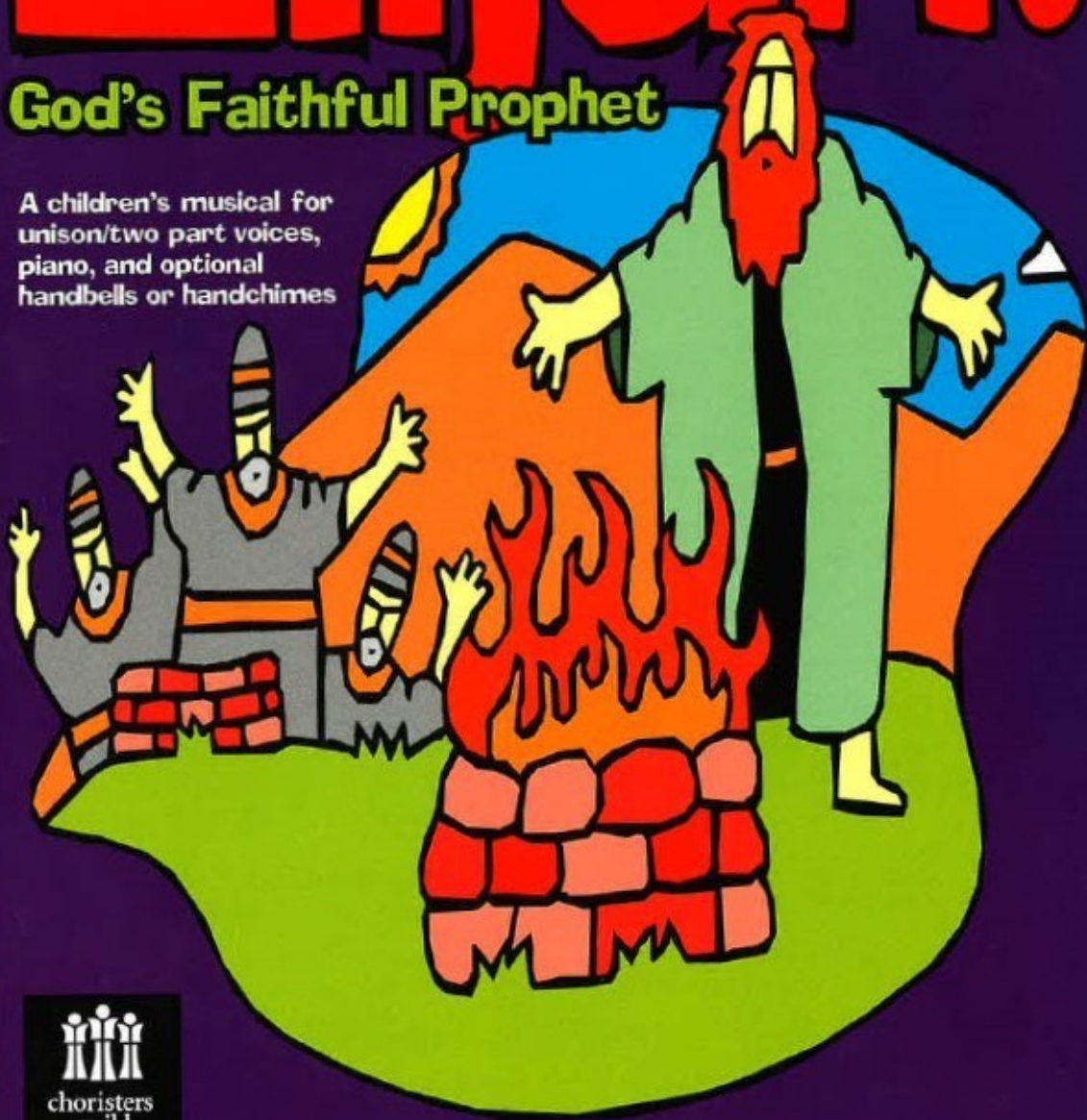


by Mark Patterson

Elijah!

God's Faithful Prophet

A children's musical for
unison/two part voices,
piano, and optional
handbells or handchimes



Trinity Presbyterian Church

*An Inviting Community Following Christ For Life
Loving God, Welcoming All, Helping Many*

9:30 am

March 17, 2024

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

The Rev. Ms. Craven

Minute for Mission

Stacey Blackmer

PRAISING THE LORD OUR GOD

Call To Worship (responsive)

Meagan Mackerer

We are the family of God!

