

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 8, 2023 - 8:30 & 11:00 AM

Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom.—Matthew 21: 43

Prelude

Siciliano

Gaetano Valeri

Introit 355

Hear Our Cry

Call to Worship

The heavens are telling the glory of God
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

There is no speech, nor are there words;
their voice is not heard.

Yet it goes out through all the earth
and to the end of the world.

***Hymn 385**

All People That On Earth Do Dwell

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Merciful God, we confess that our confidence is often misplaced. We put our confidence in our abilities rather than in your love. We put our confidence in our belongings rather than in your generosity. We put our confidence in ourselves rather than in you. Forgive us for our misgivings. Redirect us according to your Spirit and your will. Help us to follow your ways and find our freedom in your heavenly calling. Open us to new levels of trust and joy as we press on towards your goal. Amen.

Silent Meditation and Assurance of Pardon

***Congregational Response 595** Holy, Holy, Holy

Passing of the Peace

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 5:1-7

Anthem

We Will Sing a Song to the Lord, *Nancy Price & Don Besig*

A Prayer for Children

New Testament Lesson

Matthew 21:33-46

Sermon

"Producing The Fruits of the Kingdom", David Garnett

***Affirmation of Faith**

A Brief Statement of Faith, Sec. 3 & 6

Minute for Ministry

Stewardship - Local Missions

Leslie Nissen

Announcements and Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Invitation to Giving

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

***Hymn 394**

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

***Charge and Blessing**

Postlude

Rigaudon

Andre Campra

**Please stand in body or spirit*

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Stewardship Meditation:

*"Take care of yourself – you never know when the world will need you."
—Hillel the Elder*

LITURGIST(S): Duane Johnson

PROJECTIONS: Russ Russell, Bud Weeks

LIVESTREAM: Duane Johnson, Jim Kisner,
Conrad Shannon, Jim Smelker, Paul Soltesz

FLOWERS: Given by Carl Schreck in memory of his beloved wife, Sue, whose birthday is Oct. 10th

LAST SUNDAY ATTENDANCE: 149

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: Katie Cilluffo, Eric McAnallen,
Beth Pensiero

Percussionist: Don Widmayer

TRINITY TEAM

Maintenance Facilitator: Jim Kisner

Treasurers: Tom Karvonen, Bev Luzadder

Financial Secretary: Diane Bowers

Bookkeeper: Lynne Meluch, Angela Kuykendoll

Tellers: Sue Robinson, Robin Hodgson,
Pat Harter, Betty Lockwood

Nursery Staff: Mary Haskins, Sierrah Haskins

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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.



PC(USA)
June 10, 1983



Presbytery of Western
North Carolina



More Light
Presbyterians



a Matthew 25
Church



Fuente de Vida
Guatemala



an Earth Care
Congregation

SUNDAY

8:30 SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:45 Youth Learning Hour

9:45 Adult Learning Hour:

- *Lectionary Class (Trinity Room)*
- *Issues & Concerns Class (Fellowship Hall)*
- *Hashing It Out (Lounge)*

10:30 Choir Rehearsal

11:00 SUNDAY WORSHIP

12:15 Circles Around Poverty Meeting

12:15 Budget Workshop

3:00 Memorial - Darlene Tribby (First Baptist)

5:00 ManKind Project Open Men's Circle

MONDAY

9:00 Finance Team

9:00 Staff Meeting

10:00 New Member Subcommittee

2:00 PW Coordinating Team

3:30 Tai chi - Beginners

4:00 Tai chi - Intermediate

5:30 Local Missions Ministry Mtg.

6:30 Session Meeting

TUESDAY

10:00 Coffee Group

3:00 Origami Group

3:30 Deacons Meeting

WEDNESDAY

10:00 Esther Circle

10:30 Friends in Christ

1:00 Spanish Class

4:00 Global Missions Ministry Mtg.

