



# Trinity United Methodist Church

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### 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
- 4:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study (3rd Sunday of Month)
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Dinner/Study

#### Tuesday

- 7:00 a.m. Man Cave

#### Wednesday

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





**Rev Ed Said...**

**“Mothers Make World Changers!**

I often sift through pages of hymnals and Gospel songbooks to discover a new song. I will find one and get so excited and say, “I found a new song!” Then the person hearing the title says, “That’s not new! It has been around forever!” My reply is “Well, it is new to me!”

This May 12th is Mothers’ Day. We will recognize Fathers’ Day on June 16th. We are so thankful for Christian parents who remember the Gospel story is new to the ears of their children. They need to be told about Jesus the Savior who saves us from sin. The Bible stories must be repeated for the next generations.

As I flipped through the song selections the other day, I found “Her Mansion is Higher than Mine.” New to me! A song written by Albert Brumley, Sr. Yes, the one who composed “I’ll Fly Away,” “Turn Your Radio On,” and “I’ll Meet You in the Morning.”

“There are mansions high, there are mansions wide way up in Glory Land. There are mansions built of Jasper, of wondrous beauty grand. I’ve a mansion high prepared for me, ‘twas built by hands divine. But I know my mother’s mansion is higher than mine. (Chorus) I know my mother’s mansion is higher than mine. Her mansion is many stories high, the gift of heaven divine. There’s a room for every tear she shed in this world she left behind. I know my mother’s mansion is higher than mine.”

We Methodists have a marvelous example of Christian motherhood within our heritage: Susanna Wesley. Her children heard the greatest story of Jesus. Her two sons, John, and Charles would go on to be mighty world changers for Christ! John Wesley said, “The greatest theologian I ever met was my Mother.”

I am so thankful for Christian parents who realize they must sing the old familiar song of Jesus to their children. We’ve heard it but this is new to their young ears. With Jesus they can grow to be world changers with Christ.

**I pick Jesus.....Rev Ed**

**Thank you for praying for General Conference.**

The total delegates were 862 with half clergy and half laity: 56% from the United States, 32% Africa, 6% Philippines and 6% Europe. Four clergy and four laity (8) from our conference attended. At the writing of this newsletter segment the outcome is not known in time to publish. Some delegates may have not attended because of travel visa problems. The Trinity UMC church council will meet on May 19th to discuss our response to General Conference. Through prayer and the Holy Spirit’s guidance we will take the steps agreed upon as a church to move forward in service to Christ. The power of our perseverance continues to be our love of Jesus and love of one another in Trinity Church.

# YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

**Senior Sunday**



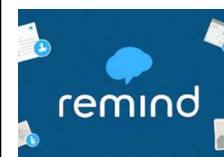
**Sunday May 19th**

Our High School Senior Sunday service will be held Sunday, May 19th. Baskets are in the hallway behind the FLC if you want to donate gifts for these students to prepare them for their next steps!

**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!



**Attention Parents:**

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

**May Wednesday Night  
Worship Series**



Everyday is a series created to help teens develop faith skills that will connect them with God and grow their faith. We want our high schoolers to see that growing their faith isn’t about checking off a to-do list or getting everything right. Instead, it’s about finding ways to connect with God and putting those things into practice in their everyday life. When they do, they’ll find themselves developing a faith that will guide and grow alongside them as they mature.

**May Sunday Night  
Small Group Schedule**

**5:00-6:30pm  
(dinners provided)**

**Meeting:** May 5  
**Not Meeting:** May 12 (Mother’s Day)  
May 19 May 26 (Memorial Day)

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

## Vacation Bible School



**June 10th-13th**

Save the date for a super fun VBS experience! We are SO EXCITED about our fun theme this year and can't wait to share this time together! We will be looking for lots of volunteers so start thinking about where you would like to serve now!!

## Churchwide Family Pizza Party



**Wednesday June 26, 6 pm**

Mark your calendars and join us as we combine several summer activities into one!! Bring your blankets, bicycles, or rolling outdoor toys and we will have pizza and outdoor games! Please RSVP by emailing the church office so we can have enough pizza!

## Adult VBS Paint Night



**Tuesday May 14, 6 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.

## Teacher Appreciation & Promotion Sunday



**Sunday June 2nd, 9:40 am**

Our children are growing so big and so strong! They will be moving up to their next grade in Sunday school at our promotion Sunday ceremony in the youth room during the 9:40 service. We will have a breakfast for the kids and will be saying goodbye to our 6th graders who will promote into the youth group!

