

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 29, 2024 - 11:00 AM

"Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you."—2 Corinthians 13: 11

Prelude

Overture

Richard Wagner

Introit 469

Lord, Listen to your Children Praying

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 1)

Blessed are those who delight in the law of the Lord,
And meditate on God's word day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water,
Which yield their fruit in its season.

Let us worship the Lord, our source of wisdom and strength.

***Hymn 2**

Come, Thou Almighty King

Prayer of Confession (inspired by James 3:13-4:3)

Merciful God, we confess that we have often acted out of selfish ambition and vain conceit. We have allowed envy and self-interest to guide our actions, rather than the wisdom that comes from above. Forgive us for the times we have caused conflicts and quarrels among ourselves and others. Help us to submit ourselves to you, resist the devil, and draw near to your grace. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Silent Meditation and Assurance of Pardon

***Congregational Response 582**

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Passing of the Peace

New Testament Lesson

2nd Corinthians 13: 11-13

Anthem

Praise Ye the Name of the Lord

Gordon Young

A Prayer for Children

Old Testament Lesson

Micah 6: 6-8

Sermon

“Goodbyes Can Be Serious Business!”, Mark Stanley

***Affirmation of Faith**

A Brief Statement of Faith- Sections 2, 5 and 6

Special Presentation

Special Music

“For Good”

Stephen Schwartz

Beth Pensiero and Claire Crook, soloists

Announcements and Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Invitation to Giving & 5 Cents a Meal

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

***Hymn 450**

Be Thou My Vision

***Charge and Blessing**

Postlude

Prelude in G

J. S. Bach

**Please stand in body or spirit*

Worship Notes: Liturgy written by Bobby Hulme-Lippert, Presbyterian Outlook, 2024

LITURGIST(S): Jan Prichard, Billie Hicklin

PROJECTIONS: Russ Russell, Bud Weeks,
Catherine Langsdorf

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

FLOWERS: Given by Harold Nicholls in memory
of his wife Barbara

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: Claire Crook, Tim Kuykendall,
Eric McAnallen, Beth Pensiero

TRINITY TEAM

Maintenance Facilitator: Jim Kisner

Treasurer: Bob Forsythe, Bev Luzadder

Financial Secretary: Diane Bowers

Bookkeeper: Lynne Meluch

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

Nursery Staff: Mary Haskins, Sierrah Haskins

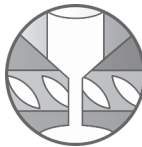
This congregation welcomes you without regard to race, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, education, economic circumstance, your place of origin or any other issue that divides God's family. We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors 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 -
our denomination



Presbytery of Western
North Carolina -
our regional leadership



More Light
Presbyterians -
LGBTQ+ affirming



an Earth Care
Congregation -
eco-stewardship



Fuente de Vida
Guatemala - global
partnership



a Matthew 25
Church - social
justice advocacy

SUNDAY - MARK'S RETIREMENT PARTY

& 5 CENTS A MEAL OFFERING

- NO 8:30 WORSHIP SERVICE -

9:45 Learning Hour

- *Lectionary Class (Trinity Room)*
- *Issues & Concerns Class (Classroom 207)*
- *Hashing It Out (Lounge)*
- *Youth Learning Hour*

10:30 Choir Rehearsal

11:00 SUNDAY WORSHIP

12:15 Mark Stanley's Retirement Luncheon

5:00 ManKind Project Open Men's Circle

MONDAY

9:00 Finance Team

9:30 Artventure Painters' Group

10:00 New Member Subcommittee

4:00 Tai Chi

TUESDAY

9:00 Staff Meeting

10:00 Coffee Group

4:00 Global Missions Ministry Mtg.

6:00 Special Session Mtg.

WEDNESDAY

10:30 Friends in Christ

11:00 MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR BILL BOWERS

7:30 Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

10:00 Musicke Antiqua Rehearsal

10:00 Luopad Project

11:00 "Between the Lines Book" Group

12:00 PW Study Leaders Team

1:00 Technology Committee Mtg.

