

*PEACE AND TRINITY UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCHES  
25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost: November 19, 2023*

*Trinity & Peace Unified Mission Statement*

**We the people** of Trinity and Peace United Methodist Churches are compelled by God to build His Kingdom. We are guided by Biblical truth.

**We are committed** to unifying as one church to receive and serve all people with the compassionate and unconditional love of Jesus.

**We are passionate** to assist people to find restoration and hope through the life changing transformation offered by Jesus!

**We are aware** of the abundant grace God has lavished on our lives which drives our passion to serve in unity.

**As a unified Church** we will be empowered by Jesus to develop a flourishing and thriving Christ centered community.

**With God all things are possible!**



*Please silence or quiet your cell phone so we can worship and celebrate God together.*

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

*\*This mark invited those who are able to please stand*

**PRELUDE** *Janet Stevens, Oboe  
Shirley Steiner accompanist*

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**L:** We are God's people, brought together in Christ.

**P:** We come into God's presence with humility and wonder.

**L:** We come to worship the Lord our God; to have our hearts filled

with love and our faith renewed for service.

**P:** Let us give our thanks and praise to the Holy One

who makes us one body in the Spirit of Christ!

**L:** And it is in his life-giving name we pray.

**All:** Amen

**PASTOR'S OPENING PRAYER**

**\*HYMN** *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* 89

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** -- UMH #885

**L:** Where the Spirit of the Lord is,  
There is the one true church, apostolic, and universal,  
Whose holy faith let us now declare:

**P:** We believe in God the Father,  
Infinite in wisdom, power, and love,  
Whose mercy is over all his works,  
And whose will is ever directed  
to his children's good.

We believe in Jesus Christ,  
Son of God and Son of Man,  
The gift of the Father's unfailing grace,  
The ground of our hope,  
And the promise of our deliverance  
from sin and death.

We believe in the Holy Spirit  
As the divine presence in our lives,  
Whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance  
Of the truth of Christ,  
And find strength and help in time of need.

We believe that this faith should manifest itself  
In the service of love  
As set forth in our example of our blessed Lord,  
To the end that the kingdom of God  
may come upon the earth. Amen.

**MINI-MESSAGE (for Children of All Ages)**

**WORSHIP IN GIVING**

**A Word About Giving**

**Offertory**

**\*Doxology (All Sing)**

**Praise God from who all blessings flow,  
Praise him, all creatures here below;**

**Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**WORSHIP IN PRAYER**

**Silent, Individual Prayers**

**Pastor's Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer (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** *Faith We Sing Hymnal* *Gather Us In* 2236

**WORSHIP IN THE WORD**

**Scripture Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 (NIV)

**Scripture Lesson:** Matthew 25:14-30 (NIV)

**Sermon:** "Investing With the Master"

**\*HYMN** *He Lives* 310

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

**Peace:**

**Hymn Leader:** Kathy Schweinefus & Connie Frye

**Pianist:** Jennifer Hall

**Scripture Reader:** Katherine Hall

**Sound Operator:** Paul Knower

**Trinity:**

**Pianist:** Jennifer Hall

**Scripture Reader:** Jerry Bower

**Prayer: Lord Jesus, May I be unafraid to  
invest in the kingdom of God. Amen**

### ***PEACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH***

#### **This Week's Events:**

- 19 Seekers Class: 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service: 10:45 a.m.  
21 **NO** Women's Bible Study: 10:00 a.m.  
23 Happy Thanksgiving. The office is closed

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- 26 Seekers Class: 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service: 10:45 a.m.  
28 Women's Bible Study: 10:00 a.m. – Trinity Library  
Hanging of the Greens: 10:00 a.m. - Peace  
29 Church Ad Council: 6:30 p.m. – Seeker's Classroom  
30 Al Anon: Noon

### ***TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH***

#### **This Week's Events:**

- 19 Worship Service: 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:45 a.m.  
20 Ad Council: 4:00 p.m. - Library  
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TODAY'S COFFEE HOUR HOSPITALITY HOST ....  
Many thanks to Dianne Monson for hosting  
coffee hour today.

