

Special Music
Chancel Choir “Shall We Gather at the River” arranged by John Carter

***Closing Hymn** HWC #66 To God Be the Glory

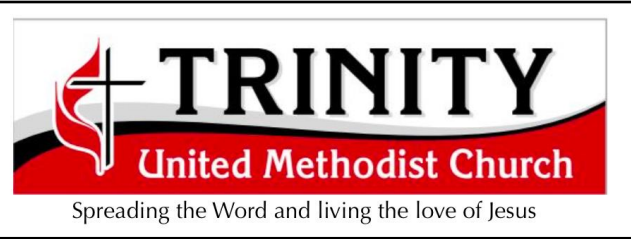
Postlude "Nearer, My God, to Thee" by Lowell Mason
"Hymn of Promise" by Natalie Sleeth

Malik Halce - Organist
Yejin Lee - Pianist

** indicates “please rise in body or in spirit”*

Assisting in our worship service today:

Rev. Andrea Curry - Lead Pastor
Marie Rittenberry - Dir. of Discipleship & Outreach
Jonathan Kroeger - Vocalist
Yejin Lee - Pianist
Malik Halce - Organist
Abby & Christina Oswald - Acolytes
Beverly Miner - Liturgist
John Riker & John Rutter - Ushers



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Welcome to Trinity! We are so glad you are here today. If you are new here, please be sure to fill out a '1st Time Visitor' card and place it in the offering plate before you leave. You are also invited to visit the info station 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 bgtrinityumc@yahoo.com or fill out an orange prayer request card today and hand it to an usher. Your prayer card will be shared during the worship service.

April 7, 2024

Prelude – Bell Choir “Tis A Gift To Be Simple” arranged by Anne Laura Page

Welcome and Announcements

We Turn Our Hearts to Worship God

***Call to Worship** **-Beverly Miner, Liturgist**

Leader: How shall we live when shadows gather?

People: Drawn to God’s unquenchable light, we are also drawn into one another’s presence.

Leader: What was hidden has been revealed; we are woven together with all Creation.

People: When we live in the light, as God is in the light, we are one with each other.

All: Let us worship God, who is our Light and Salvation.

***Opening Hymn HWC #220 He Lives**

***Passing of the Peace**

Children’s Message (All children ages four and over are invited to the front for a time of teaching.)
Junior Worship Dismissal - All children ages four and over may go to Jr. Worship with our Jr. Worship leader.

Hymn of Prayer HWC #213 Because He Lives

Prayers of the People
Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s 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 Our Gifts

Offering
The ushers will pass the offering plates through the aisles to collect our gifts and tithes. You may also give electronically at bgtrinity.org by clicking on the tithe.ly link or using the QR code in the bulletin.

Offertory “Though your Sins be Scarlet” by Fanny J. Crosby
Yejin Lee - Pianist
Jonathan Kroeger - Vocalist

*Doxology UMH #94 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
*Prayer of Dedication

Proclamation of the Word

Scripture 1 John 1:3 - 2:2 (NLT) -Beverly Miner, Liturgist

We proclaim to you what we ourselves have actually seen and heard so that you may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. **4** We are writing these things so that you may fully share our joy.
5 This is the message we heard from Jesus and now declare to you: God is light, and there is no darkness in him at all. **6** So we are lying if we say we have fellowship with God but go on living in spiritual darkness; we are not practicing the truth. **7** But if we are living in the light, as God is in the light, then we have fellowship with each other, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, cleanses us from all sin.

8 If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth. **9** But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness. **10** If we claim we have not sinned, we are calling God a liar and showing that his word has no place in our hearts.

2 My dear children, I am writing this to you so that you will not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate who pleads our case before the Father. He is Jesus Christ, the one who is truly righteous. **2** He himself is the sacrifice that atones for our sins—and not only our sins but the sins of all the world.

Message “We Walk in the Light” - Rev. Andrea Curry

Consecration of Communion
The United Methodist Church has an open Communion Table. This means that all are welcome to come and participate in the sacrament. We will be receiving Communion in the pews. The Ushers will bring each element to your pew in a tray. Take a piece of bread and a cup of juice and then pass the tray to your neighbor. We will pause after the disbursement of each element to give thanks and take each element together as a congregation.

