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To reach people for Christ where they are, with God's guidance and love, in the heart of the city.

******SAVE THE DATE********

The next fundraiser for the Costa Rica trip will be a fish and chicken dinner with Dan's Fish Fry on Friday, October 23, 2026 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. at Trinity UMC's Epworth Hall.
We will have signup sheets in Ball Lounge. This is going to take a lot of volunteers to help the mission team have a successful fundraiser.
Please reach out to Debbie Dyson, Christy Hinman, or any other team member with questions.
Presale ticket information will be coming out shortly. Please pass the word to your family and friends to save the date.
Thank you in advance,
The Costa Rica Mission Trip Team

ALL SAINTS DAY
is Sunday, November 1

During worship on All Saints Day, we will be reading the names of loved ones who have died in the past year, since October 1, 2026. If you would like the name of your loved one read and a candle lit in their memory, please contact the church office by Monday, Oct. 26 with the name, birth and death dates, and a picture of your loved one in order to ensure they are included in the reading of names.

Trinity UMC Staff
· **Reverend Shalimar Holderly,** Senior Pastor
· **Rebecca Sandlin** Church Administrator
· **Greg Otis** Director of Worship Arts Ministries
· **Norma Roth** Organist
· **Deb Powell** Retreat Center Coordinator
· **Maria Nelson** Accounts Payable
· **Carol Opal** Financial Secretary
· **Liz Godts** Custodian
· **Penny Allen** Preschool Director
· **Becky Fisher** Preschool Teacher
· **Amanda Nolen** Preschool Teacher
· **Mallory McLaughlin** Preschool Assistant



Trinity UMC Office hours
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10 a.m.- 2 p.m.

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Open Holy Communion

Our table is open to *everyone*! Our elements are bread and grape juice. Gluten free bread is available by request. You need not be a member of this church or any church. Christ invites and welcomes all to his feast! We typically celebrate Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month.



The following are upcoming worship service dates and times with Holy Communion:
Sunday, October 4, 2026 10:00 a.m.
Sunday, November 1, 2026 10:00 a.m.

Church Happenings

Free Lunch Saturday Begins Oct. 3

HELLO TRINITY!
Our Free Lunch program will be starting back up on Saturday, October 3rd. This will continue on the first Saturday of the month through March.
We cannot do this without the dedication and support you give for this program.
We will have sign-ups in Ball Lounge for what is needed.
Thank you in advance,
Mark and Christy Hinman

Share with the Lord's people who are in need.
Practice hospitality.
--Romans 12:13



Free Lunch Saturday Dates:

- October 3
- November 7
- December 5
- January 2
- February 6
- March 6



GROCERY CART IN BALL LOUNGE
October 11 and 25



Rummage Sale Ready to Roll October 9 and 10

Donations being accepted now

The Trinity UMC annual Rummage Sale will be held Friday, October 9, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, October 10, from 9 a.m. to noon.
Donated items for the sale may be brought to the church during office hours, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Thursday, or call the church office at 260-3560-961 to make a possible alternative arrangement.
Be sure to spread the word about both the donations and sale – last year the TUMC women's group made more than $1,500 to fund special projects, ministries and missions.



Online Giving now available! Visit our new website, huntingtontumc.com

Giving to the Laundry Ministry funds a Local Community Mission

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
LAUNDRY MINISTRY

Date	Transaction	Deposit	Withdrawal	Balance
		$ -		$ 84.70
7/6/2026	Deposit	$ 20.00	$ -	$ 104.70
7/12/2026	Mona	$ -	$ 10.00	$ 94.70
7/20/2026	Deposit	$ 8.75	$ -	$ 103.45
7/20/2026	Mona	$ -	$ 20.00	$ 83.45
8/4/2026	Deposit	$ 16.50	$ -	$ 99.95
8/24/2026	Deposit	$ 1.00	$ -	$ 100.95
8/24/2026	Mona	$ -	$ 30.00	$ 70.95
9/14/2026	Mona	$ -	$ 20.00	$ 50.95

Thank you to everyone who is contributing to the Laundry Ministry!
–Mona

Pastor's Assistance Fund and Kroger Gift Cards Report

Our congregation continues to bless members of our local community through the Pastor's Assistance Fund. Thus far this year we have assisted 46 households with rent/utilities and other billed expenses for a total of $5,763. We have also distributed 29 $50 Kroger Gift Cards for a total of $1,450.

