



"Life in the Son"

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Trinity Tidings

August 2026



From the Pastor's Desk

Hey y'all!

I thought I would give my Southern greeting this month. I love summertime for many reasons but for me especially it is a time to reflect and think. Between vacation, Salkehatchie, and Asbury Hills, I get to do some reflecting, learning, and sharing of life with many different people. This summer I have been reflecting on a question that is asked in scripture. Who is my neighbor?

Let me remind you of the story from Luke 10:

25 A legal expert stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to gain eternal life?"

26 Jesus replied, "What is written in the Law? How do you interpret it?"

27 He responded, "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with

all your mind, and love your neighbor as yourself."

28 Jesus said to him, "You have answered correctly. Do this and you will live."

29 But the legal expert wanted to prove that he was right, so he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

30 Jesus replied, "A man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. He encountered
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thieves, who stripped him naked, beat him up, and left him near death.

31 Now it just so happened that a priest was also going down the same road. When he saw the injured man, he crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way. 32 Likewise, a Levite came by that spot, saw the injured man, and crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way.

33 A Samaritan, who was on a journey, came to where the man was. But when he saw him, he was moved with compassion.

34 The Samaritan went to him and bandaged his wounds,

tending them with oil and wine. Then he placed the wounded man on his own donkey, took him to an inn, and took care of him.

35 The next day, he took two full days' worth of wages and gave them to the innkeeper. He said, 'Take care of him, and when I return, I will pay you back for any additional costs.'

36 What do you think? Which one of these three was a neighbor to the man who encountered thieves?

37 Then the legal expert said, "The one who demonstrated mercy toward him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

Jesus provides us with a great

reminder that our neighbors are those all around us who we might least expect. It is the people whose house we work on at Salkehatchie. It is the children and youth I work with at Asbury Hills. It is the person who is standing on the street corner. I think sometimes we forget our neighbors are also the people who live next to us. We forget they are the people sitting in the pews and serving on committees at church. They are the people we work with and see throughout the week.

We need always to keep in mind that Jesus guides us to be better neighbors to all no matter who they are.

In Christ,

Gene

Church Trustees

UPDATE



God certainly has blessed Trinity with some remarkable members.

An amazing anonymous donor has provided complete funding for a new security camera system and air curtain for the back door for Trinity Hall. This system will allow the office staff the ability to view persons entering and exiting at the back doors and a phone app for viewing the various cameras on a 24/7 basis.

Now for a few reminders:

1) The gray multipurpose rooms' furniture is not to be taken outside. Recently a new gray table was taken offsite and brought back damaged, dirty, and full of ants. If you need a folding table or chair for outside use, please use the "OLDER" furniture.

2) For your safety, please do not use the Trinity Hall chairs as a ladder. There is a ladder stored in the kitchen under the paper towel dispenser for your use. To date, 25 percent of the new chairs that were purchased for Trinity Hall are damaged from people standing on them.

The Trustees appreciate your support.

Blessing of the Backpacks set for Sunday, Aug. 16

All kids, youth, teachers, and school staff! Join us during the 9:45 and 11 a.m. worship services for a special Blessing of the Backpacks.

Bring your backpack or briefcase and have it blessed by our pastors. Receive a blessing tag to carry with you into the new school year!

Everyone working with schools is welcome—let's start the year with prayers and blessings.



Women's circles planning several future events

Happy July to all. What a great milestone for our country -- 250 years! God has surely given us a beautiful place to live and to continue to do His work.

Most circles are still on summer break but continue to do good things for Trinity and our community. Some are selling cookbooks, helping feed J1 students, decorating for and feeding VBS kids and so much more.



that Sunday to be a part of these touching services.

We continue to work on our special luncheon coming in December -- Festival of Nativities.

Continue to enjoy your summer and stay cool. Remember, we are always looking for women to join one of our circles.

Our next event will be Women in the Pulpit on Sunday, Aug. 23. Make sure you are in church

Call the church office for more information or pick up a brochure located at each entrance of the church.



PEP Club returns next month

It's hard to believe summer is almost over. Hope everyone is having a wonderful summer.

PEP Club will be starting back up next month in September, so get in touch with all your friends and get ready for

a new and exciting year! Be sure to read the September newsletter to get all the details. Stay healthy and enjoy the rest of your summer.

