

**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?**

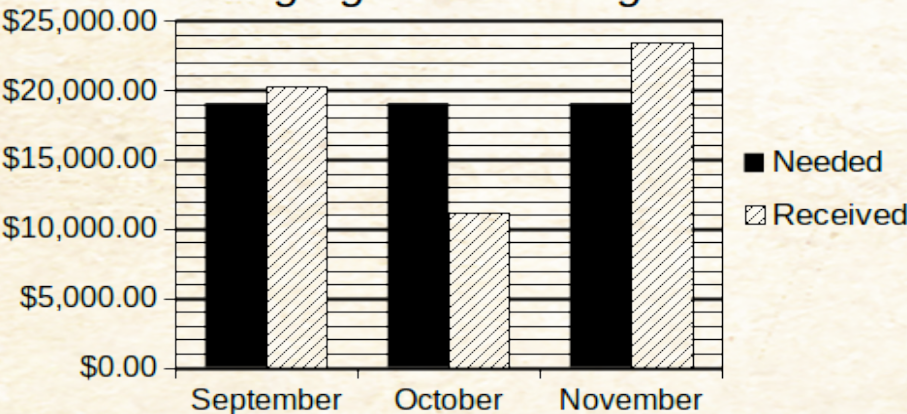
In the pews you will find a brochure with information about groups and ministries, along with contact information. You will also find a guest card. If you will fill out the guest card and put it in the offering plate, we will be in touch soon!

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**Trinity appreciates your support.**

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

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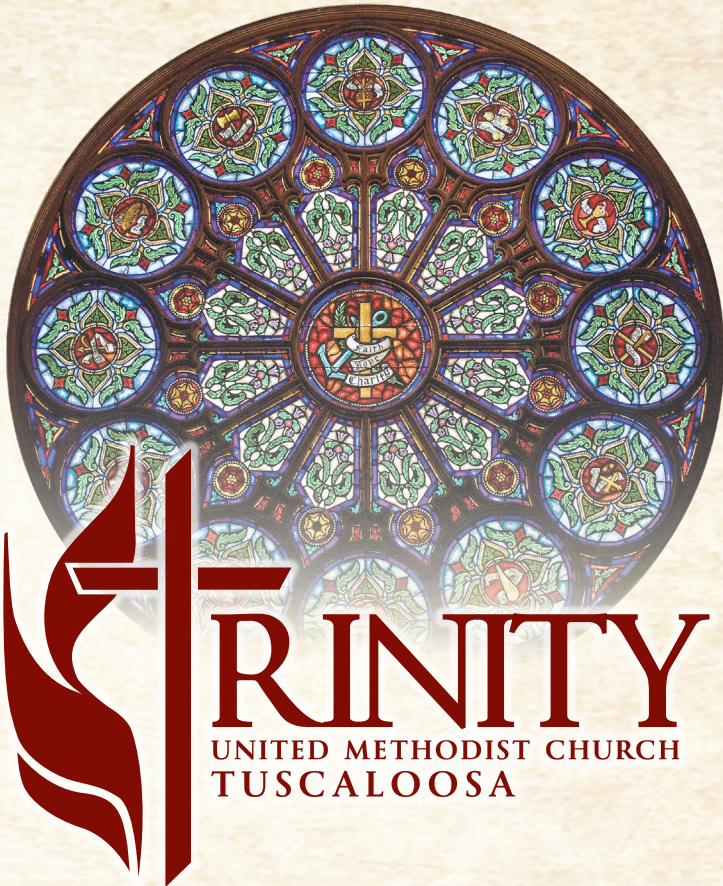


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Monday - Thursday  
8:00 am - 3:00 pm



*First Sunday of Advent  
December 1, 2019*

*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.*



# FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

December 1, 2019 - Worship Service 10:30 am

## HANGING OF THE GREENS

*An Advent service preparing for the birth of Christ  
by sharing stories, symbols and songs of our faith.*

### PRELUDE

Ashley Lewis

### WELCOME

Rev. Penny Ford

*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!*

### ADVENT COLORS

Jeremy Harrison

### HANGING OF THE BANNERS

*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus  
Hallelu (Choir)*

#196

Stephen Paulus

### LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

*Jeremy Harrison, Reader  
Woodham Family, Candlelighters*

### CHRISTMAS WREATHS

Carol Taylor

### \*HANGING OF THE WREATHS

*The First Noel*

#245 (vss 1-4)