Members of the community who find themselves in a place of need are eligible to receive one gift from the assistance fund which is paid directly to the company they owe and one Kroger gift card per 12-month period. Less than 10% of those receiving assistance this year received assistance in the previous 12-month period.

We currently have 5 gift cards available and a balance of $300 in the Pastor's Assistance Fund. If you would like to contribute toward the Pastor's Assistance Fund, make your check out to the church and write "Pastor's Assistance Fund" on the memo line or choose "Pastor's Assistance Fund" in the dropdown menu on our online giving page at: https://www.huntingtontumc.com/give.

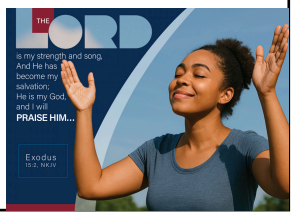
Trinity UMC Worship Arts

Greg Otis
Trinity UMC Director of
Worship Arts Ministries

musicman46750@gmail.com

Worship Arts rehearsals are:

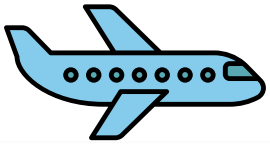
5:30 p.m.—Handbell Ensemble
6:30 p.m.—Chancel Choir
7:30 p.m.—Praise Team



Evensong Concert Series
presents the

Honor Flight Benefit Concert

Sunday, November 15, 2026
3:00 p.m.
In Trinity UMC's Sanctuary
For more information contact Greg Otis



HONOR FLIGHT NORTHEAST INDIANA

SPECIAL GUEST PRESENTATION
About Heartland Methodist Foundation/Financial
Sunday, October 4
11:15 a.m. (During the Sunday School Hour)

Manet Shettle, president of the Heartland Methodist Foundation and Heartland Methodist Financial, will present information and answer questions about the ministries of the Foundation and Financial and how those ministries offer opportunities not only for our congregation as a whole, but for individuals within the congregation through educational opportunities, grants and scholarships, endowments, loans, certificates, and investments.
Please plan to stay for Sunday School and join us in Epworth Hall for this informative presentation, and learn about all that this important ministry has to offer.

You are cordially invited to

Trinity United Methodist Church's annual Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 13, 2026
3:00 p.m.
TUMC Sanctuary



Worship with us Online!

Sundays @ 10:00 a.m.
Live Link: **https://www.facebook.com/huntingtonumc**
OR watch later where our worship services are archived on our website at:
https://www.huntingtontumc.com/podcasts/media .

When joining us online, we encourage you to "sign in" by offering greetings in the comment section. Whether you are joining us in person, online live, or online later, we are glad you are part of our worshipping community!

Preschool, Children & Youth

It's going to be a busy, fun month for our preschoolers

We are so excited for another year for Trinity Preschool. Preschoolers are getting into the routine, making new friends, doing crafts, and enjoying their snacks.

October is a fun month. They will learn the letters C, D and E, decorate the room with the fall crafts, have science day, and cooking day. The children will bring in a sign of fall for Show & Tell to share with their friends. Jolene will be visiting this month to take our class pictures. We will be visiting Phil's U-Pick for our field trip.

There will be NO SCHOOL on October 8 & 9 for Fall Break. The 5-day class will enjoy a fun day down in the kitchen making monkey bread for their snack. We will celebrate by having a "Fall Party" with costumes on October 30.

We will be kicking off our annual Sechler's Pickles Sale. It will begin October 2nd and run till October 16. We will offer olives, relish, sweet/dill pickles, mild, peach, pineapple, and hot salsa, apple butter and pumpkin butter, along with all variety of pickles! We thank everyone who has supported our ministry and ask for your continued support. Our table with assorted pickles and salsa is in the preschool hallway.



We believe that every child deserves the opportunity to attend a Christian preschool program, regardless of the family's ability to pay. We are grateful for your support and help with this ministry of our church. God bless each of us!

We would like to send a HUGE THANK YOU to Jay Allen for making us a new caddy to store our extra crayons and markers for preschool. It fits perfectly for our needs.

