



Trinity United Methodist Church
Sunday, May 31, 2026
Children & Youth Sunday



Prelude

MaryRose Clark

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Erica Munoz

*** Call to Worship**

Leader: Today we celebrate the faith, gifts, and leadership of our children and youth.

People: We come with joy and gratitude!

Leader: Jesus welcomed children and called all people to follow in faith and love.

People: Together, young and old, we worship God as one family.

Leader: Come, let us worship God!

People: Let us worship with joy and praise!

*** Opening Hymn**

"Jesus Loves Me"

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*** Passing of the Peace**

Sacrament of Baptism

Volunteer Appreciation

Jenna Somogyi
 (Director of Children and Family Ministries)

KidVenture Presentation

Beacon - 1 Peter 5:7

Zion - 1 Chronicles 16:8

Hebrews 13:15

April Lubkiewicz
 Braelon Munoz
 Alex Salazar & April Lubkiewicz

"Million Reasons"

Yeddy - Ephesians 6:10

Swift - John 14:6

Bubbles - Hebrews 13:5

Isaiah 49:13

Jess Provel
 Sophie Forestiere
 Pre K Class
 Harper & Avery DePalma

"Shine"

Psalm 32:8

Cliff - 1 John 1:9

Psalm 12:12

Samuel Zielenkiewicz & Grayson Lubkiewicz
 Avery DePalma
 Jack Craven & Elam Crawford

"My God is Powerful"

Graduate Recognition

Scholarship Awards

Testimony

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

Bill Blaskopf

Brady Scullin

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offering Prayer

Almighty God, we give in the name of Christ, to whom all authority is given. Renew our commitment to live as your disciples, and let our lives reflect your love in action. May these gifts bear witness to your grace, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

* **Closing Song**

"My Lighthouse"

Benediction

Postlude



*Please stand if you are able

Our acolyte this morning is Braelon Munoz

Join us next weekend for Confirmation Sunday with a sermon based on Ephesians 3:14-21 to be followed by a time of celebration in Starr Hall with cake.

The flowers on the altar are donated by Carol Theys in honor of her great granddaughter Colette Marie Gerges and by Brittany & Brian Hazell.

Serving alongside our ushers and greeters this morning are:

Elam Crawford

Avery DePalma

Braelon Munoz

Linnea Crawford

Sophie Forestiere

Zoey Schick

Prayer Concerns

Ethel Ernst, Rebecca Vetro, Jennifer & Doug Walters, Scott Savokinas, Roxann Philhower, Darryl & Debbie Tuxhorn, Debbie Lockwood, Rhonda, Cyd, John Flood, Bob Thornton, Anthony Shandra, Johnny, Don Duryea, Joy Snyder, Tara, Andy Barber, Lisa Dittman, Jim Cash, Joan Crouse, Sanna, Jamie, Lori Murray, Bennett Onderko, Hope Dingley, Mary Lou Dunn, Phil & BJ Hammel, Hana Hund, Norm & Edna Barrier, Evan Duryea, Joe Carr, George Hackett, Luke McKinnon, George Weiser, Annette Parker, Jennifer Bush, Diana Karns, Skylar Lynn, Laurie O'Mally, Russell Blazier, Stanley Jacobowski, McKayla Brown, George Fisher, Doris Fisher, Edna Burton, Dolly Miranda, Gean, Julius Somogyi, Claude Buchman, Evan Fondiller, Candace, David Izatt, Arthur & Jean Koenig, Jack Bozzuffi, Candice, Sarah Hergert, Jerry, Colleen, Stewart, Kathy, Mary, Sarah, Linda, Kathy K., George & Ellen Layton, Erica H., Nathan, Matthew Lott, Ted Ziegert, Terry & Donald Perrine, Anthony Pami, Meghan MacDonald, Matthew McKinnon, Abigail Brown, Linda Blazier, Bradley, Meghan W., Danny

