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 make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

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NOVEMBER 2026



Grieving with God
Tuesday, November 10

All who are on the journey of grief are invited to join us on **Tuesday, November 10**, at **11 a.m.** in the Conference Room. Retired Hospice and Palliative Care Chaplain, Jerry Fonte, will facilitate the discussion.



Stewardship Moments will continue on November 8 and end on November 15 with our guest speaker, Rev. Tom Wall.

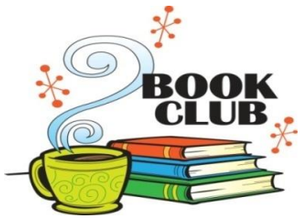
Our **Consecration Sunday** will be held on **November 15**. We will gather after the service to share a covered dish luncheon. The meat will be provided. Please make plans to join us!

Bonnie J. Ramsey
Finance Chair/Stewardship Chair



2026 marks the end of an era for Trinity, unfortunately. ***Christopher McCroskey***, who has been our Pianist and then Music Director for thirty-one years, has retired. Christopher has had his share of health battles this year and in recent years. Both he and the church concluded that it was time for him to retire. Christopher's leading our choir and his beautiful playing of the piano have drawn more people to our church in the last couple of decades than perhaps any other factor. Please keep Christopher in your prayers as he continues his rehab at NHC. As soon as he is able to attend, we will have a recognition and reception for him. Our church family is so grateful to Christopher for all the joy that he has brought our family over the decades with his exquisite musical ability!

Tom Geddens, SPPRC Chair



Book Club Dinner
Friday, November 13
6 p.m.

We close out our Book Club Dinners this year with our **Book Club Dinner on Friday, November 13, at 6:00.** We will be discussing Bishop Fairley's memoir *Silver Linings*. If you still need a copy, please see the pastor. It is also available on Kindle and is free if you have Kindle+.



The Ladies Group will meet at the Lizard's Thicket on Highway #1 in Lexington at 9:30 a.m. on November 28. We will skip December as the 4th Saturday falls on Christmas week-end. Marie Stiles will send out an email each month to obtain your RSVP. If you are not on Marie's group email and wish to be added, contact her at 803.463.9706 or mariebstiles@gmail.com.



We welcome ***Merle and Pam Blackwell*** who joined Trinity on Sunday, November. 1, 2026. Their address is 1023 Seminole Drive, West Columbia, SC 29169.



On Sunday, November 8, we will recognize ***Billy Pearson*** for his 40 years of service in keeping our grounds beautiful. He will be honored during the worship service.



We will continue our Love Your Neighbor ministry as we provide exam bags to students at MSN at the end of November.

We will also be continuing our Fill the Crib project for Epworth.



	Marilyn Lloyd	***Keith Greshel***
	Jo Ann Heiting	John & Sue Ballentine
	Pam Turner	
	Jim & Marie Stiles	***Joel Pitts Hough***
	Sinners SS Class	John & Sue Ballentine
	Tom Geddens	
J	Ray & Gale Frady	***Joanne Carter***
	Bonnie Ramsey	Bonnie Ramsey
	Mary Kamoroff	Mary Kamoroff
	Jeffrey Portwood	Jo Ann Heiting
	Slone Taylor	Tom Geddens
	John & Sue Ballentine	John & Sue Ballentine
	Wayne & Charlie Hooker	
	Marty Johnston	



WE EXPRESS OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY to ***Stephen Lloyd***, ***Sue Ballentine***, ***Stuart Lloyd*** and ***Sherrill Clarkson*** and ***their families*** on the death of their mother, ***Marilyn Lloyd***, on October 6, 2026. A Celebration of Life Service will be held at Trinity on Saturday, November 7, at 11 a.m. The visitation will be held immediately following the service.



Congratulations to ***Matthew Skipper*** who passed the bar exam in October. He is working with Turner, Padgett Graham & Laney P.A.



Taste of Trinity/Advent Lunch
Sunday, November 29

Taste of Trinity, our church-wide covered dish luncheon, will be held on **November 29**. Even though it is the 5th Sunday we will not have the Hymn Sing since it is the ***First Sunday of Advent.*** Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to share great food and fellowship!



Each month we highlight the birthdays of those who are turning 85 or older. There are none in November.



To my Church Family,

Thank you for all of the prayers, calls, cards and food while I was recovering from my knee replacement surgery. It was so very much appreciated.

