

# TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



*Partnered in Christ with*  
**Fuente de Vida Presbyterian Church**  
Guatemala

## Third Sunday of the Season of Creation

September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

*"Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance." —Luke 15:7*

**Prelude**

Lobe den Herren

*Johann Gottfried Walther*

**Introit**

"Restore in Us, O God"

### **Call to Worship** (*responsive*)

**Leader:** We invite the cosmos to worship with us.

**People:** **We invite glittering galaxies high in the sky  
to radiate the splendor of God's presence.**

**Leader:** We call distant domains of space to celebrate with us.

**People:** **We invite nebula, nova, and black holes  
to thank God for their fascinating formation.**

**Leader:** We summon that piece of stardust called Earth,

**People:** **To pulse with the rhythm of God's presence  
and celebrate God's glory in this planet garden.**

**Leader:** We invite millions of living species to dance with life,

**People:** **The turtle, the toad and the elephant,  
The earthworm, the ant and the dragonfly.**

**Leader:** We invite every creature in the web of creation

**People:** **To consciously connect with others  
in this community called the cosmos.**

**Leader:** Dance, creation, dance!

**People:** **Dance with cosmic energy!**

{ *We name, silently or aloud, other creatures or parts of the cosmos  
and invite them to join us in praising our Creator.* }

**Leader:** Dance, creation, dance!

**People:** **Dance with cosmic energy!**

**\*Hymn 370**

"This Is My Father's World"

**Prayer of Confession (*unison*)**

O God, we are sorry. We have polluted Earth’s atmosphere and cut a hole in the ozone layer. We have turned out greed into global warming. We have ignored our crucial connection with those parts of creation where we live. We have loved progress more than the planet. We are sorry. We are sorry. Forgive us our intended and unintended harm to your world and ours as we seek to reshape our behavior. Amen.

**Silent Meditation and Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Congregational Response 582 “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**Old Testament Lesson**

Psalm 14

**Choral Anthem**

“And the Father Will Dance”

*Mark Hayes*

**A Moment for Children**

**New Testament Lesson**

Luke 15:1-10

**Sermon**

“Don’t Lose Everything”

*Mark Stanley*

**\*Affirmation of Faith (*unison*)**

A Brief Statement of Faith, sections 4 & 5, pg. 38

**Announcements**

▫ **Minutes for Ministry**

Friends in Christ

*Dick Bobb*

Preschool Yard Sale

*Jan Aplin*

**Reception of New Members**

Steve & Mary Culp

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns**

**Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer**

**The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

Voluntary

*Charles Zeuner*

**\*Doxology no. 607**

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Hymn**

“The Cosmic Christ”

*see insert*

**\*Charge and Blessing**

**Choral Response**

“O For a Closer Walker with God”

**Postlude**

Prelude in Classic Style

*Gordon Young*

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*\* Stand, or remain seated*

*This congregation welcomes you without regard to race, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, education, economic circumstance, your place of origin or any other issue that divides God's family. We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors wide open. If you are passing through, Godspeed. If you are looking for a worship home, stay with us. We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.*

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**Office:** Mon, Tue, Wed, Friday: 9:00–4:00, Thur: 9:00-12:00 **Preschool:** Mon through Fri, 8:30 - 11:30

## TODAY

**8:30 - Worship Service**

9:45 - Special Session Meeting

9:45 - Learning Hour

### Adults:

*Lectionary Class:* Trinity Room

*Hashing It Out:* Lounge

*Issues & Concerns:* Join the special lecture in the Fellowship Hall!

*Special Lecture:*

**- Views of the Afterlife:** Fellowship Hall

### Children and Youth:

9:45 - *Learning Assembly:* Sanctuary **NEW!!**

10:00 - *Sunday School Classes*

*Young Children (Pre-K through K):* Room 203

*Elementary (Grade 1-5):* Room 103

*Youth (Grade 6 and up):* Room 101

10:30 - Choir Rehearsal

**11:00 - Worship Service**

12:00 - Trinity 30 (Atrium)

12:30 - Out to Lunch Bunch

## MONDAY - PRESBYTERY OF WNC

### PASTORS' RETREAT

## TUESDAY

9:00 - Staff Meeting

10:00 - Coffee/Issues

10:00 - New Members Subcommittee Meeting

10:00 - Naomi Circle

12:30 - Trinity Preschool Board Meeting

7:00 - Building & Grounds Ministry

## WEDNESDAY

10:30 - Friends in Christ

5:30 - WNL Dinner

6:30 - WNL Program - "A Cappelloza!"

