



The Mustard Seed

“If you have faith as a grain of mustard seed . . . nothing will be impossible for you.”

A Note From the Pastor

Dear Trinity Family and Friends,

This year has flown by! November 20th is the Church’s New Years Eve. It is Christ the King Sunday and is the last Sunday of the Christian Year. The New Year begins with Advent the last weekend of November. We will be Hanging the Greens on November 27th as part of our Sunday Service and will have a wonderful Chili Cookoff following. The Season of Advent marks the time when we anticipate the birth of our Savior, Christ Jesus. We prepare and begin celebrating His birth. We will again be doing a giving Advent Calendar, also referred to as a reverse Advent. We will all collect assorted items for the food pantry and the less fortunate in our community. The Youth, Confirmation Class, and whoever would like to participate will join in the Twelve Days of Christmas giving various gifts and presents to a needy family in our community.

Unfortunately, Educational Opportunities has postponed the trip to Israel. I will instead post videos made the last time I was there, so we can enjoy and see the Holy Land sights. We will also be doing daily devotions for Advent during this time.

This leads up to Christmas! A time filled with wonder for children of all ages. As we prepare ourselves, our houses, and neighborhoods for Christmas, let us remember the true reason to celebrate. Almost two thousand years ago Jesus came to us as a baby in lowly estate. Christmas is not simply a day but a season lasting twelve days. I pray that this season finds you surrounded by love and peace. However, Christmas is not a happy time for everyone. Therefore, we will be having a Blue Christmas Service on Wednesday December 21st. This service is for anyone feeling down, mourning a loss, or just needing extra support.

We will have two Christmas Eve Services one a 5pm the other at 11pm. And if you had not noticed Christmas is on Sunday this year. What a wonderful day to spend with Jesus at church, celebrating His birthday! We will have a Christmas morning service of word and song!

With all the business of this time of year I pray that you find time to relax and enjoy all the blessings God has provided.

*Blessings,
Pastor Tom*

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Upcoming Calendar

November

- 1 Finance Committee Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
- 2 Coffee with Pastor @ Just Love @ 8am
- 3 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 10:00 a.m.
- 3 Sisters in Ministry @ 6:30 p.m.
- 7 United Women in Faith @ 10:00 a.m.
- 8 Trustees Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
- 9 Coffee with Pastor @ Just Love @ 8am
- 10 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 10:00 a.m.
- 11 Golden Agers Game Day @ 10:00 a.m.
- 13 UMM Men's Breakfast @ 7:00 a.m.
- 16 Coffee with Pastor @ Just Love @ 8am
- 17 Preschool Thanksgiving Lunch
- 17 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 10:00 a.m.
- 20 Praise Band Rehearsal @ 11:30 a.m.
- 22 Coffee with Pastor @ Just Love @ 8am
- 24-25 Church Office Closed (Thanksgiving)
- 27 Hanging of the Greens/Chili Cook-off
- 30 Coffee with Pastor @ Just Love @ 8am

December

- 1 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 10:00 a.m.
- 1 Sisters in Ministry @ 6:30 p.m.
- 3 New Beginnings Christmas Party 4pm
- 4 Children's Advent Workshop @ 11am
- 5 United Women of Faith @ 10:00 a.m.
- 7 Coffee with Pastor @ Just Love @ 8am
- 8 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 10:00 a.m.
- 9 Golden Agers Game Day @ 10:00 a.m.
- 11 UMM Breakfast @ 7:00 a.m.
- 11 Betty Parsley's 90th Birthday @ 1:30pm
- 13 Trustees Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.
- 14 Coffee with Pastor @ Just Love @ 8am
- 15 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 10:00 a.m.
- 15 Preschool Christmas Program @ 6pm
- 18 Cantata
- 21 Coffee with Pastor @ Just Love @ 8am
- 22 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 10:00 a.m.
- 23 Church Office Closed
- 24 Christmas Eve Service 5pm & 11pm
- 25 Church Office Closed
- 29 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 10:00 a.m.
- 31 Children's New Year Celebration @ 10am

Get the latest calendar updates on
our Church Website!

Use this QR Code to go straight to
Trinity's website!



Upcoming Highlights



Belk's Charity Day Sale: October 28 - October 30

Trinity's United Women in Faith have tickets available for \$5 each. You will get \$5 off your purchase, and the \$5 goes to United Women in Faith's treasury to support their worthy causes. Most United Women in Faith members have tickets available.

Thank you in advance for your support!

Sunday, October 30
2pm-4pm
(following 5th Sunday potluck)



Betty Parsley is turning 90!!!

Please join her family to celebrate between 2 o'clock and 4 on Sunday, **December 11th**. We will be in the church fellowship hall. Your presence is a gift and we request no other.

Hosted by Lisa and Mark Parsley and Mike Parsley.