Also, if you have any new ideas or suggestions for PEP Club, please let Rhonda Thompson know at (843) 655-1922. Stay cool.

Thank you for an amazing Vacation Bible School

To everyone who contributed—whether through decorating, supplying, cooking, serving, teaching, leading, setting up, breaking down, or praying—you made this week truly special. Your efforts helped share the love of God with every child who came, and your kindness made a lasting impact. We couldn't have done it without you—thank you for making a difference!





An enormous thank you goes out to the many, many volunteers who worked most of the summer cutting leaves; making flowers, rocks and snakes; assembling bamboo; painting parrots, sloths, monkeys and toucans; coloring, spraying and folding butterflies; gluing ants; and putting together vines and palm trees to make our Rainforest come alive. A special thanks to Mark Fahner for building the palm tree and bamboo stands and the Tiki hut. It takes a village -- we asked, and you responded. Job well done!!



Thank you for your support of the Miracle at the Beach family and the Back-to-School-Shoes appeal. Your generosity makes a difference!

TUMC Mobile Meals dates: Aug. 17 through 21. See John Denis.

August Special Focus: Adults with special needs are among the most underserved people in South Carolina and the nation. The need for their care continues to grow, and Aldersgate Special Needs Ministry is there for them. See the website at <https://aldersgatesnm.org>. Aldersgate



Special Needs Ministry provides the highest quality of life and greatest level of independence in Christian homes for adults with special needs. There are currently six homes: Columbia, Florence, Orangeburg and Irmo. Please consider marking your check Missions: Aldersgate. Thank you. See Linda Dunn.

Save the Dates: Friday, Oct. 2 and Saturday, Oct. 3. We have space for 24 volunteers to travel to Goldsboro NC Merc Center to sort and evaluate UMCOR cleaning kits, hygiene kits, and other donated goods.

We would leave Friday afternoon for the four-hour trip with dinner en route. Work 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (perhaps 3 p.m.) Saturday and return home with dinner en route. Please contact Linda Dunn if interested.

Next Missions Committee meeting: Monday, Sept. 7 at 10 a.m. in Trinity Hall.

Christmas shoe box donations requested

The Missions Committee is accepting Christmas shoe boxes for the Native American children of Spirit Lake, N. D. no later than Sunday, Oct. 4.

Both cardboard shoe boxes and reusable plastic shoe boxes (regular shoe box size, not oversized) are acceptable. They may be filled with NEW toys, age and subject-appropriate

books, pens, pencils, paper, coloring books with crayons, jewelry, makeup, hats, gloves, mittens (but NO other clothing), candy and snacks (NO liquids). The boxes will be dedicated during services on Sunday, Oct. 11.

After filling the shoebox, tape the label below to the outside box lid. Please enclose \$5 cash or a check payable to TUMC for shipping/handling.

Merry Christmas

Christmas Shoe Box for Spirit Lake, ND

Age (Circle 1): Infant 1-2 3-5 6-8 9-12 13+

Boy

(Circle 1)

Girl



Congregational Prayer Names

August 2026



Week/Volunteer	Date/Names	Week/Volunteer	Date/Names
	August 2		August 16
1 – Ann Zehr	1. Dottie Bernat	3 – Susan Kerschner	1. Terri Dorton & George Carter
	2. Robert & Linda Blair		2. Courtney & David Eaton
	3. Dean & Debbie Banaian		3. Lynn Edmonds
	4. Dan & Cynthia Baughman		4. Linda Eichenbaum
	5. Michael & Sally Carlo		5. Pat & Mark Fahner
	6. Roger Clark		6. Jacquelyn Fizet
	August 9		August 23
2- Donna Allen	1. Alan & Diana Faulkenberry	4 – Terry Slapnik	1. Jack & Debra Haught
	2. Daryl & Phyllis Forsythe		2. Doug & Lisa Henderson
	3. Gary Freeman		3. Cathy Hollis
	4. Calvin & Wanda Furr		4. Lily Howie
	5. Bob & Katherine Gold		5. John Hughes
	6. Tina Grubb		6. Ed & Lee Hullings
		5 - Terry Slapnik	August 30
			1. Kathy Juby
			2. Ken & Marlene Klaus
			3. Bill Loomis
			4. Margaret Martin
			5. Kenneth McIver



Crown Park Golf Club
2225 Hwy 9 W, Longs

Mondays (except Aug. 31)
2 p.m.

