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The Mission of Trinity United Methodist Church is to proclaim God's love by building community and living by the example and teachings of Jesus Christ.

Trinotes



Almost Pentecost

It will come about after this That I will pour out My Spirit on all mankind; And your sons and daughters will prophesy, Your old men will dream dreams, Your young men will see visions. "Even on the male and female servants I will pour out My Spirit in those days.

— Joel 2:28-30

It's almost here! I get really excited about Pentecost. Do you? You really, really should. It's an amazing season of the liturgical year — the time when we remember Jesus fulfilling his promise that we would be left with something — some THING — some AMAZING thing that would provide us with the moral guidance we need to be followers of Christ. It would provide us with the gentle (and sometimes not-so-gentle) encouragement we need to be bold for Christ. It would give us necessary reminders of what it means to live like Christ in all we do. It's a little piece of God in us. THAT is a pretty amazing gift. It's a gift that really is a tool that was used to build the foundation of the early Church, and so we say, it is the birthday of the church.

But it's corporate (for the whole church) **and** personal as well. We can't forget that. Remember, God doesn't come to this building and live in this place. God is for us — literally FOR us — a tiny piece of God wrapped up with a bow — a gift, just for each and every one of us.

And that gift manifests itself in so many different ways. It rears its head when we feel drawn to the waters of our baptism to remember our covenant with God. It pokes itself out in "Ah hah!" moments when we recognize that maybe we're good at that 'thing' because that 'thing' is a spiritual gift of God (and we should honor God by using it). It's the comfort we find in moments of distress that seems to come out of nowhere, but it really comes from within because the Spirit of God dwells in us (and we are never alone).

It's an amazing season and I think it's really neat that it happens to fall right before our Vacation Bible School begins. VBS — where we invite tiny humans to come and discover the love and grace of God — many for the first time. VBS — where we are encouraged to remember our own baptisms in that we are called to share that love with them. VBS — where our gifts and graces, given to us by the Spirit of God, are needed to do this work. How incredible is it that Pentecost is the kick-off for our VBS this year!?

Maybe you hadn't thought about the above yet...You've been hanging out in the back of the commitment line hoping someone else would step in and take on some Vacation Bible School responsibilities.

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PRAYER CONCERNS

Our country and the world - for the family and friends of those killed or injured in school or workplace shootings; for people of faith around the world who are experiencing persecution; for refugees seeking asylum from war and social unrest; for safe drinking water for those living in developing countries; prayers for our country, that truth and justice will prevail; for people around the world experiencing terrorist attacks; safety for children going to and from school and while at school; for the poor, homeless, and disenfranchised in our city; for the Dreamers, who seek to remain in the United States legally.

The United Methodist Church - for our Pastor, Rev. Sara Corum, her husband Josh McClurkan, and their five children; for our Bishop, the Rev. Bill McAlilly; and for our District Superintendent, the Rev. Dr. Deborah Smith.

Trinity UMC - For homebound members in the congregation. For children and youth ministries. For new visitors to this congregation. For all families who are grieving. For our congregation as we face transitions. Wisdom for our Trustees and Church Council. Also, specific prayer requests by and for:

Mary McConnell's niece **Laura Fellin**, cancer—pray for her family.

Phil Phillips, undergoing transfusions; low blood count and very weak

Maggi Comes' niece, **Katie Pendleton**, diagnosed with Tumefactive MS PRAISE!! **Molly Rosson** is eating solid food & playing pat-a-cake.

PRAISE!! **Kanyan Glover** has had his heart transplant and is doing very well.

The family is thankful for your prayers.

Donnie Glover, ongoing chemo for leukemia; wife **Sandra** has a broken vertebra

Marico Mason, needs lung transplant; trying to get back on transplant list

Bryce Sellers, fighting Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy

Paige Warmath, **Alyson Foreman's** cousin, brain tumor removed, but

needs further treatment; Paige's husband, **Brad**, recovering from illness

Family and friends of **Charlie Hopkins**, who died in his sleep on May 6th.

Tom Wilson, home recovering from knee surgery

Charlotte Comes, break in L1 vertebra, outpatient surgery scheduled for May 30th.

(Please contact the church office with any changes or additions to prayer list, or if a concern needs to be deleted.)

Upcoming

EVENTS

Youth Group Mid-Week Meeting

At 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 23rd, the Youth will share a meal in the Youth Room.

Holy Communion

A Service of Holy Communion is held each Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel. Due to the upcoming Annual Conference and other summer activities, there will be a few Wednesdays when Communion will not take place. If in doubt, please call the church office at 901-274-6895.

Binghampton Food Pantry

Tuesdays & Fridays at 258 Merton, 8:00-11:00 a.m., fresh produce is distributed.

Covenant Discipleship

The Wednesday evening Covenant Discipleship group continues to gather at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesdays.