*Stay Connected*

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

**Facebook:**  
Trinity UMC Children's Ministry



- May 1 David Ferguson
- May 3 Sheryl Ferguson
- May 4 Peggee' Larkin
- May 6 Jeremy Till
- May 9 Jackson Collier
- May 9 Heather King
- May 9 Richard Schirmer
- May 9 Chad Sibley
- May 12 Josh Thomas
- May 13 Becky Johnson
- May 13 Rhonda Sibley
- May 13 Mykaela Watt
- May 14 Kim Mathis
- May 16 Mark Reed
- May 16 Hanna Ross
- May 17 Rhett Ferguson
- May 18 Tucker Ayers
- May 19 Angie Dirkse
- May 22 Ksyer Causey
- May 23 Ann Howard
- May 23 Callie Noe
- May 23 Daria Tuck
- May 24 Pat Shipp
- May 24 Sammy Stokely
- May 27 Richard Ferguson
- May 28 Eve Schirmer
- May 28 Shane Tuck
- May 29 Becca Estes
- May 30 Amanda Causey
- May 31 Christian Watt



## CHURCH STATISTICS LAST MONTH

	31-Mar	7-Apr	14-Apr
General Fund Giving	\$11,125.00	\$12,217.72	\$5,576.00
<u>Attendance</u>			
- 9:40 Service	91	46	55
- 11:00 Service	117	80	66
- Sunday School	28	49	55

## ACOLYTE MINISTRY

	Cross Bearer	Bible Bearer	Torch Bearer	Torch Bearer
May 5	Blaine Wesche	Elodie Godfrey	Harrison Till	Kyser Causey
May 12	Christian Wilcox	Sydney Jones	Savannah Jones	Bryant Johnson
May 19	Harrison Till	Jonah Livingston	Emma Ayers	Ezra Cheney
May 26	Kyser Causey	Maizie Petty	Bryant Johnson	Blaine Wesche

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### May Events:

- May 1 - Last Wednesday Night for Spring 2024
- May 7 - Field of Dreams Volunteer Opportunity
- May 12 - Happy Mother's Day!
- May 14 - VBS Paint Night
- May 16 - SAM Fish Fry
- May 19 - Senior Sunday
- May 19 - Church Council Meeting

### Welcome New Member!



Welcome to the Trinity family, Matthew Bell! Matthew joined our membership on April 7th.

### Church Council Meeting

There is a church council meeting on May 19th at 4 PM in the Seekers Classroom.





### Take A Moment in God's Word

**MAY 5** - Acts 10:44-48; Ps 98; 1 John 5:1-5; John 15:9-17  
**MAY 12** - Acts 1:15-17, 21-26; Ps 1; 1 John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19  
**MAY 19** - Acts 2:1-21; Ps 104:24-34, 35b; Rom 8:22-27; John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15  
**MAY 26** - Acts 6:1-8; Ps 29; Rom 8:12-17; John 3:1-17

## MISSIONS UPDATES

### Field of Dreams

Trinity will be helping with the YMCA Field of Dreams baseball games on Tuesday, May 7. There are two games, which begin at 5:45 and 6:45. Please join us in helping this wonderful organization that provides opportunities for physically and mentally challenged adults and children to participate in sports. All ages and abilities are welcome to volunteer. You may choose to help the athletes on the field, or you may sit in the stands and cheer for them! It will be a fun evening! Let Rich (319) 389-0971 or Eve (334) 391-3507 know that you are coming so we can make sure we have enough helpers!

### 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  
**MAY ITEMS**

**Toys: Ages 10-14**

- Foam Balls
- Yo-Yos
- Small Frisbees
- Hacky Sacks
- Toy Cars
- Soccer Balls

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

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## ADULT MINISTRY

### Wednesday Night Studies Over:

The Spring 2024 Season of Wednesday night studies is over on May 1st! This semester has been a blast. We are so thankful for everyone who volunteered to cook a meal, serve a meal, set up or break down tables, teach a class, or help out in other ways!

If you weren't able to make it this semester, don't worry! We will start back up in the fall.

### 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:

Meets monthly on the third Sunday of the month at 4:00 pm.

## SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

### Fish Fry



May 16th at 5 PM | Wilma Osborn's House

The SAM group will be having a fish fry for their May event. Check the bulletin board outside the library, or email secretary@trinityprattville.com for more details, or to sign up!