

SAVOR THE SEASON WITH TRINITY

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.

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!



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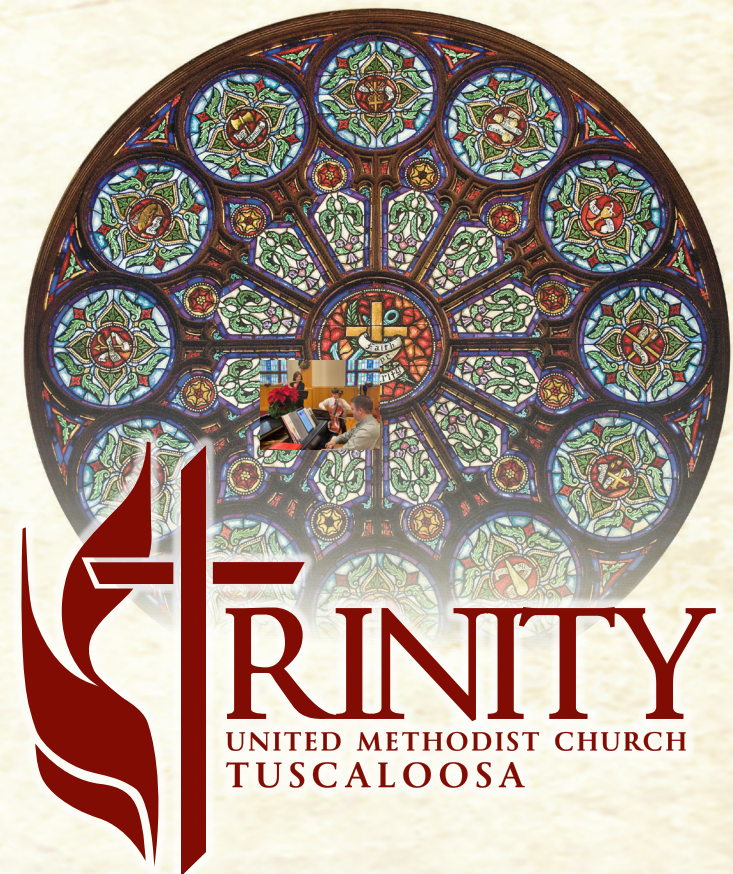
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*Children's Nativity
December 11, 2022*

***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.*

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
CHILDREN'S NATIVITY
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2022**

PRELUDE

Myles Jordan

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OPENING HYMN** *Angels from the Realms of Glory* #220

***LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE** The Gambrell family

The first candle of Advent is the candle of HOPE.

**We place our hope in Christ Jesus,
who gives us courage to face the future.**

The second candle of Advent is the candle of PEACE.

May the peace of Christ come into our troubled world.

Today we light the third candle of Advent, the candle of JOY.

May we know the deep joy of this holy season.

Thanks be to God who surprises us with hope, peace and joy.

May the Light of the World be born anew

In our hearts and in this world. Come, Lord Jesus!

BAPTISM OF JACKSON VAUGHN GAMBRELL, JR. *(Please see insert.)*

***GREETING ONE ANOTHER**

The children are dismissed to follow Ms. Cassandra to get into their costumes for our Nativity. All children are welcome! We have costumes for everyone.

CELEBRATING OUR STUDENTS

CALL TO PRAYER

Still
Trinity Choir

Kathleen Basi

PRAYERS / 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.

OFFERTORY

Dr. Kevin Chance

The offering plate will be passed in the open seating areas of the sanctuary only.

***DOXOLOGY** (To the tune of *Infant Holy*)

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.

CHILDREN'S NATIVITY

HYMNS

Away in a Manger

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the sky looked down where he lay,
the little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
but little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes;
I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky
and stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.

Silent Night, Holy Night

Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright
round yon virgin mother and child.

Holy infant, so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.
Silent night, holy night, wondrous star, lend thy light;
with the angels let us sing,
Alleluia to our King;
Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born!

BENEDICTION

Please join us outside on the lawn for refreshments, live animals, ornament making and tree decorating. There is also a special mini-stable where parents can take pictures of and with their children.

POSTLUDE

Myles Jordan

SPECIAL THANKS TO

Elaine and Truman Strickland for bringing their animals to share today; and
Cassandra Nelson, our Children's Minister, who coordinated the Nativity.

TODAY

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

NEXT WEEK

December 18 "Twas the week before Christmas . . ."

December 18, 5-8 pm Youth Christmas Party at the church, 5-8 pm.

CONGRATULATIONS, WILL MCLELLAND

Trinity congratulates Will McLelland on his graduation from the University of Alabama with a BA in Creative Media and a minor in Music. Will serves faithfully in our Media Ministry, and his labors are invaluable. Best wishes for the future, Will!

FAREWELL, JAMES BOWEN

Today we bid farewell to our intern James Bowen. James is leaving Trinity to concentrate on his degree program at the University of Alabama, and we wish him much success.