Cost \$20

Women in the Pulpit Sunday set for Aug. 23

Women in the Pulpit is a cherished yearly tradition at Trinity organized by Trinity United Methodist Women and will be on Sunday, Aug. 23.

It is a Sunday dedicated to recognizing, uplifting, and empowering women as they serve in leadership roles throughout our worship services.

On this day, women will lead the congregation in every aspect of the service—from the choir and the sermon to the readings, ushering, and prayer across all three services. (With the exception of the contemporary service, where we do not currently have women available to fill every role.)

This tradition is more than a celebration; it is a reminder of the gifts, voices, and spiritual leadership women bring to our church community. We look forward to worshipping together



and honoring the women who faithfully serve.

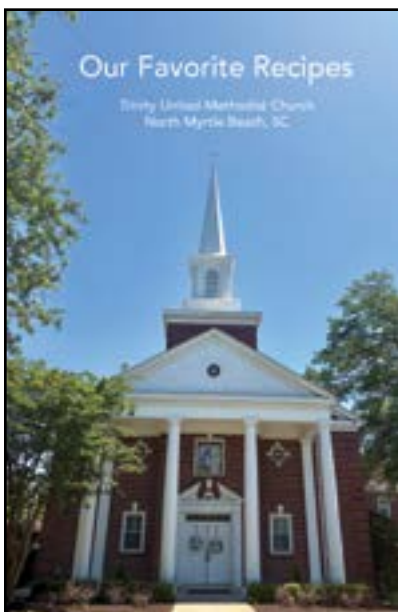
Kathy Juby will be giving the sermon at all three services as well as the reading and benediction. Pat Fahner and Tina Yates will be giving the welcome, announcements and invocation. Beth Johnson and Susie Hammond will be leading the Apostles' Creed, doxology and greeting. Pastor Stephanie will do the children's service at 11 a.m. Lia Rose Bonic and Marsha Wehr will be giving the prayer

for the people, the Lord's Prayer and introduction of the offering. Ushers will be Emily Tinsley, Betsi Rudder, Kathy Slack, Brenda Young, Karen Bullard, Marilyn Whipp, Patricia Boatwright, Tonya Ard and Cindy Burgio. The choir will be made up of all the women in the choir led by Jennifer Dennis.

A special mention to all the circle leaders who helped make this successful and meaningful: Carole Petro, Love Circle; Cindy Jones, Dot Jordan; Tonya Ard, Faith, love and Friendship; and Dianne Cintron, Susanna Wesley.

Many other women were involved as it takes a village to make a great service for everyone to enjoy.

Thanks to all who have agreed to lead this special day. Enjoy the services, and may you truly encounter God's presence today!



Trinity Cookbooks are IN!

Hot off the press are the new Trinity cookbooks.

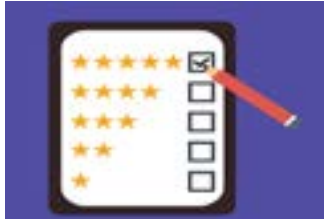
If you pre-ordered a book, you may pick it up in the volunteer office on any August Sunday following the 8:30 and 11 a.m. services.

If you wish to purchase a book, they are available for \$25, also on any August Sunday following the 8:30 and 11 a.m. services. Cash or checks only. When writing a check, please indicate cookbook in the memo on your check.

Beginning Aug. 1, cookbooks will sell for \$25.

Survey help requested

The Congregational Care Health and Wellness team sent out a survey in Realm the beginning of July to see what topics the congregation would like to learn more about.



If you have not already completed the survey, please just take a moment to go into Realm under the News tab and complete the survey. Thank you.



BOOK CLUB

Book club meets the first Monday of each month at 1 p.m. in Room 1 of Trinity Hall. All are welcome whether you are a church member or not. Please come even if you have not read the book. We have lively discussions and many laughs. The following books will be discussed:

August 3

The Rent Collector
by Camron Wright

September 7

The House Beyond the Dunes
by Mary Burton

October

The Flight Girls
by Noelle Salazar

November

TBD

December

The Autobiography of Santa Claus
by Jeff Guinn



7/27 to 8/30

Carol Holt (pews)
Susan Douglas (candles)

8/31 to 9/27

Pam Early (pews)
Pam Apple (candles)

