

Trinity Presbyterian Church
An Inviting Community Following Christ For Life

9:30 am

May 5, 2019

Commissioning Sunday

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Welcome

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Introit

Morning Has Broken
TEAM Bells

arr. Ingram

*(At the sound of the music, the congregation begins the discipline of silent prayer,
so all might prepare their hearts and minds for worship.)*

PRAISING THE LORD OUR GOD

Call To Worship (responsively)

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Sing praises to our Lord:
who heals us and makes us whole.

Sing praises to our Lord, faithful children of God:
whose joy rises in our lives each and every day.

Sing praises to our Lord, faithful children of God;
give thanks to God's holy name:
God's Kingdom is near to us;
God's peace resides in our hearts.

***Prayer of Adoration (unison)**

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

**Living Lord,
You meet us in unexpected places
and surprise us with the abundance of your love.
Feed us with your Word
and fill us with your Spirit
so that we may follow you this day, and always;
through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. Amen.**

***Processional Hymn 343**

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

Call to Confession

The Rev. Mr. Gruver

Prayer of Confession (unison)

The Rev. Mr. Gruver

**Holy God, hear our prayer.
Sometimes our lives are a mess,
because of choices we have made
or because of choices others have made.
Sometimes our lives are great,
and we're kind and generous.**

(cont.'d)

**Sometimes our lives are great
and we forget to be to grateful and humble.
We trust that in the jumble of all of this, you are present.
We trust that you are with us,
walking with us when we stray,
nudging us back to the right path,
slowing us down when we get ahead of you,
and waiting for us when we lag behind.
So we thank you, and ask for your forgiveness,
and pray that you will stay with us throughout the journey. Amen.**

**Assurance of God's Mercy
Thanks be to God!**

The Rev. Mr. Gruver

***Gloria Patri**

No. 579

**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 Public Profession of Faith of the 2018-2019 Commissioning Confirmands

Introduction of the Service

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

**The Commissioning Process and Recognition
of Small Group Leaders and Support Team**

The Rev. Ms. Craven

Declaration of Faith

Confirmands

Confirmation of Baptismal Vows

Confirmands

***Profession of Faith** The Apostle's Creed

The Rev. Ms. Craven

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and
in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy
Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was
crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he
rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits on the
right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to
judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy
catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the
resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Laying On of Hands

Covenant Partners and Pastors

Welcome

The Rev. Ms. Craven

By publicly professing their faith, these students have expressed their
intention to continue in the covenant God made with them in their baptism.
Let us welcome them as they join with us in the worship and mission of the
church.

**With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to share with us in the
ministry of Christ, for we are all one in Christ.**

***Passing of the Peace**

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Children Grades 1–6 will be dismissed to Church School at this time. Church School teachers will be at the rear sanctuary doors to escort your child to Witherspoon Center. Children may be picked up by their parents in Witherspoon, located in the rear parking lot, at 10:40 am.*

HEARING GOD’S HOLY WORD

Prayer for Illumination

The Rev. Ms. Craven

First Reading

John 21:15-19

The Rev. Ms. Craven

This is the Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Acts 9:1-20

The Rev. Ms. Craven

This is the Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

Sermon

A Tale of Two Leaders
The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven

***Hymn of Response 525**

Here I Am, Lord

RESPONDING TO CHRIST’S CALL

Call to Present Our Gifts to the Lord

The Rev. Mr. Gruver

Prayer of Dedication

The Rev. Mr. Gruver

Offertory

Bridge Over Troubled Water
Steve Talbott and Lauren Parsons, soloists

arr. Shaw

I'll be your bridge o'er troubled water, when you're down,
I will carry you like a bridge o'er trouble water, I will lay me down.
When you're weary, feelin' small, when tears are in your eyes
I will dry them all; I'm on your side.
Oh, when times get rough and friends just can't be found,
like a bridge over troubled water I will lay me down.
When you're down and out, when you're on the street my Lord,
when evening falls so hard I will comfort you.
I'll take your part, Oh, when darkness comes and pain is all around,
like a bridge over troubled water I will lay me down.
Sail on Christian soul, sail on by. Your time has come to shine.
All your dreams are on their way. See how they shine.
Oh, if you ever need a friend, look around, I'm sailing right behind.
Like a bridge over troubled water I will ease your mind.
I'll be your bridge o'er troubled water, when your down,
I will carry you like a bridge o'er trouble water, I will lay me down.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Prayer of Setting Aside for Holy Use

Communion of the People of God

(The Communion bread is gluten-free)

Prayer after Communion (unison)

O God,

**We thank you that through Word and Sacrament,
you have given us your Son,
who is the true bread from heaven
and food of eternal life.**

**So strengthen us in your service
that our daily living may show our thanks;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Rev. Ms. Craven
The Rev. Dr. Faulkner
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The Rev. Ms. Craven

GOING OUT TO SERVE IN THE SPIRIT'S POWER

***Sending Hymn** (see insert)

There is Joy in Serving Jesus

***Charge and Pastoral Benediction**

The Rev. Ms. Craven

Choral Response

May the Grace of God Go With You

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May the grace of God go with you, may the love of Christ surround you,
may God's mighty angels guard and give you peace.
May God's pardon release you, may the Spirit enfold you,
may God's mighty angels guard and give you peace.
Amen.

