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August 30, 2026

Fourteenth 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

"Awesome God"

Rich Mullins

arr. by Phillip Keveren

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

BLESSING OF THE PRAYER SHAWLS

*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

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

NO. 731

*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

"On Holy Ground"

arr. by John Leavitt

*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 Exodus 3:1-15

Common English Bible (CEB)

3 Moses was taking care of the flock for his father-in-law Jethro, Midian's priest. He led his flock out to the edge of the desert, and he came to God's mountain called Horeb. ²The LORD's messenger appeared to him in a flame of fire in the middle of a bush. Moses saw that the bush was in flames, but it didn't burn up. ³Then Moses said to himself, Let me check out this amazing sight and find out why the bush isn't burning up.

⁴When the LORD saw that he was coming to look, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!"

Moses said, "I'm here."

⁵Then the LORD said, "Don't come any closer! Take off your sandals, because you are standing on holy ground." ⁶He continued, "I am the God of your father, Abraham's God, Isaac's God, and Jacob's God." Moses hid his face because he was afraid to look at God.

⁷Then the LORD said, "I've clearly seen my people oppressed in Egypt. I've heard their cry of injustice because of their slave masters. I know about their pain. ⁸I've come down to rescue them from the Egyptians in order to take them out of that land and bring them to a good and broad land, a land that's full of milk and honey, a place where the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites all live. ⁹Now the Israelites' cries of injustice have reached me. I've seen just how much the Egyptians have oppressed them. ¹⁰So get going. I'm sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

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¹¹ But Moses said to God, "Who am I to go to Pharaoh and to bring the Israelites out of Egypt?"

¹² God said, "I'll be with you. And this will show you that I'm the one who sent you. After you bring the people out of Egypt, you will come back here and worship God on this mountain."

¹³ But Moses said to God, "If I now come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' they are going to ask me, 'What's this God's name?' What am I supposed to say to them?"

¹⁴ God said to Moses, "I Am Who I Am. So say to the Israelites, 'I Am has sent me to you.'" ¹⁵ God continued, "Say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, Abraham's God, Isaac's God, and Jacob's God, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever; this is how all generations will remember me.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Acceptance

Rev. Gene Aiken

Next Sunday's Scripture: Matthew 18:15-20

*CLOSING HYMN

"Here I Am, Lord"

NO. 593

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"May the Road Rise to Meet You"

Lee Turner

Irish Blessing

*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

"Hymn of Praise"

James Denton

*The rose placed on the altar is in celebration of the birth of Rowan Oakley Bryant,
the son of Jordan and Jenna Bryant.
Born on August, 22 2026*

*The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God for His many blessings and in memory of
David Stone and Bobby Perritte.*

Given by Michael & Kim Stone and Tanner Jordan



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

Kathy Juby Ken & Marlene Klaus Bill Loomis

Margaret Martin Kenneth McIver

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

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 23, 2026 Year to date

This weeks' totals are not available and will be added to next weeks' total.
Sorry for the inconvenience.

**Today is the last Sunday that Trinty UMC Cook-
books are on sale.**

Price per cookbook is \$25.

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

**Attendance for Sunday,
August 23, 2026:**

8:30 am: **102**

9:45 am: **57**

11:00 am: **126**

In-Person Total = **285**

Online Total: **135**

Facebook Total: **452**

Monday Golf for August 31

Monday, August 31 golf will be at **River Hills Golf Club in Little River**. 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.

Epworth Work Day Offering, September 13

Every day Epworth provides hope and healing for children, youth, and families who have experienced trauma, abuse, neglect, or loss. Through compassionate care and supportive services, lives are transformed and brighter futures become possible. On Sunday, September 13th, our congregation will receive the Annual Epworth Work Day Offering. Thank you for prayerfully considering your support of this important ministry. Learn more at www.epworthsc.org.

New Members' Class

Ready to take the next step in your faith journey? Join us for our New Members' Class, beginning **Tuesday, September 22, from 6:00–7:30 pm**. Over six weeks, we'll explore *A Disciple's Path*, learn more about Trinity UMC, and discover ways to become involved in our church community.

Sign up through the bulletin insert, Realm, or contact Pastor Stephanie. Childcare is available upon request. We'd love to have you join us!

GriefShare: A Journey Toward Healing and Hope

Grief can feel overwhelming, but you don't have to walk through it alone. GriefShare is a welcoming support group for anyone grieving the loss of a loved one. Through caring conversation, helpful videos, and biblical encouragement, we offer a safe place to process grief, connect with others, and find hope.

Tuesdays, 2:00–3:30 pm | Sept. 22–Dec. 15

All are welcome! Sign up through the bulletin insert, Realm, or at GriefShare.org.

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 sign-up 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)

8/30 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)

8/31 Monday Golf Outing: 2:00 pm (River Hills Golf Club)
Gamblers Anonymous: 7:00 pm (AG Greene Choir Room)

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

9/1 Susanna Wesley Circle: 9:30 am (AG Greene Choir Room)
Staff Meeting: 12:00 pm (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 1)
Congregational Care Meeting: 6:00 pm (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 2)
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)

9/2 Master's Meal: 12 noon (Trinity Hall)
Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 7:00 pm (Sanctuary)

Thursday Love Circle: 9:30 am (AG Greene Choir Room)

9/3 Gamblers Anonymous: 7:00 pm (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 1)

Friday

9/4

Saturday

9/5

Welcome to Trinity United Methodist Church!

Volunteers this Week

	8:30 am	11:00 am
Ushers:	Aubrey & Pam Apple, Kennith McIver, Betsi Rudder	Bob & Linda Miller, Dave & MaryJane Ryan, Margaret Martin
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.