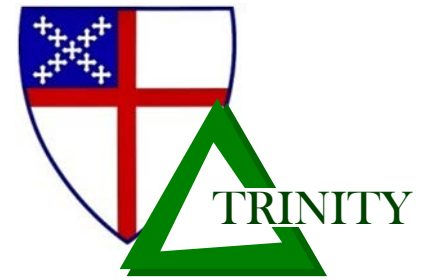


Trinity in Transition



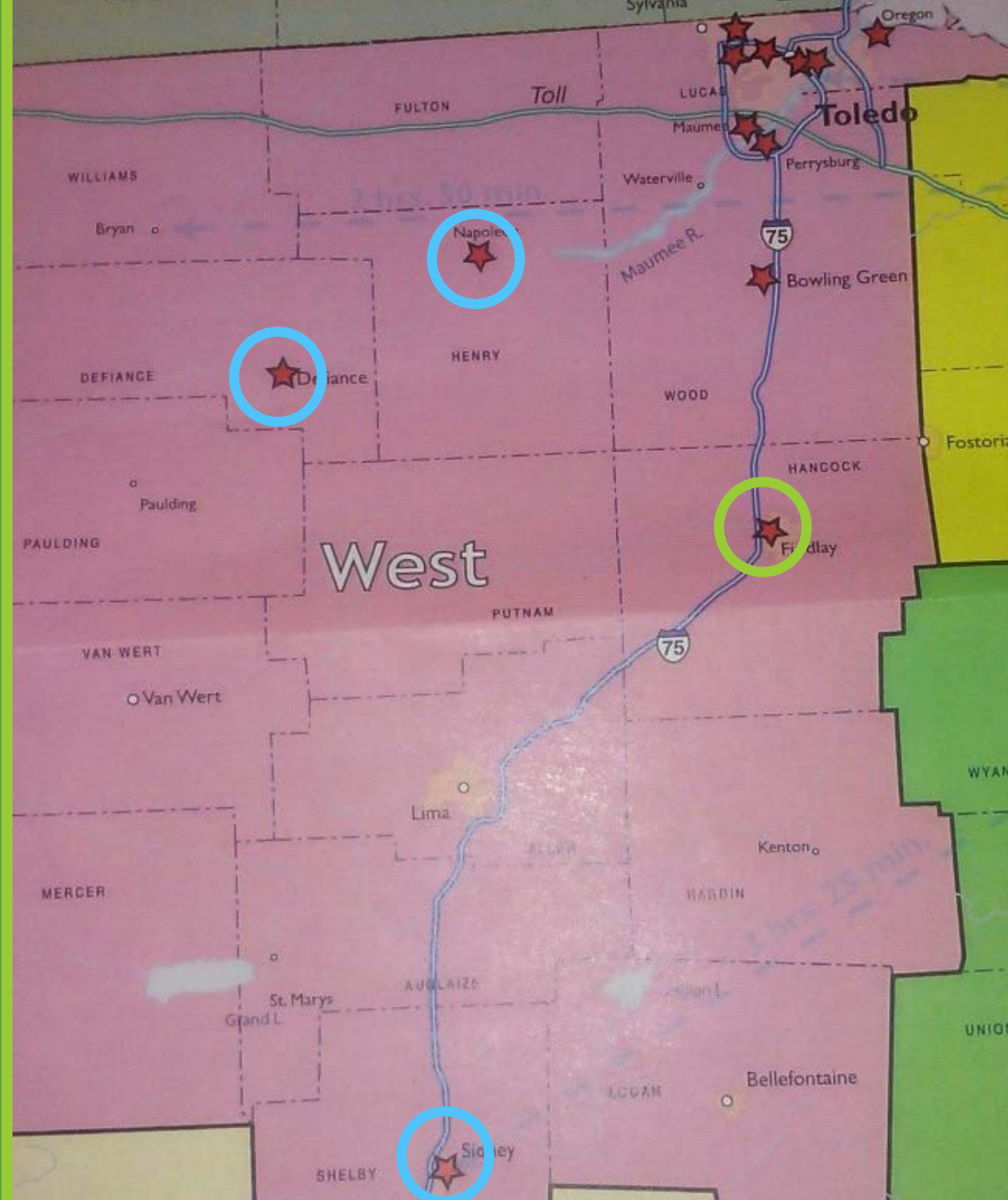
