



“Life in the Son”

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

706 14th Ave. S., North Myrtle Beach, SC 29582

Trinity Tidings

June 2026



Hey Trinity family:

I hope you are as ready for the summer as I am. It seems this year is flying by, and for me as a parent, it marks the end of another school year, the end of another season of life, and the beginning of a new one.

It seems for us as a church we are feeling a little bit of that as we have lost a number of people lately, and ending the season of life.

Life is full of seasons that we go through, and it is not about how you begin or end life, but what happens in those seasons of life. I have spent a lot of time reflecting lately about change, and loss, and all that life can throw at you. I want to share with you the start of a commencement speech Eric Church gave at the University of North Carolina this year:

“Six strings. When all six are in tune, the chords they make

can stop a conversation cold, carry a broken person through the worst night of their life, or make a room full of strangers feel for three minutes like they've known each other forever. And if even one is off, the whole chord unravels. Not gradually, not politely, the moment you strike it, you know. I believe your life runs on this principle. And I'm going to break it down for you right now and tell you about your strings, okay?

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From the Pastor's Desk *(continued from page 1)*

String One: The Low E — Your foundation string one, the low E, that is your foundation. The low E is the thickest string. It is the heaviest. Every chord a guitar can make rests on this string being in tune.

Your faith is the low E of your life. The thing that sits at the very bottom of you. Your belief about what this life is for, what you owe, what holds the universe together when science reaches the edge of its own explanation, and shrugs.

The people who tend to their faith in ordinary seasons do not come undone in extraordinary ones. They still hurt. They still sit in hospital waiting rooms asking unanswerable

questions at three in the morning. But they have a foundation to return to. The world will try to untune this string. Through busyness, through slow accumulation of a full schedule, a full inbox, a full life. Listen to me. Tend to your faith. Not just when you're broken, but when you're whole."

He goes on to talk about the other six strings, and I encourage you as strongly as I can to go and watch the video of the rest of the speech. Here is the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pSYEDc7-Aho> He reminds us that our faith is our foundation no matter what season or change we may be

going through. Our faith is what grounds us and what allows us to move through all of this. It does not mean we will not face change or not face tough times, but it means we will be able to navigate them.

He reminds us our faith is something we should always be tending to, not just when we are in need of it in the difficult times, but when we are whole and in the good times.

May we all tend to our faith this summer as we enjoy the beach, family, weather, and all the other things that come with this season.

In Christ,
Gene



PEP Club pauses until September

Another year has passed successfully, and as PEP Club pauses for the summer, remember your friends and the new ones you have met this year.

Also, remember those who have had to deal with health issues or other life challenges.

Thank you to everyone who has been a part of this wonderful community of people. Thank you to everyone who attends, comes early to set up, stays late to help clean up,

cooks, and volunteers to help when they arrive. You are the PEP Club.

Enjoy your summer with family and friends. Here's to healing and good health as the summer days roll by. Enjoy life. PEP Club will resume in September. Until then if you have any ideas you would like to share for next year, please share these with Rhonda Thompson. Your input is appreciated. Call or text her any time at (843) 655-1922. Until September, see you in church and live life to the fullest.



A big thank you to everyone who helped make Festival of Salads on May 20 a great success -- great fellowship along with wonderful salads. A special thanks to the youth who came and helped. There was a silent auction which was also very successful, and we are proud to donate all proceeds to Trinity's general fund. The next big event will be Festival of Nativities in December. Much more to come about this wonderful first-time experience.

Each circle will continue to work on its missions, but most are not holding meetings during the summer months. Watch the bulletin to see who is meeting.

Dot Jordan Circle

Dot Jordan Circle met on Tuesday, May 12 and heard from the TUMC Missions Coordinator, Linda Dunn, explaining all the various missions in which the church participates. Some of the missions include Miracle of Hope, J1 Program, and Back to School Shoes to name a few.

The circle is currently participating in the

J1Program and Mobile Meals. As part of its recurring mission emphasis, the group decided to send \$25 per month to Coastline Women's Center, \$23 per month to Ryzon Refuge, and \$50 per month to Mobile.