Pastoral Team

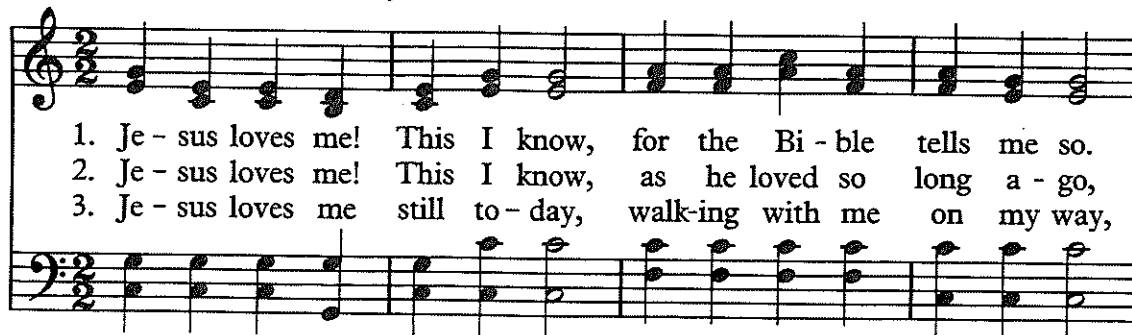
Rev. Erica Munoz – Lead Pastor

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

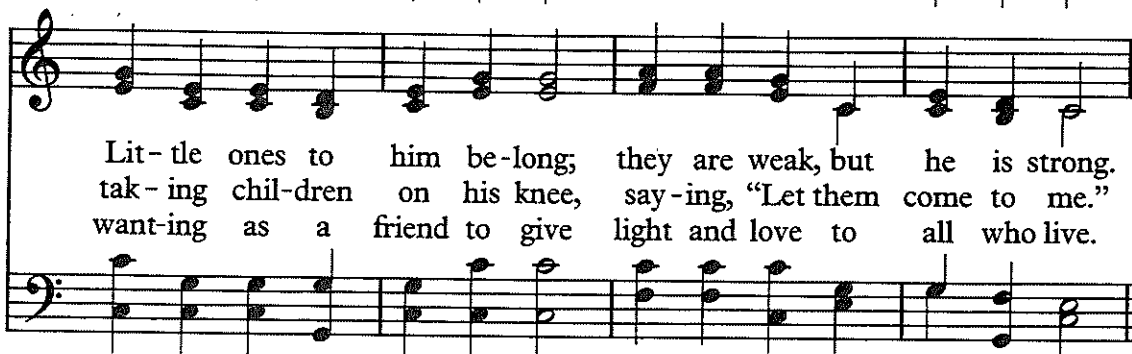
Rev. Donald Gebhard – Associate Pastor

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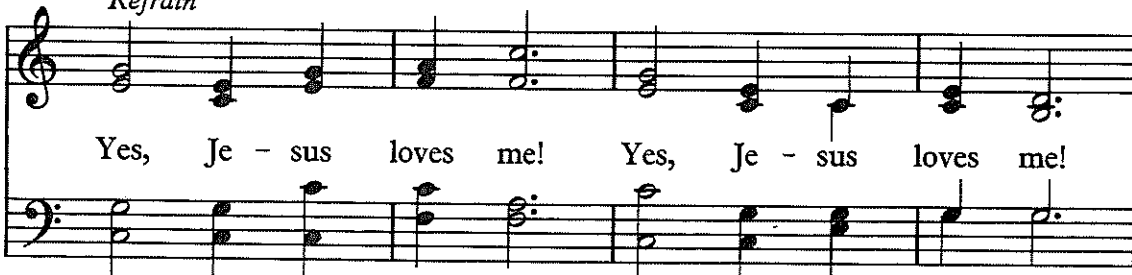
Jesus Loves Me



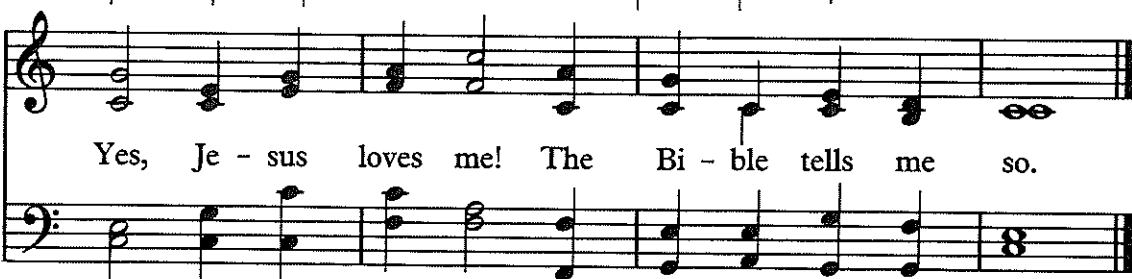
1. Je - sus loves me! This I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so.
 2. Je - sus loves me! This I know, as he loved so long a - go,
 3. Je - sus loves me still to - day, walk - ing with me on my way,



Lit - tle ones to him be - long; they are weak, but he is strong.
 tak - ing chil - dren on his knee, say - ing, "Let them come to me."
 want - ing as a friend to give light and love to all who live.

Refrain


Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!



Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

CHEROKEE
 Tsisa a ki ke yu ha
 Koh wel a khi no hih se
 Tsu nah sti ka Tsu tse li
 u hli ni ki tih ye hno

Tsis a ki ke yu
 Tsis a ki ke yu
 Tsis a ki ke yu
 a khi no hih se ho.

