



THE HIGHLIGHTER

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From the Pastor's Pen...



Dear Trinity Church Family,

October was Pastor Appreciation Month, and boy, did you all outdo yourselves! Thank you for the expressions of love, support, gifts, cards and especially the presentation during 10:30 AM worship on October 18.

Since November is usually Thanksgiving month, let me say how **THANKFUL** I am for each of you who loves the Lord Jesus and serves Him at Trinity. I not only thank you, but want you to know I thank God **FOR YOU**, each and every day we're together!

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Jim
Dr. James E. Swecker
Lead Pastor

TUMC Mission Statement:

**"To ignite such a passion,
for Jesus Christ
and His teachings, that it
sets our world on fire."**

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Blessings, Thanks & Prayers

Prayers for Those Who Have Been Hospitalized Recently...

Chris Lusby, Al Schwencer and Bill Thomas

Praise God for New Life and Congratulations to...

† Daniel and Brandi Hutchins, who welcomed their new son
~ Hunter Marvin Hutchins ~ on September 30. Grandparents, Marvin and
Lori Hutchins, are excited too!

Welcome to the Trinity UMC Family...

† Greg and Jill Veit, who joined Trinity by Profession of Faith, on
October 18.

Visitation List...

Glenn Conner - 165 Dares Beach Road, Prince Frederick, MD 20678
Arlene Downs - 4540 Dares Beach Road, Prince Frederick, MD 20678
Madelyn "Kitty" Hoffman - 23 Well Street, Huntingtown, MD 20639
Carole Jean Hutchins - 1710 Old Adelina Road, Prince Frederick, MD 20678
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Betty Southard - 1665 Mallard Point Road, Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Asbury Solomons - Solomons, MD 20688

Fred Davenport - 11450 Asbury Circle, #421
Charlotte Hall - 11740 Asbury Circle, Apt. #1404
Margaret Hayes - 11740 Asbury Circle, Apt. #1308
Jane Schmidt - 11740 Asbury Circle, Apt. #1420

Caribbean Breeze Assisted Living

Doris Benesh - 2200 Deer Run Court, Huntingtown, MD 20639

Fairfield Health & Rehab Center

Ron Sauer - 1454 Fairfield Loop Rd., Room 128, Crownsville, MD 21032

Flury House

Jason Gohn - 6045 Bauman Drive, Elkridge, MD 21075

The Hermitage at Solomons

Louise McCumber - 13325 Dowell Road, Solomons, MD 20688

Sagepoint Gardens Assisted Living

Eddie Wood - 123 Morris Drive, La Plata, MD 20646

Solomons Nursing Center

Ruth Everhart - 13325 Dowell Road, (P.O. Box 1509), Patuxent Room 16,
Solomons, MD 20688

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for all of the cards and prayers when
Jimmy was in the hospital.

The Catterton Family

Join us back in the Sanctuary for Worship!

On November 1st, the 8am and 10:30am worship services will be back in the Sanctuary, with time in between (no Sunday School yet) for cleaning, resetting, etc.

The children (ages 3 - grade 6) will meet for Children's Church after the Children's Sermon during the 10:30am service.

Masks are required.

In an effort to follow social distancing protocols, we will have a seating chart and request that you reserve your seat each week by calling or emailing the Church Office.

Re-entry FAQs can be found on Trinity's website.

The 10:30am service will be live-streamed.

Church Office: 410-535-1782 ~ M-F, 8am-4pm

Email: churchoffice@trinityumchurch.org

Website: www.trinityumchurch.org



If you are currently attending our virtual service, don't forget to prepare for Communion on the first Sunday of each month. Prepackaged (sealed) sets of wafers and juice are available in the church office Monday through Friday from 8 am-4 pm.



Calendar for Bible Study Groups (After COVID-19 Restrictions have been Lifted)

Sunday

New Covenant
Adult Sunday School Class
9:15 AM – Parlor
Rick Cox

Special Needs
Young Adult Sunday School Class
9:15 AM – Room 312

Tuesday

Ladies of Grace
Women's Bible Study
10 – 11:30 AM – Church Library
Sue Clark

Wednesday

Open Bible Study
10 AM and 6:30 PM
Fellowship Hall
Pastor Jim
and Friends

Thursday

Men's Bible Studies
5:30 AM

At the homes of:
John Godfrey (410-586-3282)
Fred Haller (410-586-9898)
Morris Hawkins (410-535-0681)

New Address

Mike & Mona Monsma
167 Rainbow Drive, #6734
Livingston, TX 77399-1067

New Address

Chuck & Debbie Reamy
803 Community Lane
Lancaster, SC 29720



Thanksgiving Eve Service

Wednesday, November 25
7:00 pm

At Trinity United Methodist Church
Contact the Church Office to reserve a seat.

