

Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

8:30 & 11:00 AM

“You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ” - 1 Peter 1:18-19

Prelude

Offertorio

Giovanni Batista Martini

Introit #242

Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded

Gastoldi

Call to Worship (*responsive*)

We live in the radiance of your glory.

Our worship comes from the gladness you have put in our hearts.

We give you thanks for the peace of your salvation.

O, Hear the joy of our praise for your grace and mercy.

***Hymn 630**

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Lord, bring new life where we are worn and tired;
new love where we have turned hard-hearted;
forgiveness where we feel hurt and where we have wounded;
and the joy and freedom of your Holy Spirit
where we are prisoners of ourselves. Amen**

Silent Meditation and Assurance of Pardon

***Congregational Response 582** Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Passing of the Peace

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 116:12-19

Anthem

Rejoice

Joseph M. Martin

A Prayer for Children

Epistle Lesson

1 Peter 1:17-23

Sermon

Blood

Dwight Christenbury

***Hymn 737**

“Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song”

Affirmation of Faith (responsive)

- from The Confession of 1967

God's reconciling act in Jesus Christ is a mystery which the Scriptures describe in various ways. It is called the sacrifice of a lamb, a shepherd's life given for his sheep, atonement by a priest;

again it is ransom of a slave, payment of debt, vicarious satisfaction of a legal penalty, and victory over the powers of evil.

These are expressions of a truth which remains beyond the reach of all theory in the depths of God's love for humankind.

They reveal the gravity, cost, and sure achievement of God's reconciling work.

The risen Christ is the savior of all people. Those joined to him by faith are set right with God and commissioned to serve as God's reconciling community.

Christ is head of this community, the church, which began with the apostles and continues through all generations. Amen.

Announcements and Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Invitation to Giving

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

***Hymn 247**

“Now the Green Blade Rises”

***Charge and Blessing**

Postlude

Mohrentanz

Susato

**Please stand in body or spirit*

LITURGIST(S): Tom Karvonen
FLOWERS: Given by Richard Householder in Celebration of Evelyn's 90th birthday.

PROJECTIONS: Russ Russell, Bud Weeks, Catherine Langsdorf
LIVESTREAM: Duane Johnson, Jim Kisner, Conrad Shannon, Jim Smelker, Paul Soltész

LAST SUNDAY ATTENDANCE: 147

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
Percussionist: Don Widmayer

TRINITY TEAM

Maintenance Facilitator: Jim Kisner
Treasurer: Bob Forsythe
Financial Secretary: Diane Bowers
Bookkeeper: Lynne Meluch
Tellers: Sue Robinson, Robin Hodgson, Pat Harter, Betty Lockwood
Nursery Staff: Mary Haskins, Sierrah Haskins

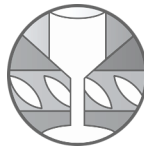
This congregation welcomes you without regard to race, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, education, economic circumstance, your place of origin or any other issue that divides God's family. We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors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

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9:45 Learning Hour:

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

10:30 Choir Rehearsal

11:00 SUNDAY WORSHIP

12:15 THRIVING CONGREGATIONS TEAM MTG.

5:00 ManKind Project—Men's Circle

MONDAY

9:00 Finance Team

9:30 Artventure Painters' Group

10:00 New Member Subcommittee

10:30 New Member Ministry Mtg.

