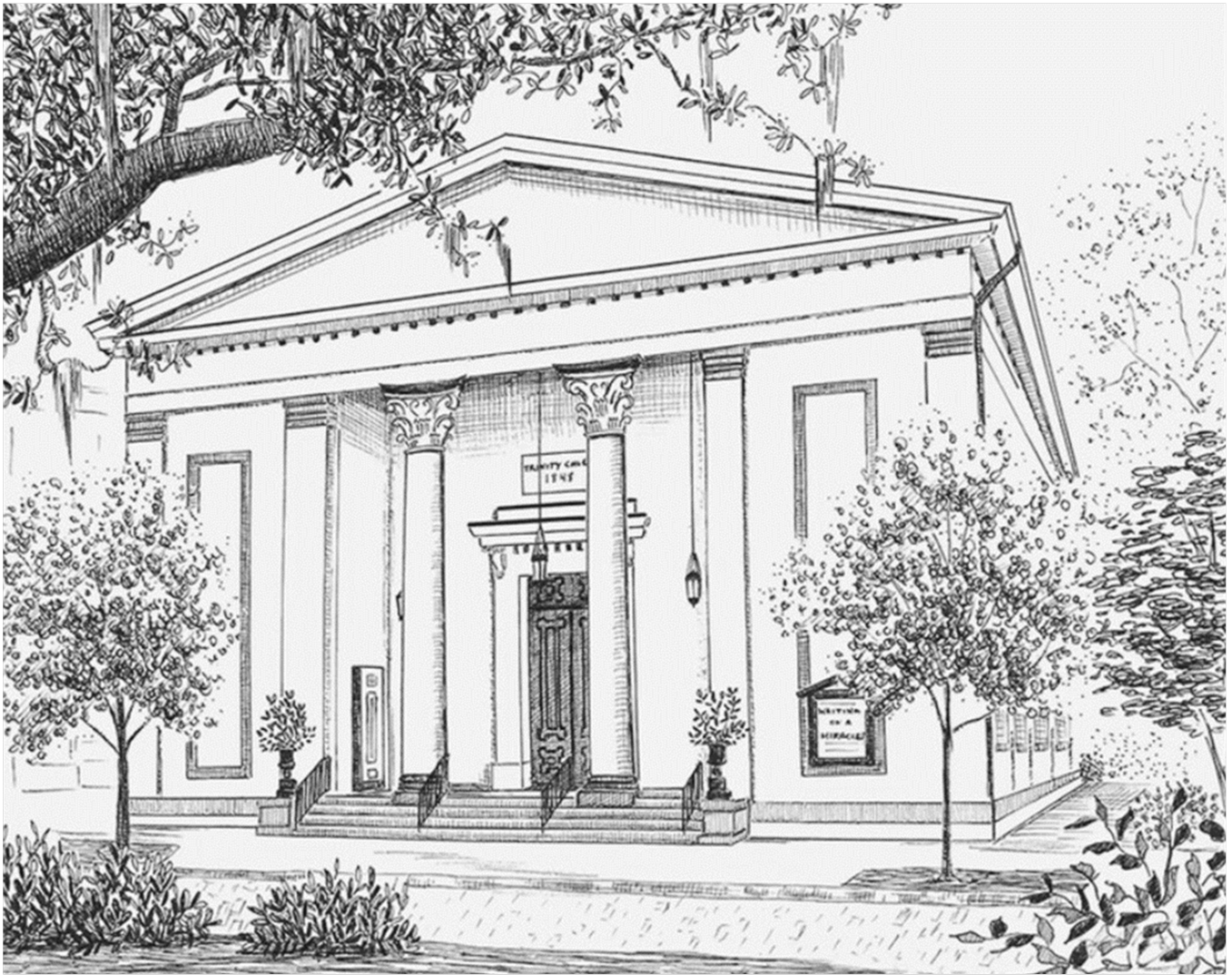


TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Mother Church of Savannah Methodism



5TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

THE 8TH DAY OF FEBRUARY TWO-THOUSAND TWENTY-SIX
ELEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

225 WEST PRESIDENT STREET . SAVANNAH, GEORGIA, 31401 . WWW.TRINITY1848.ORG

MORNING WORSHIP

February 8, 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

Precious Lord

Trinity Sanctuary Choir

*Call to Worship

Andrew Cosey

Leader: We are called to bring a new understanding: that God so loves the world.

