

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 11, 2026

Gathering
Welcome
Announcements and Prayer

Prelude Carolyn Creasman
(Prayerfully prepare your hearts and minds for worship.)

*Call to Worship
Is there a spot in the pew that’s empty?
Whom then shall we invite?
Is there a spot on the bench that’s empty?
Whom then shall we invite?
Is there a space in our hearts that’s empty?
Let’s invite God into our hearts and sing songs of love and salvation.

*Opening Hymn “Gather Us In” TFWS 2236

*Opening Prayer
God of this New Day,
We praise you with joy! Take our weary lives and refresh us with your spirit. We often feel broken and filled with despair. Heal us this day, God, and make us new. Create a spirit within us that truly draws us toward you. Clear our minds, open our hearts and touch us with your presence and your power, for we offer this prayer in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*Psalter Psalm 106:1-12, 19-23, 47-48 829-830

*Affirmation of Faith “The Apostles’ Creed” 881

*Gloria Patri 70
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Passing of the Peace: *Let us greet one another with love and peace.*

Anthem Choir

“Let the Children Come!” Patsy Boggs
(Those 3 years of age through 8 years of age may go to Children’s Church.)

Scripture Lessons Exodus 32:1-14 Page 77 (O.T.)
Philippians 4:1-9 Page 189 (N.T.)

*Gospel Lesson Matthew 22:1-14 Page 28 (N.T.)

Sermon Dress Code Rev. Darlene L. Kelley

*Hymn of Invitation “Lord of the Dance” 261

Pastoral Prayer
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.

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings
Offertory Carolyn Creasman
*Doxology 95
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

*Closing Hymn “Leave It There” (vs. 1-3) 522

*Benediction
*Benediction Response “May the Lord, Mighty God, Bless and Keep You” Choir & Congregation

*Please Stand As You Are Able

Leading in Worship Today

Pastor: *Rev. Darlene L. Kelley* AV Director: *Marie Stiles*
Pianist: *Carolyn Creasman* AV Assistant: *Chris Derrick; Erin Derrick*
Liturgist: *Chantel Griffin* Time Together: *Celia Perez*

VISITORS ARE WELCOME in the service of worship! Please make use of the visitor’s tags (located in the pew backs) to help us better welcome you as a visitor to Trinity this morning.

Today’s Lovely Flowers are given to the **Glory of God.**

“AS MEMBERS OF THIS CONGREGATION, WE WILL FAITHFULLY PARTICIPATE IN ITS MINISTRIES BY OUR PRAYERS ...

Hilda Edwards	Jack Stevens	Ruth Frady	Rhett Hook	Mary Sue Lewis	Christopher McCroskey
John Ballentine	Jeff Portwood	Ray Frady	Latson Lewis	English Percy	Jeanette Hornsby
Hannah Glanz	Arvan Derrick	Fran Laska	Kaye Floyd	Libby Strickland	Raleigh Carter
Donna Easterling	Becude				

Shut-Ins: Nell Cooke; Gillett Hipp; Linda Maloch

Family and Friends: *Jane Lewis (mother of Mark Lewis); Landon Luesing (friend of Jo Ann Heiting); Lynda Areheart (friend of Jo Ann Heiting & Bonnie Ramsey); Danielle Bradley (daughter of Ramona Shiffert, a friend of Kelsey Jones); Vicary Whitaker (sister of Edwa Meek); Wayne Gunter (uncle of Tony Scott); Otis A. McCroskey (father of Christopher McCroskey); Connie Crouch (friend of Mary Sue Lewis); Kristie Carter (niece of Faye Grah); George Hough (brother of Mary Louise Robinson); Ghent Brewer (brother-in-law of Jeanette Hornsby); Matt Imel (husband of Holley Gleaton Imel); Cayla Watters (friend of Karen Carter); Tommy Stokes (nephew of Joyce Robinson); Christina Lindemuth (daughter of Karen Carter); Kathleen Varnadore (Ted & Ruth Frady's neighbor); Paul Frenzel (friend of Chris Derrick); Sissy Henry (former member of Trinity), Lynne Powell (friend of the Ballentines and Branhams); Bryan Collard (brother-in-law of Mary Sue Lewis); Mary Davis (daughter of Bob & Libby Strickland); Connie Mason (friend of Lynn Martin); Nancy Wilson (friend of Jeanette Hornsby); David & Kristen Turner (brother and sister-in-law of Pam Turner); Chip Mixon (friend of Tommy Gleaton); James Boggs (father of Claire Boggs); Robert Bradley (Business Associate of Simon Ross); Adrin & Linda Hargett (stepfather and stepmom of Christopher McCroskey); Haidee Baehr (friends of Ruth Frady); Denise Paul, Scott & Karen Nelson (cousins of Gale Frady); Dan Conner, Max Johnson (friends of Gale Frady); Janet Beck (friend of Jo Ann Heiting); Adam Lavender (son of Phil Lavender)*

If you have a friend or family member on the Prayer List, we ask you to please keep us updated. If no word is received, we will trust that our prayers have been answered and remove the name. To update us, please call the office or e-mail us at trinityumcwc@sc.rr.com.

