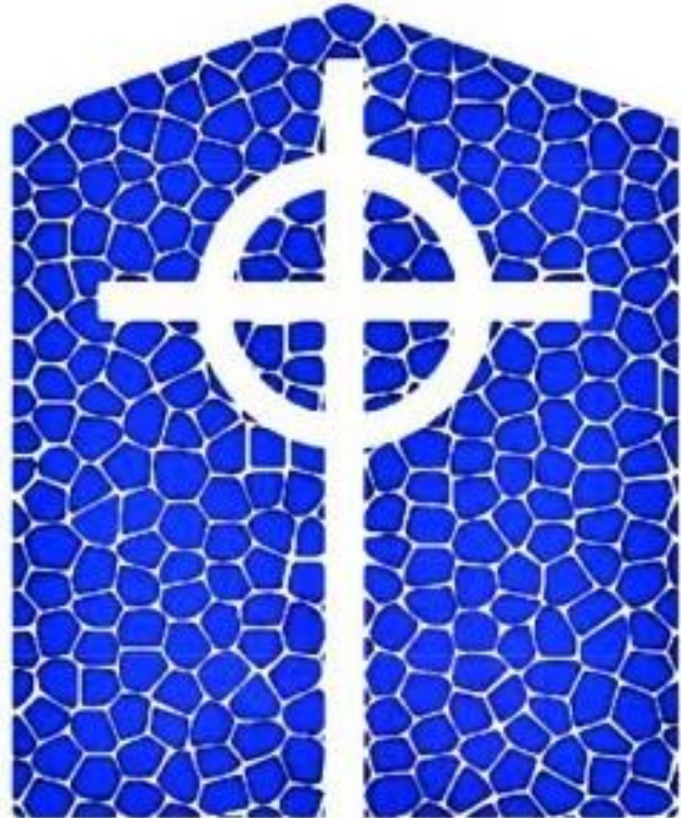


Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 3, 2023



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Sunday, September 3, 2023 ♦ Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
Welcome  
Chiming of the Hour  
Prelude "Here I Am, Lord" set. Carter  
Call to Worship  
God calls us each by name as we gather on holy ground.  
**We come to this place, seeking to know the great I AM.**  
Let us worship God.

Prayer of the Day  
O God, author and giver of all good things, plant in our hearts the love of your name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

\* Hymn #722 "Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak" Canonbury  
(Verses 1,2 and 5)

Call to Confession  
The apostle Paul tells us: Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. For the times we have failed to do this, let us confess to God.

Prayer of Confession  
**Sometimes it sounds too hard: deny ourselves, take up our crosses, lose our lives? Forgive us, Savior, but we'd rather you do it for us. Forgive us, Christ, but we are overwhelmed with what you ask of us. We long to see you come in glory, but fear the road we must take. Have mercy on our weakness. Be patient with our stumbling. Do not leave us behind, even when we are slow to follow, and lead us in your ways of peace.** *(Silence for Reflection)*

Declaration of Forgiveness  
Christ does not abandon us, but died for us, was raised for us, and loves us still. This is the good news that prevails!  
**In Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, we are forgiven!**

\* Passing of the Peace  
Leader: May the Peace of Christ be with you.  
**People: And also with you.**

\* Gloria Patri (Hymn #581)  
**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.**

\* Affirmation of Faith (Nicene Creed)  
**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly**

**human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Faith Formation Moment

Offering of our Gifts

Offertory "When Peace Like a River"  
Judy Pope, Soprano

\* Doxology (Hymn #606)  
**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

Responsive Reading Psalm 26:1-8  
<sup>1</sup> Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity, and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.  
<sup>2</sup> **Prove me, O LORD, and try me; test my heart and mind.**  
<sup>3</sup> For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in faithfulness to you.  
<sup>4</sup> **I do not sit with the worthless, nor do I consort with hypocrites;**  
<sup>5</sup> I hate the company of evildoers and will not sit with the wicked.  
<sup>6</sup> **I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O LORD,**  
<sup>7</sup> singing aloud a song of thanksgiving and telling all your wondrous deeds.  
<sup>8</sup> **O LORD, I love the house in which you dwell and the place where your glory abides.**

New Testament Lesson Romans 12:9-21  
<sup>9</sup> Let love be genuine; hate what is evil; hold fast to what is good; <sup>10</sup> love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup> Do not lag in zeal; be ardent in spirit; serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; persevere in prayer. <sup>13</sup> Contribute to the needs of the saints; pursue hospitality to strangers.  
<sup>14</sup> Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup> Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup> Live in harmony with one another; do not be arrogant, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. <sup>17</sup> Do not repay anyone evil for evil,



but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup> If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup> Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God,<sup>[b]</sup> for it is written, “Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord.” <sup>20</sup> Instead, “if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink, for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.” <sup>21</sup> Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Anthem "Be Thou My Vision"  
Choir

Gospel Lesson Matthew 16:21-28

<sup>21</sup> From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes and be killed and on the third day be raised. <sup>22</sup> And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” <sup>23</sup> But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me, for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” <sup>24</sup> Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any wish to come after me, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup> For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup> For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? <sup>27</sup> “For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. <sup>28</sup> Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

Meditation “Following The Leader” Rev. Dr. Jeff Beebe

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

*Invitation to the Lord’s Table*

*Prayer of Great Thanksgiving 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from Evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*Sharing the Bread*

This is the Body of Christ, the Bread of Life—given for you.