The last Wonderful Wednesday for 2022 will be on December 7.

Thank to all the groups and individuals who prepared meals this year & led studies/groups to make our Wednesdays so Wonderful!



Celebrations



November

2 Will West
3 Kelley McKnight
5 Brenda Whitehead
9 Jim Malpas
10 David Anthony
11 Kathryn Johnson
14 Eli Robinson
14 Jackie Jamison
16 Zachary Whitehead
16 Bethann Anthony
18 Marjorie Cowell
19 Tom Szwejbka
22 Richard Willard

22 Sidney Roy

25 Brittany Leimer

27 Pat Counts

28 Sheryl Mabry

29 Joan Vaughn

29 Katie Helms

December

2 Linda Anderson
2 Connie Golson
3 Al Goss
4 Butch Vaughn
4 Weston Taliaferro
8 Pauline Hackler
8 Ralph Scott
9 Bekah Pate
9 Chris Kiddoo
11 Sue Fultz
12 Gary Johnson
14 Diana Corson
15 Frances Anthony
16 Deanna Frame

17 Lynn West

17 Tonya Youree

19 Julia King

19 Tom Pierce

20 Pam Van Etten

22 Beverly Anthony

23 Betty Parsley

24 Teri Towe

24 Sherrie Sledge

26 Caitlyn Brown

28 Bill Lodholz

29 Alan Young

HAPPY
Anniversary
FROM YOUR
CHURCH FAMILY

November

15 Rocky & Kim Davis
22 Butch & Connie Golson
25 Richard & Patty Willard

December

2 Mike & Pat Counts
9 Les & Reba Schmidt
28 Bill & Lynn West
29 Jeremy & Leslie Trail

The Church Family



If you have updates for the Circle of Concern, please call or e-mail the church office.

615-896-0413 or

trinityumcboro@gmail.com



Prayer Requests

Annie Woosley

If you have someone that is in need of prayers you may call or email the church office and we will gladly add them to the prayer list. Please help us to keep the list current by notifying the office of any updates. Thank you for your help.

Continue to Pray For

Coil Family, Andrew Golson, Larry Evans—Kaye McClellan's nephew, Steve Kavanaugh – Kaye McClellan's brother-in-law, Shirley Kull, Powell McClellan, Steven Lowel, Selma Pancake, Becky Waldrop, EJ Williams-Sara Roy's father

At Home/Assisted Living/Nursing Homes:

Sadie Agnew—Adams Place

Doug & Charlotte Mason-NHC Place

Jack Arbuckle-NHC

Franklin, TN

Julia King-The Rutherford

Reba Miller-Adams Place

Marlene Massey-The Villages

Clarice Stewart

Joy Elkins Tribke-Adams Place

Military Personnel

Shane Aylesworth, Seth Bell, Chaplain Jen Bowden, Chance Cooke, Tristin Corson, David Foster, Deserae Laczniak, Kelsey Lane, Thomas Lane, Robert Tracey, and the families of service men/women.

Note of Appreciation



Trinity is so very blessed to have all of the volunteers who put in countless hours to make sure our building is ready for ministry to happen.

Coming early to unlock the doors & staying late to lock-up, fixing things that break, mowing the grass, decorating, organizing, counting money, serving on committees and setting up for events are just a few of the things that get done behind the scenes.

Thank you for all the time and care given by all of these individuals! We wouldn't be here if it wasn't for you!

Children's Ministry

The children have had a busy fall with kicking off our Confirmation Class and starting a new Wednesday night study! We have 5 children participating in Confirmation this year and we ask for your prayers as they learn about the history of the church, Methodism, and their faith. On Wednesday nights, we are working through a program called *Dig In*. We will be having a game night on **Wednesday, November 16** after play practice. Please invite your friends to join us!

Christmas is coming and the children would like to kick off the season with an Advent workshop and Christmas party on December 4 from 11-2! This is a family activity, and we hope that all of our children's families will join us for this special afternoon. If you are planning to join us on this date, please email Leslie Trail at trinitychild@comcast.net.

The children are also beginning to get ready for their Christmas play! Any child who is interested in participating in the play should come for a parent/child meeting on Wednesday, November 2 at 6 pm. We will be practicing each Wednesday from 6:00 pm-6:45 pm and then moving to our regularly scheduled Wednesday lesson at 6:45 starting on November 2. We will also have 1 Sunday afternoon practice as well. More information will be coming about our performance date!

The children will be kicking off the New Year with a special New Year's celebration on Saturday, December 31 from 10 AM-12:30 PM! We will have lunch, play games/watch a movie and eat cake with a countdown to the "Noon Year" in the Fellowship Hall. Families who are interested in joining us for our "Noon Year" celebration should email Leslie to sign up (for a headcount for food).

