

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

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: 10 AM One Worship Service
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- 4 PM Family Christmas Eve Service
 - 6 PM Modern Christmas Eve Service
 - 8 PM Traditional Christmas Eve Service
 - 11 PM Traditional Christmas Eve Service

- Monday Closed for Christmas Holiday
- Tuesday Closed for Christmas Holiday
- Wednesday 3 PM Chair Yoga (Welcome Center)
- Thursday
- Friday NO Food Collection this week
- Saturday

Upcoming Events

- Next Sunday **Jeremiah 31:31-34**
- 12/31 10 AM One Worship Service
 - 1/1/2024 Church Offices Closed for New Years Day Holiday
 - 1/11 United Women in Faith Program (Room 324)
 - 1/14 Commissioning of Friends of Barnabas Honduras Mission Team
 - 1/16 6 PM Pub Theology @ Way Gone Brewery 10610-12 Patterson Avenue 23238 (New Location!)
 - 1/21 12:30 PM Vision Meeting for Youth Parents and Volunteers
 - 1/20-27 Friends of Barnabas Mission Trip to Honduras
 - 1/28 9 AM Third Grade Bible Presentation
 - 2/11 Souper Bowl Sunday Scout Sunday
 - 2/13 Shrove Tuesday
 - 2/14 Ash Wednesday



December 24, 2023

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

ENTRANCE

Chiming the Hour

Welcome

*Call to Worship

*You know what time it is,
how it is now
the moment for you to wake from sleep.
For salvation is nearer to us now
than when we became believers;
the night is far gone, the day is near.
Let us then lay aside the works of darkness
and put on the armor of light.*

*Hymn *The First Noel* UMH 245
THE FIRST NOEL

Lighting the Advent Wreath—Love
Eric, Colleen, Aidan, and Keeley Messick

*...Yet, like Mary, the “onlys” that make us hesitate
are gifts God can and will use
as God’s love transforms us into bearers of good news.
We wait
as people who have encountered divine Love
that disrupts the status quo
and ushers us into abundant life
marked by mutual love and peace
that flows from the flourishing of all people.*

*Sung Response *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* (refrain)
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

*Passing the Peace

*Hymn *What Child Is This* UMH 219
GREENSLEEVES

*Opening Prayer

**Holy God,
the mystery of your eternal Word
took flesh among us in Jesus Christ.
At the message of an angel,
the virgin Mary placed her life
at the service of your will.
Filled with the light of your Spirit,
she became the temple of your Word.
Strengthen us by the example of her humility,
that we may always be ready to do your will,
and welcome into our lives Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

*Gloria Patri UMH 70

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Scripture Luke 1:46b-55 CEB Ashley Marshall

Kids Moment

Sermon *Let’s Not Wait to Sing!* Rev. Judy Oguich

*Affirmation of Faith—A Statement of Faith UMH 883
of the United Church of Canada

**We are not alone, we live in God’s world.
We believe in God:
who created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the church:
to celebrate God’s presence,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer UMH 895

THANKSGIVING

God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory *Joy Has Dawned*

*Doxology *Gloria in Excelsis Deo*

SENDING FORTH

*Carol *Angels We Have Heard On High* UMH 238
GLORIA

*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: Anna Estes, Caroline Verdery
Crucifer: Matthew Estes

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 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 Bob Argabright

The family of Karen Schmid
The family of Thomas Meeks (husband of Kaye Carrithers)
The family of Cathy Frick (aunt of Holly Cantua)
The family of Ann Sangston

Community Prayer Concerns

Victims of extreme weather and natural disasters
Victims of war and violence
Those traveling