

Our Invitation

Trinity Church is a member congregation of the Virginia Synod of the **Evangelical Lutheran Church In America [ELCA]**, one of the world's largest Christian denominations—a *"little: church—with a BIG Idea!* Our congregation was "gathered" in 1765 by 16 German immigrants who had migrated from Pennsylvania. The building in which we worship was constructed in 1906, and is the third worship space utilized by the congregation. While our history is vital to who we are as a faith community, we focus on the future and on what God is calling us to be and to do in the *present*. We are a dynamic, growing, joyful part of the family of God - and we invite you to be a part of our journey of faith which celebrated 250 years last year. If you're interested in uniting your heart and hands with Trinity Church, please contact the Church Office.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Today (October 9)

Greeter Sid Dailey
Lector Sid Dailey
Eucharistic Assts. Hilda Painter, Mary Anderson
Acolyte/Crucifer Cody & Will Wolf

Next Week (October 16)

Greeters Monica & Mike Lambert
Lector Anne Vermillion
Eucharistic Assts. Anne Vermillion, Mike Lambert
Acolyte/Crucifer Sarah Chichester

Our Stewardship

October 2, 2016

Received \$3142

Required \$4619

Deficit \$1477

World Hunger \$118

Our Attendance

71

There's a poster in the Parish Hall in which you might be interested... as we observe **October** as **National Breast Cancer Awareness** month. **Today and next Sunday (10-16)** you have the opportunity to write the name(s) of person(s) you know affected by breast cancer to be attached to the poster (thank you, *Betty Wymer*). During the Columbarium Dedication service on October 23, prayers of both thanksgiving and lament will be offered, and the poster will be burned.



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH [ELCA]

Fairfax at Valley Pike • Stephens City, Virginia

GATHERED 1765

A Creative Christian Community

October 9, 2016 • Pentecost 21-C



THANKS FOR WORSHIPING WITH US TODAY! WE HOPE YOU'LL LEAVE REFRESHED — AND CHALLENGED — FOR THE WEEK TO COME!
 AT TRINITY, VISITORS AREN'T ONLY *EXPECTED*...THEY'RE *ANTICIPATED*

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Before worship — speak to the Lord ❖ During worship — let the Lord speak to you ❖ After worship — speak to each other!

Welcome and Greetings!

Prelude

Was Gott Tut: Chorale and two variations

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

Entrance Rite

- [P] Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of God's name! Come and see what God has done: turning the sea into dry land; bringing us across the river Jordan.
- [C] **How awesome are your deeds, O God! We sing praises to your name.**
- [P] Even when we had been tested - even when we have gone through fire and water – God came, sending redemption and making with us a covenant.
- [C] **God brought us out to a spacious place. How awesome is our God!**
(singing)
Our God is an awesome God – he reigns from heaven above.
With wisdom, pow'r, and love. Our God is an awesome God!

Stand

Sanctus Bell

ELW 454 Processional

"Remember and Rejoice"

Confession and Absolution

- [P] Christ – as human - understands our struggles to be faithful. Yet even when we are faithless, he remains faithful - coming not to condemn or exclude, but to make us well, and make us whole. Trusting in God's grace, we confess our sins: God of grace,
- [C] **have mercy on us. We were created to be your companions - to praise you and give thanks to you always. Yet, we do not live out of constant gratitude, keeping our distance from you - for we are broken and sick with sin. We harbor resentment for what we lack: blaming you, blaming others. We doubt your compassion, even your power, finding it downright difficult to give ourselves away - to you, or to others. Forgive us, we pray, for attitudes and behaviors that diminish in us joyful thanksgiving. Forgive us when we forget to return to you — and fail to praise your name. Heal and restore us so that we may return to you with a right spirit. Help us to live holy and joyful lives, be fitting people you love and save. And help us to live the faith that makes us well. Amen.**
- [P] Hear the Good News! In the waters of baptism, we have died with Christ and we have been raised with him to new life. Nothing in life or death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. In Christ we are forgiven and set free to live in praise and thanksgiving! Your call has been answered. Christ has healed you, and forgives your sin. With glad hearts, we return praise to God:
(singing)
- [C] ***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.



