

WELCOME TO TRINITY! We're glad you are with us this morning!

REST ROOMS: Men's and women's rest rooms are on the lower level at the bases of the steps on either side of the narthex (back of the Sanctuary). There is also a family rest room on the main level in the area behind the choir loft (front of the Sanctuary).

HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBILITY: There is an elevator in the education wing that accesses all levels of the church - the sanctuary, the fellowship hall, and all the Sunday School rooms. Handicapped parking spaces are in the alley behind the church.

HEARING ASSISTANCE: We have hearing assistance aids available located in the brown box on the table in the narthex (back of the church). Or you can just ask an usher!

NURSERY: Each Sunday morning during Sunday School and Worship, Children from newborn to age 4 find a nurturing, safe, friendly environment in our Nursery. It is located near the elevator on the Education level. Exit the front of the sanctuary on the left side and go down the stairs. After the Children's Moment, we offer Children's Church for kids K - 2nd grade. You are welcome to have your children participate, or keep them with you in worship!

Our pastor is Reverend Penny Ford, who can be reached through the church office Monday through Thursday (759-4206) or at revpennyford@gmail.com. Please let us know how we can assist you today.

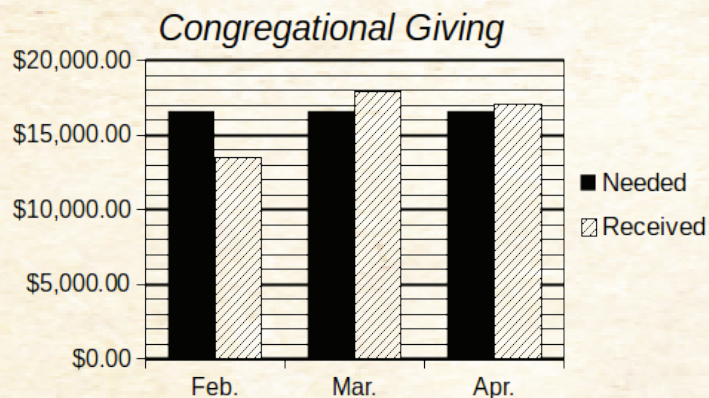
UPCOMING MEETINGS

AD COUNCIL

Sunday, May 6

2:30 - 4:30pm

Please let the church office know
if you will need nursery care!



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Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 29, 2018

***Trinity United Methodist Church
is a congregation united by the love of Christ.***

*Because we are rooted in and guided by the grace of God,
we share the love of Christ in our community and in our world.*

*Because we embrace our ever-changing community,
we are open and respectful of what makes you who you are,
and glad you are part of our church family.*

*Because we cherish our multigenerational congregation,
we are caring and nurturing of all ages.*

*Because we value traditional worship,
we feel familiar and welcoming.*

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April 29, 2018 - Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

Rev. Penny Ford, Senior Pastor
Dr. Kevin Chance, Director of Music Ministries
Nicolas Guerrero, Organist

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*In the pew you will find a Welcome Guest card.
If you are guest, please fill one out and place it in the offering plate.*

* CALL TO WORSHIP Hand Bells Older Elementary Children
Director, Caroline Bennett

* OPENING HYMN *Here I Am, Lord* #593

* GREETING ONE ANOTHER WITH THE PEACE OF CHRIST
Rev. Ken Smith

CALL TO PRAYER *The Gift of Love* #408

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*In the pew you will find prayer cards. If you would like our prayer team
to pray for you, please fill one out and place it in the offering plate.*

LORD'S PRAYER #895

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 the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

LITURGICAL DANCE Children Ages 4-8
Director, Allison Lipford

SPECIAL MUSIC *Jesus Loves Me* Younger Children
Director, Caroline Bennett

A MESSAGE FOR CHILDREN (OF ALL AGES)

*All children are welcome for the Children's moment! Parents, please accompany kids
4 and under to the nursery. Children K - 2nd grade are invited to go to
Children's Church or stay in the sanctuary as you wish.*

OFFERTORY *O Rest in the Lord* --Felix Mendelssohn
Abigayle Williams, Soprano

* DOXOLOGY #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!

SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE The Apostles' Creed #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.

ANTHEM *A Good Work* --Mark Miller

SCRIPTURE John 15: 9-17

This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON "Where We Live" Rev. Penny Ford

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATING SENIORS

Caroline Bennett
The University of Alabama
Bachelor of Science in Piano Performance

Nick Guerrero
The University of Alabama
Bachelor of Science in Piano Performance

Alex Serman
The University of Alabama
Bachelor of Science and Masters of Arts in Economics

PRAYER FOR GRADUATES

God of truth and knowledge, by your wisdom we are taught
the way and the truth. Bless these graduates as they now
finish their course of study. We thank you for those who
taught and worked beside them, and all who supported them
along the way. Walk with the graduates as they leave and
move forward in life. Take away any anxiety and confusion
of purpose. Strengthen their many talents and skills, instill
in them a confidence in the future you plan, where energies
may be gathered up and used for the good of all people. Amen.

* CLOSING HYMN *This is the Day of New Beginnings* #383

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

* Please stand as you are able.

AFTER WORSHIP TODAY

Join us for Pot Luck luncheon! Everyone is welcome!
We will meet in the Fellowship Hall, down the stairs.

NEXT SUNDAY

On Sunday, May 6, we will have a guest preacher from the United Methodist
Children's Home. Blake Horne, Ph.D. is the President/CEO of the United
Methodist Children's Home of Alabama and Northwest Florida. He will share
what God is doing in the lives of children, youth and young adults through the
United Methodist Children's Home.

That afternoon at 2:30, Dr. Horne will meet with Trinity's Administrative
Council and all interested members as we discuss entering into a partnership
with them regarding former foster youth who are now students at The University
of Alabama. Currently, they have eight male students who live together with staff
in Cottondale. These students pursue their college education with the support of
nurturing staff. However, they are far from campus so transportation is challeng-
ing and students cannot fully participate in campus life.

Trinity is in a prime location. Our large building has many classrooms that go
unused. We are accustomed to college students living in our building as interns.
We have a long history of ministry to and with students. God has certainly
blessed us with the college students who have been part of our congregation
throughout the years.

On Sunday afternoon we will discuss the possibility of converting some of our
unused classroom space into rooms for college students and staff through this
United Methodist Children's Home program for former foster youth. The
United Methodist Children's Home brings financial resources for building
renovations and an established life-changing ministry for young adults. We
bring to the table a wonderful facility and location and the gift of a loving church
family.

At the Administrative Council meeting on May 6 at 2:30, we
will decide whether or not to pursue this partnership.
You are invited to come and learn about this opportunity
and participate in the discussion and decision-making.
I hope you will join us!

