### 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!

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

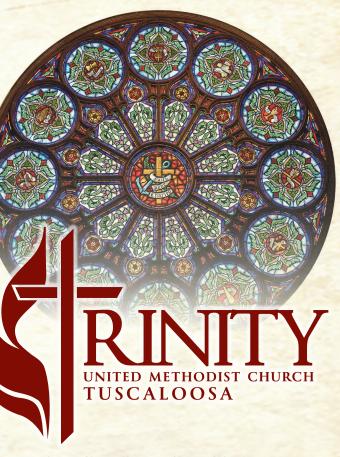
Thursdays at 7 pm: Trinity's College Bible study will resume in January.

## 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!

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First Sunday after Christmas December 29, 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.

## FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DECEMBER 29, 2024 TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## PRELUDE

Dr. Kevin Chance

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

God, thank you for a new year.

May we be willing to begin anew with a clean slate.

We know that you are always ready to forgive us.

Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and one another.

As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do.

Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past,

so that we might live in peace with you and one another now, and pursue your justice and compassion one day at a time. Amen.

**\*HYMN** There's a Song in the Air #249

## **\*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 PRAYERWhat Child Is This?#219

## **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.

## **CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

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**

Dr. Kevin Chance

As the offering plate is passed, you may put in contributions, prayer cards or visitor cards as you wish.

## **\*DOXOLOGY** (To the tune of *Infant Holy*)

Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to Christ the Son, Glory to the Holy Spirit, Glory to the Three-in-One. Here we offer to you gladly all the gifts that you impart, As we glory in your Presence, Giving from a grateful heart.

## **\*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		Colossians 3:12-17
SERMON	Dressed for the New Year	Rev. Penny Ford
*HYMN	Angels We Have Heard on High	#251
BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE		Dr. Kevin Chance
*Please stand as you are able.		

## **MISSIONS COMMITTEE**

Thank you all for your generosity in bringing items and contributing to Tuscaloosa's One Place Holiday Heart Program for children and to DHR Adults. Your gifts are greatly appreciated.

The Missions Committee will meet in the Library on Sunday, January 5, immediately after the worship service to discuss Trinity's involvement in the Soup Bowl during 2025.

On Wednesday, January 29, Trinity will prepare and serve lunch to about 150-175 people at the East Tuscaloosa Community Soup Bowl, located at Druid Hills UMC, 4001 University Boulevard East, Tuscaloosa, AL 35404. If you'd like to help, please contact Beth Sherrill or call the church office at 205-759-4206.

#### YOUNG PROFESSIONALS DINNER

On Thursday, January 9, 6-8 pm, Trinity's Young Professionals will meet at the church for dinner and fellowship. If you are a professional in your 20s or 30s, please come join us. RSVP the church office: office@trinityumc.info or 205-759-4206.

#### THANK YOU FROM THE PASTOR AND STAFF

Thank you for the generous gift to us this Christmas! We are thankful to be in a congregation filled with grace and compassion; It is an honor to serve here with you. Thank you for thinking of us all this season, and for your support throughout the year.