In other news, seven ladies attended A Day Apart in April in Moore Gardens and Artfields in Lake City, SC.

The circle will not have a formal meeting again until September but will meet for lunch on Thursday, June 25 at 11:30 a.m.

The Circle will also provide a meal for the J1 Program on July 20 with more details to follow.

For more information or any questions, please contact Cindy Jones (843) 907-6452.

Love Circle

Love Circle met on Thursday, May 7 in the AG Greene Building. Judy Chappell gave a report on the TUMW's events and fundraisers with ways to help being discussed. The circle enjoyed some fun games for Mother's Day.

The June luncheon is on Thursday, June 4 at 11:30 a.m. at Hickory Tavern. Please contact Love Circle President, Carole Petro, for more information at (609) 617-0929 or email carpetr@aol.com. Hope to see you there!

Faith, Love, and Friendship Circle

At the May 11 meeting of the Faith, Love, and Friendship Circle, many of the upcoming activities were discussed to include the September Vendor Fair, the Trinity Cookbook, Women in the pulpit in September and the group outing to see *The Devil Wears Prada 2*.

No formal meetings will take place during the summer, but the group will meet at Croissants Bistro and Bakery at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, June 8. On July 13, lunch will take place at Lulu's, at 11:30 a.m.

Form requested when using AEDs or first aid kits


The church currently has three locations for AEDs on the premises and seven first aid kits. The AEDs are located in Trinity Hall, the Narthex and in the hallway of the A.G. Greene building. First aid kits are located beside each of the AEDs. Additional first aid kits are located in the second floor hallway of Trinity, in the kitchen at Trinity Hall, the kitchen in A.G. Greene, and in the Usher's Room.

If you use supplies from the first aid kit or helped someone needing first aid, there is a

brief form to be completed and turned in to the office at your earliest convenience. Below is a sample of the form.

By completing this form, it will let the Wellness Team know what supplies may need to be replaced, and it assists with ensuring everything is in the proper order for the next use. Although the AEDs and first aid kits are checked on a regular basis, completing this form will be helpful in between those checks.


First Aid and AED supplies		
Location	Item Used	Number of items used
(example) Trinity Hall	(example) 4 x 4 gauze pad	(example) 2



Vacation Bible School

July 26 - 30

5:30 to 8:30 p.m.



Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to make this week a special week for all the kids. We need helpers before, during and after! Click on the QR code above, check out all the help we need and sign up for what God is calling you to do! We can't wait to share God's love with you! If you have any questions, please reach out to Pastor Stephanie.



Congregational Prayer Names

June 2026



Week/Volunteer	Date/Names	Week/Volunteer	Date/Names
	June 7		June 21
1 – Ann Zehr	1. Jayne Sigmon	3 – Susan Kerschner	1. Michelle Stauffenberg
	2. Bob & Kathleen Stack		2. Karen & Mitchell Stephens
	3. Alan & Sara Jane Slaughter		3. Carol Stigger
	4. Gwen Smith		4. Tom & Karen Stone
	5. Mike & Trina Snider		5. Bryan Talbert
	6. Dick & Bev Starkey		6. Elizabeth Taylor
	June 14		June 28
2- Donna Allen	1. Wayne & Sally Thornton	4 – Terry Slapnik	1. Corinne Warehime
	2. Edward & Emily Tinsley		2. Linda Wayne
	3. Terri Trexler		3. Marsha Wehr
	4. Dirk Tysinger		4. Margaret Wesley
	5. Gene & Betsy Wahl		5. Bob & Linda Whitley
	6. Mike & Norma Walters		6. Vincent & Polly Whitley

July 2026

Week/Volunteer	Date/Names	Week/Volunteer	Date/Names
	July 5		July 19
1 – Ann Zehr	1. Cathy Windell	3 – Susan Kerschner	1. Tonya Ard (Nicholas)
	2. David & Diane Woodman		2. Georgia Baker
	3. Betty & Jerry Wyles		3. Estelle Barentine
	4. Tina & Lenton Yates		4. Jan Barnes
	5. Jeff & Carol Adams		5. Susan Battle
	6. Pastor Gene & Katie Aiken (Ann & Lily)		6. Michelle Beasley
	July 12		July 26
2- Donna Allen	1. Allen & Sharon Bixler	4 – Terry Slapnik	1. Sharon & Rick Bruns
	2. Julie Bostian		2. John & Karen Bullard
	3. Tood & Laura Bowle		3. Ann Burgess
	4. Cynthia Brannock		4. Sally & Aaron Burr
	5. Brandi & Matt Breznicky		5. Liz Campbell
	6. Anthony Brothers		6. George Carter & Terri Dorton

Help us create a warm and inviting atmosphere by providing baked goods or treats for our 9:45 a.m. contemporary service. Your delicious contributions will make everyone feel right at home.

