

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

November 5: All Saints Day. We will celebrate the saints who have gone before us in this powerful service of remembrance.

November 12: We welcome guest preacher Rev. Vicki Cater, District Superintendent of the Southwest District. Immediately following the service, we will have a brief Charge Conference meeting to elect officers for 2024.

WEEKLY EVENTS

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

Starbucks Sundays: The Starbucks Sunday School group will meet Sundays at 9:30 am in the Funset/Sunset room (the small kitchen at Trinity) for coffee, muffins and fellowship. (Starbucks is way too crowded these days!) Young parents, singles, couples, students, and guests are all welcome to drop in!

MISSIONS MOMENT

Don't put up your tree yet, but Christmas is coming! Trinity will once again collect items for Tuscaloosa's One Place's children's Christmas gift project and for DHR's Adult Protective Service project. So, start thinking of toys and clothing for children (jackets for adolescents are a special need); and adult large and X-large pajamas, non-skid slippers and socks, Vaseline, and unscented lotions for seniors. Sales will start soon, and we can take advantage of them.

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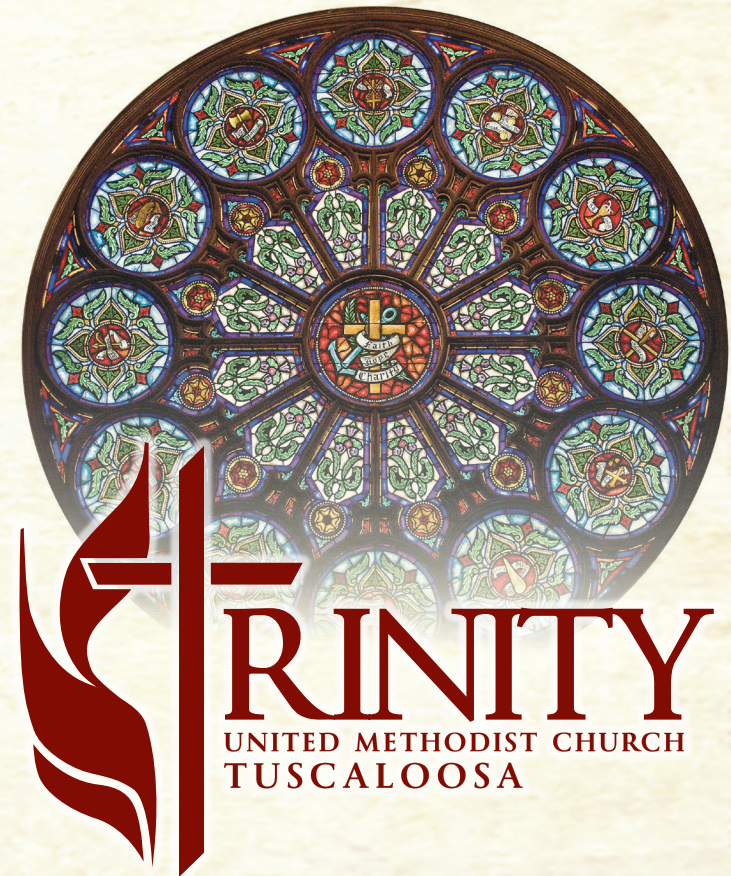
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*Stewardship Celebration
October 29, 2023*

***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.*

STEWARDSHIP CELEBRATION
OCTOBER 29, 2023
TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

PRELUDE Anthony Zamora

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Penny Ford

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Rev. Savannah Gross

Creator of all, the earth is yours, the world and all who live in it.

**You have entrusted us with gifts--time, talent, energy, money--
and asked us to use them to build your kingdom.**

With thanks and praise we respond to your call.

On this Stewardship Sunday, we bring the gifts you have given us, returning your generosity, paying it forward.

**We thank you for all we have received,
for all we have been inspired to be,
for all we are challenged to become, in this place.**

We ask your blessing on Trinity United Methodist, your church,
as we seek to follow you with heart, mind and soul.

**Lead our church; Teach us to be part of your kingdom building on
earth.**

Let us worship God with a grateful heart. **Amen.**

***HYMN** *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* #154, vv. 1-4

***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.*

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT Carey Grimsley

CALL TO PRAYER *Take My Life, and Let It Be* #399

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.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (for children of all ages!) Jessica Wyatt

*Children ages 4-8 are welcome to go to Children's Church,
and children ages 0-3 are welcome in our Nursery.
Children may also stay in the sanctuary with a parent.*

OFFERTORY

*With a grateful heart, we offer our gifts to God. Trinity members and
friends, please place your 2024 Pledge Card in the offering plate.*

***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

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. **Amen.**

ANTHEM *Sing a Joyful Psalm* Joseph M. Martin

DEDICATION OF OUR PLEDGES (UNISON)

Accept, O God, these tokens of our love--the pledges and gifts we bring forward today. These pledge cards represent our sweat, they represent our lives, they represent our dreams. Today we renew our commitment to share your grace in this world, to love and serve wherever you call. Through you, may our gifts multiply in faith, hope, and love. **Amen**

SCRIPTURE Thessalonians 5:16; Philippians 4:6-7

SERMON *My Grateful Heart* Melanie O'Rear

***CLOSING HYMN** *Here I Am, Lord* #593

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Anthony Zamora

Today:

A GRATEFUL HEART

Church-Wide Potluck and Fall Festival

Join us today for Potluck and Fall Festival immediately following the service. It's a big Sunday to celebrate what God is doing through Trinity! After lunch, kids and families can enjoy our Fall Festival outdoors (weather permitting) with games and bouncy houses.