Our sister church,
Mt. Olive UMC will be joining us.

Pastor Dana Jones will share the
message.

(live-streamed - www.trinityumchurch.org
and on Trinity's You Tube channel)



These are difficult times to navigate.
Let the church keep your mind and spirit on track.
Mondays through Saturdays, go to
www.trinityumchurch.org and click on the Daily Prayer button
to hear the prayer of the day and to be reminded that wherever
you go, whatever you do ~ Jesus walks with you!



Food Pantry Donations are still being accepted during regular Church Office hours.

Trinity's Virtual Schedule...

- † **Sunday Worship Service:** To access the worship service on Sundays at 10:30 am, visit www.trinityumchurch.org (Trinity's website) and click on LIVE STREAM. This service can be viewed throughout the week. The service is also available on You Tube ~ see below.
- † **Open Bible Study:** Open Bible Study will be conducted via ZOOM on Wednesdays. For the 10 am gathering, use <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85226513848?pwd=WG0vZXM3cERVYXhoVjEldjVyMFpJUT09> with Meeting ID: 852 2651 3848 and Password: 011371. For the 6:30 pm gathering, use <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81695972777?pwd=ZUIJUXFPcTQwOVNlL0RhYmZjTXBQZz09> with Meeting ID: 816 9597 2777 and Password: 010135.
- † **Youth Group:** The Youth Group will meet in the parking lot, **or via ZOOM if weather is inclement**, on Sunday evenings from 6 - 7:30 pm. Contact Janet Swecker at firstladyjanet@gmail.com if you would like to participate.
- † **Young Adults:** The Young Adults are meeting via ZOOM on Thursdays at 6:30 pm. Contact Ruthie Lewis at ruthielws@gmail.com if you are interested in participating.
- † **Daily Prayer:** Pastor Jim is recording a Prayer each week-day morning. Visit www.trinityumchurch.org and click on *Daily Prayer*. You can also see past recordings on Trinity's YouTube channel (see below).
- † **YouTube Channel:** The Sunday Worship Services and Daily Prayers are recorded and available on YouTube. Visit www.trinityumchurch.org and click on *YouTube Channel*. **Closed Captioning is available by clicking on the "CC" in the bottom right of the video screen (to the left of the cogwheel).**

Christian Education at Trinity



Exciting news to share!! On Saturday, October 10, 2020, the Church Conference agreed to let us bring our Outdoor Sunday School from the parking lot to the Fellowship Hall during the 10:30AM Worship Services. This will start on Sunday, November 1, 2020. Those students ages 3-6th grade will be eligible to participate in this program. As restrictions are lifted, we will begin to add other age groups to this program. We will be using curriculum that has something for everyone in this broad age range.

Here is what will happen: The children will come to church with their parents, sign in with their parents and go through all of the necessary Covid-19 protocols. They will be escorted to their seats by a Host or Usher. They will remain there until after the Children's Sermon at which time, they will be asked to bring their beach towel or blanket and meet Miss Staci and/or Miss Janet at the side door to the left as you sit in the Sanctuary. From this point, we will go downstairs to the Fellowship Hall where the students will be seated on their towel or blanket with the proper social distancing protocols. Only those students who share the same physical address/live in the same house, will be allowed to share a blanket/towel and sit closer together than the 6 foot requirement. We will have 25-30 minutes of Children's Church. This will be an abbreviated form of Sunday School and we are making plans to return to our normal 9:15-10:15 AM Sunday School classes once all of the social distancing requirements are lifted. Once the worship service is over and parents have been released from their pews, we ask that you come directly to the Fellowship Hall to pick up your child/children. Then, you are free to leave the building and socialize outside.

We appreciate your cooperation in this new scheduling of Children's Church and look forward to seeing your children with us.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Janet Swecker at firstladyjanet@gmail.com or by calling the Church Office at 410-535-1782.

