

## 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!

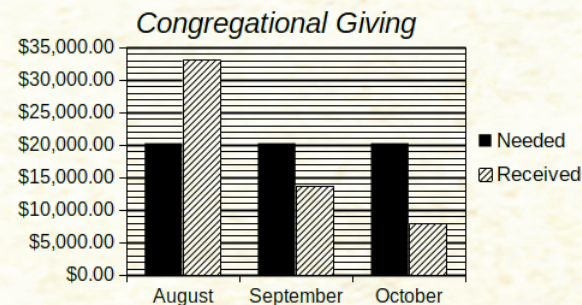
**ACCESSIBILITY:** The elevator in the Education wing accesses all levels of the building. Accessible parking is available in the alley behind the church. A family restroom is located in the hallway behind the sanctuary.

**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.*



### MEMORIAL

In memory of  
**Melanie O'Rear**  
from Carol A. Taylor

Trinity United Methodist Church  
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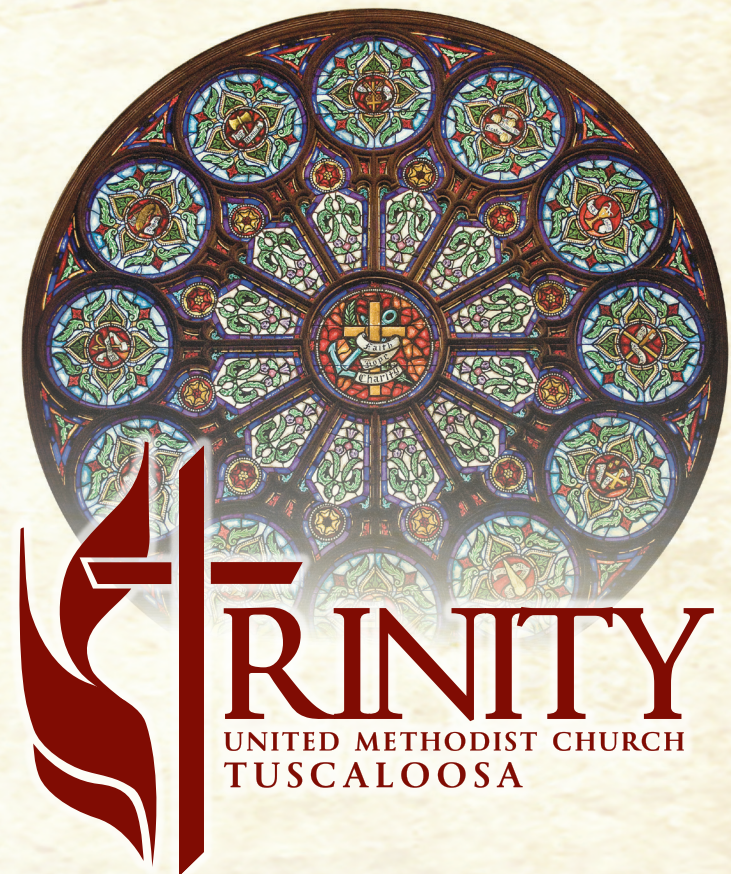
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*Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost  
October 26, 2025*

***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.*

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
OCTOBER 26, 2025**

**PRELUDE**

Sarah Faulk  
Debbie Lane

**WELCOME AND GREETING**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

We are here this morning to worship God.

**All week long we are distracted by the business of life.**

Our phones never stop interrupting us.

**The news cycle never relents.**

Put all your distractions away.

**Let us focus on the Lord alone!**

Let's listen for the voice of God

**And let us worship together.**

**\*HYMN** *I Sing the Almighty Power of God* #152

**\*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** *Lord, I Want to be a Christian* #402

**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's Choir will begin rehearsing during the worship service for their performance at our Children's Nativity on December 14.*

**OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY** Praise God from whom all blessings flow; #94

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

**ANTHEM**

*What a Fellowship*

Mark Cherwien

**SCRIPTURE**

1 Samuel 28:3-7

**SERMON**

*The Witch of Endor*

Rev. Penny Ford

**\*HYMN**

*Be Thou My Vision*

#451

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

Sarah Faulk

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

**Acolyte:** Drake Grimsley

**THIS WEEK AT TRINITY**

**TODAY: Ad Council meeting, 4 PM in the Sunset-Funset Room.**

**Taco Tuesday (Women's Group)** meets 5 PM at Avenue Pub, 1491 Northbank Parkway, off Rice Mine Road. All women are welcome!

**Skywalker Seminar (College Men)** meets Tuesdays at 7 PM in the Fellowship Class. Contact Dr. Harris: asajharris@gmail.com.

**Sanctuary Choir** rehearses Wednesdays 6-7 PM and Sundays 10-10:20 AM in the Sanctuary. All are welcome—no experience needed!

**Trinity College Women's Group** meets Thursdays at 7 PM in Quirky's.

Contact Mackenzie: 863-937-2344 or mpalmerpike@gmail.

**The Youth Group** now meets together with Forest Lake UMC, and we'll alternate locations by month. In October, we'll meet at Forest Lake from 5-7 PM on Sundays. **Youth Lock-In:** 8 PM-8 AM on Halloween at Forest Lake UMC. You can arrive late! Costumes encouraged.

**NEXT WEEK**

**Community Service Opportunity**, Wednesday, October 29, 9 AM-1:30 PM.

Serve lunch at the East Tuscaloosa Soup Bowl, Druid Hills UMC. Contact Beth Sherrill to help: Beths824@aol.com.

**All Saints Sunday** is November 2. Join us as we remember those men and women who have shown us the path of faith by the way they lived and loved. We will light candles in memory of the ones who have been saints to us.

**OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Order your Boston Butts and Hams!** Prepay by November 12; pick-up is November 19, 4:30-7 PM. Order forms are located beside the bulletins.

**Civil Rights Pilgrimage to Birmingham, Selma and Montgomery, February 23-28, 2026.** The North Alabama Conference of the UMC is offering a six-day Civil Rights Pilgrimage here in Alabama. For more information, go to <https://www.umcna.org/postdetail/civil-rights-pilgrimage-to-be-offered-19354328>. Please let Penny know you are going, and she'll connect Trinity folks who're attending.

**Trinity UMC Book Club's** first selection is *Parable of the Sower* by Octavia Butler. The date for our November meeting is still TBD. All are welcome to join! Contact Madison: bryant.kirby2022@gmail.com.

**Missions:** Trinity will provide goody bags for our college students as well as the REACH students at UA. We'll begin collecting supplies on a table in the back of the sanctuary on Sunday, November 3. Suggested items are individual snacks such as chips, small crackers, trail mix, Little Debbie's and small bottles of Gatorade. Other ideas are ChapStick, gum, mints, small hand sanitizers, small fidget items (not stress balls) and toothbrushes. We'll also begin collecting toys and clothes for Tuscaloosa One Place and items for adults through Adult Protective Services for Christmas in November.