

9:30 am April 8, 2018

IN OUR NEED, WE SEEK GOD

Welcome The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Introit

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

IN STEADFAST LOVE, WE PRAISE THE CREATOR

Call To Worship (responsively)

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Peace be with you.

How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity.

Receive the Holy Spirit.

It is like precious oil on the head, the blessing of the Lord.

*Prayer of Adoration (unison)

Breathe in this place, O Lord, by the power of your Holy Spirit, to open our minds, unlock our hearts, and enliven our faith so that we may welcome the risen one among us. Amen.

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

*Processional Hymn 263

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Call to Confession

The Rev. Mr. Gruver

Prayer of Confession (unison)

The Rev. Mr. Gruver

You have shown yourself to us, O God, by Word and Spirit, with signs and wonders, in flesh and blood, yet we still struggle to live and believe

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the good news of Jesus Christ.
Have mercy on us; forgive us.
Enter into our lives
and cast out our fear
so that we may come to trust in you
and have life in Jesus' name. 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.

*Passing of the Peace

The Rev. Mr. Gruver

**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.

IN DEEP HOPE, WE ATTEND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

The Rev. Ms. Craven

First Reading

John 20:19-31

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Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

1 John 1:1-2:2

The Rev. Ms. Craven

This is the Word of the Lord.

This is the Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Too Good to be True!
The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven

IN ABIDING GRATITUDE, WE GIVE OUR BEST

*Hymn of Response 454

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

*The Apostle's Creed (unison)

The Rev. Mr. Gruver

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.

Call to Present Our Gifts to the Lord

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Offertory

Arise, Shine!

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Arise, shine; for your light has come; and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

Darkness will cover the earth, and darkness will cover the people.

But the Lord will arise upon you, God's glory will be seen by all.

All earth rejoice and sing; sing praises to God every nation.

God's mercy endures forever, God's kindness is great to us.

Arise, shine; for your light has come; and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

*Doxology No. 592

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

The Rev. Dr. Faulkner

IN GREAT JOY, WE GO TO TELL THE STORY

*Sending Hymn 467

How Great Thou Art

*Charge and Pastoral Benediction

The Rev. Ms. Craven

(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 Margery Sly, Clerk of Session Lisa K. Marcelli, Director of Music Brian Kain, Interim Music Associate Marina Pappas, Weekday Nursery School Director

The flowers were given to the glory of God by Ray and Susan Bastnagel in loving memory of their parents, Bonnie and Raymond Bastnagel and Marilyn and Richard Emrey, and in joyful gratitude for their granddaughters, Aubrey and Allie Nieradka; and by Saundra, Ted and Susan Achey in loving memory of Peter, son and brother; and her parents, Helen and J.O. Teasley.

Let Us Pray for Members of Our Church Family: Liz Gyswyt, Linda Thorpe, Holly Sanborn, Marty Flynn, Bruce Brown, Dick Wolbach, Fran Werrell, Nancy Hickman, Helen Prickitt.

Let Us Also Pray for Friends and Family: John Smarkola, Carol Sue Thompson (Trudie Levins sister-in-law), Liz Shapiro (Heather Kern's friend), Janet Lani (Nancy Roberts' sister), Lisa Schwarz (Alison Schwarz's sister-in-law), Lois DeMone (friend of Janelle Curl and Audrey Azevedo), Daniel Hawley-Lowry (friend of Greg Faulkner), Carl Bartley (Jim Flanary's cousin), Ginny Ceneviva (Tony Ceneviva's mother), Rich Van Doren (Melissa Smith's brother), Brittany Franco (Mary Ellen Litton's daughter-In-law), Arlene Fraraccio (Bonnie Jones' friend), Lynnore Compton (Ellen McCaney's sister-in-law), Marilyn Hoffmann (Marty Flynn's cousin), Carolynn Hazel (Susan Greenwood's mother), Elsie Pearson (Donna Bordner's mother), David Parks (Nancy Parks' brother), Larry Hansen (Linda Thorpe's brother), Ron Bishop (Martha Stem's brother), Bruce and Shirley Muni (Susan Bryfogle's parents), Robert Spatola (Joe Spatola's brother), Lily Lux (daughter of Juliana Brennan).

