

Today's liturgical color is purple which symbolizes penance, sacrifice, and preparation. Purple is the color used during Advent and Lent.

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: Triumphal Entry by Eugene Butler

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—TRIUMPHAL ENTRY John 12:12-13

¹²The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem.

¹³They took palm branches and went out to meet him. They shouted, "Hosanna! Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the king of Israel!"

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: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna No. 278

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 31:9-16

READER: Tim R.

⁹Have mercy on me, Lord, because I'm depressed. My vision fails because of my grief, as do my spirit and my body.

¹⁰My life is consumed with sadness; my years are consumed with groaning. Strength fails me because of my suffering; my bones dry up.

¹¹I'm a joke to all my enemies, still worse to my neighbors. I scare my friends, and whoever sees me in the street runs away!

¹²I am forgotten, like I'm dead, completely out of mind; I am like a piece of pottery, destroyed.

¹³Yes, I've heard all the gossiping, terror all around; so many gang up

together against me, they plan to take my life!

¹⁴But me? I trust you, Lord! I affirm, "You are my God."

¹⁵My future is in your hands. Don't hand me over to my enemies, to all who are out to get me!

¹⁶Shine your face on your servant; save me by your faithful love!

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 Fred H.

THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Ushers: Spencer Q, Steve P, John H, Billy W

OFFERTORY PRAYER: Let us pray,
God of the ages, we share our tithes and offerings this day, but we acknowledge that most of the time, we are clinging tightly to what we have, afraid we might lose something we need and afraid somehow there won't be enough to live our lives. The scarcity mindset overtakes us, and it robs us of the joy of our days. Remind us that Jesus has called us to be ready to let go of this life so that we might claim the abundance of life eternal. In our redeemer's name, we pray, In Jesus' Name, Amen.

OFFERTORY MUSIC: In the Garden Arranged by Greg Howlett

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.**

Trinity UMC Chancel Choir Presents "Then Came Sunday" an Easter musical by Rodger Strader

Calli Shell—Pianist
Michael Shell—Percussion & Sound
Rick Galyean—Director
Ben Mays—Narration

~ Then Came Sunday

~ Hosanna!

~ Drink the Wine, Eat the Bread

Service of Word and Table

No 7-11

Communion Stewards: Pastor Tim Robinson and Reverend Beth Tipton

Communion Music: Drink the Wine, Eat the Bread with Were You There?
Arranged by Calli Shell

~ Not My Will

~ With Swords and Clubs

~ Peter's Song

~ The Trial and Isaiah 53

~ Save Yourself

~ Because He Loves Us So

~ He Is Alive Today

~ Worthy Is The Lamb

~ Because He Loves Us So

BENEDICTION

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

POSTLUDE: After All (Holy) by David Crowder

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEETINGS AND SUCH.....

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL is Sunday at 10am.

CHOIR PRACTICE is Wednesday at 7pm.

The next POP’N FOR JESUS is scheduled for Wed, Mar 27, 2024. Interested in helping, contact Betty Fleenor for details.

Women of Trinity meeting is April 7 @ 5 pm; all women are welcome to attend.

Methodist Men meeting is Monday, April 8 @ 6pm, held at Country Kitchen. All men are welcome to attend.

Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for April 10 @ 6pm.

Volunteers—Greeters; if you are, or would like to be, a greeter, please plan to attend a short meeting after the fundraiser meal on Apr 14.

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!

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**EVENTS AND CHURCH HAPPENINGS.....**

If you would like to contribute or assist in any way to the Easter Cross flowers, please see Beth Hagan.

**Our Easter Cantata “Then Came Sunday” is TODAY during the morning worship service.**

**Easter Egg Hunt, TODAY @ 2pm.** For more info or to sign up to help, please contact Christy Smith.

**This Thursday at noon, Trinity is hosting the final Lent Service of this year—** we hope to see you all here!!

Our next Church Budget Fundraiser meal—Hot Dog dinner will be **April 14 following the worship service!**

**Mark your calendars and clean out those closets! The Church Rummage Sale is scheduled for Wed-Fri, May 1-3, this year from 9 am to 2 pm each day!** We will need volunteers on Monday and Tuesday that week to setup. Please see Kathleen if you’re able to assist.

**BSG Ministerial Lent Schedule**  
Services start at Noon and are followed w/light lunch

**Mar 28—Trinity United Methodist;** guest speaker Rev Eddie Kilbourne; musical guest Rev Robbie White

**\*Offering stewards for March**

**Mar 31:** Paul C, Gary H, Alberta M, Cecilia R

**\*Children’s Moment for March**

**Mar 31:** Diane B

**\*Greeters for March**

**Mar 31:** Joyce P, Amy G

**\*Lector Readers for March**

**Mar 31:** Paula B-Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24

**Nursery Volunteers for March**

**Mar 24:** Judy H, Donna M

**Mar 31:** Amy G, Cathy G

**\*Communion Stewards for April 7:**

Paula B, Donna M, Joyce P, Alberta M

**WORSHIP ATTENDANCE Mar 17**

Sunday School: 5

In-Person Worship: 60

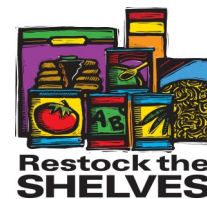
Facebook Live: 24

Visitors: 0

Heritage Hall: ?-bulletin printed prior to Wed afternoon

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     | \$2,193.00   |
| YEARLY BUDGET TO DATE    | \$33,634.59  |
| YEARLY OFFERINGS TO DATE | \$29,375.73  |



**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 March is single serve mac n cheese.

**ZIMBABWE BACKPACK ITEMS:** Our goal is to fill 60 backpacks. March is cash donations to NOW team fund. Dropoff deadline is 6/3/24.

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

**The Trinity Companion**

March 24, 2024

**2024 Easter Cantata**



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Worship begins at 11:00 am

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