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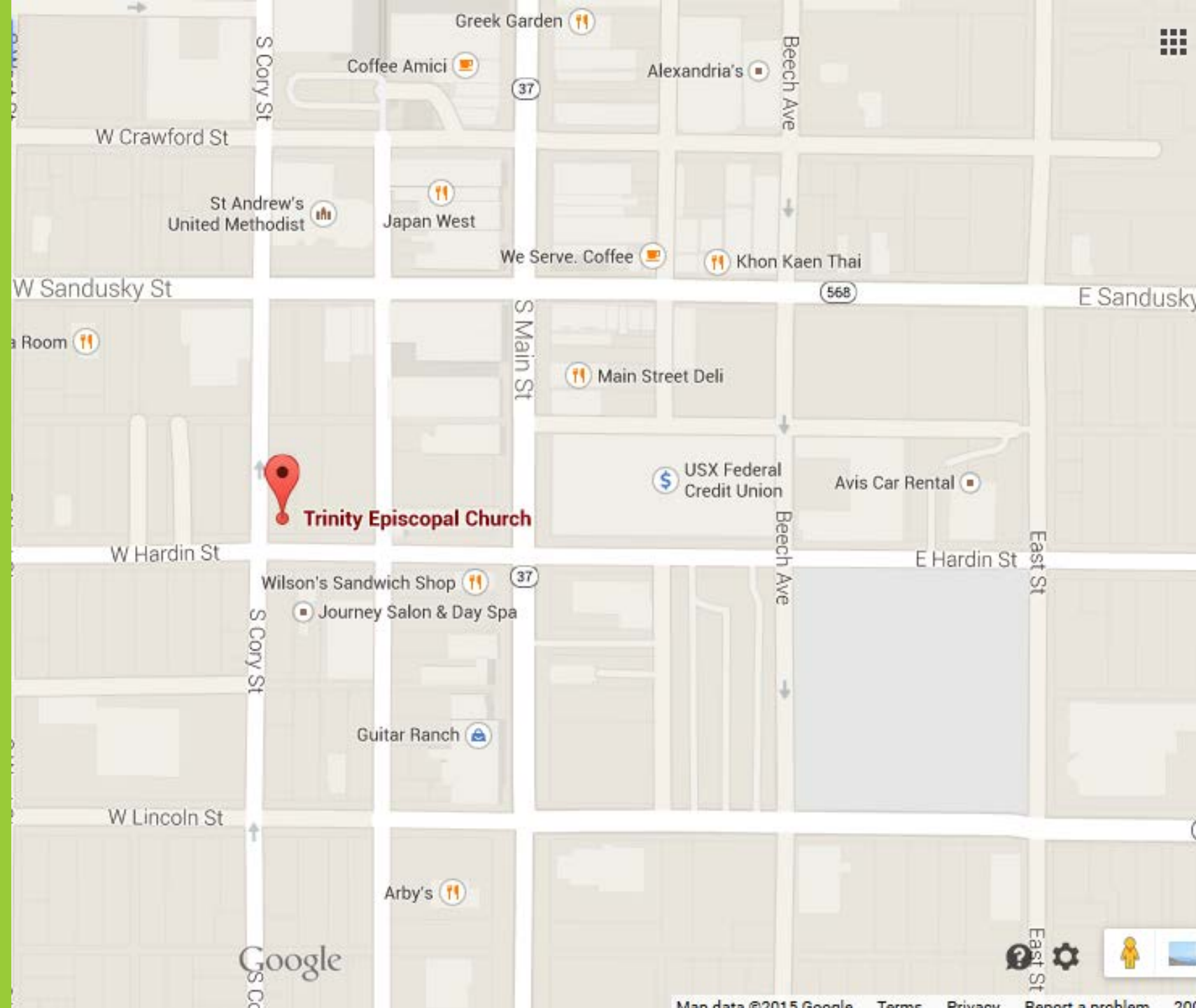
Trinity in the Diocese of Ohio



