

Today's liturgical color is green which symbolizes growth used in the Seasons after the Epiphany and after Pentecost.

To help promote the happenings in our church, you can share our services and events to the community on your Facebook page.

****DISCLAIMER: Trinity UMC utilizes videography to live stream all sanctuary worship services to social media. Service will be available for replay and images, likenesses, and audio may be captured to be used as thumbnails on each TUMC ran website. If you have any concerns, please notify the church office staff.****

Prelude: Firm Foundation (He Won't) by Cody Carnes

Lighting of the Candles

Jesus said: "I am the light of the world" (John 8:12). The presence of the light reminds us of Jesus' coming into our world and into our lives. The light is carried into the worship service as a symbol of Jesus' coming into the presence of the worshiping community.

Chiming of the Hour

Call to Worship: I Saw The Light

I wandered so aim-less, life filled with sin,
I wouldn't let my dear Savior in;
Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night-
Praise the Lord! ——— I saw the light.
I saw the light, ——— I saw the light, ——
No more darkness, no more in night ——
(And) now I'm so appy, no sorrow in sight ——
Praise the Lord! ——— I saw the light. ——light.

Welcome from Pastor Tim and welcome your neighbors

O taste and see that the Lord is good!

God is our refuge and strength

Announcements (*noted within the bulletin)

A Time for Prayer: Pastor Tim

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 that trespass against us. And lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and
the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Opening Hymn: Sweet Hour of Prayer

No. 496

Scripture Reading: Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23

Lector Reader: Kim P.

¹Praise the Lord! Give thanks to the Lord because he is good, because his faithful love endures forever.

²Who could possibly repeat all of the Lord's mighty acts or publicly recount all his praise?

³The people who uphold justice, who always do what is right, are truly happy!

⁴Remember me, Lord, with the favor you show your people. Visit me with your saving help

⁵so I can experience the good things your chosen ones experience, so I can rejoice in the joy of your nation, so I can praise along with your possession.

⁶We have sinned—right along with our ancestors. We've done what is wrong. We've acted wickedly.

¹⁹They made a calf at Horeb, bowing down to a metal idol.

²⁰They traded their glorious God^[a] for an image of a bull that eats grass.

²¹They forgot the God who saved them—the one who had done great things in Egypt,

²²wondrous works in the land of Ham, awesome deeds at the Reed Sea.

²³So God determined that he would destroy them—except for the fact that Moses, his chosen one, stood in the way, right in front of him, and turned God's destructive anger away.

This is the word of God, for the people of God,

Thanks be to God.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end, Amen, Amen.**

Children's Moment: led by Beth H.

At this time, children can come forward or you can bring your child to the front pew to hear and participate in the children's reflection.

The Presentation of Tithes and Offering

Ushers: (Amy G., Susie W., Susan H., Angie T.)

Offertory Prayer: Let us pray,
**Gracious God, accept these gifts, and with them our lives, to be used in
your service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Offertory Music: I Will Arise and Go to Jesus Arranged by Greg Howlett

Doxology

No. 95

Special Prayer/Reflection Peace in the World

Anthem/Special Song Peace by We The Kingdom w/Bethel Music

Sermon: "The Invitation Is Coming" Matthew 22:1-14

Response to the Service: Altar Call—if you desire to come to the front for

prayer you are welcome to do so.

Congregational Response

Apostle Creed No. 881

Closing Hymn: We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

No. 569

Benediction

**May the Lord watch between me and thee while we are absent one
from another. AMEN!**

Postlude: Shalom to You arranged by Carlton R. Young

Sending Forth/Extinguishing of the Candles: At the end of the service, the light is carried out into the world to show that Jesus Christ is for all people everywhere. The acolyte leaves the worship service at the pastor's direction, carrying out the lighted candle lighter. This symbolizes the light of Jesus Christ going out into the world where believers are to serve.

***Offering stewards for October**

Oct 22: Fred H., Steve P., Paul C., Rob M.

Oct 29: Beth H., Erin H., Patty R., Alberta M.

***Children's Moment for October**

Oct 22: Diane B.

Oct 29: Patty R.

***Greeters for October**

Oct 22: Joyce P., Tiffany A.

Oct 29: Donna M., Amy G.

***Lector Readers for October**

Oct 22: Natalie S Psalm 99

Oct 29: Rob M. Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

Nursery Volunteers for October

Oct 15: Paula B., Nicole R.

Oct 22: Amy G., Katie Z.