The Rev. Mr. Cameron P. Keyser
 Ricky Gearhart
 Brenda Boldin
 William Edmonson
 Theresa Horn
 Joe Hollis, Ralph Gregory, Bill Herrell
 Jerry Rogers
 Chuck Stern
 Anne Vermillion
 Mark Greene, Stacey Gonzales-Herra, Carolyn Gregory, Sid Dailey, Jerry Rogers, Damion Yowell

Pastor
 Choirmaster/Organist
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 Housekeeper/Sexton
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 Vestry Vice-Chair
 Vestry Members

The Rev^d Elizabeth Eaton, Presiding Bishop
Evangelical Lutheran Church In America

The Rev^d Dr. James Mauney, Bishop
Virginia Synod ELCA

The Rev. Martha Sims, Dean
Northern Valley Synod Conference

TRENDING AT TRINITY

Apostolic Greeting

[P] The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the Presence of The Holy Spirit be with you all!

[C] **And, also, with you!**

Collect

[P] God of our salvation - past, present, and future; our creator, sustainer, redeemer [+], you are the source of wisdom and joy. Your love and mercies are not limited to one time or to one people. You continue to heal and to save, transcending the artificial boundaries and barriers we set. Help us to remember our eternal home and to hope fervently for the promised land, that we might know you as Alpha and Omega, Three in One, our eternal God, and friend.

[C] **Amen.**

Sit

Just for Kids!

Children's Procession

Children are invited to follow the Crucifer to the Nursery. They'll return in time for The Eucharist

The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.

First Lesson

The Psalmody *Choir Songs Verses; Congregation sings Refrain:*

The ___ fear ___ of the ___ LORD is the be - gin - ning of wis - dom.

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Second Lesson

Stand

The Gradual

Refrain
Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love, show
us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.
Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, var - ied in col - or and race,
neigh-bors are near - by and far a - way. *Refrain*

We are collecting dog and cat food, treats, litter, blankets, towels (used is fine) and toys during the entire month. At the end of October we will donate the collection to Dakota's Dream. There is a bin in the Narthex for your donations. If you're interested in being a foster pet guardian speak to Kim Begnaud.

Sewing for the Savior meets Tuesday morning at 9:30, room 204. Anyone interested in doing a little sewing, enjoying a cup of coffee & fellowship and a snack or two, is welcome to join us.

The Lutheran Church Women will meet this Tuesday evening at 7PM in the Parlor. *All women* of Trinity are invited to attend any meeting. This group meeting the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7PM, except during Standard Time when they gather at noon.

The Vision will meet this Saturday, 10/15 6PM. We will have a *Chopped* pizza making challenge - we need adult judges, speak to Lynn Downs if you'd like to judge the pizza our youth make that evening. After "dinner" we will play games and finalize plans for Halloween Fest, so ya'll come, ya here?

Next Sunday following worship join us for a **congregational potluck**. Talk to Mary Anderson (869-2182) if you have questions about what to bring.

The Vision (our youth) is asking for your support by donating candy, for their **Halloween Fest on Saturday, October 29** beginning at **11:00AM**. (There is a bin in the Narthex for candy donations.) They'd love your participation as well by decorating your car for the Trunk or Treat—the Golden Gourd Award will given for the best decorated car. Tell your neighbors and friends and join *The Vision* on October 29! Admission is \$5.00 for those over the age of 2. This includes: Bounce House, Haunted House, a bag of popcorn, a drink, and lots of games to play. Questions—contact Lynn Downs (momtofourboys@hotmail.com or 394-5798).

The GroundBreakers will be visiting the elderly/shut-in on Saturday, October 22nd, 2:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. Children are welcome. Please let Marcie Stern(540.247.5435) or Samantha Anderson (540.974.0395) know if you're planning to join us (so no one gets left behind).

At the beginning of the worship service on **Sunday, October 23** we will gather in the columbarium prayer garden for a **brief service of dedication** before our regular worship service. At that time, the brick pavers, fountain, new gate (hopefully) and plantings will be lifted up to God's care and blessing.

A Chrismon workshop will be led by Christine Cornwell on Saturday, October 22 at 10:00AM. This is to make Chrismons *for your personal tree*. You will need: a towel, pliers, small sharp pointed scissors and a small hole punch.

