



partnered in Christ with FUENTE DE VIDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Guatemala

Season of Creation: The Waters

September 18, 2022 - 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. (streamed at 11:00)

"O that my head were a spring of water. . . ."—Jeremiah 9:1

Prelude Eternal Source of Light Divine *G.F. Handel*

Choral Introit 595 Holy, Holy, Holy

Call to Worship (*responsive*)

In the name of the Spirit of God,
who hovered over the primal waters;
**In the name of the Word of God,
who parted the waters for Earth to appear;**
In the name of the Wisdom of God,
who filled the deeps with amazing designs:
**Holy! Holy! Holy!
Earth is filled with God's presence.**

***Hymn:** 17, "Sing Praise to God, You Heavens!"

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

God, our Creator, we reflect on the mysteries of the depths; we marvel the wondrous design of the seas and waterways that surround us. And yet we have polluted our oceans and rivers; we have failed to grasp the connection between our lives and the life of all creation, though it groans beneath us. Teach us to sense your presence in the tides and currents; teach us to care and to act with love. Through Christ our Lord we pray; Amen.

Silent Meditation and Assurance of Pardon

***Congregational Response 582** Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me
Passing of the Peace

First Lesson Psalm 113

Anthem Go Not Far From Me O God *Zingarelli*

A Prayer for Children

Second Lesson

Jeremiah 8:18–9:1

Sermon

Balance

Dwight Christenbury

*Hymn 48

“Rain Down”

*Affirmation of Faith

see insert

Minute for Ministry Special Offerings - Peace & Global Witness, *Betty Lockwood*

Welcoming New Member Joy Guenther

Announcements and Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Offering & Blessing of the Gifts

*Hymn 375

“Shall We Gather at the River”

*Charge and Blessing

Postlude

Finale in C minor

Stanley Saxton

**Please stand in body or spirit*

Worship Notes. The Call to Worship, Prayer of Confession, and Affirmation of Faith are adapted from liturgies produced for observance of the Season of Creation by the Uniting Church in Australia, Synod of Victoria and Tasmania.

LITURGIST(S): 8:30 Ron Howard
11:00 Sue Osterberg
PROJECTIONS: Russ Russell, Bud Weeks
LIVESTREAM: Duane Johnson, Jim Kisner,
Conrad Shannon, Jim Smelker

FLOWERS: Given by Glenn and Linda Walker to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for our many blessings.

WORSHIP TEAM

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Mark Stanley
Associate Pastor: Rev. Dwight Christenbury
Minister of Visitation: Sally Beghtol, C.P.
Music Director: Stephen Klein
Section Leaders: Frank Burzio, Katie Cilluffo,
Eric McAnallen, Beth Pensiero
Percussionist: Don Widmayer

TRINITY TEAM

Maintenance Facilitator: Jim Kisner
Treasurer: Tom Karvonen
Financial Secretary: Diane Bowers
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Carolyn Erickson, Lois Erickson, Becky Palmer, &
Sue Robinson

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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SUNDAY - THE WATERS

8:30 SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:45 Inquirers Class

9:45 Learning Hour

- Ending Systemic Poverty
- Issues & Concerns
- Lectionary Class
- Youth Learning Hour

10:30 Choir Rehearsal

11:00 SUNDAY WORSHIP

MONDAY

9:00 Finance Team

10:00 New Member Subcommittee

3:15 Tai chi - Beginners

4:00 Tai chi - Intermediate

4:30 Zoom: Christian Nurture

TUESDAY - TIDINGS DEADLINE

9:00 Staff Meeting

10:00 Coffee Group

10:30 Naomi Circle

6:30 Zoom: Worship Ministry

Weekly Calendar: Sept 18 - 25

WEDNESDAY

10:30 Friends in Christ

7:30 Choir rehearsal

THURSDAY

10:00 Musicke Antiqua rehearsal

11:00 Zoom: Between the Lines

1:30 Trinity Book Group

1:30 AA Ladies

3:15 Tai chi - Beginners

4:00 Tai chi - Intermediate

6:30 Zoom: Matthew 25

FRIDAY

8:00 Toastmasters

SATURDAY

9:30 Swing Band Rehearsal

SUNDAY - HOPE FOR RENEWAL

9:30 Choir Rehearsal

10:00 SUNDAY WORSHIP

11:30 Church Picnic!

5:00 ManKind Project

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PRAYER CONCERNS Hospital: Evie Filipowicz (Don Widmayer's great-granddaughter)
Rehabilitation/Nursing: Nell Payne (Brookdale); Phil & Julia Sellers (Durham); Ruth Mills, Marian Lowry (Carolina Village Care Center); Jerry & Bea Miller (Indiana); Nancy Underwood (The Bridge); Ron Hoverson (The Lodge at Mills River). **Home:** Ed Remington (Glenn Walker Brother-in-law); Barbara Nichols; Jason Webb (Sanchez's son-in-law); Sandra Dwork; Peter DeWitt (Nancy Williard's husband), Neil Hirschfield (Marty Zigovsky's son-in-law), Don Hay (Osterburg family), Kim Henderson (Kisner's daughter); Edie Clark; Scott Garrison; Bud Weeks; Mark Slaughter; Bob Pearce (Diane Bowers' cousin); Susan Kincaid; Barbara Johnson; Lin Carlson; Laurie Beitler; Jim Emme; Darlene Tribby; Dan Green; Jim Luzadder; Sarah Overton, Brenda Jarrett, & Irene Lunsford (family of Dolly Owens & Nancy Twitchen); Pat Dienst; Barbara Pickwood; Alice McCullough; Dave Morrison; Evans Thibodeau; Irma Baldwin, Don Cunningham (Sarah Thibodeau's brother).
Others: Our mission coworkers and sister church, Fuente de Vida. We also continue to pray for the people of Ukraine and for those harmed by gun violence.