We have come here to worship God our Father.

We are the children of God!

In baptism, we have become the sisters and brothers of Christ!

We belong to God!

Through the Holy Spirit, we belong to God and to one another.

When we are afraid and anxious,

We know that we belong to God and

He is with us at all times.

Let us worship God our Savior.

We will worship the Lord our God!

Prayer of Adoration

Meagan Mackerer

***Hymn**

Here I Am To Worship

Light of the world, You step down into darkness.

Opened my eyes let me see.

Beauty that made this heart adore you

hope of a life spent with you.

[Refrain]

Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,

Here I am to say that you're my God,

You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days,
Oh so highly exalted Glorious in heaven above.
Humbly you came to the earth you created.
All for love's sake became poor. *[Refrain]*

And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.
And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.

[Refrain]
[Refrain]

HEARING GOD'S HOLY WORD

Prayer for Illumination

The Rev. Ms. Craven

God's Word

1 Kings 17:8-16

The Rev. Ms. Craven

This is the Word of the Lord.

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Thanks be to God.

WE LEARN OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

Children's Proclamation of God's Word

Elijah! God's Faithful Prophet

By Mark Patterson

Lord, We Are Your People

God Will Provide

Just Enough Oil

Palace Trio

Show Down

Sophia Carter and Gwendolyn Praul -duet

Waiting to Decide

Send Your Fire Down!

Mighty God

RESPONDING TO CHRIST'S CALL

Call to Present Our Offerings to the Lord

Meagan Mackerer

Prayer of Dedication

Meagan Mackerer

Offertory

Down To the River to Pray
Rejoicing Ringers

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Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

The Rev. Ms. Craven

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.

***Sending Hymn**

The Days of Elijah

These are the days of Elijah, declaring the Word of the Lord.

And these are the days of Your servant, Moses, righteousness being restored.

And though these are days of great trials, of famine and darkness and sword,
Still we are the voice in the desert crying, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord."

[Refrain]

Behold He comes, riding on the clouds, shining like the sun at the trumpet call.
So lift your voice, it's the year of Jubilee, and out of Zion's hill salvation comes.

And these are the days of Ezekiel, the dry bones becoming as flesh.

And these are the days of Your servant David, rebuilding a temple of praise. And
these are the days of the harvest, the fields are as white in Your world.

And we are the laborers in Your vineyard, declaring the Word of the Lord.

[Refrain]

There is no god like Jehovah, There is no god like Jehovah,
There is no god like Jehovah, There is no god like Jehovah.
There is no god like Jehovah, There is no god like Jehovah,
There is no god like Jehovah, There is no god like Jehovah.

[Refrain]

[Refrain]

GOING OUT TO SERVE IN THE SPIRIT'S POWER

***Charge and Pastoral Benediction**

The Rev. Ms. Craven

Postlude

*Those who are able may stand.

Trinity's Children's Choirs

Cherub Choir

William Armstrong
Michael D'Amico
Lucas Goetz
Maggie Reuter
Colin Roncinske
Theo Simon

Carol Choir

Ada Badskey
Noah Mackerer
Alexandra Nieradka
Abby Peelman
Lily Powell

TEAM Choir

Celina Albert
Lela Badskey
Sophia Carter
Madelyn D'Amico
Sophia Figueroa
Keira Hobbs
Milo Kain
Zaine Keagle
Steven Oster
Gwendolyn Praul
Nora Roncinske
Marlee Simon

Elijah! God's Faithful Prophet Cast List

Elijah – Milo Kain

Jezebel – Keira Hobbs

Widow of Zarephath – Celina Albert

Obadiah – Steven Oster

King Ahab – Logan Watson

Baal Worshippers – Ryan Bui, Nikki Charles, Henry Kain

Narrators/Storytellers – Cherub, Carol, and TEAM Choir

Musicians

Brian Kain – piano/organ

Julia Wilson – piano

Adam Crognale – drums

Sean Desjardins – bass

Alexis Bui and Gabby Watson - handbells

Elijah! God's Faithful Prophet: Production Team

Director- Lisa Marcelli
Costume Mistress- Jennifer Bean
Props & Set- Karen & Ruby Kain
Set Movers- Music Program Support Team
Sound- Mike McBride
T-shirts- Proforma Industries
Coffee Hour Cake Hosts- Jen Peelman & Pam Dougherty
Bulletin Board- Bridget Boyle
CD's- Tolga Ebiri
Cookie Master- Bonnie Jones
Cherub Parent Helpers- Kristen D'Amico and Wilemijn Goetz

**A special thanks to everyone who participated in the service this morning,
as well as all of the volunteer parents/grandparents
who helped make this presentation possible!**



It's not too late to join a choir! If your child or teen is interested in participating, please contact Lisa Marcelli at the church office 428-2050 or lisa.marcelli@trinpres.org.

