Trinity Church

Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts



Fourth Sunday of Easter May 11, 2025

As an open and affirming congregation the Mission and Purpose of Trinity Church is to:

Gather as God's people.

Grow in faith, love and service.

Go into the world as disciples and apostles.

Order of Worship

We welcome all of you to our worship service this Sunday!

If you are visiting, please sign our guest book or fill out a welcome card

in the pew so we can better welcome you!

* = Please rise in body or Spirit.

We kindly ask for your cooperation in keeping our space fragrance-free.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING HYMN

"THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD, I'LL NOT WANT" (UMH 136)

CALL TO WORSHIP

The God of day and darkness moves among us...

We are the people of Living Water.

The God of hope and promise lives among us...

We are the people of Living Water.

The God of the lost and lonely calls us by name...

We are the people bathed in the Living Water of Creation, God's kin, traveling toward home and a love that will not let us go.

OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray... Holy One of the morning, we come together to remember who we are and whose we are. Open our hearts to the nudging of your Spirit that moves among us, empowering us to listen, to nurture, and to care for all creation. Give us eyes to see when you break into our lives through all you have made and wash us once again in your life-giving waters. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

"MAKER, IN WHOM WE LIVE" (UMH 88, v. 1 & 4)

TIME FOR ALL AGES – "The Healing Song" by John Denver

FIRST READING REVELATION 7:9-17

*GOSPEL READING JOHN 10:22-30

SERMON - "Living Water"

Pastor Benjiman Durfee

Musical Interlude

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray together the Lord's Prayer, using whichever words or language are closest to our hearts (some versions may be found at UMH 894).

Invitation to Offering (BCP 376)

Walk in love, as Christ loved us. Let us with joy and gratitude present our offerings to God.

OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY MUSIC

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow Praise God, all creatures here below Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ and Spirit one. Amen

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Let us pray... God, you have delivered us from hunger and from thirst by the fruits of your creation. The gifts you have given overflow before us. In return, we offer these gifts back to you. May the gifts we give enable the building of the healed world envisioned in our Scriptures. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

"SAVIOR, LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US" (UMH 381, vv. 1, 3, 4)

*BENEDICTION

God's hand holds us fast and will never let us go. Let us leave this place with faith that we swim in the love of our Creator, to the east, the west, above us, below us, and within us. **Amen.**

"GOD BE WITH YOU TILL WE MEET AGAIN" (UMH 673, v. 1)

POSTLUDE

Today's Worship Ministers

Presider & Preacher: Pastor Benjiman Durfee

Organist: Anne Howland Reader 2: Nancy Parland Acolyte: Nicole Porter Usher: Nancy Parland Videographer: Ginny Ray