4:00 Tai Chi

6:30 Cub Scouts Pack 620

FRIDAY

8:00 Toastmasters

SATURDAY

8:00 42nd Annual Hunger Walk (rescheduled)

10:00 MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR KAYE PAPIAZIAN

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Weekly Calendar:

Sep 29 - Oct 6

Contacts (office/pastoral business) during the week

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PRAYER CONCERNS Rehab/Nursing: Nell Payne (Brooks-Howell); Fitz Sthreshley (Carolina Reserve); Don Widmayer (The Bridge); Neena Haskins (Sunnybrook); Jane Sugawara (Tore's Home); Jack Caylor (HHR); Ruth Mills (CV Care Center); Nancy Underwood (Florida); Julia Sellers (Durham); Jerry Miller (Indiana)

Home: Betty Lockwood; Tim Simmons; Donnie Thompson (Kuykendoll's nephew); Brenda Crossman (Carole Ball's sister-in-law); Helen Dearborn; Angela Kuykendoll; T.K. Owens (Dolly's son); Linda Dillon; Katie Hankla; Ken Sugawara; Harry Petersen; Susan Kincaid; Pat Dienst; Michael Ballenger (Cindy Householder's brother-in-law); Sandra Dwork; Susan Presseau (Jane Presseau's daughter); Paul Soltesz; Evans Thibodeau; Benny Elliot (Landen Gailey's partner); Dan Green; Kim & Jason Ball; Julee Gray (Kuykendoll's friend); Lauren McBride (Kuykendoll's daughter); Barbara Nichols; Bud Weeks; Irene Lunsford; Barbara Pickwood; Alice McCullough; Dave Morrison

Others: our mission coworkers and the people of Madagascar, Malawi, and Guatemala, our sister church Fuente de Vida, the people of Israel and Gaza, Sudan, Ukraine and Russia, and those harmed by new anti-LGBTQIA+ legislation and by gun violence.

MARK STANLEY'S RETIREMENT CELEBRATION! Join us TODAY, Sep 29, to celebrate Rev. Mark Stanley's years of service and communion with our Trinity Family. Please note there will be NO early service. We WILL have normal Learning Hour and 11:00 Worship, followed by a special luncheon to honor and thank Mark!

GET INVOLVED! LOOKING FORWARD TO FALL... Learn a new skill, take a class, join a group and make new friends, and mark your calendars for upcoming special events! Details on our calendar trinitypresnc.org/calendar

NOTE: The Hunger Walk has been rescheduled for NEXT Saturday, Oct 5. Onsite registration from 8-8:30 at Lennox Park.

VISITORS Would you like to join Trinity? Let Dwight know. We look forward to welcoming you as a member!

GET READY TO VOTE! In the narthex you will find a handout with IMPORTANT 2024 ELECTION DATES. Be informed! Pick up a handout for yourself and one for your neighbor.

TRINITY WOMEN'S BRUNCH! On Thursday, October 10, Trinity's Presbyterian Women will hold our annual Fall Gathering from 10:00 a.m. - 12 Noon. ALL the women of Trinity, not just Circle members, are invited to this event. Our speaker will be Lauren Wilkie, Executive Director of Safelight, who will update us on the agency's vital trauma-informed continuum of services, which help move survivors of interpersonal violence from crisis to sustainability. There is no cost to attend this gathering, but we do need participants to sign up. A registration table will be set up in the Narthex on Sunday, Sept. 29 and Sunday, Oct. 6. If you have any art supplies to donate to Safelight's new Art Center, please bring them!

BETWEEN THE LINES: This is an open invitation to all readers who are interested in social justice. The "Between the Lines" book club will be starting *The New Breadline; Hunger and Hope in the Twenty-First Century* by Jean-Martin Bauer on 17 October at 11:00 AM. We meet on Zoom, so we're open to everyone regardless of location, church preference or pajama pants - bring your friends! We generally take at least a month to read a book together, meeting once a week to discuss a few chapters. We have been meeting since 2020 and have greatly increased our knowledge of the history and current state of such social justice issues as racism, mass incarceration and immigration. Our Zoom link is on the church calendar, so we hope to see you on the 17th. If you would like to be added to the email list, please let me know - Cindy Ann Bowers, syndianne at gmail.com

LUOPAD PARTIES will be held on first Thursdays from 10-12 and third Thursdays from 2-4. Everyone is invited: sewers and non-sewers, beginners and professionals, previous participants and the curious first timers. Come and help us support girls and women in Malawi.