Trinity in the West Mission Area




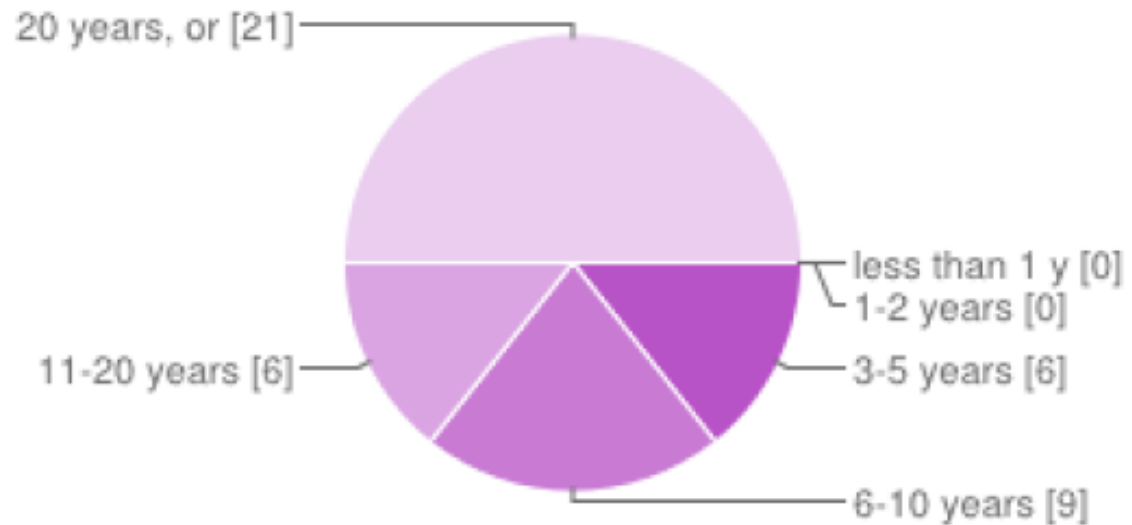
Trinity's Place in Findlay



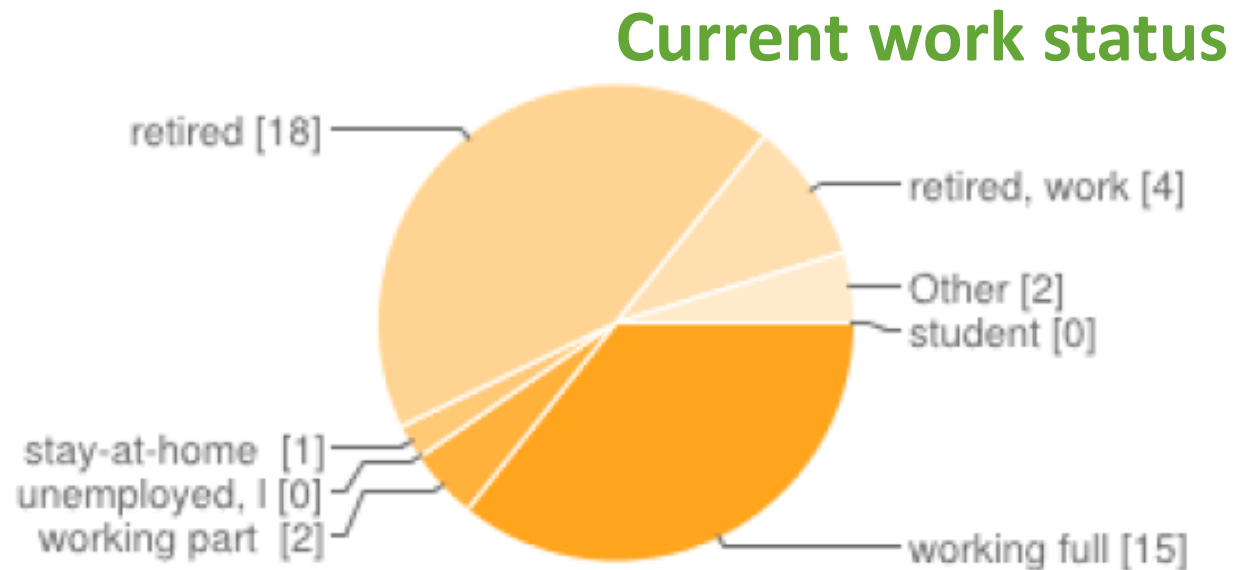


Who are we?