Mark Sunday, October 23 on your calendar

That evening, at 6:30PM, at Bethel Lutheran, all of the Northern Virginia Conference churches will gather together with members of the Synodical Bishop Transition Task Force. This is the committee formed to hear comments, questions and suggestions from all the Synod as to what we would like in our next bishop and to help all members understand the process of electing a new bishop.

Bishop Mauney has announced his retirement effective August of 2017, which means we will be electing a new Bishop during the Synod Assembly next year. (It'll be an exciting Assembly, that's for sure! Consider being a Trinity delegate!)

This is your opportunity to have your voice heard in this process and get questions answered. **We can't emphasize enough how important your presence at this meeting will be!** Mark October 23 on your calendar NOW and plan to be at Bethel for this important step as we move forward as a Synod.

The Distribution

“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”

See laminated white music in pew

*All Christians - regardless your denomination - are invited to the Eucharist
Come by the center aisle, receive by Common Cup, intinction, or individual glass
Return to your seat by the side*

Hymns during The Communion: ELW 468 / 476 / 483

*After all have communed,
Stand*

The Blessing

[P] May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus, Christ, bless us and keep us now and forever.
[C] Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

[P] We give you thanks, O God, that you have refreshed our souls through these gifts of bread and wine by your promised presence in, with and under it all. Strengthen us through these gifts to a deeper faithfulness to you, a renewed spirit to serve others, and hear us as we share a prayer for *Trinity Church*:
[C] Lord God you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage not knowing *where* we go, but only that your hand is leading us, and your love supporting us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Benediction

[P] May we all be blessed with faith and made well, as we step forth in joy, and walk out in song. May God keep watch over us and all nations; may Christ restore us, body and soul; and may the Holy Spirit help us to remain faithful, giving thanks to God our whole life long. In the name of the Father, and of the Son [†], and of the Holy Spirit.

ELW 840 Recessional

“Now Thank We All Our God”

Dismissal

[P] ..Go in peace—to love and serve the Lord!
[C] We will! Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Now Thank We All Our God

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Lonnie & Clarissa; Charlie & Louise; Robert & Frances; Joe; Febra; Darcas; James & Charlotte; the Fitch family; Lanette

To add a name to the prayer list please contact the church office

The Holy Gospel

See Insert

[P] The Holy Gospel, according to St. Luke the seventeenth chapter.
[C] Glory to you, O Lord.
[C] Amen.

The Gospel is read

[P] The Gospel of the Lord!
[C] Praise to you, O Christ. Amen.

Sit

A Little Good News!

The Rev^d Mr. Cameron P. Keyser

Stand

ELW 612 Hymn of the Day

“Healer of Our Every Ill”

Apostles Creed

[P] We believe in you,
[C] O God, Eternal Spirit, God of our Savior Jesus Christ and our God, and to your deeds we testify:
You call the worlds into being, create persons in your own image, and set before each one the ways of life and death. You seek in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin. You judge people and nations by your righteous will declared through prophets and apostles. In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Savior, you have come to us and shared our common lot, conquering sin and death and reconciling the world to yourself. You bestow upon us your Holy Spirit, creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ, binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues, and races. You call us into your church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, to be your servants in the service of others, to proclaim the gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil, to share in Christ’s baptism and eat at his table, to join him in his passion and victory. You promise to all who trust you forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace, courage in the struggle for justice and peace, your presence in trial and rejoicing, and eternal life in your realm which has no end.

Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto you. Amen.

- United Church of Christ, A Statement of Faith

Prayers of the People

[P] We pray, not because we *must* – but because we *can*. We pray not to change *God*...but to change *ourselves*...

Sit

[P] A day of worship, a day of rest, a day in community, a day to be blessed, a day for offering, a day for welcoming, a day of remembering, and a day of reckoning — *this* is the day the Lord has made.

[C] Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

[P] Your Word, O God humbles us - and yet strengthens us - to hear its truth, and unbinds us to live your call, sending to us your Spirit, that - though we are bound by many tethers - by your Word we are set free. By the power of your Spirit, make us worthy stewards of Christ’s gospel, unashamed and unafraid to share the truth made known to us in Christ Jesus. In peace,

[C] we pray to the Lord.

