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NOVEMBER

- 2 Isaiah 55:6-9—Holy and Righteous
- 9 John 3:16—God is Love
- 16 Matthew 6:5-9—Father God
- 23 This is our annual Prayer Sunday.

Next, we begin the season of Advent.

Let's lean into worship each week. As we gather around the Bible, may God bless us with a special connection with each other and with the Trinity. I pray each worship service builds us up and challenges us to be the best we can as the followers of Jesus.

~ Mike

Passport Kids Camp!









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The Trinity Tribute

Your Story, Our Story, God's Story Coming Together at Trinity



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Rev. Glenn Bower: Associate Pastor



Rev. Billy OrtonInterim Minister of Music and Worship



Rev. Teresa Bowers

Minister to Families



Rev. Lane CraigMinister to Students

Fall Worship Plans

August 2025

As we enter into the fall semester at Trinity, I want to encourage you to look ahead with me to the worship schedule. Below you will find a sketch of the sermon plans for the fall up to Advent. Our worship services are designed to be meaningful, so we not only learn more about God and ourselves, but we grow in our faith. We have a great opportunity to grow in our faith weekly by faithful attendance at worship.

Here are the themes for this fall. I hope you will think about reading the upcoming scripture passages each week in preparation for Sunday's worship service.

AUGUST

3 This service will <u>conclude our "Dinner with Jesus" series.</u> We are invited to Jesus' table for the Lord's Supper. I plan to teach and preach about the meaning of the Lord's Supper.

Next is a new series called, "The Do Not Commands of the Bible."

- 10 Isaiah 41:10-13—Do Not Be Afraid
- 17 Proverbs 4:1-5—Do Not Forget My Words
- 24 Ecclesiastes 7:10—Do Not Hold On to the Old Days
- 31 Luke 12:4-7—Do Not Worry About Your Value

SEPTEMEBER

7 Ephesians 4:25-27—Do Not Be Angry

Next, we have four weeks on issues that challenge our faith in God.

- 14 John 9:1-7—Theodicy: The Problem of Pain and Evil
- 21 Isaiah 6:1-4—Secularism
- 28 II Timothy 2:22-26—Arguments From Atheism

OCTOBER

- 5 Hebrews 10:19-25—Apathy
- 12 II Kings 5:1-3, 7-15—Elisha and Naaman

Next, we have five weeks on the Doctrine of God the Father.

- 19 Exodus 3:11-14—Names for God
- 26 Psalm 139:1-6—The Personal God

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Music and Worship Ministries

New beginnings are just around the corner!

Trinity music groups are looking forward to a new season of ministry opportunities beginning next month. Preparations are underway for truly wonderful music and worship experiences ahead for all ages. There is a place for <u>YOU</u> as we invest our God-given time, talents, and energies alongside others within a warm and caring fellowship.

Please note these upcoming dates:

Children's Choirs resume on Wednesday, August 13, at 5:30 pm

Adult Vocal Ensembles resume rotation on Wednesdays at 6:10 pm, beginning with the Men's Ensemble on August 6

Praise Team rehearses on selected Sundays and Wednesdays. (Contact Jennie Prinkey)

Trinity Carillon (handbell choir) resumes regular rehearsals on Wednesday, August 27, 5:00 pm

Music for Sacred Spaces

This unique collaboration between the singers and instrumentalists of our church and neighboring Asbury Church will not only be historic and memorable, but it will also help our churches touch the region with inspiring music and worship presentations. Please note the dates and times.....and plan now to invite your neighbors, friends, and associates to attend alongside you:

Sunday, September 7, 4:00 pm—Presentation at Trinity Sunday, September 14, 4:00 pm—Presentation at Asbury

Thinking about "Sacred Spaces"—

I remember reading a lot more poetry in my teens and twenties than I did in the next three decades of my life. I tried returning to it more as I hit my sixties, especially as I entered the retirement phase of life three years ago. As I now move into my seventies chapter, I have found myself returning again and again to an incredible quote from poet Elizabeth Barrett Browning, in her "Aurora Leigh." Perhaps you are familiar with it:

Earth's crammed with heaven.

And every common bush afire with God;

But only he who sees, takes off his shoes,

The rest sit round it and pluck blackberries.

As we prepare "music for sacred spaces" during these summer months, I am praying that each of us have eyes to see physical locations that can become a sacred space for us.....and.....that we discover how God can re-shape our hearts and minds into a more complete and sacred Christ-centeredness.

Billy Orton

Interim Minister of Music and Worship

Congratulation to Gayle Lavish for 20 Years of Service

The Personnel Committee would like to recognize Gayle Lavish for 20 wonderful years of service to our Lord at Trinity Baptist Church. Gayle has provided us with beautiful worship music on the organ each Sunday. She puts in several hours of both personal practice time and practice time accompanying the choir each week. She has also lovingly directed our children's music programs for many years. She has been a true blessing and continues to be a true blessing to our church. Thank you, Gayle, for your loyal and steadfast service for so many years and we look forward to many more.







