



TRINITY UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH

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March 8, 2026 Third Sunday in Lent*



LENT

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

Jim & Carolyn Bailey Patti Ballard David & Susan Barnette
Daniel & Cindy Baughman Sharon Bell Bob Blinn

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

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 8, 2026

Third Sunday in Lent

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

"Two Pieces for Cello and Piano"
Jacob Prince, cello

by Anton von Webern

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

NO. 38

*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

"Amazing Grace"

NO. 378

*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 am)

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 Who Hunger"

Sylvia Dunstan/William Moore

*DOXOLOGY

NO. 95

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
 praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

READING OF THE WORD Luke 15:11-31

¹¹ Jesus said, "A certain man had two sons. ¹² The younger son said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the inheritance.' Then the father divided his estate between them. ¹³ Soon afterward, the younger son gathered everything together and took a trip to a land far away. There, he wasted his wealth through extravagant living.

¹⁴ "When he had used up his resources, a severe food shortage arose in that country and he began to be in need. ¹⁵ He hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. ¹⁶ He longed to eat his fill from what the pigs ate, but no one gave him anything. ¹⁷ When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have more than enough food, but I'm starving to death! ¹⁸ I will get up and go to my father, and say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. ¹⁹ I no longer deserve to be called your son. Take me on as one of your hired hands." ' ²⁰ So he got up and went to his father.

"While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with compassion. His father ran to him, hugged him, and kissed him. ²¹ Then his son said, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son.' ²² But the father said to his servants, 'Quickly, bring out the best robe and put it on him! Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet! ²³ Fetch the fattened calf and slaughter it. We must celebrate with feasting ²⁴ because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life! He was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate."

²⁵ "Now his older son was in the field. Coming in from the field, he approached the house and heard music and dancing. ²⁶ He called one of the servants and asked what was going on. ²⁷ The servant replied, 'Your brother has arrived, and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he received his son back safe and sound.' ²⁸ Then the older son was furious and didn't want to enter in, but his father came out and begged him. ²⁹ He answered his father, 'Look, I've served you all these years, and I never disobeyed your instruction. Yet you've never given me as much as a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. ³⁰ But when this son of yours returned, after gobbling up your estate on prostitutes, you slaughtered the fattened calf for him.' ³¹ Then his father said, 'Son, you are always with me, and everything I have is yours.'"

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON Feasting with the Found Rev. Gene Aiken

*CLOSING HYMN "Just as I Am, Without One Plea" NO. 357

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "What Wondrous Love Is This" NO. 292

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!*

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name!" Tom Birchwood
Tune: "Coronation" by Oliver Holden

Next Sunday's Scripture Reading: Luke 16:19-31

*The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God for His many blessings and in loving
memory of Mack Pollock.*

Given by his wife, Doris, and his daughters, Ann, Susan and Kelley

Weekly Offering Week of
March 2, 2026

Needed each week:	\$ 17,753.29
Received this week includes last weeks' checks in the total	\$ 33,096.00
Received online:	\$ 1,007.00
Total received	\$ 34,103.00
<u>Year to date</u>	
Received:	\$ 113,641.58
Expenditures:	\$ 119,050.09

**Attendance for Sunday,
March 2, 2026:**
8:30 am: **137**
9:45 am: **102**
11:00 am: **168**
In-Person Total = **407**
Online Total: **183**
Facebook Total: **582**



Capital Campaign BF Contributions

Sunday offering:	\$ 11,020.00
Received online:	\$ 0
Total received	\$ 11,020.00

Building Fund

Weekly Building Fund Offering:	\$ 11,020.00
Current Bldg. Fund Bank Balance:	\$ 136,114.49
Current Bldg. Fund Bank Loan Balance:	\$ 577,178.48

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

Did you know that there are other ways that you can help give to TUMC?

Hot Stacks and Plantation House Pancake House

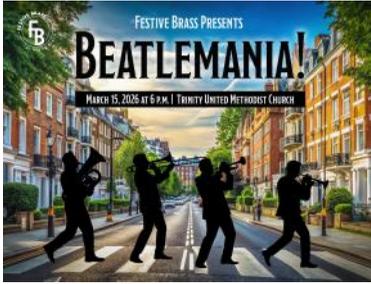
If you eat at Hot Stacks or Plantation House in North Myrtle Beach, you can ask for a church receipt. We will turn these in, and the restaurant will give 10% of the total to the church. This will go toward the Building Fund. There is an envelope hanging on the Missions' bulletin board for you to put your receipts in.