### ***Peace United Methodist Church***

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Ministers: All the People  
Office Manager: Joan Wheeler  
Treasurer: Victor Vlasak

### ***Trinity United Methodist Church***

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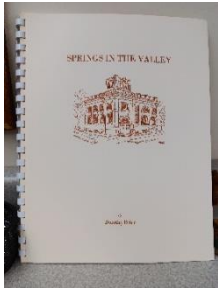
Administrative Assistant: Joan Wheeler  
Treasurer/Financial Secretary: Monica Eernisse  
Custodian: Bill Twining

### ***Peace and Trinity United Methodist Churches 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost November 19, 2023***



*Well Done,*  
thou good and  
faithful servant...  
enter thou into  
the joy of thy lord.

Matthew 25:21, KJV



“**Springs of the Valley**” by Dorothy Brice are available at Peace. They can be found on the counter in Peace Plaza or on the table in the North Room by the steps. Please take a copy if you wish. There are also a few in the Narthex at Trinity for anyone to take.



### A Job Well Done!

The Missions Committee is proud to announce that this year’s auction brought in a staggering **\$2,200** that will go to the David & Solange Makobo for their work in Senegal, Africa.

They would like to thank the following people for their hard work that night. Kurt Monson whose skills had us laughing while we emptied our wallets. Our intrepid clerk, Diane Monson, kept the purchases in order and cashier: Chris Storer kept the finances in order. Our energetic auction helpers: Jim Weber and Joan Bethke. They displayed auction items and kept things moving right along. Our energetic young runners: Ellie and Ben Otto made sure the purchases went to the correct buyers. A Great big THANKS for everyone who came, ate, bid and purchased our items. It was a team effort and we couldn’t have gotten it done without everyone’s help. There will be full detailed report in the December Chimes.

Please check out the colorful picture display found at Trinity in the Narthex. At Peace: on the bulletin board in Peace Plaza.



Our Charge/Church Conference will be December 11<sup>th</sup>. Trinity at 4:00 p.m. and Peace at 5:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Rev. Kimberly Brumm will be the facilitator for both churches. All Professing members are invited to your churches conference.

## United Methodist Student Day – November 26th



United Methodist Student Day was originally Special Sunday founded by United Methodist Church Sunday schools who collected offerings to help advance education for their children. The fund was originally established in 1872 as the Children’s Fund. Today, United Methodist Student Day Sunday has the same purpose, calling upon the denomination to support their students as they prepare for life by adding knowledge to their faith.

Every year, General Board of Higher Education and Ministry awards an average of \$5.5 million in financial aid to United Methodist students. The offering taken on United Methodist Student Day is one opportunity to support these scholarships. Every dollar – yes 100% – received goes towards supporting and educating a new generation of principled Christian leaders for the church and the world. Supporting this Special Sunday is truly an investment in our future.

Currently, there are over 70 scholarships available for undergraduate, graduate, or doctoral United Methodist students. Financial support for all General Board of Higher Education and Ministry scholarships come from five primary sources: 63% from endowments; 22% from wills and annuities; 13% from United Methodist Special Sundays and 1% from online gifts and fiduciary income. All donations received empower and encourage our students that we are investing in them and our future.

We are blessed to support thousands of students through scholarships, but we would like to do more. Our funds are limited, and every awards cycle we end up with a large pool of qualified candidates who we are unable to help because there was no money left to give. You can help us change that! Donate now and help more students answer God’s call to higher education.



**Advent Candle lighters and readers** are needed **at Trinity**. The Sundays are: December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and the 24<sup>th</sup>. We need 4 Scripture readers for our Joint Christmas Eve Candlelight service at Trinity. We are asking for readers for Christmas Eve Service from both churches. The candlelight service will be 7:00 p.m.. Please see Joan (office) if you can help. If you’re early enough, you can pick your Sunday.

