



"Life in the Son"

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

Trinity Tidings

October 2026



Dear Trinity Family,

As we prepare for October and the fall season, I want to take a moment to revisit our vital membership vows we take as members of the United Methodist Church: **prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.**

Each vow is not just a commitment; it's a pathway to a deeper relationship with God and one another.

We will discuss and focus on these vows throughout our sermons in October and November as we explore how we

live out our calling as Christians and United Methodists.

Prayers

Prayer is the foundation of our faith. It is through prayer that we communicate with God, seeking guidance, strength, and wisdom. As we commit to praying for one another and our community, we create a spiritual bond that transcends our individual struggles. We create community amongst our church members and our local community.

Prayer is vital for every person and every church, and it is always

the first step for us when facing any situation.

We send out our weekly prayer list on Thursday afternoons so that we can all be connected in prayer for one another because we believe that prayer makes a difference and is powerful. Let us remember that prayer is not just a personal practice but a collective endeavor that strengthens our church family and our community.

Presence

Being present in worship and fellowship is crucial. When we
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gather, we not only worship God but also support and encourage one another.

Each face in our congregation brings unique gifts and perspectives that enrich our community. When you are not here the church is not whole. It takes all the people to make the whole church.

The church is not a building or property; it always has been and always will be the people.

Your presence matters—whether in person or through virtual means. Let's make it a priority to show up for one another, fostering a sense of belonging and unity.

We need all our members and all those who are part of the church even if they haven't formally joined to be present.

We need you to invite others. We are called to expand the community of Christ. We are not a country club but a hospital for the broken because we all need God's grace.

Gifts

God has blessed each of us with unique talents and resources.

As we pledge to share our gifts, we contribute to the mission of the church and the work of God in the world. This can be through financial support, volunteering our time, or using our skills to serve others.

Gifts come in many forms and is not just limited to money. We must always remember that all gifts are important regardless of their form.

God has given each and every one of us a gift. Failing to share that gift with the church prevents it from being the best it can be. We will never be the true church if we do not live into the gifts that God gives us. Remember, no gift is too small; every contribution helps us fulfill our calling as a church.

Service

Service is a tangible expression of our faith. Jesus modeled a life of service, and as His followers, we are called to do the same.

Engaging in acts of service—whether through outreach programs, community assistance, or simple acts of kindness—allows us to live out our faith actively.

Trinity offers many such opportunities: ASAP, Masters' Meal, Salkehatchie, Christmas Shoe Boxes, Christmas Angel Tree, making prayer shawls, Sea Haven, Coastal Wesley. all the local missions we support financially, and so many more.

There are always opportunities here for you to serve in some way to help communities both here in our city or as we reach beyond our local community.

Witness

Finally, our vow to witness is a call to share the good news of Jesus Christ. This witness can take many forms: sharing our personal testimonies, inviting friends to church, or simply living out our faith in our daily lives.

Our actions often speak louder than words, so let us strive to be examples of Christ's love and grace in all that we do. Too often, we think that witnessing requires us to verbally share our faith with strangers.

Our witness is how we live our lives. It is the way we share our faith by how we talk about our faith or our church. It is how we show our faith through our actions and how we treat other people.

Our witness may be the only reflection of Jesus that people see, and it is my hope that it reflects the love and grace we have for our brothers and sisters inside and outside the church.

As we move into October, I encourage each of you to reflect on these vows. How can you deepen your commitment to prayer, presence, gifts, service, and witness?

Together let us embrace these vows not just as obligations but as joyful opportunities to grow in faith and community.