All: We are the salt, bringing out the God-flavors of this earth.

We are called to bring new hope: that God gives us new life.

We are the light, bringing out the God-colors in this world.

We are called to show how God's law is love.


We are God's law of love, ever present to be alive and working.

Come, let us worship God.

*Processional Hymn (No. 139)

Praise to the Lord Almighty

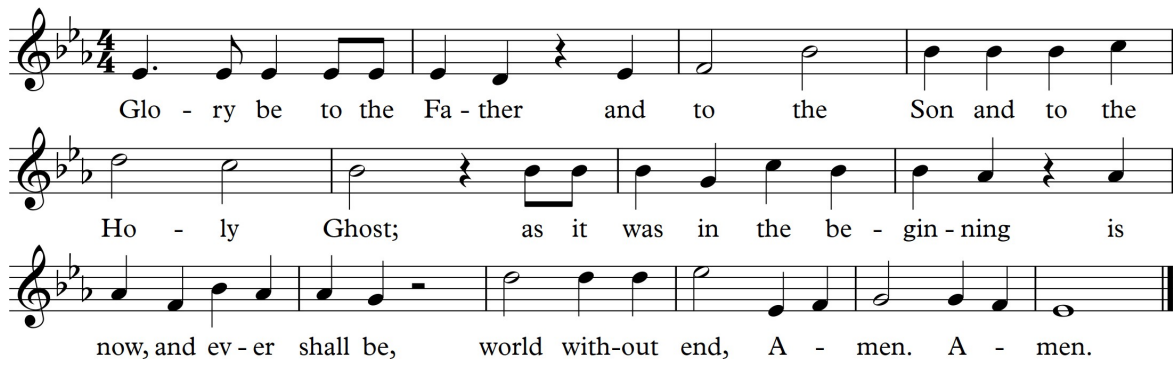
Tune: LOBE DEN HERREN



Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion! O my soul,
Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly reign - ing bears thee on
Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de - fend thee; sure - ly his
Praise to the Lord, who doth nour - ish thy life and re - store thee, fit - ting thee
Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a - dore him! All that hath

praise him, for he is thy health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear,
ea - gle's wings, e'er in his keep - ing main - tain - ing. God's care en - folds
good - ness and mer - cy here dai - ly at - tend thee. Pon - der a - new
well for the tasks that are ev - er be - fore thee. Then to thy need
life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men

now to his tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
all, whose true good he up - holds. Hast thou not known his sus - tain - ing?
what the Al - might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.
God as a moth - er doth speed, spread - ing the wings of grace o'er thee.
sound from his peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him.



*Passing of the Peace

Children's Moment

Morning Prayer

Dr. Gosden

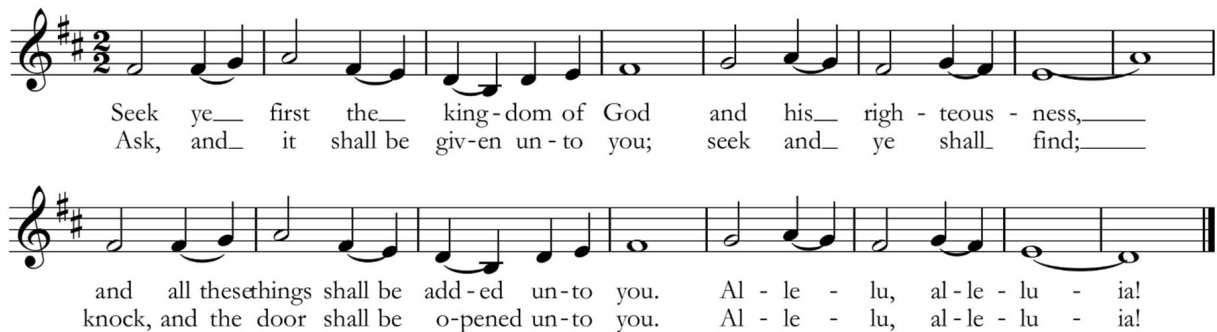
The Lord's Prayer (*prayed by all*)

