

**WELCOME TO TRINITY! We're glad you are with us this morning!**

**WHERE ARE THE REST ROOMS?**

Men's and women's rest rooms are on the lower level at the bases of the steps on either side of the narthex (back of the Sanctuary). There is also a family rest room on the main level in the area behind the choir loft (front of the Sanctuary).

**IS THE CHURCH ACCESSIBLE TO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES?**

The elevator in the education wing accesses all levels of the church - the sanctuary, the fellowship hall, and all the Sunday School rooms. Accessible parking spaces are in the alley behind the church, nearest to the elevators.

Wheelchair-accessible seating is available in the front and scattered throughout the sanctuary.

Listening devices are available to anyone with a hearing impairment. Devices are in the narthex or you may ask any usher to find one for you.

**WHERE IS THE NURSERY?**

Each Sunday morning during Sunday School and Worship, children from newborn to age 4 find a nurturing, safe, friendly environment in our nursery. It is located near the elevator on the education level. Exit the front of the sanctuary on the left side and go down the stairs. After the children's moment, we offer children's church for kids K - 2nd grade. You are welcome to have your children participate, or keep them with you in worship!

**HOW DO I FIND OUT MORE ABOUT TRINITY UMC?**

In the pews you will find a brochure with information about groups and ministries, along with contact information. You will also find a guest card. If you will fill out the guest card and put it in the offering plate, we will be in touch soon!

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**Trinity appreciates your support.**

*Thank you for keeping up to date with your pledged giving.*

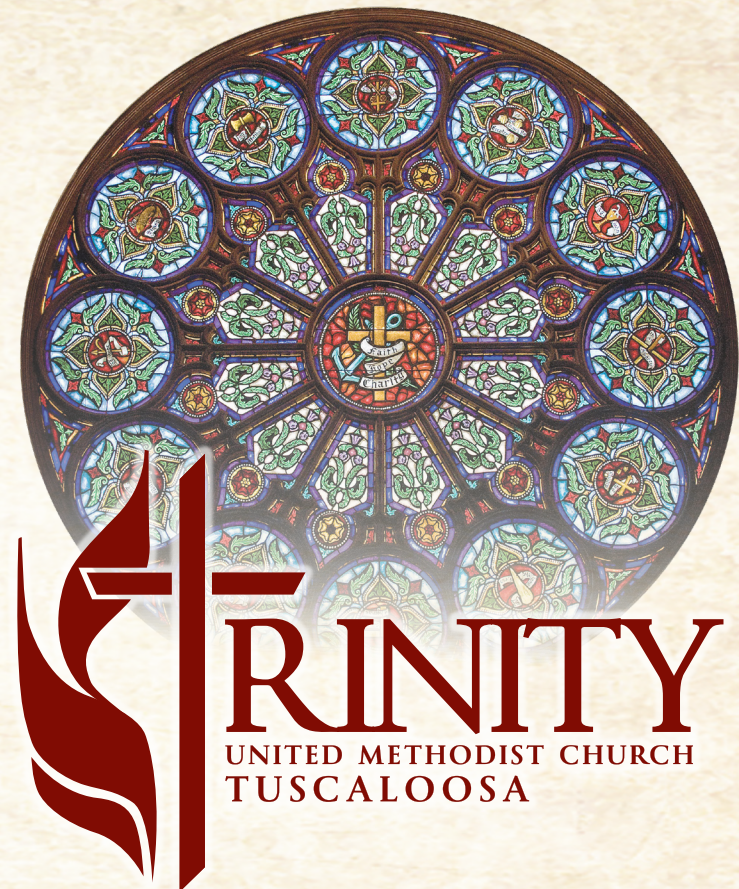
We are proud to announce that we have received 39 pledges totaling \$146,116.00. If you are one of these 39, thank you! Your generosity is greatly appreciated, and your pledge will help us as we budget for maintenance, ministry and outreach in 2020. If you have not turned in a pledge card, it is not too late. Pledge cards can be found in the backs of the pews and are also available in the church office.

