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December 11, 5 pm Piano Carols by Candlelight with Dr. Kevin Chance.

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**December 18** "Twas the week before Christmas . . ." Service for all still stirring.

December 18, 5-8 pm Youth Christmas Party at the church, 5-8 pm. Saturday, December 24, 4:30-5:30 pm Come-and-Go Communion in the sanctuary.

**December 25** Casual, interactive, family-friendly service with lots of Christmas music. There will be no Sunday School or nursery.

January 1 New Year's Service with Dr. Clay Nelson, guest preacher.

January 8 Epiphany Service at 10:30 am.

# 2023 PLEDGES: FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thank you for your financial support of Trinity United Methodist Church. We appreciate the members and friends who have pledged their continued support for the upcoming year. We are short a few pledge cards from new and regular givers. Please consider making a commitment to the church by turning in an "estimate of giving" card, which can be amended by you at any time during the year. Knowing your financial intentions for Trinity makes it easier for our church to budget and plan for our needs and ministries in 2023. It is not too late to pledge your support for next year. There are "estimate of giving" cards available in the pews, and they can be placed in the offertory plates or mailed to the church office. Thank you for your faithful giving.

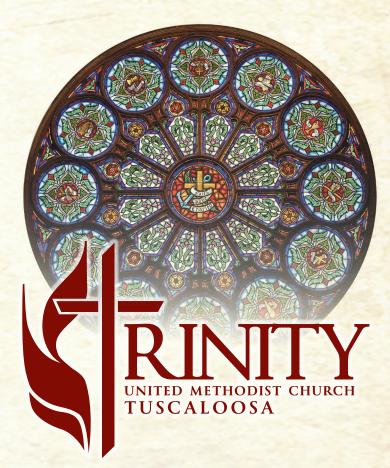
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Hanging of the Green November 27, 2022

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 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT HANGING OF THE GREEN: NOVEMBER 27, 2022

PRELUDE / GATHERING MUSIC

Myles Jordan

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Penny Ford

Because this is an active, family-oriented service, there will be no Children's Church today. However, nursery is available for newborns through age 3.

**COLORS OF ADVENT** 

Scott Grimsley

THE ADVENT WREATH

Rev. Penny Ford

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Ric and Tricia Turner

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus #196 (vv. 1-2)

As we sing together, the Turner family will light the Advent wreath.

Purple banners and cloths will be added.

HANGING OF THE GREEN

Scott Grimsley

\*HYMN

The First Noel

#245 (vv. 1-5)

During this hymn, volunteers will hang wreaths, and children will hang greenery on the pews.

\*GREETING ONE ANOTHER

Debbie Lane

**SCRIPTURE OF LIGHT** 

Debbie Lane

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES O Little Town of Bethlehem #230

During this hymn, volunteers will light the trees and the candles in the windows as a sign of the presence of Christ in our midst.

# PRAYERS AND THE 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.

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT** 

Story of the Poinsettias

Melanie O'Rear

\*PROCESSION OF THE POINSETTIAS

O Come, All Ye Faithful

#234 (vv. 1-6)

During this hymn, volunteers bring poinsettias to the front of the sanctuary.

**CHRISTMAS NATIVITY** 

Sandy Wilson

CHRISTMAS SCRIPTURE

Charlotte Grimsley

PROCESSION OF THE HOLY FAMILY Away in a Manger #217

Mary and Joseph: Renn Nelson and Clayton Cox

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Ric Turner

OFFERTORY Dr. Kevin Chance

\*DOXOLOGY (To the tune of *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.

# CHRISMON TREES

Ric Turner

# ADVENT COMMUNION

Rev. Penny Ford

After you have received Communion, please take a few Chrismon ornaments from the baskets and help us decorate the trees today.

# STORY OF SAINT NICHOLAS

Dean Townsley

\*HYMN

Angels We Have Heard on High

#238

# BENEDICTION

After the Benediction, please join us for cookies and milk with "St. Nicholas" on the front steps.

POSTLUDE Myles Jordan

\*Please stand as you are able.

# **COLLECTING TOYS FOR CHRISTMAS**

We are collecting toys and clothes during November for Tuscaloosa One Place's Christmas initiative. Please bring an unwrapped toy or clothing (especially jackets/coats!) for a child of any age, stocking stuffers or wrapping paper so parents can wrap presents themselves. Items for older children are always needed. people with need through DHR. Please bring pajamas and house shoes (L and XL), non-skid socks, unscented lotion and soap, Vaseline, toothbrush/toothpaste (no denture items) by December 9.

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### **NOVEMBER YOUTH ACTIVITIES**

November 27, 5:30-7:30: Game night at Trinity. Bring your board games!

# WELCOME, REV. SAVANNAH GROSS!

In January, Trinity will add a half-time Associate Pastor for six months as part of a district grant program. Savannah (who goes by "Savvy") will be living at Trinity and starting ministries specifically for people outside the congregation who have no contact with church. She will work with Penny and preach occasionally at Trinity as she continues to serve half-time as the pastor at Duncanville UMC. We are excited for her to join our staff at Trinity. Welcome, Savvy!