(The congregation will please be seated.)

Silent Prayer

Postlude

*Those who are able may stand.

TRINITY AT WORK AND WORSHIP

An Inviting Community Following Christ For Life

The Rev. Dr. Gregory C. Faulkner, Senior Pastor/Head of Staff

The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven, Associate Pastor

The Rev. Mr. Barry Gruver, Parish Associate

The Rev. Dr. James D. O'Dell, Pastor Emeritus

Jenny Stark, Clerk of Session

Lisa K. Marcelli, Director of Music

Brian Kain, Music Associate

Marina Pappas, Weekday Nursery School Director

This morning, we will welcome the 2019 Commissioning Class into active church membership as each child makes their Public Profession of Faith:

Nitin Jeremy Charles

Jaret Daniel Ritter

Aron Kabai-Tokes

Jack Richard Schwarz

Sarah Elizabeth Lausi

Hannah Therese Strobel

Marissa Amber McGrath

Matthew Ryan Yeary

Alexa Faith Rankin

The flowers were given to the glory of God by Holly & Evan Bryfogle in honor of all families formed by adoption; and by Pat Weikert in loving memory of Loved Ones.

Let Us Pray for Members of Our Church Family: Laurie Lausi, Heath Barnes, Ruth Kain-Palmer, Naomi Higuchi, Susan Greenwood, Barbara Cardea, Marcia Spatola, Linda Thorpe, Dick Wolbach, Nancy Hickman, Helen Prickitt.

Let Us Also Pray for Friends and Family: Pamela Burgess (Lydia Burgess' mother-in-law), Peter Lunetta (Kristen Viglietta's father), Nicholas Horgan (nephew of Theresa and Kevin Kain), Walter Crozier (Doris Crozier's brother-in-law), Jim Higdon (Greg Faulkner's brother), Cubmaster Mike Morris (Pack 252), Rosemary Halpin (Mary Ellen Litton's sister), Jim Rudolph (Mary Ellen Litton's brother-in-law), Sarah Lane Ritchie (friend of the Faulknors), Andrew Pruss (Louisa Coffin-Tilsner's cousin), Charleen Rieth (Ben Rieth's mother), Brian Alden (Barb Wilson's nephew), Jim Tomaselli (Barb DeSanto's brother), Clara Ballard (Marty Flynn's mother), Toni Rath (Janet Cohen's friend), Alex Rivers (friend of Melanie & Greg Faulkner), James Moore (Donna Allen's father), Liz Shapiro (Heather Kern's friend), Rich Van Doren (Melissa Smith's brother), Arlene Fraraccio (Bonnie Jones' friend), David Parks (Nancy Parks' brother), Larry Hansen (Linda Thorpe's brother), Ron Bishop (Martha Stem's brother), Shirley Muni (Susan Bryfogle's mother).

Let us pray for all those of our Trinity family who are serving in the United States Military: Cory Allen, Connor Barnes.

We extend our sympathies to Cindy Mailahn and family on the death of her father, Bob Freed.

Large Print Bibles and Hymnals are available in the Narthex. Along with Bulletins!

Pastoral Care – Dr. Faulkner is available to you for prayer, counsel and comfort in times of need. If there is an urgent need, contact Rev. Faulkner at 609-273-8110.

Visit our website at www.trinpres.org for all of the current news, information and updates about everything that's going on at Trinity!

Please silence all electronic equipment during the worship service.

Please remember to sign the Fellowship Register. Maintaining connections with our membership is critical to the health of our community, so thank you for helping us with this important outreach by signing in every time you attend worship!

Sunday Church School Schedule
Nursery-Kindergarten (main building)

Pick up is immediately after the conclusion of the service

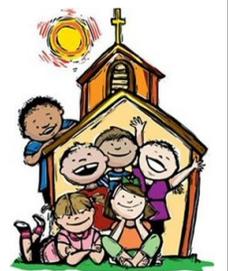
Room #1 Infant through Toddler
Room #6 Twos and Threes, must be 24 months by Oct. 1, 2018
Room #4 Fours, Fives and Kindergarten

Witherspoon Center
Dismissal is at 10:40 am.

