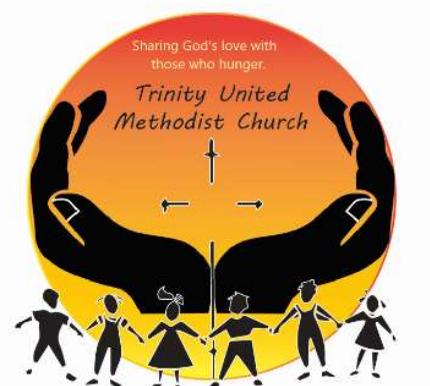


**Logo Choices:** Back in October, the Trinity Times (September 30 issue) announced our search for a Trinity Unique logo/banner/t-shirt that would highlight our Mission: Sharing God's Love with Those Who Hunger.

On this page, you'll see the concepts that have been sent in so far. The Church Council will be asked to choose one of these at their February meeting, so **there is still time for you to send us your idea, too!**

Please find a way—phone call, email, postcard—to let us know which one appeals to you the most! The church office will keep track of the 'voice of the people' to relay to the Council.

Thanks for caring about God's work through this special and unique group of people at Trinity UMC.



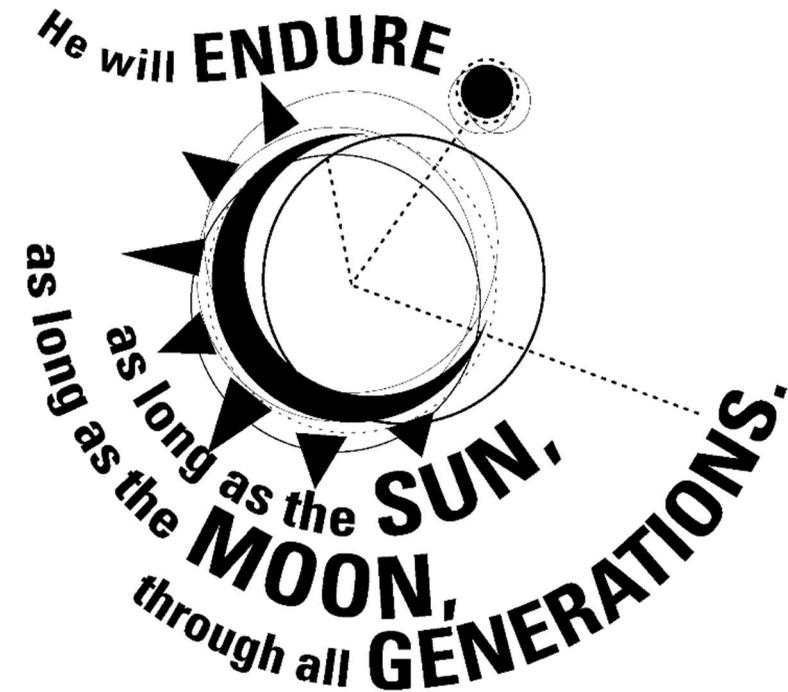
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**PSALM 72:5, NIV**

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Order of Worship for January 17 and 24, 2021  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays after Epiphany  
10:30 Facebook Live

Opening Prayer

Holy and Loving God, when your light shines, nothing is hidden;  
and when your light shines on us,  
there is joy in seeing and discomfort in being seen.

Help us, by your love, to bear the light of your truth and your integrity;  
your forgiveness and your faithfulness.

Bring us out of hiding, that we may become children of light,  
through Jesus Christ, the Light of the World. Amen.

Children's Time      1/17 'D' is for 'Daring'  
                                 1/24 'E' is for 'Eternal'

Generosity Gem                      What kind of Generosity have YOU seen this week?

Doxology    Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
                  Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!  
                  Praise God, the source of all our gifts.  
                  Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts.  
                  Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Scripture      1/17 Mark 1:14 - 22, Psalm 139  
                    1/24 Mark 1:23 - 28, Psalm 65

Message      1/17 'Community Conceived'  
                    1/24 'Community Building'

Benediction      Go out as one Body, Christ's body.  
                         Love. Forgive. Show mercy. Make peace.  
                         And tell the good news of Christ, the world's light. Amen.



**NEW YEAR, NEW THINGS!**

2021 has come and brought with it a brief sense of relief, followed by the ongoing challenges of 2P<sup>2</sup> = politics times pandemic for a second year = 2P squared. As if we didn't have enough of that in 2020? Of course, that's not all that's going on. New things are coming in the days and months ahead.

I will be engaging in a **Midweek Musings on Facebook**—Wednesday evenings at 6:00. My hope is that some of you will be interested enough to **consider joining me on ZOOM someday so that we can actually visit with each other about the topics I have planned.** I can easily set that up as soon as there are some of you who would like to participate. What do you think? Let me know! In the meantime, Midweek Musings in the Sanctuary on Facebook Live (maybe sometimes pre-recorded!) is going to happen.

**Another New Thing: Camp Michigamme has a new director—Pete Stahlbrand.** Some of us had a chance to meet Pete this summer during one of our in-person worship services. He has some great ideas like: Camp Michigamme will be open all summer to all ages! So, families don't have to try to plan around the camp schedule. And kids will be able to come for multiple weeks, if that is a good idea for their family. Quilting and Family Camp weekends are on the schedule, too, along with the Harmony Retreat and a District-wide Confirmation camp. What a wonderful mix of the old with the new!

Pete has been very credible about his ability to create a safe and healthy environment for camp. He actually directed a 2020 summer camp in the middle of the COVID pandemic, so **we can trust that every cautionary measure will be taken!**

I will continue to serve for a week at Camp as the pastoral presence. I haven't decided which week yet, but will let you know. More information can be found online at the following site: <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=2889985527993279>  
Registration is now open at the Camp. website: <https://campmichigamme.org/registration/>

**Another New Thing: Rule of Christ.** Matthew 18 has ancient wisdom for handling disagreements/conflict within congregations. Naomi Garcia from the Conference will be walking us through a process of creating and approving a mediation procedure. You are welcome to be part of the planning process...just call the office and leave a message, (906)774-2545. Pastor will get back with you about dates and times.

After initial planning, a rough draft will be circulated to get input from the larger group. It will be good for us to have a plan to move ahead rather than getting stuck if/when disagreements arise. It is quite possible that in the coming year there will be opportunities to make good use of such a process. The denomination continues to anticipate challenges around LGBTQ issues plus...an effort to dismantle racism within The UMC could lead to vigorous discussions that may need some moderating and discernment.

So pandemic and politics aside, God continues to make **NEW THINGS** available to us all. My prayer is that 2021 will allow us to more easily gather together, enjoy each other's company, and continue to share God's love with those who hunger for nurture, fellowship, and meaningful relationships. The peace of the Lord be with you. **Pastor Geri.**