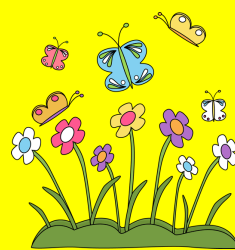


# The Trinity Lamplighter



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## Pastor's Corner

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### Resurrection and New Life

Beloved in Christ,

April is a month of triumph and renewal. As we celebrate Easter, we rejoice in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who conquered sin and death to bring eternal life to all who believe.

Let us lift our hearts in gratitude, worship, and praise for the gift of salvation. Our church family will gather in joyful celebration, singing, praying, and sharing in fellowship. Easter reminds us that in Christ, every ending is a new beginning, and hope is eternal.

Scripture for Reflection:

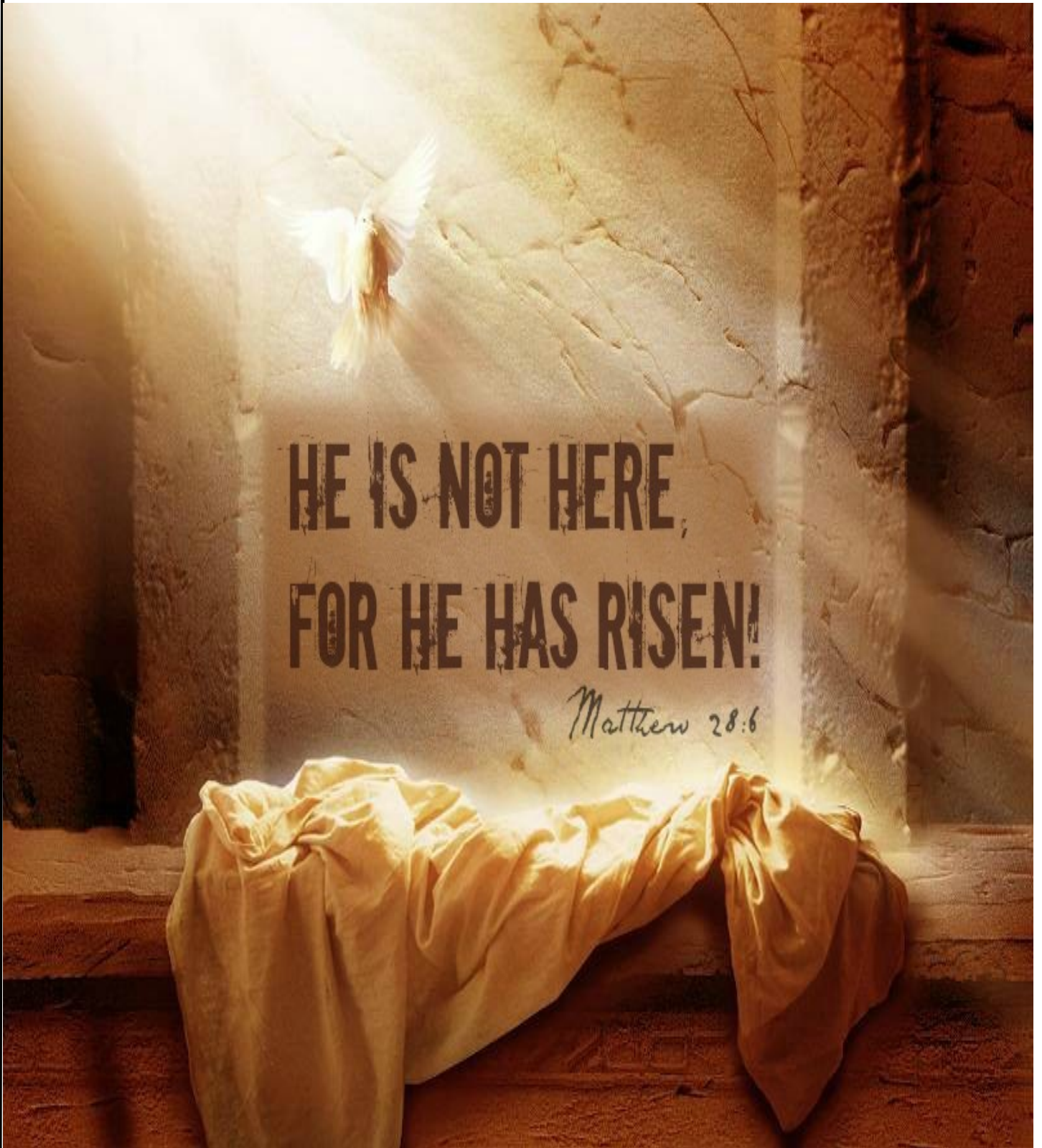
"He is not here; he has risen, just as he said." Matthew 28:6

