

# The Trinity Window

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## Pastor's Corner

On that first Easter Sunday the women went before dawn to the tomb. Their intent was to anoint the body of Jesus. There was no time for the ritual washing and anointing after the crucifixion. There was haste to place his body in the tomb before the beginning of the Jewish sabbath. This belated act on the part of the women was a final act of love, devotion and fealty. But it was also a bit counter-intuitive, don't you think? Their Master had been executed. Their hopes had been dashed. Their movement had been crushed. A more predictable response would have been shock, disillusionment and despair. Who would have blamed them had their response been, "Oh, what's the point? What difference will it make now?" Who would have chastised them had their response been to hide in fear or sulk in private.

On that first Easter, the response of the women was a defiant and stubborn faith. Things had not gone their way (yet!). They did not get what they expected. They did not get what they wanted. They were not in control. And yet...and yet they were faithful. As we approach the great remembrance of the passion, death and resurrection of Christ I invite you to ponder the response of the women and in that light consider that of your own. Their Sunday began in mourning and ended in joy.

May that be our story as well in 2022!

Easter blessings,

## Holy Week and Easter at Trinity

### Holy Week:

**Sunday, April 10:**

Palm Sunday

**Thursday, April 14:**

7:30 PM Maundy Thursday Service. Holy Communion will take place.

**Friday, April 15:**

7:30 PM Good Friday Tenebrae Service

This simple but profound service of remembrance uses music, readings and increasing darkness to strip away all pretense to encounter the Passion of Christ.

### Easter Sunday, April 17:

6:30 AM: **Sunrise Service (Outdoors)**

Holy Communion will take place

8:00 AM: **Traditional (In-Person)**

Holy Communion will take place, also drive-up communion for 30 minutes following service.

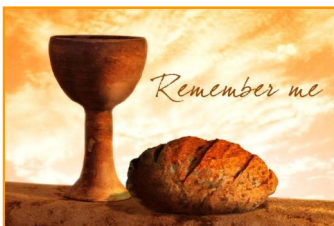
9:30 AM: **Modern (In-person & Online)**

Holy Communion will take place, also drive-up communion for 30 minutes following service.

11:00 AM: **Traditional (In-person & Online)**

Holy Communion will take place, also drive-up communion for 30 minutes following service.

*Bring fresh cut flowers to decorate the cross!*



## Maundy Thursday April 14, 7:30 PM

Join us in the Sanctuary for the Maundy Thursday Service. The service will include Holy Communion.

## Good Friday Tenebrae Service Friday, April 15

Join us in the Sanctuary at **7:30 PM**, this simple but profound service of remembrance uses music, readings, and increasing darkness to strip away all pretense to encounter the Passion of the Christ.

A Tenebrae Service  
Good Friday 7:30pm



## Lenten Easter Mission Offering 2022: Heart Work

March is here. March is hope. March is a madness with the seasonal tug between a fading winter and an emerging spring. March is basketball. March is spring training for baseball. March on the church calendar is Lent, and the annual Lenten Easter Mission Offering (LEMO).

For many years, the generous hearts of the Trinity congregation have financially sustained LEMO. These acts of financial kindness have supported nonprofits in our city, state, country, and world.

This scripture from John 14:27: "Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid," make me think about the people in our community. For lots of different reasons, we know there are troubled and fearful hearts all around us.

Donating to LEMO can help reduce the stress experienced by troubled and fearful hearts.

We hope you will prayerfully consider donating. When you do, it's a win for two hearts—the giver and the receiver.

### Prayers of the Heart

If you are unfamiliar with the Psalms, or just curious, or interested in deepening your prayer experience, join us for a twelve-week study of the Psalms. We will be using the book, *Prayers of the Heart* by Eugene Peterson. As the author notes, the Psalms are poetry and prayer - tools not "for doing or getting, but for being and becoming." Because the use of Psalms has "shrunk in our time to a mere remnant," Eugene Peterson writes to help us recover them as indispensable tools for sharpening and exposing "the experience of being human before God." Join us on Sundays in Room 317 from 10:00 to 11:00. If you have questions, contact Elizabeth Dwyer at [elizgaydwy@gmail.com](mailto:elizgaydwy@gmail.com).