Experiencing Worship with El Redentor

El Redentor UMC is one of the churches with whom Trinity UMC partners to host the Guatemalan Consulate. On June 23 at 10:00 am, a few members from Trinity UMC will be visiting El Redentor to experience worship in their tradition and their language. Pastor Luz is eager to welcome us! If you are interested in worshipping at El Redentor, please contact Amy Moritz at amycmoritz@gmail.com or 901-463-0983 or for more information.

Summer Trustees Meetings Scheduled

The Board of Trustees will meet in the Conference Room at 6:00 p.m. on June 24th and August 26th.

Trinotes

The deadline for submissions for the next *Trinotes* is June 3rd. Please email or deliver any articles to Debby Marston at office@trinityumcmemphis.org. *Trinotes* is now available as an electronic file. Make a note on your Sunday attendance sheet or call Debby at 901-274-6895 if you prefer to receive the newsletter via e-mail. Access it on our website at: www.trinityumcmemphis.org.

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Or maybe, just maybe, that little bit of God in you is saying, "Here's a chance to use what I've given you to do wonderful things."

It's time to celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit. Let the Spirit teach you how. Need some help? Come see me.

In the Spirit,
Rev. Sara

Scout News from Troop 13

Troop 13 celebrated our newest Eagle Scout, Caleb Michael Coffman, on May 20, 2019. Caleb, who is 16 years old, joined Troop 13 from Troop 97, and has served as Troop Guide, and currently is our Quartermaster, where he keeps both trailer and garage in order. His parents, Nathan and Christy, are excited to welcome their 3rd Eagle into the family. Caleb has been a fantastic addition to our Troop, and we are proud of what he's achieved, and are looking forward to seeing the trail he blazes from here.



In other Scout news, Life Scout Jack Danely, also in Troop 13, scored a perfect 36 on his ACT test as a junior at Central High School. Wow!!!

Trinity UMC is proud to be affiliated with Scout Troop 13 and Cub Scout Pack 13. These young people demonstrate the very best in character, ability, and responsibility. Congratulations, Caleb and Jack!

If others would join me, I would...

In February, the congregation was invited to complete the statement above. The list of statements has continued to grow. You've been agreeing to "join in" by adding your name to the bulletin board.

It is time to act on some of these ideas!

Over the summer, the Community Connections Steering Committee will be encouraging the authors of these statements to find a few others and take the next steps in making these ideas a reality. If you have not yet expressed your interest in joining one or more of these ideas, please add your name to the bulletin board or call the person who shared the idea by using the list on page 5. (Call the church office for contact information.)

In August, we will have our next Discovery and Discernment gathering and begin reviewing all of the information we have gathered so far (gifts, assets, relationships, etc.) along with the new things you have been learning about our community as well as ways that TUMC may more deeply engage. Acting on the ideas above is one of the ways we will continue to learn.

¡Muchas gracias!



Or, THANK YOU! Thank you again for being supportive, flexible, and patient as we hosted our sisters and brothers from Guatemala last weekend for another consulate event. This was a much smaller event than usual, as the consulate's office was only revisiting some passports for folks who

were at the last event. Still, we served about 600 of our immigrant neighbors out of the Covenant classroom upstairs. The weather was perfect and, as usual, it was a delight to be in partnership in ministry with El Redentor, Aldersgate, and Peace Tree UMC's. Again, muchas gracias!



Honorariums & Memorials

Memorials have been received:

*In memory of **Snookie Mason** from Beryl & Karen Willard*

*In memory of **Maynell Horton** from Beryl & Karen Willard*

*In memory of **Annabelle Chumney** from Beryl & Karen Willard*

*In memory of **Jeanne Dycus** from Beryl & Karen Willard*

*In memory of **Marie Park** from Beryl & Karen Willard*

*In memory of **Chuck Comes** from Beryl & Karen Willard*

*In memory of **Marie Park** from the Friendship Class*

*In memory of **Annabelle Chumney** from the Friendship Class*

*In memory of **Maynell Horton** from the Friendship Class*

*In memory of **Chuck Comes** from Wendell & Linda Stoltz*



June 8

June 9

June 12

June 13

June 17

June 18

June 18

June 19

June 21

June 23

June 30

Nancy Maddox

Finnegan Potter

Marc Taylor

Mason Brown

Pat Lovington

Audrey Webster

James Webster

Sam Comes

Sandy Guntharp

Katie McNeely

Eddie Ramsey

[If your name or that of a loved one has been omitted from this birthday list, please contact the church office at 901-274-6895.]



