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WELCOME

A Reconciling
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MY BELOVED HAD A VINEYARD

THOMAS COSTA

Welcome to Trinity!

We are glad you are here!



The Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost
Holy Communion

October 8, 2023
9:30 am

In today's gospel reading, Jesus tells a vineyard parable, which serves as an image of Israel, the prophets' mission, and Christ's death. For Christians, the vineyard also speaks of God's love poured out in the blood of Christ, given to us for the forgiveness of sin. Grafted onto Christ the vine at baptism, we are nourished with wine and bread so that we may share Christ's sufferings and know the power of his resurrection.

A warm welcome to all who are visiting with us online today.

All Are Welcome At Our Lord's Table Of Grace. In, Through, And Under Bread And Wine We Receive The Real Presence Of Christ – God's Love Poured Out For Us – As Jesus Taught Us. Please Prepare Communion Elements Of Bread Or Crackers, Juice Or Wine For Your Household. As You Are Invited During The Meal Portion Of The Service, You May Partake Of The Elements Saying The Words, "The Body Of Christ Given For You, The Blood Of Christ Shed For You."

+ GATHERING +

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stand

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be God,
the one who forms us,
✠ Jesus who bears the cross,
the Spirit who makes our joy complete.

Amen.

Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Steadfast and faithful God,
you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you.

We are overwhelmed by the world's violence and suffering. We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others.

For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us.

For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us. Lead us back to you and set us on the right path; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

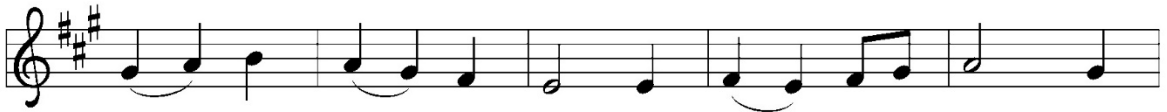
Beloved in Christ,
God's justice stretches beyond all understanding.

God's compassion is beyond compare.
In Jesus, God is always making a new way for us.
In + Christ, you are already and always forgiven.

Amen.



1 The church of Christ, in ev - 'ry age be - set by
 2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims
 3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing
 4 For he a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the
 5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -



change, but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its
 of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for
 church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's
 fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to
 be - dience to our Lord; to care for all, with -



her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.
 bread to eat, and nev - er live be - fore they die.
 sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
 share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.
 out re - serve, and spread his lib - er - at - ing word.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Refrain

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri - e e - lei - son, ev-'ry day.

- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im - passioned re - sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for
- 4 For your Spir - it to guide; that you cen - ter our lives in the

u - ni - ty of all; for
 hun - gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam - i - ly; for
 wa - ter and the word; that you

this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord,

Amen.

Sit

+ WORD +

ANTHEM

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace
Trinity Singers

S. Temple

FIRST READING: Isaiah 5:1-7

¹Let me sing for my beloved, my love-song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. ²He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

³And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. ⁴What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

⁵And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. ⁶I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

⁷For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own.

¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW Setting 8

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the people:] ³³“Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. ³⁴When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ ³⁹So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” ⁴¹They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.”

⁴²Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures:

‘The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord’s doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes’?

⁴³Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. ⁴⁴The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.”

⁴⁵When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sit

CHILDRENS MESSAGE

**We are in God's house today. We will learn and we will pray.
Let us listen, let us sing. Gladly make our praises ring.**

**We are in God's house today. We will learn and we will pray.
Let us listen to God's Word. Gladly do what we have heard.**

SERMON

Pastor Cindy Baskin

Silence for reflection

Stand



1 Thine the a - men thine the praise al - le - lu - ias an - gels raise
 2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly thine the prom - ise let there be
 3 Thine the tru - ly thine the yes thine the ta - ble we the guest
 4 Thine the king - dom thine the prize thine the won - der full sur - prise
 5 Thine the glo - ry in the night no more dy - ing on - ly light



thine the ev - er - last - ing head thine the break - ing of the bread
 thine the vi - sion thine the tree all the earth on bend - ed knee
 thine the mer - cy all from thee thine the glo - ry yet to be
 thine the ban - quet then the praise then the jus - tice of thy ways
 thine the riv - er thine the tree then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly



thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry thine the har - vest then the cup
 gone the nail - ing gone the rail - ing gone the plead - ing gone the cry
 then the ring - ing and the sing - ing then the end of all the war
 thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry then the wel - come to the least
 then the ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee



thine the vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.
 gone the sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.
 thine the liv - ing thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.
 then the won - der all in - creas - ing at thy feast at thy feast.
 thine the splen - dor thine the bright - ness on - ly thee on - ly thee.

