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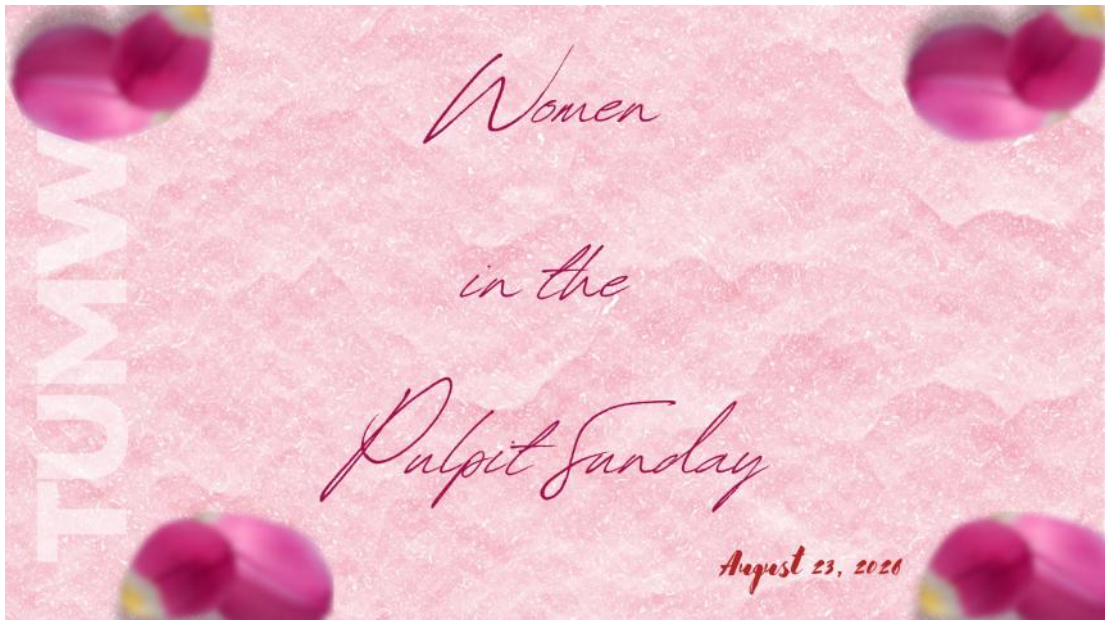
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August 23, 2026

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Worship With Us

Traditional Sunday Services at 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Contemporary Worship Service on Sunday at 9:45 am

Our Mission Statement

"Life in the Son"

Loving, Inviting, Faithful Examples, Serving Our Neighbors

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Welcome to Trinity. We are so glad you are here to worship today.

During the prelude, let us prepare our hearts for worship.

Where indicated (), please stand in praise of God if you are able.*

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE

"Prelude"

J.S. Bach

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

*CALL TO WORSHIP

"Sanctuary"

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true

With Thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

*OPENING HYMN

"Be Thou My Vision"

NO. 451

BAPTISM (11:00 am)

Julianne Morgan Pope

Daughter of Jennifer & Jacob Pope

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

NO. 881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

the third day he rose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

NO. 70

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 TIME (11:00)

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 who 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.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"All Good Gifts"

by Natalie Sleeth

Jennifer Dennis, Conducting

*DOXOLOGY

NO. 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*READING OF THE WORD **Judges 4:1-9, 17-24**

English Standard Version (ESV)

4 And the people of Israel again did what was evil in the sight of the LORD after Ehud died. ² And the LORD sold them into the hand of Jabin king of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor. The commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-hagoyim. ³ Then the people of Israel cried out to the LORD for help, for he had 900 chariots of iron and he oppressed the people of Israel cruelly for twenty years.

⁴ Now Deborah, a prophetess, the wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel at that time. ⁵ She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim, and the people of Israel came up to her for judgment. ⁶ She sent and summoned Barak the son of Abinoam from Kedesh-naphtali and said to him, "Has not the LORD, the God of Israel, commanded you, 'Go, gather your men at Mount Tabor, taking 10,000 from the people of Naphtali and the people of Zebulun.' ⁷ And I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the river Kishon with his chariots and his troops, and I will give him into your hand?" ⁸ Barak said to her, "If you will go with me, I will go, but if you will not go with me, I will not go." ⁹ And she said, "I will surely go with you. Nevertheless, the road on which you are going will not lead to your glory, for the LORD will sell Sisera into the hand of a woman." Then Deborah arose and went with Barak to Kedesh.

