

Welcome to Trinity United Methodist Church. God loves you and so do we! Due to the increased number of cases of the COVID-19 Delta 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: Sweet, Sweet Spirit by Doris Akers, Arranged by Glenda Austin

Lighting of the Candles

Welcome

Announcements

Prayer

Responsive Reading: Psalm 23 (NRSV)

¹ The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

² **He makes me to lie down in green pastures;**

he leads me beside still waters;

³ he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths

For his name's sake.

⁴ **Even though I walk through the darkest valley,**

I fear no evil;

For you are with me;

your rod and your staff—

they comfort me.

⁵ You prepare a table before me

in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

⁶ **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me**

all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord

my whole life long.

Gloria Patri

No. 70

Opening Hymn: Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

No. 133

Special Music: Hear Me Singing, Lord

Sermon: "You Can Live a Victorious Life" Ephesians 6: 10-20

Musical Interlude: Just As I am by William B. Bradbury, Arranged by Greg Howlett

Response to the Word:

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried;

the third day he rose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

Closing Hymn: Take My Life, and Let It Be

No. 399

Offertory

Benediction

Postlude: Surely Goodness and Mercy by John W. Peterson and Alfred B. Smith, Arranged by Fred Bock

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lie down in
green pastures;
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Psalm 23

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This year for Annual Conference, we will be collecting loose change for the Change for Children offering. If you want to donate, there are buckets located near the entrances of the church so that you can drop your change in. After the worship service this morning, all the change will be counted and a check will be sent to the Conference from the church.

Book Study at Sandra Marshall's home on Monday at 6:00 pm.

Bible Study at Sandra Marshall's home on Tuesday at 11:00 am.

Apprentice small group will be Tuesday at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

We will have Nominations Committee meeting Wednesday at 6:00 pm here at the church.

Choir practice will be on Wednesday at 7:00 pm. The choir has started to prepare for the Christmas Cantata.

On Friday, August 27, Nicole and Tim will be attending both the Annual Conference Memorial and Ordination services at the First Broad Street UMC in Kingsport, TN. Tim will be commissioned as a provisional elder during the Ordination service. The Memorial service starts at 3:00 pm and the Ordination service begins at 7:00 pm. The services can be viewed via livestream through the Holston Conference website (www.holston.org).

On Saturday, August 28, Nicole, Tim, Joyce, and Lay Member Alberta will be attending Annual Conference in-person at the Meadowview Convention Center in Kingsport, TN. The conference will begin at 12:00 pm and can be viewed via livestream through the Holston Conference website (www.holston.org).

5th Sunday Announcement — After spending three days wide awake and unable to rest, addicted to drugs and cut off from his family, Joseph had little hope that life could ever change. During his first Bible study at Holston, Joseph found peace in a way he never thought he would. During an emotional conversation with Pastor Abel, our campus minister, Joseph gave his life to Jesus. Since that day, he has been baptized and is learning to walk with the Lord on a daily basis. "I just can't wait to show everyone how I have changed," said Joseph. Join us in celebrating Joseph's new life with Christ. With your offering this Fifth Sunday, August 29th, we can give many other children the hope that comes from knowing Jesus.

The Trinity Companion

Sunday August 22, 2021

Pray...

that I will
fearlessly
make known
the mystery
of the gospel.

EPHESIANS 6:19, NIV

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