Happy Fall!
Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Fisher, Miss Nolen, Miss McLaughlin



Sechler's Pickle Sale

Order your pickles from October 2 through October 16.

Order forms are available at the Welcome Center.

Pickles, olives, relish, salsa and more!
Proceeds benefit Trinity Preschool.

Fire Doors need double-checked

When you shut a fire door be sure to pull it until you hear it click closed to make sure that it is secured. The doors can appear to be shut, but they need to “click” shut for a secure closure.

Key doors properly to keep the building secure

When you key the doors to lock them, key them all the way up because if it’s only part way it is possible to pull them open with a little bit of force.



Perfect for parties, showers & events
Up to 88 guests • Kitchen • Tables & chairs included

$100 Rental | $25 TUMC Members
Call Becky: 260-356-0961

SECOND MILE GIVING FOR OCTOBER– Place of Grace

Place of Grace envisions a Christ-centered community that empowers women to be responsible citizens with a future and a hope. Their mission is to provide a Christian based therapeutic home with long-term recovery services to help women break their cycle of destructive behavior related to addiction, abuse, and poverty. Place of Grace provides a stable, safe, and encouraging home environment for women re-entering the community following incarceration. Their organization is committed to the following values in order to accomplish their missions:

· Christian values and a foundation undergirded by prayer
· Unity in purpose and spirit
· Humility and a spirit of collaboration as we seek to serve our community and engage its members into our mission

Place of Grace has been shown a bounty of generosity from Trinity United Methodist Church in a variety of ways, but the most important being the use of the current facility. Though Place of Grace is not a direct ministry of TUMC, Trinity has allowed the organization to use a home owned by Trinity for an extended 20-year lease. Trinity’s support has been appreciated by Place of Grace. The current facility allows for 10 women at a time to benefit from the Place of Grace residential program.

Please write your check to TRINITY UMC and mark on the memo line: Place of Grace

Life at TUMC

Happy Anniversary!

10-2 Michael & Caroline Runyan
10-10 Steve & Vicki Hacker
10-12 Scott & Leigh Harvey



Happy Birthday!

10-2 Julie Essig
10-3 Rod Conwell
10-9 Larry Gerstoff
10-13 Neva Stonebraker – **100!**
10-20 Ruth Swanson
10-23 Bev Shivley
10-29 Marian Linhart



Trinity's own Neva Stonebraker will turn 100 years young on Tuesday, October 13.

We will celebrate after the worship service on Sunday, October 18 with cake and a card shower in Ball Memorial Lounge.

You're invited to join in to send Neva your birthday wishes on this monumental occasion. Call the church office at 356-0961 if you need her address.

Share your thanks and news!

Correspondence to the Trinity congregation may be sent to the TUMC office:
530 Guilford St.
Huntington, IN 46750
or by email to
office@huntingtontumc.com



The deadline for the NOVEMBER CHIMES is

Monday, October 12.

Send articles to Becky in the church office



Prayers & Praises

PRAYER LIST
· Trinity UMC Congregation.
· Trinity UMC Governing Board.
· Pastor Shalimar & Trinity UMC Staff.
· Trinity UMC Preschool.
· Bishop Tracy-Smith Malone, our bishop, and the Indiana Conference of The United Methodist Church.
· Rev. Karen Koelsch, our District Superintendent and the Eastern Rivers District.
· Harmony Home, Place of Grace, and the entire Recovery Community.
· The GPS Children's Program.
· Those in our congregation who are homebound in residential facilities or incarcerated.
· Those undergoing treatment for cancer.
· Those who struggle with mental and/or physical illness.
· Caregivers.
· Those who are grieving and/or struggling.
· Those who do not know Jesus.
· Our local, state and national governments and those who serve in leadership.
· The witness of the church around the world.



This is from a recent email update sent out from By the Book. It is about the Gideons presenting Bibles to 5th graders.

At Lincoln, Jim and Gloria Wilson presented the Gideon Bibles to the fifth-graders.
A student told Mr. Wilson a little about his own life and asked if Mr. Wilson would pray for him. Jim and Gloria prayed over him and then the student asked if he could hug Mr. Wilson. The student hugged Mr. Wilson and wouldn't let go!
The student was teary-eyed and very touched by having a strong, Christian man like Mr. Wilson pray for and with him.