In Christ,
Janet Swecker



The Last
Bit of
Summer





Fall
Fun





Grades 4–5 • Thanksgiving 1

Giving Thanks to God

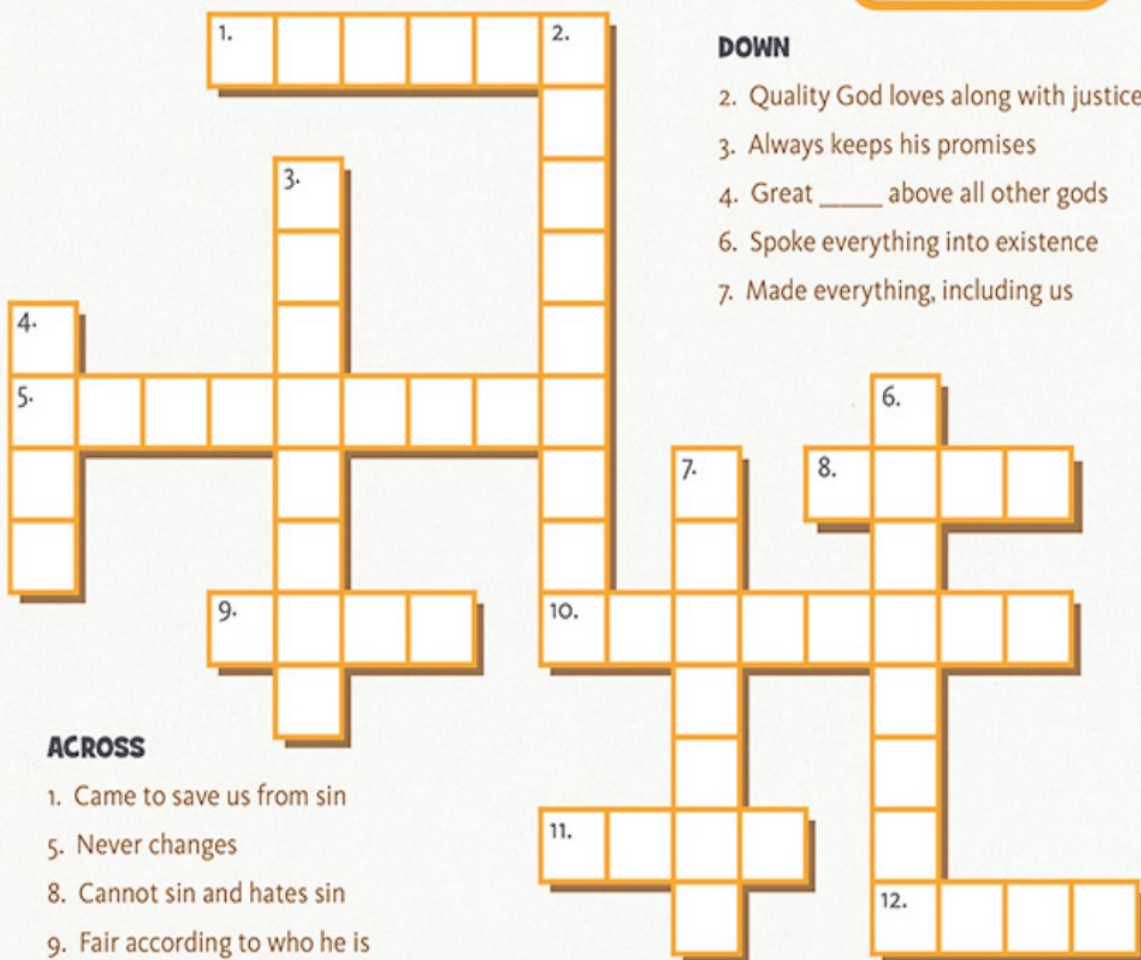
James 1:17; Psalm 33:2–5, 100:1–5, 9:1–2, 95:1–5

God has many wonderful attributes we are thankful for!

Read the clues then write the correct answer from the Word Bank in the crossword puzzle.

Word Bank

Good	Creator
Holy	Faithful
King	Immutable
Love	Shepherd
Just	Powerful
Savior	Righteous



DOWN

- Quality God loves along with justice
- Always keeps his promises
- Great _____ above all other gods
- Spoke everything into existence
- Made everything, including us

ACROSS

- Came to save us from sin
- Never changes
- Cannot sin and hates sin
- Fair according to who he is
- Cares for us like lost sheep
- Gives every _____ and perfect gift
- Steadfast and lasting forever

ANSWERS: ACROSS: 1) Savior, 5) Immutable, 8) Holy, 9) Just, 10) Shepherd, 11) Good, 12) Love
DOWN: 2) Righteous, 3) Faithful, 4) King, 6) Powerful, 7) Creator

Youth Ministry & Fellowship



We have had a great beginning to our Youth Group year despite all of the ramifications of Covid-19. We have had some excellent discussions about Jesus and Culture. We have talked about the fact that they have been called by Jesus to be in the world, but to live as if they were separate and to help them honestly evaluate how they interact with the culture and who their choices say they more strongly identify with: Christ or the world. The ways we act when we are with others really tells our true side. We can't go to church, Sunday School and youth group and act one way and then as soon as we go to school, act another way. People are always looking at the way we act and react to situations to see if we are who we say we are.

