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: Soul On Fire by Third Day

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'll Fly Away

Some bright morning when this life is over \sim I'll fly away To that home on God's celestial shore \sim I'll fly away

CHORUS

I'll fly away, oh glory ~ I'll fly away in the morning When I die hallelujah by and by ~ I'll fly away

Just a few more weary days and then \sim I'll fly away To a land where joys will never end \sim I'll fly away

REPEAT CHORUS

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: Grace Greater Than Our Sin No. 365

Scripture Reading: Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45

Lector Reader: Alberta M

¹Give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make his deeds known to all

people!

²Sing to God; sing praises to the LORD; dwell on all his wondrous works!
³Give praise to God's holy name! Let the hearts rejoice of all those seeking the LORD!

⁴Pursue the LORD and his strength; seek his face always!

⁵Remember the wondrous works he has done, all his marvelous works, and the justice he declared-

⁶you who are the offspring of Abraham, his servant, and the children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

³⁷Then God brought Israel out, filled with silver and gold; not one of its tribes stumbled.

³⁸Egypt celebrated when they left, because the dread of Israel had come upon them

³⁹God spread out clouds as a covering; gave lightning to provide light at night.

⁴⁰The People asked, and God brought quail; God filled them full with food from heaven.

⁴¹God opened the rock and out gushed water-flowing like a river through the desert!

⁴²Because God remembered his holy promise to Abraham his servant, ⁴³God brought his people out with rejoicing, his chosen ones with songs of iov.

⁴⁴God gave them the lands of other nations; they inherited the wealth of many peoples-

⁴⁵all so that they would keep his laws and observe his instructions. Praise the LORD!

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 Patty R.

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: (Spencer Q., Dennis A., Gary H., Steve P.)

Offertory Music: How He Loves by David Crowder Band

Doxology No. 95

Anthem/Special Song With A Voice of Singing

Sermon: "The Lord Sends" Exodus 16:2-15

Response to the Service: Altar Call—if you desire to come to the front for prayer you are welcome to do so.

Closing Hymn: Trust and Obey No. 467

Benediction

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

Postlude: We Could Change the World by Matt Redman

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 1: Joyce P., Sandra R., Lana P., Pat B. Oct 8: Billy W., Chris S., John H., Daniel W. Oct 15: Amy G., Susie W., Susan H., Angie T. 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 1: Mary Beth A.
Oct 8: Nicole R.
Oct 15: Beth H.
Oct 22: Diane B.
Oct 29: Patty R.

*Greeters for October

Oct 1: Donna M., Amy G.
Oct 8: Angie T., Alberta M.
Oct 15: Amy G., Patty R.
Oct 22: Joyce P., Tiffany A.
Oct 29: Donna M., Amy G.

*Lector Readers for October

Oct 1: Beth H. Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16

Oct 8: Phil R. Psalm 19

Oct 15: Kim P. Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23

Oct 22: Natalie S Psalm 99

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

Nursery Volunteers for October

Sep 24: Paula B., Amy G. Oct 1: Judy H., Amy G. Oct 8: Cathy G., Donna M. Oct 15: Paula B., Nicole R. Oct 22: Amy G., Katie Z. Oct 29: Judy H., Cathy G.

*Communion Stewards for October 1st

Cindy A., Dennis A., Paul C., Kim P.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEETINGS AND SUCH......

Adult Sunday School is Sunday at 10 am.

*Choir Practice is Wednesday at 7 pm. As of today, since August 1st, \$1,739 has been donated to the choir fund—can the choir sing a Hallelujah!!!

*Women of Trinity –The next meeting is Sunday, Oct 1 @ 5 pm. All women are encouraged and welcome to attend.

Trinity Book Club—Our book is "The Power of a Praying Church" by Stormie Omartian. The next meeting is **Monday, Sep 25th @ 6pm and will be held at the 404 Creamery in BSG**. All are welcome to attend.

The next Pop'N for Jesus is scheduled for Wed, Sep 27th. Interested in helping? Meet at church or Hardees at 8:30 am!

SPPR Meeting—next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Sep 28 @ 6 pm

Fall Festival Planning Mtg—the next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct 4 @ 6pm; come and help get this Festival going! The Festival will be held on Saturday, Oct 28 from 3-5 pm with food offered from 5-6 provided and cooked by Methodist Men and finish the day with an outdoor movie at 6pm! Mark your calendars and prepare for a fun filled day!

Methodist Men—The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, Oct 9th @ 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.

EVENTS AND CHURCH HAPPENINGS......

TODAY.....stay after the service for a fundraiser dinner to benefit the NOW team. Meal will be soups/chili, sandwiches, a drink and of course desserts! Love offering requested.

Hunter's Education Class is scheduled for September 30. This class runs about 6 hours and can be used for concealed weapon permits. See Billy Whitt if you'd like to sign up for this class.

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.

Church Rummage Sale—the second Fall rummage sale is cancelled; gotta wait til Spring for those bargains!

Get ready—it's almost **pancake breakfast** time again! The Methodist Men will provide a pancake breakfast on **Oct 14** in conjunction with the Blue Highway Fest. The women will also have a **bake sale** going so folks can get some goodies to take with them!

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 September 17th:

Sunday School: 6 In-Person Worship: 62 Facebook Live: 24

Visitors: 1

Heritage Hall Sep 20: 13 Women of Trinity 9/17: 20

Fall is in the air here at Trinity—thank you Susie Whitt!



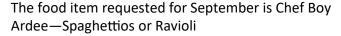


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UPS Back Pack Program

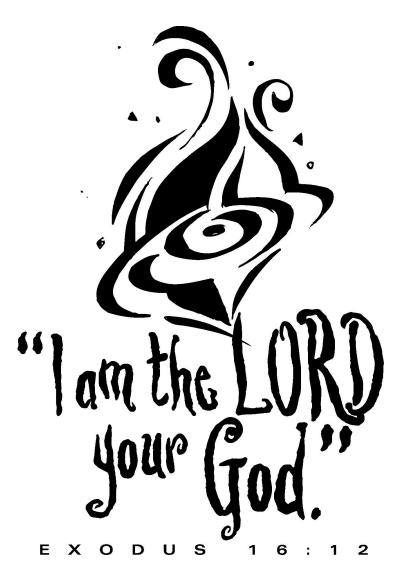
Don't forget that each month we are going to Restock the Shelves for the Union Primary School. During the month of September, the requested item is Chef Boy Ardee.



ZIMBABWE BACKPACK ITEMS: Our goal is to fill 60 backpacks. The donation requested for September is a pack of pencils (10-12 pack-NOT mechanical); there is a box in the fellowship hall to deposit supplies.

The Trinity Companion

September 24, 2023



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