

WEEKLY PRAYER PEOPLE. Prayers, calls, and notes are encouraged (please check the church directory for contact information):

*Judy Woelker, Virginia Arkens,
Bob and Janet Baker*

PRAYER CONCERNS: Home: Mark and Denise Slaughter, Sandi Russell, Dennis Smith, Donna Thompson, Jack Presseau, Sue Ellsasser, Gayle Hoverson, Janet Baker, Bill and Barbara Garrison, Bill and Juliette Blakely, Ginny Arkens, Merritt Roach, Connie Moore; Bob Brackett, Irene Robertson and Paddy Deich (CV Care Center); Stan Dienst, Eleanor Beardsley (Carolina Reserve). *Rehabilitation, Nursing:* Harry Papazian (Heritage Hills), Gene Carman (HH&R), Jessie Ann Boterf, Audrey White (The Laurels); Betty Bobb and Lillis Brackett (CV Med Center), Bob Shelly (Arbor Terrace). *Others:* Don Shimon (with family in Arizona), Irving Lindsey (Paul Soltész's uncle), Kira Sloop (Forsythe's niece – breast cancer), Rob Stanfield, serving in Afghanistan, Heather McMillan (Judy Woelke's daughter), Donna Dalton's grandson Ryan (chronic leukemia), Jay, Lorrie and Robert Pelc (family of Carole Ball), Don Cunningham, (Sarah Thibodeau's brother), Scott and Sandy Owens, Marvin Gilley, Albert Bunch, and Tina Lunsford and her son, Craig (family and friends of Dolly Owens and Nancy Twitchen). Please remember mission coworkers and our Guatemalan partner church, Fuente de Vida.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Madeline Grace Reider, daughter of Jeffrey and Katherine Reider and granddaughter of Ed and Betty Lockwood.

OUT-TO-LUNCH BUNCH: Everyone is encouraged to spend today with family and friends. Next week we are going to *Dragonfly* with Jack Caylor.

IAM NEEDS: Instant oatmeal, instant grits, fruit juice, toothpaste, toothbrushes, canned pasta, healthy snacks, macaroni and cheese.

PENTECOST OFFERING: “*God, from my youth you have taught me.*” (Psalm 71:17). Through the Pentecost Offering congregations share Christ's love in our community and around the world. 40% is for local programs for children at risk and for the development of youth. 60% supports young adult volunteers, youth ministries and child advocacy. Please give generously and support the future of our young people. This special offering will be received on June 4, Pentecost Sunday.

MUSIC & DRAMA CAMP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Attention grownups: Trinity's annual Music & Drama Camp, led by Cindy Clark, returns June 25–July 1, and we could use your help in making this fun-filled, educational week happen. To volunteer or learn more, see or call Edie Clark. Thank you!

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHEDULE CHANGE. Beginning Sunday, June 3 (and running through Sunday, August 26), we'll have Learning Hour classes at 9:00, followed by a single worship service at 10:00. Please make note of this change, and tell your family, friends, and neighbors!

TPS BOXCAR: The TPS boxcar will be open on Sunday, June 3, after the 10:00 worship service for 30 minutes. We appreciate donations of your valuable treasures for our Yard Sale to be held September 28-29. We take all useable items except electronics, adult clothing, and exercise equipment. If you have questions, please call Linda Walker at 891-2486. If you need us to pick up your donations, please call Harry Hankla at 696-3829.

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Partnered in Christ with
Fuente de Vida Presbyterian Church
Guatemala

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 13, A.D. 2018

8:30 and 11:00 A.M.

“Then Jesus answered her, ‘Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.’”

-- Matthew 15:28

Prelude “All Creatures of Our God and King”, Robert E. Krentz

Introit “How Happy Are the Saints of God”

Call to Worship (*responsive*)

Leader: Happy are those who walk not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor sit in the seats of scoffers.

People: **The delight of the righteous
is in the law of the Lord our God.**

Leader: On the law of God, and all its teachings,
they meditate by day and night.

People: **They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither.**

***Hymn no. 39** Great Is Thy Faithfulness” (“O God, Creator”)

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Source of all wisdom— You have called us to honor your word, and showered us with blessing when we have followed your counsel. You have sent your Spirit to purify us deep within, so that we may follow your way singleheartedly, even when other voices and inner desires call us away from you. Yet we have disregarded your precepts, and grieved your sanctifying spirit.