### CHAIR YOGA

### Chair Yoga Information Session

Yoga teachers Dee & Toni are excited to bring the Chair Yoga class back to Trinity. If there is enough interest the class will be held on Wednesdays from 3:00-4:00 PM in the Welcome Center. **April 6** will be an opportunity to ask questions, participate in a short class or watch to see what the class is about. If you are interested in taking a class or have questions but can not attend April 6 contact Toni Halstead to let her know! ([yogamom52@att.net](mailto:yogamom52@att.net) or 804-512-5291) This class is for EVERYONE, any age or physical ability, new to yoga or looking for something to do on Wednesdays at 3:00.

## community CONVERSATIONS



In September of 2021, we held our first Community Conversation. These monthly gatherings have simply focused on having a conversation with a leader from the greater Richmond community. The goal has been to get to know our guest as a person while also learning about his/her impact in our community. We've learned a lot, and we've had some fun along the way.

On **Thursday, April 21**, our guest for our Community Conversation will be Dr. Jamelle S. Wilson. Dr. Wilson is the Dean of the School of Professional and Continuing Studies at the University of Richmond. During her career in education, Dr. Wilson has worked in a variety of settings, and we look forward to learning about the diversity of her experiences.

Our last Community Conversation will be held on **Thursday, May 5**. Our guest will be Art Utley, a Trinity member, and retired sports writer and editor from the Richmond Times-Dispatch. We have a long list of questions for Art related to sports, golf, and his heritage in the Methodist church.

Community Conversations start at **7 PM** in the Sanctuary. Members from our congregation can watch live in the Sanctuary or watch the livestream feed in your home.

We appreciate your support, and we look forward to having you with us in April and May.

Any questions, email Bill Pike: [bpiketrinityumc.net](mailto:bpiketrinityumc.net).



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## Weekly Food Drive

During the pandemic, the Trinity congregation has made a significant difference in the lives of the people who live within the zip codes of the Belmont, Sherbourne, and Welborne food pantries. The staff members and volunteers from these three Methodist churches work diligently every week to stock shelves, make purchases of

fresh food and meats, and coordinate organized and orderly distributions.

Recently, each food pantry has experienced an increase in the number of people they serve. Directors believe a number of factors impact an unexpected surge, but the increased price in gasoline is certainly putting families in difficult situations—food or fuel.

As we move into the spring months, if you have not participated in dropping off food in Trinity Hall on Fridays, we encourage you to give it a try. Weekly updates are given each week in the Connection. This includes a listing of the food items that are needed at each pantry, a summary report from the previous week’s donations, and a gentle reminder to double bag or box all grocery items, try not to purchase food packaged in glass containers, and consider making your weekly purchase at the Market at 25<sup>th</sup>.

If your Sunday school class, small group, scouting group, or community organization is interested in getting involved contact Bill Pike: [bpiketrinityumc.net](mailto:bpiketrinityumc.net).



## Earth Day 2022 Invest in Our Planet What Will You Do?

Trinity’s Creation Care Committee invites you to act to be part of the change. Here are some ideas to invest your time, energy and wallets:

- **Start plogging!** Pick up litter while you jog.
- **Save trees!** Unsubscribe to catalogs, go paperless for bill receipt and payment, buy recycled paper products
- **Break free from single-use plastics!** Use a travel mug, refuse a straw, bring your own grocery bags
- Advocate for **renewable energy sources** to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

A billion acts of green are happening across the planet. From students to businesspeople to government officials, anyone of any background can make a difference. Be one of them!

Check out [earthday.org/earth-day-tips](http://earthday.org/earth-day-tips) for more ideas.



## Update from Trustees

Currently, the Trustees and a team of volunteers are working on the restoration of the Parlor. A ceiling leak from an HVAC system pipe failure created challenges with the existing ceiling and carpet. In the process of working with the damaged ceiling and carpet, it became clear that we had an opportunity to make some much needed improvements to this room.

The Trustees have approved contracts for new lighting, ceiling, flooring, and repainting. Under consideration are the replacement of the doors and furniture upgrades. Part of the goal is to make the parlor more user friendly for a variety of church activities.