Room #1 First and Second grade
Room #2 Third and Fourth grade
Room #5 Fifth and Sixth Grade

*****Parents, please drop off children kindergarten age and younger at their classrooms *before* the service.**

Children's Ministries Once again we would like to give our Sunday School Teachers some much needed rest over the summer months. **Starting on May 26th, we will have volunteers in the Nursery during the worship service.** There will always be two adults in the room, so we are asking that **one** person sign up to help us out. You will find it very rewarding! **Sign up during Coffee Hour.** Thank you, we appreciate the help!



Please sign the cards in Fellowship Hall every Sunday—the goal is to get as many signatures as possible! All you need to do is sign your name! The cards mean so much to those who are in need of a cheery hello, get well wishes, or words of sympathy. Thank you for participating in this important outreach to members of our Trinity family!

PLEASE notify the church office if your address, email or phone number changes. You can email Pam Dougherty at pam.dougherty@trinpres.org **OR** you can indicate any changes on the Fellowship Register sheets. Thank you!

SUPPORTING THE DEACON'S FUND Each February, May and November there is a green envelope in your "pledge box".

Contributions made using this envelope go directly to the Deacon's Fund, but where does the money go from there? Most of what the deacons do cost very little money, relying on deacons volunteering their time and effort to serve the congregation, but some do require financial support. The Deacons Fund purchases the bread and grape juice we use to celebrate the Lord's supper and all the supplies for coffee hour so we can socialize after service. In addition to these internal activities, our Assistance & Outreach and Visitation Committees coordinate many activities supporting our external community. Our next big activities that require financial support are Summer Sharing and our annual visit to the R and M Boarding Home. Summer sharing provides food and household supplies to 30 clients at Robins Nest, 10 families through Urban Promise and the Cherry Hill Food Pantry. Our visit to R and M includes snacks and gifts for the residents. We hope you agree that these types of community outreach activities are worthwhile and will prayerfully consider using the green envelopes and supporting the Deacon's Fund. *Trinity Deacons*



Do you need a new name tag? The Membership Committee has been asking you to wear your name tag on every Communion Sunday and, to that end, we have checked the name tag wall to make sure everyone has a name tag to wear. Unfortunately, almost 200 current members do NOT have a name tag on the wall—wow!

We are happy to print a new name tag for you—but only if you don't have your old name tag in your car, in your other coat pocket, in your other handbag, or somewhere at home.

Therefore, we are requesting that you **check the list at the Visitor Table in the Narthex OR in Fellowship Hall**. If your name appears on it, please check at home to see if you can find your original name tag. If you find it and it is still legible and wearable, please cross your name off the list. If you are wearing a Courtesy Council name badge, OR a Deacon or Elder name badge instead of the regular member name tag and you don't want or need a replacement tag for that reason, please cross your name off the list. If, however, you find that you DO need a new name tag, please check the appropriate column on the list.

THANK YOU for helping us so that we don't waste ink, paper, plastic and time! And remember, take off your name tag before leaving the building and return it to the wall, OR you may drop it in the name tag return baskets in the Narthex and in the Atrium entrance by the water cooler.

Will You Lend a Helping Hand? As Greg announced during a December worship service and then mentioned in the Annual Report, the Session, in an attempt to be good stewards of our financial resources, has eliminated the position of Property Manager. We will miss Larry Hall here at Trinity, but with this change, we all have the opportunity to lend a helping hand. Between now and the end of the program year, there will be numerous events at Trinity (and maybe more as people inquire about renting space here) that require a room being set up and then struck. **We need your help!** We are trying to find some



volunteers who would be willing to help with a few events so that all of these events can be prepared with a minimum use of time. **There will be sign-up sheets for you to autograph during today's coffee hour and the weeks going forward.** Please give a few minutes to lend a helping hand so our program year can be a blessing to many.



CUPCAKE CONTEST:

**Sunday Funday
May 19, 2019**

Looking for bakers of all ages for this annual, good-spirited competition/fundraiser!! Please bring 2 dozen cupcakes to Community Hall by 9:00 a.m. on May 19th. They will be judged during the morning worship service and the balance will be sold. **Sign up during coffee hour TODAY.** Complete guidelines are available at the sign-up table. Questions? Contact Julie Blair at stanblair@aol.com. **Deadline for entries is May 12!**

Trinity Spring 2019 Habitat Work Trip- Trinity Mission & Outreach Committee would like to announce a Spring "Stay-At-Home" Work Trip. Once again, we will be teaming up locally with the Habitat For Humanity. We will be assisting a Habitat crew from Springfield/ Columbus NJ. Dates are Wed May 29 to Sat June 1st. We will meet at Trinity in the morning and return in the afternoon when our work is complete. Please visit the Mission & Outreach table at coffee hour to find out more details and sign up. If you have any questions or are interested but can't make it to coffee hour, please contact Chris Bryfogle at cbryfogle@comcast.net or 609-234-0691. Thanks Trinity!



