



## Offering Link



Trinity Church will hold this offering on Pentecost Sunday, May 24, 2026.

You can donate on line at TUCC's website or using the special offering envelopes in the pews.

*We are updating our database for contact information and we need your help. As we check our contact information, please don't assume that we have it. We need to make sure it is up to date and accurate. So, would you please locate the pew pad at the end of the pew and fill out the information: name, address, phone number and email address and pass along to the next person in your pew to also complete. Once completed, if one person would tear off the sheet and place it in the offering plate, it would be appreciated. We sincerely appreciate your support in this update." Thank you from the Faith Formation Team at Trinity.*

### FUN VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!

Have you been wanting to become involved in Trinity's Breakfast Program, but were not sure how to do it? We have the answer! We are looking for volunteers to fill 2 spots on Monday & Tuesday mornings. Can't commit to every Monday or Tuesday? How about every other Monday/Tuesday or even once per month? We work from 7am-10:30am, but we are flexible! We will work with you and your schedule. Trinity has been serving our community for over thirty years. Please help us to continue this important work!

Thank you,  
Nancy Lilburn 330-234-6848  
Jack Senn 937-422-2185  
Jen Slater  
Joan Cooper 330-466-057

### This Week at Trinity Breakfast Program 8:30a-9:30a

Monday - Friday

#### Monday, April 20

7pm AA Group

#### Tuesday, April 21

12pm Bible Study

5:15pm Mission Team Meeting on Zoom

#### Wednesday, April 22

10am Quilters

4:30-7pm C.A.T

6:30pm AA Group

#### Thursday, April 23

5:30-6:30pm Choir

7-8pm Bells

7pm NA Group

#### Friday, April 24

11am Knit, Pray and Crochet

7-9pm Fellowship Friday Game Night

#### Saturday, April 25

#### Sunday, April 26

8am ACT Book Talk on Zoom

9:15-10:15 Sunday School

10:30am Worship

### 2025 ALTERNATIVE GIFT MARKET

Our Wooster Alternative Gift Market was held on December 14<sup>th</sup>. First Presbyterian Church, Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Wooster Mennonite, and Trinity join to make this market happen every year.

We raised \$4700 for projects supported by the market, and lunch proceeds totaled almost \$600 to benefit Homeward Bound. Thank you to all who worked at the market, made soup for the lunch, everyone who braved the snowstorm to attend, and those who could not attend but nevertheless contributed to the market. You are all much appreciated!

With gratitude for the opportunity to serve the marginalized in our world,  
Nancy Lilburn and Trinity's Mission Team

**Please Sign up to serve on Sunday morning! Usher, greet, provide coffee hour, or be a reader. If you sign up for altar flowers, please let the office know if the flowers are given for a special celebration in honor or in memory of someone so that it may be included in the bulletin.**

## Trinity United Church of Christ



*If you or someone you know is in need of pastoral care or prayer support, please reach out to the church office. Whether you're facing a difficult time or simply need someone to talk to, we're here to offer care, comfort, and prayer.*

**Home:** Brian Brown

**Wayne County Care Center:** Bob Chizmadia

**Danbury:** Irene Winner, Dot Blum, Lucy Baus

**Westview Manor:** Janet Landers, Becky

Grindstaff

**Ravines at Taylor:** Joanne Orr



**Rev. Dr. Kevan Franklin**, Senior Minister

**Suzanne Feltner**, Faith Formation and Arts Director

**Luke Tegtmeier**, Organist

**Phil Starr/Jack Senn** Business Managers

**Joi Griffith**, Administrative Assistant

**Connie Plant/Larry Keiner**, Custodian

**Contact our office at: 330-264-9250**

**Office Hours - Monday - Friday 9:30a -3:00p**

**Trinityuccwooster1819@gmail.com**

**April 19, 2026 - 10:30am**

**Rev. Dr. Kevan Franklin**

We extend a warm welcome to all who have come to worship today.

The \* is to stand.

**The bold print is Unison.**

**Layreader:** Climate Justice Team

**Flowers:** Mission Committee

**Greeters:** Mission Committee

### Dates for your Calendar:

April 21 - Mission Team Meeting 5:15p

April 22 - Quilters 10a

April 24 - Fellowship Friday Game Night

7-9p

April 26 - ACT Book Talk on Zoom 8a

May 2 - Men's Breakfast 8a

May 2 - OARDC Fischer Conference

Center "Scarlet, Gray and Green Environmental Event" 10a-4p

May 25 - Memorial Day (Office Closed)

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Prelude: Bach - In Dir Ist Freude

Prayers of the People

Welcome and Announcements/Share the Good News, and Joys/Passing of Peace

\*Call to Worship:

Earth teach me quiet ~**as the grasses are still with new light.**

Earth teach me suffering ~**as old stones suffer with memory.**

Earth teach me humility ~ **as blossoms are humble with beginning.**

Earth teach me caring ~**as mothers nurture their young.**

Earth teach me courage ~**as the tree that stands alone.**

Earth teach me limitation ~ **as the ant that crawls on the ground.**

Earth teach me freedom ~**as the eagle that soars in the sky.**

Earth teach me acceptance ~**as the leaves that die each fall.**

Earth teach me renewal ~**as the seed that rises in the spring.**

Earth teach me to forget myself~ **as melted snow forgets its life.**

Earth teach me to remember kindness ~**as dry fields weep with rain.**

\*Hymn: "All Things Bright and Beautiful" NCH#31

Children's Message

Earth Day Reading- Nancy Lilburn

Scripture: Luke 24:13-35 (See Insert)

Message: "The Open Door"

Bells: "Let All Things Now Living"

Psalm 24: 1 **The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it.**

\*Hymn: "In the Bulb There is Flower" NCH#433

Prayer and 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 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**

Invitation to Generosity: 1 Peter 1:21 tells us that, "Through Jesus, you have come to trust in God who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your trust and hope are in God." Let us give glory to the Living God by demonstrating that trust and hope in the offering of gifts to meet the needs of our community and to manifest the love of God in us. Amen.

Offertory: Bells "This Is My Father's World"

\*Offering response: "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow" NCH#780

\*Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving: **Generous God, we pray that these gifts will bring glory to your name and bless your creation through good stewardship, Spirit-led discernment, and generous love. Amen.**

\*Hymn: "Touch the Earth Lightly" NCH#569 Global Hymn

\*Benediction:

This Earth...**with its great green trees, its infinite life, and boundless beauty, the only earth there'll ever be...**

These Waters...**of deep springs, of rivers and lakes, drops of dew, and clouds above, all the water these has ever been, all ... there will ever be...**

The air all around...**that everything must breathe, over and over, forever and ever...**

Love this earth...**love it as much as life itself, earth from which all life has come, earth to which all life returns...**

Love its water...**and keep them clean, water on which all life depends...**  
Love clear air...**care enough to keep it clear, clear enough to see the stars...**

And earth will remain... **beyond time .....Amen.**

Postlude: Trumpet - Purcell