

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!

GOODBYE

We have been blessed by having **Myles Jordan** as our assistant pianist for the past two years. Myles is returning to his hometown of Montgomery and will continue his studies there. Myles, we wish you all the best in the future.

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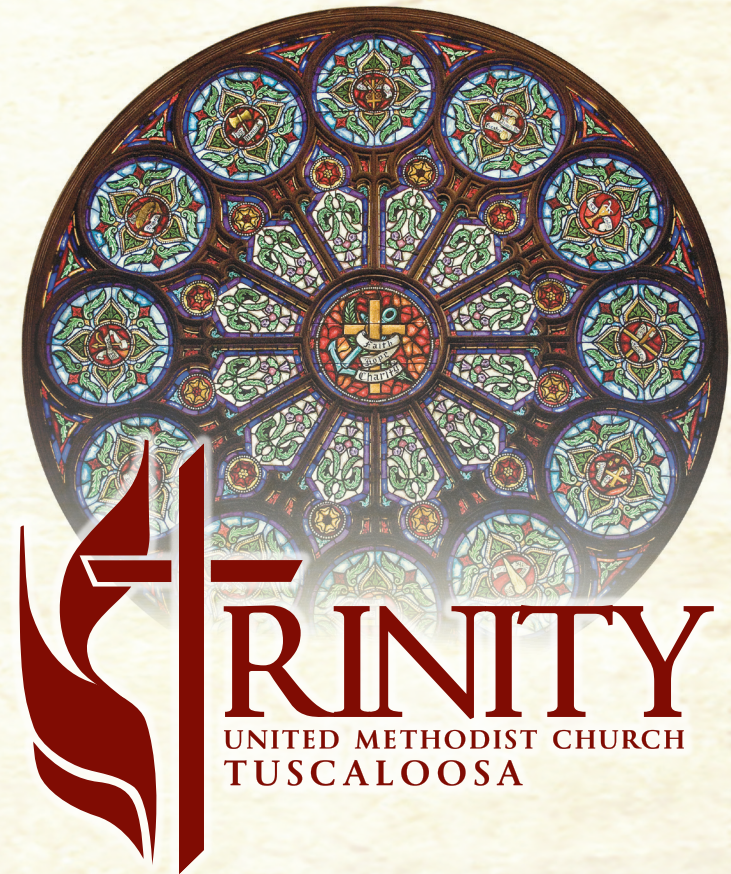
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*Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
July 30, 2023*

***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.*

**NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 30, 2023
TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

PRELUDE

Chang Miao

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rev. Savannah Gross

Psalm 119; 2 Timothy 3-4

Lord, your words are sweet to the taste,
sweeter than honey;

let them be our daily meditation and our study.

Give us ears to hear,

for we marvel at your instruction.

Train us in righteousness,

grant us patience and persistence,

and equip us for every good work.

Inspire our faith,

and give us voices to proclaim your message.

Guide our feet,

keep us from every false way,

for you alone speak the words of life. Amen.

***HYMN**

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

#117

***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

Seek Ye First

#405

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**

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic** church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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SCRIPTURE

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

SERMON

Bite-Sized Kingdom Nuggets

Rev. Penny Ford

***CLOSING HYMN**

Pass It On

#572

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Chang Miao

GUEST ARTIST

Please welcome our guest pianist Chang Miao, a DMA student at the University of Alabama, where she is the student of Dr. Kevin Chance. She recently was awarded the top prize in the Alabama Music Teachers Association Collegiate Solo Competition, and she holds an assistantship accompanying in the Opera and Voice Departments at UA.

TRINITY CALENDAR

Saturday, August 5: Youth night at Trinity, 5-8 pm.

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

Taco Tuesdays: Trinity women meet for tacos and fellowship at 5 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 at the Starbucks next to Trinity.

BLANKETS NEEDED

Please bring new or gently used blankets to be distributed to UA students in the Reach Program. You can leave them in the rear of the sanctuary near the artwork.