In Christ,

Gene

**TUMC Charge Conference
will be on Sunday, Oct. 25
at 4:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.**

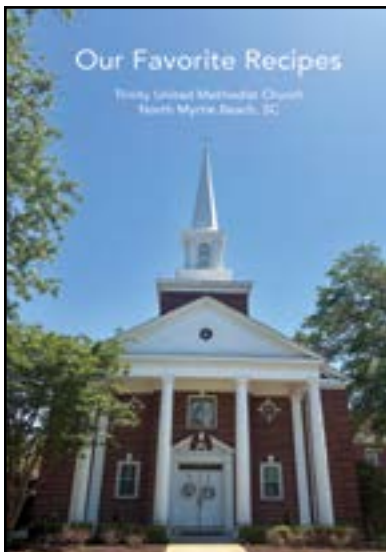
All members of the church are encouraged to attend.



On Sunday, Nov. 1, 2026, we will be celebrating "All Saints' Sunday" at the church during the worship services.

All Saints' Sunday is the day when we remember with thanksgiving those members of the church family who have joined the "Church Triumphant" this past year. We celebrate their presence with the Lord in heaven through their resurrection, and we remember the blessings of their lives here on earth. We will be reading the names of those persons who have died this past year during the services.

For three weeks before All Saints' Sunday, the All Saints' banner will be located in the Narthex of the church. Slips of paper will be available to fill out to remember the name of a friend, family member and/or loved one who has passed at any time. Pin the slip and bell to the banner. This banner will be processed in on All Saints' Sunday at the beginning of the service.



Trinity cookbooks are still available for \$25 each. They make great gifts. All proceeds go to the church's general fund.



BOOK CLUB

Book club meets the first Monday of each month at 1 p.m. in Room 1 of Trinity Hall. We read interesting books and have lively discussions. All are welcome whether you are a church member or not. Please come even if you have not read the book. The following books will be discussed:

October 5

The Flight Girls
by Noelle Salazar

November 2

The Calamity
by Katheryn Stockett

December 7

The Autobiography of Santa Claus
by Jeff Guinn

January 4

Kin
by Tayari Jones

Spooktacular Halloween Party set



Come one; come all to our Spooktacular Halloween Party on Thursday, Oct. 15 at 11:30 a.m. in Trinity Hall.

Food, fun and fellowship is the center of what we do. Dust off

those Halloween costumes to participate in our Halloween costume contest. It will be Spooktacular!

Get ready to trick or treat with other fun activities.

We will be serving Mission Barbecue. If your last name begins with A - L, bring a dessert to share. If your last name begins with M - Z, bring a side dish to share.

As always, bring a friend and make new friends. Everyone welcome!

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

Women's circle meetings begin this month

Fall has arrived, and all four circles are actively having meetings now.

We would love anyone interested in joining a circle to contact the office for meeting times and locations.

We just started the fall season, but we are looking to Christmas activities.

We are having our first Festival of Nativities on Dec. 12.



Please consider displaying your special nativity during this amazing event.

Tickets are on sale now for \$20 with proceeds going to the church's programs, missions and charities. A special raffle will also take place with nativity items.

It will be a great time to visit with friends, get into the holiday spirit, look at many amazing nativities plus have a wonderful luncheon.

Love Circle

Love Circle met on Sept. 3, in the AG Green Building. We discussed upcoming missions and ways we can help.

We also discussed the TUMW's fundraiser, the Festival of Nativities luncheon.

Betty Wyles was our host and gave a program once presented by Bobbi Johnson on "attitude of gratitude." She also told us about the history of the Love Circle.

Our October meeting will be on Thursday, Oct. 1 at 9:30 a.m., at the home of Judy Caulder, 1308 Wading Heron Rd., NMB. We welcome all and hope to see you there!

Please contact Love Circle President Carole Petro, for more information at (609) 617-0929, or email carpetr@aol.com.

Dot Jordan Circle

Dot Jordan Circle met on Tuesday, Sept. 8 at 6 p.m. Members signed up for

programs for the year as well as hostessing and devotion duties. A reminder was given to members about the bake sale at the Vendor Fair on Sept. 19. The next meeting will be Oct. 13 at 6 p.m.