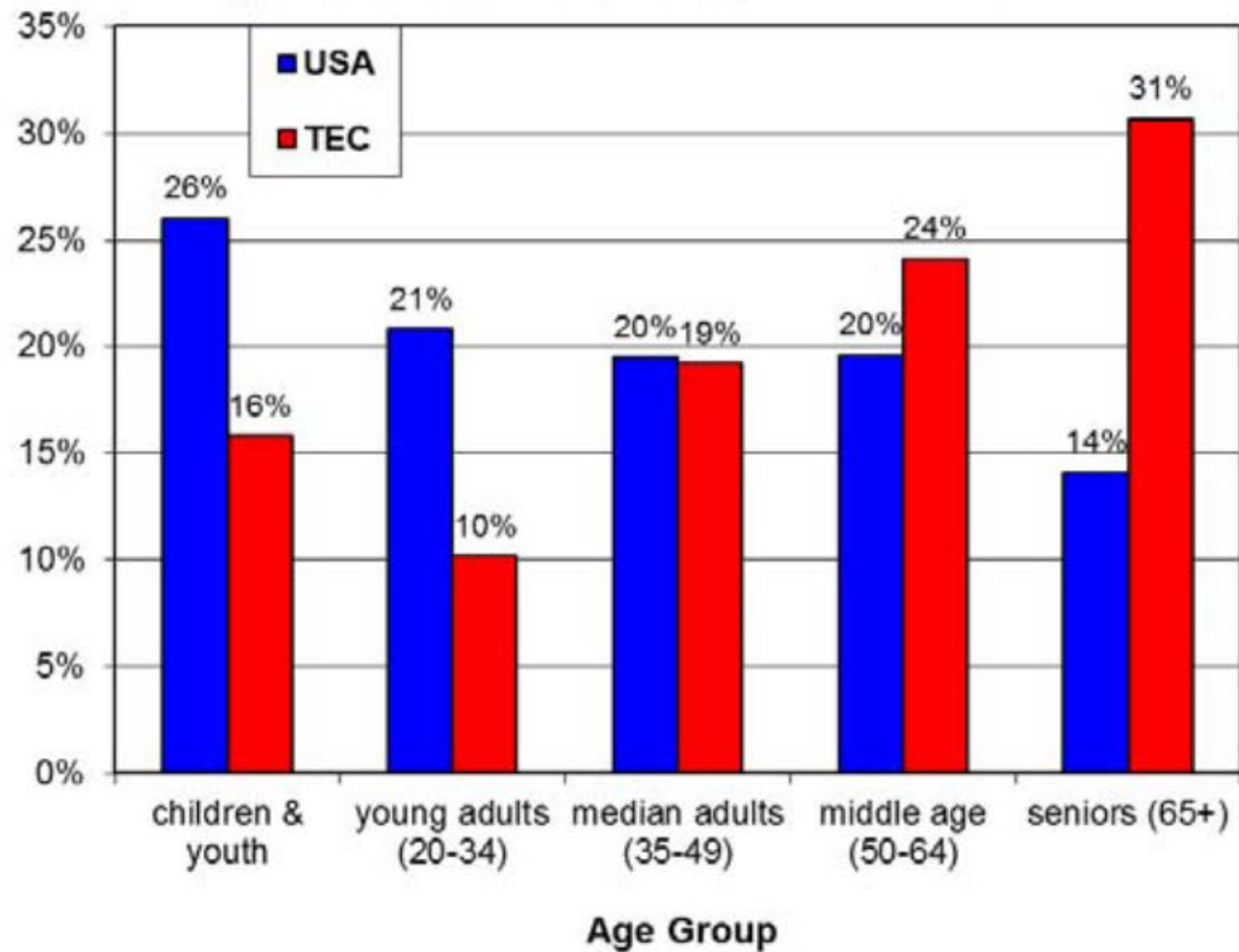
- ❖ a **WELCOMING COMMUNITY** that is accepting of others who are different,
 - ❖ a place to experience **GENUINE RELATIONSHIPS** that help us grow,
 - ❖ people who **VOLUNTEER** to reach out into the community,
 - ❖ people who value **TRADITION, MUSIC, AND PRAYER** in worship.
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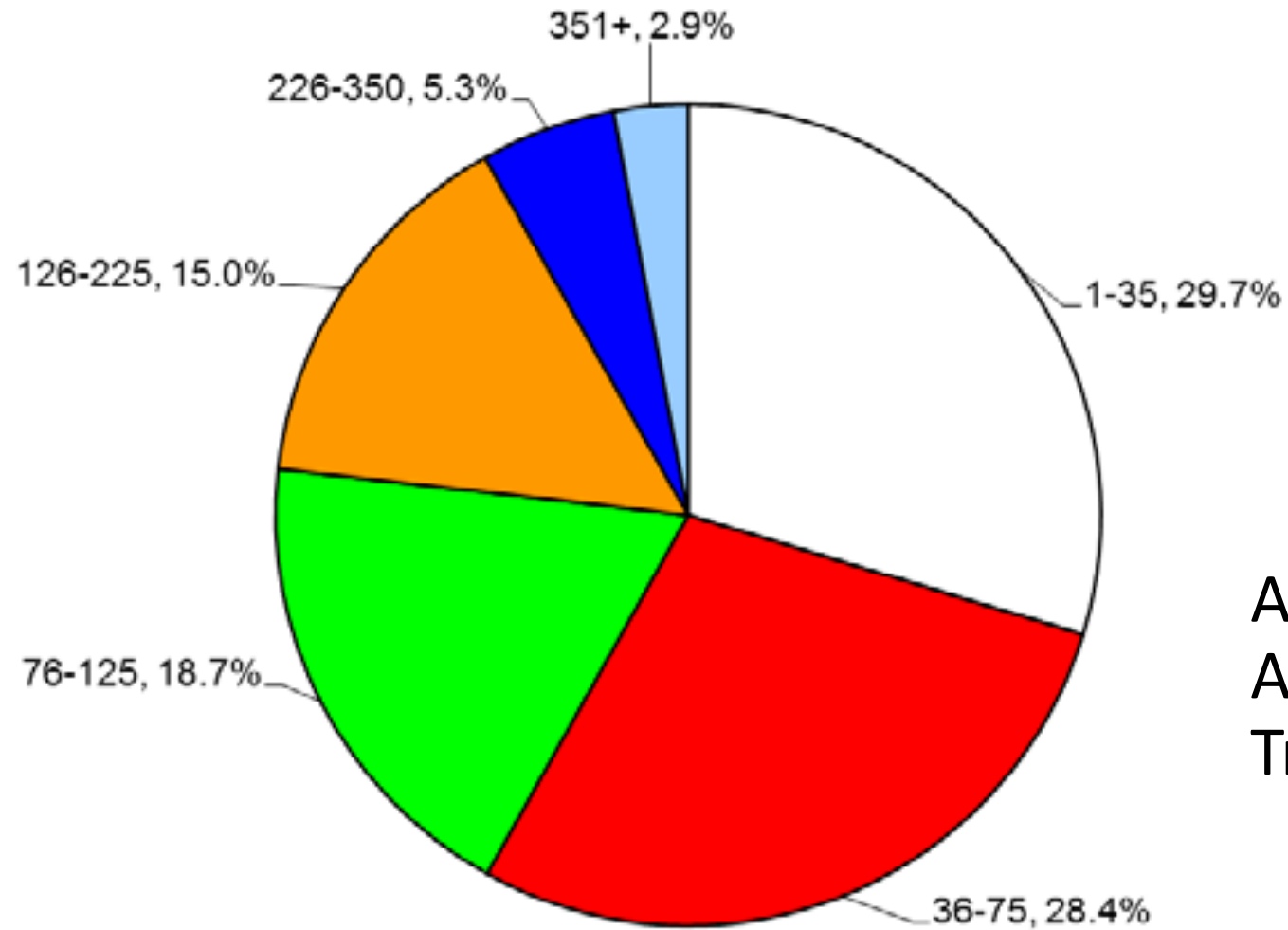
Length of time at Trinity



