



Congregational and Pastoral Renewal

This year we will embark on something that is new for all of us: time away from each other as pastor and congregation for an extended period of renewal. With a great tapestry of woven threads of grace as an apt symbol for the make-up of our faith, we will use the period of May 23-August 7 as a time to “retrace the threads” of grace that make up our vision of faithfulness.

As one stares at even the most beautiful and intricate of tapestries, one can only take in so much of it at once. Hence, over time, one’s eyes, used to seeing only a particular pattern, become unable to discern others. And so it is with our calling, our ministry, and our mission. By retracing the individual threads of the tapestry, one can begin to make out other heretofore unseen patterns. Thus, this time of renewal is an opportunity for our whole congregation to retrace our threads of grace, individually, and corporately.

Top preachers in the country have been recruited to aid us in this process. Each preacher, in their own way will invite members of our congregation to retrace those threads in specific ways. Individually, the threads might include anything from personal experiences of the divine, to individual call, to faith development. Corporately the threads could include every biblical theme there is, what it means to be a “Christian,” a “Presbyterian,” and/or a member at Trinity.

During the roughly ten-week period, each member will be asked to keep a journal of their individual retracing. To that end, every member will be provided with a journal booklet that will include weekly Scripture, thoughts and prompts from our preachers for our members to ponder. Members will also be encouraged to engage in any outside activities (travel to special places, etc.) that might be helpful.

In my time away, I will be retracing the threads of grace in my life in multiple ways as well (see pages 4 & 5 for details). Upon my return, we will share our threads together at an event led by our general presbyter, Deborah Boucher-Payne. Threads and strips of cloth will be provided for your choosing. You will choose the literal threads and strips of cloth that best represent the symbolic threads you will have traced. Karen Kennedy, our clerk of session, is a weaver. She, along with Susan Winkelmann, Carol Virkler and perhaps others will then weave those chosen threads into a real tapestry that will eventually be hung in the sanctuary.

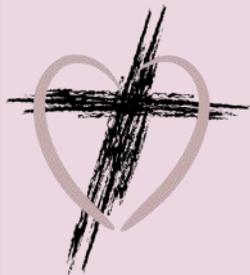
I so appreciate this time given to me and plan to take full advantage of it. I hope you will do the same!

With love,

Michael

Ash Wednesday Worship

Wednesday, March 2—7:00 p.m. (in person in the sanctuary and live-streamed)



Ash Wednesday is a solemn reminder of human mortality and the need for reconciliation with God and marks the beginning of the penitential Lenten season which continues, this year, through April 16, the Saturday before Easter. The first Ash Wednesday services were likely held sometime in the 11th century CE. It’s never mentioned in the Bible, but there is a verse in the Book of Daniel that links fasting to ashes, and some scholars believe this is the origin of the Lenten practice.

Trinity’s service will include the imposition of ashes, a Christian symbol of death, repentance of sins and purification. If you will be worshiping with us online, please procure your own ashes as best you can and at the appropriate time in the service impose the ashes on yourself or have another family member do it. If you do not have ashes, this will be done symbolically for you as part of the service.

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March Worship

*** February 27, 2022, 10:30 am**

OT: Isaiah 49: 1-7

NT: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Sermon: "Laboring in Vain?"

Theme: It is easy these days to get discouraged. Isaiah and Paul have some fine words of encouragement that we need to hear.

*** March 2, 2022, 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Service**

*** March 6, 2022, 10:30 am**

OT: Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

NT: Luke 4:1-13

Sermon: "Choosing to be Chosen"

Theme: Finding our purpose in life can be tricky. It is a combination of a sense of call that is related to who we are and what we choose.

*** March 13, 2022, 10:30 am**

OT: Psalm 27

NT: Luke 13:31-35

Sermon: "God's Protected Brood"

Theme: We believe we are right and want God to take sides. God just wants to take us in and love us.

*** March 20, 2022, 10:30 am**

OT: Psalms 63:1-8

NT: Luke 13:6-9

Sermon: "When You've Waited Long Enough"

Theme: God's Kingdom involves the lost art of waiting.

*** March 27, 2022, 10:30 am**

OT: Psalm 32

NT: Luke 15:11-24

Sermon: "Too Much of a Good Thing"

Theme: There is a difference between overdoing it and having your heart overflow with the joy of Christ.