May this Easter season fill our hearts with joy, hope, and renewed faith in the risen Lord.

In Christ's love,

-Pastor Jean-Marc

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PRAYER CONCERNS

**Jodi Radke**  
**Dave Johnson**  
**Steven Walters**  
**David Munday**  
**Linda Applebee**

**Bonnie Fisher**  
**Aimee Gfeller**  
**Bryan Crowell**  
**Cathy Berry**  
**Colleen Allen**

**Jennie Vacura**  
**Tranda Strnad**  
**Dennis Baxter**  
**Gwenna Green**  
**Kaylee Karst**

## *TRINITY LADIES*

**The Trinity Ladies** will meet **Tuesday, April 14th, 2026, at 10 a.m.** at Fellowship Hall. If there is need for our committee to assist with a funeral or to provide a prayer blanket, please contact us at (785) 483-2440.



## TRINITY COMMUNITY THRIFT STORE

We at the Thrift Store send our prayers for a speedy recovery to Kaylee and prayers for peace and comfort to the family of Marie Hogan. Kaylee is our janitor as well as a substitute checker/bagger and Marie was a long-time checker.

We have been very busy recently as we work through the seasonal changeover. Since we don't have enough volunteers to deal with the drop-off room and the change-over simultaneously, we closed the drop-off room for four days so we could concentrate on one area only. The change-over went smoothly with many of the volunteers from the store working as well as volunteers from a local church also helping. The customers will be greeted on Thursday with all new clothes and shoes for sale.

The drop-off room will be re-opened on Wednesday, April 1, and we will be back in business. We have revamped the clothing storage area with the hope of helping the volunteers who have taken the clothing areas on as new responsibilities. Things look pretty good in the store, and we are hoping for a profitable spring.

If you would like to be a part of the Thrift Store crew, please call the store at 785-483-4469 and make your intentions known. There are jobs for all, and the hours are flexible. The pay never increases but then again it doesn't decrease either.

- Lyndel Adams

# Children's Education Ministry

Greetings Church Family!

Sunday, April 5, we invite all the children to join us for an Easter Egg Hunt following the Easter service. This will be a glow hunt and is one of the kids' favorite events each year.

We've really been enjoying our time spent with the kids and youth of Trinity UMC! IGNITE kids meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of every month right after worship service from 10:45-11:30am (preschool through 4th grade). IGNITE youth meets on the 1st and 3rd Sundays from 5:00-6:00pm (5th grade and up).

Donations throughout the year for Operation Christmas Child boxes that we will get ready for shipment in November are really appreciated. The following are some donation suggestions:

**Hygiene items - Soaps, Washcloths, Toothbrushes, towels, dental floss, hairbrushes, combs, deodorant (dry), Kleenex, lip balms (winter items- sales).**

**"Wow" Items (Musical instruments, puzzles, dolls, soccer balls with pump).**

**Stuffed animals, toys, puzzles, games, children's books, Legos, etc.**



We will join forces with Otterbein Methodist Church, Chapel of Hope, and New Life Ministries for VBS this year with the event being held at Otterbein. VBS will take place every Wednesday in June and the first Wednesday in July from 9:00 am – 12:30 pm. Lunch will be served at each session. We look forward to partnering with these churches! As you may know, VBS requires many volunteers. If you are interested in helping with this event, please let Beth or I know.

Thank you for your continued support of our children's programs. God Bless You!

Katie Scarborough  
Children and Youth Education Coordinator



Hello,  
April



**Online Giving is Available!**

Set up an ACH Plan for your offering to Trinity UMC. It is a great way to continue to financially support the church and its ministries. Save a stamp and keep your personal check!!

