

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 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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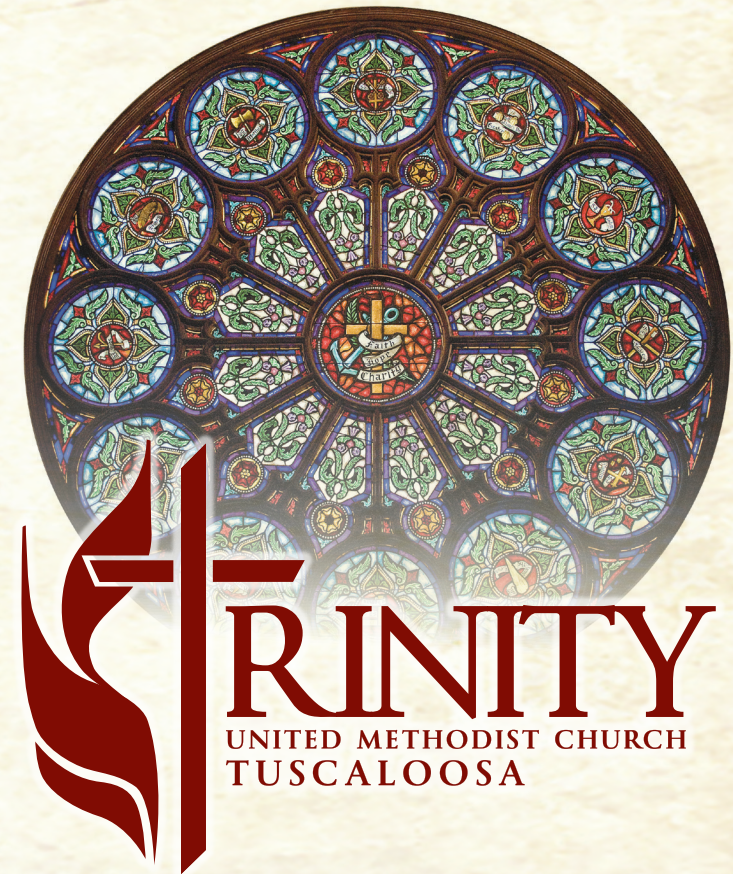
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*Second Sunday of Advent
December 8, 2024*

*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.*

LESSONS AND CAROLS
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT: DECEMBER 8, 2024
TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

PRELUDE Anthony Zamora

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Penny Ford

***LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE OF PEACE** Hopson Family
 Last week we lit the candle of hope. Today we light the candle of peace.

***HYMN** *Once in Royal David's City* #250

FIRST LESSON Genesis 3:8-15; 17-19
 God announces in the Garden of Eden Adam and Eve's punishment for their rebellion and that the seed of woman shall bruise the serpent's head.

CAROL *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* Natalie Sleeth
 Trinity Choir

SECOND LESSON Isaiah 9:2,6-7
 The prophet announces the birth of a king to a people in darkness.

CAROL *Creation Will Be at Peace* Anna Laura Page
 Trinity Choir

THIRD LESSON Isaiah 11:1-4a, 6-9
 The king is coming and will usher in a reign of justice for the poor and peace for all of God's creation.

CAROL *O Little Town of Bethlehem* Dan Forrest
 Trinity Choir
 Eli Sivel, Oboe

CHILDREN'S MOMENT William Hackett

OFFERTORY PRAYER
*At this time, children ages 4-2nd grade may follow
 William Hackett to Children's Church, or they may stay in worship
 with a parent. Nursery is available for newborns through age 3.*

OFFERTORY *Still* Kathleen M. Basi
 Trinity Choir
 Dr. Diane Boyd Schultz, flute; Luke Turner, cello

***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.

FOURTH LESSON Luke 1:26-35, 38
 The angel Gabriel announces to the Virgin Mary that she will give birth to God's promised Son, whose kingdom shall never end.

CAROL *Lullaby for a King* J.E. Hughes/M.E. Loose
 Trinity Choir

FIFTH LESSON Luke 2:1-7
 Against a backdrop of emperors and taxes, Jesus is born.

CAROL *Still, Still, Still* Mack Wilberg
 Trinity Choir

SIXTH LESSON Luke 2:8-16
 The shepherds go to see the Savior of the world, lying in a manger.

CAROL *Mid-Winter* Bob Chilcott
 Trinity Choir
Away in a Manger Mack Wilberg
 Trinity Choir

Dr. Diane Boyd Schultz, flute; Eli Sivel, oboe; Luke Turner, cello
SEVENTH LESSON John 1:1-14
 John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation.

CAROL *All Is Well* Arr. Lloyd Larson
 Trinity Choir
**Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* #240

BENEDICTION
POSTLUDE Anthony Zamora

*Please stand as you are able.

THANK YOU

Thanks to all the musicians who participated in today's service. We particularly wish to thank our guest singers, **Dr. Paul Houghtaling** of the University of Alabama and **Natalie Fortson** of First United Methodist Church of Birmingham.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

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

TRINITY CALENDAR

December 13 (Friday): Little Elves Workshop/Parent's Night Out, 5:30-8:30 pm. Parents take a break while kids up to 5th grade enjoy Christmas fun and dinner at the church. Register by December 9

December 15: Children's Nativity, 10:30 am. All children can be part of our living nativity! The church has costumes for ages 4+. Come pick a costume during Sunday School. Children 3 and under, please come dressed as your favorite animal.

December 15: Trinity Christmas Caroling (4 pm) and party (6 pm). We'll carol for some of our homebound friends, concluding with a church-wide Christmas party at Trinity at 6 pm, where we'll have a very special guest! Wear your most festive holiday clothes and join us.

December 22: Tidings of Comfort and Joy, 10:30 am!

December 24 (Tuesday): Christmas Eve Communion Service, 4:30 pm.

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 it in the offering plate by December 8. Checks should be made payable to Trinity UMC and marked "Pastor/Staff Gift Fund."