*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. 405)

Seek Ye First

Tune: SEEK YE



*Scripture Reading

Matthew 5 : 13 - 20

Andrew Cosey

Choral Anthem

Keep Your Lamps

Trinity Sanctuary Choir

Sermon

Dr. Gosden

Offertory

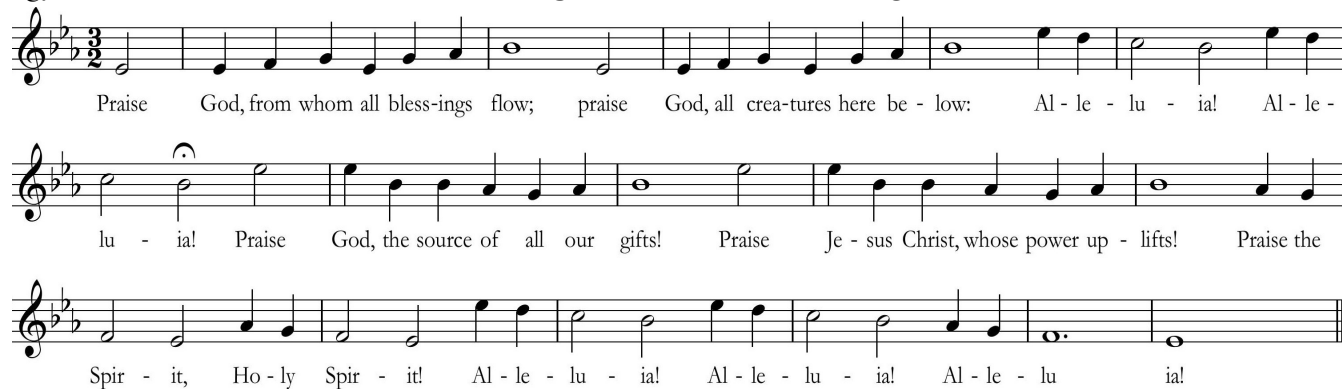
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*Doxology (No. 94)

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN



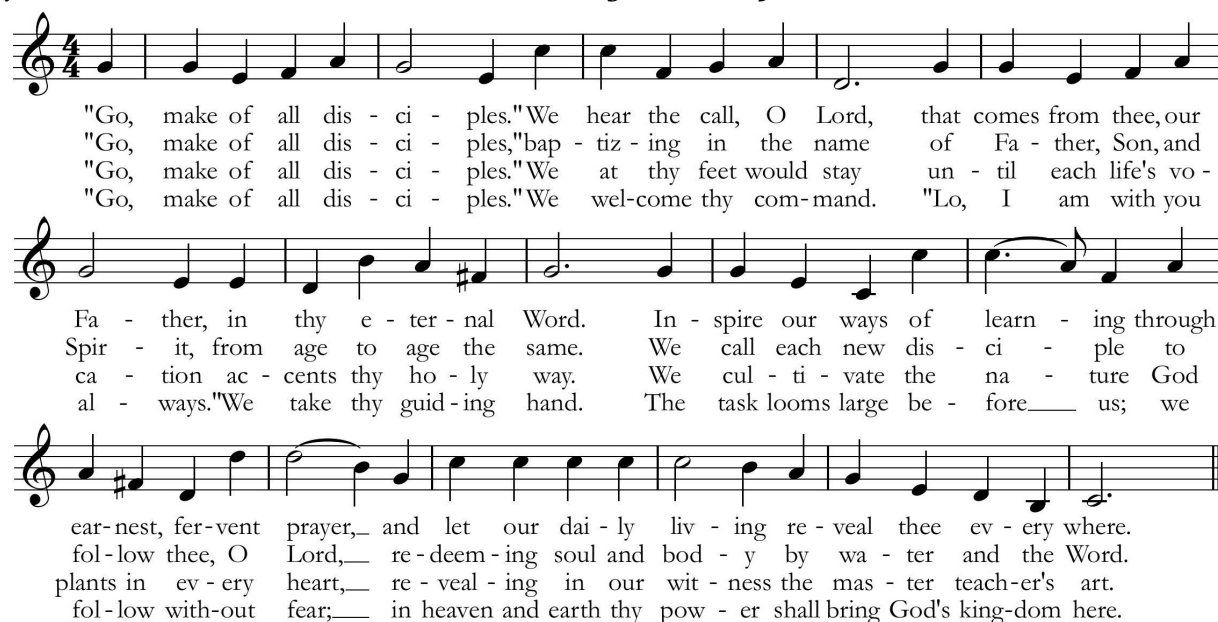
Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise God, all crea-tures here be - low: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Je - sus Christ, whose power up - lifts! Praise the Spir - it, Ho - ly Spir - it! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu ia!

