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The Trinity United Methodist Church **Monthly Newsletter** is available both online at www.trinityprattville.com and by mail by submitting a request to the church secretary at secretary@trinityprattville.com. Submission of articles for the monthly newsletter should be sent to communications@trinityprattville.com by the 20th of each month.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

9:40 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Service
9:40 a.m.	Children's Sunday School
9:40 & 11:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
11:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Service
	Children's Worship
	Youth Sunday School
1:00 p.m.	Korean Church
5:00 p.m.	Youth Dinner/Study

Tuesday

7:00 a.m.	Man Cave
10:00 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study (2nd Tuesday of Month)

Wednesday

12:00 p.m.	Master Gardeners (3rd Wednesday of Month)
6:00 p.m.	Youth Worship
5:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Suppers
6:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Studies
6:30 p.m.	Contemporary Band Rehearsal
6:30 p.m.	Adult Choir

HE IS NOT HERE;
HE HAS
RISEN,
JUST AS HE SAID.

Matthew 28:6



Rev Ed Said...

Anticipation is Making Me _____?

"We can never know about the days to come. But we think about them anyway. And I wonder if I'm really with you now or just chasing after some finer day. Anticipation. Anticipation is making me late...is keeping me waiting." Carly Simon started singing that to us in the year 1971. Then we remember watching the thick ketchup slowly coming out of the Heinz Ketchup bottle in the commercial.

As a child, I was the most vocal notorious bothersome one to repeat in the vehicle on the family trip: "Are we there yet?" I appreciate everyone's patience during the very long wait for the General Conference 2024.

I anticipate a defining momentous meeting. A decision must be made concerning the denomination's future official regulatory matters concerning homosexuality. Also, there needs to be options for those congregations as it relates to the choice to remain in the denomination or depart. Violators of the Book of Discipline need to face serious punitive consequences and even expulsion no matter what position they hold.

"I call on you, O God, for you will answer me; give ear to me and hear my prayer." (Psalm 17:6) In this period of anticipation, as we approach General Conference, please fervently pray. My prayer is that "common sense" and "grace" shall prevail. No repeat of General Conference 2019, please.

Visit these websites for more information about General Conference: www.awfumc.org and www.umc.org

Find a live streaming link on www.umc.org General Conference (April 24th-May 3rd).

The Book of Discipline has not changed. The pastor and lay leadership of any church still possess authority to regulate activities over their property. The Alabama-West Florida Conference has approved the departure of any congregation through paragraph 2549 should the authority of the pastor or trustees be removed.

I pick Jesus.....Rev Ed

"Blessing of Motorcycles"

Saturday April 27th, 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church.

The Prattville chapter of the Christian Motorcycle Association invites all motorcyclists to this gathering to pray for safety and happiness along life's roadways. Church members are welcome to greet and fellowship with those in attendance. If you want to bring a musical instrument, we will jam in the parking lot.



YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

April Wednesday Night Worship Series



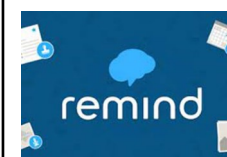
And It Was Good is a series designed to help students open their eyes to see the need for justice in their lives, their communities, and the world. The hope? To show them how God is already doing the good work for justice in those places and to encourage them to join in that good work by moving toward justice wherever and however they can.

Trinity's Seniors

Our High School Senior Sunday service will be held **Sunday, May 19th**. If you have a senior you would like recognized please email no more than 8 pictures of your senior to Theresa at theresa@trinityprattville.com by **April 28th**. This will give us plenty of time to have the baskets out for the students during the month of May.



There will be a small reception luncheon held after the service on the 19th for seniors and their immediate families. Please include your RSVP number in the email with the pictures. We look forward to celebrating with you!



Attention Parents:

Text @kkff48 to 81010 to join our remind for youth program

Youth Yard Sale

April 19th: 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
April 20th: 6 am - 11 am



Help support our students in their last fundraiser before summer mission trips! We will begin accepting donations in the youth room Sunday, April 14th. Please save larger items until Sunday, April 17th and later through that week. If you need help getting donations up to the church call Theresa at 334-558-3540 and we can help coordinate a pickup!