GERMAN
 Jesus liebt mich ganz gewiss,
 Denn die Bibel sagt mir dies,
 Alle Kinder schwach und klein,
 Läd't Er herzlich zu sich ein.

Ja, Jesus liebt mich,
 Ja, Jesus liebt mich,
 Ja, Jesus liebt mich,
 Die Bibel sagt mir dies.

WORDS: St. 1 Anna B. Warner, 1860; Sts. 2-3 David Rutherford McGuire; trans.:
 Cherokee, Robert Bushyhead, 1962; German, *Psalter und Harfe*, 1876; Japanese
 phonetic transcription, Mas Kawashima, 1988; Spanish, *Himnario Metodista*, 1968
 MUSIC: William B. Bradbury, 1862

JESUS LOVES ME
 77.77 with Refrain

Announcements

Worship Attendance

May 23/24	In Person	Facebook Peak Views
5:00	58	4
10:00	161	32

Please note that online numbers represent devices.

-Special Communion Offering –We will take a special offering during Communion next weekend, June 6/7, for Trinity’s Fellowship Fund for our summer community events and activities. This will help support our Summer of Fun!!

-Confirmation Sunday –On **Sunday, June 7th** we will celebrate as 5 youth are welcomed into the congregation through Confirmation. We will have a time of celebration in Starr Hall with cake after worship.

-United Women in Faith June Gathering - Join us on **Saturday, June 6th** from 11:00 am – 2:30 pm in Starr Hall for Self-Care: The Key to Well-Being, featuring life coach and mental health professional Susie the Life Coach. You can learn more about her at susielifecoach.com. Enjoy a light lunch including pizza, salad, soft drinks, cookies, and brownies while connecting with other women in our church and community. As part of our outreach, we invite attendees to bring feminine hygiene products to support the Lord’s Pantry. The cost is \$10. Register using Just Say Yes #1.

-Senior Social Picnic – Come and enjoy fellowship and activities with other seniors. Since this will be our last get-together before fall, we are celebrating with 6-foot subs. Bring a side or a dessert if you like but it is not necessary. You are invited to bring a friend. We will meet in Trinity House on **Thursday, June 4th** from 12:30 – 2:00 pm.

-UMM Breakfast– Our **Saturday, June 13th** breakfast will feature our own Bill Mahoney who will speak to us about his experience of being part of a team to carry a wheelchair bound friend up Mt. Kilimanjaro. This will be another inspirational presentation. We continue to collect new underwear and socks, and gently used shirts, pants, and jackets for Midnight Run. Breakfast begins at 8:00am with coffee at 7:45am for early arrivals and ends at 9:30. Everyone is invited to UMM breakfasts. Use Just Say Yes #6 to let us know you will attend.

-Lunch & Learn: A Place at the Table - You are invited to a Lunch & Learn: A Place at the Table with guest speaker Rev. Dr. Amanda Hemenetz from United Methodist Church of New City, presented by Church and Society on **Sunday, June 14th** at 11:30 in the Rotunda to listen and learn about the basics of the LGBTQ+ community and our biblical understanding as United Methodists. The LGBTQ+ community has been a topic of increasing cultural relevance in an increasingly divided world, but how can we as followers of Christ speak of and make decisions within our churches regarding this community without understanding who's part of it, and the vocabulary used to define it? Join us to learn together in an environment free from assumptions and judgement, where questions are welcome and mistakes are okay as we engage with each other in kindness. Please use Just Say Yes #5 to let us know you plan to attend.

-Golden Gathering – Photo Fun & Ice Cream Sundaes! Bring old photos of you or places you have been on **Friday, June 12th** at 1:00 pm in the Connection Café in Trinity House. All seniors are welcome. Please use Just Say Yes #3 to let us know you plan to attend.

-Senior Cinema Group- Do you enjoy going to the movies with friends? Use Just Say Yes #4 to be added to our distribution list for announcements about future movie plans.

-Spring Into Spring – The UMM is again working with Donaldson’s Greenhouse and Nursery to help you with your spring planting. The UMM are selling \$10 vouchers that can be used for any plant or product at Donaldson’s Greenhouse and Nursery. Vouchers, which expire on August 30th may be purchased from all members of the executive committee of the UMM, the church office, or by using Just Say Yes #8. All proceeds go to the Torgersen Scholarship Fund.

-Summer Meals - Without access to school breakfast and lunch programs, many children in our community will be hungry this summer. Church and Society, Voices for Justice and United Women plan to distribute 'Summer Meals' bags to approximately 30 local children this summer. We can use help with donations and packing the bags.

- Boxed milk or juice
- Canned tuna
- Pre-made rice, mac and cheese or pasta
- Packaged fruit, Jello, applesauce, or pudding cups
- gift cards/cash to purchase fresh foods
- Cereals
- Canned soup
- Raisins
- Peanut butter and jelly

If you're interested in helping to assemble the bags use Just Say Yes #7.