Promotion Sunday ~ August 3, 2025 9:30am Kids move up in Sunday School 10:30am First Graders receive an Adventure Bible in worship

Four year olds join us in worship!

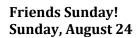
First graders are also invited to give "big church" a try for the whole service (if they haven't already) and our new 4 year olds are invited to the first part of worship, and then to children's church. We are excited to celebrate all these "promotions" and the beginning of a new school year together with our kids and church family!



Back to School Game Night!

Wednesday, August 6, 6-7pm

We will start off our new church year with a food truck and some outdoor (inside if it rains) games! Preschoolers will have a separate game area and families are invited to play together. Enjoy a little more summer playtime before the school year sets in!





Invite a friend to Sunday School and Worship! We will have a special snack and a little gift for your guests:)

Kids Missions Groups begin! Wednesday, August 13, 6-7pm

In our kids' missions groups from August through May, we learn about missions and how to do missions ourselves! We learn about what different missionaries do and how to give money to help them with their ministries. We also have special service projects throughout the year to help others and to learn that God calls all of us to serve, even kids!

Here are our classes and age groups:

- Mission Friends: 4-year-olds 1st grade (preschool hall)
- Mission Kids: 2nd-5th grade (upstairs)



Children's Choirs begin! Wednesday, August 13 from 5:30-6:00pm

- Cherub Choir (4yrs-5th grade)
- Hallelujah Choir (2-5th grade)

Trinity Kids EventsScan the QR Code for the Fall Calendar



~ Teresa



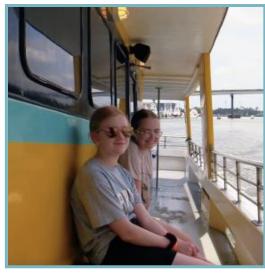
August 2025

What an amazing Summer! From our time at the beach, to Dollywood, to cheering on the Trash Pandas, and serving all around the state of Alabama – our Students had a full schedule. But, I promise, if you ask any of them who were able to attend any of these events, trips, or programs, "How did you see God move in your life this summer?" You will receive incredible and diverse responses.

Our church is incredible, and this Summer was one for the record books. So, thank you, Trinity Family for making all of this possible. Your prayers, encouragement, and continual pouring into the lives of our teenagers make a world of difference. You are planting seeds and exhibiting the love of God to our Students each and every day.

As we turn our attention now to the start of the Fall Semester – our Students return to their schools. For some of them, they are beginning a new milestone in their lives – starting Sixth Grade. For others, they are closing the chapter of their High School journey. So, please join in with me in surrounding our Students with continual support and love. My challenge to you, church family, is to get to know our Students at the church better. Lead a small group, come on a trip, help out with a weekend retreat. I promise, you'll be immeasurably blessed in ways that you cannot even begin to imagine. \sim Lane













MINISTRY:

Weekend Backpack Snacks

- We will continue our ministry providing food for children from Columbia Elementary School.
- The first pack-night will be in August for delivery in September.
- In your Sunday School class, please discuss requesting a date to participate in this ministry.
- Detailed sign-up information will be distributed in the Sunday School folders.

Weekend Backpack Snacks Donations

- We are collecting individual serving sized fruit cups and macaroni and cheese.
- Please place your donations in the airlock outside the church office or in the Gathering Area.

MISSIONS:

Perry County Ramp Building Mission Trip October 23-25

- Interest/Information Meeting on Sept. 21
- Sign-up in Sunday School or Gathering Area
- Help will be needed installing the ramps and preparing the meals.

OTHER:

Building Maintenance Workday Saturday, August 2 from 9am-noon

- Projects include things like changing out light bulbs, repairing exit lights, replacing air filters, cleaning light covers, and other projects.
- Doughnuts and biscuits will be provided!
- Please sign-up in the Gathering Area.

TRAINING:

Church Council Meeting and Training Sunday, August 10, 4-6:00pm

- 2024-25 and 2025-26 Committee Chairpersons are invited
- This will be both a Church Council meeting and a training event! The new Committee Chairpersons will learn about the Church Council, budgets, goals, and handing off from one committee chair to the next.

Teacher Training Day Lunch Sunday, August 17, 11:30am

 All Trinity Teachers and their families are invited to come to lunch after worship in the Fellowship Hall. We will prepare for the upcoming Sunday School year. Childcare is provided for infants – 5th grade.

Committee Kick-off!

Sunday, Aug. 24, 4:30-6:00pm!

