

# Trinity United Methodist Church

March 4, 2018



We praise and thank You, God, for richly blessing us.  
Open our hearts to You, and to one another.

## *We Gather to Worship*

### Welcome and Announcements

(Welcome! If you are a visitor, please fill out the card in the back of the pew.)

### \*Passing of the Peace of Christ

Pastor: With the love of Christ in our hearts, let us  
share signs of love and grace with one another.

Unison: "May the peace of Christ be with you!"

## *We Worship as the Church*

### Chiming of the Trinity

#### Prelude

Tim Olsen

### \*Opening Prayer

Liturgist: Just as Jesus never flinched  
on His journey to the cross,  
may we never waiver  
in our devotion to You.

Response: **On this Lenten journey,  
teach us the perfection of Your ways, O God,  
as we keep our eyes fixed  
upon Your Son. Amen.**

\*Hymn of Praise 368 "My Hope Is Built"

\*Affirmation of Faith 881 "The Apostles Creed"

### \*Gloria Patri

*"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."*

### Congregational Celebrations and Concerns

#### Prayer of Intercession and 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*

Special Music: (9:00)

Tim Olsen

Anthem: (11:00) "Lord, I Stretch My Hands To You"

A Duet By

Melanie Wohlford and Tim Olsen

### The Offering of Our Tithes, Gifts and Ourselves

### Invitation to the Offering (Prayer)

Liturgist: With the blessings of Your sacrificial love, O God,  
receive our lives,  
that we may live Your commandments;  
receive our offering,  
that we may share Your glory with the world.

Unison: **This we pray in the name of Your Son, Jesus,  
Who is our hope and our strength. Amen.**

### The Offering:

#### \*The Doxology

*"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."*

### Children are dismissed for Children's Church (11:00)

## *The Proclamation of the Word*

### Invitation to the Word (Psalm 19:14)

Unison "Let the words of my mouth  
and the meditation of my heart  
be pleasing to You,  
Lord, my rock and my redeemer."

### New Testament Reading 1 Corinthians 1: 18 - 25

Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of God.

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Reading Luke 18: 1 - 8

Pastor: The Word of God for us, the people of God.

Response: **Thanks be to God!**

### Sermon

"What Can We Count On From God?"

Rev. Jay Winston

## *Holy Communion* (see insert)

## *Sending Forth*

\*Hymn of Service 381 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

\*The Blessing

Pastor: Walk in the ways of God.  
Go forth with the song of the heavens in your ears.  
Listen to the words of life.

Unison: **We go forth to live fully and completely:**  
**With the teachings of God's Word to lead us,**  
**With the grace of Christ Jesus to guide us,**  
**And with the peace of the Holy Spirit to sustain us.**  
**We go with God. Amen.**

\*Congregational Response 381 "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" (Verse 4)

"Early let us seek thy favor,  
early let us do thy will;  
blessed Lord and only Savior,  
with thy love our bosoms fill.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!  
Thou hast love us, love us still.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!  
Thou hast loved us, love us still.

\*Postlude

Tim Olsen

*The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of our parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Hilton, by Charlie and Betty Hilton.*

Liturgist: (9:00) Jerry Register (11:00) Tiina Mundy  
Acolytes: (11:00) Candle-Lighter: Tatum Allen Cross-Bearer: Ava Allen

### Stewardship Report through Sunday, February 25, 2018

"Trusting in God's Opportunities"



Worship Attendance: 9:00 – 24 11:00 – 114 **Total 138**

Collected to Date: \$53,604

Expenditures to Date: \$69,525

Collected Feb. 25, 2018: \$3,598

"But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able to make this offering? For all things come from You, and of Your own have we given You." - 1Chronicles 29:14

Sentence Sermon: "Satan does not care how many people have memorized a prayer...so long as you don't understand what it means."

Interested in Joining Trinity UMC? See Rev. Jay



People are received as members in the following ways:

**Transfer of Church Membership**- from any Christian church. We believe that all denominations are equally part of God's family.

**Reaffirmation of Faith**- If you have been away from any church for some time but would like to join Trinity UMC and become active, we will receive you as a new member.

**Profession of Faith**- You may join after first accepting Jesus as your Savior and being baptized.

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Sunday in Lent