*** All services are in person AND live-streamed on Facebook at 10:30 am.**



Online Lenten Study

"Anatomy of the Soul 101"

Interested in learning a method of self-examination that will enhance your connection to others and to God? Our pastor, Michael Stanfield will present an introductory course on the works of Carl Jung and the approach of analytical or depth psychology in understanding the psyche or the soul. This Zoom study will occur every Wednesday from 6:30-8:00 p.m. beginning on Wednesday, March 9 and ending on Wednesday, April 6. Please contact the church office to indicate your intention to attend the class, so that Michael will know how to plan.

*I am
the Resurrection
and
the Life*



*The one
who
believes
in Me
will never
die. Jesus*

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of **Bob Leonard**, who died on February 6, 2022, and to

Ken Jarvis and his daughters on the death of **Barbara Jarvis**, who died on February 7, 2022.

Submissions for Trinity Times?
Email: trinitytimeseditors@gmail.com

The deadline for the March Trinity Times is Friday, March 25, 2022.
Kyle Groshong is our editor.

Join Us for Sunday School!

**9:15 a.m.—Children's & Youth Classes—
lower level**

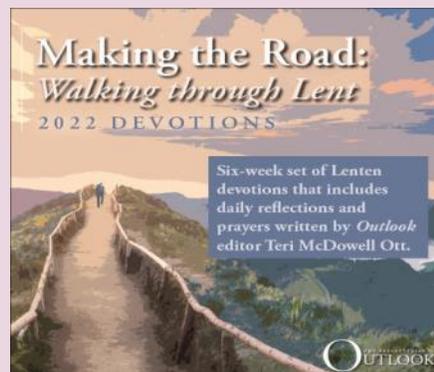
9:30 a.m.—Adult Class—Fellowship Hall

TRINITY NEWS

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH News for March

Both evening and afternoon circles will be meeting by ZOOM in March: the Evening Circle at 7 pm on March 1, and Afternoon Circle at 1 pm on March 2. Mary Hoskins and Shonda Galloway, co-moderators of Missouri Union Presbytery PW will be attending both circles to give a ten minute (or so) presentation on PW. We will then continue our study on "What My Grandmothers Taught Me" with Lesson 7 on Mary. All women of the church are invited to attend either circle. If you have a question or concern, please call me at 447-0552. Thanks.

See you at circle. Charlotte Larrick



This Lenten devotional will be made available to all members of the congregation prior to March 6, the first Sunday in Lent. We will send out weekly readings with the Friday email and there will also be printed copies available on the table in the narthex.

This devotion series is based on the Spanish poet Antonio Machado's poem "Walker." Machado writes: "Walker, there is no road, the road is made by walking."

A second devotional option, "Lord, When Did We See You?" will also be offered for use.



Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Psalm 51:10

MISSION/SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Your Help Is Needed



As many of you know, a good number of Afghan refugees have relocated to Columbia. One of these families has moved very near Eric and Alex Yount. They have met the family and noticed that they are lacking many basic household items, i.e. kitchen items, cleaning supplies, furniture items, toiletries and children's clothing.

The Mission Committee, along with Eric and Alex, are in the process of coming up with a more detailed list of needed items. The children are a 4y/o girl, a 3y/o boy and newborn baby girl. Hopefully, we will have this list and a donation plan developed and out in the next couple of weeks. Thank you in advance for your help in assisting and welcoming this family to our community.

Trinity Provides Food for the Hungry through Loaves and Fishes

Trinity provides meals on the second Thursday of the month; the next night to serve is **March 10th.**

Watch for an e-mail so you can sign up to prepare food items or serve!



The Wardrobe: Columbia's all-volunteer, non-profit thrift store

A monthly sign up form for volunteers is on the kiosk in the church narthex, or volunteers can call Georgia Morehouse. **Trinity's day to in March is the 16th and volunteers are needed for the 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. shift.**

CLERGY RENEWAL INFORMATION

From the desk of Michael Stanfield **My Plans for Renewal**

The following represents my itinerary for the time I will be away from the church this summer, including the purpose of each planned event and how it relates to the retracing of the threads of Grace in my life:

Sunday, May 22: Last Sunday I preach before the time of renewal.

Monday, May 23: Wednesday, May 25: I pack to be gone for ten weeks.

Wednesday, May 25: I drive to Janet's sister's house in Huntsville, Alabama to meet Janet.

Thursday, May 26: Janet and I will leave Huntsville for an overnight flight to Zurich, Switzerland.

Friday, May 27: We will spend the night in Zurich.

Saturday, May 28: We will catch a bus in Zurich to a hotel in Brienz where I will attend the weeklong "A Jungian Odyssey" Conference. The purpose is to study dreams and the soul in a time of great anxiety. Thread of Grace – I was called into ministry by way of a dream, and dreams, along with the works of Carl Jung have been a source of direction my whole life.