We're looking for items like cookies, muffins, scones, and other tasty treats that are easy to eat without making a mess. Ready to share your treats?

[Click here to sign up!](#) Let's spread joy one bite at a time!



Celebrate Summer with Trinity Kids

Get ready for an exciting final Wednesday night on June 3 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. We're throwing a summer celebration filled with delicious pizza, a delightful ice cream bar, and tons of games and fun.

Invite your friends and neighbors to join in on the festivities. To ensure we have enough food for everyone, please let Pastor Stephanie know if you'll be attending.

Let's make this a spectacular send off into summer.



Bereavement teams need volunteers

Do you like to cook? Or would you rather shop for a meal item and donate it? Like to set up for a meal, help serve it, or clean up afterwards? Want to help without having to devote too much time regularly? If you answered YES to any of these questions, why not become part of one of Trinity's bereavement teams?

Trinity has four teams that rotate in providing a meal for the family when a church member passes. The meal is either served at Trinity or delivered to the home. It is a way to show our love, practice our faith, and serve our church. If you would like to join a bereavement team, email Carol Adams at carolhadams@gmail.com.



The Missions Committee sends its thanks for the 68 mugs collected for the Community Kitchen. The request has ended.

Thank you for donations to Palmetto Giving Day. Missions Committee was able to support seven organizations at \$75 each: Neighbor

to Neighbor, Rape Crisis Center, Tidelands Hospice, Children's Recovery Center, Grand Strand Down Syndrome Society, Habitat for Humanity, and Hugs for Horses Therapeutic Riding Program. Your generosity made this possible.

Missions Committee is once again collecting NEW or USED Christmas cards for the fall project. Place all cards in the box on the hallway bookcase outside the Volunteer Office.

The next Mobile Meals volunteer week is June 22 - 26. Please contact John Denis at (443) 956-0590 for more information.

New members to join church in June

We are excited to welcome our new members into the Trinity family during the worship services on New Member Sunday, June 14.

Your presence and support mean a lot as they take their vows and officially join our church community. The new member class has been a wonderful journey over

the past six weeks where participants have explored the United Methodist Church, learned about their vows, and discovered what makes Trinity a unique place of worship.

If you are interested in becoming a member, we will be offering a new class this fall. Let's gather together to

celebrate and embrace our new members with joy and love.



The hot water heater was replaced in the A.G. Greene kitchen with an "energy efficient on demand." Also, after several years of not having any hot water in the A.G. Greene restroom, there is now hot water available.

Thank you, Neil Krumme, for your help with the installation.

The irrigation/sprinkler system well is still down due to a dry-sallow well. Once we get a good amount of rain, it will work again.

The purchase of the Purchase Power Agreement with Santee-Cooper Electric Solar farm is underway. The funding of the "buy-in" for the solar panels was donated by a church member.



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:

June 1

The Correspondent
by Virginia Evans

July 6

Magnificent Life of Marjorie Post
by Allison Pataki

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



June

(5/25 to 6/28)

Rhonda Thompson (pews)
Pam Apple (candles)

July

(6/29 to 7/26)

Linda Blair (pews)
Carol Adams (candles)

June Usher Schedule

8:30 a.m. services

June 7 - Aubry & Pam Apple, Hugh Holliman, Judy Lowe

June 14 - Jeannie Reeder, Betsi Rudder, Dick & Emily Tinsley

June 21- Verne Cappell, Mike Walters, Baxter Barger, Hugh Holliman

June 28 - Alan & Sarah Jane Slaughter, Aubrey & Pam Apple

11 a.m. services

June 7 - Cindy Burgio, Tonya Ard, Dave & Mary Jane Ryan, Don & Michele Godwin

June 14 - Linda & Bob Miller, Jackie Stanley, Melissa Pack, Del Haws

June 21 - Michele & Don Godwin, Jackie Stanley, Tonya Ard, Melissa Pack

June 28 - Linda & Bob Miller, Dave Ryan, Cindy Burgio, Margaret Martin

Congratulations
 to Jennifer Cantey
 for the winning photo
 to be on the cover
 of the Trinity Cookbook.