August Usher Schedule

8:30 a.m. services

Aug. 2 - Dick & Emily Tinsley, Hugh Holliman, Pam Bumstead

Aug. 9 - Tom & Connie Kelser, Jeannie Reeder, Judy Lowe

Aug. 16 - Alan & Sarah Jane Slaughter, Verne Cappell, Baxter Barger

Aug. 23 - Emily Tinsley, Betsi Rudder, Kathy Slack, Brenda Young

Aug. 30 - Aubrey & Pam Apple, Kenneth McIver, Betsi Rudder

11 a.m. services

Aug. 2 - Don & Michele Godwin, Bob & Linda Miller, Jackie Stanley

Aug. 9 - Tonya Ard, Dave & Mary Jane Ryan, Melissa Pack, Del Haws

Aug. 16 - Don & Michele Godwin, Cindy Burgio, Tonya Ard, Jackie Stanley

Aug. 23 - Tonya Ard, Melissa Pack, Cindy Burgio, Del Haws, Karen Bullard, Marilyn Whipp, Patricia Boatwright

Aug. 30 - Bob & Linda Miller, Dave & Mary Jane Ryan, Margaret Martin

Back-to-school supplies requested for Sea Haven

Trinity UMM are collecting back-to-school supplies for approximately 200 children at Sea Haven (<https://www.seahavenyouth.org/>).

Some of the greatest needs include:

- Pens and pencils
- Crayons, markers, and colored pencils
- Pencil pouches
- Folders
- Composition notebooks
- And other basic school supplies



Volunteers are needed on Tuesday, Aug. 5 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to help stuff the backpacks and then again on Wednesday, Aug. 6 from 2 to 4 p.m. to finish packing them.

See Jackie Stanley for more information. Donations may be left by Aug. 2 in the ASAP box in the hallway.



Pumpkin Patch coming in October

Mark your calendars for the annual Pumpkin Patch which arrives Saturday, Sept. 26 at 3 p.m.

We need cheerful helpers to unload the truck and sell pumpkins all October—every pumpkin sold helps us build a brand new playground for

our kids! It's a fun way to make a difference.



Want to join the team? Contact Pastor Stephanie for more information. Volunteer sign up begins in early September—stay tuned!

CVS giving vaccines

CVS will be available in Trinity Hall on Saturday, Aug. 22 from 2 to 4 p.m. for COVID-19, Hepatitis B, and the RSV (Respiratory Syncytial Virus) vaccines. Please remember to bring your insurance card to the clinic for billing. Use the QR code below to preregister for the clinic.



or use the link here:
[CVS Vaccine Clinic](#)





August Youth Schedule

Tuesday, Aug. 4 - Thursday, Aug. 6 -
Youth summer trip to Gatlinburg, TN

Sunday, Aug. 16 - Back-to-School
Bash: for children AND youth featuring
a blowup water slide, games and a
cookout. Free to the community.
2 - 5 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 23 - Youth group resumes
at 6 p.m. for the new school year.



Have you felt adrift after losing a sweet child? Whether it was a newborn, a teen, adult, or any age in between boy or girl, they are part of you that has been lost.

Your loss can be new or can be many years ago. No matter the time sharing with people who understand can help you.

At Angels Embrace we want to give you a safe space to share your story. Meet with us to get support from people who understand what you are going through. Open to all in the area from Ocean Isle, Longs, NMB and in between, we're here for you.

We hope that you will join us and find some angel's peace as we come together to embrace each other and our journeys of memories.

The next meeting is Monday, Aug. 10 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the North Myrtle Beach Library, 910 1st Ave. S., NMB.

Please RSVP to:

Sue Kerschner 704-796-6835
Angelsembrace2025@gmail.com

Sandy Roberts 910-713-8612
cursanroberts@hotmail.com

On behalf of the North Strand camp of Salkehatchie Summer Service, I'd like to thank Trinity United Methodist Church for generously allowing us to utilize your facility for our week of camp as well as your financial donation.

In addition, I'd like to thank the United Methodist Men for their continued annual support both physically and financially. The success of camp would not be possible without the help of many.

**Thank you,
Cathy Windell
Director,
North Strand Salkehatchie Camp**

Answer the call to serve this fall



"Serve one another humbly in love." — Galatians 5:13

This fall Pastor Stephanie is looking for people who are interested in co-facilitating our New Members' Class, a Bible Study, or GriefShare with her. If you feel God stirring in your heart to lead, support, or walk alongside others, this is your moment!