In mercy, forgive us for resisting you. By your boundless love, draw us near to yourself, that with joy and gratitude we may honor you faithfully in all that we do and say, bearing abundant fruit of beauty and wholeness, the inheritance of those who live by your holy wisdom, through your Wisdom made flesh, Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Silent Meditation and Assurance of Pardon

***Congregational Response no. 582** “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

***Passing of the Peace**

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 1

Choral Anthem “For You Shall Go Out with Joy”, Dale Grotenhuis

A Moment for Children

Sacrament of Baptism (11:00) Madeline Grace Reider

Minutes for Ministry: Habitat for Humanity Jim Smelker
Music & Drama Camp Edie Clark

New Testament Lesson: Matthew 15:21-28

Sermon “A Woman of Influence” Mark Stanley

***Affirmation of Faith** (*unison*) “From the Theological Declaration of Barmen”
(*see insert*)

Announcements

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

***Offertory** *Lentement in E minor*, Charles Tournemire

***Doxology no. 607** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn no. 231** “Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers”

Charge and Blessing

Choral Response “Bless the Lord”

***Postlude** *Laudation*, Gilbert M. Martin

** Stand, or remain seated*

LITURGIST: Bob Forsythe

GREETERS: Albert and Margaret Sharke

USHERS: 8:30 - Tom and Priscilla Karvonen; 11:00 - Harry Hankla, Nancy and Dave Gilbert, Kathleen Ohle

FLOWERS: Today’s sanctuary flowers are given by Barbara Pickwood in memory of my husband, Wayne.

CHILDCARE: Room 201; 8:30 to Noon (for Birth through Preschool)

HEARING AIDS: Hearing aids to assist the hearing impaired are available from the ushers

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 8:30 - 59; 11:00 - 116 Total of 175

Remember the Church in your Will

This congregation welcomes you without regard to race, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, education, economic circumstance, your place of origin or any other issue that divides God’s family. We are Christ’s people and this is Christ’s place with its doors wide open. If you are passing through, Godspeed. If you are looking for a worship home, stay with us. We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.

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Office Hours: Mon–Fri, 8:30 A.M.–4:30 P.M. • **Trinity Preschool:** Mon–Fri, 8:30 A.M.–11:30 A.M.

Calendar for the Week of May 13

Today **8:30 A.M. Worship Service**
9:45 A.M. Learning Hour
Adults:
• *Issues and Concerns:*
• *Lectionary Class:* Trinity Room
• *Hashing It Out:* Lounge
Children and Youth:
• *Primary:* Grades K-3 (Room 103)
• *Youth:* Grades 4 and up (Room 101)
11:00 A.M. Worship Service
12:00 P.M. Trinity 30 - Campbell/Spencer

Monday 10:30 A.M. Rebekah Circle
2:00 P.M. “Healing the Heart of Democracy” Book Study

Tuesday 9:00 A.M. Staff Meeting
10:00 A.M. New Member Subcommittee
10:00 A.M. Naomi Circle

Wednesday 10:30 A.M. Friends in Christ
6:00 P.M. Deborah Circle
7:30 P.M. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday 10:00 A.M. Study of Luke

Sunday - 05/20 **8:30 A.M. Worship Service**
9:45 A.M. Learning Hour
11:00 A.M. Worship Service
12:00 P.M. Trinity Thirty - Carter/Madigan

“The Theological Declaration of Barmen”

- 8.19** 4. “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. It shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant.” (Matt. 20:25-26.)
- 8.20** The various offices in the Church do not establish a dominion of some over the others; on the contrary, they are for the exercise of the ministry entrusted to and enjoined upon the whole congregation.
- 8.21** We reject the false doctrine, as though the Church, apart from this ministry, could and were permitted to give to itself, or allow to be given to it, special leaders vested with ruling powers.
- 8.22** 5. “Fear God. Honor the emperor.” (I Peter 2:17.)
- Scripture tells us that, in the as yet unredeemed world in which the Church also exists, the State has by divine appointment the task of providing for justice and peace. [It fulfills this task] by means of the threat and exercise of force, according to the measure of human judgment and human ability. The Church acknowledges the benefit of this divine appointment in gratitude and reverence before him. It calls to mind the Kingdom of God, God’s commandment and righteousness and thereby the responsibility both of rulers and of the ruled. It trusts and obeys the power of the Word by which God upholds all things.
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- 8.25** 6. “Lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age.” (Matt. 28:20.) “The word of God is not fettered.” (II Tim. 2:9.)
- 8.26** The Church’s commission, upon which its freedom is founded, consists in delivering the message of the free grace of God to all people in Christ’s stead, and therefore in the ministry of his own Word and work through sermon and Sacrament.

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