Kroger's Rewards

Did you know that you can link your Kroger rewards' card to Trinity United Methodist Church? A portion of every purchase will go to TUMC and be put toward our Trinity Kids' Education programming. Sign in to your digital account. Click the three lines at the top of the page to see the "More" menu. Click "Rewards;" then click "Community Rewards;" search using the church name or NPO #UA493; then select and click "Enroll." It's as easy as that!

Loose Change Sunday

Every fourth Sunday of the month we take up a special offering for loose change although bills are always welcome as well. All donations of loose change goes toward our building fund for Trinity Hall.



Beatlemania! Festive Brass Spring Concert March 15 at 6 pm in Trinity Hall

This special performance features bold, brass-driven arrangements of beloved hits, including “Can’t Buy Me Love,” “Penny Lane,” “Eleanor Rigby,” “Come Together,” “All You Need Is Love,” and highlights from **Yesterday**—bringing new color and energy to songs that continue to unite generations.



Pep Club

March 19th at 11:30 in Trinity Hall.

Come join in the food, fun, fellowship, and games. Come renew old friendships and make new friends. We will be celebrating a belated Saint Patrick’s Day so wear your **GREEN**. Do you have a lucky shamrock on your shirt or that pot of gold you have been looking for? Look around you and you will find the pot of gold in all your friends and church family.

Bring a friend and make new friends.

If your last name begins with A - L, bring a side dish to share.

If your last name begins with M - Z, bring a dessert to share.

Everyone is invited to join in the friendship and fun.

Any questions, call or text Rhonda Thompson at 843-655-1922.

Hope to see everyone there.



Yard Enhancement Day

We will be having a "Mulching and Yard Enhancement Day" as soon as the weather improves. The trustees are looking for volunteers who would be interested in working on our grounds and in the gardens. Grilled hotdogs and burgers will be provided to all workers. If you are interested in beautifying our grounds, reach out to Verne Cappell or any of our trustees.



We are excited to announce Trinity's new youth director, Jordan Bryant. Last Sunday we had a great youth turnout to welcome him to youth group. We invite all youth in the church ages 6th to 12th grade to come together, grow in faith, and make lasting friendships. Feel free to bring a friend!

Youth Group meets Sundays at 5:00 pm in the Youth Room.

Night of Worship: Join Us!

Celebrate the season of Lent with us during the next special evening of *Praise and Prayer in Trinity Hall*. Mark your calendars for **Thursday, March 26, starting at 7 pm**. These gatherings will offer a wonderful chance to engage in heartfelt worship and fellowship. Whether you are looking to strengthen your faith or simply enjoy a night of uplifting music, we invite you to be part of this inspiring experience. We look forward to seeing you there!

TRINITY UNITED
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Spring Craft Sale

Friday, March 20
Saturday, March 21
10 AM - 3 PM

Free Admission
CRAFTS
BAKED GOODS



Easter Hippity Hop is Here!

Get ready for a hopping good time on **Saturday, March 28 from 2-5 pm!** Bring your Easter baskets and join us for an egg-citing adventure filled with bounce houses, face painting, balloon art, and a special hands-on Holy Week experience! Enjoy live music from our Worship Band, snap photos with the Easter Bunny, and dying some eggs to take home!

We are looking for help before, during and after the event!

Prior to the event, we're looking for awesome volunteers to make hard-boiled eggs for our egg-dying station. Sign up in the bulletin then bring your boiled eggs to the church the week of **March 22**, label them, and pop them in the fridge!

Plus, we need some extra hands-on **Tuesday, March 24, from 10 am - 12 pm** to help prep items for the Hippity Hop—think stuffing bags, prepping crafts, and more fun activities!