Join us for a family “Drive-In” movie night

Imagine this: instead of traditional movie seating, kids will have the chance to transform large cardboard boxes into their very own “cars” at Trinity’s Drive-In Movie Night on Sunday, June 28 in Trinity Hall.

Kids can unleash their creativity by decorating these boxes with crayons, markers, and stickers, making them as colorful and imaginative as they desire.

Doors will open at 6 p.m., giving kids time



to start crafting their vehicles before the movie starts at 6:30 p.m. We’ll be watching *Zootopia 2* where Judy Hopps and Nick Wilde embark on new adventures, meet new friends, and learn important lessons about teamwork.

WE NEED SOME HELP: To make this event a success, we encourage everyone to save large cardboard boxes and

bring them into the church throughout June. Let’s create a memorable night filled with laughter, creativity, and family fun.

The new Trinity Kids’ Book and Puzzle Hub needs help

The Trinity Kids’ Book and Puzzle Hub is a vibrant new space in the hallway of the AG Greene building. This Hub is all about sharing gently used children’s books and puzzles to spark creativity and learning.

Families can access the Hub after services to bring in their gently used books and puzzles to swap for something new and exciting.

Everyone is welcome to take books and puzzles regardless of whether they bring one to exchange. However, we do encourage families to donate any

items they no longer use to enrich our collection. It’s a fantastic way for kids to find new adventures and share stories with friends.

To make this Hub a success, we need your help.

We’re currently building our collection, so please consider donating any children’s books and puzzles that your family no longer uses.

Your generosity will help create a treasure trove of stories for our children.





June Youth Schedule

Thursday, June 4 - End-of-school year dinner and movie night - 6 p.m..
Chicken wings and cheesecake!

Thursday, June 11 - Brunch at The Kitchen Table restaurant.
Meet at church at 10:45 a.m.
No charge for students

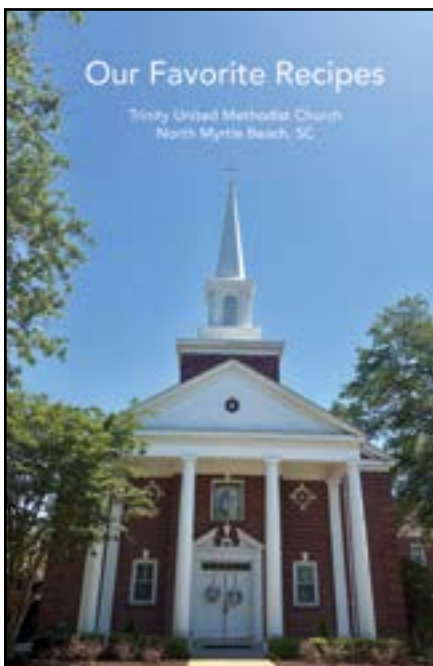
Tuesday, June 16 - Taco Tuesday and board game night - 6:30 p.m.
Taco bar and ice cream bar!

Thursday, June 25 - Jonah Bible Study - 6 p.m. High school only.

Friday, June 26 - Myrtle Waves - Meet at church at 1:45 p.m..
\$10 per student gets park entry and fast food dinner after.

We will also be playing basketball various nights throughout the summer. Jordan will reach out to interested players directly to schedule each week.

Jordan's office hours will remain on Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. unless stated otherwise.



Last day to submit recipes for the Trinity Cookbook is Monday, June 15.

Pre-orders are now being taken for the cookbook. Look for a pre-order form in the Narthax and on the table by the volunteer room to pre-order your copy. When writing a check, please indicate cookbook in the memo on your check and then drop your pre-order-form and check in the offering during one of the services. You may also pre-order your cookbook on Realm.

