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.

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORIES ARE HERE! Thank you to **George Strickland** and Drake Printers!

IT'S A BOY! On September 21, during the Sunday School hour, Trinity will host a baby shower for **Kathryn and Eli Harris**, the daughter and son-in-law of Sandy Wilson. The baby registry is listed under the name "Kat Harris" at Target and Amazon. If you'd like to help us host, please see Beth Sherrill.

TRINITY APPRECIATES YOUR SUPPORT

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



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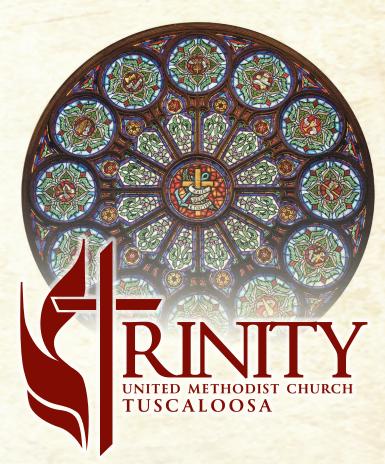
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Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 7, 2025

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.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

PRELUDE

Sarah Faulk

WELCOME AND GREETING

Scott Grimsley

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come all who are hungry and thirsty.

The Lord will provide for our needs.

Come this day to the table of the Lord.

Here we will find welcome and sustenance.

Come to this time of gathering and praise.

Lord, we come with open hearts and spirits to receive your gracious gifts of love. Amen!

HYMN

To God Be the Glory

#98

*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

Spirit of the Living God

#393 (sing twice)

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.

And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES

On behalf of the Trinity United Methodist Church

I present to you these Bibles. You are ready to read these words on your own, to study them, pray with them, and ask questions about them.

Receive the Word of God. Learn its stories and study its words. Its stories belong to us all, and these words speak to us all. They tell us who we are. They tell us that we belong to one another, for we are the people of God.

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

*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 14:1, 7-14

DEVOTIONAL

Table Manners

Rev. Penny Ford

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (COMMUNION)

#13

Everyone is welcome at the table! This includes children, youth, adults and people of any denomination or no denomination. May we know the grace and love of Jesus Christ in the breaking of the bread and sharing of the cup.

Have Thine Own Way, Lord

BENEDICTION

HYMN

POSTLUDE

Sarah Faulk

*Please stand as you are able.

Acolytes: Kira McKeever and Jayden Ulmer

The flowers on the alter are in memory of Melanie O'Rear

TODAY: Finance Committee will meet at 4:30 pm in the Sunroom-Funroom. **COLLEGE STUDENTS AND VISITORS:** Welcome to Trinity! We'd love to get to know you better! If you're brave enough to 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 will resume rehearsals on Wednesday, September 10, from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. We will resume Sunday morning rehearsals from 10:00-10:20 on Sunday, September 14. 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 pm in the Sunset-Funset Room. All college-age men are invited. Email Dr. Harris with questions at asajharris@gmail.com.

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

MEMORIAL

Trinity received a gift in loving memory of

Melanie O'Rear

from Max and Angela Shaw