Demography of Trinity



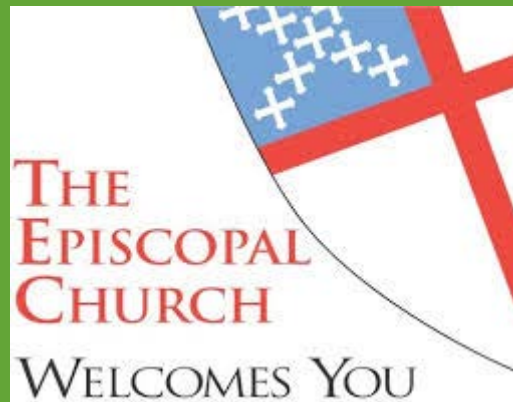
Demography of The Episcopal Church



Average Sunday Attendance at Trinity is **60**.

Worship Attendance for The Episcopal Church

Are we unique among Episcopal churches?



86% of Trinitarians agree that we are **friendly** & welcoming, **fun-loving** & food-oriented.

48% of Episcopal Churches also describe themselves as **friendly** & welcoming, **warm** & caring.

What worries us?

Our SMALL size

and our

FINANCES



Areas we'd like to develop

Liturgy 20%

Outreach 43%

Church family--increase number of activities for fellowship 55%

Church family--increase our size 77%

Music ministry 23%

Church building 27%

Christian education 57%

Support for children 64%

Support for adults 43%

We seek to improve



Christian Education & Time and Effort in Outreach



How is Findlay changing?

