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May the grace and peace of our risen Lord,
Jesus Christ, be with you all!

I am so excited to be serving you, the people
of South Meriden Trinity United Methodist
Church, as your new Pastor.

For most of you, I am a new face, just like your faces are new to me. For all of us, though, we are children of God, known by our Lord, from the beginning of time, and right now, in this place. God never forgets a face - or a heart!

I hope and pray that you will join us in the days to come as we open our hearts and souls to our faith in our loving and powerful God. The living God is ready to touch you today. Together, through faith, we can touch our families, our community, and the world, helping God to transform them, "one person at a time," as God transforms us in God's Holy Spirit.

Here is my challenge to you: dare to grow in faith with us. Dare to open yourself to God's possibilities that change our lives, and the lives around us, when we follow God, persistently and insistently. Dare to explore what an investment in faith can do to our investment in life itself. Relationships can heal. New possibilities for life can be revealed. Hope and joy can become a way of life. And the ordinary, right in front of us, can become extraordinary.

I know that this will take trust, and patience. But God is patient with us. There is time for us to grow together. There is time for us to celebrate God's possibilities in worship, prayer, service, and mission. As the apostle Paul suggests in 2 Corinthians 6:1, though, "Now is the acceptable time - now is the day of salvation!" God invites us to begin our new journey together **now**. May our journey be blessed, joyful, and filled with wonder and awe!

Your servant in Jesus Christ,

Pastor John Blossom