

## TRINITY CALENDAR

**TODAY:** Youth will meet at 2 pm at Upsurge Trampoline Park, 6200 McFarland Blvd E, Tuscaloosa, AL 35405.

**Tuesday-Wednesday, August 22-23:** Trinity will host Red Cross drives in the Fellowship Hall, 9:30 am-2:30 pm. If you'd like to be a donor, please call the church office to register: 205-759-4206.

**Sunday, September 10:** Children's Promotion Sunday / Sunday School Kickoff. We will celebrate our children in worship as we resume Children's Sunday School and nursery. Children will receive age-appropriate Bibles and a special surprise! And there may be a special surprise for the Youth as well! Join us September 10 at 10:30 am for worship and Children's Church.

**Friday, September 29:** Parent's Night Out, 5:30 pm-8 pm. Crafts, games, movies and pizza for ages 0-5th grade. Registration required by September 21. Email [childrenscoordinatorTUMC@gmail.com](mailto:childrenscoordinatorTUMC@gmail.com) or call 205-826-6627. Limited spaces are available.

## WEEKLY EVENTS

**Taco Tuesdays:** Trinity women meet for tacos and fellowship, 4:45 pm on Tuesdays at Jalapeños Mexican Grill, 1845 New Watermelon Road, Tuscaloosa, AL 35406.

**Starbucks Sundays:** Young parents, couples and singles meet at 9:30 am at the Starbucks next to Trinity (807 Paul W. Bryant Drive).

## 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 Paul W. 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!

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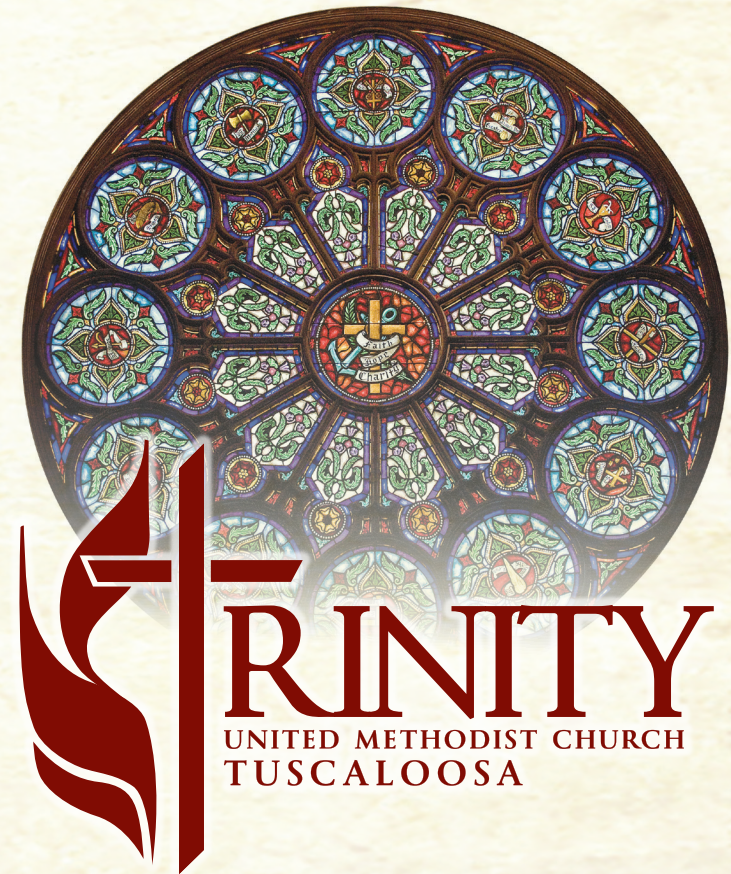
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*Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 20, 2023*

***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.*



**TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
AUGUST 20, 2023  
TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**PRELUDE**

Dr. Kevin Chance

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MISSIONS MOMENT**

Sandy Wilson

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come, all you people! Come from the east and west, north and south!

**Come across bridges, come across state lines, come by foot, car or bike!**

Come meet on holy ground as we pray to God who is always with us.

**Gracious God, be with us as we begin a new school year.**

**Give us the hunger to learn and the courage to grow.**

Help us to step out in faith. Amen.

**\*HYMN**

*Standing on the Promises*

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**\*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** *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

#526

**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!)**

Jessica Wyatt

*Children ages 4-8 are welcome to go to Children's Church after the*

*Children's Message, and children ages 0-3 are welcome in our  
Nursery. Children may also 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!

**SCRIPTURE**

Matthew 15:10-28

**SERMON**

*From the Inside Out*

Rev. Penny Ford

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

*Freely, Freely*

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**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

Dr. Kevin Chance

**SEPTEMBER 10: SUNDAY SCHOOL KICKOFF**

Invite a friend to Sunday School on September 10. During worship, we'll celebrate our children by handing out age-appropriate Bibles and a special gift. We'll even have a little something for the youth!

**TRINITY SERVES**

Thanks Trinity! It might not be easy to shop for blankets or dig them out of the closet, in August, but we collected 23 blankets for the UA REACH Program! Since we thought blankets in July, let's start thinking about Christmas in September! We will be collecting items for seniors served by DHR's Adult Protective Services and items for Tuscaloosa's One Place for children and adolescents.

**CONGRATULATIONS, REV. SAVANNAH GROSS**

Congratulations to Rev. Savannah Gross, who began serving as a hospital chaplain at Princeton Baptist Medical Center in Birmingham this past week. She will continue to minister at Trinity one-quarter time, returning to preach once a month and to serve as needed on the weekends. We are proud of her and wish her the best!