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-fifth Sunday after Pentecost
November 15, 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 Dr. Mackenzie Pike

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

This is no ordinary place: this is the house of God.

This is the place where God reaches down into every corner of our lives, offering us the mystery of holy love.

This is the place where the prophets cry out for peace and justice and righteousness.

This is the place where people are welcomed, affirmed, challenged and sent out into the world to love and serve.

This is no ordinary place.

Resting and praying, we affirm that God sees us.
Listening and singing, we remember that God leads us.

This is no ordinary place: This is no ordinary gathering.

Come let us worship God together. Amen.

***HYMN** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* #89

***GREETING ONE ANOTHER**

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

CALL TO PRAYER *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* #121

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 Sandy Wilson

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 *Hear My Cry, Oh God* César Franck
Rawlin Hoffman, baritone

SCRIPTURE Judges 4:1-7

SERMON *A Leader Is . . .* Rev. Penny Ford

***HYMN** *What Gift Can We Bring* #87

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Penny Ford

POSTLUDE Sarah Faulk

*Please stand as you are able.

Children's Church and Sunday School: Sandy Wilson

CONNECTIONS:

Lunch: Sandwiches. Create your own masterpiece from a selection of ingredients!

Activities:

1) We'll discuss *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi over coffee. Where and how are you making connections with friends and strangers in your life? Come join us whether you have read the book or not!

2) Children's Sunday School: Kids ages 4-5th grade meet for music with Olivia Esposito and Sandy Wilson for stories, activities and fun. Nursery is available.

STEWARDSHIP: We are still receiving stewardship pledges for 2027. If you have not already turned in your pledge card, please do.

MISSIONS: We are collecting Christmas gifts for all ages. Please see the bulletin insert for details.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29: Worship Service, 10:30 AM. Hanging of the Greens and Holy Communion. We'll learn about the stories and symbols of Christmas and decorate the Sanctuary!

Trinity Connections: After the Service, join us for a Christmas meal and make an Advent Wreath (one wreath per household; please call or email the office to reserve a place). All ages are welcome!

5:30 PM: Piano Carols by Candlelight with Dr. Kevin Chance.

YOUTH: We had a blast at Discovery last weekend, and we hope you all did too! Youth will NOT meet this evening because both Clay and Emma are out of town, but we'll be back on November 22 at Forest Lake! To volunteer to provide Sunday dinner for the Youth, please contact Clay Nelson.

TACO TUESDAY (WOMEN'S GROUP): All women are invited to join the group this week at 5:00 PM at Jalapeños, 1845 New Watermelon Road.

SMOKED MEAT SALE: If you purchased a Smoked Ham or Boston Butt, please pick your meat up this Wednesday, November 18, 5:00-7:00 PM. Thank you for supporting Trinity UMC!

ORDER YOUR CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS! These beautiful plants will decorate our Sanctuary during the month of December. Poinsettia order forms are available inside the bulletins. The order deadline is Sunday, November 22.