



# Welcome to Trinity United Methodist Church

"Together we LIVE to see our lives, our community, and our world transformed by the power of the Gospel of JESUS CHRIST."

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6800 Wurzbach Road, San Antonio, TX 78240  
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## 2023 Missions - MAY

4th Sunday "Above and Beyond" Special Offering  
(Please give generously)

### Native American Ministries

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"Do All the GOOD you can in ALL the PLACES you can" - John Wesley  
"Serve each other according to the gift each person has received,  
as good managers of God's diverse gifts" - 1 Peter 4:10





REV. JOHN MEANDE  
Pastor  
pastor1@tumcsa.net

Sunday Worship  
10:00 a.m.  
In the sanctuary -  
we encourage you to wear  
your mask as you feel  
comfortable.

Sunday Worship  
10:00 a.m. is also available  
on Facebook live, &  
www.tumcsa.net

Pastor-led Bible Study  
5:00 p.m. on Tuesdays  
Zoom room

Seekers Faith Meeting  
(Sunday School):  
- Thursdays at 3:00 p.m.  
Zoom room  
- Sundays, in-person, Null  
building at 9:15 a.m.

Prayer Meetings:  
- Wednesdays via zoom at  
2:15 p.m.

Church office phone  
210-684-0261  
Office hours:  
Mondays—Thursdays  
11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.  
or call for an appointment

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## APRIL 2023

### ATTENDANCE IN WORSHIP

#### IN THE SANCTUARY (IN-PERSON)

APRIL 2	45
APRIL 9	100
APRIL 16	40
APRIL 23	34
APRIL 30	44

#### FACEBOOK LIVE – Engagements

Engagement is any action someone takes on your Facebook Page or one of your posts. The most common examples are reactions (including likes), comments and shares, but it can also include saves, viewing a video or clicking on the link.

APRIL 2	58
APRIL 9	580
APRIL 16	102
APRIL 23	99
APRIL 30	193

### TITHES & DONATIONS

(Report taken from ONLY the counters;  
NOT including online and text giving).

APRIL 2	\$5,280
APRIL 9	\$3,861
APRIL 16	\$ 616
APRIL 23	\$ 724
APRIL 30	\$ 1,913

### DONATE ONLINE

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[www.tumcsa.net](http://www.tumcsa.net)  
then click on the "Donate" button.



Donate from your smartphone. You may also text giving to: **844-210-1179** (Type in the amount you wish to donate, then hit send).

### Happy Birthday to:

ANDREW KHAN	18-May
CHERI DANCAK	1-May
JONATHAN LOPEZ	19-May
JOANNE BENTON	3-May
EMILY CALK	23-May
COLLEEN KROLL	7-May
TINA LOPEZ	23-May
JASON BROWN	7-May
JAN IRETON	24-May
CHRISTOPHER CALK	9-May
TWILA ICENOGLE	27-May
MIRIAM MAY	9-May
DORCAS GOANEH	28-May
CATHY McFEATERS	11-May
NICK BENTON	31-May
AUSTIN BURGE	12-May
<b>Happy Anniversary to:</b>	
MATTHEW SETTLES	14-May
JEFF & CAROL WILSON	16-May
BONNIE SMITH	14-May
JAMES & DR JOANNE SMITH	17-May
FOHN D. GOANEH	15-May
DON & NORMA KETCHUM	25-May
PATSY HARDIN	15-May
BRENT & SHADIA PHILLIPS	31-May
THOMAS SETTLES	15-May



## *2023 Spring Handbell Concert Series*

# *In Honor Of*

*Thursday May 11 - 7:00 PM*  
*Army Residence Community*  
*7400 Crestway Rd.*

*Saturday May 13 - 4:00 PM*  
*Second Baptist Church*  
*3310 E Commerce St.*

*Thursday May 18 - 7:00 PM*  
*Zion Lutheran Church*  
*9944 Leslie*

*Friday May 19 - 7:00 PM*  
*Christ Lutheran Church of Alamo Heights*  
*6720 Broadway*

 [RiverCityRingers.org](https://www.RiverCityRingers.org)

 [RiverCityRingersSA](https://www.facebook.com/RiverCityRingersSA)

*Concerts are free and open to the public. Donations appreciated!*

*River City Ringers is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.*



**R**einhold Niebuhr wrote a poem that says, “God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.”

I know many of us are frustrated and upset about things going on in our lives, in our country, and in our world. We assume that we are right, and anyone who does not agree with us is just wrong! Of course, there are instances in which this assumption is correct. However, there are many in which we simply don't have all the facts. As Davy Crockett said, “Be SURE you're right; then go ahead.” Even when you have verified the facts, what can you do about a situation? If there is nothing you can do, “let it go.” If there IS something you can do, do it in a way to make positive changes. If your actions will only make things worse, forget about it. Think it through, and determine what the probable outcome will be before you act.

