

*Today's liturgical color is white symbolizes days and seasons of joy and mark pivotal events in the life of Christ.*

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

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**PRELUDE:** Freedom by Nicole C. Mullen

#### 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:** This Little Light of Mine No. 585

**WELCOME** from Pastor Tim and welcome your neighbors

**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:** Swing Low, Sweet Chariot No. 703

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Psalm 50:1-6

**READER:** Donny J.

<sup>1</sup>From the rising of the sun to where it sets, God, the Lord God, speaks, calling out to the earth.

<sup>2</sup>From Zion, perfect in beauty, God shines brightly.

<sup>3</sup>Our God is coming; he won't keep quiet. A devouring fire is before him; a storm rages all around him.

<sup>4</sup>God calls out to the skies above and to the earth in order to judge his people:

<sup>5</sup>"Bring my faithful to me, those who made a covenant with me by sacrifice."

<sup>6</sup>The skies proclaim his righteousness because God himself is the judge.

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.

#### THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**Ushers:** (Chris S., Daniel W., Steve P., John H.)

**OFFERTORY PRAYER:** Let us pray,  
**Loving God, we follow the Magi in giving you gifts, praying that as you  
receive our acts of offering, you would shine the light of Christ in our  
hearts to lead us in lives which serve you more deeply. Amen.**

**OFFERTORY MUSIC:** I Want Jesus to Walk with Me arranged by Mark Hayes

**DOXOLOGY** No. 95

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** The Water Is Wide

**SERMON:** I AM A CHURCH MEMBER

Chapter 2: I Will Be a Unifying Church Member

Chapter 3: I Will Not Let My Church Be about My Preferences and Desires

**RESPONSE TO THE SERVICE: ALTAR CALL** – at this time if you desire to come to the front for prayer you are welcome to do so.

**CLOSING HYMN:** Where He Leads Me No. 338

#### BENEDICTION

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

**POSTLUDE:** We Shall Overcome arranged by Jon Sarta

**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.

#### METHODS OF GIVING

We have several ways for you to support the ongoing ministries and operating expenses of our church:

- bring an offering to the Sunday worship and put in the collection plate
- use the drop box at the back of the church
- mail a check to the church
- set up recurring payments with your bank
- online donation via website Subsplash—use the following address on your computer, tablet or phone:  
<https://secure.subsplash.com/ui/access/FJ4VNG>  
this secure website allows you to make a donation/offering in any amount, in any frequency (weekly, monthly, etc), and to select a specific purpose/fund for your donation. You can complete one of the cards located in the pews and put in offering plate to alert the office that you have made an online donation.

#### I AM A CHURCH MEMBER

##### THE SECOND PLEDGE

I am a church member.

I will seek to be a source of unity in my church. I know there are no perfect pastors, staff, or other church members. But neither am I. I will not be a source of gossip or dissension. One of the greatest contributions I can make is to do all I can in God's power to help keep the church in unity for the sake of the gospel.

##### THE THIRD PLEDGE

I am a church member.

I will not let my church be about my preferences and desires. That is self-serving. I am a member in this church to serve others and to serve Christ. My Savior went to a cross for me. I can deal with any inconveniences and matters that just aren't my preference or style.

Here's a snapshot of our current budget numbers:

TITHES AND OFFERINGS	
TUMC 2024 BUDGET	\$159,000.00
WEEKLY GOAL	\$3,057.69
LAST WEEK'S OFFERING	\$5,211.76
YEARLY BUDGET TO DATE	\$15,288.45
YEARLY OFFERINGS TO DATE	\$13,944.02

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MEETINGS AND SUCH.....

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL is Sunday at 10am.

CHOIR PRACTICE is Wednesday at 7 pm.

METHODIST MEN meeting is scheduled for Mon, Feb 12 @ 6pm. The group will meet at Country Kitchen. All men are welcome to attend.

The next POP'N FOR JESUS is scheduled for Wed, Feb 28, 2024. Interested in helping, contact Betty Fleenor for details.

It's time to start planning!! Mark your calendars—VBS Planning Meeting will be scheduled for March 10th following the worship service. Plan to attend and bring your fabulous ideas to make this year bigger and better!

Worship service at Heritage Hall every Wednesday at 1:30-3 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.....

The VALENTINES DINNER is TODAY @ 12:30 pm! The cost is \$18 per person. The dinner is catered by Curklin's and is a fajita bar this year—DELISH!

Ash Wednesday Service (first day of Lent) is Wed, February 14 @ 6 pm.

HOPE's Annual Pastors Breakfast, Saturday, Feb 17 @ 8 am hosted and prepared by United Methodist Men. If you're able to help serve &/or clean up, please contact Steve Parsons.

Black History Celebration Service is Sunday, February 25 @ 5 pm.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY—March 10th! If you are interested in joining the church, please contact Pastor Tim or the office.