*Sharing the Cup*

This is the Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation—shed for you.

\* Hymn #726 "Will You Come and Follow Me" Kelvingrove  
(Verses 1,4 and 5)

\* Benediction

\* Congregational Response (Hymn #306)  
**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.  
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

\* Postlude "Somebody’s Knocking at Your Door" arr. Che  
\* Denotes please stand if able.

WORSHIP NOTES

Today, all of those who are able and/or are comfortable, are invited forward to the Lord’s Table to receive Communion, which will be served by intinction, which simply means receiving a piece of bread, dipping it into the cup, and eating them together. Gluten-free and pre-packaged elements will also be available for those who so desire.

**Greeters:** Susan Kopyar

**Ushers:** Marti Benz, Ron & Penny Weidner, Bill & Sandy Boland

**Lay Reader:** Jason Wheeler

**Audio Tech:** Steve Yeh

**Children’s Worship Table:** Children are invited to the Children’s Worship Table after the Faith Formation to enjoy this week’s Children’s Worship booklet and/or any of the other quiet activities in the Children’s area.

**Join us in prayer for our members and loved ones**

Gail Alvaro, Baby Winn, **Ajit Banerjee**, Billings Family, **Doris Boone**, Jason Bradley\*, Eliza Brown, **Al Burgess, Jim & Willa Burns**, Earl Cannon, Jasper Casey, John Chappa, **Hal Childs**, Rev. Dr. Jeff DeYoe, Dickiesons Family, **Joe Digby\***, William Downs, Patrick Floyd\*, Clarisa Gibson, **Carol Graff, Gynizio Family**, Stanley Hannum\*, **Judy Hennenlotter, Cathie Huff**, A.J. Jebbia, **Bob Johnson, Gene Johnson, Javan N. Jones\*, Kathy Jones-Mills, Jennifer Kaczmarek**, Brady Klefman, Bruce Lee, **Florence Lyman**, Marissa Mallicote, **Ed Manen, Gloria Martin, Marie McCray**, Declan Mitchell\*, Pam Mitchell-Hess, **Pat Olson**, Joseph C. Orr\*, William Patterson, **Helene Read**, Bradford Robinson, Ian Samuel, **George Sampson**, Jennifer Sheringham\*, Sara Shoreland, **Diane Simmons, Bonnie Slager**, Michelle Smith, **Brian Thomas, Ryan Tugas\*, Tony & Doris Valenti**, Monique Warmington, Norma Warwell, Todd Whipper, Ben Whitenack, **Matthew Winternheimer\*, Theodore Winternheimer\***

If someone is in need of prayer, please let the church office know.  
Those listed in bold are members of the church and the asterisk indicates active military service.

**CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**



Claude Williams 9/6  
Thomas Clark 9/9

**CHOIR INVITATION**

We would like to invite anyone who is interested in joining the Choir and Handbell Ringers to contact Heasuk Che, our Music Director or Judy Grady in the Church Office. Choir rehearses every Thursday, beginning September 7th at 6:00pm.  
We encourage any and all to join us!

**TPC 2023-2024 BOOK CLUB SELECTION MEETING**

Please come to the book selection meeting at the TPC Library on Thursday, September 14th at 11:00. Everyone is welcome, but if you have a book that you would like chosen, please bring info with you such as topic, author and availability.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE SEEKING VOLUNTEERS**

Are you interested in Trinity budgets, funds, investments, and overall financial management? We recently lost a long time committee member, and we are looking for at least one volunteer to represent the congregation on our committee. We meet monthly (for about 1.5 to 2 hours). Each member of the committee chooses tasks to work on, and reports back to the other committee members by email or at the meetings. Whether you have special financial skills or not, we would love to have you join us. Please contact Kathy Cooke (703-309-7296) or Martha Gioielli (850-661-1685) for more information.

**This week in our Church** (Office hours: Tuesday-Thursday, 9am-12noon)

**Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>**

*Sacrament of Communion*

10:00 AM Worship Service

**Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup>**

*Labor Day Holiday-Church Office closed*

**Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 PM Scouts-Troops 281 & 4281 (Mehaffey, Calvin, Youth Rooms)

**Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 AM PW Team Meeting (Mehaffey)

8:00 PM AA Meeting (Mehaffey)

**Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**

6:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (Music Rm)

6:30 PM ALANON Meeting (Calvin)

**Friday, September 8<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 PM NA Meeting (Mehaffey)

**Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 AM Worship Service

11:00 AM Hands on Mission (Mehaffey)

1PM-4PM CCPC Auditions & Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

5-6:30PM Troopers (Mehaffey/Youth Rms)

6-7:30PM Youth & Young Adult Fellowship (Mehaffey/Youth Rms)

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Lord Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit,  
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