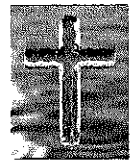




Trinity United Methodist Church

Saturday, January 11, 2025 - 5:00 pm



Gathering Music

"Raise a Hallelujah"

Meanz of Grace

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Deb De Vos

Praise Songs

"Holy Forever"

"Gratitude"

Time of Fellowship

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 43:1-7, Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 Tracy Heuneman

Message

"Why Baptism?"

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Offering

Reaffirmation of Baptism

Closing Song

"Good Good Father"

Sending Forth

Prayer Concerns

Jerry Amari, Dick Netel, Joe Bristow, Scott David, Stephanie Haley, Bette P., John P., Gladys Golder, Rosemary Robertson, Craig Good, Julius Somogyi, Mollie Miller, Pam Davis, Leah Vondette, Rick Oritz, Rob, Connie Brodine, Stanley Jawbowski, Audrey Morelli, Scott Savokinas, Candace, David Izatt, Arthur & Jean Koenig, Brett Nicholas, Annette Munley, Anita Gizzo, Jack Bozzuffi, Kristel Kirk, Darlene Meeh, Candice, Sarah Hergert, Paul Wells, Marry, Tony, Carol Ann, Linda, Colleen, Stewart, Susan & Doug Manhire, George & Ellen Layton, Erica H., Nathan, Marie Savokinas, Claude & Nancy Buchman, Matthew Lott, Sue Bernard, Ted Ziegert, Tom & Ginny Thorp, Terry & Donald Perrine, Gary Valentine, Anthony Pami, Meghan MacDonald, Matthew McKinnon, Abigail Brown, Linda Blazier, Bradley, Meghan W., Clark Tesh, Danny

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 43:1-7 (NRSVue)

But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine. ²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you, and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. ³For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. ⁴Because you are precious in my sight and honored and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. ⁵Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; ⁶I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth— ⁷everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 (NRSVue)

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water, but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the strap of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

²¹Now when all the people were baptized and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Holy Forever

CCLI Song # 7201044 Brian Johnson | Chris Tomlin | Jason Ingram | Jenn Johnson | Phil Wickham
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Verse 1

A thousand generations
Falling down in worship
To sing the song of ages to the Lamb
And all who've gone before us
And all who will believe
Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb

Pre-Chorus

(Jesus) Your name is the highest
Your name is the greatest
Your name stands above them all
All thrones and dominions
All powers and positions
Your name stands above them all

Chorus 1

And the angels cry Holy
All creation cries Holy
You are lifted high Holy
Holy forever

Verse 2

If you've been forgiven
And if you've been redeemed
Sing the song forever to the Lamb
If you walk in freedom
And if you bear His name
Sing the song forever to the Lamb
We'll sing the song forever and amen

Chorus 2

Hear Your people sing Holy
To the King of Kings Holy
You will always be Holy
Holy forever

Tag

You will always be Holy
Holy forever

Gratitude

CCLI Song # 7158417 Benjamin Hastings | Brandon Lake | Dante Bowe
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All my words fall short
I got nothing new
How could I express
All my gratitude

I could sing these songs
As I often do
But every song must end
And You never do

Chorus

So I throw up my hands
And praise You again and again
'Cause all that I have is a hallelujah hallelujah

And I know it's not much
But I've nothing else fit for a king
Except for a heart singing hallelujah
Hallelujah

I've got one response
I've got just one move
With my arms stretched wide
I will worship You

Come on my soul
Oh don't you get shy on me
Lift up your song
'Cause you've got a lion inside of those lungs
Get up and praise the Lord

Pastoral Team

Rev. Erica Munoz – Lead Pastor

Rev. Dr. Deb De Vos – Associate Pastor, Spiritual Formation & Discipleship

Rev. Donald Gebhard – Pastor of Community Engagement

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Good Good Father

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Verse 1

I've heard a thousand stories
Of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper
Of love in the dead of night
You tell me that You're pleased
And that I'm never alone

Chorus

You're a Good Good Father
It's who You are
It's who You are
It's who You are
And I'm loved by You
It's who I am
It's who I am
It's who I am

Verse 2

I've seen many searching for answers
Far and wide
But I know we're all searching for answers
Only You provide
Because You know just what we need
Before we say a word

Bridge

You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

Verse 3

Love so undeniable I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still
Into love love love

Announcements

Worship Attendance

Jan4/5	In Person	Facebook Peak Views
5:00	67	3
10:00	159	54

Please note that online numbers represent devices.