Contact the church office [rsltrin@ruraltel.net](mailto:rsltrin@ruraltel.net) or 785-483-2440

(Thank you for your attendance and monetary support of Trinity United Methodist Church)

**CHURCH RECORDS WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:**

<u>Date</u>	<u>9:30 am</u>	<u>Online</u>
March 1	29	10 views
March 8	13	13 views
March 15	canceled due to extreme weather	
March 22	35	1 views
March 29	40	21 views

**FINANCE UPDATE Sunday Offerings:**

March 1	\$	8144
March 8	\$	3727
March 22	\$	3422
March 29	\$	1956

## April Worship Assistants

### Communion Stewards

Cindy Ohlson

### Ushers

April 2: Duane Adams (Maundy Thurs.)

April 5: Duane Adams

April 12: Duane Adams

April 19: Lea Reddig

April 26: Duane Adams

### Lector

April 2: Raeleen Reinhardt (Maundy Thurs.)

April 5: Lyndel Adams

April 12: Raeleen Reinhardt

April 19: Jerrie Parsons

April 26: Raeleen Reinhardt

### Greeters

April 5:

April 12: Raeleen & Steve Reinhardt

April 19: Becky Polcyn

April 26: Raeleen & Steve Reinhardt

### Sound System

April 2: David Munday (Maundy Thurs.)

