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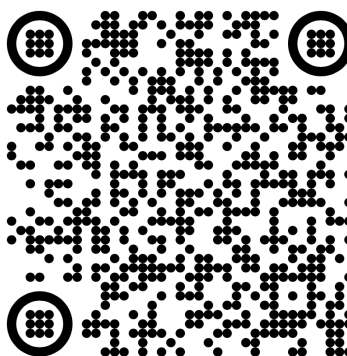
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Please submit any articles and photos to Tyler
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Youth & Finance Updates | Kylee Gragg, Youth Director & Lori Blake, Treasurer

What an October it was for our students! We tried something new this fall by holding a confirmation retreat over two days when students didn't have school. We made it more interactive and fun, and our students loved it! Thank you to the different committees who came to share what they do, and to our UMW for helping cook and serve our Grace lunch. We are so excited to celebrate our 8 confirmands during the service on November 15th.

Our middle school students were just as excited when Shalia and Lacey Emig came to teach them how to make dog treats. We made two batches, dehydrated them, and delivered them to the animal shelter for the doggos to enjoy!

Thanks to a grant from the Kansas Methodist Foundation, our Leadership Lab students took a trip to Kansas City to visit different houses of worship, including the Islamic Center and a Jewish synagogue. Both communities were so welcoming and taught us far more than we ever imagined. Students loved seeing the scrolls at Beth Torah Congregation and observing prayer at the Islamic Center. We even ended our trip with a college visit to the University of Kansas, where students were able to visit their majors and learn more about what KU has to offer. We also took time to stop in and meet the campus ministry team and hear about their offerings for students.

Now, Christmas is coming! This month's meal is biscuits and gravy casserole, a great dish to have on hand for holiday guests or Christmas morning. Please order by November 20th and pick up on or after November 22nd. Proceeds will go toward our Christmas shopping for kids in care with Saint Francis Ministries, which is a highlight of our students' year!

If you would like to help take students shopping during the Lock-In on December 11th, please reach out to me. We would love to have extra drivers and adults to help. Shopping usually takes place from about 7-9pm.

Thank you for the love and support you pour into these students!



TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FINANCE UPDATE *through 9/30/2026*



	Jan - Sept 26	Jan - Dec 2026	Jan - Dec 2025	Jan - Dec 2025	Over/Under
	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Budget</i>
General Fund Giving	462,203.00	605,640.00	608,326.81	\$ 632,476.79	(24,149.98)
Operating Expenses	446,804.00	599,799.72	677,224.99	\$ 632,190.76	45,034.23
Net Operating Revenue	15,399.00	5,840.28	(68,898.18)	\$ 286.03	(69,184.21)
Building Fund Giving	192,398.00	250,000.00	191,315.40	\$ 250,000.00	(58,684.60)
Building Fund Loan Payments(Prin & Interest)	192,398.00	250,000.00	191,315.40	\$ 250,000.00	(58,684.60)
Net Building Fund Revenue	-	-	-	-	-

Keep getting me your pledges. We're down to 52 pledges from people in 2026 which total \$101,134. I know a few of you are waiting to hear back from your financial advisors. Each gift adds up to grow God's kingdom. Thank you for your prayerful consideration. As always, call, text or email with your questions or concerns,



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Growing in Faith Together: Sunday School

Our Sunday School year is off to a wonderful start! We introduced our new Grow curriculum this fall, and it's been such a joy to see how much our students and teachers are enjoying it. Grow uses Bible-centered lessons, hands-on activities, games, and creative ways to help children engage with Scripture and discover how God's Word connects to their lives. Our teachers especially love the variety of activities that bring each lesson to life and give students opportunities to learn, participate, and grow together.

We began with our "Timeless" series on the prophets, learning that God's love is timeless, we can seek God anytime, and God is always with us. We recently wrapped up "In Season," a series exploring the book of Psalms and reminding us that every season of life brings something unique and that God walks with us through them all.

