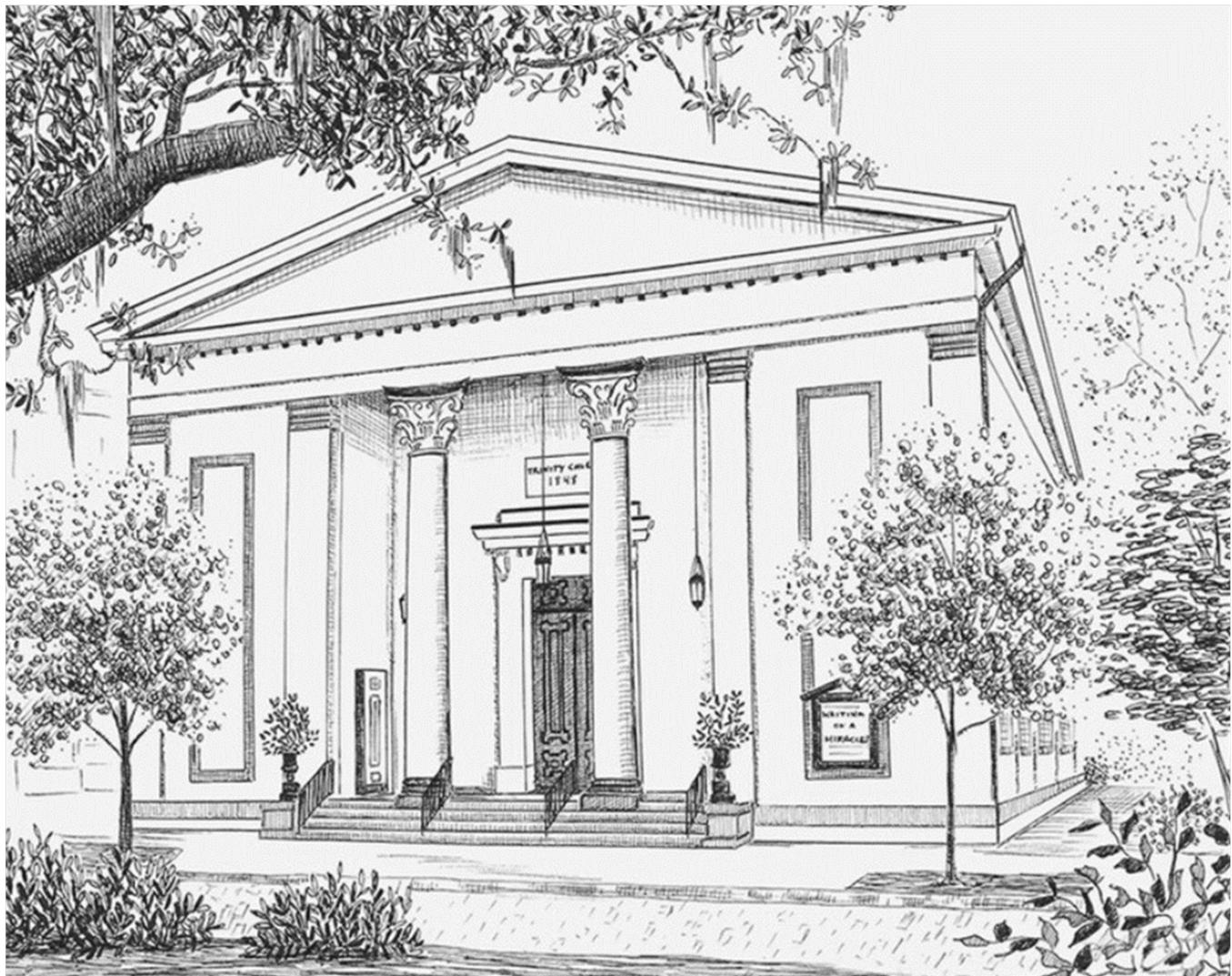


TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Mother Church of Savannah Methodism



2ND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY TWO-THOUSAND TWENTY-SIX
ELEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

MORNING WORSHIP

January 18, 2026 . 11:00AM

Prelude

Adoration
-Florence Price (1887-1953)-

Rev. Jared Wilson

Welcome

Please register your attendance on a pew card or use this QR code.