April 5: David Munday

April 12: David Munday

April 19: David Munday

April 26: David Munday

### Pianist

Curtis Sander

Pat David

Galen Schmidtberger

### Bulletin Delivery to Shut-Ins

April 5: Dee Ann Matheson

April 12: Margie Gilpin

April 19: Dee Ann Matheson

April 26: Dee Ann Matheson

### Children's Time

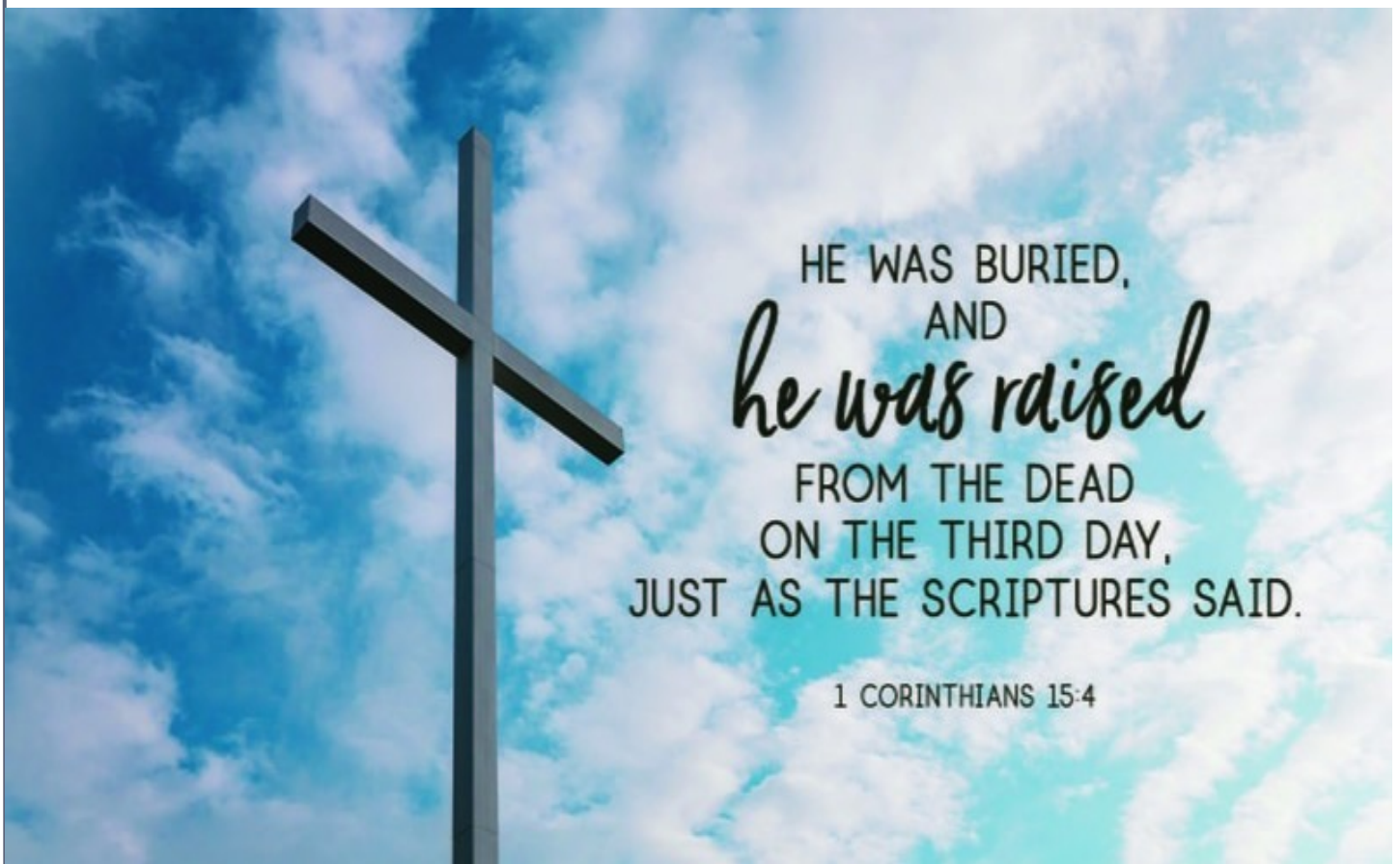
April 5: Lyndel Adams

April 12: Raeleen Reinhardt

April 19: Katie Scarborough

April 26: Katie Scarborough

*Thank you for the many ways you are serving the Lord.*



If you can't join us in person, please join us online at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays.. Services are streamed online each Sunday. There is an updated link posted on our FB page: <https://www.facebook.com/Russell-Trinity-UMC-200278325077>, or our webpage: <https://russelltrinityumc.org/>

**Listen 1st and 3rd Sundays to the radio on 98.1 FM or 990 AM.**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
If you'd like to add a birthday or anniversary, please contact the church office by phone or email.			1 6pm Bible Study 8pm AA Meeting <b>12pm Lenten Lunch @ First Congregational</b>	2 Thrift Store Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm <b>6pm Maundy Thursday Service</b>	3 Thrift Store Hours 1:00 pm -5:00 pm <b>12pm RCAOC Good Friday Service @ First Congregational</b>	4 Thrift Store Hours 10:00 am-2:00 pm
5 Holy Communion 8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School <b>9:30 a.m. Worship - Easter—Egg Hunt after Service</b> <b>Service on the radio</b> 5pm Ignite Youth	6	7	8 6pm Bible Study 8pm AA Meeting	9 Thrift Store Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm	10 Thrift Store Hours 1:00 pm -5:00 pm	11 Thrift Store Hours 10:00 am-2:00 pm
12 8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:45am Ignite Kids <b>2pm Care Center</b>	13	14 <b>10am Trinity Ladies</b>	15 6pm Bible Study 8pm AA Meeting	16 Thrift Store Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm	17 Thrift Store Hours 1:00 pm -5:00 pm	18 Thrift Store Hours 10:00 am-2:00 pm
19 8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship <b>Service on the radio</b> 5pm Ignite Youth	20	21	22 <b>NO Bible Study</b> 8pm AA Meeting	23 Thrift Store Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm	24 Thrift Store Hours 1:00 pm -5:00 pm	25 Thrift Store Hours 10:00 am-2:00 pm
26 8:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:45am Ignite Kids <b>10:45am Leadership Council</b>	27	28	29 6pm Bible Study 8pm AA Meeting	30 Thrift Store Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm	<b>** If you notice any corrections or your name is omitted from our list, please contact the Church Office at (785)483-2440</b>	