Youth Ministry

Special thanks to the following people for helping to lead the youth on either Wednesday nights or Sunday mornings lately: Denny Schooley, Nancy McGill, Dianna Corson, Dave & Nancy Long, Butch & Connie Golson, Stephen Burnette, & Aaron Mulroy. Having so many people involved in our youth's lives and ministry is vital in helping them realize just how much the church values them.

We have been looking at viewpoints of different generations and so far, the youth are begrudgingly admitting that there are more similarities than differences and that maybe age doesn't mean your faith looks a certain way.

We continue to welcome anyone who wants to share and be a part of a discussion with our youth. Depending on the day, it might be a smaller group, but no matter what, they have big thoughts and opinions.

"When your child is little, all you want is for them to play in their room for an hour so you can have some peace and quiet. Then they become teenagers and all you want is for them to come out of their rooms for an hour and talk to you." Thankful for the time we get with our youth and the chance to listen to them.

Trinity Preschool

Trinity Nursery Preschool has enjoyed a wonderful fall semester of school so far!

We had a visit and presentation from a Murfreesboro Police Officer and his dog, we took the 3 and 4yr old classes to the Discovery Center on their first field trip, and we had a wonderful picture day as well! We have increased our enrollment and currently have 30 students attending on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We have several special events planned for the Holiday season including a Thanksgiving lunch for our students and families as well as a Christmas program and family dinner.

We have a wonderful staff of teachers who are working hard to make this preschool a loving and supportive environment and we are so thankful for them! Thank you all for your continued support of our program!





Holiday Worship Schedule



Sunday, November 27
 Hanging of the Greens during 9am service
 Decorating Classrooms during Sunday
 School Hour
 Chili Cook off @ 11:30am



Saturday, December 24
 Christmas Eve Services @ 5pm & 11pm



Sunday, December 18
 Christmas Cantata



Sunday, December 25
 Christmas Day Service @ 9am
 No Pastor Study @ 8am



ADVENT

Bible Reading Plan

1 Luke 1:1-4	2 John 1:1-5, 18	3 John 1:1-5, 18	4 Isaiah 9:6-7 & 11:1-5	5 Micah 5:2-4
6 Matthew 1:1-17	7 Luke 1:5-25	8 Luke 1:26-38	9 Luke 1:39-45	10 Luke 1:46-56
11 Luke 1:57-66	12 Luke 1:67-80	13 Luke 2:1-7	14 Matthew 1:18-25	15 Luke 2:8-21
16 Matthew 2:1-12	17 Luke 2:22-40	18 Matthew 2:13-15	19 Matthew 2:16-18	20 Matthew 2:19-23
21 John 1:6-8, 15	22 John 1:9-14	23 John 1:16-17	24 Isaiah 52:13- 53:12	25 Revelation 21:1-8

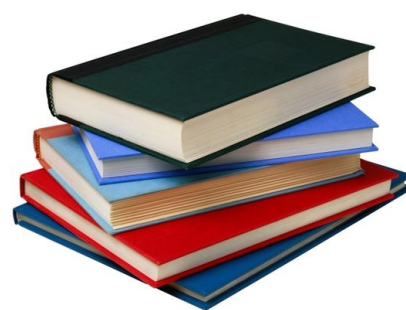
Ways to Serve



Trinity UMC's food pantry is running low on all items. Examples of items needed include: crackers, soup, pasta sauce, canned vegetables, canned fruit, and canned meat. Items can be dropped off anytime during church office hours or Sunday mornings in the basket outside the food pantry area.

Trinity's Little Library located by one of the entrances is low on books. If you have any adult or children's books, we would love to have you consider sharing them with our community.

Journey Home also collects books and magazines to give out. Those can be donated in the Library.



Finance

Date	Giving	Attendance
8/28/2022	\$ 3,797.25	71
9/4/2022	\$ 10,503.00	74
9/11/2022	\$ 3,546.00	73
9/18/2022	\$ 4,539.16	73
9/25/2022	\$ 2,441.50	74
10/2/2022	\$ 17,255.00	64
10/9/2022	\$ 3,479.00	78
10/16/2022	\$ 3,048.00	74



Don't have cash or check, but still want to give financially to Trinity? Use this QR code to donate on-line or set up an automatic payment. Create one less thing you have to remember to take care of each week, month, or quarter!

Invite a Friend

Andrew Gibson, Larry Evans, Becky Wardrop,

Do you know someone who is looking for an opportunity to learn about Jesus and develop a relationship with Him? Do you know someone who needs a church family, a place to connect and feel encouraged in their spiritual journey? Invite them to join us at Trinity UMC. Let us step out in faith and make disciples for Jesus Christ in 2020!

Trinity UMC: *Where Jesus is lifted for all people and God's Word is honored.*



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