In the February Window, the Trustees presented preliminary information about the Phase I renovation project. This extensive renovation would have made significant and needed HVAC improvements to the Preschool/Education wing and a section of the building that stretches from the Sanctuary balcony to the second floor of the Preschool/Education wing. The scope of the project also included restrooms, ceilings, flooring, windows, doors, and painting.

At March meetings of the Finance Committee and the Church Council, this project was temporarily tabled. Cost, timing, and a new pastor coming on board were part of the discussion in pausing the project.

The Trustees are committed to this project, and they respect the decision made by the Finance Committee and Church Council. During this pause, Jim Crowder or Bill Pike are willing to take Sunday school classes, small groups, circles, and individuals on a tour of the area to be renovated. If interested in a tour, e-mail Jim or Bill at the following: [72Crowder@gmail.com](mailto:72Crowder@gmail.com) or [bpiketrinityumc.net](mailto:bpiketrinityumc.net).



## Have fun at summer camp!

**Westview on the James** is an outdoor ministry of the Richmond-Charlottesville (Three Notch’d) and Rappahannock River Districts of the United Methodist Church. Located on 780 beautiful acres along the James River in Goochland, Westview provides an award-winning summer camp experience for children ages 6 – 17. Campers can try new activities, explore God’s great outdoors, grow in faith, and gain a new sense of independence through fun and challenging ways. Check us out on the web ([www.westviewcamp.org](http://www.westviewcamp.org)) and come to our **OPEN HOUSE Sunday April 24** to see what camp is all about. **Register online** for your week of adventure!



SPRING FEST  
2022!



What's Happening in Trinity KIDS Ministry?



Trinity Kids Families – Join us on Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am in Trinity Hall for an AMAZING family event! Amazing Race: Holy Week is an Amazing Race style game that sends teams/families racing to different locations in order to explore the last week of Jesus' life on earth leading up to His crucifixion and Resurrection. Families need to register by April 5<sup>th</sup> <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050849a9ab2ea4fb6-amazing>

Volunteers are needed to run each location/station; if you are interested in volunteering; please contact Jen.



Our last gathering for this school year is April 24! In April we will meet from 4:30-6pm for a pizza dinner, games, and bible study! If you would like to attend, please register here: <https://tinyurl.com/46un5ndc>



Trinity Kids is excited to announce Kids Camp this summer on July 25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> from 9am – noon! Kids Camp is for rising kindergarteners through rising 5<sup>th</sup> graders!

Kids Camp is a major outreach event for our church and we need many volunteers to make this event happen!!

Volunteers: please register here <https://tinyurl.com/54yb79tf> or reach out for more information!

Childcare is available for younger children when the parent/guardian volunteers for at least 3 days.

Questions? Contact:  
Ashley Marshall ([awpee@gmail.com](mailto:awpee@gmail.com))  
Kids Camp Director  
Katie Zimmerman ([katie.zimmerman515@gmail.com](mailto:katie.zimmerman515@gmail.com))  
Kids Camp Director  
Jen Williams ([jwilliams@trinityumc.net](mailto:jwilliams@trinityumc.net))  
Kids Ministry Director

## Trinity Foundation Scholarship

The Trinity Foundation is pleased to announce that it will offer scholarships again this year to Trinity members for undergraduate and graduate studies. These scholarships are made possible because Trinity families and friends have established scholarship funds through the Trinity Foundation. Applications are available on-line. Applications must be received at the church office by noon on **Wednesday, April 6.**

To apply online go to [trinityumc.net/scholarships](http://trinityumc.net/scholarships), you can also download a copy of the scholarship form on that page.

