TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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NOVEMBER 29, 2026

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Services at 9:45 and 11:00 a.m.

†Please rise in body or in spirit.

CHAPEL SERVICE

8:30 a.m.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR — Douglas Chaplow

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

PRELUDE — J.S. Bach
"Nun Komm, der Heiden Heiland"
Douglas Chaplow, organ

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE | HOPE
Stephanie Johnson

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN — Hymnal #211
"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (vs. 1, 2, 6)

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH — Hymnal #881
The Apostles' Creed

†GLORIA PATRI — Hymnal #71

THE LORD'S PRAYER — Hymnal #895

OFFERTORY — César Franck
"Come, Thou Dear Redeemer"
Gregory Hilliard, baritone

†DOXOLOGY "Old 100th" — Hymnal #95

†GOSPEL LESSON
Luke 1:5-25
The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON — Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams
Light of the World: "The Meaning of Memory"

†RECESSIONAL HYMN — Hymnal #196
"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

†BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

†POSTLUDE "In Dir ist Freude" — J.S. Bach
Douglas Chaplow, organ

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

9:45 a.m.

†WORSHIP SONG — "King Of Kings"

†WORSHIP SONG — "Cornerstone"

†WELCOME AND MISSION STATEMENT

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE | HOPE
Karen and Max Taylor

†PASSING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY HYMN
"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus""

†GOSPEL LESSON
Luke 1:5-25

SERMON — Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams
Light of the World: "The Meaning of Memory"

†WORSHIP SONG — "Living Hope"

†WORSHIP SONG — "O Come To The Altar"

†BENEDICTION/THE LORD'S PRAYER

During the worship songs, you are invited to utilize the Prayer Station by the stained-glass window and light a candle as you pray.

Nursery care is available on Sunday mornings for children ages two and younger.

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

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

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CHIMING OF THE HOUR — Douglas Chaplow

WELCOME AND MISSION STATEMENT
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PRELUDE — "Nun Komm, der Heiden Heiland" — J.S. Bach
Douglas Chaplow, organ

INTROIT — "The Lord of Hosts Is With Us" — Daniel E. Gawthrop
Chancel Choir

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE | HOPE — Bill and Paula Smith

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN — "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (vs. 1, 2, 6) — Hymnal #277

†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 withend end. Amen. Amen.

†OPENING PRAYER

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in slumber but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

†PASSING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

†SONG OF PEACE — "The First Song of Isaiah" — TFWS #2030

Surely, it is God who saves me;
I will trust in him and not be afraid.
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,
and he will be my Savior.

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, Mary Ann Moore, Beverly Burleson, Meg Hilaman
Club Car Drivers | Edward Young, Ben Gilleland, Jimmy Henderson, Ed Dowell

Call the church office at 850-222-1120 to reserve altar flowers for the Sunday services in the sanctuary.

ANTHEM	"Lo, How A Rose" Chancel Choir	arr. Diane Bish

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER		Hymnal #895
PRAYER RESPONSE	"Lead Me, Lord" Chancel Choir	Daniel E. Gawthrop
OFFERTORY	"Come, Thou Dear Redeemer" Gregory Hilliard, baritone	César Franck
†DOXOLOGY	"Old 100th"	Hymnal #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†GOSPEL LESSON Luke 1:5-25
The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams
Light of the World: "The Meaning of Memory"

†RECESSIONAL HYMN	"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"	Hymnal #196
†BLESSING		Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams
†CHORAL BENEDICTION	"God Be in My Head" Chancel Choir	Daniel E. Gawthrop
†POSTLUDE	"In Dir ist Freude" Douglas Chaplow, organ	J.S. Bach

The flowers adorning the altar today are given to the Glory of God in celebration of the birthdays of Palmer and Leslie Williams. With love from Cameron, Julie, Fran, and Bill.

Nursery care is available on Sunday mornings for children ages two and younger.
We welcome our little ones in room 204 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Rev. Dr. Matthew M. Williams, Senior Pastor
Rev. Dr. Ivy Smith, Associate Pastor | Rev. E. Wayne Curry, Minister of Pastoral Care
Alex Taylor, Director of Contemporary Music | Gregory Hilliard, Director of Traditional Music
Douglas Chaplow, Organist

WELCOME

Welcome to worship today! We're glad you are here. If you're visiting, fill out a Visitor Connect Card or scan the QR code, and on your way out, be sure to see one of our ushers for a small gift to thank you for joining us!

PRAYER REQUESTS

May we pray for you? Prayer cards can be found in the Welcome Center and narthex. Prayer requests are listed by **name** only. Please lift up in prayer...

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CHURCH DIRECTORIES ARE IN!

