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November 30, 2025

First Sunday of Advent



*Hang*ing of the *Greens*

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, **I**nviting, **F**aithful **E**xamples, **S**erving **O**ur **N**eighbors

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

Let us prepare our hearts for worship.

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

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE

"Vieux Noel"

C. Franck

(Old Frenchy Carol)

arr. by Allen James

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

THE ADVENT WREATH LIGHTING

*OPENING HYMN

"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

NO. 196

*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

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.

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

"People Look East"

Robert C. Lau

*DOXOLOGY

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!

HANGING OF THE GREENS' READING

Pastor: How shall we prepare this house for the coming of the King?

People: With branches of cedar, the tree of royalty.

Pastor: How shall we prepare this house for the coming of the eternal Christ?

People: With garlands of pine and fir, whose leaves are ever living, ever green.

Pastor: How shall we prepare this house for the coming of our Savior?

People: With wreaths and holly and ivy, telling of his passion, death, and resurrection.

Pastor: How shall we prepare our hearts for the coming of the Son of God?

People: By hearing again the word of the prophets, who foretold the saving work of God.

Pastor: For God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the
world through him might be saved.

People: Glory to God in the highest!

FIRST READING: **Jeremiah 23:5-6**

⁵ The time is coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up a righteous descendant from David's line, and he will rule as a wise king. He will do what is just and right in the land. ⁶ During his lifetime, Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And his name will be The LORD Is Our Righteousness.

HYMN "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" NO. 211 (vs. 1,2)
(place cedar)

SECOND READING: **Isaiah 9:2, 6-7**

² The people walking in darkness have seen a great light. On those living in a pitch-dark land, light has dawned.

⁶ A child is born to us, a son is given to us, and authority will be on his shoulders.
He will be named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.

⁷ There will be vast authority and endless peace for David's throne and for his kingdom, establishing and sustaining it with justice and righteousness now and forever.

The zeal of the LORD of heavenly forces will do this.

HYMN "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" NO. 211 (vs. 3,4,5)
(hang wreaths)

THIRD READING: **Isaiah 61:1-3**

The LORD God's spirit is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me.

He has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to bind up the brokenhearted,
to proclaim release for captives, and liberation for prisoners,

² to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor and a day of vindication for our God,
to comfort all who mourn,

³ to provide for Zion's mourners, to give them a crown in place of ashes,
oil of joy in place of mourning, a mantle of praise in place of discouragement.

They will be called Oaks of Righteousness, planted by the LORD to glorify himself.

HYMN O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" NO. 211 (vs. 6,7)
(place mistletoe)

FOURTH READING: **Isaiah 53:1-6**

Who can believe what we have heard,
and for whose sake has the LORD's arm been revealed?

² He grew up like a young plant before us,
like a root from dry ground.

He possessed no splendid form for us to see,
no desirable appearance.

³ He was despised and avoided by others;
a man who suffered, who knew sickness well.
Like someone from whom people hid their faces,
he was despised, and we didn't think about him.

⁴ It was certainly our sickness that he carried,
and our sufferings that he bore,
but we thought him afflicted,
struck down by God and tormented.

⁵ He was pierced because of our rebellions
and crushed because of our crimes.
He bore the punishment that made us whole;
by his wounds we are healed.

⁶ Like sheep we had all wandered away,
each going its own way,
but the LORD let fall on him all our crimes.

HYMN

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

NO. 203

(place holly/ivy)

FIFTH READING: **John 1:1-5, 9-14**

In the beginning was the Word
and the Word was with God
and the Word was God.

² The Word was with God in the beginning.

³ Everything came into being through the Word,
and without the Word
nothing came into being.

What came into being

⁴ through the Word was life,
and the life was the light for all people.

⁵ The light shines in the darkness
and the darkness doesn't extinguish the light.

⁹ The true light that shines on all people
was coming into the world.

¹⁰ The light was in the world,
and the world came into being through the light,
but the world didn't recognize the light.

¹¹ The light came to his own people,
and his own people didn't welcome him.

¹² But those who did welcome him,
those who believed in his name,
he authorized to become God's children,

¹³ born not from blood
nor from human desire or passion,
but born from God.

¹⁴ The Word became flesh
and made his home among us.

We have seen his glory,
glory like that of a father's only son,
full of grace and truth.

