

Special Events

⇒ **BAKE SALE AT ELECTIONS Tuesday, March 1, 2016**

Please bring your baked items to Trinity on Monday, February 29th. Many of the “customers” come early just so they can purchase the delicious baked goods they have come to expect on election days at Trinity. Remember that an item is a cake, a batch of cookies, a pie, a loaf of bread, a batch of muffins or cupcakes, etc. Please identify what each baked item is, such as “Banana Nut Bread,” etc. Do NOT put a price on your bake sale items; we will price all items at the sale table. (However, if you want to leave a note on a special item, such as “made from scratch,” feel free to do so.) Smaller items such as cookies and brownies should be packed in packages of 6 (regular size) or 4 (large ones). Cupcakes and muffins should be packed 2 to a package. We also need volunteers to help man the sales booth. This will be located in the hallway outside the voting area at Trinity Church. We will be open from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Proceeds from the fundraiser will go toward support of the Music Ministries of Trinity UMC. Thanks for your help! If you have any questions, please call Chris Glover, 358-7201.

⇒ **Voting at Trinity, March 1st.**

2016 Presidential Preference Primary & Shelby County Primary Elections

⇒ **Cantata Rehearsal**

Wednesday, March 2nd, 6:30-7:15 p.m. (Sanctuary Building)

⇒ **Lenten Cantata**

March 20th at 2:30 p.m.

⇒ **Maundy Thursday Service-Holy Communion**

March 24th at 7:00 p.m.

⇒ **Good Friday**

March 25th at 12:00 noon.

⇒ **Easter Celebration at Trinity**

10:55 a.m.

To order lilies or begonia call Katie in the church office.
(see facing page)

**Please submit all announcements and prayer requests
by Thursday of each week to:**

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This Week At TUMC

Sunday, February 28th Third Sunday of Lent

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
10:55 a.m. Morning Worship
12:30 p.m. Worship Committee meeting
3:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

Monday, February 29th

8:30 a.m. Faith Walking in Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts—Troop 13

Tuesday, March 1st Election Day

7 a.m.-7 p.m. Voting in Fellowship Hall
Election Day Bake Sale all day
8:00 a.m. Prayer & Holy Communion in Chapel
10:30 a.m. UMW in Conference Room
12:00 p.m. Visitation Team Meeting in Conference Room
4:30 p.m. Room In The Inn

Wednesday, March 2nd

8:30 a.m. Faith Walking in Fellowship Hall
12:00 noon Bible Study in Conference Room
1:30 p.m. Storytellers in Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice
7:00 p.m. NA meeting

Thursday, March 3rd

7:00 p.m. Young Professionals Book Study
(sanctuary building second floor)
7:00 p.m. NA meeting

Friday, March 4th

8:30 a.m. Faith Walking in Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. NA meeting

Saturday, March 5th

6:30 p.m. NA meeting

Sunday, March 6th Fourth Sunday of Lent

9:15 a.m. Fellowship Breakfast in Fellowship Hall
(call the church office to make your reservation)
10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
10:55 a.m. Morning Worship
3:00 p.m. Cubs Scouts

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† **Worship On The Lord's Day** †

February 28th , 2016 ❖ 10:55 A.M.

Leading in Worship

Jonathan Bratt Carle, Pastor
Lisa Machen, Director of Music
Alicia Butler, Choral Director
Irene Dycus, Liturgist



Sharing God's love with every neighbor:

The people of Trinity United Methodist Church believe that all individuals are of equal and sacred worth, created in the image of God. Our congregation welcomes all people and seeks to build community with individuals who are diverse in theological viewpoint, age, physical and mental ability, economic status, immigration status, race, ethnicity, gender identity, and sexual orientation.

Welcome to worship at Trinity UMC!

Restrooms are located on the ground floor along the hallway at the back of the church, in the hallway behind the sanctuary, and on the west (right) side of the building on the third floor. **Elevator** access is available to all three floors. It is a joyful thing to come together as a **community**; if you are visiting, we're excited that you are here with us. Please take note of the **Ministry of Friendship** pad and feel warmly invited to share your name with those around you; place attendance sheets in the offering plate. The **chimes** signal the beginning of worship. Once again, **welcome!**

(* indicates that the congregation should rise or remain standing as able.)