Directories will be distributed today and next Sunday, December 6, one per family. A directory station will be set up in the Welcome Center after each service. You can also pick up your directory in the church office during business hours.

ANGEL TREE

Visit one of our Angel Trees in Moor Hall or the narthex. Each "Wishlist" tag identifies a gift requested by a child, individual, or family. Simply select a tag, purchase the gift, and **return it unwrapped by the afternoon of December 6.** For more information, contact: Gail London at gaillondon142@yahoo.com. Our Angel Tree ministry partners with The Christmas Connection, sponsored by Catholic Charities.

SNACK PACK ASSEMBLY

Today, our Snack Pack Ministry Team needs your help assembling snack packs for our unhoused neighbors. Volunteers are needed at 10:45 to set up the assembly line, and directly after the 11:00 service to assemble the snack packs.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

We welcome our newest members, Ana Marty, Samantha Moore, Vincent Moore, Beth Robertson, Abby Thomas, Geren Thomas, Randy Trousdell, Juliet Yaques, Katie Yaques, who joined Trinity United Methodist Church on Sunday, November 22, 2026.

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Sunday, November 29

8:30 a.m.	Chapel Service
8:30 a.m.	Yates Heritage Center Open
9:45 a.m.	Contemporary Service
8:30/9:45/11:00 a.m.	Sunday School
10:45 a.m.	Snack Pack Assembly
11:00 a.m.	Liturgical Service
12:15 p.m.	Snack Pack Assembly
4:00 p.m.	Youth Praise Band
5:00 p.m.	Steel Pans
5:00 p.m.	UMYF
6:15 p.m.	Jubilation Bells

Monday, November 30

9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
11:00 a.m.	Snack Pack Distribution
6:30 p.m.	Centering Prayer

Tuesday, December 1

7:00 a.m.	Men's Daybreak
9:45 a.m.	BFC Staying Strong
11:00 a.m.	BFC Variety Mix
1:00 p.m.	Heavenly Chimes
6:30 p.m.	Celebrate Recovery
7:30 p.m.	Young Adult Bible Study

Wednesday, December 2

3:15 p.m.	NETKids
4:15 p.m.	Richard Andrews' Bible Study
5:30 p.m.	Dinner
5:30 p.m.	Yates Heritage Center Open
6:15 p.m.	Parenting Village
6:15 p.m.	Trinity Ringers
6:30 p.m.	Praise Band
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir

Thursday, December 3

11:00 a.m.	Snack Pack Distribution
12:10 p.m.	BFC Staying Strong Christmas Party

Friday, December 4

10:00 a.m.	Friday Study Group

Today is the fifth Sunday of the month, and we invite you to give to support Residing Hope through your offering.

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

Sunday School | Serving | Fellowship | Giving

Our Vision

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.

Our Mission

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

Trinity United Methodist Church
Deck the Halls and Wreath Order Form
2026

Traditionally, our church has adorned the sanctuary during the Advent season with flowers and wreaths given in memory or honor of loved ones. This year, rather than ordering poinsettias for members to pick up, our Altar Guild will be decorating the sanctuary windows and other areas with festive greenery to celebrate the Christmas season. To help make this possible, we are establishing a "Deck the Halls Fund." Members are invited to contribute to this fund and designate their gifts in memory or honor of a loved one. Although there will be no poinsettias to take home this year, your contribution will help make our church beautiful for the season while honoring those you hold dear.

Sanctuary Wreaths | There will be (10) ten wreaths for the sanctuary windows ($100 each) and (3) three altar wreaths ($120 each) available in honor or in memory of a loved one that will remain in the sanctuary throughout the season and will not be available for take-home. **These orders will be received at the Church Office only on a first come, first served basis and must be reserved.** Contact (850) 222-1120 to make your reservation.

Deck the Halls | Contributions to this fund will help provide beautiful decorations for all Christmas Eve worship services. Gifts of any amount may be made in honor or memory of a loved one, with each contribution recognized in the Christmas Eve worship bulletin. A suggested donation of $25 is appreciated.

Please fill in the information below and include your payment to Trinity (memo: Deck the Halls). Please use an offering envelope for the form and payment if you want to place it in the offering plate. If you prefer, you may mail the form to: Trinity UMC, P.O. Box 1086, Tallahassee, FL 32302. **Order forms must be received in the church office by Sunday, December 13, 2026.**

Your Name: _____ Phone Number:_____

Email Address: _____

Please circle "in honor" or "in memory" and print names clearly.

I would like to make a "Deck the Halls" contribution in honor / in memory of:

1. Name _____

I would like to make a "Deck the Halls" contribution in honor / in memory of:

2. Name _____

I would like to make a "Deck the Halls" contribution in honor / in memory of:

3. Name _____