### APRIL

- 3 Panera Lunch Meet Up 12:15 -1:30 PM  
HCPS Spring Break- No Youth Group  
No Confirmation Class
- 7 Bruster's Ice Cream Meet Up 1:30 PM
- 10 Confirmation Class @10  
Youth Group 5:00-7:00 PM (Back to original time)
- 17 Easter Sunday  
No Confirmation Class/ No Youth Group
- 24 Confirmation Class @10  
Youth Group 5:00-7:00 PM (original time)

### SAVE THE DATES

- June 4 Confirmation Celebration Dinner and Rehearsal
- June 5 Confirmation Sunday
- July 5-9 Youth Mission Trip MFUGE Philadelphia
- July 25-29 Youth Local Mission Week and Kids Camp Serving
- August 8-11 SWAG (Summer Worship and Games)



## MFUGE Philadelphia Summer Missions

Trinity Students are headed to Philadelphia on Summer Missions July 5-9.

Please note deposits are now non-refundable.  
No refunds will be granted following June 14.  
Deposits due upon registration: \$60  
Cost: \$340, this includes the deposit.

At MFuge, youth are divided into groups for Bible study and ministry based on the type of work they request. Adult leaders from our church accompany Bible study groups to the ministry site. Lunch is provided on campus before groups leave for site.

During the day our youth will be challenged and stretched as individuals; in the evenings, we will have an opportunity to build group unity over dinner, worship, fellowship, and church group devotions.

MFuge is designed to give you a mission experience that opens their eyes to similar opportunities they may have to serve in their own communities, learning to live life each day on mission!

Register: [www.trinityumc.net/students](http://www.trinityumc.net/students)



MARCH  
APRIL  
2022

# Trinity Students



Your middle or high schoolers are exploring who Jesus is, what He did for them at Easter, and what it means for their lives today in a new series called Who Is Jesus? Each of us approaches faith with a different worldview, and that can sometimes make understanding the message of Jesus difficult. This series explores that message from several different perspectives, introducing students to what Jesus has done for us in a number of ways to reach a number of worldviews.

## WEEK 1

**Matthew 27:50-51a, John 15:15**

Because of Jesus, you can connect with God.

## WEEK 2

**Luke 4:14-20, 21b,  
1 Corinthians 12:27a**

Because of Jesus, you have the power to make wrong things right.

## WEEK 3

**Isaiah 53:6, John 19:28-30**

Because of Jesus, your mistakes don't hold you back.

## WEEK 4

**John 16:33b**

Because of Jesus, you are never alone.



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**Service Day  
Tuesday April 12  
9:00 in Trinity Hall**

All Trinity women are invited to attend our Spring Service Day on Tuesday April 12 from 9-11 am in Trinity Hall. Come enjoy fellowship together as we work on an assortment of projects.

All UMCOR kits are due April 12. I noticed some have already been completed, boxed and labeled. Well done!!

Enjoy the signs of resurrection all around us. We have been blest to be a blessing. With you I am praying for peace.

Blessings,  
Jo

**Coming to Service Day on April 12?**

Assist with preparations for July's Kids Kamp, led by Circle 1.

Assemble kits for UMCOR with Circle 6.

Join Trinity Stitchers in making Felt Flower Tray favors for various facilities.



Bring some fresh fruit for Sherbourne. Sherbourne will be handling out Easter bags to its clients on April 13. Let's top them with fresh fruit! Bananas, strawberries, oranges, apples, pineapples, kiwis . . .

Whether you are a Circle member or just want to see what Service Day is all about, come – all are welcome to participate!

Projects completed in advance include Circle 10 polishing the silver used at bereavement receptions, cleaning and organizing the Trinity Hall kitchen and the storage closet across from the library as well as UMCOR kits from Circles 1, 4, 10 and 11.

**Circle News**

**Circle 1** – We will meet on April 19 at 10:15 AM to visit the gardens at Bellemeade.

**Circle 4** – Our first in-person meeting of the year will be on April 7 at 7 pm in room 323.

**Circle 10** – On Thursday April 7 at 6:45 pm we will meet in the Welcome Center. Our guest speaker will be Laura Kreisa, a nurse practitioner with Legacy Care.

**Circle 11** – On April 3 we will gather at 10 am to assemble our UMCOR kits.



United  
Women  
in Faith

New name! Same purpose: changing the world through faith, hope and love in action. New look, new feel & new programs. No change to our unit & circle structures.

New website: [UWFaith.org](http://UWFaith.org)

We are still the only official women's organization of the United Methodist Church. Our corporate name will remain United Methodist Women.

