what it means to be a fully devoted follower of Jesus Christ. If your child is interested, please contact Pastor Tim.

### Blessings and ministries overflow from our church!:

Ever feel like you need a little more prayer in your life? Join us **every Monday from 5:30-6 pm** for an informal prayer meeting, come and be blessed! Three specific areas to pray for the church:

- That the message of Jesus Christ will be made clear and simple during our worship services, fellowships and outreach ministries
- That people will accept and understand the message of Jesus Christ
- That opportunities for outreach and growth in the church will continue

**ANOTHER NEW OFFERING!:** Get up early, put on those walking shoes and join us for a **Prayer Walk—Saturdays @ 7:30 AM (yes that does say 7:30 AM, not a typo!!)**

Worship service at Heritage Hall **every Wednesday at 2:30-3 pm**, all are welcome to attend.

**CLASSES COMING!** - Interested in becoming a member or getting baptized....be a part of our growth! **New member classes** are being held on Sunday mornings **@ 10am**. See Pastor Tim if you're interested in joining the church and/or baptism.

**Trinity Book Club**—Our book is "The Power of a Praying Church" by Stormie Omartian. The next meeting is **Monday, Aug 7th @ 6pm and will be held at the 404 Creamery in BSG**. All are welcome to attend.

**Women of Trinity (like that name, kinda catchy ain't it?)**—The next official meeting is today, **August 6 @ 5 pm**. All women are encouraged and welcome to attend.

**Methodist Men**—The next meeting is scheduled for **Monday, August 14 @ 6 pm; the meal cost is \$12 per person and will be a fish fry**. Bro. Ricky Begley will be our guest speaker. Rick is the pastor at Smith's Chapel in Gate City and is the Chairperson of Camp Fort Blackmore in Fort Blackmore, VA. All men are welcome to attend.

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## EVENTS AND CHURCH HAPPENINGS.....

**It's time for another Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser; this time we are raising funds for the choir—mark your calendars and bring your appetites—Sunday, August 13, following the worship service!**

**Remind your friends it's a great time to visit Trinity—Homecoming is August 27.** Our guest speaker will be Rev. Beth Tipton. Rev Tipton is an ordained Deacon ministering in the Appalachian District at the Wesley Foundation at UVA Wise since 2003. She is currently pursuing a doctoral degree in Christian Spirituality at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and is a graduate of Asbury Seminary. She leads and accompanies people on their spiritual journeys, and labors to connect the church and the world in creative ways. During the 2023 Holston Annual Conference, she was awarded the Francis Asbury Award for higher education. This award recognizes individuals who have made a significant contribution to fostering United Methodist ministries in higher education at the local, district, or annual conference level. She is the daughter of Alice and the (Late) Rev. and Captain David Gibson, She is married to Jason and they have one child, Samuel. A fellowship meal will follow the service.

**Jonesville Camp Meeting: August 6-9; 7 pm nightly.** Rev Ray Amos, Sr. preaching; more information is posted on the bulletin board-check it out and plan to attend at least one evening!

**Hunter's Education Classes scheduled for August 26 and September 30.** These classes run about 6 hours and can be used for concealed weapon permits. See Billy Whitt if you'd like to sign up for one of the classes

**Church Rummage Sale—this Fall, we have an abundance of items for our next rummage sale—so much, that we are doing TWO Fall rummage sales.....get ready for some MAJOR BARGAINS! Our first sale will run from Monday, September 11 through Friday, September 15 from 9am-2pm Mon-Thu and 9am-Noon Friday. Volunteers are needed and appreciated! Our second sale will be in October.....be on the lookout!**

**BSG Clergy Group meets on the 4th Tuesday at 6 pm.** Clergy members in the area have been meeting to discuss ways to work together to strengthen God's ministries in our area. Please keep this group in your prayers so they may provide positive influences in our community.

### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE July 30th:

Sunday School: 5  
In-Person Worship: 64  
Facebook Live: 17  
Visitors: 1  
Heritage Hall Worship Aug 2: 15

### 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 August, the requested item is soup.

The food item requested for August is soup—chicken noodle or tomato

## The Trinity Companion

August 6, 2023



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