

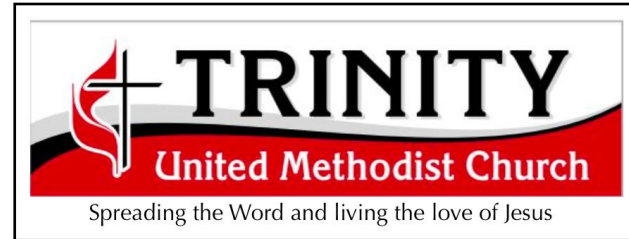


God opened Lydia's heart to say yes as she heard Paul preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ. She was so filled with joy that she insisted her whole family accept Christ and be baptized. Because of Lydia not only did her family come to know Christ, but her village too. She offered Paul and his fellow missionaries a place

to stay and used her gifts of hospitality to welcome them to her community. How is God calling you to use your gifts to share the Gospel?



St. Paul baptizing St. Lydia and her family - as seen in the *Holy Baptistry of St. Lydia Kavala* (Greece)



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Welcome to Trinity Church! We are so glad you are here today. If you are new here please be sure to fill out a 'new here card' and place it in the offering plate before you leave. You are also invited to visit the welcome center to receive your first time visitor gift. If you have a prayer request that you would like included on our email prayer chain, you can submit your prayer request via email to bgtrinity@yahoo.com or fill out a prayer request card today and hand it to an usher.

May 22, 2022
 Sixth Sunday in Eastertide

Prelude

"In This Very Room"

Ron/Carol Harris
 arr. Fred Bock

Anna Dimoula, Pianist
 Eva Panagou, Organist

Welcome and Announcements

**Call to Worship*

Tim Smith

Leader: We come together this day, drawn by the light of God's love!

People: In God's eternal kingdom, darkness and despair are vanquished.

Leader: In God's eternal realm, peace and hope reign!

People: Let all the people praise God with their music and their voices!

Leader: Let all the people praise God with their deeds of loving-kindness!

People: Praise be to God. AMEN!

***Opening Hymn HWC #2**

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

*Passing of the Peace

Children's Message

(Children are invited to the front for a time of teaching)

Gail Houtz

Junior Worship Dismissal - All children aged four and over may go to Jr. Worship with our Jr. Worship leader.

Prayers of the People

Rev. Andrea Curry

Pastoral Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever, Amen.

Offering

There are offering plates available in the front of the sanctuary. You may give you offering before or after the worship service. You may also give electronically at bgtrinity.org by clicking on the tithe.ly link.

Offertory *"Panis Angelicus (Bread of Heaven)"* Cesar Franck
 Anna Dimoula, Pianist
 Eva Panagou, Organist

*Doxology Hymn #625 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture **Acts 16:9-15 The Message** Tim Smith

9-10 That night Paul had a dream: A Macedonian stood on the far shore and called across the sea, "Come over to Macedonia and help us!" The dream gave Paul his map. We went to work at once getting things ready to cross over to

Macedonia. All the pieces had come together. We knew now for sure that God had called us to preach the good news to the Europeans.

11-12 Putting out from the harbor at Troas, we made a straight run for Samothrace. The next day we tied up at New City and walked from there to Philippi, the main city in that part of Macedonia and, even more importantly, a Roman colony. We lingered there several days.

13-14 On the Sabbath, we left the city and went down along the river where we had heard there was to be a prayer meeting. We took our place with the women who had gathered there and talked with them. One woman, Lydia, was from Thyatira and a dealer in expensive textiles, known to be a God-fearing woman. As she listened with intensity to what was being said, the Master gave her a trusting heart—and she believed!

15 After she was baptized, along with everyone in her household, she said in a surge of hospitality, "If you're confident that I'm in this with you and believe in the Master truly, come home with me and be my guests." We hesitated, but she wouldn't take no for an answer.

Message ***"Unexpected Hospitality"*** **-Rev. Andrea Curry**

Junior Worship Sharing

***Closing Hymn HWC #220 He Lives**

Postlude *"Your are Crowned with Many Crowns"* John Sellers
 Anna Dimoula, Pianist arr. Mark Hayes

***indicates - please rise in body or spirit**

Assisting in our worship service today

Gail Houtz - Director of Education and Outreach
Anna Dimoula- Pianist
Eva Panagou - Organist
Tim Smith - Liturgist
John Rutter and Jerry Milnor - Ushers
Christina and Abby Oswald - Acolytes

5/22/2022:

Sunday School 9:30am
Worship 10:30am

5/24/2022:

Free Community Meal 5:30pm

5/25/2022:

Revelation Bible Study: 3:00pm

5/26/2022:

Sew, Knit, & Crochet Group: 1:00pm
Al-Anon Meeting 7:30pm

5/29/2022:

Sunday School 9:30am
Worship 10:30am



Prayer Concerns

Congregational Concerns:

For the family of Bob Miner as they mourn his passing.

For the family of Joyce Sterns as they mourn her passing.

For the family of Pam Hahn as they mourn her passing.

For the members of our congregation who are homebound or in nursing care facilities who cannot join us on Sunday mornings. May we find ways to help them feel connected to our church through prayer and reaching out during the week.

For the people on Bobby's prayer list.

World Concerns:

For the those effected by the mass shootings in Buffalo at the Supermarket and in Laguna Woods at the Taiwanese church service. May those who have lost loved one be comforted and those who have been injured be healed. May all who have been traumatized be comforted. May racism and hated be ridded out of our country and may gun violence become a memory. May the peace of Christ prevail in our hearts, in our minds, and in our world.

For victims of violence and war around the world especially Ukraine, the Middle East, Yemen For those who have lost loved ones, their homes, and their sense of safety.

For leaders of nations across the world as they seek to end wars and conflicts.

For people in our country who are struggling to make ends meet.





Free Community Meal Cookout

TUESDAY MAY 24
AT TRINITY UMC
5:30PM - UNTIL GONE
200 N. SUMMIT ST.
COME TO MAROON AWNING
IN THE EAST PARKING LOT
VBS INFO FOR FAMILIES
FREE FOR EVERYONE

Join us for our next Free Community Meal - Cookout Style! We will be hosting a cookout in the East parking lot on May 24th at 5:30pm that is open to anyone in the community.

We will share hot dogs and hamburgers with all the fixins', chips, cookies for dessert and beverages.

Folks are invited out to celebrate our upcoming VBS program: "Hero Central" that kicks on June 5th.



Summer WORSHIP

9:30AM SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:00AM WORSHIP
BEGINS JUNE 5

VBS June 5-9, 2022, 6-8:30 pm

VBS is taking shape! We have 21 children registered, moving closer to our goal of 50 kids! There are a few items needed for VBS see the list on the info table. We are also in need of a couple more people to be group leaders to chaperone a group of kids through the stations. We are in need of craft helpers to help kids in the craft room with their craft creations, and an energetic music and dance leader to lead us in our songs! Hero Central VBS is June 5th-9th evenings from 6-8:30 pm. The Online Registration link is on our FB page and on our church website. Please share with your friends, grandchildren, nieces/nephews and neighbors! Ages 4-12 or 6th grade completed.