Faith, Love and Friendship Circle

Faith, Love and Friendship Circle met Tuesday, Sept. 8 to

complete the UMW cookbooks and ready them for the Vendor Fair. Kathy Juby gave a report about the Vendor Fair, and information was shared about the upcoming Festival of the Nativities. A sign-up sheet for devotionals and snacks for future meetings was circulated.

The next meeting will be on Monday, Oct. 12 in Trinity Hall at 10 a.m.



The results from the Congregational Care Team Health and Wellness survey are in, and based on that, the Health and Wellness team will be working on arranging the first of their educational events based on those results.

Keep a look out in future newsletters and bulletins for upcoming events regarding mobility.



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GATHERED IN *Gratitude*

AN EVENING HONORING
WOMEN VETERANS

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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.

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

Please Join Us

Monday, Nov. 9, 2026
6 p.m.

Trinity United Methodist Church -- Trinity Hall
706 14th Ave. S, North Myrtle Beach

★
DINNER &
FELLOWSHIP

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SPECIAL RECOGNITION
OF WOMEN VETERANS

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STORIES OF SERVICE
& SACRIFICE

Whether you are a female veteran, family member, friend, or community member, we welcome all women to this special evening as we come together to say:

Thank You for Your Service

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RSVP by Nov. 5

Pam Bumstead

(703) 402-0917 or pambum5@yahoo.com





Congregational Prayer Names



October 2026

Week/Volunteer	Date/Names	Week/Volunteer	Date/Names
	October 4		October 18
1 – Ann Zehr	1. Aubrey & Pam Apple	3 – Susan Kerschner	1. Sue Copley
	2. David & Susan Attenberger		2. Matt Cox-Sophia Coggeshall
	3. Baxter & Betty Barger		3. Donna & Roy Crownover
	4. Tom & Missy Bauder		4. Becky Davis
	5. John & Lee Bouton		5. Jennifer Dennis
	6. John Breeden		6. Linda & Robert Dunn
	October 11		October 25
2- Donna Allen	1. Iris Brisendine	4 – Terry Slapnik	1. Pam Early
	2. Robin & Joe Bucalo		2. Roger Emory
	3. Michael & Carol Bunks		3. Frank & Peggy Farrington
	4. David & Cindy Burgio		4. Brian & Kelli & Kendyl Finney
	5. Dianne Cintron		5. Susan Franklin
	6. Bryan & Katie Coggeshall		6. Dave & Lisa Greener

Trinity Ringers NEED YOU!

No experience necessary.

If you can count, you can play.

**Come join the fun every Wednesday
in the Sanctuary from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.**

October Monday Golf

Monday golf will be at Beachwood Golf Club,
1520 Hwy 17 S, NMB.

Tee time will be 3 p.m. Cost is \$25 per player.

*All skill levels welcome.
Just show up and enjoy nice fellowship.*



9/28 to 10/25

Janis Ortmeyer (pews)
Carol Adams (candles)

10/26 to 11/29

Linda Blair (pews)
Dottie Kinlaw (candles)

October Usher Schedule

8:30 a.m. services

Oct. 4 - Tom & Connie Kelser, Dick & Emily Tinsley

Oct. 11 - Aubrey & Pam Apple, Judy Lowe, Jeannie Reeder

Oct. 18 - Baxter Barger, Pam Bumstead, Bob & Kathy Slack

Oct. 25 - Alan & Sarah Jane Slaughter, Hugh Holliman, Betsi Rudder

11 a.m. services

Oct. 4 - Margaret Martin, Scott Keziah, Tonya Ard, Jackie Stanley, Cindy Burgio

Oct. 11 - Tonya Ard, Dave Ryan, Bob & Linda Miller, Melissa Pack

Oct. 18 - Don & Michele Godwin, Scott Keziah, Margaret Martin, Cindy Burgio

Oct. 25 - Don & Michele Godwin, Dave Ryan, Del Hawes, Jackie Stanley



Renew and connect at women's retreat

Are you ready to take a break from the hustle and bustle of life? Join us for this year's Seaside Escape Women's Retreat on Saturday, Nov. 14 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Trinity Hall!

