

God's Love In Action

**GLIA: the essential element, or glue,
which connects the tissue found in the nerve centers of the body**

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The mission of Trinity United Methodist Church is to:
To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

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MAY 2025



ON SUNDAY, MAY 11, WE CELEBRATE OUR MOTHERS AND EPWORTH! Most of the children served by Epworth will not be celebrating Mother's Day with their birth mothers this year. Instead, they will be surrounded by loving staff or foster parents who walk with them daily to provide spiritual, educational, emotional, and physical support. The Mother's Day offering is our opportunity to partner with Epworth to improve the lives of the children and families they serve. For more information about Epworth, visit online at www.epworthsc.org.



**Grieving with God
Tuesday, May 13
11 a.m.**

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



Monday, May 19

The group will meet at WECO on **Monday, May 19, at 7 p.m.** If you have any questions, please see Slone Taylor or Patsy Boggs. If you are interested in attending and would like email or text message updates, please email Slone Taylor at Slonetaylor21@yahoo.com or text her your cell phone number to (803) 397-7294 and she will add you to her list.



Saturday, May 24

The Trinity Ladies Group will meet at Lizard's Thicket on Hwy 1 at **9:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 24**. They typically meet on the third Saturday of each month, but will be meeting on the 4th Saturday in May. Contact Marie Stiles at (803) 463-9706 if you are interested in being added to the group email and text for notification.



We will continue our ministry to **The Pines** on **Sunday, May 4, at 2 p.m.** as we join them for a short worship and communion service. We will also host an **Ice Cream Party** for the residents on **Saturday, May 24, at 2 p.m.**



We welcome the following new members:

Fletcher Carter, who joined Trinity on March 23, 2025. His address is 2345 Robin Crest Drive, West Columbia, SC 29169 and his phone number is (803) 673-9942.

Tony Scott, who joined Trinity on April 20, 2025. His address is 2007 Morningside Drive, West Columbia, SC 29169 and his phone number is (803) 447-9880.



Slone Taylor
Mary Connelly



Sunday, May 25

Taste of Trinity, our church-wide covered dish luncheon, will be held on **Sunday, May 25**. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to share great food and fellowship!

Please Note: The Ministry Team will meet immediately following Taste of Trinity.



Patsy Zeigler
Edwa Meek

Betty Cantrell
John & Sue Ballentine

Jimmy Grahl
Edwa Meek

Claudia Sineath
Edwa Meek

Carlis Edwards
Edwa Meek

Becky Derrick
Edwa Meek

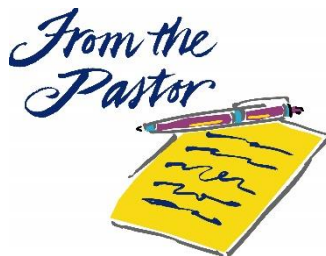
Merit Takach
John & Sue Ballentine



Each month we highlight the birthdays of those who are turning 85 or older. The special birthday for May:

May 22

Tom Lloyd
1162 Gunter Circle
West Columbia, SC 29169



Greetings!

First, I want to extend a heartfelt thank you for making our Lenten season and Easter so special. The West Metro services were so well attended and so joyous that our collection of churches feels inspired to do more together and that is a big reason to give God the glory.

As we move into May, we look forward to continuing the spirit of fellowship, service and outreach with our friends at The Pines and Love Your Neighbor ministries. A short, sweet communion service will be held this Sunday, May 4th at 2:00 p.m. at The Pines, and the pastor welcomes any and all who want to go with her. **We will be hosting an ice-cream party at The Pines on Saturday, May 24th from 2:00 to 2:45.**

We are also working to make the pantry boxes for Christopher Towers happen. It is not always fast and easy to work with the regional food bank, but it will make a big difference. So, while it may seem like it's taking a bit longer than we'd like—we will make it happen, and I will keep you posted as we move forward.

Additionally, there's been a little buzz about forming a summer book club, and the pastor is busy reading and rereading some books she'd love to share. Once a month, we'd join together over a meal and share that month's book, so we'd have a book for June, one for July and one for August and three corresponding monthly dinner parties to discuss the books. If this is something we'd like to do year round, the pastor is even open to reading books that YOU suggest, so the possibilities are awesome! Keep watch for details as they develop.

In addition to new events, we want to maintain good traditions, so our support of our United Methodist Children's Home will continue with our **Epworth Mother's Day offering**. Speaking of children, have you done your background check yet, so you can help with the nursery? We've also ordered the materials for our summer VBS, and are praying God's grace and goodness will continue to bless our church with new families from the community. We are striving to be the best neighborhood church we can be, and hope you will consider your own unique gifts and graces and what needs you may see arise in our community. We are in this together, but we are not alone. We serve a Risen and Living Savior, and I am so excited to see what God does next at The Trinity UMC, West Columbia! Thank you for being the best church in all the land!