OUR PRESENCE ...

Attendance 10/04 SS: 8 Worship: 52

OUR GIFTS ...

General Fund 10/04 \$ 2,336.30

OUR SERVICE...

OUR WITNESS."

Upcoming Events

TODAY Birthday Celebration

MSN Meal, 5:45 p.m.

10/12 Exercise, 10:30 a.m.

10/13 Grieving with God, 11 a.m.

FH Reserved, 4 p.m. – 7 p.m.

10/14 T.a.G., 7 p.m.

10/15 Exercise, 10:30 a.m.

10/16 Office Closed

10/17 Sanctuary Reserved, 4 p.m. – 8 p.m.

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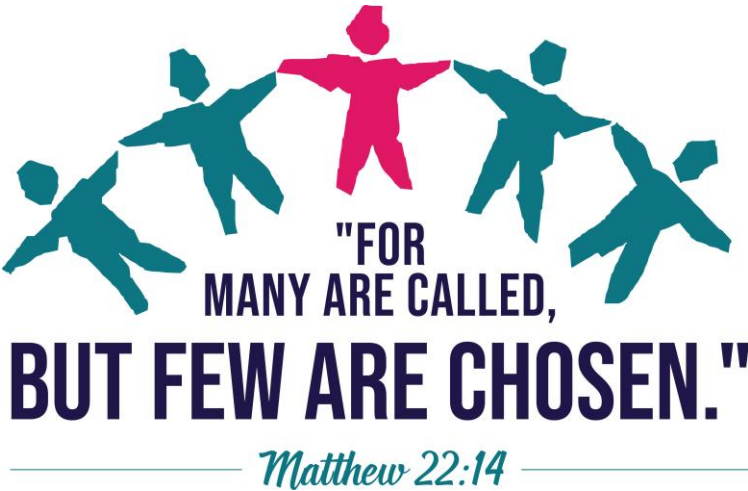


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Pastor
Resident Bishop
District Superintendent

The Congregation
Darlene L. Kelley
Leonard Fairley
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Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our vision is to Connect, Nurture, Inspire and Transform



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**Grieving with God
Tuesday, October 13**

All who are on the journey of grief are invited to join us on **Tuesday, October 13**, at **11 a.m.** in the Conference Room. Retired Hospice and Palliative Care Chaplain, Jerry Fonte, will facilitate the discussion.



This evening we will provide a meal for MSN. Please let Darlene know if you can help.

We will continue our Love Your Neighbor Ministry on **Thursday, October 22**, as we visit **The Pines** at 2 p.m. for their **Chili Tasting**.



**Next Sunday, October 18
3 p.m.**



**Saturday, October 31
5 p.m. – 7 p.m.**

Join us on Halloween from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on our Gunter Circle parking lot to celebrate our children, our church and our community with Trunk or Treat. We've got candy bags with stickers that say "Trinity UMC" on the side, ready to fix and fill. We'll need some willing bag stuffers at Taste of Trinity on Sunday, October 25th.

We'll decorate the side of our church bus and have a table out front to attract some attention. You can decorate your car, bring your lawn chair and your treats and join in the fun! You may want to bring a flashlight or lantern too.

Invite your friends and neighbors, and all your favorite ghouls and join us on Halloween! It will be booooooiful!



Killingsworth
*A home for women recovering
from various life distresses*

Killingsworth is a safe place that supports personal development: recovery habits, mental and physical health habits, employment and identity. The dedicated staff and volunteers foster an environment of encouragement and hope, helping women rediscover their strengths and potential.

There is a fund-raising Gala scheduled for **November 12, 2026, from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.** in THE MOORE BUILDING at the SC STATE FAIR GROUNDS, 1200 Rosewood Drive Columbia, S.C. 29201.

The church is purchasing a table for eight as part of its Outreach Ministry for the first eight people that sign up to attend. Cost per person is \$85.00, so if the list is full and you would like to attend, please see the pastor. There is a sign-up sheet on the round table in the Gathering Area or you may contact Marie Stiles by texting or calling her at 803.463.9706 or by sending her an email at mariebstyles@gmail.com to secure your commitment to attend.