Kudos go out to David Lozier and his friends from Boy Scout Troop #347, that meets regularly at Trinity. David completed his Eagle Scout project and Trinity UMC has received the benefit of his hard work. The front lawn now boasts 5 new garden benches!! They have been placed around the lawn in an effort to help seat those who attend our outdoor services and can't bring their own chair with them. David and members of your work crew, thank you so much for this thoughtful gift to your church family!! The benches look great and you did an amazing job!!

In Christ,
Miss Janet

LET THEM CONSTRUCT A SANCTUARY FOR ME,
THAT I MAY DWELL AMONG THEM.

EXODUS 25:8-9





Giving Tree

The Holidays are extremely difficult for families who live in poverty. As a child I lived it. I saw the agony on the face of my Mom and Dad, knowing that without help they could not provide Christmas for my siblings and me. Every year, we received help through Social Services, the business community and local churches. Together, they provided for us so that we could have a very Merry Christmas.

Trinity UMC provides a very Merry Christmas for many families in a similar way through the Giving Tree Ministry.

Starting November 22, our three Giving Trees will be available in the Gathering Room.

1. The Tree of Angels
2. The Light In The Mountain/Roughside of the Mountain Tree
3. The Family Giving Tree

The Tree of Angels will be covered with tags that describe the child's age, gender and a brief description of the gift requests. We ask that you try to purchase everything listed on the tag. If you are unable to purchase everything, maybe you can find another family to work with you. There will also be a few tags requesting donations of gift-wrapping paper and gift-wrapping supplies. We are also asking for Children's Bibles and Children's Bible Story Books.

The Light In The Mountain/Roughside Giving Tree is for our Brothers and Sisters at Light In The Mountain Church in New Mexico. We are asking for \$25.00 Wal-Mart gift cards. These cards can be purchased early and dropped off in the Church Office. Otherwise, they can be placed in the box by the tree between Sunday, November 22 and Sunday, December 6. Other methods of participating in this mission include dropping off a financial donation in the Church Office designated for this tree or by specifying an amount to be contributed to this tree on your offering envelope.

The Family Giving Tree is for Families in our Congregation and the Local Community who are going through difficult times. We are asking for gift cards of any kind, in any amount. These cards can be purchased early and dropped off in the Church Office. Otherwise, they can be placed in the box by the tree between Sunday, November 22 and Sunday, December 6. Other methods of participating in this mission include dropping off a financial donation in the Church Office designated for this tree or by specifying an amount to be contributed to this tree on your offering envelope.

All of the gifts/gift cards need to be returned to the Gathering Room by noon, Sunday, December 6, 2020.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Little Jack Woodford at jwoodford@trinityumchurch.org.

Grace and Peace, Little Jack Woodford

The Laity Session of the Annual Conference will be held on Saturday, November 14 from 9 a.m. to noon. The session will be held via Zoom and will be open to all laity, not just Annual Conference lay members. If you are interested in attending, use the following link: <https://arenaweb.bwcumc.org/default.aspx?page=3439&eventID=5870> to register. Attendance will be limited to the first 1,000 people who register.

If you have questions, please contact Tonia Bennett, Baltimore-Washington Conference: tbennett@bwcumc.org or (410) 309-3480.

Extraordinary Giving

As a congregation, we will soon be considering our giving for 2021. Consecration Sunday will be held on November 15th and commitments for the coming year will be provided. This is typically giving from regular income and something in which we can plan and forecast.

What about the extraordinary times in our life? What about the times in which we can do something extraordinary? The church can be considered here as well. Whether it is receiving an inheritance, selling an asset, tax planning and preparation or planning for your estate, the church can be a beneficiary of an extraordinary gift.

As Christians, we know that all of our earthly possessions are a gift from God. Therefore, we should make provisions to continue Christian stewardship in the ordinary and extraordinary times. Trinity has a means of assisting with this through its Foundation Committee. It is simply initiated by a call to the church office. If you want to make an extraordinary gift or remember the church in your will, you can trust that whatever you offer as a gift will be blessed many times over by the Lord in building His Kingdom.