10:30 VBS Meeting—Trinity Room

3:30 Beginning Tai Chi

4:00 Intermediate Tai Chi

TUESDAY

9:00 Staff Meeting

10:00 Coffee Group

10:30 Naomi Circle

11:30 Estate Planning 101—

Pardee Hospital Foundation

Flat Rock Bistro Cinema

4:00 Zoom: Global Mission Ministry Meeting

6:00 Zoom: Worship Ministry Meeting

WEDNESDAY

10:30 Friends in Christ

1:00 Spanish Class

3:00 Zoom: Earth Caring Ministry

7:30 Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

9:30 Musicke Antiqua Rehearsal

11:00 Zoom: Between the Lines Book Group

2:00 PW Spring Birthday Celebration

3:30 Beginning Tai Chi

4:00 Intermediate Tai Chi

6:30 Cub Scouts

FRIDAY

8:00 Toastmasters

2:00 Zoom: Endowment Committee

4:00 Silent Vigil for Immigration Reform,
Historic Courthouse Square

4:30 Mom's Demand Action,
Oklawaha Brewing Company

SATURDAY

10:00 Hendo Earth Fest,

Downtown Hendersonville

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Weekly Calendar: Apr 14—21

Contacts (office/pastoral business) during the week

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PRAYER CONCERNS: Hospital—Don Widmayer—Pardee; **Hospice:** Cathy O'Neil **Rehab/Nursing:** Hank Widmayer (Don Widmayer's son); Pat Dienst; Bob Koopman (Laurels); Nell Payne (Brookdale); Neena Haskins (Sunnybrook); Jane Sugawara (Tore's Home); Jack Caylor (HHR); Ruth Mills (CV Care Center); Kaye Papazian (Arbor Terrace, FL); Nancy Underwood (Florida); Julia Sellers (Durham); Jerry Miller (Indiana) **Home:** Nancy Willard; Fitz Sthresley; Diane Swift; Carole Ball; Evelyn (Betty Sloop & Mary Louise Forsythe's sister); Millie Tolleson, Jake Herson, & Baby Grant; Daniel Dyer & family; Brenda Nelson; Sandra Dwork; Susan Presseau (Jane Presseau's daughter); Jackie & Don Davis (Marty Zigo's friends); Paul Soltesz; Evans Thibodeau; Benny Elliot (Landen Gailey's partner); Ken Sugawara; Nancy Twitchen; Dan Green; Gillian Vaughan (Edie Clark's granddaughter); 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:** our mission coworkers and the people of Madagascar 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.

CELEBRATE WITH PW!! All Trinity Women are invited for cake, ice cream and other goodies at the Presbyterian Women's Birthday Gathering, to be held on April 18 at 2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The sign-up table is in the narthex. We're hoping you'll add your name to the list, and feel free to bring a friend!

THESE DAYS DEVOTIONALS for April, May, & June are here in the Narthex. Get yours today!

THANK YOU Vickie Hugger, and her **Trinity Sewing Group**, for going above and beyond the call of our neighbors. The group originally offered to make 24 bags that Local Missions pledged to fill with all requested items for migrant farm workers/fruit pickers. Vickie and her

Wonder Women created multi-purpose drawstring bags that will be absolute "keepers." They made **111 bags and LM filled 28!** The extras were gratefully snapped up by event organizers. We love y'all! **-Local Missions Team.**

THANK YOU HAT DONORS! *Trinity members brought in a total of 92 caps and hats to the hat rack! Local Missions used 28 of them for Trinity's contribution (for the migrant farm workers/fruit pickers) and sent the rest in to event organizers to help boost the community total which is a goal of 600! Once again, **TRINITY ROCKS!***

COMMUNITY EVENTS - details on web calendar

- **Apr 16**, 11:30 AM Estate Planning 101 Lunch and Learn (Flat Rock Cinema) Pardee Hospital Foundation is pleased to offer a free session for anyone interested in learning more about estate planning. Program begins at Noon. Lunch provided. **RSVP to (828) 233.2700 or pardeefoundation@unchealth.unc.edu**
- **Apr 19**, 4:30 PM Moms Demand Action Postcard Writing Advocacy (Oklawaha Brewing) We're meeting to write postcards to be hand-delivered to our state legislators on NC Advocacy Day (April 25) down in Raleigh.
- **Apr 20**, 10AM - 3PM Hendo Earth Fest! Community education for all ages on environmental and sustainable practices. Help us inspire commitments to protect our planet. Local and regional environmental allies focus on participation/hands-on activities and demonstrations designed to educate, renew and expand action to protect our Western North Carolina environment and natural resources. In our first inaugural 2023 festival, we saw approximately 2,000+ participants!
- Our own **Katie Cilluffo** can receive cards at: 919 Allouez Trail, Traverse City, MI 49686

FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY GOODIES: Sign-up on the cold drink table (atrium) to provide snacks for coffee time on Sundays. Home-made and/or store-bought items are all greatly appreciated. (See Julie Carter for questions.) Thank you!