Mothers Matter Collection THANK YOU to PW Circles, other church groups, individual business and everyone in the congregation who donated items to the Mothers Matter (MM) Project. We collected over 425 items that were used to make gift bags for many deserving mothers. They are delivered for Mother's Day and this is the only gift many women receive. We appreciate your help with this very worthwhile project. Also special thanks to 6 women and 2 teenagers who visited MM with us on April 13 and helped assemble the gift bags. Thank you again, Jan Caffrey



Trinity Women Spring Gathering

Please join us on

Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 6:30 pm

All women of Trinity are welcome to have dinner and enjoy our program presented by:

Tri-State K-9 Response Team

One exciting piece of news to add to the evening about our K-9 Response Team presentation..... there will be a new dog inducted and getting his vest at the dinner!



Our delicious Chipotle buffet will be served again so

Bring a Friend!

Tickets are \$15 and will be on sale during Coffee Hour on

April 14, 21, 28 & May 5

A free-will Donation will be collected and given to the Response Team

We will also be installing new Officers.

We invite all previous PW Lifetime honorees to wear their "Butterfly Pins".

Trinity Sunday Funday 2019!

Sunday, May 19, 2019

10:45am - 12:15pm

Face Painting & Tattoos for Kids



Chili

Hot Dog Bar

Cupcakes

Fellowship and Fun

FREE Ice Cream



Enter the **CUPCAKE CONTEST** and win a ribbon!
Ribbons will be awarded in 3 categories and this year entries
will be judged in Adult, Teen, and Youth levels.



*This is an event for all ages and multi-generations.
Come take part in Trinity's Sunday Funday!*

Sign-Up to bring a side dish starting April 28th in
Fellowship Hall.

Invite Your Friends and Neighbors!

We hope to see you there!

This Week at Trinity

Sunday, May 5

- 9:30 am Worship Service/Communion/Commissioning Sunday
- 9:30 am Church School (N-6th Grade)
- 10:50 am Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 11:00 am Deacon's Meeting— Anteroom
- 11:30 am Youth Bells
- 12:00 pm Ukulele Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Sr. Highs—Witherspoon Center

Monday, May 6

- 10:30 am Library Committee Meeting
- 6:00 pm Strategy
- 7:00 pm Session Meeting— Anteroom
- 7:30 pm Boy Scouts— Witherspoon Center

Tuesday, May 7

- 10:00 am Care 'n Share Shop
- 6:30 pm Trinity Women Spring Gathering and Dinner- Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 8

- 8:00 am PW Bus Trip to NYC— bus returns to church approx. 8pm
- 7:00 pm Cub Scouts— Community Room

Thursday, May 9

- 10:00 am Care 'n Share Shop
- 12:00 pm Alzheimer's Support Group—Witherspoon Center
- 6:30-9:00 pm AA Groups—Witherspoon Center

Sunday, May 12 *Happy Mother's Day!*

- 9:30 am Worship Service
- 9:30 am Church School (N-6th Grade)

Trinity Presbyterian Church Vision and Values
An Inviting Community Serving Christ for Life
Loving God, Welcoming All, Helping Many

At Trinity we:

- believe the Holy Spirit empowers us to reach out to others in order to serve God by sharing the good news of Jesus Christ. It is this truth that governs all that we do and all that we are.
- worship as a community of faith gathering in the Triune God's presence to further our knowledge of Scripture, participate in the Sacraments and gain inspiration for our lives. Music is part of our worship in that it enhances the spoken words of worship in an uplifting multigenerational manner. We offer our musical gifts to the Lord.
- affirm that members of all ages contribute to the rich tapestry of our witness, interests and talents. We encourage others to join us. Through fellowship all members are supported on a communal and personal level as our church family gathers for many purposes.
- acknowledge the blessings the Triune God has bestowed upon us and we respond by offering our time, talents and treasure as a dynamic sacrifice in gratitude to the loving and caring God.
- recognize the importance of life long learning to further our knowledge of God and better grow in our relationship with God, our families and our Community.
- experience the love of God revealed in Jesus Christ and go from our worshipping fellowship into the world to serve others.

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