**Thanks to Peace** for they have all of their scripture/candle lighters in place for December.



**I am for sale at Peace.** There are two of us and we match! We’ve been cut down from an old pew and want to go home with you. Please make a bid and if you’re lucky, you can take me home when the time is right.

The money raised from the sale of these two pews will go towards a scholarship. We have a couple of bids already. Let’s get the ball rolling and get more people to bid on us. You can see us in Peace Plaza.

### Thanksgiving Dinner at St. John’s Lutheran Church



St. John’s Lutheran Church is once again offering Thanksgiving dinners to those who are shut in or alone for the holiday. You are asked to please contact St. John’s at 608-647-3000 by no later than Noon on Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, for deliver or pickup on Thursday. The dinners are either pick up or delivery within a 2-mile radius of the city on Thursday between Noon and 1:00 p.m.

The meal is free but they will accept a donation as well.

## Mission Project at Peace For November

At the last Ad Council meeting our next Mission project was discussed. It was decided to make our Mission focus for November Lydia's House Ministries. This will be the Homeless Shelter and A Child's Place. Please mark your envelope or check for either one and place in the offering plate.

## Mission Project at Trinity for November

Our mission focus will be the DAV van service. This was a Mission project a couple of years ago and we've decided to bring it back this year.



The Disabled American Veterans (DAV) is a non-profit charity that provides a lifetime of support for veterans of all generations and their families, helping more than 1 million veterans in positive, life-changing ways each year. The DAV was created

in 1920 by WWI vets for disabled military veterans. It was issued a federal charter in 1932 and currently has over 1 million members.

This is a very worthwhile mission for our veterans.

For more information, please read the November issue of The CHIMES. Page 3 will give you the full scoop of this wonderful mission project. Or look on the Missions board in the Narthex for the full article.



**Trinity's Children's Christmas program** will be held December 10<sup>th</sup> during our worship service. Please plan to come and hear our young people. They are awesome!



## Peace

November Birthdays			
Gavin Gochenaaur	11/2	Landen Moore	11/15
Tyler Woodman	11/4	Joan Wheeler	11/22
Claudia Berres	11/11	Laverne Gulsrus	11/29
Mark Dunn	11/12	Cheryl Winger	11/30

## November Anniversaries

Mark & Connie Dunn 11/15  
Terry & Barb Nimocks 11/27

## Trinity

November Birthdays			
Clara Shannon	11/4	Kurt Monson	11/18
Declan Bee	11/6	Joan Wheeler	11/22
Laurie Stephens-Vance	11/10	Sandy Brice	11/23
Kathy Cianci	11/14	Kynli Ludwig	11/23
Julianna Shannon	11/15	Patty Hill	11/24
Frances R. Cooper	11/18	Corrina Mott	11/25
Monica Eernisse	11/18	Jarred Schenider	11/27
		Lucas Turgasen	11/27

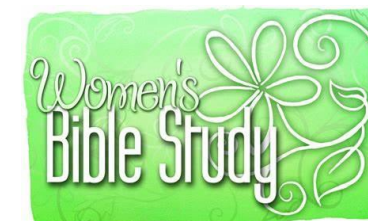
## Announcements

**Peace Only.** Things that hold a meaning for you are being offered to our members. If there is a picture, chair, clock, hymnal, Bible, tables, etc. you would like to keep as a remembrance of Peace, please put your name on a post it note and place on the item you want. At our last Worship service, please take the item with you that you want. This is a limited time offer as the new buyers will be able to go through in another week and see what they want to stay at church for their use. Please note office items are exempt.



**At Peace on November 28<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. - noon** we will be decorating the church for Christmas. There will be a We will be ordering pizza for everyone to enjoy. Beverages will be provided.

**At Trinity on December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00 a.m. - Noon** we will be decorating the church for Christmas. The Sunday school classes will meet to make ornaments for the Christmas tree.



**Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study** will **NOT MEET** on November 21<sup>st</sup>. They will resume again on the 28<sup>th</sup> of November. They will also not meet on December 19<sup>th</sup> and

26<sup>th</sup> and also on January 2, 2024.