This month, we're beginning "Now You See Me," a series on Daniel that will help us discover more about God through Daniel's story. It has been a blast watching our teachers and students learn, explore, and play together! I've loved seeing the excitement in our classrooms and have especially enjoyed jumping in to teach whenever I'm needed. I'm so grateful for our wonderful teachers, superintendents, substitutes and the ways they are helping our children build a strong foundation of faith, one Sunday at a time!

Great Expectations-A Christmas Story

When a census sends everyone traveling to Bethlehem, expectations are high, plans get complicated, and surprises are everywhere! From angels with a heavenly planning problem to shepherds on the night shift and wise men on a very long journey, each group discovers that God's greatest gift arrives in the most unexpected ways.

Join us Sunday, December 6, at Trinity United Methodist Church for our Children's Christmas Pageant! Enjoy this funny, heartwarming Christmas story at our 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM worship service as we celebrate the wonder of Jesus' birth. Bring your family and friends, we can't wait to share this special Christmas tradition with you!

November 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th: Sunday Rehearsals (Ongoing) Location: FH2 Music Rehearsal: 11:00-11:30 a.m. Speaking Part Rehearsal: 11:30-12 p.m. Location: TBD

Wednesday, December 2nd: Music rehearsal 6:00-6:30-7pm,

Wednesday, December 2nd: Speaking Parts 6:30-7:00pm ***No Scripts/All memorized***

Friday, December 4th: Speaking Parts microphone and staging rehearsal. 6:00-7:30pm.

Saturday, December 5th: Speaking Parts Dress Rehearsal 1-2:30pm.

Saturday, December 5th: All students Dress Rehearsal 2:30-3:30pm.

Sunday, December 6th: Speaking parts arrive at 8:30am. All other students arrive at 8:45am.

Birthday Party for Jesus

Directly following the Cantata on December 13th, join us for a special birthday celebration for Jesus! All children in 5th grade and younger are invited to enjoy cupcakes and sing "Happy Birthday," to Jesus. Everyone will enjoy a special Christmas story and receive a Christmas gift to take home. It's a fun and meaningful way to celebrate the greatest gift of all, Jesus! We hope your family will join us for this sweet Christmas tradition!

A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL OF THOSE WHO BAKED AND BROUGHT COOKIES TO SUPPORT OUR AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM, THE BACKPACK CONNECTION! THE CHILDREN HAVE GIVEN YOU TWO THUMBS UP!!!



TRINITY

United Methodist Church

Hello Trinity!

It has taken almost six months to get approvals from our insurance company and schedule remodeling work, but we are about to experience reconstruction at Trinity! There will be three phases of work in the building.

Phase 1: The first phase begins on Monday, November 2 in the original part of the building. The popcorn texture on the ceilings in the sanctuary wings, the hallway from the coffee bar to the west door, to the hall from the Sanctuary to the old kitchen, the music library room, and choir room contains asbestos. That texture needs to be scraped off before drywall can be replaced and the surface refinished. The contractor expects that work will take three weeks.

These areas will be sealed off during this time to prevent exposure to the asbestos, so there will be several things relocated. Worship on November 8 and 15 will be moved to the Family Life Center.

Having three worship services in the same space will require some rearrangement of the normal service orders, and all three will probably be shortened by about ten minutes each. The Apprentice Class will meet in Room 2 starting 11/1 until after the first of the year. Ages and Stages can meet but needs to enter through Fellowship Hall 2.

Phase 2: Beginning November 30, there will be remodeling of the rooms on the education hallway including the high school and middle school youth rooms, the resource room, April Saskowski's office and include every room moving west. That work will take about three weeks, and we will be adjusting Sunday school classes for December 6 and 13. (The contractors will be out of the building during the next two weeks, so construction does not interrupt Christmas.)

Phase 3: Beginning on December 28, the ceilings from spaces in Phase 1 will be replaced and refinished. We anticipate that we will not be able to use the Sanctuary on January 3rd and are planning one service that day in the Family Life Center. More details will be provided shortly about that service.

The staff appreciates your patience as we deal with the mess during the busiest season of the year.

Please watch for last minute changes as we know there will be some. God bless you all!

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Eric

Love Boldly
Serve Joyfully
Lead Courageously



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