Updated VBS Needs List

Arts/Crafts Supplies Needed:

- ~ 7 doz. Small round coffee filters
- ~ 7 dozen recycled CDs
- ~ Several rolls paper towels
- ~ 7 doz. Empty soup cans or frosting containers
- ~ 6 rolls glue dots
- ~ 400 large craft sticks
- ~ Several hundred assorted small, new nuts, bolts, springs, washers, and rubber gaskets (Clean out your junk drawer—you know you have one!)
- ~ Several hundred pompons & chenille stems
- ~ Several hundred assorted googly eyes

Science Supplies Needed:

- ~ 4 boxes Alka Seltzer
- ~ 6 2-liter Diet Cokes
- ~ 12 small Diet Cokes in plastic bottles
- ~ 6 rolls Mentos
- ~ Box of salt
- ~ 8 doz. clean plastic water bottles w/ lids
- ~ 8 bottles vegetable oil
- ~ Star glitter
- ~ 14 oz. gold or space glitter



Lakeshore summer camps provide ways that our children and youth can experience life, love, and the God of Grace. If you are interested in providing this opportunity for your child(ren), please refer to the Lakeshore website (<http://www.lakeshorecamp.org>). You may contact Carol Miller at 901-647-1329 or the church office for more information. Partial scholarships may be available through the church. Also, please consider making a donation to the Lakeshore Summer Camp Fund. This fund helps to alleviate the financial burden for our families.

If Others would join me, I would...	Author
Have a support group (led by a professional) for parents of adult-children	Sue Taylor
Have an opportunity to serve single parents and their children	Sue Taylor
Help resource-challenged homeowners with minor home repairs	Sam Goff
Organize Trinity's archives	Sally Ramsey
Develop a transportation ministry to transport homeless without ID to Drivers' License Station on Shelby Dr (work through Hospitality Hub; need volunteer drivers)	Rosemary Potter
Start a welcome wagon team	Rob Landrigan
Walk/exercise once a week	Myra Finch/Katy Spake
Start a student-run physical therapy clinic	Krissi Moore
Help Trinity become a reconciling church (affirming rights of LGBT persons)	Kay Jordan
Repeat Fair Trade event (Alternative Market)	Kay Jordan
Start a faith-sharing group	Irene Dycus
Visit with our individual Evergreen Historic neighbors - engage them in conversation on how we can work together in a positive way for the future	Flip Brooks
Make connections to organizations that would yield opportunities to serve others that TUMC is in partnership with.	Delores Clayborn (Pathway to Dignity)
Start a small group study exploring aging and end of life concerns	Craig Jordan
Develop a community garden or participate with the backyard garden group already in existence	Chris Glover
Serve the elderly	Brad Moritz
Homeschool children who have been pushed out of the public school system.	Barbara Vann
Host small dinner conversations open to members and neighbors	Amy Moritz
Plan and execute a TUMC activity in Overton Park	Amy Moritz
FOR CONTACT INFO, CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE	901-274-6895

VBS Blasts Off June 10th



The mission To Mars and Beyond blasts off June 10! Thanks to our very first volunteers, Navigators Karen and Beryl Willard. Also on board are Orion Leaders Alyson Foreman and Kathy Isbell; Mercury Leader Clara Farabee; Hale Bopp Leader Susan Yates; Nav Star Leaders Elizabeth Hopper and Rosemary Potter; Physicist Barbara Vann and Assistant Joey Hopper; Fabricators Emily Cifaldi, Evan James, and Jenna McClurkan; Procurers Elizabeth Hopper and Sara Goff; Robonautics Leaders

Marc Taylor and Carey Miller; Astronomy Leader Alicia Butler; Interstellar Educator Mary McConnell; Mission Control Engineer Donna Windham; Splashdown Specialist Kay Jordan.

Still needed are mission critical Orion (Pre-K) Assistant; Mercury (K-1) Assistant; Hale-Bopp (Grades 2 – 3) Assistant; Physicist (Science) Assistant; Gastronomers (Food Service for VBS); Interstellar Transport (BUMM Drivers); Robonautics (Recreation) Assistant; Astronomy (Music) Assistant; Zero Gravity (Floaters); Greeters; Space Station Engineers (Lobby Decorators June 8 & 9); Mission Control Engineers (Stage and Worship Center Decorators June 8 & 9); Splashdown Specialists (June 16); Photographer.

If you can fill any of these Mission Critical roles contact Joan Smith or Alyson Foreman or sign up on the sheet at the front desk to volunteer as we Go Beyond with Faith! Go Beyond with Boldness! Go Beyond with Kindness! Go Beyond with Thankfulness! And Go Beyond with Hope!

Joan Smith, VBS Director
(see page 8 for lists of needed supplies)



by Lois Young

Our Summer Room in the Inn sessions begin next week. Our five sessions will provide emergency

shelter for homeless women. We have evening meal providers scheduled for all but one of these sessions. If you know a family or group that might be interested in providing the RITI meal for Tuesday, June 25, please email or call Lois Young (loislane.young@comcast.net, 870-559-2228). We will also be short on volunteers for these sessions, so contact Lois if you can help.



The Owens family making dinner during the final night of the winter RITI season.



Carey Miller, Julie Overbey, and Libby Streete in the Clothes Closet.

Grocery Voucher Fund

Due to an increased need on the part of some of our neighbors struggling with meeting grocery expenses, we are again asking for your help in building up the food voucher fund. No donation is too small. Please consider making a gift to this very important ministry.



Debby



Melba Abraham making up beds in the Rec Room downstairs.