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

*Closing Hymn (No. 571)

Go, Make of All Disciples

Tune: LANCASHIRE



"Go, make of all dis - ci - ples." We hear the call, O Lord, that comes from thee, our
 "Go, make of all dis - ci - ples," bap - tiz - ing in the name of Fa - ther, Son, and
 "Go, make of all dis - ci - ples." We at thy feet would stay un - til each life's vo -
 "Go, make of all dis - ci - ples." We wel-come thy com-mand. "Lo, I am with you
 Fa - ther, in thy e - ter - nal Word. In - spire our ways of learn - ing through
 Spir - it, from age to age the same. We call each new dis - ci - ple to
 ca - tion ac - cents thy ho - ly way. We cul - ti - vate the na - ture God
 al - ways." We take thy guid - ing hand. The task looms large be - fore us; we
 ear-nest, fer-vent prayer, and let our dai - ly liv - ing re - veal thee ev - ery where.
 fol-low thee, O Lord, re-deem-ing soul and bod - y by wa - ter and the Word.
 plants in ev - ery heart, re - veal - ing in our wit - ness the mas - ter teach-er's art.
 fol-low with-out fear; in heaven and earth thy pow - er shall bring God's king-dom here.

*Benediction

Dr. Gosden

Postlude

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God in celebration of the baptism of Lydia Grace Burkhart, and honoring the birthdays of her parents, Rich & Rebecca.

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SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Lydia Grace Burkhart

Pastor: *Brothers and sisters in Christ:*

Through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of Salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

The pastor addresses the parent:

On behalf of the whole church, I ask you:

Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?

I do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

I do.

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations and races?

I do.

Will you nurture this child in Christ's holy church, that by your teaching and example they may be guided to accept God's grace for themselves, to profess their faith openly, and to lead a Christian life?

I will.

The pastor addresses the congregation:

Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include this person now before you in your care?

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround this child with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.

The pastor places hands over the water and says:

Pour out your Holy Spirit, to bless this gift of water and they who receive it, to wash away their sin and clothe them in righteousness throughout their life, that, dying and being raised with Christ, they may share in his final victory.

*Lydia Grace, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.***

*The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit, you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. **Amen.***

The pastor addresses the congregation:

Now it is our joy to welcome our new sister in Christ.

Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus.

With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you as a member of the family of Christ.

Opportunities for Caring & Healing

Prayer List - David Grice, Chuck Fonner, Anne Rambo, Amy Oliver, Frances Richadson, Barry Helmey, Ralph & Vermelle Bailey, Clyde Parker, Addam Wood, JoAnn Nichols, Jeanmarie Collins, Tom Madron, Mike Cutlip, Duane Heefner, Harvey Jones, Linda Wing, 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 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. February lunch location: PaPa's BBQ & Seafood, 119 Charlotte Road | Savannah.

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: Georgia Comfort Kitchen - 109 Traveler's Way | Port Wentworth.