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¹⁷ But Sisera fled away on foot to the tent of Jael, the wife of Heber the Kenite, for there was peace between Jabin the king of Hazor and the house of Heber the Kenite. ¹⁸ And Jael came out to meet Sisera and said to him, "Turn aside, my lord; turn aside to me; do not be afraid." So he turned aside to her into the tent, and she covered him with a rug. ¹⁹ And he said to her, "Please give me a little water to drink, for I am thirsty." So she opened a skin of milk and gave him a drink and covered him. ²⁰ And he said to her, "Stand at the opening of the tent, and if any man comes and asks you, 'Is anyone here?' say, 'No.'" ²¹ But Jael the wife of Heber took a tent peg, and took a hammer in her hand. Then she went softly to him and drove the peg into his temple until it went down into the ground while he was lying fast asleep from weariness. So he died. ²² And behold, as Barak was pursuing Sisera, Jael went out to meet him and said to him, "Come, and I will show you the man whom you are seeking." So he went in to her tent, and there lay Sisera dead, with the tent peg in his temple.

²³ So on that day God subdued Jabin the king of Canaan before the people of Israel. ²⁴ And the hand of the people of Israel pressed harder and harder against Jabin the king of Canaan, until they destroyed Jabin king of Canaan.

Reader: This is the Word of God, for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON	The Judge, the Housewife & the Generals <i>Next Sunday's Scripture: Exodus 3:1-15</i>	Kathy Juby
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*CLOSING HYMN	"Pass It On"	NO. 572
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*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE	"May the Road Rise to Meet You" <i>Irish Blessing</i>	Lee Turner
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*May the road rise to meet you, May the wind blow at your back,
May the sun shine warmly on your face, May the rain fall softly on your field;
And until we meet again, until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of his hand. Amen.*

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE	"Majestic Largo"	Ellen J. Lorenz
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The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God for His many blessings and in honor the Trinity UMC congregation and all of the dedicated volunteers.

Given by Marie Peacock



The pastors and congregation will be in prayer this week for the following persons:

Jack & Debra Haught Doug & Lisa Henderson Cathy Hollis

Lily Howie John Hughes Ed & Lee Hullings

Please also keep our armed forces, police officers, first responders and teachers in your prayers.

Today is Loose Change Sunday.

Hearing amplification devices are available for anyone needing assistance hearing throughout the service. Please see an usher for assistance.



ASAP: Peanut butter and jelly donations can be left in the ASAP box located in the hallway by the Volunteer Office.
Thank you!

Week of August 16, 2026 Year to date

Received:	\$ 493,597.47
Expenditures:	\$ 496,066.67
Total Difference	\$ (2,469.20)

Capital Campaign BF Contributions

Sunday offering:	\$ 425.00
Received online:	\$ 105.00
Total received	\$ 530.00

Building Fund

Weekly Building Fund Offering:	\$ 530.00
Current Bldg. Fund Bank Balance:	\$ 122,948.71
Current Bldg. Fund Bank Loan Balance:	\$ 511,282.52

Attendance for Sunday, August 16, 2026:

8:30 am: **103**

9:45 am: **54**

11:00 am: **131**

In-Person Total = **288**

Online Total: **307**

Facebook Total: **445**

First Youth Group of the 2026 School Year!
August 23 at *6 pm* - New Time!



All youth ages 6th through 12th grade are invited to be a part of Youth Group led by Jordan Bryant, Trinity's Youth Director. Join us in the Youth Room for a journey of faith, friendship, and fun. Our youth group is a community designed for young people to connect, grow and explore their faith together!



New Day and Time!
Trinity Kids' Program is moving to Sundays.

Children in grades 1-5 are invited to embark on an exciting journey of exploration and discovery. Our children's ministry program offers a warm and welcoming environment for kids to experience the Bible in fun and engaging ways. At Trinity Kids, children will have the opportunity to make new friends and spend time with old friends while learning and growing together. We believe in creating a space where kids can connect with their faith, explore the teachings of the Bible, and build lasting memories. Join us as we learn, play, and grow together at Trinity Kids! We meet in the AG Greene Building!