HYMN

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

NO. 206 (vs.1-3)

(hang chrismons)

BLESSING OF THE CHRISMON TREE

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

NO. 12

*CLOSING HYMN "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

NO. 216

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

*Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me;
let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God our creator, children all are we.
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.
Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.*

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE "Gloria" R.C. Wilson
(Traditional French Carol)

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*The flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God for His many blessings.
"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever". Psalm 136:1*
Given by Jim & Judy Lowe

Attention Trinity Kids!

Be sure to pick up a kids' bulletin today as we celebrate the Hanging of the Greens! During the service, we have a fun game planned just for you! Play the "I Spy" game in the bulletin and return it next Sunday for a special surprise! Don't miss out on the fun!



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

Sandy Hahn Bob & Susie Hammond Sandy Harris

Dennis Hawthorne Willy & Pam Hobson Carol Holt

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



Worship with Us on Christmas Eve Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

December 24th - A Service of Lessons & Carols

All services include communion and candlelight.

5:00 pm service - Family-friendly Service

7:30 pm service - Traditional Service

Becky Nissen, Harpist, will play 30 minutes prior to the 7:30 pm service at 7:00 pm.

11:00 pm service - Traditional Service

Prayer Shawl Appeal

Blessing of the Prayer Shawls is December 7.

Please turn in finished knitted, crocheted, or quilted blankets, shawls, lap robes, and afghans to the volunteer office.

If you'd like to learn how to knit or crochet, our own creative Kim Fowlkes coordinates basic instructions at the Floyd Recreation Center, Possum Point Road, every Thursday afternoon from 1 pm-3 pm. No cost, no commitment, and all are welcome!

Attendance for Sunday, November 23, 2025:

8:30 am: **121**

9:45 am: **69**

11:00 am: **166**

In-Person Total = **356**

Online Total: **159**

Facebook total: **462**



*When filling out your checks to
Trinity UMC the bank has requested
the use of blue or black ink only.
Thank you!*

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

Coffee and Fellowship in Trinity Hall

For the four Sundays in Advent, please join us for a time of coffee and fellowship following the 8:30 am and the 9:45 am services in the Fellowship Hall. Each week this time of fellowship will be hosted by one of the many groups/committees that make all things possible at Trinity! This week's coffee hour will be hosted by the TUMW circles. Next week's coffee and fellowship time will be hosted by the Congregation Care Committee.

ASAP

It is time for the **Reverse Advent Calendar boxes for ASAP**. The complete shopping list can be picked up at in the volunteer office or at any of the ushers tables. The ASAP team appreciates all that you do to help us give more to our veterans. Contact Jackie Stanley at jstan10@yahoo.com or Linda Miller at lmiller4681@gmail.com for more information.

Advent Study

We're excited to invite you to our Advent Bible study, "Waiting Here For You," by Louie Giglio, led by Pastor Stephanie Schellinger. This engaging four-session study will take place every Tuesday evening from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm, **starting December 2 and running through December 23**. Signups will be available on Realm and in the bulletin! Join us as we focus on the meaningful journey of waiting on the Lord during this busy holiday season and preparing our hearts for the joy of Christmas.

North Myrtle Beach Christmas Parade

Get ready to spread some holiday cheer! We invite you to be part of our NMB Christmas parade on **Saturday, December 6 at 5:30 pm**. Walk alongside Trinity's Float and help us share joy with the crowd by passing out treats and smiles. Families are welcome, but please note that kids must be 12 years or older to walk alongside the float.

Candy! Candy! Candy! You can still drop off candy to the volunteer's office to be passed out at the parade.

ANGEL TREE

The Angel Tree angels will adorn the Christmas tree in the sanctuary on **Sunday, November 30th**. Please join us in this ministry to help a child of an incarcerated parent by giving Christmas gifts. Please take an angel (or two) and leave the white angel with us with your name and phone number. Take the angel with the gift suggestions with you, and please be sure to attach it to the wrapped gifts. Please have gifts returned under the tree no later than **Thursday, December 11th**. The gifts will available for pick up after services on December 14th to be delivered any time before Christmas. Please call Sharon Bruns at (678) 986-0280 if you would like to help or have any questions.





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Join the Fun at Our Polar Express Movie Night!

