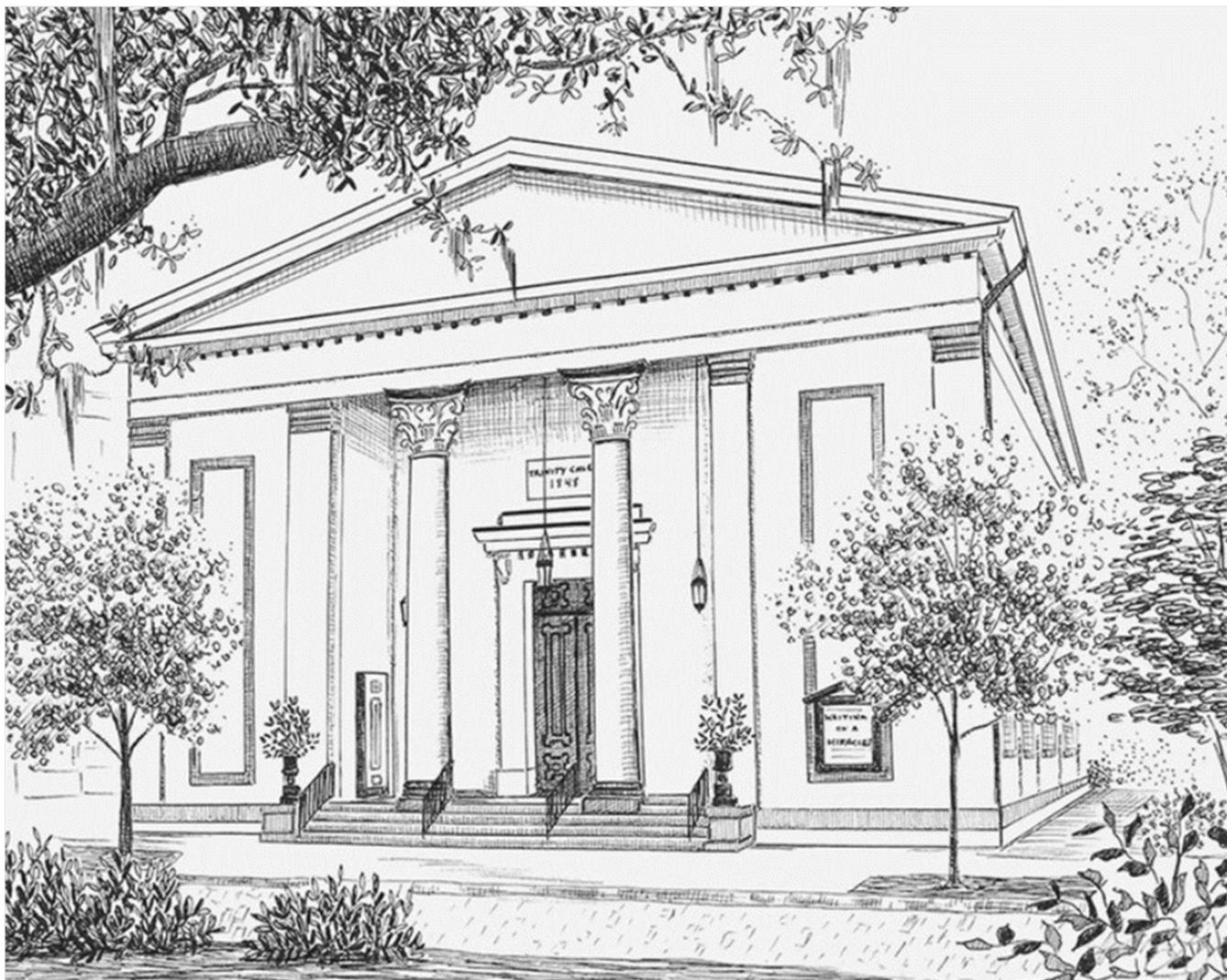


TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Mother Church of Savannah Methodism



2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

THE 1ST DAY OF MARCH TWO-THOUSAND TWENTY-SIX
ELEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

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MORNING WORSHIP

March 1, 2026 . 11:00AM

Prelude

Dr. Jared Register

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.

Choral Introit

Trinity Sanctuary Choir

*Call to Worship

Donna Hammontree

*Leader: Infinite Love, heart of all, invisible mover of the visible, God of life,
You loved this world into knowing your love by putting yourself among us.*

All: God so loved the sparrow, the mountain lions, the fish and the people.

Living Spirit, reside in our hearts and nourish our souls, that we might be born from above.

For God so loved our believing, our needing, our facing, and our showing God's spirit.

Trusting this, we know we are loved, never rejected, and hugged tight forever.

For God so loved the world. Let us worship God!