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church we confess our faith...

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Trusting in the transformative power of God's loving Spirit, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

... God of grace,
hear our prayer.

Gracious God, into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your unending love and amazing grace; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of God's peace with those around you. Children and youth are encouraged to come to the front to greet those worshipping with us online.

+ MEAL +

SETTING THE TABLE

In This Feast of Love (*sing verses 1 and 2*)

ACS 962



Täs - sä pöy - däs - sä, täs - sä
1 In this feast of love, in this
2 In this bread and wine, in this
3 Grant us peace, O Lord, grant us



pöy - däs - sä syn - ti - sil - le
feast of love, Lord, you share your
bread and wine, you have prom - ised,
peace, O Lord; fill us with the



it - se - si an - nat, Ju - ma - lan Ka - rit - sa!
blood and your bod - y, Je - sus, Lamb of God.
Lord, to be with us, Lamb . . of God div - ine.
joy of your Spir - it, ev - er - liv - ing Word.

You may leave your offering in the plate at the entrance to the church after the service.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of power, God of plenty, all things belong to you.

We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed.

Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

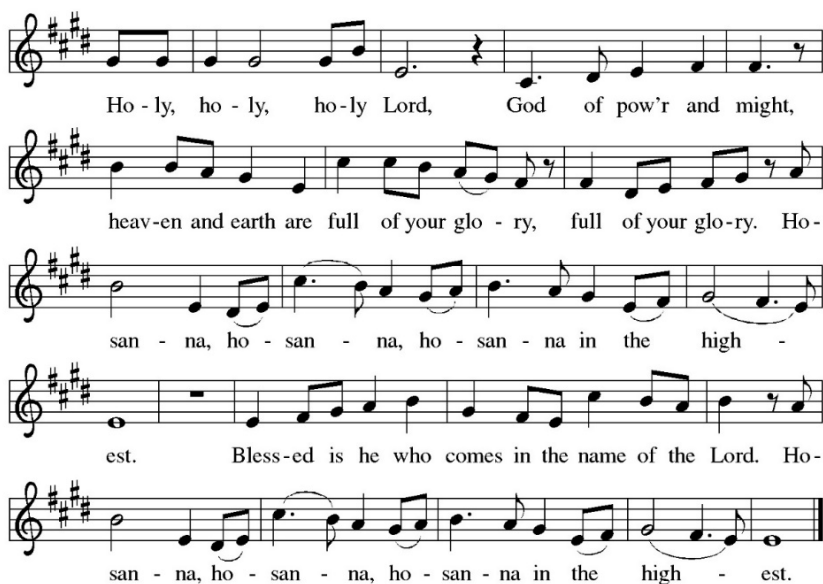
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE AND SANCTUS

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

ELW Setting 8



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -
est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION

Jesus invites you to this table.

Come, eat and live.

All are welcome at Jesus' table of grace for communion. We will be serving this meal continuously, all around the altar. When the usher indicates that there is space for you, please come up to the front and stand at the first available space. After you have received communion, please return to your seat for prayer and meditation. We invite you to join in singing the communion hymns.

Bread will be placed in your hand by the pastor. Please indicate if you need a gluten-free option. Wine (red) and juice (white) is offered by the assisting minister in individual communion cups. Please place your empty cup in the basket carried by the communion assistant. If you prefer, individually packaged communion elements are available just outside the sanctuary doors.

If you do not wish to commune, you are invited to come forward and cross your arms for a blessing from the Pastor, or remain in your seats for meditation time. Children too young to receive communion are also invited to come forward for a blessing.

LAMB OF GOD

ELW Setting 8

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the
world; grant us peace, grant us peace, Lamb of God.

Sit



1 There in God's gar - den stands the Tree of Wis - dom,
 2 Its name is Je - sus, name that says, "Our Sav - ior!"
 3 Thorns not its own are tan - gled in its fo - liage;
 4 See how its branch - es reach to us in wel - come;



whose leaves hold forth the heal - ing of the na - tions:
 There on its branch - es see the scars of suf - f'ring;
 our greed has starved it, our de - spite has choked it.
 hear what the Voice says, "Come to me, ye wea - ry!



Tree of all knowl - edge, Tree of all com -
 see there the ten - drills of our hu - man
 Yet, look! it lives! its grief has not de -
 Give me your sick - ness, give me all your



pas - sion, Tree of all beau - ty.
 self - hood feed on its life - blood.
 stroyed it nor fire con - sumed it.
 sor - row, I will give bless - ing."