\*The sermon series continues on the book "I am a Church Member" by Thom Rainer. After the series is completed, you will be invited to attend a book discussion group. Thanks, Pastor Tim

### BSG Ministerial Lent Schedule

Services start at Noon and are followed w/light lunch

Feb 15—Heritage Church of God; guest speaker Rev Jake Herron; musical guest Elaine Harris

Feb 22—East Stone Methodist; guest speaker Rev Garrett Sheldon; musical guest Mary Lynn Franks

Feb 29—First Baptist; guest speaker Rev Beth Tipton; musical guest Ron Short

Mar 7—First Christian Church; guest speaker Rev Greg Townsend; musical guest CJ

Mar 14—Legion Memorial; guest speaker Elder Carolyn Smith; musical guest Williams Chapel

Mar 21—Bethesda Church of God; guest speaker Rev Timothy Robinson;

musical guest Mychelle Lawson

Mar 28—Trinity United Methodist; guest speaker Rev Eddie Kilbourne;

musical guest Rev Robbie White

### \*Offering stewards for February

February 18: Lana P., Pat B., Cecilia R., Susan H.

February 25: Phil R., Dennis A., Rob M., Gary H.

### \*Children's Moment for February

February 18: Diane B.

February 25: Patty R.

### \*Greeters for February

February 18: Patty R., Joyce P.

February 25: Amy G., Alberta M.

### \*Lector Readers for February

February 18: Natalie S-Psalm 25:1-10

February 25: Paula B-Psalm 22:23-31

### Nursery Volunteers for February

February 11: Amy G., Donna M.

February 18: Amy G., Judy H.

February 25: Amy G., Donna M.

### \*Communion Stewards for March 3:

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

**\*\*FOUND: TWO PAIR BLACK GLOVES—COME TO OFFICE TO CLAIM IF YOU'VE LOST THEM!\*\***

### WORSHIP ATTENDANCE Feb 4

Sunday School: 7

In-Person Worship: 68

Facebook Live: 18

Visitors: 2

Trinity Women: 19

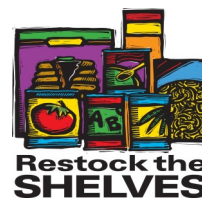
Heritage Hall Feb 7: cancelled (covid)

### UPS BACKPACK PROGRAM

Don't forget that each month we are going to Restock the Shelves for the Union Primary School. The food item requested for February is single serve fruit—pears, peaches or fruit cocktail.

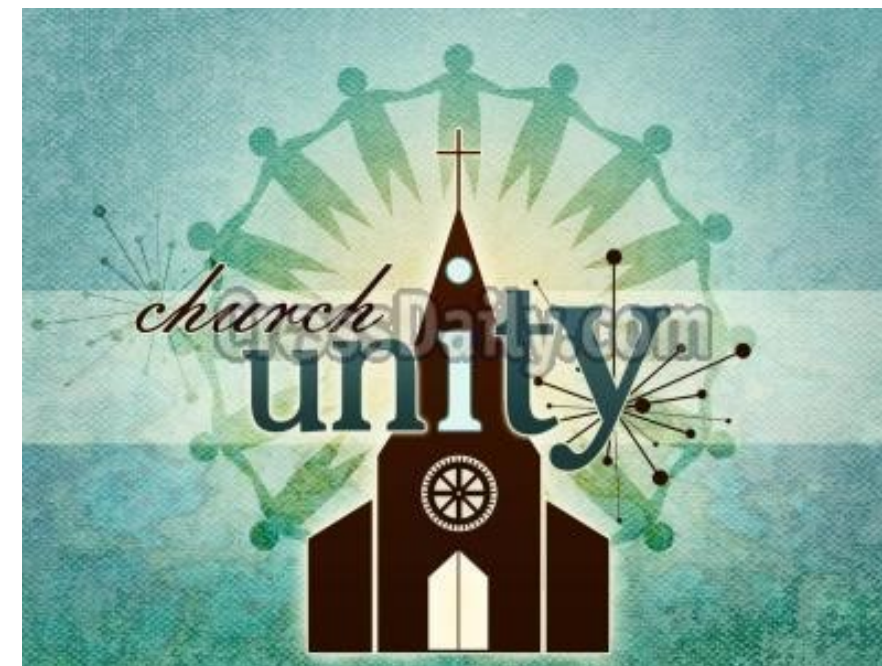
**ZIMBABWE BACKPACK ITEMS:** Our goal is to fill 60 backpacks. February is being used as a 'catch up' month; there is a box in the fellowship hall to deposit supplies.

**DISASTER RELIEF ROOM:** We have a designated room upstairs to house hygiene, home and some clothing for local disaster (fire, etc). We were able to assist a family that had a fire over Christmas. If you have any extra items to add to this room, please see Dennis or Cindy.



## The Trinity Companion

February 11, 2024



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