The Story of the Prophet Elijah

This story is about a prophet named Elijah. A prophet is like a mailman, they bring messages from God so we can know what he wants us to do. Elijah was a regular man who trusted God. Elijah did amazing things with God's help and God did amazing things for Elijah.

The land of Israel was in big trouble. The land had a bad King, named Ahab and his evil wife, Jezebel. King Ahab believed in a god named Baal (the weather god).

Elijah was told by God to deliver a message to King Ahab. Elijah went to Ahab and told him, "My God has told me that there will be no rain in the next three years until I tell it to." Then the Lord told Elijah to go and hide. God made sure Elijah had what he needed.

When the brook that Elijah was drinking from dried up, God told Elijah to go to a place called Zarephath, there he would find a widow who would give him food and water to drink. When Elijah got to the entrance of the town he asked a woman, "Would you please bring me water in a cup so I can drink and a small piece of bread?"

She replied, "I believe in God, but I don't have any bread to eat, just a small amount of flour and a little oil. I was going to go home to make the rest of the food for me and my son and then we will probably die because we will have no food left." Elijah said to her, "Don't be afraid! Go home and make the food for you and your son, but first make a small loaf of bread for me. The Lord has told me that if you do this your jar of flour and the jug of oil will never go empty until the day the Lord gives rain on the land." So, she went home and did as Elijah had told her and every day there was food for Elijah, the woman and her son.

Three years went by with no rain and the evil Jezebel was trying to get rid of all the prophets of God like Elijah. What Jezebel didn't know was that one of the king's servants named Obadiah, who was in charge of the palace, was hiding the Lord's prophets in caves to keep them safe.

God spoke to Elijah and told him, "Go to Ahab". Elijah told Ahab to send for all the people of Israel to meet him on Mount Carmel and "Bring all the prophets of Baal and the false prophets of Jezebel." Elijah said to them, "Build an altar and I will do the same. Then you call out to Baal and I will call out to the Lord. The god who listens and starts the fire is the real God." They began calling on Baal to start the fire. And nothing happened.

Elijah simply prayed: "O Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, show us today that you are the real God of Israel."

As Elijah finished his prayer and everyone stood silently watching, fire fell from the heavens and everything was covered in flames. As the people watched they began to fall on their knees and cry out, "The Lord, he is the real God!"

TRINITY AT WORK AND WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Gregory C. Faulkner, Senior Pastor/Head of Staff
The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven, Associate Pastor
The Rev. Dr. James D. O'Dell, Pastor Emeritus
Jenny Stark, Clerk of Session
Lisa K. Marcelli, Director of Music
Brian Kain, Music Associate

Flowers

The flowers in the Narthex were given by Audrey and Joe Azevedo in celebration of their March birthdays.

Let Us Pray for Members of Our Church Family: Steve Morton, Marty Flynn, Marilyn Johnson, Pat Turner, Camrynn Curl, Elaine Lippincott, Carol Murray, Beverly Whipple, Nancy Morton, Doris Crozier, Liz Gyswyt, Nancy Applegate, Marguerite Houck, Roberta Ritchie, Melinda Hall, Dorothy Rathje, Phyllis Johnson, Bill & Susan Greenwood, Betty Young, Dale Long, Linda Thorpe, Gloria Wolbach, Nancy Hickman.