Love,

Hilda Edwards



Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

I am writing this at the beginning of the month, but I am very aware that at the end of the month Advent begins. Advent is one of my favorite seasons of the church, and I am looking forward to sharing in the preparation, reflection, prayer and joy that Advent can inspire.

We also have lots of great stuff happening before Advent! On Sunday evening, November 8th, I will be sharing some information about the prophet Amos to the folks at the Methodist Student Network at 6 p.m. On Friday, November 13th our Book Club Dinner will also be held at 6.00 p.m., and we will be discussing the Bishop's memoir, "Silver Linings". Sunday, November 15th is the celebration of our Stewardship Campaign, and Rev. Tom Wall with be preaching, and on Sunday, November 22nd, we will celebrate Laity Sunday.

On the mission front, we will be filling exam bags for the students at MSN, so stay tuned for details, and don't forget to bring diapers, toys, and any baby needs you can to help fill our crib for Epworth Children's Home.

Thank you for being the best church in all the land! It is a great honor to serve among you!

With gratitude and much love,
Darlene

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	11/01	***11/08***	***11/15***	***11/22***	***11/29***
Flowers:	Carolyn Creasman	Lynn Martin	English Pearcy	N**eeded**	**Needed**
Time Together:	Not Needed	Celia Perez	Not Needed	Celia Perez	Not Needed
Liturgist:	Raleigh Carter	**Needed**	Chantel Griffin	Tom Geddens	**Needed**



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

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

Family and Friends: Sonya Dooley *(daughter of Joyce Robinson)*; **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 Grahl);* **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.

GOD'S HELPING HANDS

Special Needs for November

Sugar (small bags)
Cereals
Saltines
Spaghetti Sauce
Cream Soups
Jiffy Cornbread Mix
Soap
Cooking Oil
Flour (small bags)
Green Peas
Mixed Vegetables

STEWARDSHIP REPORT
October 2026

Needed in October
$ 18,952.00

Given in October
$ 10,184.80

YTD Needed	**YTD Given**
$ 203,734.00	$ 196,367.19

ATTENDANCE FOR OCTOBER

In-Person	**SS**	**Worship**
10/04	8	52
10/11	11	32
10/18	12	40
10/25	12	45

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 All Saints/Organ Donor Sunday Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Choir, 10:35 a.m. Worship & Communion, 11 a.m. Meal following Worship The Pines, 2 p.m.	**2** Exercise, 10:30 a.m.	**3** ***Joyce Robinson*** ***Ann Thornley***	***4 Jason Easterling*** T.a.G., 7 p.m.	**5** ***Holley Imel*** Exercise, 10:30 a.m.	**6** ***Julie Kamoroff*** ***Ken Kennerly*** Office Closed	**7** Celebration of Life Service for Marilyn Lloyd, 11 a.m. Visitation following the service
8 ***Heather Wells*** Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Choir, 10:35 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Birthday Celebration	**9** Exercise, 10:30 a.m.	**10** ***Jackson Locklear*** Grieving with God, 11 a.m.	**11** ***Ben Whetstone*** T.a.G., 7 p.m.	**12** ***Allan Kamoroff*** ***Mark Lewis*** Exercise, 10:30 a.m. Killingsworth Gala, 6 p.m.	**13** Office Closed Book Club, 6 p.m.	**14**
15 Consecration Sunday Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Choir, 10:35 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Meal following Worship	**16** Exercise, 10:30 a.m.	**17** FH Reserved, 6:30 p.m.	**18** T.a.G., 7 p.m.	**19** Exercise, 10:30 a.m.	**20** ***Jill Steinkruger*** Office Closed	**21** ***Tom Geddens*** ***Robert Koo***
22 Laity Sunday Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Choir, 10:35 a.m. .Worship, 11 a.m.	**23** ***Jessica Johnston*** Exercise, 10:30 a.m. GLIA Articles Due	**24**	**25** . T.a.G., 7 p.m.	**26** ***Perry Padgett***  .Office Closed	**27** Office Closed	**28** ***Anjelica Koo*** Ladies Breakfast, 9:30 a.m. Decorating for Advent and Christmas, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.
29 ***Brett Jones*** ***Harry Wohlbach*** First Sunday in Advent Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Choir, 10:35 a.m. Worship & Communion, 11 a.m. Taste of Trinity/Advent Lunch	**30** Exercise, 10:30 a.m.					