Oct 29: Judy H., Cathy G.

***Communion Stewards for November 5th**

Diane B., Pat B., Sandra R., Angie T.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEETINGS AND SUCH.....

Adult Sunday School is Sunday at 10 am.

***Choir Practice** is Wednesday at 7 pm.

Trinity Book Club—Our book is “The Power of a Praying Church” by Stormie Omartian. The next meeting is **Monday, Oct 16th @ 6pm and will be held at the 404 Creamery in BSG**. All are welcome to attend.

The next **planning meeting** for the **Fall Festival** is **Wednesday, Oct 18, at 6 pm**. Please plan to attend as we work to finalize this festival! Sign up sheet to volunteer at game stations is in the Fellowship Hall.

The next **Pop’N for Jesus** is scheduled for **Wed, Oct 25th**. Interested in helping? **Meet at church or Hardees at 8:30 am!**

Women of Trinity—The next meeting is **Sunday, Nov 5 @ 5 pm**. All women are encouraged and welcome to attend.

Methodist Men—The next meeting is scheduled for **Monday, Nov 13th @ 6 pm; the meal cost is \$12 per person**. Please sign up in fellowship hall if you plan to attend. All men are welcome.

Blessings and ministries overflow from our church!:

Ever feel like you need a little more prayer in your life? Join us **every Monday from 5:30-6 pm** for an informal prayer meeting, come and be blessed! Three specific areas to pray for the church:

- That the message of Jesus Christ will be made clear and simple during our worship services, fellowships and outreach ministries
- That people will accept and understand the message of Jesus Christ
- That opportunities for outreach and growth in the church will continue

ANOTHER OFFERING!: Get up early, put on those walking shoes and join us for a **Prayer Walk—Saturdays @ 7:30 AM (yes that does say 7:30 AM, not a typo!!)**

Worship service at Heritage Hall **every Wednesday at 2:30-3 pm**, all are welcome to attend. Pastor Tim is in high demand, they have requested two services each Wednesday in two separate areas of Heritage Hall!

EVENTS AND CHURCH HAPPENINGS.....

WE GOT YOUR SATURDAYS COVERED THIS MONTH!!

This Saturday, Oct 21, from 10-6, we will be doing a water giveaway at the Home Craft Days at MECC. Volunteers are needed and appreciated! Come out and share blessings and check out some amazing crafts and food!

Saturday, Oct 28, is our Fall Festival starting at 3 pm....come enjoy the fun, the games AND PRIZES, the food! We will reschedule the movie for another night. This is a guaranteed fun day for all!! **If you are able and willing, please**

sign up to volunteer to cover some of the game stations—sign up sheet in fellowship hall.

Tuesday, Oct 31, @ 6 pm is our **annual Trunk or Treat**. Bring the kids, bring your sweet tooth. If you want to participate, bring some candy to hand out and set up, weather permitting, outside!

BSG Clergy Group meets on the 4th Tuesday at 6 pm. Clergy members in the area have been meeting to discuss ways to work together to strengthen God’s ministries in our area. Please keep this group in your prayers so they may provide positive influences in our community.

Mark your calendars! The Tennessee-based gospel group *Sacred Harmony* is scheduled to be at Trinity to perform on **Sunday, November 12 at 6 pm**. They request a love offering. This will be a musical treat you don’t want to miss!

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE October 8th:

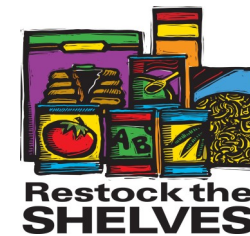
Sunday School: 7
In-Person Worship: 82
Facebook Live: 14
Visitors: 10
Heritage Hall Oct 11: 18
Blessing of the Animals: 13 fur babies
United Methodist Men: 10

We had 13 fur babies Sunday afternoon for blessings! Smelly’s Pet Parlor provided a gift basket which we raffled and the winner was Robie McClanahan!



UPS Back Pack Program

Don’t forget that each month we are going to Restock the Shelves for the Union Primary School. During the month of October, the requested item is ramen noodles. The food item requested for October is ramen noodles—chicken or beef.



ZIMBABWE BACKPACK ITEMS: Our goal is to fill 60 backpacks. The donation requested for October is a dry erase set (markers/eraser/cleaning spray); there is a box in the fellowship hall to deposit supplies.

The Trinity Companion

October 15, 2023



“The Kingdom of Heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son.”

Matthew 22:2, NRSV

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