

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS
DECEMBER 28, 2025

No. 51

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
Service at 11 a.m.



Large-print bulletins are available from the ushers upon request.

LITURGICAL SERVICE
FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS
11:00 a.m.

†Please rise in body or in spirit.

WELCOME AND VISION STATEMENT

Rev. Anna Brook Opalinski

**The vision of Trinity United Methodist Church is to be a diverse Christian community
that leads as a shining beacon of God's love, actively engaging as the heart,
hands, and feet of Christ in the world.**

PRELUDE

Michael Bryan

INTROIT

"We Shall Light a Thousand Candles"
Chancel Choir

David Rasback

†CALL TO WORSHIP

The heavens are bursting forth with God's glory!

God's mighty acts of power and love are sung by God's angels!

From the darkness of our night, God has brought us salvation!

We have not been forgotten!

Thanks be to God who, in a little child, has again reminded us of God's love.

Praise be to God who comes to save and lead us. Amen.

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Angels from the Realms of Glory"

Hymnal #220

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Hymnal #881

†GLORIA PATRI

Hymnal #71

**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 CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Martha Jean Burg

Hymnal #35
Rev. Anna Brook Opalinski

Children ages 3 through 2nd grade are invited to Kids' Praise in Room 205.

Crucifer | Michael Plagens | **Ushers** | Brent Chumbler, Billy Hilaman, Jamie Trulock, Scott Trulock, Linda Bianco, Mike Marschall, Sid Matthew | **Altar Guild** | Ann Melder, Georgia Jordan, Meg Hilaman, Gayle Webb, Mary Ann Moore, Beverly Burleson | **Club Car Drivers** | Edward Young, Ben Gilleland, Jimmy Henderson

†WORSHIP SONG "What a Beautiful Name" Alex and Karen Taylor
Insert

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS / CHURCH NOTICES

OFFERTORY "Mid-Winter" Bob Chilcott

†DOXOLOGY Hymnal #94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

†GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 2:13-23
The Gospel of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON Rev. Anna Brook Opalinski

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. E. Wayne Curry

THE LORD'S PRAYER Hymnal #895

PRAYER RESPONSE "Hear Our Prayer"
Chancel Choir Daniel Gawthrop

†RECESSIONAL HYMN "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" Hymnal #251

†BLESSING Rev. Anna Brook Opalinski

†CHORAL BENEDICTION "A Claire Benediction" John Rutter

†POSTLUDE Michael Bryan



*We celebrate the baptism of Martha Jean Burg, daughter of Christopher Lewis Burg
and Martha Rebecca Hall Burg, this day, Sunday, December 28, 2025.*

Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams, Senior Pastor
Rev. Anna Brook Opalinski, Associate Pastor
Rev. E. Wayne Curry, Minister of Pastoral Care
Alex Taylor, Contemporary Worship Music Leader | Warren May, Interim Director of Music
Douglas Chaplow, Organist

WELCOME

Welcome to worship today! We're glad you are here. Please sign the pew pad to register your attendance. If you're visiting, fill out a Connect Card, and on your way out, be sure to see one of our ushers for a small gift as a thank you for joining us!

PRAYER CONCERNS

May we pray for you? A prayer card can be found in the pews. Prayer requests are listed by **name** only. Please lift up in prayer...

Emily Large	Rev. Richard Woodward
Martha Anne Proctor	Richard Wilson
Gary Mathews	

PRESCHOOL CHRISTMAS BREAK

The Trinity UMC preschool will be closed from December 22 through January 6, 2026 for the Christmas holiday break. Preschool will resume on January 7.

TRINITY OFFICE CHRISTMAS BREAK

Trinity UMC's office will be closed from December 24 at 12:00 p.m. through January 2, 2026 for the Christmas holiday break. The office will reopen on January 5.

ONE SERVICE

On January 4, 2026, join us for one service only at 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, December 28

11:00 a.m. Liturgical Service
No children's Sunday School. To find out if your Adult Sunday School class is meeting, please contact your class leader.

Monday, December 29

Church office closed.
11:00 a.m. Snack Pack Distribution

Tuesday, December 30

Church office closed.
6:30 p.m. Celebrate Recovery

Wednesday, December 31

Church office closed.

Thursday, January 1

Happy New Year! Church office closed.

Friday, January 2

Church office closed.



SCAN THE QR CODES FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON AT TRINITY.



Sunday School



Service



Fellowship



Giving

Our Vision

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Our Mission

Because of God's love for us through Jesus Christ, we exist to worship, grow, and serve.

“What a Beautiful Name”

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

What a beautiful name it is
What a beautiful name it is
The name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful name it is
The name of Jesus

You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus, You brought heaven down
My sin was great, Your love was greater
What could separate us now

What a wonderful name it is
What a wonderful name it is
The name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful name it is
The name of Jesus

Death could not hold You
The veil tore before You
You silenced the boast, of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again

You have no rival
You have no equal
Now and forever, God You reign
Yours is the Kingdom
Yours is the Glory
Yours is the name, above all names

What a powerful name it is
What a powerful name it is
The name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful name it is
The name of Jesus
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