Those joining in at home via Livestream are invited to join in Communion by gathering simple elements of bread and juice and following Pastor Andrea’s instructions during the service.

This Week at Trinity!

4/7/2024:

**Last Children's Collection for the
Buckeye Clinic of Sudan**

Coffee Hour 8:45am

Sunday School 9:00am

Worship 10:00am

4/8/2024:

Staff Meeting 10:00am

4/10/2024:

United Women in Faith 10:00am

Bible Study 3:00pm

4/11/2024:

Sew, Knit, Crochet 1:00pm

Al-Anon 7:00pm

4/12/2024:

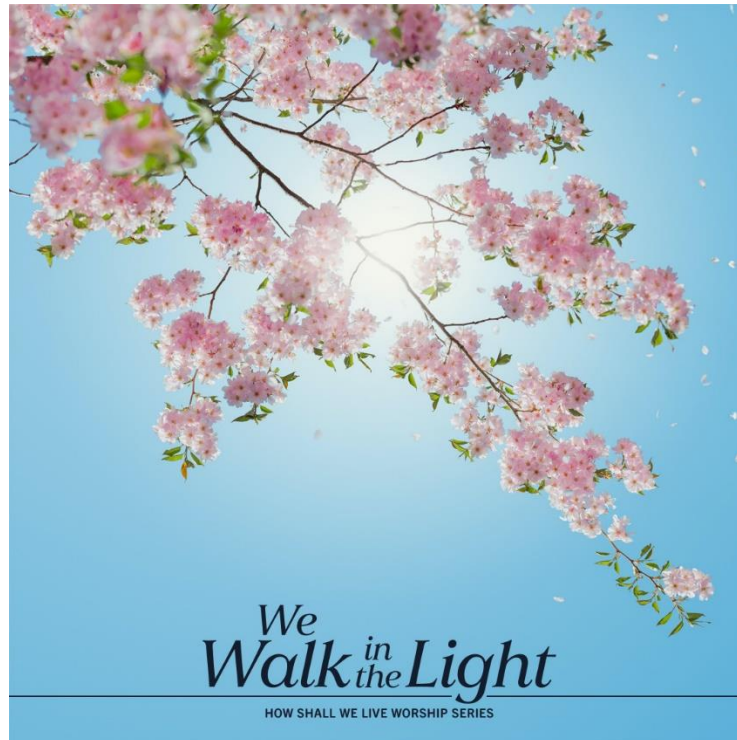
UMSO Pancakes 10:30pm

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Prayer Concerns

Congregational Concerns:

- For Mac Mcoskey, a friend of Marie Rittenberry, who passed away last week, and everyone whose lives he touched.
- For the family and friends of Zachary Funderburk, a childhood friend of Marie Rittenberry, who passed recently.
- For Courtney DiPillo, a friend of Kathy Wittman, who is recovering from surgery.
- For our members who are homebound and in nursing care centers.

World Concerns:

- For the peace of Christ to prevail and the violence to end in the Middle East.
- For the people of Ukraine.
- For the people affected by the deadly earthquake that occurred in Taiwan.
- For those affected by the recent tornados across the Midwest, including Kentucky and Ohio.
- For those without enough food to eat each day.
- For those without sufficient shelter who need a place to call home.

UMSO Pancakes – The United Methodist Student Organization (UMSO) will be making and serving pancakes “late night” on Friday, April 12th from 10:30pm to 2:30am in the parking lot. This has become an annual tradition and we’re happy to serve the student community. You’re welcome to come out and volunteer.



April Trinity Tell – The April Trinity Tell is now available. You can read about all the fun things happening at Trinity and look ahead at the calendar. The *award-winning potato soup recipe* by Sally Snider is also included. Please check your email inbox or pick up a copy at the Info Station or in the lobby. If you need additional copies, please let the main office know.



Women’s Retreat – You’re invited! The Trinity United Methodist Women’s Retreat is on Saturday, April 20th. We will hear speakers, enjoy candle-making, eat lunch, and join in fellowship. Please sign up today on the sign-up sheet at the Info Station.

Trinity Tuesday Table – Save the date! Our next Trinity Tuesday Table is Tuesday, April 16th at 5:30pm. This is for both church members and community members. We will be having lasagna, salad, and desserts. Please see the sign-up sheets at the Info Station to help with desserts for the meal. Thank you for your continued support for this important ministry.



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