❖ Entering Into Worship ❖

Gathering

Chiming the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Bringing In the Light The Galilean Sea James Southbridge

*Call to Worship

Liturgist: This is the Lord's Day.

People: We have come to worship God.

Liturgist: All who thirst may drink from the waters!

People: The grace of Jesus Christ is the well of everlasting life.

*Hymn of Adoration The King of Love My Shepherd Is UMH 138: 1-2, 5-6

*The Call to Confession

Liturgist: When we turn away from God, and our love fails, God's love remains steadfast. Prompted by the Spirit of Christ to reconcile with the Creator, let us confess our sin and brokenness to God and one another.

*Prayer of Confession (in unison)

O Lord, Spirit of Life,
we hurry through the time you have given us;
we look to secure our lives by our own power and ingenuity;
we disregard the truth that you alone give us breath:
Forgive us, O God.
O Lord, Child of Righteousness, Holy Jesus,
we forget your example in the broken busyness of our lives;
we forego the Sabbath we need to obey your commandments:
Forgive us, O God.
O Lord, Sovereign of all Creation,
we make idols for ourselves out of worldly things,
we loose trust in your promises;
we conclude that you do not exist,
because you call us to faith instead of giving us the answers we crave:
Forgive us, O God.
Free us from our sin; heal our brokenness,
for we would love you more perfectly, day by day. Amen.

*The Absolution of Sin

Liturgist: Hear these words of comfort from the Scriptures:

"...while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation."

(Romans 5:6-11)

Dear friends, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

*The Passing of the Peace

Liturgist: The peace of Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Liturgist: Let us exchange words and signs of God's reconciliation and love.

*Act of Praise and Thanksgiving UMH 292, v. 2

*Return to your seat during this time.
All the children are invited to come forward.*

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, that caused the Lord of Life
To lay aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,
To lay aside His crown for my soul?

A Time For Children

Choral Anthem As a Deer for Water Longs G.F. Handel
arr. Hal Hopson

As a deer for water longs,
my soul longs for Thee, O God;
My soul thirst for the living God.
When shall I behold the face of God?
Tears are my food both day and night.
Send Thy light and truth.
Sing, my soul, O sing,
for help comes from the Lord.

❖ Proclaiming God's Holy Word ❖

Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

Almighty God, in you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Open our eyes that we may see the wonders of your Word. Give us grace that we may clearly understand and freely choose the way of your wisdom; through Christ our Lord. Amen

A reading from the Old Testament Isaiah 55:1-9 (OT p. 685)

Liturgist: Here ends the reading.

Responsive Reading

Psalms 63:1-8

O God, you are my God, I seek you, my soul thirsts for you;
my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

**So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,
beholding your power and glory.**

Because your steadfast love is better than life,
my lips will praise you.

So I will bless you as long as I live;

I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips

**when I think of you on my bed,
and meditate on you in the watches of the night;**

for you have been my help,
and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy.

**My soul clings to you;
your right hand upholds me.**

*A reading from the Gospels Luke 13:1-9 (NT p. 79)

Liturgist: The Word of the LORD.

All: Thanks be to God.

*Hymn of Response Take My Life and Let it Be (Bulletin Insert)

Homily "Bearing Fruit"

❖ Responding to the Word ❖

Seeing the Signs of the Spirit's Presence

Invitation to Discipleship

*The Affirmation of Faith UMH 883

Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

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, and the power, and the glory forever.
Amen.

Presenting Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Offertory What Does the Lord Require UMH 441
Sung by the Choir

*Doxology and Presentation of Gifts UMH 95
Offertory Prayer

❖ Going Forth ❖

*Closing Hymn If Thou But Suffer God To Guide Thee UMH 142

*Benediction Sending Forth the Light God Is Our Refuge and Strength Paul Davis