Saturday, June 4: We will take the bus back to Zurich and spend the night.

Sunday, June 5: We will take the train to Hamburg. We will stay in Hamburg with former German foreign exchange student, Thole Fuhrmann and his family. My parent's housed Thole in the 90's. This thread of grace: My first real understanding of US culture from the outside that changed my perspective to one that was more open. I will interview him and trace his family roots and motivations that caused him to come to the US.

Tuesday, June 7: We take the train to Berlin. We will do a Third Reich tour and lecture and a Cold War tour and lecture take a day trip to Wittenberg involving a tour and lecture. Thread of Grace 1: I had two uncles who fought in the German theater in WW II and their experience shaped the faith of my family and the way I understand marriage and family. Thread of Grace 2: Janet and I both grew up during the height of the Cold War. Living under that threat affected our culture, who we are and what we learned about God and faith. Thread of Grace 3: And Luther as the founder of the Reformation has been an influence on everything to do with my Christian Faith.

Saturday, June 11: We fly to Edinburgh and stay with friends who were members of the first church I served (1990-1996) and we remain there until Sunday, June 25. There I will study the Scottish Reformation through tours and seminars. This thread of Grace involves tracing my Presbyterian heritage.

Saturday, June 11: Daughter Grace and her partner, Malcolm, fly to Edinburgh from Knoxville, TN. Malcolm will stay a week. Grace will stay two weeks. The purpose of this time together is to share some common threads of grace with Grace and Malcolm. The specific threads of Grace: Malcolm and Grace grew up Presbyterian so they will share in the Scottish Reformation Tours giving feedback on their take on this history and inherited legacy. I share a love of literature with these two. It has affected the way I preach and the way I think about Spiritual issues. Grace is now a High School English teacher as a result. Thus, we hope to take a literary tour in Edinburgh and then visit bookstores that are hundreds of years old containing a number of rare books.

Tuesday, June 14: I share a love of Celtic Spirituality with Janet, Grace and Malcolm. We will go to Iona and stay two nights. Thread of Grace: Celtic Spirituality has always held a fascination for me and has been informative at times in helping me interpret dreams. At this sacred Celtic place, I will study Celtic spirituality at its source.

Thursday, June 16: back to Edinburgh for more of Scottish tours and history as we travel the countryside.

Saturday, June 25: Janet I fly back to Huntsville. By then Grace and Malcolm are back in Knoxville.

Saturday, June 25-Saturday, July 2: I am in Huntsville.

CLERGY RENEWAL INFORMATION, cont.

Saturday, July 2: My brother-in-law, Philip Franklin, and I fly to Portland to rent an RV in order to shadow my son, Carl Hiking the PCT. Thread of Grace: Carl and I share a deep bond around the outdoors and hiking; both of us having experienced God in nature in profound ways. I introduced him to backpacking when he graduated from college. I will use the time to reconnect with nature, do some hiking, reading, and reflecting.

Friday, July 15: We return to Portland to fly back to Huntsville on Saturday July 16. Philip is a scientist with the mind and hands of an engineer. He loves the outdoors, but more importantly can fix anything related to the RV that might go wrong!

Saturday, July 16- Wednesday July 20: I am in Huntsville.

Wednesday, July 20: I drive to Chester, VA to my parent's house to do some genealogical work- which is the final thread of Grace: looking for ways, perhaps as yet unknown to me, that faith may have been conveyed through family that continues to influence my approach to faith.

Sunday, July 24: I will drive to a lake house owned by Janet's cousin that is just outside of Louisville, KY, to begin reflections on my thread tracings.

Sometime between August 1 and August 5: I return home to Columbia. During this final period, I rest, prepare my reflections, a slideshow and at least my first sermon back.

August 7: I am back in the pulpit on Sunday morning. We have our big "Retracing the Threads" event on the evening of August 7 from 5:00 to 7:30 to compare notes.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

New Women's Group



Caring Women of COMO

There's a new women's group in Columbia called "Caring Women of Como!" We've met at Trinity a couple of times to organize and will hold a "Meet-n-Greet" on Saturday, March 12th from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at church. You will have an opportunity to meet many of the wonderful ladies who have signed up, enjoy some finger foods, participate in a getting to know you game, stay for attendance prize drawings and join smaller groups that share special interests; such as hiking, book clubs, morning coffee klatches, etc. You can join by finding Caring Women of Como on Facebook on the search bar or contact Cathy Holder.

