

TO OUR GUESTS: Welcome to Trinity!

We pray that you experience the love, joy, and peace of Christ this morning.



We invite you to check out the website to learn more about Trinity and to find out how to get involved. We suggest you begin with **The Hub** (trinityumc.net/hub) and **I'm New** (trinityumc.net/new-here) pages.

At Trinity, our mission is "to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world." Our staff will be happy to answer any questions you may have. We are here for you.

May God's love refresh and inspire you today and always.

Please Sign the Pad in the Guest Book located in each pew. Whether a visitor or member we would like to know that you worshipped with us this morning, and which of our services you attended.

Sermon Notes

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Left Something Behind?

Check the **Lost and Found** container located in the Mission Central closet (at the end of the hall past the Church offices).

This Week

- TODAY: 9 AM Modern Worship Service
10 AM Discipleship
11 AM Traditional Worship Service
1 PM Christmas Play Rehearsal (Trinity Hall)
4-6 PM Advent: Lessons & Carols (Sanctuary)
6-8 PM Youth Christmas Party (Student Center)
Monday 11:45 AM Monday Prayer Group
6:30 PM Praise Rehearsal
Tuesday 9 AM-4 PM Trinity Stitchers (Room 323)
3:30 PM Celebration at Cedarfield
6-8 PM Pickleball (Trinity Hall)
Wednesday 3 PM Chair Yoga (Welcome Center)
6 PM 3M Study Group (Room 317)
6-7 PM Upward Coaches Training (Trinity Hall)
7 PM Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
Thursday 9 AM Trinity Stitchers (Room 323)
10 AM United Women in Faith Service Day
6 PM Pastor Daniel's Bible Study (Room 323)
Friday 9 AM-2 PM Food Collection (Trinity Hall)
Saturday 2PM Bill Boice Service (Sanctuary)



Upcoming Events

- Next Sunday Psalm 126
12/14 10 AM United Women in Faith Service Day
12/17 4-6 PM Advent: Christmas Play: "Operation Christ Child"
12/21 6 PM Longest Night Service
12/24 10 AM One Worship Service
4 PM Family Christmas Eve Service
6 PM Modern Christmas Eve Service
8 PM Traditional Christmas Eve Service
11 PM Traditional Christmas Eve Service



12/25 and 26 Church Offices Closed for Christmas Holiday



TRINITY United Methodist Church



December 10, 2023

- Rev. Brian D. Siegle, Pastor
Rev. Daniel W. Guenther, Associate Pastor
Rev. Judy C. Oguich, Minister of Congregational Care
Rev. Aaron Miller, Associate Pastor of Music
Laura Candler-White, Organist
Jen Williams, Director of Kids Ministries
Bill Pike, Director of Operations

Dr. Hyo Lee, District Superintendent, Three Notch'd District
Sue Hauptert-Johnson, Bishop, Virginia Conference

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⚙️ **Modern Worship**

9:00 AM

✚️ **Traditional Worship**

11:00 AM

ENTRANCE

✚️ Chiming the Hour

Welcome

*Call to Worship

adapted from work written by Christine Sine (2012)

Let us prepare our hearts

as we await the coming of our Lord.

**Let us watch for the one who heard our cries
and shouldered the suffering of our world.**

*Let us anticipate the coming of Christ's eternal world
with wholeness, reconciliation and plenty for all.*

**Let us wait in expectation for the day
when God's glory is revealed in all its fullness.**

⚙️ *Song

Come Thou Fount

✚️ *Hymn

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

UMH 203
ELLACOMBE

Lighting the Advent Wreath—Peace

Curtis, Brittany, Jack, Cole, and Addie Reece Nichols (9:00)
Mark, Cathy, and Laura Devlin (11:00)

...We long for real peace, true peace, just peace.

**We wait as people who yearn for peace
that bears the fruit of community, equity,
and flourishing for all.**

*Sung Response *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

(refrain)

Rejoice! Rejoice!

Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

*Passing the Peace

⚙️ *Song

Glory (Let There Be Peace)

✚️ *Hymn

Emmanuel, Emmanuel

UMH 204
MCGEE

*Opening Prayer

Saving God,

**As we enter into this time of worship,
we pray that you might wake us up.**

**Help us to recognize your son in our midst,
that he may be the light of our lives**

and that eagerly we may lead people to him.

**May he build up among us and with us
a world and a kingdom of peace and love**

**where we serve you in one another,
as we move forward in hope**

to your home of endless joy and rest.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

✚️ *Gloria Patri

UMH 70

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Scripture Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13 *CEB* Elaine Peele (9:00)
Linda Robinson (11:00)

Kids Moment

Sermon *As It Is In Heaven* Rev. Daniel Guenther

Response to the Word

adapted from "Prayers of Praise and Trust" by Joan Stott

**Gracious God,
we are overwhelmed by the wonder
of your mercy and love!**

**You have so totally poured out
your unfailing and unconditional love upon us,
and restored us to yourself
through your forgiveness of our sin.**

**Your words of peace have warmed our hearts,
enlivened our minds, and encouraged our spirits—
and for this, we praise and honor you
with songs of joy.**

**Inspirational God, you prepare the way ahead for us,
so that in peace and joy we may journey onwards
to our home in you. Amen.**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer UMH 895

THANKSGIVING

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory *Let Us Be* (9:00)
This Is the Truth Sent from Above (11:00)

⚙️ *Doxology

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Christmas Doxology

O TANNENBAUM

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
in every generation.**

**Praise God, all creatures here below,
who gives to us salvation.**

**Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

**Let all creation praise the Lord
with love and adoration.**

SENDING FORTH

⚙️ *Song

Glory (Let There Be Peace)

✚️ *Hymn

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

UMH 196
HYFRYDOL

*Benediction

✚️ *Postlude

** Please stand as you are able*

Worship has ended -- now Service begins.

Kids in Worship

As a church, we value kids participating in worship!

In the Welcome Center are Worship Bags and other materials to help your kids engage in the Worship service.

Please return the Worship Bag to the Welcome Center at the end of the service.

Acolytes

Candlelighters:

Lily Meehan, Duncan Monroe

Crucifer:

Adaline Glassman

Our Advent/Christmas Offering is designated to support United Methodist Family Services (UMFS).

You may designate "UMFS" on your check (payable to Trinity UMC); or put your donation in a "Christmas" offering envelope (located in the pews). All "undesignated" offerings received at the Lessons & Carols service today, or at the Christmas Eve evening services (4 PM, 6 PM, 8 PM, 11 PM) will be given to UMFS.

Our Trinity Foundation has generously approved a \$7,500 matching grant for this special offering.

Trinity has historically been one of UMFS's largest supporters, and we hope to continue that tradition this year.

Prayer Chain Ministry... To submit your prayer request or to share a joy with our intercessory prayer chain, call Judy Oguich (**288-6056 ext. 206**). We have over 50 persons who have committed themselves to praying for our community.

Prayer Concerns - Trinity members and staff pray for the concerns and joys of your heart. If you have a request, fill out a green Pastoral Care Card or the white Trinity Care Team Card (*located in the Guest Book*) and drop it in the offering plate.

"I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone,"

1 Timothy 2:1

Known Member Prayer Concerns

Nancy Johann

Wayne Bullis

Nancy Foley

John Bartholomew

Ann Sangston

The family of Donald Brown (father of Debbie Mancini)

The family of Bill Boice

Community Prayer Concerns

Victims of extreme weather and natural disasters

Victims of war and violence