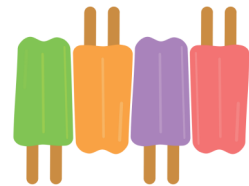
Youth Snack Donations



We are so blessed to have our youth at Trinity, and you know how teenagers love to eat! We are gladly accepting donations of MINI canned soft drinks and individual bags of chips so we can offer them to the youth on Wednesday nights! We appreciate these donations so much! They can be dropped off in the youth office in the back of Theresa's office!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

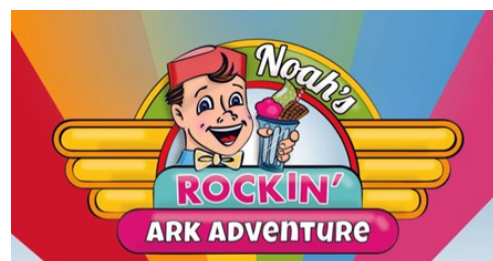
Popsicles in the Park



**April 13th, 10 am - 12 pm
Pratt Park**

Come join Trinity's family as we share the love of Jesus at Pratt Park! We will be downtown passing out free popsicles and "Jesus loves you" bracelets to anyone! Wear your Trinity T-shirt to let people know where we are from! Bring the kids to play together when they aren't passing out bracelets!

Children's Musical



Sunday, April 28th, 4:00 pm

Mark your calendar for our children's musical! The children have been practicing so hard this semester on Wednesday nights to bring you this adorable 50's themed musical all about Noah's Ark! This is one you do NOT want to miss!!

Sixth Grade Social



Sunday, April 14th, 1:00 pm

All 6th graders are invited to attend our third 6th grade social of 2024. Sunday April 14th we will go to Bama Lanes and eat lunch and bowl! We will meet at Bama Lanes at 1pm and should be done by 3pm. Children don't need money for food or bowling but can bring money for the arcade if they want.

Adult VBS Paint Night



Thursday April 23rd, 6:00 pm

Help us as we prepare some VBS décor and ideas! You don't have to be creative to get involved with this. We will have some projects ready to be done by just about anyone! Because of the nature of loose paint and supplies we ask this to be adult only.

*Stay
Connected*

Remind Text Messages:
Text @6f6e4 to the number 81010

Facebook:
Trinity UMC Children's Ministry



- April 1 Kathy Johnson
- April 2 Katie White
- April 4 Jonathan Baker-McLaughlin
- April 7 Ashleigh Allen
- April 8 Artem Tuck
- April 11 Mary Jo Myers
- April 12 Dallis Johnson
- April 13 Everett Arkle
- April 15 Tristan Godfrey
- April 15 Katie Holden
- April 15 Gary Mathis
- April 16 Patty Noe
- April 16 Eric Wilkins
- April 17 Jackie Strickland
- April 21 David Smith
- April 23 Savanna Jones
- April 25 Bud Hancock IV
- April 27 Norma Pogue

April Events:

- April 13 - Popsicles in the Park
- April 13 - ARM Workday
- April 14 - 6th Grade Social
- April 19-20 - Youth Yard Sale
- April 23 - Adult VBS Paint Party
- April 27 - Motorcycle Blessing
- April 28 - Children's Musical

New Members!



Welcome to the Trinity family Phil and Penny Dupree!

CHURCH STATISTICS LAST MONTH

	3-Mar	10-Mar	17-Mar	24-Mar
General Fund Giving	\$16,425.00	\$8,109.06	\$2,701.00	\$5,050.00
<u>Attendance</u>				
- 9:40 Service	63	77	53	43
- 11:00 Service	84	79	81	97
- Sunday School	74	87	59	54

ACOLYTE MINISTRY

	Cross Bearer	Bible Bearer	Torch Bearer	Torch Bearer
April 7	Kyser Causey	Jonah Livingston	Ezra Cheney	Blaine Wesche
April 14	Christian Wilcox	Emma Ayers	Elodie Godfrey	Maizie Petty
April 21	Harrison Till	Ezra Cheney	Savannah Jones	Sydney Jones
April 28	Maizie Petty	Jonah Livingston	Bryant Johnson	Elodie Godfrey

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

With a heart filled with mixed emotions, I write this message to express my deep gratitude and affection as I prepare to embark on a new chapter in our journey. It is with a sense of both sadness and excitement that I bid farewell to the beloved community of Trinity, which has been our home for the past three years.

"For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven" (Eccl.3:1) A time to come and a time to leave... As I reflect upon my time here, I am beyond grateful for the opportunity to get to know all of you. I cannot help but be overwhelmed by the countless blessings and graces that God has bestowed upon Korean Church.