### Birthdays and Anniversaries

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|---|---|
| 1. Meridy Barnes,<br>Raeleen Reinhardt, Steve Parker 🕯️<br>Donny & Audrey Varner 🕯️ | 17. Aislee Martin 🕯️ Chase & Shelby Penka 🕯️          |
| 2. Robert Emmons, Layne Stoughton 🕯️  | 19. Monty Karst 🕯️                                    |
| 3. Anita Swords, Nick Paschal 🕯️  | 21. Scott McCobb, Kinley Stoughton 🕯️                 |
| 11. Carla Hill 🕯️   | 24. Lyndel Adams, Steven Swords,<br>Landry Hoffman 🕯️ |
| 13. Jasmine Pasek, Debbie St. Pierre 🕯️   | Matt & Mallory Davis 🕯️                               |
| 14. Dee Ann Matheson 🕯️   | 26. Journey Windscheffel,<br>Dannie'll Heaton 🕯️      |
| 15. Stephanie Cross 🕯️  | 30. Danny & Chelsee Hoffman 🕯️                        |

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**Church Office Hours**

Monday - Friday  
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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*Christian Education  
Assistant:*  
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*Custodian:*  
*Jamie Sander*

*Organist & Pianist:*  
*Galen Schmidtberger*  
*Curtis Sander*  
*Pat David*

*Music Minister:*  
*Galen Schmidtberger*

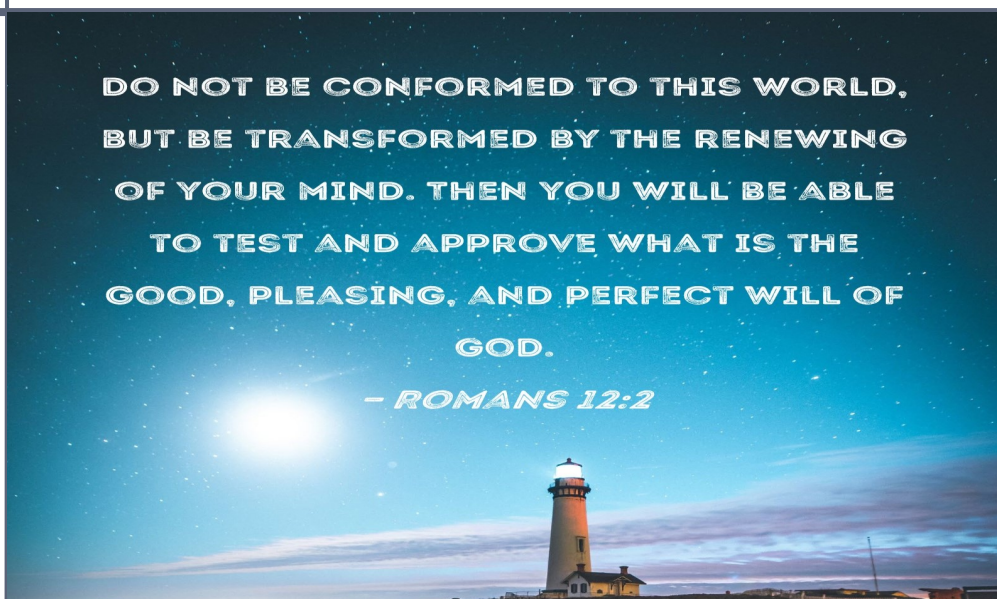
*Choir Accompanist:*  
*Curtis Sander*  
*Pat David*

**Worship Hours**

**Sundays**  
**8:30 Sunday School**  
**9:30 Church Service**

DO NOT BE CONFORMED TO THIS WORLD,  
BUT BE TRANSFORMED BY THE RENEWING  
OF YOUR MIND. THEN YOU WILL BE ABLE  
TO TEST AND APPROVE WHAT IS THE  
GOOD, PLEASING, AND PERFECT WILL OF  
GOD.

- ROMANS 12:2



Visitors are WELCOME at Trinity anytime.

We appreciate you being a part of the Trinity experience on your Sunday! Be sure to check out our website at [www.russelltrinityumc.org](http://www.russelltrinityumc.org) for Live Stream on Sundays, and **Facebook** : [Russell Trinity UMC](https://www.facebook.com/RussellTrinityUMC)

Join us the 1st and 3rd Sundays radio—  
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