Friends and Family: Moria Kutz (friend of Stacy Henderson), Richard Van Dyke (Brother of Bruce Van Dyke), Kim Newman (Stepsister of Donna Bordner), Donna Williams (friend of Barb and John Wilson), Jo Anne Talbott (Steve Talbott's mother), Nick D'Ambros, (Jillian Watson's cousin), Kathy Higdon (Greg Faulkner's sister-in-law) Frank Appello (Connie Groves's son-in-law), Jesse Benedict (friend of Pam Dougherty's daughter), Loretta Johnson (former long-term member), Nancy McIlvain (Kathy Eddleman's sister), Larry Carter (Emily Carter's uncle), Tristan Kabai-Tokes, Matt Ruggles, Myrna Roberts (Nancy Roberts' sister-in-law), Joan Malloy (Nancy Roberts' friend), Chuck Inman (Mary Jane Inman's son), Charles Porcaro (Ben Rieth's brother in law), Eileen McSparran (Kathy Eddleman's sister-in-law), Linda and Brian Kent (Gail Van Dyke's sister-in-law), Laurie Duffin (Gail and Bruce Van Dyke's friend), Elaine Good (Opal Stockwell's sister), Kathy Kellmer and Toni Rath (Janet Cohen's friends), Michael Fisher (Carol Parsons' nephew), David Behrens & Kelly Behrens (Ed Behrens' son & daughter), Jan (George Sanders' friend), Terri Skill (Steve Skill's wife), Richard D'Eustachio (Carol D'Eustachio's husband).

Let us pray for all those of our Trinity family who are serving in the United States Military: Cory Allen, Connor Barnes, Aaron Bill, Tyler Parsons and Connor Strobel. We thank them all for their service to our country.

Pastoral Care – Dr. Faulkner is available to you for prayer, counsel and comfort in times of need. If there is an urgent need, contact Dr. Faulkner at 609-273-8110.

Please silence all electronic equipment during the worship service.

Please remember to sign the Fellowship Register. Maintaining connections with our membership is critical to the health of our community, so thank you for helping us with this important outreach by signing in every time you attend worship!

Signing in online using the QR code? Remember, if you're a **Trinity member**, you don't need to fill out the entire form—just type in your first and last name.

The Flower Chart will be available the first Sunday of the month. Since the cost has increased, we are asking for payment of \$55 at the time of sign-up. Hopefully this will once again become a special part of our worship and giving for our shut-ins. Please text or email Bonnie Jones for further information: bjones34@verizon.net or 856-986-2012.

Visit our website at www.trinpres.org for all of the current news, information and updates about everything that's going on at Trinity!

PLEASE notify the church office if your address, email or phone number changes. You can email Pam Dougherty at pam.dougherty@trinpres.org **OR** you can indicate any changes on the Fellowship Register sheets. Thank you!

***EasyTithe*, our online giving option,
allows you to make your offering electronically.**

This option makes giving more convenient for you and can be accessed through your computer, tablet and cell phone. To sign up, go to Trinity's home page and click on "Online Giving" or go directly to www.easytithe.com/trinpres.

An *EasyTithe* app is also available for download to your tablet or cell phone. Once you're set up, you can also text a gift in one simple step! Our phone number for text giving is 856-238-5444. **You can now go right to the EasyTithe giving portal by using the QR code.** Simply turn your camera on your phone and direct it to the code and the link to the website will come right up!



Church School Schedule

All Church School rooms located in main building.
Pick up is immediately after the conclusion of the service

Infants through 2 years,
Preschool (ages 2 1/2—Kindergarten) - in the Nursery today

It's the 3rd Sunday: Special Children's Music Presentation
Grades 1-5 will remain in worship.

Monthly Rotation of Worship, Learning, and Service For Grade School-Age Children

1st Sunday of Every Month: Mission Sunday

2nd Sunday of Every Month: Family Church

3rd Sunday of Every Month: Church School

4th Sunday: Let's Worship Together



Preschoolers & Kindergartners: Church School for pre-K through Kindergarten takes place in a classroom under the sanctuary. On the second Sunday of each month, these children participate with their families in Family Church.

Nursery (Birth - Age 2): The nursery is supervised by adult volunteers. It is equipped with its own restroom and changing table as well as age-appropriate toys.

*Find Your Place at
Our Place!*





MOTHERS MATTER

COLLECTION IN MARCH THROUGH APRIL 7



It's that time of year again! Time to collect health and beauty items for the Mother's Day gift basket project sponsored by the Lauren Rose Albert Foundation (LRAF). **Mothers Matter assembles gift packages filled with women's health and beauty care products and then distributes them to women facing difficult challenges.** Packages are delivered to women's shelters, children's pediatric hospital wards and centers, day care centers, and other facilities and agencies. Each gift carries the message that "Mothers Matter", and for many, this is their only Mother's Day present. LRAF also has "comfort" gift bags that are distributed to Virtua/Fox Chase Cancer Program and MD Anderson Cancer Center at Cooper.

