

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!

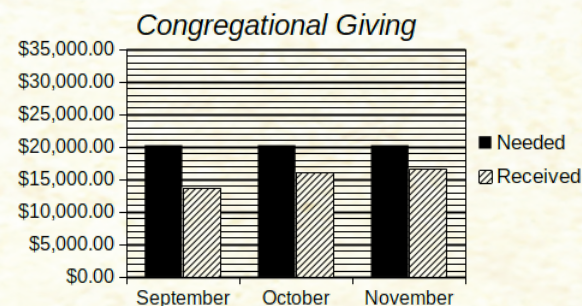
ACCESSIBILITY: The elevator in the Education wing accesses all levels of the building. Accessible parking is available in the alley behind the church. A family restroom is located in the hallway behind the Sanctuary.

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.



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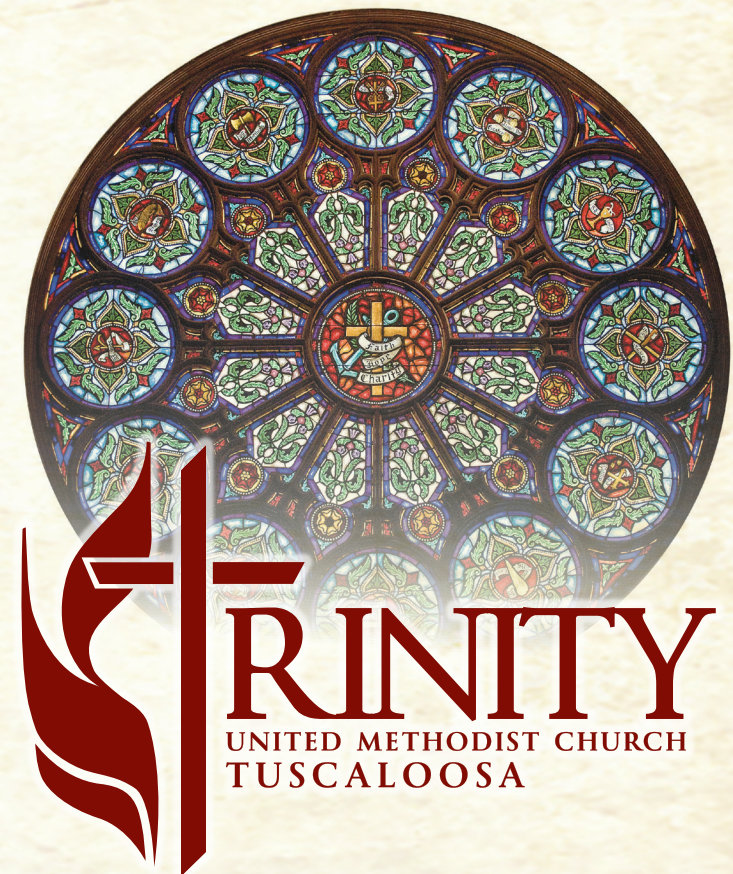
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***Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost
November 16, 2025***

***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.*

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
NOVEMBER 16, 2025

PRELUDE Sarah Faulk
WELCOME AND GREETING Scott Grimsley

***CALL TO WORSHIP**
As we gather this day, each of us brings something to worship—
We bring the burdens of the week.
We bring prayers of hope, and prayers of anguish.
We bring our voices, and our offerings, and our questions.
We bring our faith, tattered or whole as it may be.
We bring all this to each other and to God, whom we worship today.

***HYMN** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* #110

***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 *There's Something About That Name* #171

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
During Children's Church, the kids will learn songs
to share for the 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 *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above* Richard Williamson
SCRIPTURE Luke 18:1-8
SERMON *Prayer, Persistence and Power* Rev. Penny Ford
***HYMN** *This Is a Day of New Beginnings* #383, vv. 1-4

***BENEDICTION**
POSTLUDE Sarah Faulk

**Please stand as you are able.*

Acolytes: Renn Nelson and Maeve St. Clair

TODAY

4:30 PM: Finance Committee meets in the Sunset/Funset Room.

5:30-6:30 PM: Trinity women will practice our “dance” for December 21.
Laughter, movement and fun. Join us!

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Taco Tuesday (Women's Group) will meet 5 PM at Urban Cookhouse, 1490 Northbank Parkway, Suite 110, 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 is paused until January, 2025. Contact Mackenzie: 863-937-2344 or mpalmerpike@gmail.com.

The Youth Group now meets with Forest Lake UMC, and we'll alternate locations by month. Today, we'll be meeting 5-7 PM at Trinity.

Order your Christmas Poinsettias! These beautiful plants will decorate our Sanctuary during the month of December. A poinsettia order form is in your bulletin, and additional forms are available beside the bulletins. The order deadline is Sunday, November 23.

NEXT WEEK

Wednesday, November 19, 4:30-7 PM: Boston Butt and Ham pick-up!

Sunday, November 23: Missions Committee will meet immediately after the worship service to assemble the exam bags for college students.

Monday, November 24, 7 PM: Trinity UMC Book Club will meet in the Sunset/Funset Room to discuss our first selection, *Parable of the Sower*, by Octavia Butler. All are welcome to join! Contact Madison at bryant.kirby2022@gmail.com.

EAGLE SCOUT AWARD CEREMONY

Nathaniel and Aidan Townsley began their Scouting journey at Trinity with Cub Scout Pack 6 and have continued to serve our church and community with their Scouting projects. Now Dean and Lara Townsley cordially invite the Trinity family to Nathaniel and Aidan's Eagle Scout Court of Honor in Trinity's Fellowship Hall on Sunday, November 23, at 3 PM.