Monday Golf for August 31

Monday, August 31 golf will be at River Hills Golf Club. Tee time will be 2:00 pm, and cost is \$30 per player. September (including Labor Day) will continue at River Hills at 2 pm.

Please note that 9/21 and 9/28 will be prime season, so the fee will be \$35.

Trinity UMC Cookbooks are on sale now.

Price per cookbook is **\$25.**

Please see anyone from the Faith, Love & Friendship Circle on Sunday in the volunteers' office to purchase your cookbooks.

Bible Study—Acts: Catching Up With the Spirit

Join Pastor Gene for a six-week Bible study on the books of **Acts**. Discussion will be centered around the book, **Catching Up With the Spirit**, by Matthew Skinner. This class will be offered on **Tuesdays (starting September 15) at 10 am** in Trinity Hall and **Wednesday evenings (starting September 16) at 6 pm** in Trinity Hall. Please sign up on today's signup sheet for the day and time that works best for you. Books will be available soon (A \$10 donation is requested, but not required, to help offset the cost.).

Meetings This Week

Today Worship Service: 8:30 am (Sanctuary & Live Streaming Online)

8/23 Contemporary Band Rehearsal: 9:00 am (AG Greene Choir Room)
Adult Sunday School Classes: 9:45 am (Second Floor, Rm. 2 & Trinity Hall Mtg. Room 2)
Contemporary Worship Service: 9:45 am (Sanctuary & Live Streaming Online)
Worship Service: 11:00 am (Sanctuary & Streaming Online)
Children's Sunday School: 11:00 am (AG Greene Choir Room)
Trinity Kids: 4:30 pm (AG Greene Building)
Youth Group: 6:00 pm (Youth Room)

Monday Weight Watchers: 9:30 am (AG Greene Choir Room & New Kids' Room)

8/24 Monday Golf Outing: 2:00 pm (Crown Park Golf Club)
Stewardship Committee Meeting: 5:30 pm (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 2)
Gamblers Anonymous: 7:00 pm (AG Greene Choir Room)

Tuesday Bridge: 9:30 am (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 1)

8/25 Staff Meeting: 12:00 pm (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 1)
Contemporary Worship Rehearsal: 6:00 pm (Sanctuary)
SAG Meeting: 7:00 pm (AG Greene Choir Room)

Wednesday Crafters: 9:30 am (AG Greene Choir Room)

8/26 Master's Meal: 12 noon (Trinity Hall)
Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 7:00 pm (Sanctuary)

Thursday Gamblers Anonymous: 7:00 pm (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 1)

8/27

Friday

8/28

Saturday ASAP Distribution: 7:30 am (Trinity Hall)

7/25

Welcome to Trinity United Methodist Church!

Volunteers this Week

	8:30 am	11:00 am
Ushers:	Emily Tinsley, Betsi Rudder, Kathy Slack, Brenda Young	Tony Ard, Melissa Pack, Cindy Burgio, Karen Bullard, Marilyn Whipp, Patricia Boatwright, Del Haws
Altar Guild:	Carol Holt and Susan Douglas	

Trinity Staff

Ministers:	The Congregation
AV Technician:	Kyle Frankman
Child Care:	Tera Velez
Church Sexton:	Lee Ann McDonald
Director of Contemporary Music:	Richard Schellinger
Director of Traditional Music:	Dr. Kenneth S. Klaus, Ph.D.
Financial Secretary:	Heather Ensor
Office Manager:	Jennifer Piccolo
Organist/pianist:	Melanie Welborn
Pastor Emeritus:	Edmond Daniel
Youth Director:	Jordan Bryant
Pastors:	Rev. Gene Aiken; Rev. Stephanie Schellinger

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

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The Nursery with professional child care is available during all of the Sunday services.

Nursery (ages 0-3) AG Greene Nursery

Children/Youth Sunday School (4 yr. old - 5th Grade)

9:45 am during Passing of the Peace in the AG Greene Building's Trinity Kids' Room

11:00 am following the Children's Sermon in the AG Greene Building

Adult Sunday School Classes

9:45-10:45 am

Young + Young at Heart

Library starting September 13

XYZ Young Adults

2nd Floor, Room #2 starting September 13

**New Days
& Times**

Trinity Kids (Grades 1-5) meets Sundays from 4:30 to 6:00 pm in the AG Greene Building.

Youth Group (Grades 6-12) meets Sundays from 6:00 to 7:30 pm in the Youth Room.