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October 18, 2026

Twenty-first 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

"Lord, Here Am I"

John Ness Beck

arr. by Anna Laura Page

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

"The Voice of God Is Calling"

NO. 436

*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 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

"Go Ye Into All the World"

by Benjamin Harlan

*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 **Matthew 22:34-40**

Common English Bible (CEB)

³⁴ When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had left the Sadducees speechless, they met together.
³⁵ One of them, a legal expert, tested him. ³⁶ "Teacher, what is the greatest commandment in the Law?"

³⁷ He replied, "*You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your being, and with all your mind.* ³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment: ³⁹ And the second is like it: *You must love your neighbor as you love yourself.* ⁴⁰ All the Law and the Prophets depend on these two commands."

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

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Discipleship

Rev. Gene Aiken

*Next Sunday's Scripture: **Matthew 6:19-24***

*CLOSING HYMN

"Go Forth for God"

NO. 670

*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

"The Gospel Trumpet"

Benton Price

Based on an early American hymn tune

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The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God for His many blessings and in loving memory of my husband, Kim Allen Bumstead, in honor of his heavenly birthday on October 16 and what would have been our 41st wedding anniversary on October 12.

Given by Pam Bumstead



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

Sue Copley Matt & Anna Cox, (Sophia, Emery and Hadley) Roy Crownover

Becky Davis Jennifer Dennis Linda & Robert Dunn

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

Next Week is 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 go toward our Building Fund for Trinity Hall.

Total for the week of October 11, 2026 Year to date

Received:	\$	622,878.88
Expenditures:	\$	597,581.70
Total Difference	\$	25,297.18

Capital Campaign BF Contributions

Sunday offering:	\$	90.00
Received online:	\$	5,100.00
Total received	\$	300.00

Building Fund

Weekly Building Fund Offering:	\$	5,490.00
Current Bldg. Fund Bank Balance:	\$	121,498.34
Current Bldg. Fund Bank Loan Balance:	\$	509,835.44

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



Attendance for Sunday, October 11, 2026:

8:30 am: **99**

9:45 am: **54**

11:00 am: **114**

In-Person Total = **297**

Online Total: **399**

Facebook Total: **420**

Called Administrative Council Meeting

Today, October 18, following the 11:00 am service in the Sanctuary

All committee chairpersons are requested to attend.

Annual Charge Conference

Sunday, October 25, 2026 at 4:30 pm in the Sanctuary

All members of Trinity UMC are encouraged to attend the annual Charge Conference of TUMC.

Kairos' Prison Ministry

On October 21, 2026, members of TUMC will be traveling to take part in the Kairos prison ministry at the women's prison in Camille. As part of our mission, we ask if anyone is able to please provide individually wrapped packs of store-bought cookies and/or snacks. These donations can be dropped off at the volunteer office at Trinity. Susie Hammond will pick them up on **Tuesday afternoon, October 20, 2026**. Thank you in advance for your assistance. For additional information, please contact Susie at 304-709-422.

Gathered in Gratitude

An Evening Honoring Women Veterans

Monday, November 9, 2026 at 6 pm in Trinity Hall

All women are warmly invited to an evening of gratitude, fellowship, and remembrance as we honor the women who have served our nation.

Join Trinity UMC Dot Jordan Women's Circle as we celebrate the courage, dedication, and sacrifice of women veterans from every branch of the United States' Armed Forces.

Gather in Gratitude will be an opportunity to hear their stories, recognize their service and express our heartfelt appreciation to the women who answered the call to serve. Join us for dinner and fellowship.

Please RSVP by November 5 in today's signup sheet or on the event page of our website.

Trunk or Treat – October 31

Get ready for a fun and festive Halloween celebration! On Saturday, October 31 from 2-4 pm. Bring your kids in costume for a safe and joyful afternoon of games, candy and community fun.

We'd love your help making this event special: decorate your trunk, golf cart, or truck bed with a fun theme and hand out treats. We also appreciate candy donations to ensure every child leaves with a smile!

If you can help, contact Stephanie at trinitynmbkids@gmail.com or sign up in the bulletin or online. Let's come together to create a memorable Halloween for your church family and community!

TUMC Cookbooks are still available.

Trinity UMC Cookbook, *Our Favorite Recipes*, are still available. Cost is \$25 per book. See Tonya Ard or Michelle Godwin to purchase your cookbook.

Meetings This Week

Today
10/18
Worship Service: 8:30 am (Sanctuary & Live Streaming Online)
Contemporary Band Rehearsal: 8:45 am (Trinity Hall)
Adult Sunday School Classes: 9:45 am (Second Floor, Library and Room 2)
Contemporary Worship Service: 9:45 am (Trinity Hall & Live Streaming Online)
Worship Service: 11:00 am (Sanctuary & Streaming Online)
Children's Sunday School: 11:00 am (AG Greene Choir Room)
Called Administrative Council Meeting: 12:15 pm (Sanctuary)
Blessing of the Animals: 2:00 pm (On the Front Lawn Weather Permitting)
Kids' Christmas Program Rehearsal: 4:00 pm (Sanctuary)
Trinity Kids: 4:30 pm (AG Greene Building)
Youth Group: 6:00 pm (Youth Room)

Monday
10/19
TUMM Breakfast Meeting: 8:30 am (Trinity Hall)
Weight Watchers: 9:30 am (AG Greene Choir Room & New Kids' Room)
Monday Golf Outing: 3:00 pm (Beachwood Golf Club)
Gamblers Anonymous: 7:00 pm (AG Greene Choir Room)

Tuesday
10/20
Bridge: 9:30 am (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 1)
Bible Study-Acts: Catching Up with the Spirit: 10:00 am (Sanctuary)
GriefShare: 2:00 pm (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 1)
Contemporary Worship Rehearsal: 6:00 pm (Trinity Hall)
New Member Class: 6:00 pm (Upstairs' Room 2)
SAG Meeting: 7:00 pm (AG Greene Choir Room)

Wednesday
10/21
Crafters: 9:30 am (AG Greene Choir Room)
Master's Meal: 12 noon (Trinity Hall)
TUMW Executive Meeting: 1:00 pm (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 2)
Handbell Choir Rehearsal: 4:30 pm (Sanctuary)
Bible Study-Acts: Catching Up with the Spirit: 6:00 pm (Trinity Hall)
Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 7:00 pm (Sanctuary)

Thursday
10/22
Gamblers Anonymous: 7:00 pm (Trinity Hall Meeting Room 1)

Friday
10/23

Saturday
10/24

Welcome to Trinity United Methodist Church!

Volunteers this Week

	8:30 am	11:00 am
Ushers:	Bob & Kathy Slack, Baxter Barger, Pam Bumstead	Don & Michelle Godwin Cindy Burgio, Margaret Martin, Scott Keziah
Altar Guild:	Janis Ortmeyer and Carol Adams	

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

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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, Mahala Pearsall & Richard Jones Second floor - Library

XYZ Young Adults, led by Jayson Powers Second floor - Room 2

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.