This is the perfect opportunity to slow down, savor meaningful moments with God and friends, and deepen your connections.

This year's retreat will have a fresh new theme—Seaside Escape: Bask in God's Presence—inviting us to relax, refresh, and find renewal by the sea of God's love. We'll gather in Trinity Hall to enjoy enriching Bible studies, fun activities, and inspiring fellowship. The best part? There's no limit to how many women can join us, so invite your friends and family!

The cost is \$50 per person, which includes a full day of engaging sessions, tasty breakfast treats, a delicious lunch, and a valuable workbook to guide your journey. Registration will open in mid-October, and you can sign up on Realm or through the bulletin.

If you have any questions or need assistance, feel free to reach out to Pastor Stephanie or contact the church office. Take this time to relax, make new friends, worship God, and deepen your relationship with Jesus. We can't wait to see you at the Seaside Escape Retreat for a day filled with renewal, joy, and inspiration.

Join us for the

FALL FESTIVAL

FUN FOR THE
WHOLE
FAMILY!

FREE ADMISSION • ALL AGES WELCOME

OCTOBER
10
2026

10:00 AM
TO
2:00 PM

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WHAT TO EXPECT



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PUMPKIN
PAINTING



CHILI
CONTEST



BOUNCE
HOUSE



PETTING ZOO



FOOD TO
PURCHASE



FACEPAINTING

Bring your family & friends and celebrate the season!

FOR MORE INFORMATION | trinitynmb.com

Missions looking for help on future projects

Thank you to everyone who assisted with International Café this summer! The J1 students had a wonderful experience here on Monday nights: a home-cooked meal, games, crafts, music, and fellowship. Attendance averaged 45-50 young adults each week. A special thank you to Sue Erway, liaison for TUMC this year.

Watch for an invitation to donate homemade cookies to Kairos, the men's prison retreat, and store-bought cookies to the women's prison retreat.

Master's Meal is currently serving 10-15 guests each Wednesday for the noon meal. Volunteers are needed to assist with table set up and take down. See Margaret Martin or LeeAnn Hanlon if you are available on Wednesday



mornings to help with this.

Mobile Meals: Our delivery week is Oct. 12-16. See John Denis if you are interested in serving as a packer or runner. Drivers are provided.

A donation of \$500 was made to Aldersgate Special Needs' Ministry on behalf of TUMC. A \$500 donation was made to Helping Hands of the North Strand and a \$300 donation to Mobile Meals on the North Strand on behalf of TUMC.

Thanks to all who contributed Christmas Shoe Boxes for

the children of Spirit Lake Indian Nation where a United Methodist missionary serves. We will report the total number in the November newsletter.

We are accepting signed Christmas cards for the deployed soldiers and local nursing homes until Nov. 1. Please place your cards in the decorated box on the lower shelf of the cabinet in the back hallway.

We are still collecting canceled postage stamps for a Veteran's charity. Place them in the container on the shelf in the back hallway.

Our next meeting will be Monday, Nov. 2 at 10 am. All interested persons are welcome!

We are looking for ideas for 2027 focus appeals.

The Trustees have had another busy month. Here is a list of what has been accomplished:

- 1--Air Curtain was hung at the Trinity Hall back door and is wired for operation. This should help reduce our energy costs when the door is left open bringing items in and out of your building.
- 2--A new camera and remote activated door "unlock" system was installed. This allows the volunteers to see who is at the back door and remotely unlock the door.



- 3--Now that the Contemporary Service is in Trinity Hall, it appears there is a need for baby-changing stations in the Trinity Hall restrooms. Wall mounted tables have been ordered.
- 4--Improvements and compliance to a District Methodist request for upgrades to the Safe Sanctuary Policy.

This requires that windows for the offices and various locations be installed. 5-- As a reminder, the gray Trinity Hall classroom tables and chairs are not to be removed from the building, used for painting projects, etc. Please use tablecloths or some sort of covering to prevent damage if serving snacks, coffee or beverages.