7:30 - Choir Rehearsal

## THURSDAY

10:00 - Presbyterian Women Fall Gathering

6:30 - Cub Scouts

## FRIDAY - TIDINGS DEADLINE

## SATURDAY

8:00 - 37th Annual Hunger Walk  
(Jackson Park)

9:00 - Trinity Preschool Yard Sale Move-in

## SUNDAY

**8:30 - Worship Service**

9:45 - Learning Hour

10:30 - Choir Rehearsal

**11:00 - Worship Service**

12:00 - Trinity 30 Fellowship

12:30 - Out to Lunch Bunch

**Weekly Calendar:**  
**Sept 15<sup>th</sup> - Sept 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**WEEKLY PRAYER PEOPLE:** Prayers, calls, and notes are encouraged: (*please check pdf directory*)

*Ruth Chebet, Landon Gailey,  
John Hanson, Barbara Johnson*

**PRAYER CONCERNS: In Sympathy:** Jorja Ursin upon the loss of her brother, The Dienst family upon the loss of Stan Dienst, **Hospital:** Edie Clark **Home:** Fritz & Chris Becker, the Burnham family, Al Sharke, Paul Soltesz, Ann Fennell, Ben Moore, Bob Smith, the Tolleson family, Judy Groff, Barbara Nichols, Sally Beghtol, Sue Ellsasser, Scott & Barbara Garrison, Kathie Bivens, Mark and Denise Slaughter, Bob and Janet Baker, Bill and Juliette Blakely, Ginny Arkens, Merritt Roach, Connie Moore **Rehabilitation, Nursing:** Neena Haskins, Ron Hoverson (The Lodge); Gene Carman (HH&R); Audrey White (The Laurels); Alice Gantt, Bob Brackett, Irene Robertson, & Paddy Deich (CV Care Center), Harry Papazian (CV Med Center), Eleanor Beardsley (Carolina Reserve) **Others:** Joanna Dorsey Duncan (Diane Pearce's daughter), John Penn (Pat's son), Jeffrey Presseau (the Presseaus' son, brain tumor), Tim Dale (Diane Bowers' nephew), Roger Slaughter (Mark Slaughter's brother), Lynn Thiel (friend of Harry & Katie Hankla), Irving Lindsey (Paul Soltesz's uncle), Jean Stanfield Walters, Jay, Lorrie and Robert Pelc (family of Carole Ball), Don Cunningham, (Sarah Thibodeau's brother). Please remember mission coworkers and our Guatemalan partner church, Fuente de Vida.

**YARD SALE, SEPT 27 - 28:** Volunteers needed for setup the week prior, during the sale, and clean-up. Please sign up in the Narthex to sort treasures, sell baked goods, pick up boxes, and help make our sale a huge success! Call Tom/Priscilla Karvonen at (828) 890-5091 if you need items picked up.

**OUT TO BRUNCH BUNCH:** This week, we'll be going to *Post 25* with Jack Caylor. Next week, *Applebee's* with Myrl Jean Hughes.

**IAM NEEDS FOR SEPT:** canned meats, instant oatmeal & grits, regular ground coffee, juice boxes, bathroom tissue

**37TH ANNUAL HUNGER WALK:** Please join Jocelyn Tolleson and Team Trinity - Saturday, September 21st. Registration at 8am/walk begins at 8:30 from Shelter #1 in Jackson Park. Everyone can participate, either by collecting pledges and walking or by donating! This year, we will walk in memory of Robin Tolleson. Sign up in the Narthex!

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: FALL GATHERING,** Sept 19th, 10am (Brunch). Program presented by Black Mountain Home for Children "Changes & Opportunities". Tickets available in the Narthex.

### **LEARNING HOUR ELECTIVE LECTURES:**

A September Course on the Afterlife

*Facilitated by Jack Presseau & Ed Spencer*

- **Sept 8**            The Afterlife 1: Jewish Beliefs
- **Sept 15**          The Afterlife 2: Christian Beliefs
- **Sept 22**          The Afterlife 3: Islamic Beliefs
- **Sept 29**          The Afterlife 4: If we didn't have  
(or greatly delayed) an afterlife

**IMMIGRATION 101: FACT VS. FICTION.** The League of Women Voters present a series of three programs, open and free to the public on Sept 12, Oct 10, and Nov 14 in the St. Francis Room of Immaculate Conception Church (handicapped accessible). Please bring your lunch at 11:00 a.m.; programs from 11:30-1:00.A Q&A session will allow written questions from the audience to be answered by the panelists. All are welcomed. No pre-registration is required. Details in Tidings!

