

# Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2026

Gathering  
Welcome  
Announcements and Prayer

Prelude Christopher A. McCroskey  
*(Prayerfully prepare your hearts and minds for worship.)*

\*Call to Worship  
Summoned by love,  
**Beckoned by grace,**  
Invited to find rest,  
**Called to receive hope.**  
Welcomed into peace,  
**Ushered into silence,**  
Gently moved in awe,  
**Blessed with joy.**  
Called to worship,  
**We gather to praise God!**

\*Opening Hymn *"O Worship the King"* (vs. 1-3) 73

\*Opening Prayer  
**Almighty God of grace,**  
**We pray this day for a clearer understanding that you have more interest in our character than in our comfort. Where we have need of correction, speak plainly to us and grant us the courage to make the changes you would bring in our lives. May the love we express on this Sunday morning continue throughout the coming week. Strengthen this congregation that we may become more effective in our service and witness to you, O God, for we pray in the name of Jesus the Risen Christ. Amen.**

\*Psalter Psalm 31 *Response 1* 764-765

\*Affirmation of Faith *"The Apostles' Creed"* 881

\*Gloria Patri 70  
**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.**

Passing of the Peace: *Let us greet one another with love and peace.*

"Let the Children Come!"  
*(Those 3 years of age through 8 years of age may go to Children's Church.)*

Scripture Lessons Proverbs 4:10-18 Pages 562-563 (O.T.)  
1 Peter 2:2-10 Pages 222-223 (N.T.)

\*Gospel Lesson John 14:1-14 Pages 104-105 (N.T.)  
Sermon Troubled Hearts Rev. Darlene L. Kelley

\*Hymn of Invitation *"There's Something About That Name"* 171

Prayer of Confession 890

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.**

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings  
Offertory Christopher A. McCroskey

\*Doxology 95  
**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**

Celebration of the Great Thanksgiving 13

Closing Hymn *"Let Us Break Bread Together"* 618

\*Benediction  
\*Benediction Response *"May the Lord, Mighty God, Bless and Keep You"* Choir & Congregation

\*Please Stand As You Are Able

## Leading in Worship Today

Pastor: Rev. Darlene L. Kelley AV Director: Marie Stiles  
Music Director: Christopher A. McCroskey AV Assistant: Chris Derrick; Erin Derrick  
Liturgist: Rev. Toni White Time Together: Pam Turner; Jack Stevens

**VISITORS ARE WELCOME** in the service of worship! Please make use of the visitor's tags (located in the pew backs) to help us better welcome you as a visitor to Trinity this morning.

**Today's Lovely Flowers** are given to the **Glory of God.**

**"AS MEMBERS OF THIS CONGREGATION, WE WILL FAITHFULLY PARTICIPATE IN ITS MINISTRIES BY OUR PRAYERS ...**

Marie Stiles Marilyn Lloyd Ruth Frady Rhett Hook Raleigh Carter Christopher McCroskey  
John Ballentine Diane Muszynski Ray Frady Latson Lewis English Pearcy Jeanette Hornsby  
Hannah Glanz Hilda Edwards Fran Laska Kaye Floyd Libby Strickland Jan Stamps