Some of the Trinity PW Circles will be collecting for Mothers Matter gift baskets at their March meetings. In addition, **there will be a large basket at Church located between the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall (underneath the PW bulletin board) for donated items. The basket will be there from February 25 through April 7. You can also drop off items during the Mission Thursday collections.** We appreciate the support of all Church members.

Items they are specifically looking for are: **shampoo/conditioner sets**, body wash/scrub, body spray, body lotion, Dove soap, bath puffs, **lipstick**, and **nail polish**. Items in bold are especially needed at this time. They also need the following products in pink and purple: eye shadow and eyeliner. ****The products need to be new and unopened.**** No sample sizes (except Bath and Body Works products of any size). Please do not donate products over 15 oz. in size since they do not fit in the bags with the other items.

Thank you in advance for your generosity! Any questions, please contact Michele Strobel at kndlkai1@gmail.com. You may also contact Jan Caffrey at jancaff@verizon.net.



75
YEARS



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

SPECIAL OFFERINGS

HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

This year we are celebrating the 75 year anniversary of the One Great Hour of Sharing offering providing Presbyterians a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world.

"You shall be called repairers of the breach" –Isaiah 58

Every year, the Presbyterian Church asks congregations to set aside a day to dedicate a special offering to directly promote and support our response to the needs God has called us to fulfill in Isaiah 58.

The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) –Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People – all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need.

TODAY, our Mission and Outreach Committee will share a Minute for Mission. Next week, on Palm Sunday, this special offering will be collected during the service.

There are envelopes in the pews, you can find it in your pledge box, and you can find OGHS on Easy Tithe.

"If we all do a little, it adds up to a lot!"

REPAIRING
THE BREACH

— Isaiah 58

TRINITY CHURCH PRESENTS A LENTEN CONCERT SERIES

SOUP & SOUND



Wednesdays during Lent

Soup 12:00 pm * Sound 12:30 pm

Soup downstairs in the Community Room followed by
a 30-Minute Concert in the Sanctuary

March 20 - Cheryl Everill, Cello

Open to the Community!

Invite your friends!

Admission is a Free Will Offering

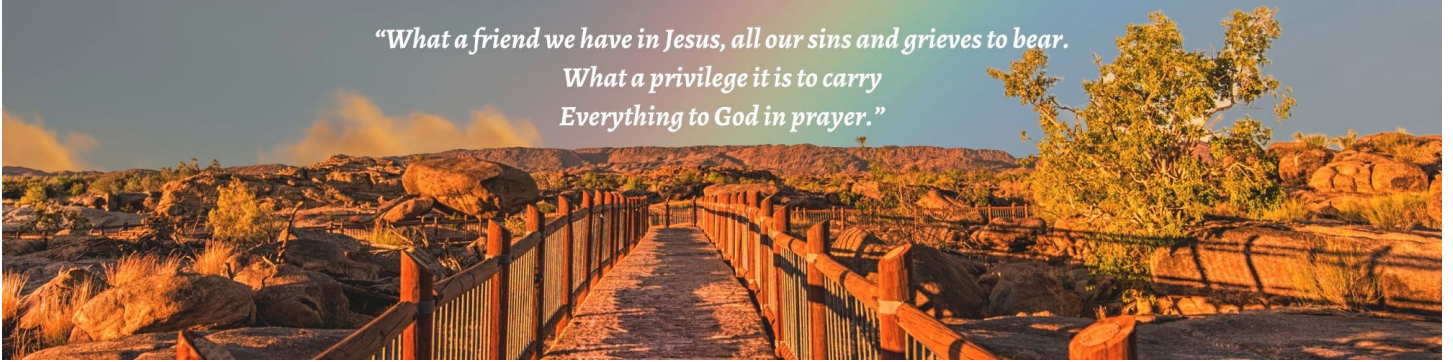
Day of Prayer



Friday, March 22, 12pm-12am,
Saturday, March 23, 7am-12pm

Look for sign-ups during coffee hour,
Or call the church office at 856-428-2050 .

*“What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and grieves to bear.
What a privilege it is to carry
Everything to God in prayer.”*



JOIN US

Searching for a church home?

COME TO OUR MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION SESSION

Sunday, APRIL 14th after worship

Enjoy a relaxed opportunity to meet new people, ask questions,
and learn what it means to be a Presbyterian.

The Rev. Dr. Gregory Faulkner will lead the discussion and a light brunch
will be served. Childcare is available with advance notice.

Please email Susan Bastnagel at sbastnagel@gmail.com or
call the church office at 856-428-2050.