God Bless, TUMC Foundation Committee



**TRINITY UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

Open Bible Study

**Wednesdays at
10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
(on ZOOM)**

Sunday Schedule

8:00 a.m. Worship Service

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**10:30 a.m. Worship Service
(live-streamed - www.trinityumchurch.org
and on Trinity's You Tube channel)**

(weather permitting)

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH STAFF

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William Jenifer Sexton
Becki Nelson Bookkeeper
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Janet Swecker Coordinator of Christian Ed
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~ ~ ~

Jim Swecker Lead Pastor

**For Highlighter questions, comments or article submissions,
contact Dawn Rice at cdr727@aol.com.**

Happy Birthday

to Our Trinity Family

November 1: Renée Morrison	November 18: Virginia Noftsier
November 1: Jason Ricker	November 19: Erin Clark
November 1: William Western	November 19: Donna Rawlings
November 2: Christiana Bennett	November 19: Gannon Tracy
November 2: Suzanne Gay	November 20: Linda Howdysshell
November 2: Shannon Kimmel	November 21: Olivia Cox
November 2: Shaunna Thornley	November 21: Maggie Green
November 5: David Howdysshell	November 21: Debra Reamy
November 5: Victoria McCartney	November 22: David Denton
November 5: Michael Mason	November 23: Angela Daniel
November 5: Diane Pfeiffer	November 23: Morris Hawkins
November 5: Brian Wood	November 23: Christopher Varnell
November 6: Marcia Early	November 24: William Freeland
November 7: Rachel Black	November 24: Marilyn Russell
November 7: Mercaydez Haire	November 25: Lynn Hayden
November 7: Thomas Thompson	November 25: Philip Roof
November 8: Kurt Fowler	November 25: Andrew Wells
November 8: Jason Gohn	November 26: Richard Humphrey
November 9: Sharon Haller	November 26: Lynn Parsons
November 10: Rebecca Brown	November 27: Brian Noftsier
November 10: Julie Stephens	November 28: Donna Lange
November 11: Kimberly Freeland	November 29: James Levin
November 11: Peter Lewis	November 29: Jeff Walker
November 12: David Johnson	November 30: Susan Cox
November 13: Elizabeth Latchaw	November 30: Trevor Kline
November 14: Krystle Eckard	November 30: Barbara Schwencer
November 14: Jared Gott	
November 14: Ryan Wojciechowski	
November 15: Victoria Stratton	
November 15: Thomas Valentin	
November 16: Andrew Holton	
November 17: Jessica Western	
November 17: Kyle Wojciechowski	
November 18: Lori Haydin	



Listen to the Words...

Give Thanks



(Verse)

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because He's given

Jesus Christ His Son

(Chorus)

And now let the weak say I am strong

Let the poor say I am rich

Because of what the Lord has done for us

And now let the weak say I am strong

Let the poor say I am rich

Because of what the Lord has done for us

(Ending)

Give thanks

**We sing
beautiful
songs and
hymns
every Sunday.**

**Do you ever
really listen
to the
words...**

**[click here](#)
(to sing along)**

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Henry Smith

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Trinity United Methodist Church

NOVEMBER 2020

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1 All Saints Day ~ Daylight Saving Time Ends	2 Trustees Meeting 7 pm	3 Missions Meeting 6 pm	4	5	6	7
8	9 Scholarship Meeting 7 pm	10 Worship Meeting 6:30 pm	11 Veterans Day ~ Church Office Closed	12	13	14 Laity Session of the Annual Conference 9am - noon
15 Consecration Sunday ~ Blood Drive 7am - noon	16	17 Church Council Meeting 6:30 pm	18	19	20	21
22 Giving Trees available for those in need	23	24	25 Thanksgiving Eve Service with Mt. Olive UMC 7 pm	26 Thanksgiving Holiday ~ Church Office Closed	27	28
29 First Sunday of Advent	30					



Weekly Ministries

Sunday

8:00 am Worship Service
10:30 am Worship Service ~ Live Streamed
6:00 pm Youth Group
7:00 pm AA Meeting

Monday

9:00 am Church Staff Meeting

Tuesday

9:30 am Stroller Strong
10:00 am Women's Bible Study

Wednesday

10:00 am Open Bible Study ~ ZOOM
6:30 pm Open Bible Study ~ ZOOM

Thursday

5:30 am Men's Bible Study
6:30 pm Young Adult ~ ZOOM

Saturday

9:30 am Stroller Strong