**Shut-Ins:** Gillett Hipp; Linda Maloch

**Family and Friends:** **Otis A. McCroskey** (father of Christopher McCroskey); **Connie Crouch** (friend of Mary Sue Lewis); **Kristie Carter** (niece of Faye Grahl); **George Hough** (brother of Mary Louise Robinson); **Cody Linholm** (husband of Taylor Linholm); **Donna Eidson** (former Trinity pastor); **Ghent Brewer** (brother-in-law of Jeanette Hornsby); **Kim & Sandra Meetze** (friends of Martha Cooke); **Matt Imel** (husband of Holley Gleaton Imel); **Cayla Watters** (friend of Karen Carter); **Tommy Stokes** (nephew of Joyce Robinson); **Kati Flowers** (mother of friend of Blake Kamoroff); **Christina Lindemuth** (daughter of Karen Carter); **Kathleen Varnadore** (Ted & Ruth Frady's neighbor); **Paul Frenzel** (friend of Chris Derrick); **Sissy Henry** (former member of Trinity), **Colby Martin** (son of Donna Muszynski); **Lynne Powell** (friend of the Ballentines and Branhams); **Bryan Collard** (brother-in-law of Mary Sue Lewis); **Mary Davis** (daughter of Bob & Libby Strickland); **Connie Mason** (friend of Lynn Martin); **Nancy Wilson** (friend of Jeanette Hornsby); **David & Kristen Turner** (brother and sister-in-law of Pam Turner); **Chip Mixon** (friend of Tommy Gleaton); **James Boggs** (father of Claire Boggs); **Robert Bradley** (Business Associate of Simon Ross); **Monnie Tiller** (friend of Chris Derrick); **Adrin & Linda Hargett** (stepfather and stepmom of Christopher McCroskey); **Haidee Baehr** (friends of Ruth Frady); **Denise Paul, Scott & Karen Nelson** (cousins of Gale Frady); **Dan Conner, Max Johnson** (friends of Gale Frady); **Janet Beck** (friend of Jo Ann Heiting); **Adam Lavender** (son of Phil Lavender)

If you have a friend or family member on the Prayer List, we ask you to please keep us updated. If no word is received, we will trust that our prayers have been answered and remove the name. To update us, please call the office or e-mail us at [trinityumcwc@sc.rr.com](mailto:trinityumcwc@sc.rr.com).

**OUR PRESENCE ...**

Attendance 04/26 SS: 9 Worship: 36

**OUR GIFTS ...**

General Fund 04/26 \$ 20,480.00

**OUR SERVICE...**

**OUR WITNESS."**

**Upcoming Events**

**TODAY** The Pines, 2 p.m.

**05/04** Exercise, 10:30 a.m.

**05/06** T.a.G., 7 p.m.

**05/07** Exercise, 10:30 a.m.

**05/08** Office Closed



**Ministers**  
**Pastor**  
**Resident Bishop**  
**District Superintendent**

**The Congregation**  
**Darlene L. Kelley**  
**Leonard Fairley**  
**Rev. Fran M. Elrod**

**Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.**

**Our vision is to Connect, Nurture, Inspire and Transform**



**"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me."**

John 14:1 NRSV

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**EPWORTH MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING  
SUNDAY, MAY 10**

NEXT SUNDAY WE CELEBRATE OUR MOTHERS AND EPWORTH! Most of the children served by Epworth will not be celebrating Mother's Day with their birth mothers this year. Instead, they will be surrounded by loving staff or foster parents who walk with them daily to provide spiritual, educational, emotional, and physical support. The Mother's Day offering is our opportunity to partner with Epworth to improve the lives of the children and families they serve. For more information about Epworth, visit online at [www.epworthsc.org](http://www.epworthsc.org).



**Grieving with God  
Tuesday, May 12**

All who are on the journey of grief are invited to join us on **Tuesday, May 12**, at **11 a.m.** in the Conference Room. Retired Hospice and Palliative Care Chaplain from Richland Hospital, Jerry Fonte, will facilitate the discussion.



Our Love Your Neighbor Ministry continues as we meet at The Pines at **2 p.m.** on **Sunday, May 3**, to share Communion with the residents. On **Wednesday, May 20**, we will provide **a light lunch for six to 10 residents and staff members**. Three or four volunteers are needed to help set-up, serve and clean up. Please let Darlene know if you can help.



**Dinner/Brunch  
& A Movie**

There will be two opportunities to see the documentary *Happy* at Trinity. The first will be on **Friday evening, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.** and dinner will be served. The second will be on **Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> right after church** and brunch will be served. Invite your family and friends. This is not a children's movie, but is appropriate for anyone twelve and older. Watching this movie might make your life just a little better.



**Saturday, May 16  
(Change of Date)  
9:30 a.m.**

The Ladies Group will meet at Lizard's Thicket on Hwy #1 in Lexington, at 9:30 a.m. on May 16. Marie Stiles will send out an email each month to obtain your RSVP. If you are not on Marie's group email and wish to be added, contact her at 803.463.9706 or [mariebstyles@gmail.com](mailto:mariebstyles@gmail.com).