**Road Trip!**

On April 19 from 10:30-12:00 Bob Argabright will conduct a tour of the Bellmeade Outdoor Learning Campus and talk about his 18-year ministry. The bus leaves Trinity at 10 – call Jo to reserve your seat: 804.921.5610.

**Save the Date: Tuesday May 10  
The Hermitage – Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow**

Come join us for a celebration of the Hermitage, its history and future. Watch for updates over the next month.



## Easter Flower Tributes in 2022

<i>In Loving Memory of:</i>	<i>Given by:</i>
Alf and Jean Goodykoontz	Chuck and Cathy Goodykoontz
Antoine G. Hobeika	The Hall Family
Audrey O. Gaskins	The C. E. Gaskins, III, and P. F. Farrell Families
Barbara Burton	Mary Hetzel
Barbara Burton and Colleen Berninger	The Members of Circle 10
Charlene and Herman Moore	Dianne and Dorothy
Charles M. and Marjorie H. Browder	Their family
Charlotte and Dick Forrester	Their grandchildren – James, Virginia, Forrester, Mary Charlotte, William
Charlotte Forrester	Mary Hetzel
Colleen Berninger	Bana Caskey and Julia Leaman
Colleen Berninger	Joanna Hakimi
Colleen Berninger	Mary Hetzel
Craig Spitzer and Mary Lu Windberg	Leila and Kirk Spitzer
Diana Boring	Hubby
Don and Al Pierce	Katy, Andy, Sydney, and Charlie
Doug Hill	Mary Hetzel
Elizabeth Mallory	Dianne and Dorothy
Evelyn (Dee Dee) and William Carlton (PaPa)	Loving Family
Frances and Mack Dewitt	Margaret and Steve Dewitt
George and Rachel Habel	Alice McCabe
George and Rachel Habel	Don and Mary Ann Boyd
George and Shirley Whitley; Roger and Mary Virginia Crew – Our Parents	Tom and Kathy Crew
George King	Mary Hetzel
Jason Coats	His Usher Team
Jean and Richard Page	Karen Shudtz
Julian Adkins	Loved Ones
Julie Abbott	Richard Abbott
Kathy and Ed Spitzer	Leila and Kirk Spitzer
Liz Riggleman	Mary Ann and Don Boyd
Lola and Norman Hilliard	Dianne and Dorothy
Luzilla and George Bitting	Leila and Kirk Spitzer
Marian and Lester Jones	Sara, Waddy and Kimberly Street
Marshall McCabe M.D.	Alice McCabe
Marty and Jim Adams	Mary Hetzel
Mr. and Mrs. Emmette Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Rollison, Bill Ward, Dale Ward, Rowena Manning	John and Pat Rollison
Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Heatwole	Davis and Sharolyn Heatwole

<i>In Loving Memory of:</i>	<i>Given by:</i>
Mr. and Mrs. James F. Bailey, Sr.	Davis and Sharolyn Heatwole
Nancy Loutfi	The LaCroix Family
Our Beloved Parents and Grandparents	Loving Family
Our Parents	Chip Tribble
Our Parents and Grandparents	Eric and Judy Oguich
Pat Satterfield	Alice McCabe
Peggy and Jack Harter	Their Daughter, Connie Harter Burton
Randy Clegg	Judy Oguich
Rev. Doug Hill	Eric and Judy Oguich
Shelbe Kearney	Matthew and Jacob
Thomas F. Farrell, II	The C. E. Gaskins, III and P. F. Farrell Families
Tina Abbott	Richard Abbott
William Owen	Alice McCabe