From Eric Brown:

Thank you to all of you who have kept me in your thoughts and prayers. You have no idea the amount of encouragement it has brought me. I know that there is lots of things you are all encountering in life as well, like surgeries and health concerns, so to be included on the community and family of the church to bear with one another in faithful prayer has been an incredibly profound experience for me. With whatever the future holds, I can face it more peacefully knowing I have love and support from Trinity. I have a great longing in my heart to the day I get to join you all again. I have been in my Bible every day of course and have many things I hope to discuss with some of you. Till next time I leave you with the pace and love of our father.
--Eric

Trinity UMC's Breakthrough Prayer
Join us in this prayer or a spontaneous prayer for our church every day at 7:00 p.m.

God of miraculous growth,
You are able to do far more than anything we could ever ask or imagine.
Break into our lives with the power of your Holy Spirit.
Move within us, among us, and through us.
Open doors before us and make us bold to walk through them, that your Kingdom would come and your will be done in our church, our community and the world.
To you be the glory in every generation through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Letters & Notes



Thank you so much for your donation to our By the Book program!
You're such a blessing ...
Praying the Lord multiplies blessings back to you.
Thanks for all you do!

– Associated Churches



Dear People of the Church,
This will be [my] last letter to the church, simply because I'm currently out of stamps and the money to replace them.
Sincerely,
Jack Wilson

Dear Trinity United Methodist Church,
Thank you for your incredibly generous gift to Blessings in a Backpack of $325.00 on 8/25/26. Today, food insecurity impacts children in every corner of the United States. An astounding 100% of U.S. counties currently have food insecure residents. That's why your support makes such an enormous difference.
Because of YOU, more children across the country will know where their next meal will come from when they leave school on Friday afternoon. We are so grateful for the impact you make on kids each weekend. ...
Sincerely,
Erin Kerr
Chief Executive Officer

October Altar Flower Schedule

October 4 – Vicki Hacker
October 13 – Leigh Harvey
October 20 – Alyce Watkins
October 27 – Bob & Carla MacDonald

Altar flower sponsors welcomed! If you are interested in sponsoring flowers please contact Becky in the church office.

Refridgerator Wanted

Used refrigerator needed for our coffee preparation room off the Ball Lounge.
A full size, gently used, refrigerator is needed to store coffee, cream, juices, food, etc. for our preparation room for Sunday morning coffee time.
If you have one to donate, please contact Carla MacDonald.

