# *Trinity United Methodist Church*

*"Living Jesus Christ's Vision – Building Communities of Compassion"*

***November 29, 2026*** ***10:30 a.m.*** ***1st Sunday of Advent***

***OPENING WORSHIP** "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me "
"Sanctuary"-"I Love Thee Lord"
**Greeting and Opening Prayer**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**THE SONG** "Shout to The Lord"

**ADVENT WREATH** **HOPE** Isaiah 2: 2-5

2 In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.
3 Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that He may teach us His ways and that we may walk in His paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.
4 He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.
5 O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

"Today we light the first candle- the candle of Hope- marking the beginning of our spiritual journey through the Advent season. The light of this candle reminds us that hope begins with a spark that at first seems small and insignificant, but in time grows into a brilliant flame, a flame that quickly spreads, filling the darkness with light and bringing a renewed sense of hope to a world filled with doubt and fear."

**PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE**

**MISSION MOMENT** Giving Tuesday Kelly Shannahan

**OFFERING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GOSPEL LESSON** Mark 13: 24-37

**SERMON** "Wide Awake to God" Augie Lankford

***INVITATION SONG** "Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone"

***CLOSING PRAYER**

***BENEDICTION**
**Invitation to stand*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TOWER BELL RINGER**: Dr. Fran Tracy-Mumford
**9:00 A.M. HEAD USHER:** John Hill
**9:00 A.M. USHERS:** Ann Hill, Dick and Margy Meeks, Barbara Horsey
**9:00 A.M. READER:** Loudell Insley
**9:00 A.M. WORSHIP LEADER:** Tammy Paxton
**9:00 A.M. NURSERY:** Marissa Dickerson, Alaina Vickers
**9:00 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPER:** Michael Moore
**9:00 A.M. ADVENT READERS:** Mark, Amy, and Helen Rader
**10:30 A.M. ADVENT READERS:** Ruth Ann Savage and Jay Savage
**10:30 A.M. USHERS:** Laura Twilley, Judy Briele
**THE PEDESTAL FLOWERS** are presented to the glory of God in loving celebration of Linda Nelson on her birthday, November 30th, by her daughter, Tracy, and her family, Kelly, Ryan, and Sam.

## TODAY AT TRINITY

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**CHURCH NURSERY** is available every Sunday for the 9:00 a.m. worship service.
**SANTA'S ANGELS –** For more information about this program, see Beverly Tull in the back of the Sanctuary this morning. She can answer any questions you have.
**CHURCH ENVELOPES** are available in the back of the Sanctuary for pickup.
**ADVENT DEVOTIONALS** are available in the back of the church for reading during this Advent season.
**SCHOOL SUNDAY** for Pre-K through Grade 5 in the Parker Building at 9:00 a.m. We are partnering with Bethesda UMC for our children's Sunday School ministry.
**THE COMBINED YOUTH GROUP** is part of our Bethesda/Trinity Ministry Partnership. The youth group meets every Sunday from 3:00-4:30 p.m. at Bethesda.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**TRINITY'S GIVING TUESDAY** – Please support the many local missions of Trinity UMC through your special contributions on Trinity's Giving Tuesday, December 1st to help to grow Trinity's Local Missions budget. You can make your contributions by cash, check (payable to "Trinity UMC") or electronically. All proceeds will be used to support the following missions: Salisbury Urban Ministries; Joseph House Café; God's Kitchen (Grace Church); Trinity-Choices Academy Partnership (TCAP) Ministry; Homeless Shelter; Santa's Angels; HALO Café; Lazarus Food Pantry; HOPE; and Water for Good/ Lifewater International. You can also indicate which of these missions you want your donation to support. Call Kelly Shannahan at (410) 546-1237 if you have any questions.
**INVITATION TO PRAYER FOR PASTOR HAYDEN** – Every Thursday at 8:45 a.m. by Zoom. This will be approximately 15 minutes devoted to prayer, asking God to strengthen Rev. Hayden's body, grant him peace for each new day, give wisdom to those caring for him, and remind him that he is deeply loved by God and by the people he has faithfully served. Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87122036119?pwd=hlphPqGcuBe2KXkyVTKNgAVeTRaQNu.1
*PLEASE NOTE:*
*- The last Prayer Zoom Meeting for 2026 will be on December 17th. Zoom Meetings will resume with a new Zoom link after the first of the year in 2027.*

**THE SANCTUARY CHOIR** will rehearse every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. We invite you to visit us and see if you might enjoy singing in our choir. Feel free to call Phyllis if you have any questions or comments at (410) 845-0212.

## THE WEEKS AHEAD

**GRIEFSHARE** – This year we will be offering GriefShare's Surviving the Holidays two times. The second session will be held on Sunday, December 6th at 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the church parlor. If you are interested in joining us or have questions contact Liz MacFarlane at (443) 614-9232.

**UMW CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON** on Tuesday, December 8th at Green Hill Yacht and Country Club at Noon.

**TRINITY PRAYER GROUP** – Tuesday, December 8th at 2:00 p.m. in the church chapel.

**SANTA'S ANGELS GIFT WRAPPING EVENT** – Trinity is pleased to support the annual Santa's Angels Program by hosting a gift-wrapping event on Friday, December 11, from 9:00–11:00 a.m. in the Jackson Building. Bring a roll of wrapping paper, scissors, and tape, and enjoy fellowship and refreshments with your Trinity friends while supporting a wonderful holiday cause! If you are available to help, please contact Maureen Williams at mowilliams@comcast.net or Monta Kutchen at kutchen7@comcast.net. We hope you can join us!

**THE TCAP COMMITTEE** is collecting new or gently used gift or household items and hygiene products for the Choices Annual Christmas Bazaar. Please drop off items to the bin in the back of the church or the office no later than Saturday, December 12th.

**POINSETTIA ORDER FORMS** are now available in the pews. All forms are due back to the church office by Monday, December 14th.

**THREADS OF LOVE** – Monday, December 14th and Tuesday, December 15th at 10:00 a.m. in the church parlor.

**CHRISTMAS CAROLING** – Tuesday, December 15th, 5:30 p.m. Meet at the Jackson Building before heading out into the community to sing Christmas carols to a special group of our church members. After caroling, we will return to the Jackson Building for hot chocolate and cookies. We are in need of cookie bakers. If you would like to bake cookies for the Christmas Caroling, please call the church office (410-749-5562). All cookies need to be dropped off at the church office by the morning of December 15th.

## AROUND TOWN

**MATHER INSTITUTE** - "10 Tips to Sleep Well" suggests ways to foster better sleep at 2026 Sleep Tip Sheet




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