-Nursery Care – Due to unforeseen circumstances, we will not be providing Nursery Care for the foreseeable future.

-Reminder – If you give electronically and have increased your pledge for 2025 you will need to adjust your donation. If you need help doing this, please call Bob Sasena at the church office at 908-852-3020.

-Special Coffee Fellowship - Join the United Methodist Men in Starr Hall after worship on **January 12th** for some delicious treats, coffee and fellowship! The UMM have a breakfast each month with a speaker, support scholarships for our youth and collect clothing for our Midnight Run, among many other things. Come meet them while enjoying some delicious treats.

-Greetings Ministry ~ TODAY – Come to the Greetings Ministry table in Room 401/Starr Hall. We have cards and the names of people who need a friendly, caring greeting from Trinity. Just sit down for a few minutes and write a note of compassion and hope. You may know someone who would enjoy receiving a greeting.

-Senior Social – Join us for fellowship and activities with other seniors. Coffee and a snack will be provided. Bring your friends. There is always lots of time for conversation, fun and games. We will meet in Trinity House on **Thursday, January 16th** from 1:15 - 2:45pm.

-Hoagie Sale - The United Methodist Men are having their 18th Annual Hoagie Sale. You may order your hoagie through Sunday, February 2nd using Just Say Yes#3. Hoagies will be available for pick up, by on Saturday, February 8th at SNW, or Sunday, February 9th from 9:00 am – 12:00 noon. For only \$10.00 you have a choice of one of two hoagies, with or without onions. All profits go to the Mathias Torgersen Scholarship Fund.

-Soup Donations Requested - The United Women in Faith will be holding a Soup Sale on February 23rd. If you would like to donate your signature soup to this event, please let us know. We supply the quart containers and labels. Please use Just Say Yes #4 to let us know what type of soup you would like to make and how many quarts you would like to provide. Any questions please reach out to Pat Riegler at patriegler@gmail or Cheryl Provence-VanHorn at mat2540@gmail.com.

-United Women in Faith Gathering- Join us on Saturday, February 1st from 9:00 – 11:00 am in Starr Hall for Chair Yoga! Instructor Elizabeth Stroppa, a registered yoga instructor with over 10,000 teaching hours and teaches both public and private classes, will be guiding us through a yoga session. For the past seven years, she has been teaching chair yoga classes for the Warren County Department of Aging, as well as local senior clubs. You do not have to have prior chair yoga experience to participate! Please use Just Say Yes #5 to let us know you will attend. Healthy snacks and water will be provided. We ask all who attend to consider bringing a donation of diapers that will be given to the food pantry. While all sizes are welcome, we could especially use sizes 3 – 6.

-MLK Day of Service Stream Cleanup - Monday, January 20, from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. Join the Musconetcong Watershed Association as they honor Martin Luther King Jr. Day and participate in this National Day of Service with a litter cleanup along the stream behind us, a tributary to the Musconetcong River. Please help prevent litter from entering our waterways! MWA will provide gloves and bags, so you just need to come dressed for the weather. We will be cleaning up along the streambank, so try to wear sturdy boots—or waders if you have them! Please use this link <https://forms.gle/oajSmmNks7ruZ8np8> to let them know you will participate.

-Prayer Shawl Ministry - Do you know someone that is ill or could use the comfort of a handmade blessed Prayer Shawl? You are welcome to help yourself to one from the container over the coatrack in the Rotunda.

-Edible Blessings - Do you know someone that could use the comfort of a homemade meal? This could be for any reason. There are meals made by the Edible Blessings team in the freezer in the office building. Just stop by during office hours and pick up one or two or three to deliver to anyone who might need one.