THE SEASON OF CREATION We will observe the Season of Creation in worship with a different theme each week.

- **September 4** *The Cosmos*
- **September 11** *Climate*
- **September 18** *The Waters*
- **September 25** *Hope for Renewal*

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN - Fall Gathering on October 1, 2022. The Theme for the day is "Celebrating Sabbath, Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight". The event will begin with a light breakfast, then music in the Sanctuary, and a Plenary Session all followed by a selection of Workshops. The offering collected will go to the Henderson County Feed the Kids program. The registration fee is \$15.00 and Lunch is free. A large poster about the event is hanging in the Narthex. Below the poster hangs a file folder with registration forms in it. Please contact Sue Osterberg with questions.

NEW LEARNING HOUR CLASS! Beginning **TODAY September 18 at 9:45am**, in Room 207, Paul Hugger will lead a group in exploring how Trinity Presbyterian Church can approach the Matthew 25 mandate to **Eradicate Systemic Poverty** in Henderson County. The class will use Scott Miller's *Bootstraps and Benefits: What the Right and Left Understand About Poverty and How We Can Work Together for Lasting Solutions*. Books are available in the Narthex and can be purchased for \$11. Please join us!

INQUIRERS CLASS, TODAY SEPT 18, 9:45 AM: If you have questions about the details of leadership, doctrine, the Book of Order, etc. or if you just want to satisfy your curious self about all things Presbyterian, please join Mark Stanley today in the Lounge.

CHURCH PICNIC - On Sunday, Sep 25, following the **single 10:00 service**, we will celebrate the end of the Season of Creation and the beginning of Fall with a fellowship picnic in the church gardens. Please save the date, and see insert for details.

RED DOTS FOR SOCIAL DISTANCE Announcing a new — and entirely voluntary — program: As COVID-19 is still circulating, if you'd prefer to maintain physical distancing from others and would like a friendly way to signal this, you may attach a red dot to your Trinity name tag to let others know. Adhesive-backed red dots are available near the main entrance. (And if you need a new name tag, please let us know.)

STUNNING SHARKE GRANT BLESSINGS!! Local Missions Ministry *kept the match going*, far beyond Albert's original \$5,000 bequest, thanks to generous endowment funds and partial proceeds from the recent sale of property (lovingly gifted to Trinity). Our huge-hearted congregation donated \$13,920 to local agencies via the Sharke campaign, and we were able to match it ALL! SO....Trinity will be sending **\$27,840** to the agencies, per donor specifications. Details re: the agency breakdown will be in the October issue of *Tidings*, and on the Local Missions tab of Trinity's website soon. **THANK YOU and THANKS BE TO GOD!!!!**

***Affirmation of Faith**

- All** We believe that God creates all things,
renews all things, and celebrates all things.
- East** We believe Earth is a sanctuary,
a sacred planet filled with God's presence,
a home for us to share with our kin.
- West** We believe that God became flesh and blood,
became a part of Earth,
a human being called Jesus Christ,
who lived and breathed and spoke among us,
suffered and died on a cross,
for all human beings and for all creation.
- East** We believe that the risen Jesus
is the Christ at the core of creation
reconciling all things to God,
renewing all creation and filling the universe.
- West** We believe the Spirit renews life in creation
groans in empathy with a suffering creation,
and waits with us for the rebirth of creation.
- All** We believe that with Christ we will rise
and with Christ we will celebrate a new creation.

CHURCH PICNIC

Sponsored by the Earth Caring Ministry

You're invited to a Potluck Picnic!

We'll gather on the beautiful Trinity church grounds on Sunday, Sept. 25, at 11:30 a.m. (Note that we'll hold a single worship service at 10:00 that morning; in case of rain, we'll try again on Oct. 2.)

We hope you'll join us and bring a dish to share (main dish, side item, or dessert). You are encouraged to think vegetarian! Here are some simple ideas: mac & cheese, bean salad, baba ghanoush, hummus and crackers, deviled eggs, green beans, meatless chili,

potato salad – the possibilities are endless. (Drinks, silverware, plates, and glasses will be provided.)

Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

What: Trinity Church Picnic

When: Sep 25, 2022, 11:30 a.m.

Where: On the Beautiful
Trinity Church Grounds!

PICNIC DETAILS for next Sunday (Sept 25 - after SINGLE 10:00 AM Service)

Location: After worship (in smaller groups and at your leisure), please head RIGHT out the church doors towards the Columbarium to explore the "Stations of Creation". Or, if you prefer, grab your chair and head LEFT to the picnic area (upper back parking lot). If you need transportation assistance, please wait on the benches or pews near the door and someone will help you down to the picnic.

Food: *Please bring your (preferably vegetarian) dish to share INTO the church* with you. Our Fellowship Ministry will have designated places for them and will bring them outside for you during the worship service.

Seating: Some chairs will be provided, but if possible, *please bring your own lawn/camp/folding chairs*. We're going casual!

Activities: We encourage you to explore the "Stations of Creation" along our beautiful Trinity forest walkway. Each "station" represents a theme from the PCUSA's "Season of Creation" - The Cosmos, The Climate, The Waters, and The Hope for Renewal. We will bless and be blessed by our Creator God, our ancestors, our descendants, our fellow living creatures, and our God's beautiful creation, our home, this Earth.