

## FALL GIVING

Fall is a great time to catch up on 2022 pledges and gifts! You can support the ministries of the church by placing a check in the offering plate, putting it in the postage box by the glass doors, or mailing it to 729 Bryant Drive, Tuscaloosa 35401.

You can also donate to Trinity through PayPal:  
[https://paypal.me/TrinityMethodistTusc?locale.x=en\\_US](https://paypal.me/TrinityMethodistTusc?locale.x=en_US)

PayPal charges a small fee (2.9%), but it may be easier for some people than finding stamps and an envelope.

To set up a direct deposit monthly to the church, please contact your own bank.

## WOMEN'S GROUP NOW MEETS ON WEDNESDAYS

The Women's Group now meets for tacos on Wednesdays at 4:30 pm at the Veracruz Mexican Grill, 501 15th Street E, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401. Drop-ins are welcome!

## MEN'S NIGHT OUT

Several of the men have expressed an interest in throwing axes (which seems like an AXcellent idea!). Email Clay if you're interested: [clayted12@gmail.com](mailto:clayted12@gmail.com). ALL men are welcome!

## TRUSTEES

**AIR CONDITIONERS:** An air conditioner for the sanctuary has been ordered and should arrive in a couple of weeks (fingers crossed!) In the meantime, please dress for comfort in worship. Wear your shorts, bring a cool drink and join us on Sunday at 10:30 am.

Thanks to Dean, Lara, Aidan and Nathaniel Townsley; Ric Turner; Jackson Harris; Eric St. Clair, Mike O'Rear, George Strickland; guests Barry Padgett and his son Alexander; and BSA Troop 7.

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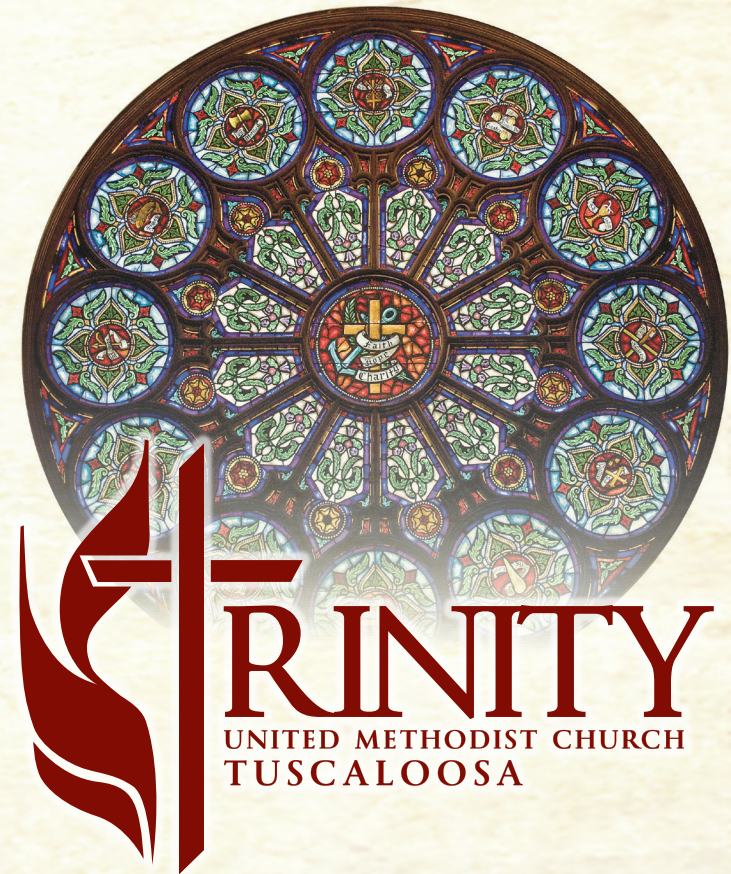
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***Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
October 9, 2022***

***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.*



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: OCTOBER 9, 2022**  
**TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*If you are a visitor, please fill out a Visitor Card found  
in the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate.*

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

God of all seasons, we thank you for Fall.

**We thank you for the promise of cooler air  
for the changing leaves  
for pumpkins and hayrides.**

Thank you for the fall harvest and the bounty of our land,

**Thank you for the change of seasons that reveals the circle of life.**

God of all seasons, as you transform the earth,  
**transform us by your Spirit. Amen.**

**\*HYMN** *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* #57

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*You're invited to greet those around you and move about as you wish!  
Please be sensitive to the fact that some in worship may not feel  
comfortable welcoming a hug or a handshake, and adjust as needed.*

**CALL TO PRAYER** *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee* #175, v. 1

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / 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 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.

### A TIME FOR CHILDREN (of all ages!)

*Children ages 4-8 are welcome to go to Children's Church after the  
Children's Message, or they may stay in the sanctuary with a parent.*

### OFFERTORY

*The offering plate will be passed in the open seating areas of the sanctuary only.  
Baskets for offerings will remain available at entrances into the sanctuary.*

**\*DOXOLOGY** #94

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!

### \*SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE

The Apostles Creed

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.

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**ANTHEM** *Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You* Jay Althouse

**SCRIPTURE** Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

**SERMON T** *The Grass Is Always Greener. . .* Rev. Penny Ford

**\*CLOSING HYMN** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* #140

### BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

Charlotte Grimsley, Acolyte

### TODAY: COLLEGE STUDENTS' LUNCH AT JIM 'N NICK'S

**Sunday, October 9:** All college students are invited to meet for lunch at Jim 'N Nick's immediately following the service. Contact Mason for information or for a ride: [mbmckibben@crimson.ua.edu](mailto:mbmckibben@crimson.ua.edu)

### STEWARDSHIP SEASON! RESET, RENEW, REJOICE!

**October 16:** Special guest preacher, Dr. Jackson Harris.

**October 23:** Outdoor service and playground dedication. Bring a lawn chair for worship. Please bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on, or you can participate in the service from your car.

**October 30:** Join us for inspiring worship followed by our Fall Festival outdoors with plenty of games for the kids including bouncy houses and a (mildly) haunted playground! Please bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on for the outdoor activities. RSVP for lunch by calling or emailing the church office by Monday, October 24th. In the event of inclement weather, activities and lunch will be moved to the Fellowship Hall.

### TRINITY CHOIR HAS RESUMED REHEARSALS

The Trinity Choir has resumed rehearsals on Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 pm. We'd love to have some new members. All are welcome!