


Trinity Church

Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts



“The bond that links your true family is not one of blood,
but of respect and joy in each other’s life.”

~ Richard Bach ~

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.

TRINITY CHURCH

June 9, 2024

Third Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM

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

Enter in stillness...Know that the Lord is God.

Sing with delight...it is God who hears.

Depart in peace...it is God's gift for you.

Listen in reverence...it is God who has made us.

Speak with conviction...there is no other God.

Serve with joy...it is your gift to God!

Please welcome guest preacher Rev. Linda M. Rhinehart Neas, M.Ed.

PRELUDE – *Prelude in g*, BWV 558, J. S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING HYMN #2223

“THEY’LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS BY OUR LOVE”

CALL TO WORSHIP

We call out to you, hear us, Loving Parent.

Forgive our transgressions. Teach us the ways of Love.

We wait for your Loving arms to hold us.

We hope in You, knowing your forgiveness is just and your Love is steadfast.

Hear us, Dearest Creator of All. Bless us, always.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

God be with you

And also with you

Let us pray

Creator God, you made us to be neighbors, members of one family blessed with great diversity. You created us to be helpers and friends to one another, entrusting to us your justice and your joy. Yet we have denied justice and joy to many, creating worlds of poverty, pain, lost opportunities, and absence of hope. In so many ways, we break each other's hearts. Still, you do not reject us. We ask your forgiveness and pray to be transformed. (Brief period of silence) Loving God, you restore us to each other and to you, mending our hearts and repairing the world. Through the power of your Spirit, you shape us to be for others what Christ is for us: pardon and peace, new life and blessing. We give you thanks for your love, forgiveness, and constant presence. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #126

“SING PRAISE TO GOD WHO REIGNS ABOVE”

TIME FOR ALL AGES

EPISTLE

2 CORINTHIANS 4:13-5:1

GOSPEL READING

MARK 3:20-35

SERMON – We Are Family.

MUSICAL INTERLUDE – *Larghetto*, op. 55, nr. 6, Flor Peeters

SILENT AND SPOKEN REFLECTION ON OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER (using the words most comfortable for you.)

Our loving God, 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 and ever Amen.

THE OFFERTORY (*Duo*, 8^e Ton, Jacques Boyvin)

*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**

*CLOSING HYMN #2234

"LEAD ON, O CLOUD OF PRESENCE"

*BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE – HYMN #673

"GOD BE WITH YOU TILL WE MEET AGAIN" (V 1)

POSTLUDE – *Fugue in g*, BWV 558, J. S. Bach

*Standing

Calendar and Notices

All events are at or around the church building unless otherwise noted.

This week

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| Tuesday | ➤ Lifepath Healthy Eating Workshop | 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday | ➤ Playgroup | 9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. |
| | ➤ Community Clothes Closet at the Cowel Gym, 51 Maple St, SF | 11 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. |
| Thursday | ➤ AA | 7 p.m. |
| Friday | ➤ Creative Movement for Children | 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. |
| | ➤ Community Meal <i>inside and to go</i> | 5:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. |

Looking ahead

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| Tuesdays
6/18 - 7/16 | ➤ Lifepath Healthy Eating Workshop. | 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. |
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Leadership Team Co-Chairs: Beth Martin and
Eileen McCusker Rauch
Music Director: Keith Rollinson
Custodian: Pat Valeski

Ministers: Members of the Congregation
Church Secretary: Brook Batteau
Nursery Attendant: Lisa Porter

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