Better collaboration and planning

Increasing numbers of young professionals

Increased diversity

Less accessibility to affordable housing

More families and children in need of food

More homelessness

More heroin addiction





Our ideas about our neighbors' needs

Based on our survey, we think this is how we might meet our neighbors needs...

Enhanced **use of the building**, better marketing of what we can offer

Develop **connection with schools**

Outreach to businesses

Prayer

Ask what they need and invite them to participate



And their actual needs

After interviewing our neighbors, this is what they need...

- ❖ Community education
- ❖ Volunteers
- ❖ Donations
- ❖ Space for meetings

What do we have to share?

Members willing to volunteer

Facility with space – parish hall, sanctuary, classrooms, annex

Prayer

Music ministry

Additional resources to consider

noexceptions.com

(not yet online)



The **Episcopal**
Diocese of Ohio



Cory Street Bike Lane



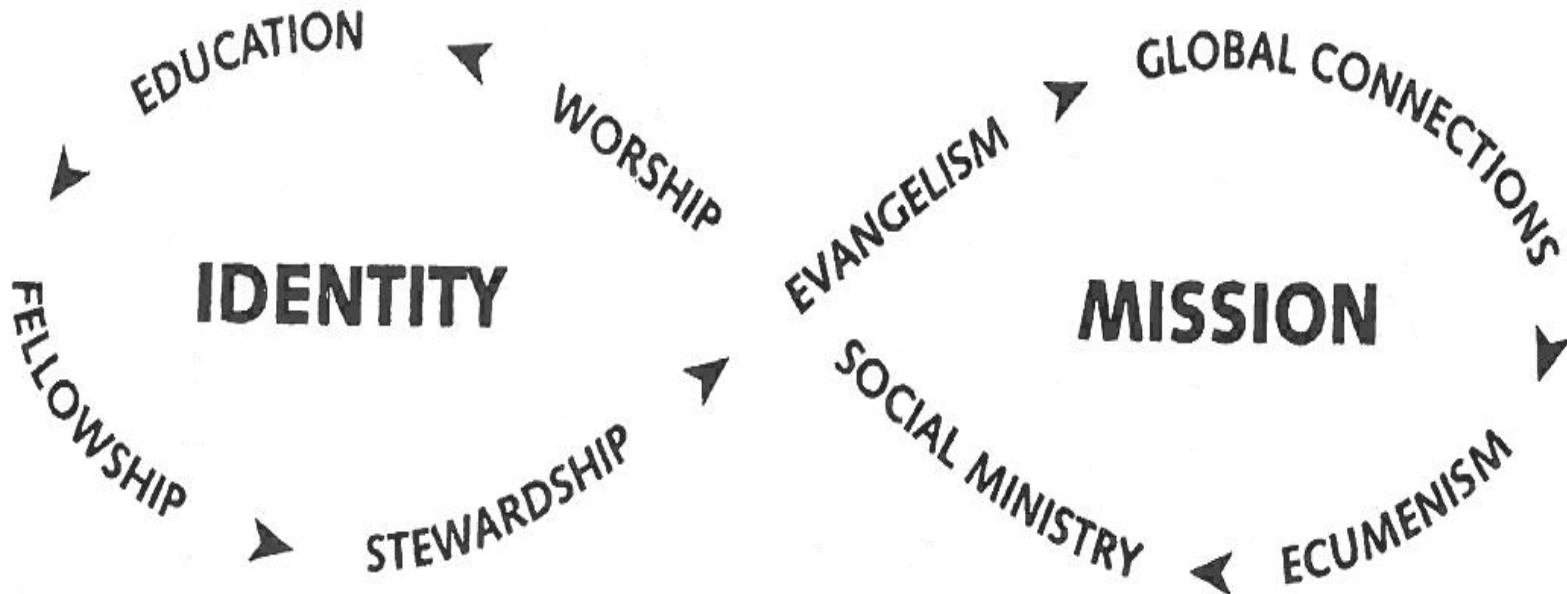
Suggestions for the future

Embrace who we are as a **SMALL CHURCH**

Find our **NICHE** in Findlay and our neighboring communities

Serve our neighbors through coordinated **VOLUNTEER** efforts and fundraising

Our hope is that this self-assessment will be used with prayerful reflection to discern our call from God to service as a congregation.



Trinity Church

TO SEEK, SERVE, AND HONOR GOD IN ALL WE DO