Chiming of the Hour

† At the sound of the chimes, please prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

*Call to Worship

Cale Robert Hall

Leader: And, the next day there was something new: the Lamb of God, here to forgive the sins of the world!

All: Grand gestures are not required?

We only need great love for God? And for others? And a holy spirit in ourselves?

Come and see, and sing the new song, and live the new life!

Let us worship!

*Processional Hymn (No. 519)

Lift Every Voice and Sing

Tune: LIFT EVERY VOICE

*Affirmation of Faith (said by all)

Rev. Dr. Ben Gosden

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth: and in Jesus Christ

his only son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**indicates you may stand in body or spirit*

*Gloria Patri (No. 71)

Tune: GREATOREX

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -
gin - ning is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end, A - men. A - men.

*Passing of the Peace

Children's Moment

Morning Prayer

Dr. Gosden

The Lord's Prayer (*prayed by all*)

*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.*

*Hymn (No. 156)

I Love to Tell the Story

Tune: HANKEY

I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove, of Je - sus and his
I love to tell the sto - ry; more won - der-ful it seems than all the gold-en
I love to tell the sto - ry; 'tis pleas - ant to re - peat what seems, each time I
I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best seem hun - ger - ing and

glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love. I love to tell the sto - ry, be -
fan - cies of all our gold - en dreams. I love to tell the sto - ry, it
tell it, more won - der-ful - ly sweet. I love to tell the sto - ry, for
thirst-ing to hear it like the rest. And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I

cause I know'tis true; it sat - is - fies my long-ings as noth - ing else can do. I
did so much for me; and that is just the rea - son I tell it now to thee.
some have nev - er heard the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly Word.
sing the new, new song, 'twill be the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

love to tell the sto - ry, 'twill be my theme in glo - ry, to
tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

Scripture Reading

John 1:29 – 42

Cale Robert Hall

Special Music

Sermon

Dr. Gosden

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Your generosity enables us to make a difference in our community and our world.



*Doxology (No. 94)

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Je - sus Christ, whose power up - lifts! Praise the Spir - it, Ho - ly Spir - it! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

*Closing Hymn

The Summons

Tune: KELVINGROVE

Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name? Will you go where
 Will you leave your-self be - hind if I but call your name? Will you care for
 Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name? Will you set the
 Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name? Will you quell the
 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call my name. Let me turn and

you don'tknow and nev - er be the same? Will you let my love be shown,
 cruel and kind and nev - er be the same? Will you risk the hos - tile stare,
 pris - oners free and nev - er be the same? Will you kiss the lep - er clean,
 fear in - side and nev - er be the same? Will you use the faith you've found,
 fol - low you and nev - er be the same. In your com - pa - ny I'll go

— will you let my name be known, — will you let my
 — should your life at - tract or scare? — Will you let me
 — and do such as this un - seen, — and ad - mit to
 — to re - shape the world a - round, — through my sight and
 — where your love and foot - steps show. — Thus I'll move and

life be grown in you and you in me? _____
 an - swer prayer in you and you in me? _____
 what I mean in you and you in me? _____
 touch and sound in you and you in me? _____
 live and grow in you and you in me. _____

*Benediction

Dr. Gosden

Postlude

Sonata in C minor, Allegro maestoso e vivace

-Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847),

Rev. Wilson

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God in celebration of the 5th birthday of Eli Alexander Gottfried by proud grandmother, Connie Boole.

Opportunities for Caring & Healing

Prayer List - Amy Oliver (*daughter-in-law of Beverly Oliver*), Frances Richardson, Barry Helmey, Ralph & Vermelle Bailey, Clyde Parker, Addam Wood, JoAnn Nichols, Jeanmarie Collins, Tom Madron, Mike Cutlip, Duane Heefner, Harvey Jones, Linda Wing, Kenny Frye, Gloria Borello, Dan Noble, Richard Grice, Hubert Baker, Nicky Olubajo, Kathy Bailey.

From our Albany congregation: Curt Poer, Archer Seely-Wilson, all who are serving in our nation's armed forces.