Let us pray for all those of our Trinity family who are serving in the United States Military: Cory Allen, Connor Barnes, William Bohm, Troy Graham, Brian Regensburg, Peter Slusser Jr., Robert Volkman.

Large Print Bibles and Hymnals are available in the narthex.

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.

Sunday Church School Schedule Nursery-Kindergarten (main building)

Pick up is immediately after the conclusion of the service

Room #1 Infant through Toddle8

Room #6 Twos and Threes, must be 24 months by Oct. 1, 2017

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.

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!

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!

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!

Attention Trinity Members and Visitors! After Sunday services, please stop by our Membership Information Table in Fellowship Hall! Meet members of our Courtesy Council, check out our new Website and Facebook pages and learn about events and activities going on here on a regular basis. You can also watch our fantastic video lovingly put together by our staff and PR/Advertising Committee Chair Susan Bastnagel. We are here to help you learn more about Trinity and get involved! Find your Place at our Place!

The Library Committee is looking for new members. We meet monthly at 10:30 am on the first Monday of the month. No need to be a librarian or teacher, just have a love for books and reading!

EasyTithe, our online giving option, allows you to make your offering electronically. This option makes giving more convenient for you (no more checks to write) and ensures consistency in your giving which helps the church manage its cash flow requirements better. EasyTithe can be accessed through your computer, tablet and cell phone. The setup process is very straightforward and can be accomplished in just a couple of minutes. To sign up, go to Trinity's home page and click on "Online Giving" or go directly to www.easytithe.com/trinpres.

An *EasyTithe* app is also available for download to your tablet or cell phone. Once you're set up, you can also text a gift in one simple step! Our phone number for text giving is 856-238-5444.

We encourage all members to establish automatic recurring gifts using *EasyTithe*.

Cancer and Conversation Cancer? Turn your diagnosis into a mission here at Trinity and beyond. Whether you are currently receiving treatment or are a survivor of months or even years, you are invited to attend the Cancer and Conversation meeting TODAY, in the Hospitality Room at 10:45 AM.

New attendees are invited to join us as we continue to formulate our mission...to be helpmates to one another and also to serve as a larger, on-going mission in Trinity and the community. Grab a coffee in the social hall and join us.

Collection of Mothers Matter Items Continues Until April 15 We are continuing to collect health and beauty items for the Mother's Day gift basket project sponsored by the Lauren Rose Albert Foundation (LRAF). Mothers Matter assembles gift packages filled with women's health and beauty care products and then distributes them to women facing difficult challenges. Packages are delivered to women's shelters, children's pediatric hospital wards and centers, day care centers and other facilities and agencies. Each gift carries the message that "Mothers Matter" and for many, this is their only Mother's Day present.

There is a large basket at Church located between the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall (underneath the PW Bulletin Board) for donated items. **We appreciate the support of all Church members**. The basket will be there until April 15th.

Items that can be donated were listed in the March Tidings or contact Jan Caffrey. Thank you in advance for your generosity! Please join us to help assemble the baskets at their headquarters in Sewell on Saturday, **April 14**. We will meet at the church at **11:00** to carpool, bring a light lunch, and we will return to the church around 3:30. It's a great

volunteer activity and very rewarding. If you prefer to drive from your home, contact me for directions. Please contact Jan Caffrey at (856) 667-3687 or jancaff@verizon.net if planning to attend. We would love to have you join us.

Homeless Hospitality Sign-ups continue. Many hands make light work. Trinity will host the men from IHOC's Homeless Hospitality Program the week of April 29 – May 6. We need meals, social hosts (3 hour blocks), and overnight hosts during this time. Please be part of this mission. Sign-ups today in Fellowship Hall. Read more about this important Mission Program in the April Tidings.

