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!

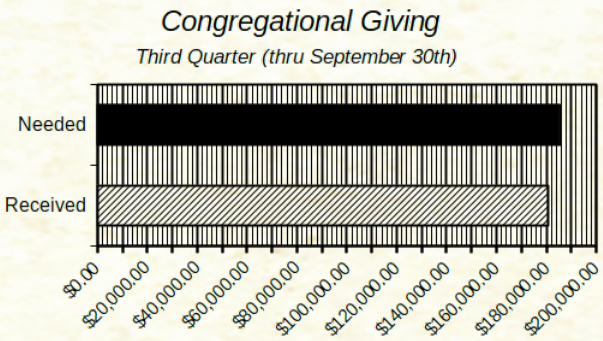
ACCESSIBILITY: The elevator in the Education wing accesses all levels of the building. Accessible parking is available in the alley behind the church. A family restroom is located in the hallway behind the Sanctuary.

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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TRINITY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
TUSCALOOSA

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost
October 18, 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.

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PRELUDE Sarah Faulk

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Dr. Mackenzie Pike

People of God, open your eyes! Look around!
The presence of Jesus Christ is here among us and within us.
People of God, open your eyes! Look around!
Lord, open our eyes to see the wounds of the world, and to find you there.
People of God, open your eyes! Look around!
Lord, open our eyes to see the beauty of the world, and to find you there.
People of God, open your eyes! Look around!
The presence of Jesus Christ is here among us and within us.
Help us to see, to love and to serve in your name. 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!

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT The Griffiths

CALL TO PRAYER *Near to the Heart of God* #472, vv. 1-2

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 Rev. Lane McLelland

At this time, children ages 4-2nd grade may go to
Children's Church, or they may stay in worship with a parent.
Nursery is available for newborns through age 3.

OFFERTORY Sarah Faulk

***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**

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 *And Are We Yet Alive* Mark Miller

SCRIPTURE Luke 24:13-35

SERMON Dr. Jackson Harris

***HYMN** *O How I Love Jesus* #170

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE Sarah Faulk

*Please stand as you are able.

Children's Church: Sandra Wilson

Children's Sunday School: Cassandra Nelson

GUEST PREACHER: Today we welcome guest preacher **Dr. Jackson Harris.** Jackson grew up in the First Methodist Church of Eufaula, AL, and has been a friend of Trinity UMC since he came to Tuscaloosa as an undergraduate student in 2012. He has preached here at Trinity and for several other Methodist congregations over the years. Jackson holds a doctorate from UA's College of Communication & Information Sciences. He lives here in Tuscaloosa with his wife, Dr. Mackenzie Pike, and his West Alabama dog, Loretta.

YOUTH: We'll meet this evening from 5:00-7:00 PM at Trinity UMC. If you can bring dinner for the Youth one Sunday, please contact Clay Nelson. Trinity will host a **Halloween lock-in** Saturday, October 31, at 8:00 PM through 8:00 AM on Sunday, November 1!

TACO TUESDAY (Women's Group) meets this week at 5:00 PM at Jalapenos', 1845 New Watermelon Road, Tuscaloosa. All women are welcome!

THE SANCTUARY CHOIR rehearses 6:00-7:00 PM on Wednesdays in the Sanctuary and 10:00-10:20 AM on Sunday mornings. All are welcome, and we need singers! Join us as we make a joyful noise in Sunday mornings.

MISSIONS: On Wednesday, September 30, volunteers from Trinity prepared and served lunch at the **East Tuscaloosa Community Soup Bowl**: Trisha Turner, James Smith, Carolyn Rogers, Sandy Wilson, and Beth Sherrill. On Wednesday, October 14, volunteers served a meal to the **Wesley Foundation** students: Beth Sherrill, Rev. Penny Ford, Denne McKeever, and Carolyn Rogers. Thanks to all our dedicated volunteers!

THE TRINITY BOOK CLUB will meet on November 15 during the Connections time to discuss *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi. All are welcome.

SMOKED MEAT SALE: Trying to decide what to serve for Thanksgiving, the Alabama-Auburn game and Christmas? Support Trinity UMC by ordering Smoked Hams ($55), Smoked Turkey Breasts ($55) and Boston Butts ($45) by Sunday, November 8. Pick-up will be on Wednesday, November 18, from 5:00-7:00 PM at the church. Contact the church office for more information or to get an order form.