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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.

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From Ook

From Annual Conference

"This is my command: Love each other." — John 15:17

Last night at Annual Conference I stood in the back of a room with about 100 clergy and lay people who'd gathered late

after worship was over to discuss our hope for the future of the United Methodist Church.

At one point I looked around and was taken back to my early faith life. Rev. Autura Eason-Williams and Rev. Lora Jean Gowan were there — some of the very first women in ministry I knew — both of whom affirmed my call to ministry when I was 14 and 15 years old — now colleagues. Daniel Hampton, a friend of mine from Lakeshore, snuck up beside me for a hug. I was just thinking of him as I watched Katie Landers, a friend of both of ours, lead music during worship. Around the room were others like them with whom I'd learned to play guitar for the sole purpose of playing 7/11 praise and worship songs for various youth groups. (Those are praise songs where one sings the same 7 words over and over again 11 times.) Libba Fyke was there. Our youth groups were at sister churches and her dad was my first ever music teacher when I was 3 years old at Lambuth Memorial UMC.

Suddenly, we were all there in that same place together again with the same heart for the church we'd each grown to love and now feel compelled to pray for, and take a stand for, and make a difference for—no longer for our sake, but for the sake of the next generations.

This is my 20th year as a voting delegate to Annual Conference and my first as an ordained elder in full connection. Tuesday we'll vote for delegates from our conference to attend General Conference — the global UMC's governing body. My heart is full of hope and great expectation that God will be present as we gather and that the church I leave my children will be a church that chooses love.

As tomorrow passes and Tuesday comes, I hope it's a Spirit of grace that guides us, and not for our sake or benefit, but for the sake of the Kingdom of God — a Kingdom with room for all God's children.

So Blessed. Be a Blessing.

Rev. Sara

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 PRAISE!! Charlotte Comes, outpatient back surgery successful!

Brittany Meeks, **Krissi Moore**'s roommate, recovering from pneumonia at home. Pray for Brittany as she travels to Huntsville, AL next week to serve as a commissioner to the 189th General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

(Please contact the church office with any changes or additions to prayer list,



To Mars and Back! Vacation Bible School

VBS starts on Monday, June 10th, at 8:45 a.m. If you still have not registered your child, it's not too late! It's also not too late to volunteer and/or contribute supplies or cash to purchase last minute necessities. See page 4 for details.

Holy Communion

A Service of Holy Communion is held each Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel. Due to various summer activities, there will be a few Wednesdays when Communion will not be served. 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. (See page 6 for details.)

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.

<u>Trinotes</u>

The deadline for submissions for the next *Trinotes* is June 24th. Please email or deliver any articles to Debby Marston at <u>office@trinityumcmemphis.org</u>. *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.

FROM THE TRUSTEES

Even though you may not have seen much activity from the Trustees in the past few months, rest assured we have been busy behind the scenes. Since the property sale in



February, the Trustees have been evaluating and pricing several larger projects that have been on the 'back burner' until we had sufficient funds to cover the costs.

One of those major projects is the replacement of the flat roof over the kitchen area. We anticipate the completion of this project sometime in July (dependent upon weather and the roofer's schedule). In conjunction with this project, we also will be addressing the drainage issues created by the handicap ramp, relocating an air conditioner compressor from the flat roof, and reworking a portion of the gutter that hangs over the flat roof where we suspect some of the past roof leaks have originated. We also will be making repairs to some of the trim around the roof that has been damaged by trees and/or furry creatures, and putting a fresh coat of paint on all the trim. Once the roof and exterior issues have been addressed, we will focus on the interior repairs (such as replacement of stained ceiling tiles).

We also are proceeding with the transition of all remaining light fixtures to LED fixtures to aid in savings on the utility bill each month. The fixtures have been ordered. We expect that project to be completed later this summer.

As always, if you see anything around the church property in need of attention, please contact one of the Trustees or Debby in the church office.

Blessings for a wonderful summer!

Jinx Winn / Head Trustee



Don't forget! Sunday, June 9th is Pentecost Sunday. Wear RED to celebrate the church's birthday.

2019 VBS Last Published VBS Needs List

We give heartfelt thanks to Trinity members for their commitment to our 2019 VBS. Whether you committed to be here or to pick up resources; answered the phone to aid registration; wrote a check; volunteered to set up or tear down; offered up prayers for a successful VBS; or brought a craft, science, decoration, or cleaning item your contribution was invaluable.

Our children still need a **Pre-K helper** to work with Alyson Foreman and Kathy Isbell; a **K-1 Co-Leader** and **helper** to work with Irene Dycus; a **Grade 2-3 Co-Leader** and **helper** to work with Susan Yates; a **Grades 4-5 helper** to work with Elizabeth Hopper and Rosemary Potter; a **BUMM helper** to ride the van to Binghampton with Marc Taylor and Josh McClurkan; a **Recreation coordinator** to work with Marc Taylor and Carey Miller; a **Music helper** to work with Alicia Butler and Amy Moritz; **Floaters** to fill in wherever necessary; **Decorators** to work under Donna Windham June 8 and 9; and **Clean-up workers** Friday afternoon after VBS successfully concludes.