-Hands to Hearts - As the weather is getting colder, Hands to Hearts is preparing to again provide hats, scarves, mittens and gloves to those in need. Through your generous donations, our Trinity family was able to provide over 375 pieces of winter outerwear to our community last winter. In conjunction with the Prayer Shawl ministry, we are accepting donations of hats, scarves, mittens, and gloves. (Hand-made or purchased) We are also very happy to accept yarn and gift cards to purchase materials. Donations can be dropped off at the church office.

This Week at Trinity January 13 - 19

Monday	1:00 pm	Rotunda	Prayer Shawl
	6:00 pm	Music Room	Littlest Angels
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Room 104	On Bended Knee
	6:00 pm	TH Room 400	Stamping Angels
	7:00 pm	ASP	Room 104
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Zoom	Tuesday Evening Bible Study
	9:00 am	TH Room 401	Wednesday Bible Study
	10:30 am	Blue Room	Staff Meeting
	4:00 pm	Lower Level	After School Program/English Conversation
	5:30 pm	Starr Hall	Community Dinner
	6:00 pm	Upper Room	Youth Ministry
	7:00 pm	Music Room	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	7:00 pm	KidZone	Trustees
	7:00 pm	Blue Room	Thrift Shop Advisory
	10:00 am	Zoom	Centering Prayer
	1:15 pm	Trinity House	Senior Social
	7:00 pm	Music Room	Agape Ringers
	7:00 pm	Music Room	Celebration Praise Band
Saturday	8:00 am	Room 103	Men's Bible Study
Sunday	1:00 pm	Rotunda	Sew & Sews
	8:45 am	KidZone	Experiencing the Heart of Jesus
	8:45 am	KidZone	Mothers & Daughters of the Bible
	9:00 am	Lower Level	KidVenture
	9:00 am	Upper Room	Church School
	9:00 am	Room 304	Confirmation
	11:00 am	Starr Hall	Fellowship Time
	11:15 am	Room 104	Sunday Morning Bible Study
	12:30 pm	Rotunda	Movie & Discussion – Self Made
5:00 pm	Upper Room	Youth Sunday Social	
	7:00 pm	Starr Hall	Pickleball

Just Say Yes - Opportunities To Serve

1. **Ushers** – We are in need of ushers for our 10:00 am Sunday worship services.

_____ Yes, I would like to occasionally usher on Sundays at the 10:00 worship service.

2. **Movie and Discussion** – Self Made: Inspired by the Life of Madam C.J. Walker – tells the story of an African American washerwoman’s rise from poverty to build a beauty empire and become the first female self-made millionaire. Rated MA. The movie will be shown on **Sunday, January 19th** at 12:30 in the Rotunda. Feel free to bring your lunch.

_____ Yes, I/we plan to attend Self Made on January 19th.

3. **UMM Hoagie Sale** – Orders will be taken through Sunday, February 2nd. Hoagies will be available for pickup Saturday, February 9th at SNW or Sunday, February 10th between 9:00 am and 12:00 noon. Each hoagie is \$10 with all profits going to the Mathias Torgersen Scholarship Fund. Please make checks payable to “Trinity UMC” with “UMM Hoagies” on the memo line.

_____ Italian Hoagie (onion)

_____ Turkey and Cheese (onion)

_____ Italian Hoagie (no onion)

_____ Turkey and Cheese (no onion)

Number Hoagies _____ x \$10 = _____ (total)

Pickup: Saturday (2/8) _____ Sunday (2/9) _____

4. **Soup Donations Requested** – The United Women in Faith will be holding a Soup Sale on Sunday, February 23rd. If you would like to donate your signature soup to this event, please let us know. We supply the quart containers and labels. Any questions please reach out to Pat Riegler at patdriegler@gmail.com or Cheryl Provence-VanHorn at mat2540@gmail.com.

_____ Yes, I will make _____ quarts of _____ soup.
Number Type

5. **UWF Gathering** - Join us on Saturday, February 1st from 9:00 – 11:00 am in Starr Hall for Chair Yoga! Chair yoga benefits a wide range of participants, including those with physical limitations, as it improves the health and wellbeing of participants, while allowing them to be fully supported by a chair. You do not have to have prior chair yoga experience to participate.

_____ Yes, I would like to attend the UWF Chair Yoga on Saturday, February 1st.

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email _____