

**TODAY:
CINCO DE MAYO YOUTH EVENT**

Youth will meet immediately after today's worship service for a *Cinco de Mayo* lunch and games at the church! Grades 6-12 are welcome.

THIS WEEK

Taco Tuesdays: Trinity women meet Tuesdays at 5:00 pm for tacos and fellowship at Jalapeños Mexican Grill, 1845 New Watermelon Road. Text Rev. Penny Ford for more information.

SPRING AND SUMMER AT TRINITY

Sunday, May 12: Mother's Day

Saturday, May 18, or Sunday, May 19 (TBD): Youth event

Sunday, May 26: Water Night for children and families, 5-7 pm

Saturday, June 8: Men's Night at Top Golf (time TBD)

Sunday, June 23: Friends and Family Day after church

Saturday, July 6: Men's Bowling (time TBD)

Saturday, July 13: Vacation Bible School, 9 am-12:30 pm. Our theme will be Joseph and the Coat of Many Colors

Saturday, August 10: Back-to-School Community/Church Event

PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

The Pastor's Discretionary Fund is reserved for persons with urgent need and is dispersed at the minister's discretion. Currently, the Fund is completely depleted. If you wish to donate to this emergency reserve, you can do so by check or PayPal at <http://paypal.me/TrinityMethodistTusc>

Please note that PayPal charges a small fee (2.9%). Be sure that your donation is marked "Pastor's Discretionary Fund." Thank you for your generosity in supporting Trinity's ministries.

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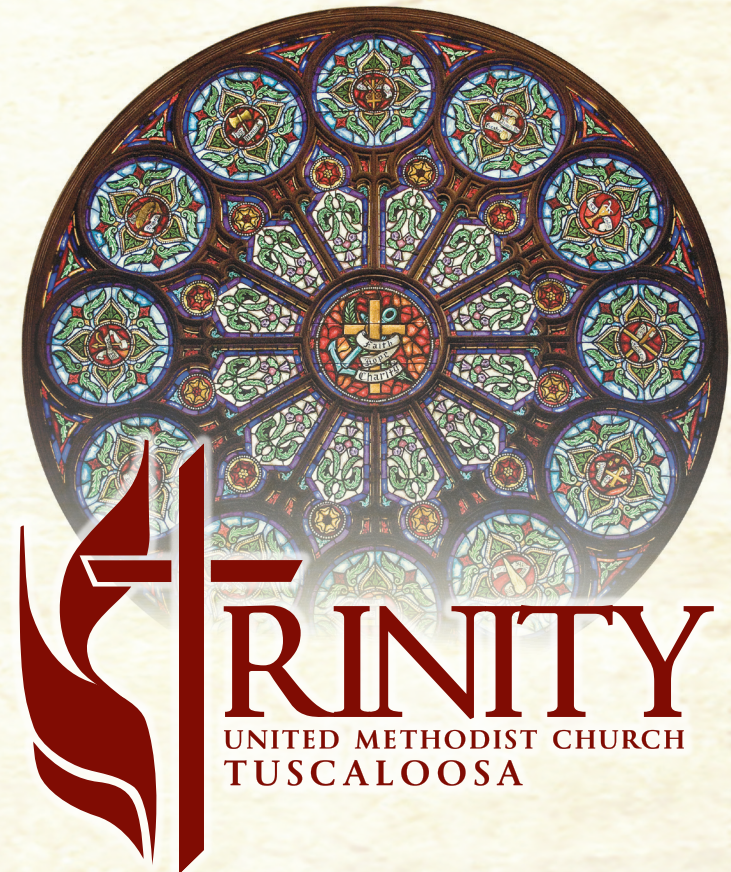
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*Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 5, 2024*

*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.*

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 5, 2024
TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

PRELUDE

Yongtong Tan

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Jackson Harris

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

God of Hope, we come into your presence this morning with confidence that you will meet us here.

Where there is sadness, bring joy;

Where there is tiredness, bring refreshment;

Where there is apathy, wake us up.

Where hearts are hard, soften us.

Where there is despair, bring a renewed sense of hope.

Let this place be a sanctuary, a safe haven,

A place to renew our hearts and feed our souls.

And being renewed by the Holy Spirit,

Send us out to love and serve

In the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

***HYMN**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

#400

***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.

UMC GENERAL CONFERENCE UPDATE

Rev. Penny Ford

CALL TO PRAYER

Blessed Assurance

#369

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!)

William Hackett

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**

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.

**living; **universal*

SCRIPTURE

Romans 5:1-8

SERMON

Hope Is the Thing with Feathers... and Claws Rev. Penny Ford

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (COMMUNION)

#13

Everyone is welcome at the table! This includes children, youth, adults and people of any denomination or no denomination. May we know the grace and love of Jesus Christ in the breaking of the bread and sharing of the cup.

***CLOSING HYMN**

I Come with Joy

#617 (vv. 1 and 5 only)

POSTLUDE

Yongtong Tan

GUEST ARTIST

Today we welcome guest pianist **Yongtong Tan**. She is currently a DMA student at the University of Alabama in the studio of Dr. Kevin Chance.

NEW CHILDREN'S COORDINATOR

Please extend a warm welcome to our new Children's Coordinator, **Mr. William Hackett**, a third-generation Pentecostal Pastor and ordained Elder who moved to Tuscaloosa from New York. He has many years of experience as a pastor, mentor and educator of children from diverse faith backgrounds. We are grateful that William brings his many gifts and experiences in children's ministry to Trinity.