[P] We honor you, O God, for your power: in mighty deeds and tender mercies; and for your watchful care: in places of exile and at home; for your healing presence: in our sickness and in our brokenness; and in your renewing of creation: teaching us how to end harmful habits and willful ruin, and to be more faithful stewards toward earth’s resources as we strive for your Peaceable Kingdom.

In peace,

[C] we pray to the Lord.

[P] We pray for the needs of your broken and deliberately callous and evil world: for those enslaved by political, military, or social oppression; those suffering from violence and illnesses which we can prevent; for those at risk from famine, drought, and natural disasters. In peace,

[C] we pray to the Lord.

[P] We pray for the cares of our community: for those who have lost jobs, homes, and hope; for those who are hungry today and will be again tomorrow; for those troubled in mind, body, or spirit, and for those recovering, especially...*(pastoral petitions are offered)*
In peace,

[C] **we pray to the Lord.**

[P] We pray for the cares we hold this day: for patience in difficulty...for a renewal of commitment...for grace to forgive ourselves or another...and for all that we name before you now – both in our hearts and on our lips *(congregational petitions may be said aloud)*
Glorious God, we praise you: loving, merciful, powerful, and just, creating beauty, bringing freedom, making peace, and offering healing, as you call each of us to love others and to treat everyone as a neighbor. In peace,

[C] **we pray to the Lord.**

[P] Heal us, we pray, in our dis-eases, estrangements, and in the broken places of our lives. Help us to notice those whose cries for mercy so often go unheard or ignored by others that we may we return to you, to creation, and to community in freshness, joy, and thanksgiving according to your grace.
In peace,

[C] **we pray to the Lord**

[P] that you would give your Church fresh courage and bold vision in these challenging and fluctuating times as we pray for the welfare of all people, placing all our concerns in your merciful hands – trusting in your providence and care in the name of the one who came to heal and to save: Jesus the Christ.

[C] **Amen.**

Peace

[P] May Christ's peace be with you all!

[C] **And, also, with you!**

Please feel free to move about and share Christ's Peace with one another!

Sit

Offering

Anthem

The fruits of our labor are joyfully shared with Christ's Church
Here, O my Lord, I See Thee M. Lee Sutor Trinity Choir

Stand

The Presentation

All are wel - come, friend and stran - ger at the ban - quet of the Sav - ior.
All are wel - come. All are wel - come here.
From the wo - man who comes - cry - ing,
Go in - to the the feel streets for and - got - ten,
leav - ing tears at Je - sus' feet, to the man who
those who sense their place fam - i - lies, tell a - bout the
splen - did right way but here can not see.
live in hun - ger, but here can not see.
splen - did right way but here can not see.

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

[P] We have looked in awe at the roundness of raindrops and the slender shape of spruce; at the multitude of human forms and the contours of a cloud – knowing that what was once formless and void, you have transformed into a spacious and generous place. In return, we give ourselves: in all shapes and forms for the sake of your creation, O God, and all who dwell in it. For tidings of joy, for wholeness received, for the gift of belonging, we thank you. Make of us, as well as these gifts, offerings of Good News to the poor, hope to the hopeless, and signs of your determination to reconcile and redeem in the name of Christ.

[C] **Amen.**

† The Holy Eucharist †

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

[P] It is indeed right and salutary that we should—at all times and in all places give thanks to the Lord, our God, for on the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus took bread, gave **thanks**, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: *Take and eat: this is my body given for you. Do this and remember me.* After supper he took the cup; gave **thanks**, and gave it for all to drink, saying: *This is my blood of the new covenant which brings new life. Drink from this all of you, and, when you do, remember me.* For as often as we eat of this Bread and drink from this Cup, we remember the Lord's **death**—until he comes, declaring the mystery of our faith:

Celebrant sings first; Congregation repeats:

Christ has died. Christ is ris - en. Christ will come a - gain.

Lord's Prayer

[P] Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray: Our father,

[C] **who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom, come; thy will be done on earth – as it is in heaven. Give us, today, our daily bread – and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who 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 and ever. Amen.**

The Invitation

[P] Alleluia! Christ is our sacrifice. Therefore, let us keep the feast—for Christ has given us a new commandment: that we love one another as he has first loved us. So, come and eat: the bread of life, the cup of salvation – the gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you - and feast on him in your hearts with joy and thanksgiving.

[C] **Thanks be to God.**

Sit