<i>In Honor of:</i>	<i>Given by:</i>
Amy, Jamie, Caitlin, Jackson, and Alex Bitz	Sara, Waddy and Kimberly Street
Anne and Bill Burch	Mary Hetzel
Bonnie and Joe Andrews	Mary Hetzel
Christi and Ashley Skipper and The Hearn Family	Donna White
Jo Lewis and Trinity's UMW	Mary Hetzel
Joan Yowell	Mary Hetzel
Judy Oguich	Family of James Hobbs
Judy Oguich, Pat Ruscus, Paula Cadden	The Brewer Family and The Sterling Family
Karen Adams and Jim Scott	Mary Hetzel
Larry Lenow and Trinity's Superb Staff	Mary Hetzel
Marsha Goodfriend	Mary Hetzel
Pat Tribble	Chip Tribble
Rhunell Pierce	Katy, Andy, Sydney, and Charlie
The Trinity Staff	Mary Ann and Don Boyd
Trinity Children and Children's Ministry	Nancy Foley
Trinity Ministers, All Staff, and Families	Nancy Foley
Vickie and Bob Argabright	Mary Hetzel
Violet LaCroix	The LaCroix Family

## Thank You Notes

Dear Trinity Family,  
Thank you for all of your support for the services for Colleen Berninger and for Charlotte Forrester. Thank you to our incredible staff, to those who coordinated the receptions, to those who brought food for the receptions, to those who ushered, and to those who were present to give their love and support to these families.

To God be the Glory,  
**Judy Oguich**

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Dear members of Trinity UMC,  
Thank you for your prayers, phone calls, text messages, emails, greeting cards and messages on social media that you sent during our father Jim Adams' recent hospitalization and resulting death. Thank you also for each of the birthday cards that you sent to him in July 2021 in celebration of his 79th birthday. You helped to make his final birthday extremely joyous. Jim said he received more birthday cards in recognition of that birthday than he had received for all of his previous birthdays combined! His death, occurring only three months and three days after the death of Marty, his wife of 58 years and our mom, has been very difficult for me and my sister. The many sympathy cards and messages of prayers we received helped us to remember that we were not alone during our time of grief, and they provided us with a great deal of comfort. Thank you also to those who submitted a memorial gift to his church, Grace UMC, in his memory. Jim was a member of Grace UMC for 42 years, and it held a special place in his heart.

Sincerely,  
**Shari Adams and Karen Adams Trapasso,**  
**Jim's daughters**

## Many Thanks

On behalf of the congregation, the church staff, and the Trustees, we thank the following members from Circle 10: Kathryn Antaramian, Susie Hildebrand, Judy Putnam, and Sharon Wenger for work they did in cleaning and organizing the Trinity Hall kitchen.

Additionally, we thank Joe Andrews, Jack Berry, Mike Estes, and Rick Weisensale for installing new speaker screen covers in the Sanctuary and removing carpet, carpet padding, and tack strips in the Parlor.

## Joys and Concerns

### Our sympathies to...

*The family of Josephine "Jo" Hughes who died March 22*  
*Joe Toler whose brother Dr. Greg Toler died March 20*  
*Sandy Berry whose sister Elva Yates died March 19*  
*The family of Colleen Berninger who died March 14*  
*Lauren Noonkester whose father Bob Mitchell died*  
*March 2*  
*The family of Charlotte Forrester who died February 27*  
*Lauren Kastelberg whose nephew Bill Kastelberg, V, died*  
*February 25*  
*A.D. Stuart whose sister Jane Stuart died February 22*  
*Shari Adams whose father Jim Adams died February 16*



## Power Washers Needed

If you own a power washer, and you would be willing to clean some areas around the church, contact Bill Pike by email at [bpiketrinityumc.net](mailto:bpiketrinityumc.net).

## Gifts were received at Trinity.....

In memory of **Barbara Burton** for **Trinity Foundation Memorial Fund**

In memory of **Barbara Burton** for **Alyssa Basmajian Scholarship Fund**

In memory of **Charlotte Forrester** for **Trinity Foundation Memorial Fund**

In memory of **Colleen Berninger** for **Trinity Foundation Memorial Fund**

In memory of **George King, III** for **Trinity Foundation Memorial Fund**

In memory of **George King, III** for **Trinity Missions**

In memory of **Dee Dee Carlton** for **Trinity Children's Ministry**

**Newsletter**  
**DEADLINE**

## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the next Window is **Monday, April 18 at 4 PM for events taking place in May**. Articles may be submitted prior to the deadline, and we encourage early submissions. Articles must be submitted in writing to Kim Tingler, [ktingler@trinityumc.net](mailto:ktingler@trinityumc.net).