## **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

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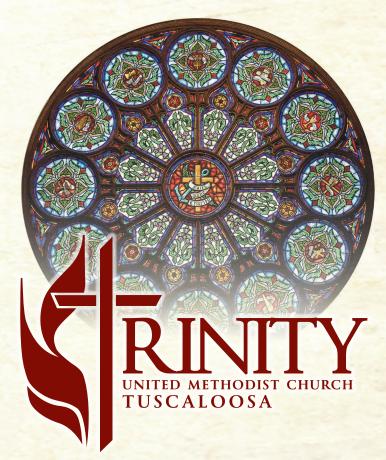
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Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 22, 2024

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.

# EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST **SEPTEMBER 22, 2024** TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**PRELUDE** Anthony Zamora

# WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Children of God: welcome!

Welcome to this place of love and grace, Welcome to this place of hope and perseverance.

God invites all of us to be a part of the beloved community,

God invites all of us to share in the good news:

We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.

In gratitude for all of this, let us worship God together.

\*HYMN Blessed Assurance #369

## \*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

Jesus Loves Me

#191

## 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

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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! 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** Kyrie Ruth Elaine Schram **SCRIPTURE** Mark 9:30-37

The Great and Powerful **SERMON** Rev. Penny Ford Lord, I Want to be a Christian \*CLOSING HYMN #402

BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** Anthony Zamora

# TRINITY CALENDAR

Tuesday, September 24: Taco Tuesday at Red Bowl (311 Merchants Walk), which has both a Mexican and Asian menu. All women are welcome for dinner and fellowship!

Wednesday, September 25: Come join the choir on Wednesday at 6 pm. All are welcome! It's a great place to make friends while making a joyful noise. If you want more information, email k.t.chance@gmail.com. No auditions necessary!

Thursday, September 26: College students' Bible Study at 7 pm in the small kitchen (aka The Funset-Sunset Room).

Sunday, October 6: College students' lunch after worship service. Trinity's treat. Location TBD.

Saturday, November 2: The second of two I Love Trinity! workdays to finish the list of beautification tasks. The workday begins at 8 am. Dean Townsley will be in charge of this workday.

Sunday, November 10: Please join us for an unforgettable morning as we celebrate the 75th Anniversary of Trinity's beautiful sanctuary! After worship, be our guest for a potluck feast of bar-b-que and homemade sides in the Fellowship Hall.