



Trinity Church

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Mother Church of Savannah Methodism

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Trinity Church Family –

It's hard to believe that this is my 10th year as the pastor of historic Trinity Church! Katie and I have often found ourselves recounting our evolution as a church family. Back in 2016 we were a strong, but small, church stretching to pay our annual budget and maintain a historic building. Over the last 10 years we've seen an entire children, youth, and family ministry blossom. Our music program has grown and continues to bless our worship life. We've reached beyond the walls of our building in profound ways to love and serve our neighbors. And we've even planted a thriving home church campus in Albany, GA, where the inclusive and loving culture of Trinity Church serves the people of Albany much like it does here in Savannah.

Our worship attendance is now close to 200 per week between Savannah, Albany, and online worshippers. Our church budget now tops \$400K. And we've seen our mission and ministry expand in ways that not only fill every space of this building but finds life beyond the building into the hearts and lives of so many. Our vision for ministry is to "create space for ALL people to find their place in Christ." That vision becomes more of a reality each and every day.

We have so much to give thanks to God for at Trinity Church. I am so grateful today, 10 years into our ministry together, for all that God continues to do through our church.

In this spirit of thankfulness, I'm asking you to consider how you might help us grow in 2026 so we can not only continue to be faithful to God but also more readily able to grow as God's church on Telfair Square and beyond.

Enclosed in this packet are a few items for your consideration. Below are a few notes to consider as you unpack your packet:

- You will find some information about giving to help you prayerfully consider how God might be calling you to support our ministries in the coming year. This guide shares more about why we give and how giving can make an impact in your life as well as the life of our church.
- You will find a *Thankfulness in 2026* ministry giving estimate and Legacy Commitment giving card. The Legacy Campaign runs through 2028, so we are also inviting you to join us in this long-term goal to pay off \$600K in restoration debt. **If you've already made a Legacy commitment and do not plan to change it, please leave that side of your card blank and just fill out the 2026 Ministry Budget information.**
- You will see notes about how to engage in alternative ways of giving (stocks, IRA disbursements, etc.) as well as how to set up a recurring gift online. We offer these avenues for giving so it can be easier for you to give as you feel led. You can visit trinity1848.org/give for more information, or to utilize the online pledge card

If you have any questions about giving or the state of our church budget and its ministries, please feel free to contact Lacy in the church office. My family is looking forward to making our pledge in 2026 and continuing our Legacy Campaign pledge for another year. We look forward to joining you in answering God's call to faithfully grow this church over the coming year(s)!

Pastor Ben Gosden