Pre-ordered books are \$20 and will be delivered around Sept. 15.



Step through the mist into Rainforest Falls, overflowing with wild waterfalls, towering trees and colorful creatures. Beneath a canopy of chattering birds and howling monkeys, kids plunge into a lifelong adventure, discovering the nature of God, and exploring what it means to be rooted in a relationship with their creator, a safe place in life's storms.

At Rainforest Falls, kids explore the nature of God. Rainforest Falls is filled with awesome Bible-learning experiences kids will see, hear and touch. Hands-on science experiments, team-building games, unforgettable Bible songs, and yummy food are just a few of the standout activities that

help faith flow into real life. (Since everything is hands-on, kids might get a little messy. Be sure to send them in play clothes and sturdy shoes.)

This event is FREE and includes a yummy dinner and dessert each night and is open to ALL kids ages 4 through ENTERING 5th grade.

Mark your calendar: Sunday, July 26 through Thursday, July 30, 2026. The fun starts at 5:30 p.m. with dinner and will end at 8:30 p.m.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Pastor Stephanie. Scan the QR code above to register your children today.



We're looking for joyful hearts to help in our nursery. If you love little ones and want to make a difference, this is your chance. Serving in the nursery is not just about

watching kids; it's about nurturing their spirits and laying a foundation of faith.

As it says in Matthew 19:14, "Let the little children come to me." Join us in creating a fun and loving environment where children can learn about God's love.

Click here to check out our [Sign Up Genius](#) to see where you can help and sign up today. We can't wait to have you on our team!

JUNE

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

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|---|--|--|---|
| <p>1
Betty Coggeshall
Matt Gibbons
Rich Jozwiak
Alice Kensel
Larry Mathis</p> <p>3
David Grim
Kenneth McIver
John Schultz</p> <p>4
Nicholas Ard
Aaron Burr
Joanna Prince</p> <p>5
Veda Herman</p> <p>6
Lorraine DiRocco
Courtney Eaton
Gene Wahl</p> | <p>7
Bryan Fields
Brenda Young</p> <p>8
Joan Bacon</p> <p>9
Betty Barger</p> <p>10
Jack Brown
John Gibbons</p> <p>11
Bonnie Truax
Doug Waitzman</p> <p>12
Pat Sanderford</p> <p>13
Gina Larson</p> <p>15
Michael Bunks
Joan Gause
John Valleau</p> | <p>16
Lee Prugar</p> <p>18
Jordan Bryant
Crew Collins
Georgia Glover
David Walsh</p> <p>19
Joanna Gombos</p> <p>20
Ann Michelle Aiken</p> <p>21
Pat Fahner</p> <p>22
Dirk Tysinger</p> <p>23
Kelli Finney
Rodney Zamrik</p> | <p>24
Lee Bouton
Cheryl Murray
Jane Sittambalm</p> <p>25
Robin Bucalo
Mahala Pearsall</p> <p>26
Travis Collins
Bill Komara
Jim Lowe
Betsi Rudder
Jenna Zamrik</p> <p>29
John Flynn
Debbie Snow</p> <p>30
Sue McKenzie
Audrey Vey</p> |
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Anniversaries

- | | |
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| <p>1
Julio & Dianne Cintron</p> <p>2
Bob & Susie Hammond</p> <p>3
Larry & Linda Wooten</p> <p>8
Jim & Beth Curtis</p> <p>9
Curt & Sandy Roberts</p> <p>11
Hugh & Ellen Holliman
John & Audrey Vey
Terry & Vickie Waddell</p> <p>12
Rick & Beverly Rogers
Edward & Emily Tinsley</p> | <p>19
Jeff & Carol Adams</p> <p>23
Michael & Carol Bunks</p> <p>24
Dick & Bev Starkey</p> <p>26
John & Lee Bouton</p> <p>28
Kenneth & Sherry Lewis</p> <p>29
Don & Michele Godwin
Lewis & Arlene Milligan</p> <p>30
Jayson & Brooke Powers
Gene & Betsy Wahl</p> |
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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.



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