

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.****

Don't Forget-the Highland Winds will present their Fall Concert tomorrow night at the Prior Convocation Center at 7:00 PM; the J. I. Burton Band will be joining us. ADMISSION IS FREE

Prelude: Toccata and Fugue in D Minor by J. S. Bach

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 happy, no sorrow in sight ——
Praise the Lord! ——— I saw the light. ——light.

Welcome from Pastor Tim and welcome your neighbors

We are God's People

We live in God's world

We have come to God's house to honor God's name,
and to prepare ourselves for God's work,
Come, let us praise Him!

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: Shall We Gather at the River No. 723

Scripture Reading: Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

Lector Reader: Rob M.

¹Lord, you have been our help, generation after generation.

²Before the mountains were born, before you birthed the earth and the inhabited world—from forever in the past to forever in the future, you are God.

³You return people to dust, saying, "Go back, humans,"

⁴because in your perspective a thousand years are like yesterday past, like a short period during the night watch.

⁵You sweep humans away like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning.

⁶True, in the morning it thrives, renewed, but come evening it withers, all dried up.

¹³Come back to us, Lord! Please, quick! Have some compassion for your servants!

¹⁴Fill us full every morning with your faithful love so we can rejoice and celebrate our whole life long.

¹⁵Make us happy for the same amount of time that you afflicted us—for the same number of years that we saw only trouble.

¹⁶Let your acts be seen by your servants; let your glory be seen by their children.

¹⁷Let the kindness of the Lord our God be over us. Make the work of our hands last. Make the work of our hands last!

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: (Beth H., Erin H., Patty R., Alberta M.)

Offertory Prayer: Let us pray,

Heavenly Father, thank you for all the good things you continue to provide for us. Don't let us take your gifts for granted or abuse them. Instead, help us always to rely on you in faith. Use us and what you have given us for your good purposes, In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Offertory Music: Lacrimosa from Requiem Mass in D Minor K626 by W. A. Mozart

Doxology No. 95

Anthem/Special Song The Holy City

Sermon: "God Wants Us to Rest" Hebrew 4:1-11

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: Precious Lord, Take My Hand No. 474

Benediction

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

Postlude: Peer Gynt, Suite No 1 in B Minor, Op. 46: IV by Edvard Grieg

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 November

Nov 5: Spencer Q., Gary H., Phil R., John H.

Nov 12: Joyce P., Sandra R., Lana P., Pat B.

Nov 19: Chris S. Daniel W., Steve P., Dennis A.

Nov 26: Susie W., Amy G., Alberta M., Cecilia R.

*Children's Moment for November

Nov 5: Kim P

Nov 12: Mary Beth A

Nov 19: Beth H

Nov 26: Nicole R

*Greeters for November

Nov 5: Alberta M., Angie T.

Nov 12: Patty R., Amy G.

Nov 19: Donna M., Joyce P.

Nov 26: Amy G., Patty R.

*Lector Readers for November

Nov 5: Caitlyn S/Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37

Nov 12: Diane B/Psalm 78:1-7

Nov 19: Paula B/Psalm 123

Nov 26: Phil R/Psalm 100

Nursery Volunteers for November

Oct 29: Judy H., Cathy G.
Nov 5: Amy G., Paula B.
Nov 12: Nicole R., Donna M.
Nov 19: Amy G., Cathy G.
Nov 26: Katie Z., Judy H.

***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.

Wednesday, Nov 1 @ 6 pm—initial meeting for **Christmas Parade float planning**—We placed 2nd last year—shooting for 1st this year!!!

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

Trinity Book Club—The book club will be suspended for a few weeks and reconvene when a new book has been selected. Watch for further details.

The Board of Trustees, SPPR and Finance committees will all be meeting with Pastor Tim on Thursday, Nov 9th @ 5 pm in the fellowship hall; a meal will be provided and the topic will be 2024 goals. If you are on one of these committees, please plan to attend!

The early Saturday morning prayer walks are suspendedfor warmer weather and more daylight! Watch for further details.

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

The next **Pop’N for Jesus** is scheduled for **Wed, Nov 15th**. Interested in helping? Meet at church or Hardees at 8:30 am!

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.....

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!