Thursday, Feb. 12 All women are invited to join the monthly "Ladies Out To Lunch" at 11:30 AM on Thursday, **February 12**. Location: Georgia Comfort Kitchen, 109 Traveler's Way, Savannah, GA 31407 . Contact: Mary Ann Traver at 912-604-0956/cwtmat@coastalnow.net or Judy DeShea at judydeshea@gmail.com.



Tuesday, Feb. 17 Join us at 6:00 PM on Shrove **6:00 PM** Tuesday, February 17, for the annual pancake supper to raise sponsorship money for the children and youth going to Camp Connect this summer. The \$5 suggested donation per person and all other donations will go towards camp registration fees. If you are unable to attend but still want to support them, you can donate online through the Online Giving page - just select Youth Ministries or Children's Ministries on the top "Give to" drop-down menu, or include "2026 Camp" in the memo. We need parent volunteers! Signup at the page linked here.



Saturday, Feb. 14 The annual Wesley Love Walk fundraiser will be on **Saturday, February 14**. This annual fundraising event helps provide a variety of services for impoverished adults and families in the Savannah area. We would LOVE to have you join the Trinity walkers (Jessica Hensley & BOM, Cale Hall, Connie Boole & Justice team). If you cannot attend, but want to contribute, please consider a donation! Join us to show how much we support this critical local organization and all the work they do for our community.



Wednesday, Feb. 18 Our Ash Wednesday service will **6:00 PM** be on Wednesday, February 18 at 6:00 PM. Begin the season of Lent with this 30-minute service where we will sing, pray, and receive the imposition of ashes. This can be a powerful nonverbal and experiential way of participating in the call to repentance and reconciliation, as we begin the Lenten journey towards Easter Sunday. Nursery childcare will be provided for small children from birth to 4 years old.

Lunch & LEARN

Join us for the next monthly Lunch & Learn Discipleship Seminar on Sunday, February 22nd! This is a great opportunity for members and friends to enrich our Discipleship in ways that bring spiritual balance—both individually and in community. Seminars will end promptly at 1:00 PM if you would like to go get lunch elsewhere after the event, and everyone is welcome to attend! Registration is only required if you wish to order a boxed lunch or reserve childcare. Walk-ins are welcome if you want to join last minute or bring a friend. Childcare is available with registration - use the form at the link here. For more details, contact Amy Utley at amy@trinity1848.org. We will use the book Sacred Balance throughout these events, but book purchase is not necessary.



Monthly Discipleship Seminar
Topic: Sabbath - Rest & Renewal
February 22, 2026 | 12:15 - 1:00 PM

This Week at Trinity Church

Sunday, February 8 (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

United Women in Faith lunch mtg ~ Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, February 11

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, February 12

Ladies Out to Lunch ~ 11:30am | Georgia Comfort Kitchen

109 Traveler's Way-Port Wentworth

Committee on Finance mtg ~ 5:30pm | Fellowship Hall

Saturday, February 14

Love Walk ~ 8am | Wesley Community Center

1601 Drayton Street-Savannah

Beyond This Week at Trinity

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper | Feb 17

Lent Begins

Ash Wednesday | Feb 18

Discipleship Lunch & Learn | Feb 22

Telfair Squares Lunch Bunch | Feb 26



Coastal District
Great Day of Service
Feb 28
Isle of Hope UMC

The Order of Business at Trinity

Board of Trustees mtg | Feb 3 | 5:30pm

Committee on Finance mtg | Feb 12 | 5:30pm

Church Council lunch mtg | Feb 15

Recent Attendance

Feb 1 (Savannah): 44

Feb 1 (Albany): 20

Feb 1 Online: 98

January 2026

Operating
Income \$36,718

Operating
Expenses \$37,037

Backpack Buddies Volunteers

Packer - Dewilla Hooper

Driver - Dawn Wilson

2025 Statements of Giving

were sent via email on

Friday, January 30th.

If you have questions about your statement or prefer that a copy be mailed to you, please contact Church Administrator Lacy Wilson.

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Church App

Download the church app at the link below to check-in on Sundays, send prayer requests, get info on church events, contribute to an offering, and more. You can also search for "Trinity Church Savannah" on the app store.

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