

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!

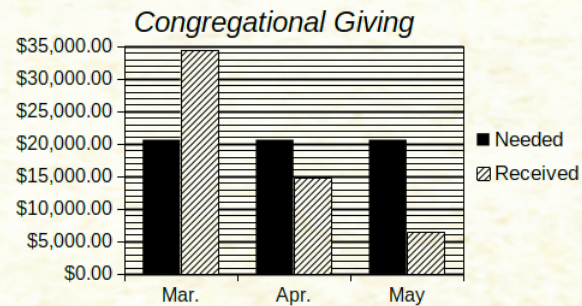
ACCESSIBILITY: The elevator in the Education wing accesses all levels of the building. Accessible parking is available in the alley behind the church. A family restroom is located in the hallway behind the Sanctuary.

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.



While pledges and contribution are applied toward Trinity's budgeted expenses, sometimes we have an unexpected need. Like the replacement of an air conditioner. The unit that supplies heat and cool to the Fellowship Hall and Sanctuary needs to be replaced. With your generosity, we are hoping to raise \$20,000 to cover this expense. If you would like to contribute to this capital campaign, please earmark your gift to the I Love Trinity Building Fund. Thank you.

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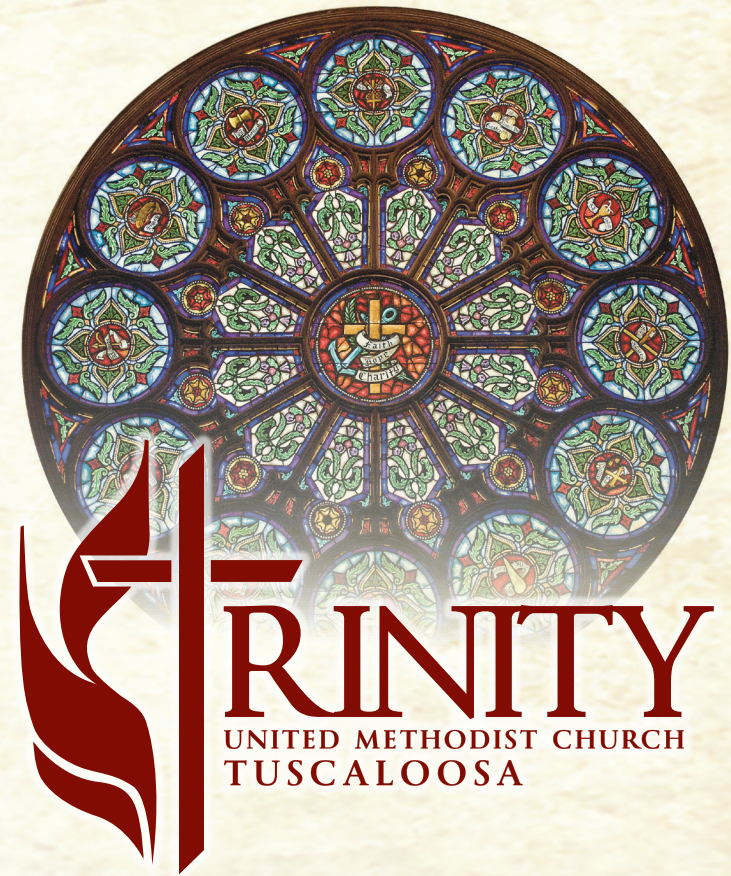
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*Day of Pentecost
May 24, 2026*

*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.*

DAY OF PENTECOST
MAY 24, 2026
TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

PRELUDE Chang Miao
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Scott Grimsley

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come, Holy Spirit! Come and revive us again.

Come, Holy Spirit! Clothe us with power from on high.

Empower us to preach and to live the gospel,

to dismantle oppression in all its forms.

Empower us to steward your precious creation faithfully,

to care for the earth with reverence and wisdom.

Empower us to both give and receive forgiveness,

to love our neighbors as we love ourselves.

Empower us to worship You in Spirit and in Truth.

Come, Holy Spirit! Come and revive us again. Amen

***HYMN** *Hail Thee, Festival Day* #324

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

You're invited to greet those around you and move about as you wish!

CALL TO PRAYER *Surely the Presence of the Lord* #328

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE /THE 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

*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 Chang Miao

***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**

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 James 1:19-21

SERMON *Never?* Bert McLelland

***HYMN** *Spirit Song* #347

POSTLUDE Chang Miao

*Please stand as you are able.

Rev. Penny Ford will be out of town this week for vacation, then Annual Conference. Please contact the church office if you need anything.

GUEST PREACHER: Our guest preacher today is **Bert McLelland**. Born and raised in Tuscaloosa, he has attended Trinity for most of his life. Bert received his BA in Political Theatre and MA in Rhetoric at the University of Alabama and then went on to study Public Policy at King's College London. For most of the last four years, he lived in England, initially as a student, then working in politics and latterly at a museum. Since returning to Tuscaloosa at the end of last year, he has been helping out with the Youth ministry at Trinity and later took on the job of Children's Minister at Forest Lake UMC, teaching Sunday school and helping with the combined Trinity/Forest Lake Youth group. He also teaches at the University. Bert considers it an honor and a privilege to be invited to give his first sermon in what will always be his true church home.

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

YOUTH: Youth will continue to meet during the summer months. We'll convene at Trinity this evening 5:00-7:00 PM for dinner, fellowship and a lesson! On July 13-17, the Youth from Trinity and Forest Lake will perform local missions together while having a little adventure in-between. The cost is \$150. Scholarships are available! Let Clay know if your youth plans to participate.

TUESDAY, MAY 26: Taco Tuesday (Women's Group) meets this week at 5:00 PM at Zozo's Kitchen, 1665 McFarland North Boulevard. All women are welcome!

MAY 28-30: 2026 UMC North Alabama Conference, Asbury UMC, Birmingham, AL. Trinity will be represented by Rev. Penny Ford, Dr. Clay Nelson and Bert McLelland.

MAY 31: The Finance Committee will meet at 4:00 PM.

JUNE 1: This month the **Trinity Book Club** is reading *The Tears of Things: Prophetic Wisdom for an Age of Outrage* by Richard Rohr. All are welcome to join us in the Sunset-Funset Room for our discussion on Monday, June 1, at 7:00 PM.