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November 2025 at a Glance

Nov 2 - Daylight Saving Time Ends, Choir @ 9am, Worship @ 9:45am, Adult Sunday School @ 10:50am, Sunday Night Bible Study @ 5:30pm

Nov 3 - Mission Team @ 6pm

Nov 5 - Lost & Found @ 1pm, Choir @ 6pm

Nov 6 - SPPRC @ 6pm

Nov 8 - Lost & Found @ 10am

Nov 9 - Choir @ 9am, Worship @ 9:45am, Adult Sunday School @ 10:50am

Nov 11 - Mary Circle @ 6:30pm

Nov 12 - Lost & Found @ 1pm, Prayer Time @ 2pm, Choir @ 6pm

Nov 13 - Esther Circle @ 10am, R&R @ 6pm

Nov 14 - Crafting for Christ @ 6pm

Nov 15 - Saturday Sisters @ 9:30am

Nov 16 - Choir @ 9am, Worship @ 9:45am, Adult Sunday School @ 10:50am, Sunday Night Bible Study @ 5:30pm

Nov 18 - TLC Board @ 5:30pm, Leadership Team @ 6pm

Nov 19 - UWF Executive Board @ 10am, Lost & Found @ 1pm, Choir @ 6pm

Nov 20 - Story Time @ 10am, Dominoes @ 1pm

Nov 22 - Lost & Found @ 10am

Nov 23 - Choir @ 9am, Worship @ 9:45am, Adult Sunday School @ 10:50am, Don & Millie's Day

Nov 26 - Lost & Found @ 1pm, Prayer Time @ 2pm

Nov 27 - Thanksgiving, Office Closed

Nov 28 - Thanksgiving, Office Closed

Nov 30 - Worship @ 9:45am - Hanging of the Greens, Thanksgiving Meal @ 11:30am



Decorating the Church

Nov 30th while being the fifth Sunday of the month, is also the first Sunday of Advent. Instead of a hymn sing, worship will be a service of hanging of the greens. Come learn about why we use certain decorations as we prepare for Christmas. After worship we will decorate the church and enjoy a potluck meal as a church.

What are we as Christians known for doing? That is the question that is being asked each week during worship this fall here at Trinity. So far, the answers have been taking faith seriously, talking about Christ, sharing with each other, noticing each other, mentoring, recognizing God in our midst, wrestling with God, and being humble in knowing we are not God. This month will be all about how we give thanks to God. We give thanks for all people who have guided us in our faith and shown us God's love. We give thanks that we can commit to serving and sharing with each other. We give thanks for vacation as Ray Loveland shares on November 16th. Then, on November 23rd, Mark Nation-Ellis will talk about how we give thanks for being able to worship the risen Christ!

If you have missed any of the services and want to know more about each topic, you can watch them at https://trinityralston.org/media. You can select the series, Known By What We Do.

I hope this month of November is a time when we remember how much we have to be thankful for in life from God! You might notice that the potluck Thanksgiving is not happening this year. Leadership team decided to move it to the 5th Sunday of November. It will be a Sunday of decorating the church and sharing a meal together. Mark your calendars and get ready for some good UMC food. May your time with family and friends be blessed and be a time of giving thanks for God.

Pastor Tessa

R&R

R&R will meet just once during the month of November on the 13th @ 6pm. This is a time for people of all ages to reflect on their faith and be revived. The evening starts with a meal and is followed by the night's activity. This month R&R will be

making cookies to sell at the Cookie Walk on Dec 6th. If you have a recipe to submit that can be made please share with the office. Because of needing to make the cookies early, they must be able to be frozen. See you on Nov 13th!



Office Closings

The church office will be closed on Nov 27th & 28th for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

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Sunday Worship: 9:45am in person + online

Pastor: Rev Tessa Zehring

TLC Director: Megan Greise Media Director/Worship Leader: Matthew Hindley Choir Director: Chris King

Accompanist: Caleb Silcott Office Manager: Lowell Schlenker

Mission Notes

Lost & Found/Missions will meet on Mon, Nov 3rd at 6pm in Fellowship Hall. We are still accepting Thanksgiving items for Living Hope until Nov 23rd. The items we would like are: instant mashed potatoes, stuffing, gravy packets (no jars please), canned veggies, cranberry sauce, yams, cornbread mix, gelatin, and pudding. Please place items in the boat.



Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who helped at or attended this year's Trunk or Treat/Halloween Party. It was a huge success with over 200 kids and their families attending!

Craft for Christ

Nov 14th from 6 - 9pm is craft night. Regardless of if you have a project or not, come and enjoy crafting, playing games, snacking, and building community together.

Storytime

Nov 20th at 10am, join Kristi & Molly for Storytime!
Stories, snacks, & activities spark imagination and the joy of reading! For ages 3-5 years

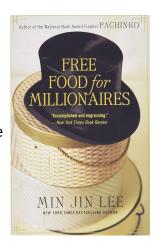


old. Enter through the West doors under the awning.

Saturday Sisters Book Club

Saturday Sisters Book Club will meet on Nov 15th at 9:30am in Room 205. You are invited to join us in discussing our selection, *Free Food for Millionaires* by Min Jin Lee.

Casey Han has attended four years of Princeton via scholarships, but has no job and plenty of bad habits. Her parents are Korean immigrants desperately trying to hold on to their culture and identity. We see her life and the lives around her, culminating in a portrait of New York City and its world of haves and have-nots.



Sunday Night Bible Study

Sunday Night Bible Study will be meet on Nov 2nd & 16th @ 5:30 pm over Zoom with the book *With: Reimagining the Way You Relate to God* by Skye Jethani. This study explores ways we live our lives for, under, over, from, and with God and how each of these ways are revealed in our lives. Come explore what it means to be a Christian and have faith.



Christmas Festival/Cookie Walk

Sat, Dec 6th from 10:30am - 1:30pm is our annual Christmas Festival/Cookie Walk. Start getting your cookies ready and spread the word! Trinity UMC and TLC are having a party and everyone is invited!



Dominoes

Come play a hand or more of dominoes on Nov 20th from 1 - 3pm. Light refreshments provided. Trinity invites all in the community to fellowship together for an afternoon of fun. All are welcome!

Leadership Team Highlights

Offerings as of 10/29/2025: \$196,953.69
Offerings as of 10/29/2024: \$169,366.00
Rental Income as of 10/29/2025: \$30,057.24
Rental Income as of 10/29/2024: \$23,668.62

Trinity Learning Center Enrollment: 20

2025 average attendance: 58



Ralston Archives

The Frank and Velma Johnson Ralston Archives will be open Sun, Nov 30th from 1 - 3pm as part of Ralston's Holiday Magic. There is always something new to see!

Happy Birthday!

Would you like us to share your birthday with the church? Submit when your birthday is to the church office, and we will share it the week before it happens.