*Processional Hymn (No. 126)

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

Tune: MIT FREUDEN ZART



Sing praise to God who reigns a-bove, the God of all cre - a - tion, the
The Lord is nev - er far a-way, but through all grief dis - tress - ing, and
Thus, all my toil - some way a-long, I sing a - loud thy prais - es, that
Let all who name Christ's ho - ly name give God all praise and glo - ry; let



God of power, the God of love, the God of our sal - va - tion. With
ev - er pres - ent help and stay, our peace and joy and bless - ing. As
earth may hear the grate - ful song my voice un-wea - ried rais - es. Be
all who own his power pro-claim a - loud the won - drous sto - ry! Cast



heal - ing balm my soul is filled and ev - ery faith - less
with a moth - er's ten - der hand, God gent - ly leads the
joy - ful in the Lord, my heart, both soul and bod - y
each false i - dol from its throne, for Christ is Lord, and



mur - mur stilled: To God all praise and glo - ry.
cho - sen band: To God all praise and glo - ry.
bear your part: To God all praise and glo - ry.
Christ a - lone: To God all praise and glo - ry.

*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

*Hymn (No. 297)

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Tune: ST. CHRISTOPHER

Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I fain would take my stand, the shad - ow of a
 Up - on that cross of Je - sus mine eye at times can see the ver - y dy - ing
 I take, O cross, thy shad - ow for my a - bid - ing place; I ask no oth - er
 might - y rock with - in a wea - ry land; a home with - in the wil - der ness, a
 form of One who suf - fered there for me; and from my strick - en heart with tears two
 sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face; con - tent to let the world go by, to
 rest up - on the way, from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat, and the bur - den of the day.
 won - ders I con - fess: the__ won - ders of re - deem - ing love and__ my un - wor - thi - ness.
 know no gain nor loss, my__ sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my__ glo - ry all the cross.

*Scripture Reading

John 3:1 - 17

Donna Hammontree

Special Music

The Lord is My Shepherd

Trinity Sanctuary Choir

Sermon

Dr. Gosden

Offertory

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*Doxology (No. 298)

When I Survey the Cross, v. 4

Tune: HAMBURG

Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an of - fering
 far too small; love so a - maz - ing, so di -
 vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

The Great Thanksgiving (Bulletin page 5)

Dr. Gosden

The Lord's Prayer (prayed by all)

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by the 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.*

Sharing of the Bread & Cup

+Today's Communion Offering is designated for our JUST outreach ministry

Prayer after Communion

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

*Closing Hymn (No. 545)

The Church's One Foundation

Tune: AURELIA

The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord; she is his new cre -
 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth; her char - ter of sal -
 Though with a scorn - ful won - der we see her sore op - pressed, by schis - ms rent a -
 Mid toil and trib - u - ta - tion, and tu - mult of her war, she waits the con - sum -
 Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God the Three in One, and mys - tic sweet com -
 a - tion by wa - ter and the Word. From heaven he came and sought her to
 va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth; one ho - ly name she bless - es, par -
 sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed, yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their
 ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more; till, with the vi - sion glo - rious, her
 mu - nion with those whose rest is won. O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord,
 be his ho - ly bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 takes one ho - ly food, and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.
 cry goes up, "How long?" And soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 long - ing eyes are blest, and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.
 give us grace that we like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.

*Benediction

Dr. Gosden

Postlude

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The Service of Communion for Lent

Invitation to the Table

Pastor: Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Confession & Pardon

People: *Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.*

We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us we pray.

Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Pastor: Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: *In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.*

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.

You brought all things into being and called them good.

From the dust of the earth you formed us into your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast.

When rain fell upon the earth for forty days and forty nights, you bore up the ark on the waters, saved Noah and his family, and made covenant with every living creature on earth.

When you led your people to Mount Sinai for forty days and forty nights, you gave us your commandments and made us your covenant people.

When your people forsook your covenant, your prophet Elijah fasted for forty days and forty nights; and on your holy mountain he heard your still small voice.

And so, with you people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

When you gave him to save us from our sin, your Spirit led him into the wilderness, where he fasted forty days and forty nights to prepare for his ministry.

When he suffered and died on a cross for our sin, you raised him to life, presented him alive to the apostles during forty days, and exalted him at your right hand.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and Spirit.

Now, when we your people prepare for the yearly feast of Easter, you lead us to repentance for sin and the cleansing of our hearts, that during these forty days of Lent we may be gifted and graced to reaffirm the covenant you made with us through Christ.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and for ever. Amen.

Opportunities for Caring & Healing

Prayer List - Bill and Donna Hammontree & family, Soon-ok Borden, Kay Ervin's sister Joyce, Jeanmarie Collins & family, Kathy Bailey, Chuck Fonner, Anne Rambo, Amy Oliver, David Grice, Ardra Hartz, Frances Richadson, Barry Helmey, Ralph & Vermelle Bailey, Clyde Parker, Addam Wood, JoAnn Nichols, Tom Madron, Mike Cutlip, Duane Heefner, Harvey Jones, Linda Wing, Gloria Borello, Dan Noble, Richard Grice, Hubert Baker, Nicky Olubajo.

