## WELCOME TO TRINITY!

If you are a visitor, please fill out a welcome card found in the pew in front of you. We'd love to get to know you better!

**ACCESSIBILITY:** The elevator in the Education wing accesses all levels of the building. Accessible parking is available in the alley behind the church. A family restroom is located in the hallway behind the sanctuary.

**NURSERY:** Our nursery for ages newborn-age 3 is on the Education level.

## WHY DO OUR PARKING PLACES SAY "RESERVED"?

ALL parking is FREE and UNRESERVED during services and church activities. Reserved spaces are for weekday and football parking, with proceeds supporting our budget. Email the church office to join the waiting list for weekday or football parking.

## **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES:**

Sundays at 9:30 am we have Sunday School classes for all ages! Tuesdays at 5 pm: Trinity women meet for Taco Tuesday at Red Bowl (311 Merchants Walk).

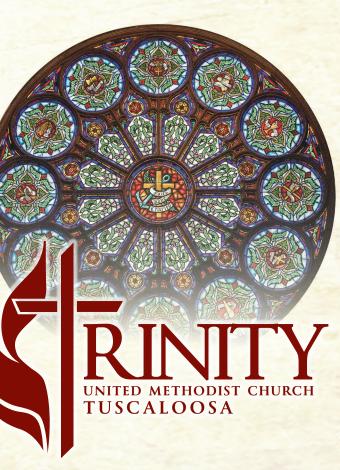
Wednesdays at 6 pm: All are welcome to join the choir! If you want more information, email k.t.chance@gmail.com.

**Thursdays at 7 pm:** Trinity's college Bible study meets in the Funset-Sunset Room. Email Madesyn at maddy8254@yahoo.com for more information. We'll resume December 5.

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# Thanksgiving November 24, 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.

## THANKSGIVING **NOVEMBER 24, 2024 TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** 

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise! For the Lord is a great God,

and a great King above all gods.

In God's hand are the depths of the earth;

the heights of the mountains belong to God.

The sea also belongs to God who made it, whose hands formed the dry land.

Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

For the Lord is our God,

and we are the people of God's pasture, the sheep of God's hand.

\*HYMN

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

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## **\*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 Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

## **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**

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		
SERMON	Thanksgiving	Rev. Penny Ford
*CLOSING HYMN	Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus	#140
POSTLUDE		Dr. Kevin Chance

#### TODAY

Please plan to stay after the service on today to help us get out our Christmas and Advent decorations out of the attic! Just 30 minutes with a big crew will help us get everything ready for the Hanging of the Greens service on December 1.

## **DECEMBER 1**

Hanging of the Greens, 10:30 am. In this interactive service, we'll learn about Christmas symbols and traditions as we decorate the sanctuary.

Piano Carols by Candlelight, 5 pm. This candlelight concert offers a time of quiet meditation with Dr. Kevin Chance. Come savor the beauty of the season in this sublime setting.

## CHRISTMAS MISSIONS

We are collecting Christmas gifts for children and adults during the month of November. Some suggested items for adults are pajamas, pajama pants (L or XL), blankets or throws, Depends, unscented lotions, nonslip house shoes and gloves. Possible gifts for children are toys, sports equipment, jackets and coats. Please consider giving some items appropriate for older children and teens. Tables will be set up in the back of the sanctuary for you on which to place the items. Monetary donations are also welcomed. Please earmark them for Missions.

## **PLEDGE CARDS**

We're so grateful for everyone who's a part of our church family. Your pledge helps us keep our programs, worship, and community outreach going strong. If you haven't already, please take a moment to fill out your stewardship pledge card and drop it in the offering plate as it comes by. Thank you for helping us plan for the future!

## PASTOR AND STAFF CHRISTMAS GIFTS

At this time of the year, we want to show our gratitude for our Pastor and our staff for all they do for our church. If you would like to make a contribution, please mail your gift to the church office (729 Paul Bryant Drive, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401) or place in the offering plate by December 8. Checks should be made payable to Trinity UMC and marked Pastor/Staff Gift Fund.

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Dr. Kevin Chance

Debbie Lane

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