

Tryon United Methodist Church

11:00 A.M. Worship

Third Sunday of Easter

May 4, 2025

Let the chiming of the hour be the signal for that reverent silence which is the beginning of worship.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Pam McNeil, organ

WELCOME TO PASTOR GERALD DAVIS

Pam Monterisi, Lay Leader

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lynn Montgomery

PRELUDE

As the Deer

Pam McNeil, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Gerald Davis

**From the rising of the sun, to the going down of the same,
The name of the Lord shall be praised.**

**From the rising of the sun, to the going down of the same,
The name of the Lord shall be praised.**

So praise ye the Lord. Praise ye the Lord.

**From the rising of the sun, to the going down of the same,
The name of the Lord shall be praised.**

GREETING

Rev. Gerald Davis

OPENING PRAYER (*Abingdon Book of Worship 2025*)

Rev. Gerald Davis

Lord of Life, you meet us on the road, challenge our prejudices, and upend of our lives.

**Remove the scales from our eyes, that we may see the breadth of your love, the
diversity of the ones we are called to love, and the joy of extending your welcome. Fill
us with your Spirit, that we might love one another as our shepherd loves us. Amen.**

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Rev. Gerald Davis

You are members of God's beloved community. Greet one another with the peace of Christ.
*As we pass the peace of Christ, greet one another in ways you feel are healthy and comfortable
for you.*

*HYMN

Easter People, Raise Your Voices

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*PSALTER

Psalms 30: v.1-6 (UMH 762)

Lynn Montgomery

I will extol you, O Lord, for you have lifted me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me.

O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you healed me.

O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol,

Restored me to life from among those gone down to the pit.

Sing praises to the Lord, O his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.

Surely the Lord's anger is but for a moment; the Lord's favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

As for me, I said my prosperity, "I shall never be moved."

***A STATEMENT OF FAITH OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA (UMH 883)**

Lynn Montgomery

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

**who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

**to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI (UMH 70)**

Congregation

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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Gerald Davis

We set aside this time for Children's Moment when we have children with us.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Gerald Davis

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Trespass*)

Rev. Gerald Davis

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.

OFFERTORY PRAYER (*Abingdon Book of Worship 20205*)

Rev. Gerald Davis

**Great Spirit, receive the gifts from our hands this day. For you rescue us from ourselves
and free us to love others, as you have loved us. After a long slumber in ignorance and
fear, we offer you our gratitude for the joy that comes in the morning. Accept this
offering,**

as a sign of our commitment, to tend your sheep and feed your lambs. Amen.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Lord of the Dance

Chancel Choir

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

SCRIPTURE

John 21:1-19

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After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tibe'ri-as; and he revealed himself in this way. ² Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathan'a-el of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zeb'edee, and two others of his disciples were together. ³ Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat; but that night they caught nothing. ⁴ Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the beach; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵ Jesus said to them, "Children, have you any fish?" They answered him, "No." ⁶ He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, for the quantity of fish. ⁷ That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his clothes, for he was stripped for work, and sprang into the sea. ⁸ But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off. ⁹ When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish lying on it, and bread. ¹⁰ Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹ So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹² Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. ¹³ Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. ¹⁴ This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. ¹⁵ When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶ A second time he said to him, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷ He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you girded yourself and walked where you would; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish to go." ¹⁹ (This he said to show by what death he was to glorify God.) And after this he said to him, "Follow me."

Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

A Second Fishing Story

Rev. Gerald Davis

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *(See insert)*

*CLOSING HYMN

Jesu, Jesu

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*BENEDICTION

Rev. Gerald Davis

POSTLUDE

Allegretto

Pam McNeil, organ

***Please stand as you are able.**

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We welcome interim pastor Rev. Gerald Davis to our congregation this morning.



PRAYER LIST 5/4/2025

Pray for: Rockie Alexander, Anna, Ron Bennett, Bill Bowman, Carl Brooks, Terrye Broyhill, Walter, Hilary & Mars Bunn, Layne and Brady Burleson, Margaret Cannon, Rhonda Carpenter, The Cashion Family, Cathy, Liz Chase, Michelle Chromey, Betty Cochran, Breanna Cochran, Janet Cowen, Diane, Dona Jean Dacey, Joshua Dacey, Mark Dacey, Sandra Forney, Roy Greene & Family, Jennifer & Percy Hargett, Ben Harvey, Bobby Henson, Julia and Chris, Judy, Juliet, Laron "Kelly" Lumpkin, Maria, Maureen, Melony Martin, Miriam McClure, Jerry Miller, Dell Morgan, Ashley Mould, Betty Neal, Family of Diane Pace, Salley Parker, David Ross Palmer, Everett Palmer, Rita Pennypacker & family, Rev. Dr. Mark Ralls, Bob Reynolds, Stephen Sacks, Cindy Shouck, Margaret Steward, Richard Tendam, Bill Vehorn, George Wallace, Hal Wishon, Belinda Yarborough and the family of Jesse Yarborough

Armed Forces Prayer List: Ruairidh (Rory) Coull, Landon Farley, James F. Henson Jr., Harrison Turnage

Continued prayers for:

—All who are dealing with devastation and loss after the local wildfires, Hurricanes Helene and Milton, and other natural disasters. Pray for all of the helpers who are working to restore power and provide clothing, shelter and assistance.

—The people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, and Haiti and all places experience conflicts and war. Pray for there to be peace and for war to cease. Pray for leaders to seek wisdom. Pray for an end to violence and bloodshed. Pray for all people in all nations to seek and to be instruments of peace.

-Unspoken requests for our families and friends who may need prayer support, who are going through various life transitions, who have loved ones with physical or mental health issues, those in abusive relationships.

- For those in need of treatment for depression/anxiety.

- For those who grieve for loved ones who have passed.

- Those who are in transition and contemplating lifestyle changes - moving, retiring, furthering their education.

--Gratitude for the Comfort Shawl ladies who provide shawls for so many.

-Prayers for families in domestic violence situations

-Caregivers needing help caregiving and for all receiving health care treatment.

--Caregivers of little children, adult children, parents and friends.

Bulletin Announcement Deadlines: If you would like to have an announcement placed in the bulletin, please send it to Pam McNeil by Wednesday at 12:00 p.m. each week. Bulletins are printed by 2:00 p.m. each Wednesday. Send to tumc1@tryonumc.net.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty (*almighty God*), creator of heaven and earth.

You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.

When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast.

You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God,

brought us to a land flowing with milk and honey, and set before us the way of life.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

By your great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of your Son from the dead and to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading.

Once we were no people, but now we are your people, declaring your wonderful deeds in Christ, who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light.

When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:

"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:

"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

On the day you raised him from the dead he was recognized by his disciples in the breaking of the bread, and in the power of your Holy Spirit your Church has continued in the breaking of the bread and the sharing of the cup.

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.
By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father (God), now and forever.

Amen.

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

(As you are able, you are invited to come to the altar rails on either side to receive the gifts of the table. You do not have to kneel unless you wish you. If you are unable to come to the altar, the pastor will bring the elements to your seat in the sanctuary.)

The body of Christ, the bread of life, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, the cup of salvation, given for you. **Amen.**