5 This is my ending
 this my resurrection;
 into your hands, Lord,
 I commit my spirit.
 This have I searched for;
 now I can possess it.
 This ground is holy.

6 All heav'n is singing,
 "Thanks to Christ whose passion
 offers in mercy
 healing, strength, and pardon.
 Peoples and nations,
 take it, take it freely!"
 Amen! My Master!

Stand

TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION HYMN

In This Feast of Love (*verse 3*)

ACS 962

**Grant us peace, O Lord,
grant us peace, O Lord;
fill us with the joy of your Spirit,
ever living Word.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

+ SENDING +

BENEDICTION

The God of glory, † Jesus Christ, name above all names, and the Spirit who lives in you, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN**God Loved the World**

ELW 323



1 God loved the world so that he gave his on - ly
 2 Christ Je - sus is the ground of faith, who was made
 3 If you are ill, if death draws near, this truth your
 4 Be of good cheer, for God's own Son for - gives all
 5 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly



Son the lost to save, that all who would in
 flesh and suf - fered death; all who con - fide in
 trou - bled heart can cheer: Christ Je - sus res - cues
 sins that you have done, and jus - ti - fied by
 Spir - it, Three in One! To you, O bless - ed



him be - lieve should ev - er - last - ing life re - ceive.
 Christ a - lone are built on this chief cor - ner - stone.
 us from death; that is the firm - est ground of faith.
 Je - sus' blood, your bap - tism grants the high - est good.
 Trin - i - ty, be praise now and e - ter - nal - ly!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. God is at work in you.

Thanks be to God.**POSTLUDE**

Remember in Your Prayers

THE CHURCH

our synod & bishops: Bishops Elizabeth E & Leila O

our missionaries: Stephen D/Marta G, Cent. Amer

our congregation: Trinity Church

THE NATIONS: Afghanistan, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Israel, Korea, Libya, Mexico, Morocco, Myanmar, Namibia, Palestine, Somalia, Spain/Cataluña, Sudan, Syria, Ukraine, United States, Venezuela

THE SICK AND SUFFERING

nursing/rehabilitation center/hospital

Yulie N (Village at Rockville)

home

Isabel F, Tigist G, Lineth M, Anya N, Vimala P, Elizabeth R, Gio S, Margo W

family and friends*

Donald B, *brother of Marilyn C*

Viola Cleo B, *online prayer request*

Gene B, *friend of Kim and Pam B*

Pam C, *sister of Mike M*

Pastor Sarah F-M, *friend of Anita S*

Josefa F-V, *friend of Len S*

Betsy G, *friend of Margaret F*

David G, *friend of Tad and Vi D*

Joe J, *friend of Sarah M and Tom K*

Terry K, *brother-in-law of David and Leslie C*

Anne L, *friend of Len S*

Randi L, *friend of Mike and Valerie M*

Juan-Maria M-M, *friend of Len S*

Kathy M, *niece of Margaret and Greg F*

Beatriz N, *Vera and Ben's grandmother*

Linda P, *cousin of Julie N*

Martha R (Sterling Care), *friend of Trinity*

Cristobal R-M, *friend of Len S*

Cristobal R-S, *friend of Len S*

Karen and Harold S, *friends of Pamela B*

Paul S, *brother of Steve S*

Alex V, *friend of Sunhee P*

Victor V and family, *friends of Kim and Pam B*

first responders

Lisbeth N-D

Greta S & Linda A, *sister & sister-in-law of Anita S*

Vanessa B, *friend of Elizabeth & Ben R*

**For family and friends, prayer requests will be kept on the list for 4 weeks. To renew, please complete another card/call the office.*

This Week at Trinity

Livestreamed services on Trinity YouTube channel
<https://www.youtube.com/@TrinityELCA/streams>

Sun, Oct 8 The Nineteenth Sunday After

Pentecost

9:30 am **Holy Communion Worship Service**
(Coffee Hour to Follow)

10:45 am Sunday School Classes and Adult Forum

Mon, Oct 9

7:30 pm Heavenly Handbells Rehearsal

Tues, Oct 10

11:00 am Staff Meeting

Wed, Oct 11

1:00 pm Men's Meeting

Thurs, Oct 12

7:30 pm Trinity Singers rehearsal

Fri, Oct 13

7:00 am Stephen Ministry Training

Sat, Oct 14

9:00 am Trinity Choir Retreat

Sun, Oct 15 The Twentieth Sunday After

Pentecost

9:30 am **Holy Communion Worship Service**
(Coffee Hour to Follow)

10:45 am Sunday School Classes and Adult Forum



SAVE THE DATES!

