

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!

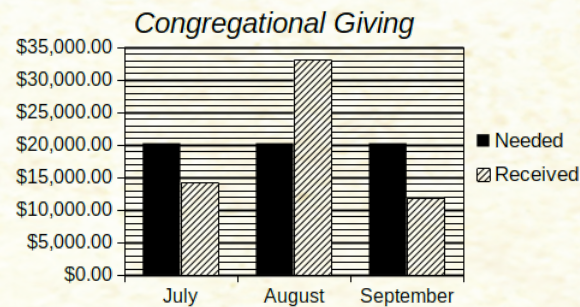
ACCESSIBILITY: The elevator in the Education wing accesses all levels of the building. Accessible parking is available in the alley behind the church. A family restroom is located in the hallway behind the sanctuary.

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.

TRINITY APPRECIATES YOUR SUPPORT

Thank you for keeping up to date with your pledged giving.



Trinity United Methodist Church

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Senior Pastor - Rev. Penny Ford - revpennyford@gmail.com

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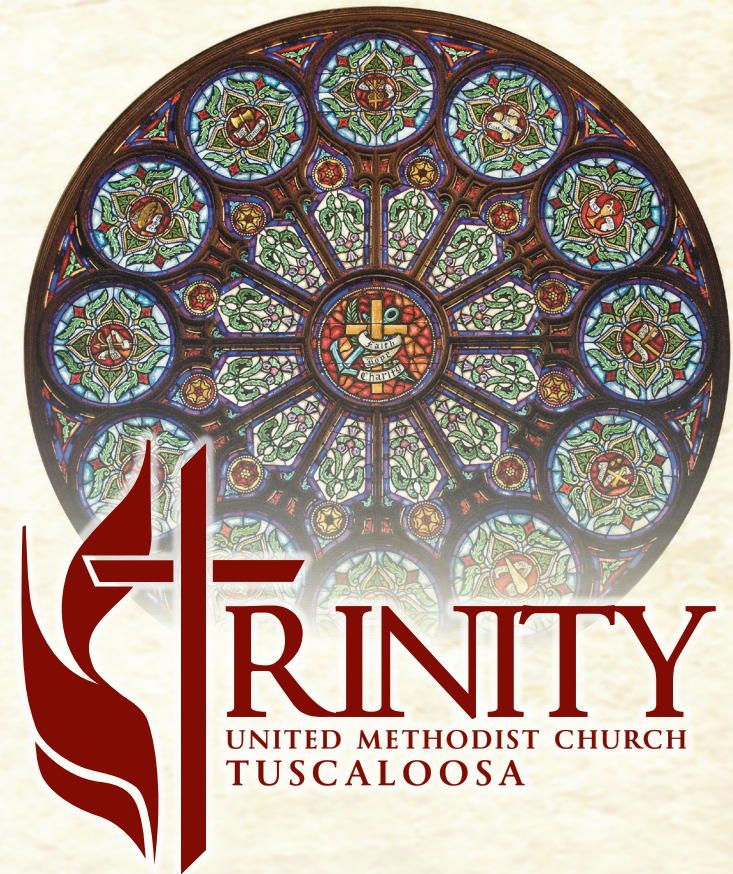
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*Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 28, 2025*

*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.*

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
SEPTEMBER 28, 2025**

PRELUDE

Chang Miao

WELCOME AND GREETING

Bert McLelland

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Give to the Lord your whole trust.

We place our lives in God's care.

Know that God has always been and will always be with you.

We place our spirits in God's embrace.

Worship God with hope and peace.

We open our hearts to receive God's love.

Serve God with joy and power.

We offer our lives to share God's love. Amen!

***HYMN**

God Will Take Care of You

#130

***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

It Is Well with My Soul

#377

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

Chang Miao

***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*

SCRIPTURE

Luke 16:1-13

SERMON

The Right Thing for the Wrong Reason Rev. Penny Ford

***HYMN**

Blessed Assurance

#369

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Chang Miao

**Please stand as you are able.*

Acolytes: Kira McKeever and Jayden Ulmer

GUEST PIANIST: Welcome back to our substitute pianist **Chang Miao**, a DMA student in Piano Performance at the University of Alabama, where she is a student of Dr. Kevin Chance. She holds the MM from Peabody Conservatory, and she is currently a graduate assistant in the Voice and Opera areas at UA.

COLLEGE STUDENTS AND VISITORS: Welcome to Trinity! We'd love to get to know you better! If you email our pastor, she will be happy to take you and your friends out for coffee or lunch one day during the week. Email revpennyford@gmail.com.

THE SANCTUARY CHOIR rehearses on Wednesdays from 6:00-7:00 pm in the sanctuary and on Sunday mornings from 10:00-10:20. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME**, and **WE NEED SINGERS!** No experience is required! Join us as we make a joyful noise on Sunday mornings!

TACO TUESDAY will meet at 5 pm at Avenue Pub, 1491 Northbank Parkway, just off Rice Mine Road. All women are invited.

COLLEGE STUDENTS: The Skywalker Seminar meets on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Class. All college-age men are invited. Email Dr. Harris with questions at asajharris@gmail.com.

The Trinity College Women's Group meets on Thursdays at 7:00 pm in Quirky's. All college-aged women are welcome! Reach out to Mackenzie at 863-937-2344 or mpalmerpike@gmail.com with questions.

ROLL TITHE! Faithful Stewardship for 2026

Pledge cards happily received any time during October

OCTOBER 5: Church-Wide Potluck Lunch. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. We'll provide meat and drinks. **Youth Group** will meet 5:30-7:00 pm.

OCTOBER 12: Guest preacher **William Hackett**.

OCTOBER 19: Stewardship Celebration! Outdoor Worship (10:30 am) followed by our Fall Festival with bouncy houses, a spooky playground, games and more! Bring a lawn chair and grab a bite from the Big Tasty food truck. Costumes encouraged! Preaching by Rev. Alan Head.

OCTOBER 26: Finance Committee meeting, 4:00 pm in the Sunset-Funset Room.

MEMORIALS

Trinity received gifts in memory of

Melanie O'Rear

from Jon and Lane McClelland, Carolyn Rogers, Gary and Beth Sherrill,
Ken and Jane Smith, Samantha Vinsant, and Mary Woodham

and in memory of

Trellie Smith

from Alex and Elaine Overstreet, Carolyn Rogers, and Gary and Beth Sherrill