- All church committees are invited to meet that evening and plan out the 2025-26 church year.
- The 2025-26 Church Committees will begin on September 1.
- Please check with your committee chairperson to see if your committee is meeting that evening.

EDUCATION:

Promotion Sunday, August 3

 All preschool, children and youth will be promoted into their 2025-26 Sunday School classes.

~ Glenn

Weekday Preschool News

The excitement is building for another year of Preschool! The preschool teachers will soon be decorating rooms, planning fun activities, and anxiously awaiting the children to return. I have seen some of our preschool parents and talked to a few on the phone; they are excited for preschool to start. Laura, Carol, and I are pleased to welcome back most of our teachers and happy to add a few new ones!

On Wednesday August 13th we will have an Open House for the parents and children and then on Thursday, August 14th the children will be back with us. We are very happy that some familiar faces will return and that we will have many new faces to share the gift of Christ's love. We do have some spots available so please continue to spread the word about our preschool. We are always looking for substitutes, anyone who would like to come and spend a few hours with the children please contact the Preschool office 256-837-9891.

We thank God every day for a loving and supportive church family. Please continue to pray for our preschool program, the staff, and the preschool families as our school year begins. ~ Nancy

	~ August 2025 ~					
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 9:00 Building Workday 6-8:00 Rising 6 th Grade Pool Party
3 Promotion Sunday 9:30 In Person & Online Sunday School 10:30 In Person & Online Worship No Evening Activities	4	5	6 4:30 Food Truck 6:00 Kids Back to School Game Night, Youth Activities 7:00 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7	8 5:00 Salvation Army Canteen	9
10 9:30 In Person & Online Sunday School 10:30 In Person & Online Worship 4:00 Church Council Workshop	11	12	4:45 Fellowship Supper	14 6:00 Men's Night Out at Jim and Nick's BBQ in Clift Farms	15	16
17 9:30 In Person & Online Sunday	18 6:00 Ladies Night Out at	19		21 12:00 Lunch Bunch	22	23
School	Cheesecake Factory in Bridgestreet		5:30 Children's Choirs 6:00 Kid's Missions Groups,			
			Youth Bible Study		Student Ministry Fall Retreat	
4:00 Deacon Meeting			6:00 Prayer Meeting 6:30 Sacred Spaces Combined Rehearsal at Trinity			
24 Student Ministry Fall Retreat 9:30 In Person & Online Sunday School 10:30 In Person & Online Worship 11:30 Deacon Lock-up Training 4:00 Committee Kick-off 31 9:30 In Person & Online Sunday School 10:30 In Person & Online Worship No Evening Activities	25	26	27 4:45 Fellowship Supper 5:00 Handbells 5:30 Children's Choirs 6:00 Kid's Missions Groups, Youth Bible Study 6:00 Prayer Meeting 7:00 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	28	29	30

Happy Birthday!

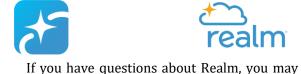
- 1: Brigid White
- 2: Hal Espy, Wyatt Shankle
- 3: Jessica LouAllen, Paige Miller
- 4: Lindsey Tucker
- 5: James Hollingshead
- 6: Kade Koler

- 8: Owen Phillips
- 9: Julie Reyburn
- 10: Charlotte Odom
- 11: Chris Crumbly, Ruth Reynolds
- 13: Lane Taylor
- 14: Amy Balch, Luke Collier Reneé Ryan

- 15: Jacob Colson
- 18: Dixie Paschal, Peggy Traweek,
- 21: Jack Dunaway
- 22: Preston Crumbly, Blake Mitchell, Teresa Stone
- 23: Kim Bennett, Lillian Ellis, Tammy Owens,
- 24: Ben Hall, Lucy Lynch
- 25: Richard Segraves
- 26: Linda Lyons
- 27: Josh Cooley, Ariel Hudson, Tasha Maynard
- 30: Patricia Sams
- 31: Elaine Bailey, George Farkas



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Online & In Person Bible Study 9:30 a.m. Online & In Person Worship 10:30 a.m. Wednesday 4:45 p.m.

Fellowship Supper 5:00 p.m. Trinity Carillon (handbell choir) Youth Bible Study 6:00 p.m. **Kids Mission Groups** 6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting in Sanctuary 6:00 p.m. **Vocal Ensembles** 6:15 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.

June 2025 Financial Report

Monthly Information

Target Income \$76,991.08 **Actual Income** \$72,304.42 (\$70,079.13) **Actual Expenses** Monthly Gain/ (Loss) \$2,225.29

Year-To-Date for 2025

Target Income \$461,946.50 \$470,100.82 **Actual Income** (\$445,127.72) **Actual Expenses** YTD Gain/(Loss) \$24,973.10

Account Balances

General Fund \$260,052.40



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