OCTOBER 2026 Church Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 9:15am Praise Team Rehearsal - Sanctuary 9:30am Chancel Choir rehearsal -- Choir Room 10:00am Sunday Worship 11:15am Sunday School- Epworth Hall 5:30pm Prayer Group in the Chapel 6:30pm GPS Children's Program -- 2nd Floor 6:30pm Harmony Home Speaker Meeting - Sanctuary 8:00pm Harmony Home House Meeting - Epworth Hall	28 Collection of items for Rummage Sale begins 6:00pm Staff Meeting - - Ball Lounge 7:30pm NA Group - Epworth Hall 7:30pm Recovery Bible Study -- Library	29 Gathering Place in use 5:30pm Blessings in a Backpack Work Night -- United with Love 6:00pm Brianna's Hope- The Gathering Place 6:00pm Harmony Home- Life Skills -- Epworth Hall	30 5:00pm MRT Meeting -- Epworth Hall 5:30pm Handbell Ensemble rehearsal 6:30pm Chancel Choir rehearsal - Choir Room 7:30pm NA Large Group- Epworth Hall 7:30pm NA Small Group -- Library 7:30pm Praise Team Rehearsal - Sanctuary	1 6:30pm Disciple Bible Study -- Alice's Library 7:30pm AA Group Book Study- Epworth Hall	2 Office Closed 7:30pm Alanonics Meeting - Gathering Place	3 11:00am Free Lunch Saturday! -- Epworth Hall 11:00am Harmony Home -- Sanctuary
4 **World Communion Sunday** 9:15am Praise Team Rehearsal - Sanctuary 9:30am Chancel Choir rehearsal -- Choir Room 10:00am Sunday Worship -- Guest Speaker Manet Shettle 11:15am Sunday School- Epworth Hall 5:30pm Prayer Group in the Chapel 6:30pm GPS Children's Program -- 2nd Floor 6:30pm Harmony Home Speaker Meeting - Sanctuary 8:00pm Harmony Home House Meeting - Epworth Hall	5 7:30pm NA Group - Gathering Place 7:30pm Recovery Bible Study -- CANCELED	6 Gathering Place in use 6:00pm Brianna's Hope- The Gathering Place 6:00pm Harmony Home- Life Skills -- Sanctuary	7 5:00pm MRT Meeting -- Gathering Place 5:30pm Handbell Ensemble rehearsal 6:30pm Chancel Choir rehearsal - Choir Room 7:30pm NA Large Group- Gathering Place 7:30pm Praise Team Rehearsal - Sanctuary	8 Preschool on Fall Break -- no class today 7:30pm AA Group Book Study- Gathering Place	9 Office Closed Preschool on Fall Break -- no class today 9:00am Church Rummage Sale -- Epworth Hall 7:30pm Alanonics Meeting - Gathering Place	10 9:00am Church Rummage Sale -- Epworth Hall 11:00am Harmony Home -- Sanctuary
11 The Grocery Cart in Ball Lounge to collect food for United with Love 9:15am Praise Team Rehearsal - Sanctuary 9:30am Chancel Choir rehearsal -- Choir Room 10:00am Sunday Worship 11:15am Sunday School- Epworth Hall 2:00pm INUMC Charge Conference 5:30pm Prayer Group in the Chapel 6:30pm GPS Children's Program -- 2nd Floor 6:30pm Harmony Home Speaker Meeting - Sanctuary 8:00pm Harmony Home House Meeting - Epworth Hall	12 6:00pm Staff Meeting - - Ball Lounge 7:30pm NA Group - Gathering Place 7:30pm Recovery Bible Study -- Library	13 Gathering Place in use 6:00pm Brianna's Hope- The Gathering Place 6:00pm Harmony Home- Life Skills -- Epworth Hall	14 Preschool Picture Day 5:00pm MRT Meeting -- Epworth Hall 5:30pm Handbell Ensemble rehearsal 6:30pm Chancel Choir rehearsal - Choir Room 7:30pm NA Large Group- Epworth Hall 7:30pm NA Small Group -- Library 7:30pm Praise Team Rehearsal - Sanctuary	15 7:30pm AA Group Book Study- Epworth Hall	16 Last Day to order Pickles for Preschool Fundraiser Office Closed 7:30pm Alanonics Meeting - Epworth Hall	17 11:00am Harmony Home -- Epworth Hall
18 9:15am Praise Team Rehearsal - Sanctuary 9:30am Chancel Choir rehearsal -- Choir Room 10:00am Sunday Worship 11:15am Sunday School- Epworth Hall 4:00pm Costa Rica Team Meeting -- Library 5:30pm Prayer Group in the Chapel 6:30pm GPS Children's Program -- 2nd Floor 6:30pm Harmony Home Speaker Meeting - Sanctuary 8:00pm Harmony Home House Meeting - Epworth Hall	19 7:30pm NA Group - Epworth Hall 7:30pm Recovery Bible Study -- Library	20 Gathering Place in use 6:00pm Brianna's Hope- The Gathering Place 6:00pm Harmony Home- Life Skills -- Epworth Hall 6:30pm Governing Board Meeting - Library	21 5:00pm MRT Meeting -- Epworth Hall 5:30pm Handbell Ensemble rehearsal 6:30pm Chancel Choir rehearsal - Choir Room 7:30pm NA Large Group- Epworth Hall 7:30pm NA Small Group -- Library 7:30pm Praise Team Rehearsal - Sanctuary	22 7:30pm AA Group Book Study- Epworth Hall	23 Office Closed 4:30pm Costa Rica Mission Trip Fundraiser - Dan's Fish Fry - Epworth Hall 7:30pm Alanonics Meeting - Epworth Hall	24 11:00am Harmony Home -- Epworth Hall
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