

## SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE

Have you ever noticed how many beautiful Affirmations of Faith there are in the back of our UMC hymnal? Some are centuries old, like the Apostles Creed (#881) and the Nicene Creed (#880). Others are more modern, like #883 from our friends in Canada. Still others are scripturally based like \*Affirmation From Romans" (#883). All are different expressions of our one faith in Jesus Christ, as proclaimed through the centuries and across the globe. We will be using some different affirmations of faith during Lent until Easter morning, when we will proclaim the Apostles Creed together again.

## WOMEN'S RETREAT

Mark your calendar for a TRINITY WOMEN'S RETREAT, March 3-5, 2023, in Mentone, AL (6139 AL Highway 117, Mentone, AL 35984). We'll stay at the Mentone Inn, which is within walking distance of shops and restaurants. Private or double rooms are approximately \$140/night (church groups get a 10% discount). There are 12 rooms, each with a private bathroom, and breakfast is included in the price. YOU CAN BOOK YOUR RESERVATION NOW on a first come, first served basis. Call Cynthia Stinson at 256-634-4836 and tell her you're with the Trinity group March 3-5, 2023. You can book one or two nights.

We do not have a specific theme, program or speaker. We mainly wanted to relax and get to know each other. If there is interest, we can book someone to lead us through a painting project (like we do at Canvas and Crafts). There is also a glass blowing ornament place in downtown Mentone. If enough people are interested in painting or glassblowing, we'll research prices and availability. We're all looking forward to being with one another!

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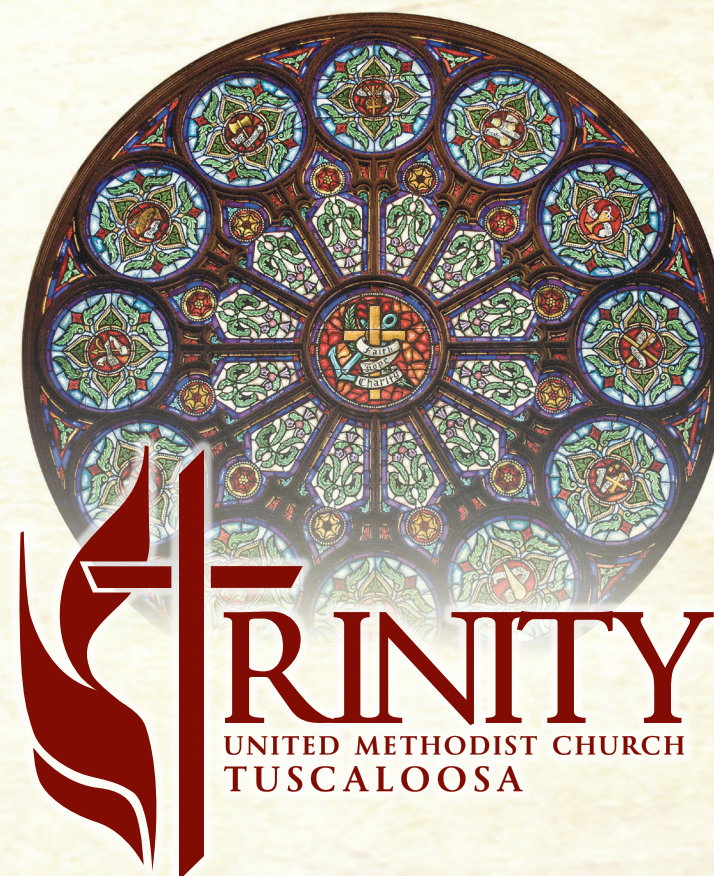
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*Transfiguration Sunday  
February 19, 2023*

***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.*



**TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 19, 2023**  
**TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**PRELUDE**

Myles Jordan

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Melanie O'Rear

*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**

O God, you summon the day to dawn,  
you teach the morning to waken the earth.

**Great is your name, great is your love.**

For you the valleys shall sing for joy.

The trees of the field shall clap their hands.

**Great is your name, great is your love.**

For you the monarchs of the earth shall bow,  
the poor and the persecuted shall shout for joy.

**Great is your name, great is your love.**

Your grace and mercy shall last forever,  
fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.

**Great is your name, great is your love.**

**\*HYMN**

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

#127

**\*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**

*Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus*

#349

**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!)**

Rev. Savannah Gross

*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**

**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**

#883 Revised

We are not alone,  
we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus,

the Word made flesh,

to reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others

by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence,

to live with respect in Creation,

to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,

our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God!

**ANTHEM**

*Draw the Circle Wide*

Mark Miller

**SCRIPTURE**

Luke 7:36-50

**SERMON**

*Teddy Bear Banditry*

Rev. Savannah Gross

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

*Majesty, Worship His Majesty*

#176

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

Myles Jordan

**EARLY SPRING MISSIONS PROJECT IN A HURRY!**

From February 19 through March 12, we will collect the following items for the Tuscaloosa's One Place Job Readiness hygiene drive: body lotion, brushes/combs, dental floss, cotton balls, cotton swabs, deodorant, hand sanitizer, toothbrushes/toothpaste, hair care products for all hair types and soap (face and body). Everything must be new and in original packaging. Please leave items in the baskets in the back of the sanctuary on the tables.

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE**

The Christian season of LENT begins soon. Lent is a time of reflection and repentance as we prepare for Easter. We will have an Ash Wednesday Service on February 22 at 6 pm in the sanctuary.

During Lent, we partner with other local churches for Tuesday Lenten Lunches, rotating the location and speaker. Trinity will host on Tuesday, March 28. Please contact Penny if you can help. We need folks to host and greet, and people who will make a pot of soup to share.