During the event we need volunteers to help at each of the stations (approx. 15 volunteers per shift), and we made these shifts to fit everyone's schedule! Shifts run **1:30-3:30 pm** and **3:30-5:30 pm**, so you can join in the fun before or after your shift! No experience required—just bring your big smile and loving spirit!! You can sign up on the insert in the bulletin for any of the spots we are looking to fill.

Blessing Bags

Our beloved Blessing Bags are back! During the Easter Hippity Hop, we'll be packing **100 Blessing Bags** to share with those in need. These bags have been a wonderful way for us to share kindness with those in need, and the kids love getting involved in stuffing them!

To make this happen, we're asking for your donations! Scan the QR code to see what items we're looking for. Please bring items to the church by **Monday, March 23** and place them in the volunteer office. Let's come together and show our community some love!



The Weeping Tree

Worship with us on **Palm Sunday, March 29** for a heartfelt musical experience as the chancel choir presents **The Weeping Tree** cantata at our traditional Sunday services. This moving cantata explores themes of grief, healing, and hope through beautiful melodies and poignant lyrics.

Holy Week and Easter Schedule

Maundy Thursday—April 2

6:30 pm foot washing in the Memorial Garden

7 pm service in the Sanctuary



Good Friday—April 3 at 7 pm

In Trinity Hall

Easter Sunday—April 5

Easter Sunrise Service at the Beach starting

at 6:00 am

(17th Avenue S. beach access)

Please bring your own chair.

At TUMC

Traditional services at 8:30 and 11:00 am

Contemporary service at 9:45 am

The Contemporary service will be outside (weather permitting).

Please bring your own chair.



He is risen!

Meetings This Week

- Today*
3/8
Worship Service: 8:30 am (Sanctuary & Live Streaming Online)
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)
Meet & Greet Ken & Marlene Klaus: 12:15 pm (Trinity Hall)
Confirmation Class: 4:00 pm (Youth Room)
Youth Group: 5:00 pm (Youth Room)
- Monday*
3/9
Weight Watchers: 9:30 am (AG Greene Choir Room & New Kids' Room)
Crafters' Egg Making: 9:00 am (Kitchen & Trinity Hall)
Faith, Love and Friendship Circle: 10:00 am ((Trinity Hall Meeting Room 2)
Monday Golf Outing: 3:00 pm (Eagles' Nest Golf Club)
Trustees' Meeting: 5:30 pm (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 2)
Gamblers Anonymous: 7:00 pm (AG Greene Choir Room)
- Tuesday*
3/10
Crafters' Egg Making: 9:00 am (Kitchen & Trinity Hall)
Bridge: 9:30 am (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 1)
Staff Meeting: 12:00 pm (Library)
Dot Jordan Circle: 6:00 pm (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 1)
SAG Meeting: 7:00 pm (AG Greene Choir Room)
- Wednesday*
3/11
Crafters: 9:30 am (AG Greene Choir Room)
Master's Meal: 12 noon (Trinity Hall)
GriefShare: 2:00 pm (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 1)
Handbell Choir Rehearsal: 4:30 pm (Sanctuary)
Trinity Kids: 4:30 pm (AG Greene Building)
Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 7:00 pm (Sanctuary)
- Thursday*
3/12
Youth Lenten Breakfast: 7:00 am (Chick-fil-A, NMB)
Ukrainian Egg Class 11:30 am (Kitchen & Trinity Hall)
Contemporary Worship Rehearsal: 3:30 pm (Trintiy Hall)
Praise & Prayer Service: 7:00 pm (Trinity Hall)
Gamblers Anonymous: 7:00 pm (AG Greene Choir Room)
- Friday*
3/13
- Saturday*
3/14

Welcome to Trinity United Methodist Church!

Volunteers this Week

	8:30 am	11:00 am
Ushers:	Bob & Kathy Slack, Verne Cappell, Betsi Rudder	Tonya Ard, Del Haws, Curt Roberts, Scott Keziah, Jackie Stanley
Altar Guild:	Carolyn Bailey and Melissa Pack	

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
Youth Director:	Jordan Bryant
Pastors:	Rev. Gene Aiken; Rev. Stephanie Schellinger

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

Worship With Us

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

Contemporary Worship Service on Sunday at 9:45 am

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 *New* 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 2nd Floor, Room 2

XYZ Young Adults 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.