Bob Leonard Memorial Service

If you were not able to attend Bob Leonard's memorial service on February 16, a video of the service is available for viewing on Vimeo. Here's the link:

<https://vimeo.com/680183491>

(Copy and paste in your browser or control-click on the link.)



Did You Know?

A three-leaf clover is sometimes used as a symbol of the Trinity— Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Should a four-leaf clover be found, it is considered the Trinity plus God's grace.

TRINITY NEWS



Trinity Library - Book Highlight with Marianne Fues

Having Our Say : The Delany sisters' first 100 years by Sarah and A. Elizabeth Delany with Amy Hill Hearth

Their father was born into slavery and eventually became the first elected "Negro" bishop of the Episcopal Church, U.S.A. and vice principal at Saint Augustine in Raleigh, North Carolina. Sarah and Sadie grew up on the college campus with 8 siblings all of whom were college-educated professionals. *Ebony* magazine in an article in the 1940's titled "Negro Blue Bloods" cited the Delany's accomplishments.

In 1993, Sadie (Sarah) and Bessie (Annie Elizabeth) were both more than 100 years old. They lived together and still did their own shopping and banking with no telephone. Bessie was a dentist and Sadie was a high school teacher.

Bessie says that she knows Sarah will get into heaven but she is not sure about herself. She thinks that St. Peter may say, "Lord, child, you were mean!"

This book was on the *New York Times* best seller list for 105 weeks and spawned a Broadway play and a television film.

Find this biography on the special shelf for newsletter features in the main library. Feel free to **visit the Trinity Libraries** between 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Monday to Friday. Books can be checked out using the three ring binder on the desk in the main library and also in the Children's Library downstairs in Room 9.

February Session Meeting Notes



- ◆ The meeting was held in the Fellowship Hall with two elders joining via Zoom.
- ◆ Operating income for January was \$64,886.79 with expenses of \$27,539.84.
- ◆ Session unanimously approved a motion to resume in-person worship beginning February 20. Masks will continue to be required.
- ◆ Choir rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, February 23 and will take place in the sanctuary.
- ◆ A request from Troop 4 to use the building and grounds February 26 (all day) and overnight through the morning of February 27 was approved. Scouts will be welcome to attend worship that Sunday, if desired.
- ◆ Ash Wednesday (March 2) and Maundy Thursday (April 14) services are being planned.
- ◆ The Congregational Renewal Committee is hard at work planning for summer. Guest preachers are now scheduled for the full 10 weeks Michael will be away. Susan Winkelmann is chairing the Renewal Committee.
- ◆ WiFi improvements have been made throughout the building.
- ◆ Nora Humfeld will be meeting with the Property Committee in March to discuss her Eagle Scout Project proposal.
- ◆ Bill Daly will serve as Trinity's elder-commissioner for the February 26 presbytery meeting.



Important Information about Trinity's Online Giving Platform

Trinity uses the online giving platform offered by the Presbyterian Foundation. As part of our online giving services, our donors have had access to a mobile app through Vanco called GivePlus which allowed them to make contributions from their smartphones.

Vanco has converted from the GivePlus app to the new Vanco "Mobile Faith Engagement" app, which offers similar functionality. Here's some information for new and future donors:

1. GivePlus will cease operations on January 31, 2022.
2. Donors who wish to continue using the mobile app to make gifts will need to download the new Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app. **You can use this invitation code to search for Trinity: 9LP2NR.**
3. Once the app is downloaded, you can sign in using your current GivePlus email and password.
4. If you have a recurring gift set up through GivePlus, those gifts will continue uninterrupted, but you will need to download the new app and sign in.

If you have not used GivePlus but would like to begin making contributions online, just download Vanco's Mobile Faith Engagement app on your phone or tablet and set up your account. If you have any questions, please contact Ann Bouchard—445-4469 or abouchard@trinity-presbyterian.org.

OUR PRAYERS

Prayer Requests

Jean Baldwin at Cedarhurst

Glenn Barks, brother of **Margaret Guthrie**-confined to a wheelchair following a stroke in late 2020

Patsy Brown - at The Neighborhoods, 3003 Falling Leaf Ct.

Lee Cary - Lenoir Nursing Home

Paul Conditt - Sarah's Humfeld's father who has health issues

Jane Cooper - Sharon Daly's sister, on dialysis and dealing with problems from diabetes

Doug Cornelison - Doug is recovering after a liver transplant in January

Carol and Richard Fitzpatrick - Carol is suffering from multiple chronic health problems, and Richard serves as her primary caregiver

Margaret Guthrie - receiving at home therapy for nerve damage in her arm following a fall last year; will have a test to determine progress

Jim Muench's mother, Esther Muench Plonk, and **step-father, Dr. George Plonk**—dealing with multiple health problems.)

