

# The Historical Society of Trinity United Methodist Church

*The mission of the Trinity United Methodist Church Historical Society is to collect, preserve, and disseminate documents, artifacts, research, and stories of the Trinity United Methodist Church, Tallahassee, Florida, as a ministry of memory designed to connect with the church family, to identify and honor those who went before us, to live principled Christian lives ourselves, and to inspire future generations to become disciples.*

## Preserving-Sharing-Caring

**PURPOSE:** Trinity United Methodist Church Historical Society is organized to advance the on-going history of the church since its beginning in the capital of the Territory of Florida in September 1824. The society is affiliated with the administration of that local church and conducts its programs and activities under its auspices. Working in conjunction with the church's Preservation of History Committee, the society will expand its outreach to everyone who is interested in studying, researching, preserving and disseminating its heritage.



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The society will assist in caring for and displaying acquisitions of Trinity's Heritage Room in the manner specified in museum guides, as they represent a "public trust." An inventory of historical holdings shall be maintained. Gifts of historical materials will be accepted as usefulness to the collection is determined.

**ACTIVITIES:** Activities will vary with the initiative and resourcefulness of the leadership and the interest of the members. Talks, formal addresses, papers, displays, pageants, historical plays, newsletters, books and taped historical accounts will be presented as developed. A webpage will be maintained where these materials will be shared.



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An annual meeting will be held and other events scheduled as interest indicates. The society will work with the church in preparation and implementation of historical anniversary observances. It also will cooperate with the Preservation of History Committee in responding to requests from members and the public for genealogical information that may be found in the church's membership records.

**MEMBERS:** The Society is open to any member or friend of Trinity United Methodist Church who fills out an application expressing interest in learning more about Trinity's history and in contributing to the purposes of the society. If and when the society incurs expenses for publications and other benefits, a nominal membership fee may be charged.

**DUTIES:** Members are encouraged to be full participants in the activities of the society and may volunteer or be assigned to a subcommittee to help research, preserve, produce, and disseminate documents, artifacts, and other materials.

**OFFICERS:** Founding officers of the Historical Society of Trinity United Methodist Church of Tallahassee, Florida, are as follows:

Co-Chair: Linda Yates    Recording Secretary: Dot Binger  
Historian: Bob Jones    Membership Archivist: Lynn McLarty  
Vice Chair of Historic Preservation Committee: Rhonda Work  
Technical Editor: Pam Crosby



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