

*Today's liturgical color is green which symbolizes growth, hope, and new life. Green reflects the theme of spiritual development and ongoing work of the Church.*

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**PRELUDE:** Good Neighbor by Evan Craft

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES / CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

**WELCOME**

**OPENING HYMN:** Here I am, Lord No. 593

**A TIME FOR PRAYER** (please use prayer request cards found in the narthex or in the pews and place into the offering plates-look for latest prayer requests & blessings listed on hallway [leaving sanctuary] bulletin board)

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**GLORIA PATRI**

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT:** Christy S.

**\*\*Children's Sunday School is now open\*\***

**THE PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**Ushers:** Dennis A., John H., Phil R., David T.

**OFFERTORY MUSIC:** In Christ There Is No East or West arr Julie A. Lind

**DOXOLOGY** No. 95

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Luke 10:25-37 Common English Bible

**Lector:** Natalie S.

<sup>25</sup>A legal expert stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to gain eternal life?" <sup>26</sup>Jesus replied, "What is written in the Law? How do you interpret it?" <sup>27</sup>He responded, "*You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and love your neighbor as yourself.*" <sup>28</sup>Jesus said to him, "You have answered correctly. Do this and you will live."

<sup>29</sup>But the legal expert wanted to prove that he was right, so he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" <sup>30</sup>Jesus replied, "A man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. He encountered thieves, who stripped him naked, beat him up, and left him near death. <sup>31</sup>Now it just so happened that a priest was also going down the same road. When he saw the injured man,

he crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way. <sup>32</sup>Likewise, a Levite came by that spot, saw the injured man, and crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way. <sup>33</sup>A Samaritan, who was on a journey, came to where the man was. But when he saw him, he was moved with compassion. <sup>34</sup>The Samaritan went to him and bandaged his wounds, tending them with oil and wine. Then he placed the wounded man on his own donkey, took him to an inn, and took care of him. <sup>35</sup>The next day, he took two full days' worth of wages and gave them to the innkeeper. He said, 'Take care of him, and when I return, I will pay you back for any additional costs.' <sup>36</sup>What do you think? Which one of these three was a neighbor to the man who encountered thieves?" <sup>37</sup>Then the legal expert said, "The one who demonstrated mercy toward him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

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

**Thanks be to God**

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** Because He Lives William Gaither

**SERMON:** September Series: Listening Church  
Part 2: Won't You Be My Neighbor?

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**

No. 881

**CLOSING HYMN:** O Thou, in Whose Presence

No. 518

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** (\*noted within the bulletin)

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE:** He Ain't Heavy, He's My Brother by Bob Russell & Bobby Scott

**Here's a snapshot of our current budget numbers:**

TITHES AND OFFERINGS	
TUMC 25 CY BUDGET	\$161,500.00
WEEKLY GOAL	\$3,105.77
SEMI/ANNUAL OFFERINGS	
LAST WEEK'S OFFERING	\$2,207.00
YEARLY BUDGET TO DATE	\$111,807.72
YEARLY OFFERINGS TO DATE	\$102,793.13

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL:** EVERY Sunday @ 10 am

**CHOIR PRACTICE:** Every Wednesday evening at 7 pm.

**ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MEETING:** 2nd Sunday, **TODAY**, following worship service- All are welcome to attend.

**NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE** will meet tomorrow, **Sep 15 @ 6pm**. All committee members please plan to attend.

**KATHLEEN'S MEALS:** the next meals event will be **Sep 16**; please reach out to Amanda Salyer if you are able to help with deliveries!

**METHODIST MEN:** Next meeting will be **Oct 13 @ 6pm** at Country Kitchen.

**WOMEN OF TRINITY:** Next meeting will be **Oct 19 @ 5pm** at **Heritage Hall** then return to church for meeting. We will be distributing Halloween treats at Heritage and women are encouraged to dress in costumes! All ladies are welcome to attend.

## EVENTS AND CHURCH HAPPENINGS.....

**Mark your calendars: SEP 28** we will have a **Homecoming/Bring a Friend service** with special music and a covered dish lunch to follow.

**Mark your calendars!** Get ready – it's almost time for the next **Trinity Rummage Sale**; **setup will be Sep 28-30** with the sale running **Oct 1, 2 and 3** and Kathleen says this will be a **BIG** one!

**Mark your calendars – Sep 28 @ 3 pm**, the **District Conference Meeting** will be held at Beech Grove UMC in Bristol.

**Mark your calendars - Oct 11**, **Pancake breakfast & bake sale** (I have it on good authority, there will be homemade jars of chow chow for sale!)-YUM; more details to follow!

**Oct 21 @ 9:30am**, Trinity will host the **District Clergy Meeting**

**Mark your calendars UPDATE –** The **spaghetti dinner fundraiser** following the worship service has been **moved to Nov 2nd**.

## WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday School: 5

In-Person Worship: 54

Facebook Live: 9

Visitors: 6

# The Trinity Companion

September 14, 2025



## Who Is My Neighbor?

### Trinity United Methodist Church

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Worship begins at 11:00 am

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