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 class that meets in room #316, to study & discuss acts of justice. Currently we are viewing clips of the documentary *1946: The Mistranslation That Shifted Culture*, about a biblical mistranslation impacting LGBTQ+ understanding. Drop in & join us any Sunday. Contact Connie Boole (cboole58@gmail.com or 912.210.1583) or Peggy Hilleary (p_hilleary@yahoo.com or 404.449.1170) to learn more about this small 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, following morning worship. 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. March lunch location: TBA.

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. March lunch location: 5 Spot Sandfly | 7360 Skidaway Road-Savannah.

Creation Care Interest Meeting

Sunday, March 1 | 12:15 PM

Reminder - today, Sunday, March 1, immediately after the worship service, we will hold an interest meeting for our new Trinity "Creation Care" team that will focus on the care of God's creation as it is affected by our physical space and resources. Join us for a light lunch & interest meeting with information shared by Beth Remmes from GIPL - Georgia Interfaith Power & Light. If you have any questions, contact the new Creation Care group leader, Leisel Weatherford at leiselkemp@gmail.com.

Daylight Savings Begins

Sunday, March 8
Remember to "Spring Forward!"

United Women In Faith

Sunday, March 8 | 12:15 PM

The Trinity United Women in Faith, or UWF, will meet on **Sunday, March 8** in the Fellowship Hall at 12:15 PM, immediately following morning worship. March's program will feature speaker Tiffani Hollis, and she will present "Stich-a-hug," a program about how to make scarves for the Christmas Breakfast participants.

All women are invited to join these monthly meetings to learn about the many projects we support and how you can be a powerful witness for God. Potluck lunch meetings are the 2nd Sunday of each month in Fellowship Hall following worship, and families and spouses are always invited to join us for the meal! Contact Dewilla Hooper at dewillahooper@yahoo.com for more info or to RSVP.

Ladies Out To Lunch

Thursday, March 12, 2026 | 11:30 AM

All women are invited to join the monthly "Ladies Out To Lunch" at 11:30 AM on **Thursday, March 12**. Location: The 5 Spot Sandfly - 7360 Skidaway Rd Unit E-1, Savannah, GA 31406. For more information, location details or to RSVP, contact Mary Ann Traver at 912-604-0956 or cwtmat@coastalnow.net or Judy DeShea at judydeshea@gmail.com.

Children's Choir Begins

Sunday, March 15 | 9:45 AM

Our Trinity Children's Choir will begin weekly practices on Sunday, March 15! Danny Jones, Trinity choir member and local music teacher leads this choir, teaching basic music literacy and songs to perform once a semester. They meet for weekly rehearsals every Sunday morning at 9:45 AM in the choir room during the school year, except for when they pause for summer and winter breaks. For more information on the Children's Choir, contact Trinity's Director of Music Ministries, Jared Register, at jregistermusic@gmail.com.

Rehearsal Time: Sunday mornings at 9:45 AM

Location: Music Suite - Choir Room (2nd floor)

Performances: Special Services & Events

Band of Mothers

Sunday, March 22 | 12:15 PM

Date Change! The March Band of Mothers meeting will move forward to Sunday, March 22. We will be hosting an Easter Egg Stuffing Party immediately following the Sunday 11:00 AM service. The gathering will include a light lunch, a short devotion, and an egg-stuffing session ahead of the annual Easter egg hunt on Telfair Square.

This group invites mothers of all kinds to come together from all stages of life, joining forces to navigate the world of motherhood in community together! Childcare can be provided for the church meetings. To learn more, or get the link for donating supplies for the March event, reach out to Jessica Hensley at 912-596-1159 with any questions.

Church Discipleship Survey

We at Trinity Church have developed a member engagement & discipleship survey to learn more about how you, the congregation, engage with the church, and how your demographics and real-life dynamics effect what you want and need from us, especially in regards to discipleship. The goal of this survey is to ascertain ways to best meet people where they are (as Jesus did) and offer accessible, meaningful experiences to grow more deeply in Jesus' love and service, personally and in community. Please take this quick survey using the link at the QR Code here, or the link in your weekly newsletter.



**Take The
Survey**

This Week at Trinity Church

Sunday, March 1 (today)

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

 **Creation Care Interest mtg with light lunch | Fellowship Hall**

Wednesday, March 4

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

Beyond This Week at Trinity

United Women in Faith lunch mtg | March 8

begin Daylight Savings Time | March 8

Ladies Out to Lunch | March 12

begin Spring **CHILDRENS CHOIR** *rehearsals | Mar 15*

St. Patrick's Day | March 17

Band of Mothers | March 22

Telfair Squares Lunch Bunch | March 26

Sunday Breakfast Mission | March 29

Discipleship Lenten Retreat | March 29

SAVANNAH MUSIC FESTIVAL

MARCH 25 -
APRIL 5

Backpack Buddies Volunteers

Packer - Dawn Wilson

Driver - Barry Welker

Recent Attendance

Feb 22 (Savannah): 104

Feb 22 (Albany): 14

Feb 22 (Online): 38

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Sunday Parking

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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