Care Ministry - A ministry with opportunities to provide care for each other through prayer circle, card writing, home communion, bereavement meals, and financial peace. Contact ccm@trinity1848.org for more information.

Stephen Ministry - A ministry in which trained and supervised lay people provide one-to-one Christian care to individuals facing life challenges. If you or someone you know could benefit from the care of a Stephen Minister, email stephen@trinity1848.org, or contact Pastor Ben Gosden.

Recovery is Real - A team of Trinity members who understand addiction and recovery. We can offer an informed, compassionate and confidential response if you or a loved one is struggling. Contact: Carol Pine at 651.291.7236 or pineandpartners@gmail.com.

Opportunities to Serve

Backpack Buddies - Trinity Church serves our partner school (Gadsden E.S.) to supply weekend food for at-risk students. Pre-packaged, ready-to-eat food items or monetary donations are collected year-round for this ministry. Contact Dawn Wilson at dawn@trinity1848.org for more information, or to volunteer for weekly deliveries.

Justice Unites Savannah Together (JUST) - is an interfaith, interracial coalition of 25+ local congregations advocating for justice in Savannah-Chatham County. For more information, contact Trinity Church/JUST liaison Connie Boole at cboole58@gmail.com or 912.210.1583.

SquareOne - an opportunity to serve our neighbors with Christ's radical hospitality and relationship in the squares of downtown Savannah. For more information contact Cale Hall at cale@trinity1848.org.

Sunday Breakfast Mission - an opportunity to partner with the Lutheran Church of the Ascension to serve our neighbors with hospitality, relationship and **breakfast**. We assemble and deploy breakfast teams every other month. Watch the bulletin and the weekly newsletter for team sign-ups for the next event.

Altar Flowers - You are invited to sponsor our altar flowers for Sunday worship. Sponsorships are **\$80** and can be made in honor or in memory of a loved one or special occasion. Scan this QR code or contact Lacy Wilson.



United Women in Faith - All women are invited to the mission of Trinity UWF! Potluck lunch meetings are the 2nd Sunday of each month in Fellowship Hall following worship. Contact Dewilla Hooper at dewillahooper@yahoo.com for details.

Opportunities to Learn & Grow

TrinityKids - Trinity Kids is our ministry with children. Children aged 0-2 are welcome in our nursery on the 2nd floor. Children aged 2-up are welcome to join our children's Sunday Small Group at 11am featuring curriculum-based music, motion, and learning. Please contact Dawn Wilson at dawn@trinity1848.org with any questions or other interest in Trinity Kids.

TrinityKids Choir - 2nd through 8th graders are invited to participate. Rehearsals are held in the 2nd floor music suite on Sunday mornings at 9:45am (*during the school year*). Schedule and opportunities to sing in worship set seasonally. Contact Dawn Wilson at dawn@trinity1848.org for more information.

Trinity UMYF (United Methodist Youth Fellowship) - 6th thru 12th grade youth are invited to join us in the 3rd Floor Youth Lounge, Sundays at 9:45am, to hang, chat, learn and grow! Contact Youth Coordinator Ava Pickens at ava@trinity1848.org for more info.

Upper Room Small Group - An ongoing study group that meets on Zoom, Sundays at 10am, led by Mark Jackovich. If you would like to join this group, please email Mark at jackovich@bellsouth.net.

Smith Small Group - We meet in-person on Sundays at 9:45am, room #317. We question, discuss and learn from one another as we study topics of faith and discipleship. Contact Linda Smith at lsmith629@comcast.net for more information.

Doin' Justice - An adult discussion class that meets in room #316, to study matters, mission and acts of justice. Our current study "Using Documentaries to Explore Justice Issues" requires no book. Drop ins are welcome. Contact Connie Boole (cboole58@gmail.com or 912.210.1583) or Peggy Hilleary (p_hilleary@yahoo.com or 404.449.1170) to connect with this group.

Young-ER Adults - Our newest adult small group, aimed toward the 30-50 crowd, designed to build a community of adults in the middle of life's busy schedule. Find us on Sunday mornings at 9:45am in room #315. Contact Amy Utley, amy@trinity1848.org, or Bee Smith for more details.

