

**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-2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto:office@trinityumc.info)

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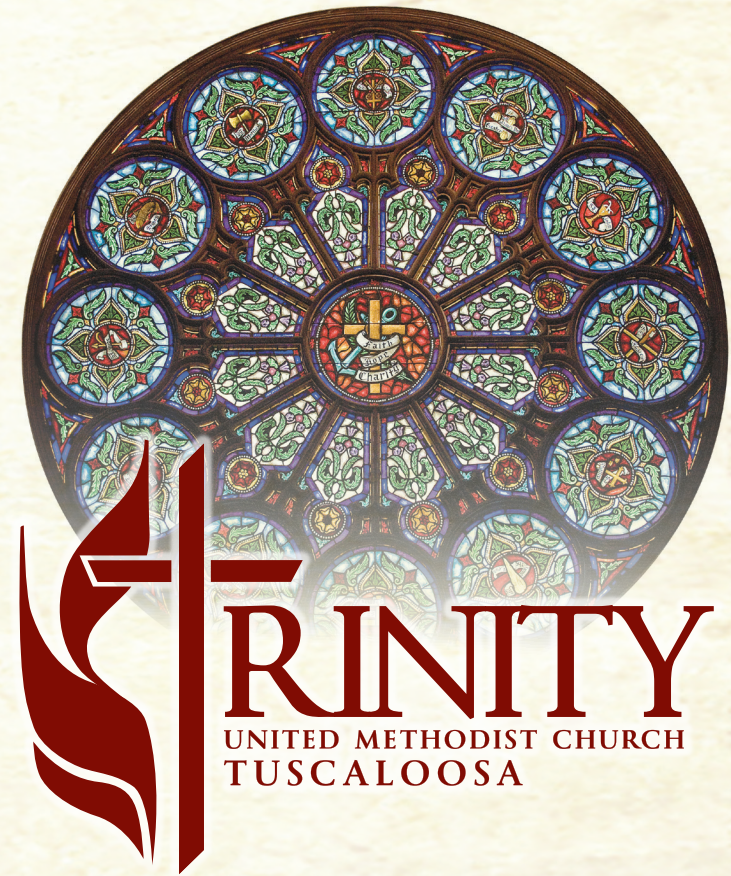
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*Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 1, 2024*

*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.*



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
SEPTEMBER 1, 2024  
TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

PRELUDE Anthony Zamora

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Penny Ford

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Debbie Lane

Welcome, friends, to this time of worship.

**We come seeking God who has brought us to this place.**

We are so busy this week, with so many things to accomplish!

**Sometimes we rush through life and miss the most important parts.**

This morning we pause to remember that every day, God surprises us on our way.

**We open our hearts to God's grace and presence.**

We open our hands to serve and to help.

**We come ready to receive the bread and the cup.**

Let us worship together and see what surprises God has in store for us.

**Thank you God, for this promise of this new day! Amen.**

\*HYMN *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* #140

\*GREETING ONE ANOTHER

*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 *Fairest Lord Jesus* #189, vv. 1-2

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!) Cassandra Nelson

*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*

ANTHEM *Amazing Grace* Sandra Eithun

SCRIPTURE Luke 24:13-33a

DEVOTIONAL *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way...* 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. We use non-alcoholic juice for Communion.*

\*CLOSING HYMN *The Gift of Love* #408

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Anthony Zamora

TRINITY CALENDAR

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.

**Monday, September 2:** Labor Day. The church office will be closed.

**Tuesday, September 3:** Taco Tuesday! Trinity women will meet at 5 pm for food and fellowship at Billy's Sports Grill, 430 Main Avenue, Northport, AL 35476.

**Wednesday, September 4:** Trinity Choir rehearses 6-7 pm on Wednesdays. The choir meets at 10 am on Sundays.

**Monday, September 9:** Trustees Committee will meet at 5:30 pm in the Funset/Sunset room.

**Sunday, September 15:** Churchwide potluck. Bring a side or dessert to share. We'll provide the meat and drinks. All are welcome!