7:30 Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

9:30 Musicke Antiqua Rehearsal

10:00 PW Fall Brunch

11:00 Zoom: "Between the Lines" Book Group

1:30 AA Meeting

3:30 Tai chi - Beginners

4:00 Tai chi - Intermediate

6:30 Cub Scouts

FRIDAY

9:30 Feed The Kids

7:00 Movie Night - The River Runs On

SATURDAY

10:00 B&G Playground Meeting

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9:53 A New Angle Family Worship

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12:15 Matthew 25

5:00 ManKind Project Open Men's Circle

**Weekly Calendar:
Oct 8 - 15**

PRAYER CONCERNS In Sympathy: Harold Nicholls upon the loss of his sister; Brian Tribby upon the loss of his wife Darlene **Rehab/Nursing:** Neena Haskins, Jack Caylor (HHR); Nancy Underwood (Florida); Marian Lowry, Ruth Mills (CV Care Center); Kaye Papazian (Arbor Terrace); Nell Payne (Brookdale); Julia Sellers (Durham); Jerry Miller (Indiana); **Home:** Kim Henderson (Kisner's daughter); Doris Youngdahl; Ken Sugawara; Jeremy King's daughter; Bruce Crossman (Carole Ball's brother); Carolyn Erickson; Emily Corn (Bridges' daughter); Beth Miller; Fitz Sthresley; Paul Soltesz; Nancy Twitchen; Dan Green; Katie Hankla; Gillian Vaughan (Edie Clark's granddaughter); Sandra Dwork; Helen Dearborn; Anne Wright; Carole, Kim, & Jason Ball; Julee Gray (Kuykendoll's friend); Lauren McBride (Kuykendoll's daughter); Barbara Nichols; Bud Weeks; Jim Emme; Jim Luzadder; Irene Lunsford, T.K. Owens (family of Dolly Owens & Nancy Twitchen); Barbara Pickwood; Alice McCullough; Dave Morrison; **Others:** Rob Stanfield (Stanfields' son); our mission coworkers in Madagascar and Guatemala, our sister church Fuente de Vida, the people of Lahaina Maui, Sudan, and Ukraine, and those harmed by new anti-LGBTQIA+ legislation and by gun violence.

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW FOR TRINITY FILM NIGHT! FRI, OCT 13, 7PM SANCTUARY - "THE RIVER RUNS ON!" explores a forestry plan for two of the most important national forests in the country - the Pisgah and Nantahala. Featuring some of the top conservationists and most popular spots within the region, the documentary reflects on our relationship with these public lands and what the future may hold for this unique part of the world. Doors open at 6:30pm, film begins at 7:00pm. We'll have Q&A with the director, Garrett Martin, and Mountain True's Public Lands Field Biologist, Josh Kelly afterwards. Proceeds support **Mountain True's** mission of preservation and advocacy for our unique mountain ecosystem. For TIX, visit trinitypresnc.org/theriverrunson (under the "NEWS" tab on our website. Link on the home-page as well.

BRUNCH TIME! Thu, Oct 12, 10AM-12PM: ALL the women of Trinity, not just Circle members, are invited to **Presbyterian Women's Fall Gathering.** This fascinating program includes speaker Terri Forsyth, one of presbytery's reps to Malawi delivering Luo Pads. Terri interacted with the women and girls whose lives were changed by this project, and will share a slideshow from the trip, answer questions, and get us excited about this year's Luo Pad efforts. Free to attend this gathering, but registration required. **Sign up in the narthex Sept. 24, Oct. 1, or 8.** See you there!

2023 HUNGER WALK PRELIMINARY FINANCIAL RESULTS: Though we are still counting, filing, and depositing, our current total from Trinity donors is \$3,700. Stay tuned for the final FINAL count when we see if we can break our 2021 record!

CALL FOR WRITERS: ADVENT DEVOTIONAL - "THE WEARY WORLD REJOICES" As we approach Advent 2023, our theme for the season, based on the beloved Christmas song "O Holy Night," is *The Weary World Rejoices*. One of Trinity's great seasonal traditions is our Advent Devotional Guide, which you create. We hope that you'll consider writing a brief meditation for *The Weary World Rejoices*; look for more information and signups beginning on Sunday, October 8.

MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE - If you sing in the shower (or used to and miss it), you might like to join the Trinity choir. A great way to meet people and share your voice with your Trinity family.

REGULAR LEARNING HOUR CLASSES RETURN:

- **Issues & Concerns** (*Fellowship Hall*) A discussion session of contemporary events and ideas from a variety of sources (periodicals, websites, etc.) Led by class members.
- **Lectionary Class** (*Trinity Room*) A close reading of Bible passages from the current week's worship, with discussion of meanings and interpretations. Led by Jim Kisner.
- **Hashing It Out** (*Lounge*) A freeform conversation group for folks with families to support and encourage each other.