WELCOME TO TRINITY!

We're glad you are with us this morning!

HOW CAN I CONNECT AT TRINITY?

We have a variety of Sunday School classes for all ages Sundays at 9:30 am. In addition, there is a Taco Tuesday Women's group, a college group called Elevate, a missions team and a great choir ready to welcome you! Please fill out the guest card found in the pew in front of you and put it in the offering plate. We will be in touch soon and can help point you in the right direction.

WHERE ARE THE RESTROOMS?

Men's and women's restrooms are on the lower level at the bases of the steps on either side of the narthex (back of the Sanctuary). There is also a family restroom on the main level in the area behind the choir loft (front of the Sanctuary).

IS THE CHURCH ACCESSIBLE TO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES?

The elevator in the Education wing accesses all levels of the church: the Sanctuary, the Fellowship Hall and all the Sunday School rooms. Accessible parking spaces are in the alley behind the church, nearest to the elevators. Listening devices are available to anyone with a hearing impairment. Devices are in the Narthex, or you may ask any usher to find one for you.

WHERE IS THE NURSERY?

Each Sunday morning during Sunday School and Worship, children from newborn-age 3 find a nurturing, safe, friendly environment in our nursery. It is located near the elevator on the education level. Exit the front of the Sanctuary on the left side and go down the stairs. After the Children's Moment, we offer Children's Church for kids K-2nd grade. You are welcome to have your children participate, or keep them with you in worship!

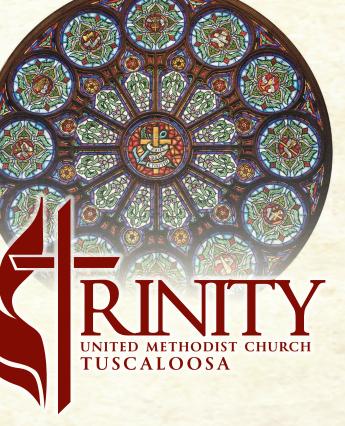
CHURCH PARKING

What do the "reserved" parking places mean? Church parking for our services and activities is always FREE, and the whole lot is available. No spaces are reserved for church functions like worship. We offer reserved spaces for weekday parking and football parking, with the proceeds going towards our budget. If you'd like to be on the waiting list for weekday or football parking please email office@trinityumc.info

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Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost August 18, 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.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 18, 2024 TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

PRELUDE

Dr. Kevin Chance

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God, you are doing a new thing this season! We are excited and nervous about what is to come.

You have led us to this place.

To this church that is united by the love of Christ.

Yet the church is diverse, with people from many different places and perspectives.

We are people with differences who come together for one common purpose.

To love God with our heart, soul, mind and strength. And to love our neighbors, just as Christ loves us.

We begin the school year together, united by the love of Christ. God welcomes us all to this time and place!

*HYMN Now Thank We All Our God

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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 PRAYERTake Time to Be Holy

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

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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!

***SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE**

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.

SCRIPTURE

SERMON *CLOSING HYMN POSTLUDE Ephesians 5:15-20 Rev. Penny Ford #451 Dr. Kevin Chance

TRINITY CALENDAR AUGUST

The Life We Live

Be Thou My Vision

Elevate college ministry at Trinity will begin soon. Email Rev.Penny Ford (revpennyford@gmail.com) or Mason McKibben (mbmckibben@crimson. ua.edu) for more information.

Tuesday, August 20: Taco Tuesday! Trinity women will meet at 5 pm for food and fellowship at Billy's Sports Grill, 430 Main Avenue, Northport, AL 35476.

Sunday, August 25: Join us for a baby shower for Ja'Kaylah Blackmon, who is expecting a boy! We will meet in the Parlor/ Funset/Sunset room at 9:30 am. Feel free to pop in or stay the entire hour. She's registered at https://my.babylist.com/ja-kaylah-blackmon.

Sunday, August 25: The Finance Committee will meet at 4 pm.

SEPTEMBER

Sunday, September 15: Potluck/Back-to-School celebration.

Saturday, September 21: UMC North Alabama Conference Workshop in Fellowship Hall.

MISSION TRIP TO AFRICA

Our Children's Coordinator, William Hackett, has been blessed with an opportunity to participate in a month-long (August 2-September 1) mission trip to Nairobi, Kenya. William has been asked to preach a 13 day-revival and supervise a week-long Vacation Bible School. William and his mother, Evangelist Mamiett Tucker, will also participate in building an orphanage and library in a nearby village. William asks that his Trinity family keep him and his mother in their prayers as they undertake their mission.