Three Courses, Three Places, One Great Night: The Progressive Dinner is back! And the date is Saturday, April 14th! We hope you'll join Trinity Out & About for a wonderful evening of delicious food and heartwarming fellowship. The appetizer buffet begins at church at 6:00pm. Dinner in individual homes follows and the evening ends with that most important course—dessert! The cost is \$15 per person. TODAY is the last day to sign up so please stop by table in Fellowship Hall check out the menu (we've already chosen all of the recipes) and volunteer to host (we need about 5 or 6 host homes) or to make a dish to share. We look forward to seeing you there!









Trinity Deacons Blood Drive



Give Life...Give Love...Donate Blood!

Trinity Deacons invite you to join them in giving blood on **Monday, April 16**th

from 2 PM to 7 PM in the Community Room here at the Church. You may sign up in Fellowship Hall during Coffee Hour or online at www.redcrossblood.org. Visit the Red Cross Website to find helpful links that answer frequently asked questions about blood donations as well as a link to schedule your appointment. You may also contact the Red Cross at 1-800-RED CROSS.

Please mention Trinity Presbyterian as the sponsor.

Give...So more may live!

Adult Education Presents





SCIENCE

AND

RELIGION

A Question and Answer Discussion

With: Ed Behrens, Physicist and Mathematician Eby Banas, Neurologist and Researcher

Join us on April 15, 2018, 11 AM Witherspoon Center

Bring your friends and your questions

- Creation, big bang cosmology, advances in physical science, multiverse, black holes, etc.
 - What is the Presbyterian stance on creation and science?

JOIN US!

West Jersey Presbyterian Women Invites ALL Women to our Spring Gathering

When: Saturday, April 14, 2018, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Where: St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Laurel Springs

What: A program focusing on SUSTAINABILITY!

We will be exploring the subject of sustainability. Sustainability of our environment.

How our churches can participate in sustaining our environment.

How we can sustain strong churches



Light refreshments will be served during registration. The program will begin promptly at 10 a.m.

Our guest speakers will be Caren Kaufman, Sustainable Cherry Hill; Dawson Winch, Haddon Heights Presbyterian Church; and Reverend Debby Brincivalli, Executive Presbyter of the West Jersey Presbytery.

FOR added fun we will have our very own recycling event! Bring costume jewelry and/or scarves that you no longer use, packaged in a small sandwich bag. All items will be priced at \$2 and placed on a table for sale. You will have an opportunity to buy someone else's treasure and add some spice to your wardrobe. The proceeds of this event will go to the Presbyterian Women's Birthday Offering. Share your treasures and bless women and children through the Birthday Offering.

LUNCH will be served following the program. Cost \$10 RSVP to Lisa Huber, Moderator, at JJLhuber5@gmail.com



This Week at Trinity

Sunday, April 8

9:30 am Worship Service

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

10:45 am Cancer & Conversation—Hospitality Room

10:45 am Ukulele Rehearsal

11:30 am Worship Reflections– Witherspoon Center

7:00 pm Sr. Highs– Witherspoon Center

Monday, April 9

10:00 am Library Committee

7:30 pm Boy Scouts– Witherspoon Center

Tuesday, April 10

10:00 am Care 'n Share Shop

Wednesday, April 11

8:00 am PW Bus Trip to NYC- returns approximately 7:30-8:00 pm

6:15 pm Commissioning–Witherspoon Center

7:00 pm Cub Scouts– Community Room

Thursday, April 12

10:00 am Care 'n Share Shop

12:00 pm Alzheimer's Support Group—Witherspoon Center

2:00 pm Stephen Ministry – Witherspoon Center

4:30-5:00 pm Cherub Choir 5:00-5:40 pm Carol Choir 5:40- 6:20 pm TEAM Choir 6:20- 6:50 pm TEAM Bells

6:30-9:00 pm AA Groups—Witherspoon Center

Saturday, April 14

6:00 pm Trinity Out & About– Progressive Dinner

Sunday, April 15

7:45 am Men's Fellowship– Witherspoon Center

9:30 am Worship Service

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

10:50 am Youth Choir Rehearsal

11:00 am Adult Education– Witherspoon Center

11:30 am Youth Bells

12:00 pm Mixers & Mission– Lunch in Community Room & Scavenger Hunt

Trinity Presbyterian Church Vision and Values An Inviting Community Following Christ for Life

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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