Opportunities to Connect

Sunday Morning Hospitality - Fellowship, donuts and coffee in the Hospitality Parlor (*behind the Sanctuary*), from 10:00-11:00am. Join us!

Band of Mothers - We are a group of moms, sharing life at all its ages and stages. We meet the 3rd Sunday of each month, room #317, 3:30-5pm. Please text Jessica Hensley with any questions at 912.596.1159.

Telfair Squares - We are a group of active older adults who gather for lunch and a great time of food and fellowship the 4th Thursday of each month. Contact Wayne Ervin at 912.346.5895 or waynedervin67@gmail.com for more information or to RSVP. January lunch location: Boston's Pizza Restaurant, 810 Towne Center Blvd | Pooler.

Ladies Out to Lunch - Join us every 2nd Thursday of the month at 11:30am for food, fun and friendship. RSVP: Mary Ann Traver at 912.604.0956 or cwtmat@coastalnow.net or Judy DeShea at judydeshea@gmail.com. February lunch location: TBA.



BAND OF

Mothers

Sunday, Jan. 18 In honor of the MLK Jr. Day of Service, our Band of Mothers will be packing 80 bagged lunches for our downtown neighbors in need immediately after the church service today, **January 18**. Follow the sign-up link to the right to help! Mothers of all kinds are welcome to join our group at any time, and childcare is provided for church meetings. Monthly meetings will continue on the third Sunday immediately after the service, at 12:15 PM. For more info, contact Jessica Hensley at 912-596-1159.



Volunteer
Signup



Telfair Squares

Thursday, Jan. 22 Telfair Squares' monthly lunch group meets on the 4th Thursday of every month at different local restaurants. All are invited to attend! The **January 22nd** event will be held at Boston's Pizza Restaurant & Sports Bar, 810 Towne Center Blvd, Pooler, GA 31322. For more information on the event or to RSVP, contact Wayne Ervin at waynedervin67@gmail.com or 912-346-5895.

Empowering a Community One Woman and One Child at a Time, Since 1949



Wesley Community Centers of Savannah, Inc.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Monday, Jan. 19 | Church Office Closed



Sunday, Jan. 25 Join us on **Sunday, January 25** after the morning service for a free workshop! Our Lunch &

Learn programs are a monthly opportunity to enrich our Discipleship in ways that bring spiritual balance—both individually and in community. We'll discuss topics from the book "Sacred Balance: How Ancient Practices Can Restore Modern Minds" by Miriam Diephouse-McMillan (book not required). All adults are welcome for the monthly Lunch & Learn sessions in the Fellowship Hall on the 4th Sunday of each month, immediately following worship. Registration is required if you want a boxed lunch, but walk-ins are welcome. For more details, contact Director of Discipleship Amy Utley, amy@trinity1848.org.



Lunch
Registration

Saturday, Feb. 14 The Wesley Community Centers of Savannah will hold their annual Love Walk fundraiser on

Saturday, February 14. The 3.6 mile walk travels from Wesley's campus at 1601 Drayton Street, through Forsyth Park, down to Johnson Square. It finishes at Wesley's J.R. Paddison Family Life Center, ending with a post rally event and entertainment! Funds raised at the Walk will support critical services for homeless and low-income people in this community. For more information, Love Walk registration forms, and sponsorship forms, call (912) 236-4226.



Tuesday, Feb. 17 Save the date! We will again be holding a Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 17th at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall, to raise sponsorship money for the children and youth going to Camp Connect this summer. \$5 suggestion donation per person, and all donations will go towards camp registration fees.



Sunday Small Groups



UMYF Youth Group

Sundays at 9:45 AM | Youth Room

All youth in grades 6 - 12 are invited to participate in our Youth Group (UMYF) that meets every Sunday morning at 9:45 AM in the Youth Room/Youth Lounge (on the third floor, left of main stairwell). In UMYF we have fun, build relationships, serve our community, and grow in faith in a supportive environment. For details contact Youth Director Ava Pickens at ava@trinity1848.org or Children's Director Dawn Wilson at dawn@trinity1848.org.