**GUATEMALA SCHOLARSHIPS:** Pledges and donations are needed now. We support students from partner church Fuente de Vida and their town of Monterrey. See the September Tidings for a thank-you letter from Berny Merida, one of the recipients. One of the best ways to stabilize and improve a country is through education.

# THE COSMIC CHRIST

(sung to the tune of “Amazing Grace”)

1. Amazing is the Christ who died  
To void all sin and curse,  
Just as amazing is his life  
That fills the universe.
2. The risen Christ is more than one  
Who waits on some far shore;  
In, with and under ev'ry thing  
Christ is the living core.
3. The hidden Christ sustains for us  
The blueprint of the skies,  
The wisdom in each fragile form,  
The soul that lights the eyes.
4. The cosmic Christ moves deep below  
To heal the wounds within,  
When all creation groans in pain  
Because of human sin.
5. The cosmos hails the Christ, the One  
Who reconciles all things,  
'Til all creation rises new  
With healing in her wings.
6. As Christ unites the universe,  
Restores this Earth once more,  
A cosmic song reverberates,  
A rich symphonic score.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE SEPTEMBER 18th:** Join us for the 2nd Wednesday Night Live of the Fall 2019 Season. First, a delicious dinner by Erika McGilley and her Fellowship team...

**DINNER MENU:**

- Beef Bourguignon
- Noodles
- Salad Bar
- Rolls
- Ice Cream, Cookies, & Fruit

...followed by entertainment, featuring 3 WNC-based a cappella ensembles!

**PROGRAM - A CAPPELLOOZA!**

**ASHEVILLE ACCIDENTALS:** An mixed ensemble of traditional barbershop 4 part harmony, based in Asheville, NC.

**CASCADE QUARTET:** An Asheville-based, four-part a cappella quartet who loves to laugh, sing and entertain. Their repertoire leans towards blues, jazz, Irish and contemporary arrangements.

**A CAPPELLA BREWING:** an Asheville-based Vocal Ensemble that sings in a variety of styles of a cappella from chamber music classics to modern pop in everything from 3 to 12 part harmony.

**GIFT CROSS MAKERS NEEDED.** Trinity is seeking a crafty person or two who would be interested in making the little ceramic crosses that we offer to first-time guests. For more information or to volunteer, please see one of the pastors or call the church office. Thanks!

**FILM SCREENING - OCTOBER 2nd, 5:30pm** "Paris to Pittsburgh" is a 2018 documentary about climate change produced by Bloomberg Philanthropies, National Geographic and RadicalMedia. It will be presented by local grass-roots activist organization "Citizens Concerned about the Climate Crisis" as a prelude to a Town Hall forum on October 27th at Grace Lutheran Church.

The goals of this forum are to raise awareness about the climate crisis and its impacts on Henderson County so that citizens are better informed about what needs to be done to address them through personal actions and public policies. The forum is being organized by a group of citizens who are very concerned about this threat to local farms, businesses, livelihoods, infrastructure, and public safety.

**YOUTH RALLY 2019!** Sunday, Sept 22, 2:50-6:00pm, Upper Anderson - Montreat, NC. FREE! No registration. Just come! Speaker: Scott Hardin Nieri, Director of Creation Care Alliance.

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**LITURGIST:** 8:30 - Pamela Campbell, 11:00 - Sue Osterberg

**GREETERS:** Barbara Pickwood, Ken Sugawara, Sandra Dwork, Alice Cooper

**USHERS:** 8:30 - Jim & Vivian Emme

11:00 - Nancy & Dave Gilbert, Dan Donovan, Kathy Madigan

**FLOWERS:** Given by Bud & Sandy Weeks in celebration their 56th wedding anniversary and the joy of being part of the Trinity family! :-)

**CHILDCARE:** Room 201; 11:00 - 12:00pm (for Birth through Preschool)

**RESOURCES:** Worship activity bags are available for children, as well as hearing aids for the hearing impaired. Please ask the ushers for assistance.

**ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: 172**

"The time is coming when each of us will have to give an account of our stewardship" *Sunday Adelaja*