-Delany Hall ICE Facility - Most of the 1000 people inside Delaney Hall were the primary or secondary breadwinner for their household when they were picked up by ICE. Many of those households include infants and young children. At *Voices for Justice*, we do our best to supplement the cost of groceries for the families on the outside. We can use your help and are asking for donation of: **Shoprite and Walmart gift cards, juice boxes, ramen in cups, granola bars, chips, cookies; diapers, sanitary napkins (please no tampons).** Bring donations to "The Barn" /Trinity Donation Center on **Wednesdays from 9:00 – 11:00am** where Chet Penza will meet you. Join *Voices for Justice* on Saturday, June 13th at 9:30am to visit Delaney Hall in Newark NJ. For details contact Chet at cliftonchet@yahoo.com. Thank you for helping our neighbors!

-New Young Adult Group - If you are in the age range of 18 - 25(ish) join us weekly in the Upper Room on **Mondays at 7:30pm** for Monday Meet Up.

- VBS 2026 – Rainforest Falls, Exploring the Nature of God, will be held July 27 – 31 from 9:00am – 12:15pm. Step into the mist into **Rainforest Falls** where kids grow strong roots of faith.

**Check Out Rainforest Ranger
(Volunteer) Opportunities**



**Volunteer and Participant
Registration**



This Week at Trinity June 1 - 7

Monday	3:00 pm	Lower Level	Middle School Drop In
	6:30pm	Room 104	Intermediate ESL
	7:30 pm	Upper Room	Monday Meet Up
Tuesday	10:00 am	Room 104	Sister Share
	3:00 pm	Lower Level/Starr Hall	Middle School Drop In
	7:00 pm	Room 103	Trinity's Banned Book Club
	7:00 pm	Zoom	Tuesday Night Bible Study
	7:00 pm	KidZone	Lay Personnel
Wednesday	9:00 am	Connection Café	Wednesday Bible Study
	4:00 pm	Lower Level	After School Program
	4:00 pm	Room 103	English Conversation
	5:30 pm	Starr Hall	Community Dinner
	6:30 pm	Music Room	Chancel Choir
Thursday	9:00 am	Kitchen	Faithful Food Share
	12:30 pm	Trinity House	Senior Social
	3:00 pm	Lower Level/Starr Hall	Middle School Drop In
	6:30 pm	Room 103	English Conversation
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Friday	3:00 pm	Lower Level/Starr Hall	Middle School Drop In
	3:30 pm	Connection Café	Voices for Justice
Saturday	8:00 am	Room 103	Men's Bible Study
	11:00 am	Starr Hall	UWF- Self-Care: The Key to Well-Being
Sunday	9:00 am	Upper Room	Confirmation
	11:15 am	Starr Hall	Confirmation Reception
	11:20 am	Room 104	Sunday Morning Bible Study

Just Say Yes - Opportunities To Serve

1. **United Women in Faith June Gathering** - Join us on **Saturday, June 6th** from 11:00 am – 2:30 pm in Starr Hall for Self-Care: The Key to Well-Being, featuring life coach and mental health professional Susie the Life Coach. Enjoy a light lunch including pizza, salad, soft drinks, cookies, and brownies while connecting with other women in our church and community. As part of our outreach, we invite attendees to bring feminine hygiene products to support the Lord's Pantry and help address a growing need in our community. The cost is \$10.

_____ Yes, I would like to attend the UWF Gathering on June 6th.

2. **Explore: God's Word & God's Creation** - We live in a beautiful part of God's creation - let's go explore it! **Sunday, June 7th**, 11:30am: Schooley's Mountain County Park, Blue to Pink to Yellow Trail Loop, approximately 3 miles. This loop trail is of moderate difficulty due to rocky terrain and some elevation. *Trail highlights: Lake George, Electric Brook Falls, Long Valley overlook.*

_____ Yes, I would like to attend the hike on Sunday, June 7th.

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_____ Yes, I would like to attend the UMM breakfast on Saturday, June 13th.

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email _____

SEE OTHER SIDE FOR MORE OPPORTUNITIES



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_____ Yes, I would like to help pack Summer Meals bags. Please call with more information.

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_____ Yes, I am interested in buying _____ vouchers at \$10 each.

9. **Hackettstown Middle School Drop-In Center – Current Needs** - With the rapid growth of the Hackettstown Middle School Drop-In Center (now averaging about 40 students per day), we are grateful for the many people who have asked how they can help. **Current needs include:** Adult volunteers and small bottles of water.

_____ Yes, I would like to volunteer.

_____ Yes, I can donate small bottles of water.

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email _____