Join us on **Friday, December 12 at 6:30 PM** for a magical evening of fun, laughter, and holiday cheer as we watch *Polar Express*! Families are encouraged to come in their coziest PJs for an unforgettable experience filled with popcorn, hot chocolate, and festive cookie decorating!

We need amazing volunteers like YOU to help bring this event to life! Whether you can help with the snack table, assist with hot chocolate, or guide our little artists at the cookie decorating and craft tables, your support will make this event truly special!

We also invite you to contribute sugar cookies—whether they're plain round or creatively decorated like candy canes, snowmen, or stars, every cookie counts! Please bring your donations to the kitchen fridge, labeled for the movie night, during the week of **December 7th**. Please sign up in the bulletin or contact Pastor Stephanie by calling the church office to sign up! Together, let's make this a night filled with joy and holiday spirit!

Meetings This Week

<i>Today</i>	<i>Worship Service: 8:30 am (Sanctuary & Live Streaming Online)</i>
<i>11/30</i>	<i>Adult Sunday School Classes: 9:45 am (Second Floor, Rm. 2 & Trinity Hall Mtg. Room 2)</i> <i>Contemporary Worship Service: 9:45 am (Sanctuary & Live Streaming Online)</i> <i>Worship Service: 11:00 am (Sanctuary & Streaming Online)</i> <i>Children's Sunday School: 11:00 am (AG Greene Choir Room)</i>
<i>Monday</i>	<i>Weight Watchers: 9:00 & 10:30 am (AG Greene Choir Room)</i>
<i>12/1</i>	<i>Monday Golf Outing: 1:00 pm (Azalea Sands Golf Club)</i> <i>Trinity Book Club: 1:00 pm (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 1)</i> <i>Worship Committee Meeting: 5:00 pm (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 1)</i> <i>SPRC Meeting: 6:00 pm (Library)</i> <i>Gamblers Anonymous: 7:00 pm (AG Greene Choir Room)</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Staff Meeting: 12:00 pm (Library)</i>
<i>12/2</i>	<i>Susanna Wesley Circle: 12:00 pm (Makos Marina Bar & Grill)</i> <i>Advent Bible Study: Waiting Here for You: 6:00 pm (Trintiy Hall)</i> <i>SAG Meeting: 6:45 pm (AG Greene Choir Room)</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Bridge: 9:00 am (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 1)</i>
<i>12/3</i>	<i>Crafters: 9:30 am (AG Greene Choir Room)</i> <i>Master's Meal: 12 noon (Trinity Hall)</i> <i>Trinity Kids: 4:30 pm (AG Greene Building)</i> <i>Choir Rehearsal: 7:00 pm (Sanctuary)</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Alzheimer's Support Group: 10:00 am (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 1)</i>
<i>12/4</i>	<i>Love Circle: 11:00 am (Honey Barrel, NMB)</i> <i>Contemporary Band Rehearsal: 3:30 pm (Sanctuary)</i>
<i>12/4</i>	<i>Gamblers Anonymous: 7:00 pm (Trintiy Hall Meeting Room 2)</i>
<i>Friday</i>	
<i>12/5</i>	
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>NMB Christmas Parade: 5:30 pm (Main Street)</i>
<i>12/6</i>	
<i>Looking Ahead</i>	
<i>12/14</i>	<i>Christmas Cantata</i>
<i>12/18</i>	<i>Blue Christmas Service</i>

Welcome to Trinity United Methodist Church!

Volunteers this Week

	8:30 am	&	11:00 am
Ushers:	Dick & Emily Tinsley		Tonya Ard, Cindy Burgio
	Betsi Rudder		Del Haws, Jackie Stanley
	Verne Cappell		Scott Keziah
Altar Guild:	Carol Adams & Dottie Kinlaw		

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:	Rev. Edmond Daniel
Pastors:	Rev. Gene Aiken; Rev. Stephanie Schellinger

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

Worship With Us

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The Nursery is available during all of the Sunday services.

Nursery (ages 0-3) AG Greene Nursery

Children's Sunday School (4 yr. old - 5th Grade)

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

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

Adult Sunday School Classes

9:45-10:45 am

XYZ Young Adults 2nd Floor, Room 2

Young + Young at Heart Library - 2nd Floor, Room 4

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

Youth Group (Grades 6-12) meets Sundays from 5:00 to 6:30 pm in the Youth Room.