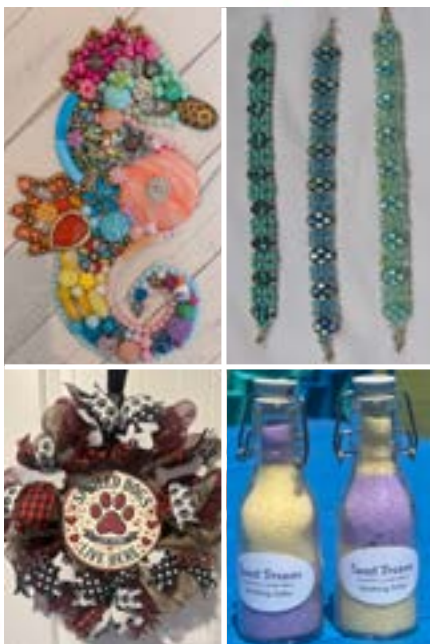
Whether you're experienced or new to teaching, your willingness can make a meaningful difference. Prayerfully consider stepping into this opportunity—God may be calling you to serve in a new and impactful way. Reach out to Pastor Stephanie to learn more.



Trinity UMC 3rd annual Vendor Fair

Saturday, Sept. 19
9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Food ♦ Music ♦ Crafts ♦ Gifts



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

1 Bob Edwards Shirley Laye Michael Stiebel	9 Michael Durham Jean Holmes	17 Sophia Fulner (Coggeshall) Catheryn Gillis Richard Jones	24 Brenda Bostian Jerry Wyles
2 Sharon Bruns Eleanor Burr Carmen Shaw	10 Sherry Lewis	18 Pam Early John Holleran Parker Hughes	25 Robert Goulet Jennifer Sanders Ann Zehr
3 Skylar Eaton-Gordon Mason Hughes Debby Lee	11 Peggy Farrington Lisa Thompson	19 Kenneth Locatelli Finn Lyle Lilly Mcgrath	26 Jay Beeson Albert Evans Earle Sittambalm
5 Beth Curtis Jenny Hammond	12 Linda Page	20 Rhonda Thompson	27 Marie Peacock
6 Anthony Brothers Aldo Tonini Cathy R. Windell	13 Mel Creighton Betty Wyles	21 Ruth Boward Susan Kerschner	28 Linda A Jones Richard Sayre Marty Slapnik Tinamarie Wade
7 Wilds Coggeshall Tracy Eaton	14 Susan Attenberger	22 Carolyn Flynn Barbara Mathis Rose Pawlicki	30 Tanner Jordan
8 Pammer Hawkins Robert Wade Norma Walters	15 Cindy Baughman Debbie Critzer Brad Davis Jean Frye	23 Dave Ryan	31 Daniel Baughman Liz Campbell Jimmie Jacobs
	16 Sam Conte		

Anniversaries

1 Bob & Katherine Gold	14 Thomas & Linda A. Jones
2 John & Barbara Lyon	17 Ed & Lee Hullings
3 Michael & Sandra Myers Bob & Gloria Scudder	19 Roger & Judi Martino
8 Bill & Paula Cubberley	21 Jim & Judy Lowe
10 Robert & Linda Dunn John & Marcia "Kaye" Schultz	24 Del & Mel Haws
11 John & Joanna Valleau	26 David & Brenda Young
12 Martin & Samantha Slapnik	30 Tom & Karen Stone



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Business Hours:

Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Friday - Office closed;
Please call and leave a message

Sunday Worship Services:

8:30 a.m. Traditional (Sanctuary & Streaming Online)
9:45 a.m. Contemporary (Sanctuary & Streaming Online)
11 a.m. Traditional (Sanctuary & Streaming Online)
Adult Sunday School Classes, Sundays at 9:45 a.m.
Children's program at 9:45 am and the 11 a.m. services.
Nursery is available at all of our Sunday services.

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If you are interested in becoming a member of Trinity UMC, please contact the church office.

TUMC Calendar and Events

To find out more about what is going on at TUMC and to find out when things are happening, check our website at www.trinitynmb.com. Click the **EVENTS** tab to see the latest events. To view the entire calendar, click the **Full Calendar Link** at the top of the page.