Young-er Adults

Sundays at 9:45 AM | Room #315

The "Young-er" adults small group is designed to build a community of adults in the middle of life and busy schedules. This class's new study will begin on February 1st—*Sabbath*—an exploration of the biblical concept of Sabbath and what it means to embrace God's rest in our busy lives and restless world. Held in Room #315 every Sunday morning, contact Amy Utley at amy@trinity1848.org for more info.

Doin' Justice

Sundays at 9:45 AM | Room #316

The Doin' Justice class will start a new series, "Using Documentaries to Explore Justice Issues" on Sunday, January 18th. All are welcome to join this group at any time, and you can join any Sunday morning at 9:45 AM in Room #316. Contact Connie Boole: cboole58@gmail.com 912-210-1583 or Peggy Hilleary: p_hilleary@yahoo.com 404-449-1170 to learn more about this class.

Donate or

Volunteer!

Our Square One ministry is in need of some new supplies as we walk the squares of downtown Savannah every week. To donate, you can give through our online giving page linked here—select the "Missions" dropdown, or include "Square One" in the memo.



If you want to participate, we walk the squares on Sunday mornings from 9:30 - 10:30 AM, offering water, fruit, and friendship to our unhoused neighbors. We will also be distributing food on Monday, January 19th (MLK Jr. Day). This local outreach is about more than supplies—it's about dignity, presence, and shared humanity. Volunteers are needed! To get involved with Square One, contact Cale Robert Hall at 912-308-7247 or cale@trinity1848.org.



Sponsor the Sunday altar flowers on a day special to you!

You can dedicate them in honor or in memory of a loved one, or in celebration of special occasions. The cost is \$80, and that covers both of our 2 altar arrangements on your chosen Sunday morning. To sponsor altar flowers, fill out the Altar Flower Sponsor form linked below. For questions or assistance with sponsoring flower arrangements, contact Trinity's Church Administrator Lacy Wilson at office@trinity1848.org or 912-233-4766.

Altar
Flower
Sponsor



For more details on these and other upcoming events, sign up for our weekly newsletter:

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TRINITY NEWS and NOTES

This Week at Trinity Church

Sunday, January 18 (today)

Sunday Breakfast Mission ~6-8:15am | 6 E. State Street

TrinityKids ~ 9:45am | 2nd Floor

Trinity UMYF* ~ 9:45am | 3rd Floor Youth Lounge
*UMYF-United Methodist Youth Fellowship (6th grade-12th grade)

Adult Small Groups ~ 9:45am | 3rd Floor

Morning Worship ~ 11am | Sanctuary

Band of Mothers ~ following worship | Fellowship Hall

Monday, January 19

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
Church office closed

Wednesday, January 21

Trinity Handbell Rehearsal ~ 6-6:50pm | Balcony Choir Loft

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal ~ 7-8:30pm | 2nd Floor Music Suite

Adults & high school students are invited to participate

Thursday, January 22

Telfair Squares Lunch Bunch ~ 11:30am

Boston's Pizza Restaurant | 810 Towne Center Blvd-Pooler

Backpack Buddies Volunteers

Packer - Jamie Tyner

Driver - Dawn Wilson

Beyond This Week at Trinity

Discipleship Lunch & Learn | Jan 25

Savannah Book Festival | Feb 5-8

United Women in Faith lunch mtg | Feb 8

Ladies Out to Lunch | Feb 12

Wesley Community Centers **Love Walk** | Feb 14

Band of Mothers | Feb 15

Shrove Tuesday | Feb 17

Lent Begins

Ash Wednesday | Feb 18

Discipleship Lunch & Learn | Feb 22

Telfair Squares Lunch Bunch | Feb 26

Recent Attendance

Jan 11 (Savannah): 117

Jan 11 (Albany): 22

Jan 11 Online: 37

December 2025

Operating Income \$58,774

Operating Expenses \$42,024



Download the church app with the QR code to get updates on upcoming events, check-in on Sundays, send prayer requests, contribute to an offering, and more!

Download here or search for "Trinity Church Savannah" on the app store.



If you've parked in the Robinson parking garage (behind the church), you can show your bulletin to the parking attendant on your way out to get FREE parking! This parking privilege is available until 2pm on Sundays. There is also FREE parking available on the street and around the Square. Please avoid parking on the corners of the Square so tour buses can get by.

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