With gratitude and much love,
Darlene

MAY 2025

	<u>05/04</u>	<u>05/11</u>
Flowers:	Needed	Jo Ann Heiting
Time Together:	Jack Stevens; Pam Turner	Ruth Frady
Liturgist:	Dan Greshel	Jeanette Hornsby
Children’s Sermon	Patsy Boggs	Needed

<u>05/18</u>	<u>05/25</u>
Needed	Needed
Joyce Robinson; Slone Taylor	Not Needed
Tom Geddens	Needed
Needed	Needed



Patsy Shuler Marilyn Lloyd Tom Lloyd Ruth Frady Libby Strickland Christopher McCroskey
Rhett Hook Diane Muszynski Cristen Hipp Latson Lewis English Percy Hannah Glanz
Kaye Floyd Ray Frady

Shut-Ins: Gillett Hipp; Linda Maloch; Jean Raynor

Family and Friends: *Christina Lindemuth (daughter of Karen Carter); Steve Tolliver (father of Kelsey Jones); Lynn Rhode (sister of Patsy Shuler); James Leonard (previous coworker of Mark Lewis); Kathleen Varnadore (Ted & Ruth Frady’s neighbor); Paul Frenzel (friend of Chris Derrick); Sissy Henry (former member of Trinity); Sean & Tucker Smith (cousins of Darlene Kelley); Sonny Hardee (brother of Lynn Martin); Colby Martin (son of Donna Muszynski); Lynne Powell (friend of the Ballentines and Branhams); Ima Thibodeaux (friend of Christopher McCroskey); Keith Jordan (nephew of John & Kay Jordan); Ann Cullum (friend of Bob Strickland); Malcolm Skipper (grandfather of Matthew Skipper); Bryan Collard (brother-in-law of Mary Sue Lewis); ; Charlyn McNeill, Michael McNeill (sister & brother of Mary Sue Lewis); Missy Abrams (stepdaughter of Lissa Abrams); Mary Davis (daughter of Bob & Libby Strickland); Chuck Hardee (cousin of Lynn Martin); Bruce Beatty, Sandra Hornsby, Gloria Erd (friends of Lynn Martin); Pearl Geddens (mother of Tom Geddens); Nancy Wilson (friend of Jeanette Hornsby); David Turner (brother of Pam Turner); Chip Mixon (friend of Tommy Gleaton); James Boggs (father of Claire Boggs); Robert Bradley (Business Associate of Simon Ross); Monnie Tiller (friend of Chris Derrick); 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.

GOD’S HELPING HANDS

Special Needs for May
Jello/Pudding
Cookies
Juice
Flour

STEWARDSHIP REPORT
April 2025




Needed in April
\$ 18,209.50

Given in April
\$ 20,102.63

YTD Needed YTD Given
\$ 77,390.80 \$ 89,834.61

ATTENDANCE FOR APRIL

<u>In-Person</u>	<u>SS</u>	<u>Worship</u>
04/06	12	47
04/13	11	34
04/20	9	101
04/27	7	45

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						
				1 Arvan Derrick Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m.	2 Office Closed	3 Sadie Rae Stamps
4 Slone Taylor Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Choir, 10:35 p.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Love Feast The Pines, 2 p.m. MSN. 6 p.m.	5 Raylynn Hipp Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m.	6	7 Craig Walters <i>Ray Frady's Spirtual Birthday</i> Choir, 6 p.m. T.a.G., 7 p.m.	8 Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m.	9 Office Closed	10 Dee Hughes <i>Jerry Rich</i>
11 Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Choir, 10:35 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Birthday Celebration Mother's Day Epworth Mother's Day Offering	12 Maggie Smith Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m.	13 Kevin Thomas Grieving with God, 11 a.m.	14 Choir, 6 p.m. T.a.G., 7 p.m.	15 Brandon Edwards <i>Peyton Johnston</i> <i>Matthew Skipper</i> Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m	16 Office Closed	17
18 Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Choir, 10:35 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. FH Reserved, 1 p.m.	19 Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m. Hot Topics & Cold Beer, 7 p.m.	20	21 Choir, 6 p.m. T.a.G., 7 p.m.	22 Mark Branham <i>Tom Lloyd</i> Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m GLIA Articles Due	23 Office Closed	24 Nova Grahl <i>Dee Senn</i> Trinity Ladies Group, 9:30 a.m. @ Lizard's Thicket Hwy 1 Ice Cream Party @ The Pines, 2 p.m.
25 Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Choir, 10:35 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Taste of Trinity Ministry Team Meeting	26 Jay Alley <i>Piper Stiles</i>  Office Closed	27	28 Charlie Platt <i>Libby Platt</i> FH Reserved for District Luncheon - Noon Choir, 6 p.m. T.a.G., 7 p.m.	29 Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m	30 Office Closed	31