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Church Office Hours:  
Monday - Thursday  
8:00 am - 3:00 pm



***Epiphany***  
***January 5, 2020***

***Trinity United Methodist Church***  
***is a congregation united by the love of Christ.***

*Because we are rooted in and guided by the grace of God,  
we share the love of Christ in our community and in our world.*

*Because we embrace our ever-changing community,  
we are open and respectful of what makes you who you are,  
and glad you are part of our church family.*

*Because we cherish our multigenerational congregation,  
we are caring and nurturing of all ages.*

*Because we value traditional worship,  
we feel familiar and welcoming.*



# EPIPHANY

## TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

January 5, 2020 - Worship Service 10:30 am

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scott Grimsley

*In the pew you will find a Welcome Guest card. If you are a guest, please fill one out and place it in the offering plate so we can get to know you!*

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

We remember the Magi who looked up and followed the star of Christ.

**We pray for those wandering in the darkness.**

We remember the gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh given to the Child.

**We pray that we too would be generous with our gifts and eager to serve.**

We remember the power of King Herod to affect the lives of those around him.

**We pray for governing authorities, that leaders would work for the good of all people.**

We remember the baby Jesus, the very embodiment of hope, light and grace.

**We pray that Christ will draw us for ever closer so that we might share Christ's hope and light in this world.**

\* OPENING HYMN *We Three Kings* #254

\* GREETING ONE ANOTHER WITH THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CALL TO PRAYER *What Child Is This* #219

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER #895

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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*All children are welcome for the Children's Moment! Parents, please accompany kids 3 and under to the nursery. Children ages 4 - 2nd grade are invited to go to Children's Church or stay in the sanctuary as you wish.*

### OFFERTORY

\* DOXOLOGY Tune: *Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*

Glory be to God the Father, glory be to Christ the Son,

Glory to the Holy Spirit, glory to the Three-in-One.

Here we offer to you gladly all the gifts that you impart,  
As we glory in your Presence, giving from a grateful heart.

\* SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE The Apostles' Creed #881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### SCRIPTURE

Matthew 2:1-12

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God!**

### SERMON

*Christmas Presence*

Rev. Penny Ford

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (COMMUNION) #9

*Everyone is welcome at the table! This includes children, youth, adults and people of other denominations or no denomination. May we know the grace and love of Jesus Christ in the breaking of the bread and sharing of the cup.*

\* CLOSING HYMN

*The First Noel*

#245

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

\* *Please stand as you are able.*

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### SPR MEETING

**Pastor/Staff-Parish Relations Committee Meeting**

Wednesday, January 8, at 5:30 pm.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES RESUME JANUARY 15

We will take a break from our Wednesday night activities and resume January 15. Sunday School and Worship continue as usual. If you are not already involved, consider joining the Choir, Children's Ministry, Youth Group, Adult Bible Study, Women's Bible Group or College Ministry (Elevate).

### NEW YOUNG ADULT GROUP

We have a growing number of young adults at Trinity who are out of undergraduate school. These are people in their mid-to-late 20s through early 30s, some single and some married. After the new year, we'd like to get together to have dinner. Would you like to join us? Please contact Christopher Simpson at [simpsonchristo@gmail.com](mailto:simpsonchristo@gmail.com) and Penny Ford at [revpennyford@gmail.com](mailto:revpennyford@gmail.com), and let us know who you are!

### MISSIONS UPDATE

The Missions Committee would like to thank each of you for your incredible generosity during this Christmas season. Because of your gifts, we were able to fill 20 bags and stockings that DHR will distribute to senior citizens in our community. A special shout-out to our wonderful youth who helped fill the bags and stockings. You also helped make the season brighter and happier for several hundred families and children served by Tuscaloosa One Place, by filling our Library with toys, clothing, wrapping paper and bows, and stocking stuffers.

What a gift it is to be able to share our blessings and the love of Christ with the people around us! What a joy it is to celebrate the season with you and our Trinity family!

### THANK YOU

On behalf of the Trinity staff, thank you for the generous Christmas gifts! I am proud to be serving with such a dedicated, caring group of people. Thank you for the love and appreciation you share with us all year. You have really brightened our Christmas!

Rev. Penny Ford