All you need to bring is an open heart. We look forward to seeing you there

Find your place at our place!

CALLING ALL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS AT TRINITY!

Social Workers, Therapists, School Psychologists, Guidance Counselors, Insurance Case Managers, Clinical Supervisors, undergrad/grad students, or even retired from one or all of the above... whatever you call yourself, whether working in the field of mental health, hospice, substance disorders, intellectually disabled, or private practice ...

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED to a
“meet and greet” light brunch!



Sunday, April 14th
10:45am - 11:45pm
Community Room



There are A LOT of us here at Trinity!
Let's get together to see “Who's Who in the Pew” and then maybe create some more reasons to get together for support this year.

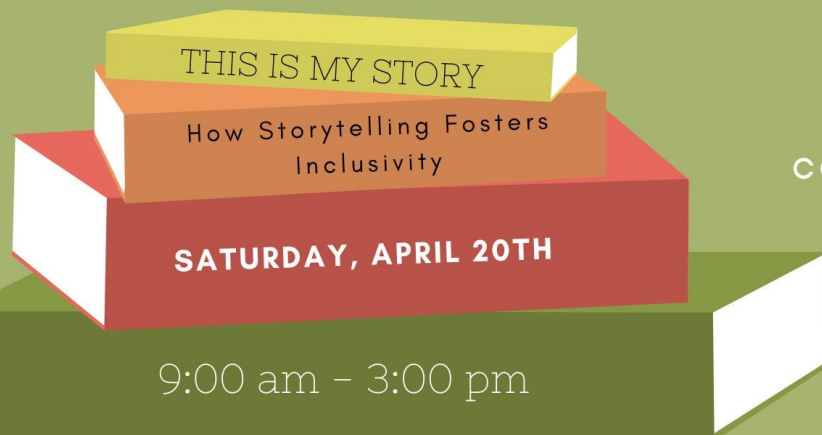
RSVP by 4/1/24 to Kristi Cheney-Paulson, MSW, LSW
paulsonkristi020@gmail.com or text at 609-744-5831
**Children welcome or childcare can be provided - let Kristi know.

No psychosocial assessments involved. 😊

SAVE THE DATE!

PW SPRING RETREAT

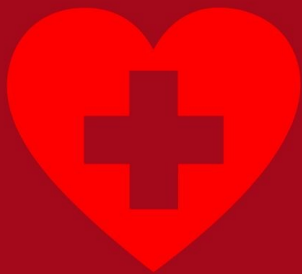
Tickets will be on sale during coffee hour
March 17th - April 14th,
or email
WLDon@hotmail.com.
Ticket price \$10.



We hope all women can join us for a day of prayer, fellowship, and food!

**TRINITY
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
&
AMERICAN RED
CROSS BLOOD
DRIVE**

**APRIL 22, 2024
2PM-7PM**



**VISIT [REDCROSSBLOOD.ORG](https://redcrossblood.org)
AND SEARCH FOR
THE TRINITY DRIVE
TO SIGN UP!**



Trinity News and Notes

MISSION THURSDAY CONTINUES: The Mission & Outreach Committee has decided to continue Mission Thursday through the winter Cathedral Kitchen has expressed their gratitude many times for our congregation's tremendous support. We collect: sandwiches, fruit, and snacks for Cathedral Kitchen and Non-perishable food and household items for Cherry Hill Food Pantry. Most needed items: Laundry Detergent, Coffee, Cake Mix, Toothpaste, Canned Fruit Cocktail, Canned Fruit, & Napkins. **Next Mission Thursday: March 21st.**

A Note from Your Deacons,

We would like to bring to everyone's attention, that various items have been left in the kitchen and fellowship hall without a home. Please label anything that you leave as to what they should be used for. We gladly accept any donations, but don't want to use things that are meant for other events. Please note that anything left unlabeled after 2 weeks will be used or donated to Care and Share.

Blessings to all,
Your Deacons



AN INVITATION TO
HOLY WEEK
AT TRINITY

Palm Sunday	Maundy Thursday	Easter Sunday
March 24th	March 28	March 31
9:30am	7:30pm	9:30am

HOSANNA! HOSANNA!
PREPARE THE WAY
FOR THE LORD!

Sunday, March 24th

Worship and Special Music, 9:30 am

Followed by a Palm Sunday Celebration, at
10:30 am in the Anteroom.

A time for crafts, snacks, and
family fellowship!