Thank you for your support for keeping God's House and YOUR house looking good.



TUMM set major fundraisers to support church

Trinity United Methodist Men have set their two major annual fundraisers: the Boston Butt sale (Friday, Oct. 2) and the Golf Tournament (Friday, Nov. 7).

Players and sponsors are needed for the 14th annual

Golf Tournament on Nov. 7. Visit the church office for forms and information on how to help.

Both fundraisers support our scholarships, community projects, and assistance to the church.

Additionally, UMM will serve dinner to the North Myrtle Beach Football team on Oct. 15.

TUMM meet the third Monday of each month at 8:30 a.m. in Trinity Hall. All men are welcome to attend.

A promotional poster for the 'TUMM 14th Annual GOLF TOURNAMENT'. The title is written in a large, bold, black font. Below the title, the date 'SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7' and the location 'BEACHWOOD GOLF CLUB' are listed in a smaller, bold, black font. The background of the poster is a photograph of a golf course with a green fairway and trees in the distance. In the bottom left corner, there is a large QR code. To the right of the QR code, the text 'Scan the QR code to register your team or become a sponsor for this event.' is written in a black font.



Thank you to everyone for all the beautiful prayer shawls we had for Prayer Shawl Sunday. They are so appreciated.

The next Prayer Shawl Sunday will be Nov. 29, which gives us two months to work on making more shawls and lap robes.

Thank you again for all you do. It is appreciated.



Festival OF NATIVITIES

A Celebration of the Christmas Story

Join us for a beautiful display of nativity scenes celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ. Experience the Christmas story through cherished traditional, artistic, and unique nativity displays.

Featuring:

- * Lunch & Fellowship
- * Beautiful Nativity Displays
- * Christmas Music & Carols
- * A Peaceful Christmas Atmosphere

Saturday, Dec. 12
11 a.m.

Trinity United Methodist Church
706 14th St. S., N. Myrtle Beach

\$20 per person

Everyone is Welcome!

Take a moment this Christmas season to reflect on the hope, joy and wonder of Christ's birth!



Purchase your tickets here.
Make sure you indicate Festival of Nativities in the memo





OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

1 Peter D. Herran Ken Klaus	11 Cynthia Whitley	18 Pam Wainscott	25 Kearns Cheek Beulah Matheny Kimberly Slaughter
5 Michael Carlo Charlene Kesler Connie Pappas Forrest Yates	12 Diana Faulkenberry Marlene Klaus De Schuler Barrett Slaughter	19 Karen Smith Michael Stone	28 David Burgio Gwen Howle Annette Robinson Jackie Stanley Stephanie Williams
6 Sally Floyd Carolyn Via	13 Cynthia Burgio Jerry Cameron Tom Hobgood	20 Beverly Rogers Keith Smith	29 Iris Brisendine Debbie Carter Don Fowlkes Cathey Grant Nancy Turner
7 Hadley Breznicky Maria Croft Walter Powers	14 Leslie Pacho	21 Bubba Collins Grace Davis Christine Langley	31 Hank Myers George Velez
9 Mark Fahner Terry Waddell	15 Shelby Eaton- Gordon Lee Hullings	22 Bev Starkey David Swift	
10 Laura Bowie Beverly Nelan	16 Valeri Davis John Hughes Paulette Spring	24 Chance Douglas Maria Mohr	

Anniversaries

1 Robert & Frankie Wade	18 Wayne & Diane Arnold
3 John & Beth Fields	24 Alan & Diana Faulkenberry
9 David & Patricia McLaughlin	29 Jenny & Doug Hammond
10 Baxter & Betty Barger	30 Albert & Melody Evans Richard & Chris Sayre
15 Joe & Robin Bucalo	31 Bob & Linda Miller





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Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
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 (Trinity Hall & 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 a.m. and 11 a.m.
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.