### \*GREETING ONE ANOTHER

Jeremy Harrison

### SCRIPTURE OF LIGHT

Isaiah 9

Dr. Philip Westbrook

### CANDLES IN THE WINDOW

Rev. Kay Mutert

*It Came upon the Midnight Clear*

#218 (vss 1-3)

### PRAYERS/LORD'S PRAYER

Dr. Philip Westbrook

### \*POINSETTIA PROCESSION

*Hark! the Herald Angels Sing  
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

#240

#89

### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*Legend of the Poinsettias*

Melanie O'Rear

*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 PRAYER

Dr. Philip Westbrook

### OFFERTORY

Dr. Kevin Chance

### \* 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.*

### CHRISTMAS NATIVITY

Rev. Kay Mutert

### PROCESSION OF THE HOLY FAMILY

*Away in a Manger #217 (vss 1-2)*

*Ava Lynne Harrison (Mary) and Eli Johns (Joseph)*

### CHRISTMAS SCRIPTURE

Luke 2:1-7 (GNT)

Auggie Watkins

### HYMN

*What Child Is This*

#219 (vs 1)

### CHRISMON TREES

Rev. Kay Mutert

### HYMN

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

#230 (vss 1-2)

### CHRISMON ORNAMENTS

Scott Grimsley

### ADVENT COMMUNION

Rev. Penny Ford

*Everyone is welcome at the table! This includes children, youth, adults and people  
of any or no denomination. May we know the grace and love of Jesus Christ in  
the breaking of the bread and sharing of the cup. After receiving Communion,  
you are invited to come forward and get a Chrismon or two to hang on the tree.*

*During Communion, feel free to sing along with our Christmas hymns.*

### THE STORY OF ST. NICHOLAS

Dr. Philip Westbrook

### CLOSING HYMN

*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

#234 (vss 1-4)

### BENEDICTION

Rev. Penny Ford

*Join St. Nicholas and friends for milk and cookies after the service.  
We'll be outside, weather permitting, or in the Sunset-Funset Room  
if necessary.*

### POSTLUDE

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Thanks to everyone who helped with the service today!

### FLOWERS

The exquisite flowers for last Sunday's service were the gift of

**Annette and John Watters**

to honor the baptism of their grandchild

**Harmony Sunshine Harris.**

### TUMC PARENTS NIGHT OUT!

**Friday, December 6, 5:30-8:30 pm**

Parents can join us for a "More Silent Night!"

Kids nursery age and up to 4th grade join us

for the "Not-so-silent Elves Workshop!"

Snack supper, activities and crafts for kids. Limited space.

Register by Tuesday, December 3.

**Prepay to secure your reservation**

with the office: 205-759-4206.

*Earmark your check for TUMC Parents Night Out.*

\$10 per child/no more than \$30 per family. For more  
information, call the office or email office@trinityumc.info

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### ADVENT SCHEDULE AND ACTIVITIES

#### Service of Lessons and Carols

December 8, 10:30 am

The choir will lead us as we celebrate the birth of Jesus  
through Scripture and song.

#### Children's Nativity

December 15, 10:30 am

The children share songs and tell us about Jesus' birth.

Join us for this sweet service of holy chaos.

**TUMC Christmas Party, December 15, 5:30 pm**

#### The Christmas Calm

December 22, 10:30 am

Come catch your breath as we sing Christmas songs and worship together.

#### Christmas Eve Candlelight

We will share Holy Communion as we celebrate the birth of Christ.

We end the service by lighting candles and singing Silent Night together.

### MISSIONS

#### Sharing the Love of Christ: New Socks for the New Year

Trinity will be joining with the YMCA to help provide new socks for homeless  
individuals in our community. Please bring pairs of new socks in adult and  
children's sizes, and place them on the Sock Tree in the Narthex between  
December 1 and December 31. There will also be a box under the tree for  
packages of socks.

### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS NATIVITY PROGRAM

Children's Christmas Nativity Program will be Sunday, December 15.

Rehearsals continue each week during Sunday School and Wednesday  
nights until December 15. Snack supper, devotions and activities  
including rehearsals continue from 5:30-7 pm.

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### PLEDGE CARDS

If you have not turned in your pledge card for 2020,  
you will find blank ones in the pew pocket. Thank you  
for your support of God's work through Trinity UMC!