After the long Covid-19 pandemic, we started worshipping again here at the family life center from the first Sunday of April 2021. Last 3 years, we've been enjoying our gathering here. It is hard to say goodbye, but I do so knowing that our farewell means you get to say hello to new possibilities to grow as a community in Christ.

Your commitment to the Korean community was inspiring. Thank you for the time and effort you've invested in helping our church for the last 3 years. I wanted to let you know how much we appreciated your support during this tough time. Your prayers have been not only a source of immense strength and support, but also a reminder that we are all interconnected, united in our faith, through Jesus Christ. Your kind words and actions truly made a big difference for us.

Now we are moving to Robinson Springs Methodist Church in Millbrook. Let us continue to support and pray for one another, even as our paths diverge. I have no doubt that Trinity will continue to grow in faith, love, and service, guided by the Holy Spirit. As I move forward, please know that you will remain in my prayers, and I humbly ask for your prayers as well, that God may grant me the strength and wisdom to shepherd the Korean community entrusted to my care.

So, I say goodbye, a word that originally meant "God be with ye!" God will indeed be with us, with you and with our church, present every step of the way as we start this new step of our journeys. May we make space for the new growth God is planting in our lives and trust God's abiding presence every step of the way.

God bless; you all will be in my thoughts, love, and prayers,
Pastor Sung Hong from Korean Church of Prattville

Take A Moment in God's Word

APRIL 7 - Acts 4:32-35; Ps 133; 1 John 1:1-2:2; John 20:19-31
APRIL 14 - Acts 3:12-19; Ps 4; 1 John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36b-48
APRIL 21 - Acts 4:5-12; Ps 23; 1 John 3:16-24; John 10:11-18
APRIL 28 - Acts 8:26-40; Ps 22:25-3; 1 John 4:7-21; John 15:1-8



MISSIONS UPDATES

ARM Workday


Alabama Rural Ministries (ARM) is a home repair ministry in east Alabama whose goal is to provide warm, safe, dry housing for elderly and disabled people of Alabama. ARM is having a workday on **Saturday, April 13**. This would be a day trip of home repairs in the Auburn or Tuskegee area. No construction skills are needed, as there are jobs of any skill level available. If you would like to participate, please contact Rich at (319) 389-0971 or Eve (334) 391-3507.



Please take a minute to fill out our Missions Interest Survey!

Let us know what current mission projects you would like to participate in and suggest other mission projects dear to your heart for us to try to get involved in too!

Scan this QR Code to Take the Survey:

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

APRIL ITEMS

Ages 10-14

- Sewing Kits
- Fishing Kits
- Craft Kits
- Coloring Books

Please drop off items in the designated bin behind the FLC!

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 www.samaritanspurse.org
 Facebook: TUMC OCC

ADULT MINISTRY

Fellowship Sunday School Announcement:

The Fellowship SS Class is beginning a series study on the Psalms by Dr. Sandra Richter.

The key messages of this study include: what the Book of Psalms is (the hymnbook of ancient Israel), how it was utilized in Israelite worship (the various "forms" of the Psalms), and why the Book of Psalms remains critical to our devotional lives today. Sandra also dives into the concrete realities of Israelite worship (the tabernacle, temple, priesthood, and sacrifice) as well as Israel's theology of worship wrapped up in their theocratic world view.

Experience the Psalms with fresh connections to contemporary worship and devotional on practices. Indulge in the biblical study of the Psalms from a scholar and former pastor. Letting Sandra do the "heavy lifting" of research and translation allows you to experience the Bible in a deeply sensitive way, answering the evergreen question, "so what does this have to do with me today?" Come join us each Sunday.

Adult Sunday School Classes

9:30 AM
 SEEKERS: MEETS IN THE SEEKERS CLASSROOM

9:40 AM
 FELLOWSHIP: MEETS IN THE LIBRARY
 HORIZONS: MEETS IN THE ROOM ACROSS FROM THE KITCHEN

11:00 AM
 LEGACY: MEETS IN THE SEEKERS CLASSROOM
 RENEWAL: MEETS IN THE ROOM ACROSS FROM THE KITCHEN

Man Cave Men's Group:
 Meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7:00 am

"Rejoice & Re-Join!"
Ladies Monthly Bible Study:
 Now meets monthly on the third Sunday of the month at 4:00 pm. Ladies, starting April 21st, we will meet once a month for "Rejoice and Re-Join!" Come re-join us and rejoice with us!



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