Choir Retreat | October 14

Council Retreat | October 21

Food Drive | October 21

Children's Koinonia | October 28

Reformation Day | October 29

Women's Center Dinner | October 29



Welcome Back Pr. Cindy Baskin

Pr. Cindy, now retired from active ministry, has served as a supply priest/pastor in both Episcopal and Lutheran congregations. She and her husband live in North Potomac and enjoy traveling.

Adult Forum

Please join us for Adult Forum, today in Room 10. We will be exploring the whole Bible through the lens of Daniel Erlander's book, Manna and Mercy. All are welcome!



Faith Formation Bulletin Board

The bulletin board outside of Room 11 has information about our faith formation offerings this academic year. Individual flyers will be posted there about Adult Forum guest speakers. Please check it out.

Connect to Trinity's Hearing Assistance System

1. Download the AudioFetch app to your smartphone or tablet.
2. Connect your phone/tablet to the AudioFetch WiFi network.
(Currently, password should be required).
3. Connect your phone/tablet to your listening device. This will be unique to your device.

Please come to the A/V table if you need assistance.



Birthdays

08	Matthew C	12	Anne N-D
08	Gabriel D	12	Barbara L
09	Adelyn C	13	Julianne N
10	Marilyn G	13	Steven S
10	Linnea S		

Baptism Anniversaries

09	Henry C	12	Emma C
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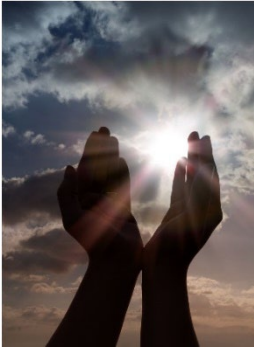


Children's Koinonia

Saturday, October 28th, 9:00am-12pm

Children are invited to gather in the social hall for a morning of fun and fellowship. We will paint pumpkins, make bird feeders, and play games. A snack will be provided. Toddlers and preschoolers are welcome as well. Young children need to be accompanied by a parent.

Please RSVP to Valerie M. so enough materials can be purchased.



A Note from the Call Committee

With each interview, we ask the pastoral candidate to open with a brief devotion and prayer. In a recent interview, the Call Committee was touched by a prayer shared. The

prayer is a graceful reminder of the need to trust in God. The Call Committee and Trinity's journey to find our new Pastor continues. Please keep us in your prayers.

Patient Trust

Above all, trust in the slow work of God. We are quite naturally impatient in everything to reach the end without delay. We should like to skip the intermediate stages. We are impatient of being on the way to something unknown, something new.

And yet it is the law of all progress that it is made by passing through some stages of instability— and that it may take a very long time.

And so I think it is with you; your ideas mature gradually—let them grow, let them shape themselves, without undue haste. Don't try to force them on, as though you could be today what time (that is to say, grace and circumstances acting on your own good will) will make of you tomorrow.

Only God could say what this new spirit gradually forming within you will be. Give Our Lord the benefit of believing that his hand is leading you, and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself in suspense and incomplete.

—Teilhard de Chardin



October 21, Monthly Food Drive

We are also pleased that each month we welcome donations from members of the neighborhood. Each month we drop off between 300-500 pounds of food and between 10-20 gift

cards. Our next food drive will be from 9:00am until 12 noon. Bethesda Help is very appreciative and recognizes Trinity each month in the BH newsletter.

Contact Margaret F at gmfitzwm85@gmail.com for more information.



Little Free Library and Pantry

Near the entrance to our large parking lot,

facing Old Georgetown Rd., you may have noticed our little library and pantry. They are ready for you to add items or help yourselves to an item. The library is for new or gently used books for both adults and children. The pantry is for non-perishable items, including no fresh produce. A detailed list is forthcoming in the next Trinitarian. Please consider the season, ease of use, and shelf life/best by date. Also, please nothing with chocolate, especially in warm or hot weather.

Serving in Worship Today

Assisting Minister: Sabrina R

Cantor: Rebecca L

Lector: David K

Altar Guild: Sarah M

Communion Assistant: Soren S

Usher: Ross A

Livestream Operators: Mike M/Jeanine B/John B

Welcome Team: Susan S

Tellers: Dick and Peggy J

Staff

Guest Pastor: Pastor Cindy Baskin

Interim Musician: Marcello Silva

Office: Carmen Davis

Handbell Choir: Marilyn Converse

Custodian: Kathy Boone