

### 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" (#887). 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.

### TRINITY 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, AL 35401. You can also donate to Trinity through PayPal at

<http://paypal.me/TrinityMethodistTusc>

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. Thank you for your generosity throughout the year!

### THANK YOU, TRINITY FROM TUSCALOOSA'S ONE PLACE

As usual, Trinity's generosity was awesome! We provided an impressive amount of hygiene products for the Job Readiness Hygiene & Clothing Giveaway at Jaycee Park on Wednesday, March 29. It begins at 10 am on a first-come, first-served basis. What a great way to help our community.

### MEMORIAL GIFT

Trinity received a gift in memory of

**Charlotte Tucker**

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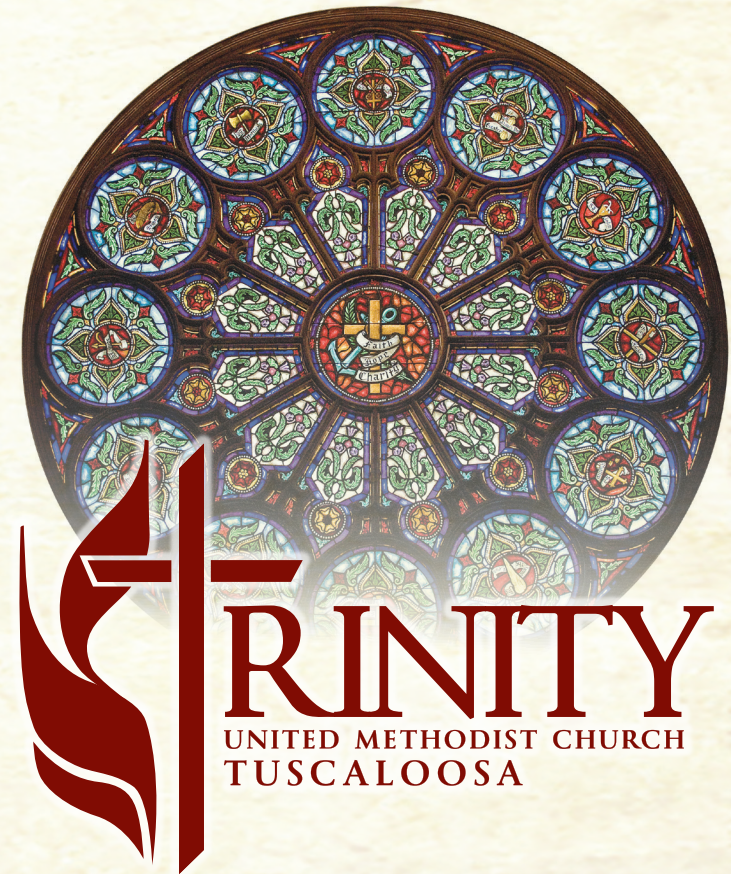
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***Fourth Sunday in Lent  
March 19, 2023***

***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.*



**FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**MARCH 19, 2023**  
**TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**PRELUDE**

Myles Jordan

**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.*

**I LOVE TRINITY BUILDING CAMPAIGN**

Jack Saraceno

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rev. Savannah Gross

*Adapted from Psalm 46*

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.  
Though the earth gives way,  
**though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,**  
**Though its waters roar and foam, we will not fear.**

There is a river whose waters make glad the city of God,  
The holy place where the Most High lives.

**God is in the center of her; she shall not be moved.**  
**God will help her when morning dawns.**

“Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations,  
I will be exalted in the earth!”

**The Lord of all is with us;**  
**The God of Jacob is our fortress.**

**\*HYMN**

*I Sing the Almighty Power of God*

#152

**\*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**

*Open My Eyes, That I May See*

#454

**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**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

#95

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*A PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR LENT**

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**Most merciful God,**  
**we confess that we have sinned against you**  
**in thought, word, and deed,**  
**by what we have done,**  
**and by what we have left undone.**  
**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**  
**we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**  
**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**  
**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,**  
**have mercy on us and forgive us;**  
**that we may delight in your will,**  
**and walk in your ways,**  
**to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*All pray in silence.*

Almighty God have mercy on you,  
forgive all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
strengthen you in all goodness,  
and by the power of the Holy Spirit  
keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE**

1 Kings 19:9-18

**SERMON**

*Convos with the Creator*

Rev. Savannah Gross

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

*Savior, Like a Shepherd, Lead Us*

#381

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

Myles Jordan

**YOUTH ACTIVITIES**

**March 26:** Youth cookout at Clay's, 5:30-8 pm

**April 2:** Youth egg hunt at Trinity, 5:30-7:30 pm

**TUESDAY LENTEN LUNCHES**

During Lent, we partner with other local churches for Tuesday Lenten Lunches, rotating the location and speaker. The schedule is listed on your bulletin insert. 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.