If there are situations where it appears only God can “fix” them, take them to God and step back. If you are praying to God to “fix” a situation simply because you are lazy, you may have to actually do something yourself. If you have been praying for someone to be healed, is there anything you can do to facilitate that outcome? Can you take that person to the doctor or hospital? Can you run errands for him or her? Can you do paperwork to get medicines or funding for him or her? If you don't know HOW to do the paperwork, don't make matters worse. Have the “wisdom” to know whether you really can help. If there IS something you can do, DO IT! If there is nothing you can do, leave it to God. God will let you know if there is something you can do to help!

If you see a need in your church or community that you believe you can help - and you have the time and knowledge to do it, have the “courage” to help. If you see a problem in your church or community that you believe you can “fix,” make sure it really is a problem before you try to change it. Have the “wisdom” to know whether there really is a need. Make sure you aren't the only one who thinks something needs changing.

It is true that we are God's hands, feet, and mouths, but sometimes God needs hands instead of a mouth; find your niche. We are all given different gifts. Let's recognize what our gifts are and use them to serve God in the best way possible. A really simple example is in taking down and putting back our Christmas decorations. I am 5 feet tall. It would be ridiculous for me to volunteer to take items off the top shelf and put them back. Luckily, we have a couple of tall men who can do this job very well. Find an area where your actual talents can be useful. Don't just volunteer to do something because only you think it needs to be done or because you want the “glory” that comes with it.

Again, “God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.”

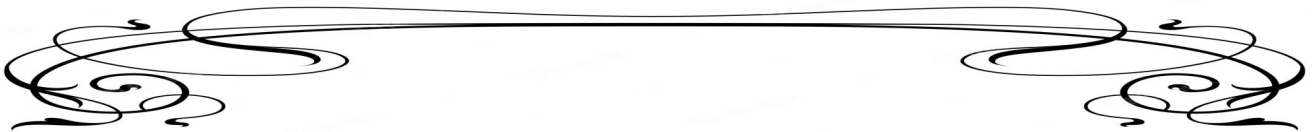
*Harriet Phillips, Lay Leader*

### Weekly Recurring Meetings:

- ⇒ Prayer meeting every Wednesday via zoom at 2:15pm.
- ⇒ “War Room” book study is right after Sunday’s worship service. All are welcome.
- ⇒ Pastor-led Bible study is every Tuesday at 5:00 p.m.; please join us via zoom.
- ⇒ Seekers faith meeting meets on Thursdays at 3:00pm via zoom and also in person on Sundays at 9:15am in classroom #3. You are invited to join!
- ⇒ Please call Cynthia for zoom links or visit our website at [www.tumcsa.net](http://www.tumcsa.net) then click on the Zoom room link.

### Trinity is asking for volunteers to...

- ..... broadcast our worship service live on Facebook (on rotation).
- ..... help with the Family Life Committee alongside Alisa Roberts & Carol Lewis. Family Life is responsible for our social activities, e.g., July 4th luncheon and sing-along, Trunk or Treat, Thanksgiving luncheon, Super Chili Bowl Cook-off, and “Fat Sunday instead” (Sunday before Ash Wednesday).
- ..... read at our Sunday’s worship services, on rotation.
- ..... help in the church office with very light clerical duties such as answering phones, assisting visitors, and other tasks alike. Help is needed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 11am-2pm.
- ..... serve refreshments and clean up after church on the 1st Sunday of every month.
- ..... donate refreshments such as cookies, doughnuts, sweet breads and beverages to serve after the first Sunday worship services; please contact Stacie Brown.



### A PRAYER OF BLESSING FOR ALL MOTHERS



*Dear Lord, Bless every mother and every grandmother with the finest of your spiritual blessings today. Confirm in her heart and spirit the work of her hands and the love that she has so freely given to those children under Your care. Validate her worth daily so she has no reason to doubt whether she is loved, valued, and cherished in the eyes of her Heavenly Father. Create in her a deep sense of your protection and trust, so that worry and fear will disappear as she places her loved ones into Your care. Let her know that every prayer she has prayed and every encouraging word she has spoken on behalf of her children/grandchildren has been transformed into sweet, fragrant offerings before Your throne. Whisper deep within her spirit the sweet words she longs to hear from You—that nothing can ever separate her from Your love. Help her to nestle daily into the promises of Your Word, standing with faith on the things You declare are true. Let her know that You reward faithfulness, but that true success doesn't lie in her accomplishments or accolades. Let her rest in the knowledge that she has done all she can—and that she and those she loves—truly belong to you. Bless her with a servant spirit so she can teach her own the joy of hearing one day, “Well done!” Let her joy be contagious; let her passion be pure; and let her life overflow with all the blessings she deserves—on special days, and on every day of her life. In Jesus’s name, Amen.*

— *(Rebecca Barlow Jordan)*

# Care Packages for Refugee Families



We are donating backpacks filled with hygiene supplies to refugee families through Border Hope Eagle Pass.

Please help us collect these items by May 28, 2023.

- ⇒ Hand Soap
- ⇒ Shampoo
- ⇒ Toothpaste
- ⇒ Hand Sanitizer

For more information, please email Don Ketchum at [dketchum001@satx.rr.com](mailto:dketchum001@satx.rr.com)

Or call the church office at 210-684-0261

Thank you for your usual support and generosity.