David Storvick—receiving chemotherapy

Judy Wall's brother, Jerry Davis, is dealing with severe health problems.

Eric Yount's cousin, Alec—continued prayers

Please remember and pray for our Missionaries, Mission Causes, and Military Personnel.

*Thank
you*



The Hoyle family sends their greatest thanks for all the support we have received from our Trinity friends during Charlie's illness and death. Your cards, condolences and gifts have been a true blessing for us at this time.

~Barb Hoyle and family



Loving Action

"Love that is not expressed in loving action does not really exist, just as 'talent' that does not express itself in creative works does not exist; neither of these is a state of mind, or feeling, but an activity, or it is a myth." --*Sydney J. Harris*

~May Love and Justice flow! Ed Coe

If you are going through a difficult time and would like a confidential prayer partner, please contact the Trinity office at (573) 445-4469 or Trinity@trinity-presbyterian.org



With Heartfelt Thanks –



There are no words that can express our family's appreciation of the love and compassion that the members of Trinity have showered us with during this very trying time of our lives.

There have been so many folks that have stepped up by bringing meals to us while others have come by to visit while Barbara was still with us. The prayers and cards have been exceptional. Our God has truly blessed the Jarvis family with friends, acquaintances, even strangers during this time. The strength that the girls and I have had during this time has truly come from God through each of you. I especially thank Michael for his numerous visits and prayers. May God continue blessing all of us in the days to come. It is truly a blessing to be a part of the wonderful people of Trinity Presbyterian Church. Thank you so much.

Shalom, Ken Jarvis and daughters



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | 1 7:00 PM—Evening Circle (Zoom) | 2 Ash Wednesday 1:00 PM—Afternoon Circle (Zoom) 7:00 PM—Worship (in-person and live-streamed) | 3 4:00 PM—Property Committee (FH) 7:00 PM—Worship Committee (Zoom) | 4 5:30 PM—Women in Recovery (Rm 12) | 5 |
| 6 1st Sunday in Lent 9:15 AM—Children & Youth Classes 9:30 AM—Adult Class 10:30 AM—Worship (Communion) | 7 7:00 PM—Fellowship Committee (Zoom) 7:00 PM—Boy Scouts | 8 2:30 PM—PEO Chapter JJ (FH) 5:30-8:00 PM—Girl Scouts (downstairs) | 9 10:00 AM—Congregational Renewal Comm. (Zoom) 6:00 PM—Choir Rehearsal (sanctuary) | 10 4:00 PM—Loaves & Fishes 4:15 PM—Outreach Committee (Zoom) 6:30-7:30 PM—Cub Scouts (downstairs) | 11 5:30 PM—Women in Recovery (Rm 12) | 12 10:30 AM—1:30 PM COMO Women's Group (FH) |
| 13 2nd Sunday in Lent 9:15 AM—Children & Youth Classes 9:30 AM—Adult Class 10:30 AM—Worship | 14 1:00 PM—Col. Garden Club (FH) 7:00 PM—Boy Scouts | 15 5:30-8:00 PM—Girl Scouts (downstairs) 7:00 PM—Session (FH) | 16 10:00 AM—Columbia Garden Club (FH) 11:00 AM—Wardrobe 6:00 PM—Choir Rehearsal (sanctuary) | 17 | 18 5:30 PM—Women in Recovery (Rm 12) | 19 |
| 20 3rd Sunday in Lent 9:15 AM—Children & Youth Classes 9:30 AM—Adult Class 10:30 AM—Worship | 21 7:00 PM—Christian Ed Committee (Zoom) 7:00 PM—Boy Scouts | 22 12:00 PM—MO Symphony League (FH) 5:30-8:00 PM—Girl Scouts (downstairs) 7:00 PM—Technology | 23 10:00 AM—Congregational Care Committee 6:00 PM—Choir Rehearsal (sanctuary) | 24 7:00 PM—Mission Committee (Zoom) | 25 5:30 PM—Women in Recovery (Rm 12) | 26 |
| 27 4th Sunday in Lent 9:15 AM—Children & Youth Classes 9:30 AM—Adult Class 10:30 AM—Worship | 28 7:00 PM—Boy Scouts 7:00 PM—Stewardship and Finance (Zoom) | 29 | 30 6:00 PM—Choir Rehearsal (sanctuary) | 31 | | |