DON’T FORGET (or you could be sitting in an empty pew wondering where

everybody is!)—**Sunday, Nov 5, @ 2 am, the clocks set back an hour. It’s the end of Daylight Savings Time this year.**

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. We have invited many of the local churches! This will be a musical treat you don’t want to miss!

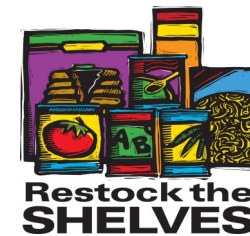
WORSHIP ATTENDANCE October 22nd:

Sunday School: 7
In-Person Worship: 65
Facebook Live:
Visitors: 5
Heritage Hall Oct 25: 21
Pop’N 4 Jesus: 9
Self Care Training w/Dr. Jewell Worley: 13



UPS Back Pack Program

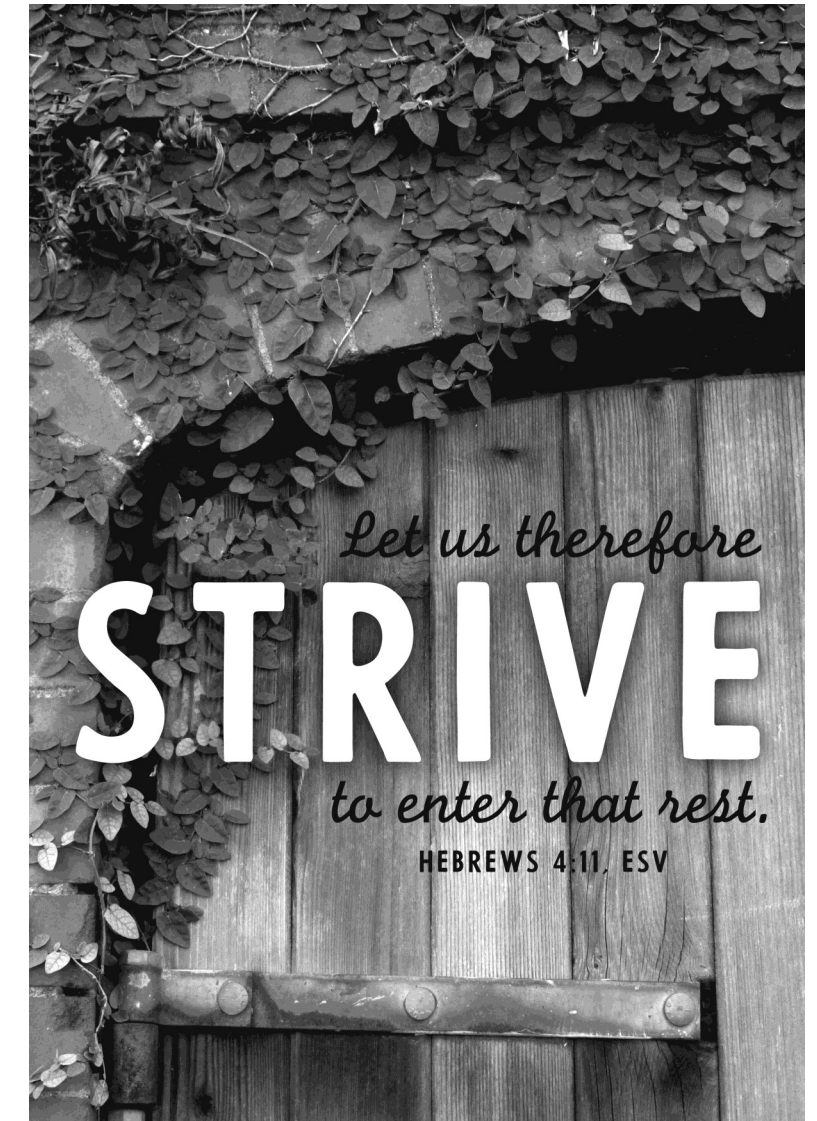
Don’t forget that each month we are going to Restock the Shelves for the Union Primary School. During the month of November, the requested item is breakfast bars. The food item requested for November is breakfast bars—apple/cinnamon or strawberry.



ZIMBABWE BACKPACK ITEMS: Our goal is to fill 60 backpacks. The donation requested for November is bottles of glue; there is a box in the fellowship hall to deposit supplies.

The Trinity Companion

October 29, 2023



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