Even if you can come only one or two days to help, please sign up on the list in the lobby. There will be a place for you! Following our Safe Sanctuary policy, volunteers over the age of 18 are required to be fingerprinted and have a background check. Trinity will assume all charges for this; call Debby in the office to make an appointment. Volunteers under the age of 18 are not required to have a background check. (All members are required to update their Safe Sanctuary credentials annually. If you have not done so, go online to trinityumcmemphis.org to read and sign the policy.)

VBS still needs 6 dozen recycled **CD**s; 5 dozen clean, empty frosting or veggie/soup type **cans**; two 2-liter **Diet Cokes**, labels removed, and 12 small **Diet Cokes** in plastic bottles, with labels removed (for science experiments); 2 dozen clean, empty plastic **water bottles with lids**, with labels removed; sturdy toilet paper or towel **rolls**; 6 rolls **clear packing tape**; and **star glitter**. If you can't bring all of each, bring what you have. They add up!

The following is a partial list of those who have already contributed time and/or money: Karen and Beryl Willard, Elaine Amis, Kathy Isbell, Irene Dycus, Jeri Ashley, Susan Yates, Elizabeth and Joey Hopper, Barbara Vann, Chris Glover, Emily Cifaldi, Evan James, Jenna McClurkan, Marc Taylor, Carol and Carey Miller, Alicia Butler, Amy Moritz, Clara Farabee, Donna Windham, Mary McConnell, Anita Bunn, Debby Marston, Jeff Corbett, Sara Corum, Connie Johns, Jinx Winn, Sandy Guntharp, Nelda Gray, Nancy Rankin, and Sara and Sam Goff. Again, this is a partial list; and again, we thank you.

We love you "To Mars and Beyond!"

Joan and Alyson

Honorariums & Memorials

An Honorarium has been received:

In honor of **Irene Dycus** from Carol & Carey Miller

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



June	8	Nancy Maddox
June	9	Finnegan Potter
June	12	Marc Taylor
June	13	Mason Brown
June	17	Pat Lovington
June	18	Audrey Webster
June	18	James Webster
June	19	Sam Comes
June	21	Sandy Guntharp
June	23	Katie McNeely
June	30	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.]



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.

How to Help Trinity Fundraise Using iGive

Do you do any shopping online? Would you like to help Trinity financially when you make online purchases? There's a way to do that! It's the <u>iGive.com</u> website. <u>iGive</u> has over 2,000 stores that will donate a percentage of your purchase to Trinity. All you have to do is go through their website, locate the store, click on it and it takes you to the store's website where you can shop. That's all there is to do-easy **and** beneficial to Trinity. The hardest part is remembering to go through their website first! Hint: put their button on your phone so access is easier.

iGive is currently offering an extra donation opportunity for Trinity for every new shopper who signs up on iGive.com. If you sign up before June 15th and make a purchase online by June 25th, Trinity will receive \$10 for each new member. Trinity can certainly use the benefit!

As an iGive shopper, I can personally attest to the fact that it works. Trinity has received almost \$250 from iGive thus far and that's with only a very few folks using it. Imagine what we could do if at least 10 more people signed up!! (By the way, iGive is 600% better than Amazon Smile.)

If you have questions, please let me know. Sign up today!

Rosemary Potter

Introduction to Centering Prayer

Presented by Contemplative Outreach of West Tennessee

Do you seek the still, quiet voice of God? The Centering Prayer Introductory Program will help us to understand the Indwelling Presence of God within each of us and our intimate relationship with that Presence. The method of Centering Prayer will be presented. We will explore the benefits of Centering Prayer in ordinary life and experience two periods of Centering Prayer practice. All are welcome to attend!

When: Saturday, June 15, 2019

Time: 9:00 a.m. (8:30 registration) to 3:00 p.m.

Place: St. Patrick Catholic Church

277 S. 4th Street Memphis, TN 38126

Cost: \$40.00 per person, which includes the book

Open Mind Open Heart by Fr. Thomas Keating, the initial workshop, and the six follow-up sessions. (Those who already have the book pay \$20.00 each.) Scholarships are available.

The one-day introductory workshop is divided into four parts:

- Christian contemplative tradition—Prayer as relationship to God
- Method for Centering Prayer—the practice of Centering Prayer
- Thoughts and the use of the sacred word during centering prayer
- Deepening our relationship with God—extending the prayer into Daily Life

The six optional weekly follow-up sessions are designed to help support you in establishing a daily prayer practice with experienced guidance—time/date to be determined at the workshop.

Any questions or in need of further information, contact:

Mike Potter Pat Pavetto

Phone: 901-230-4997 Phone: 901-230-1341

(See page 6 for registration form)

REGISTRATION FORM

Introduction to Centering Prayer

Please send this form and a check payable to **Contemplative Outreach**of West Tennessee for \$40 per person no later than June 10, 2019 to

Diane Spence, 8485 Drury Lane, Germantown, TN 39139.

Name		
Address		
City/State/Zip		
E-mail Address		
Phone		
Amount Enclosed:		

BINGHAMPTON FOOD PANTRY

Fishes and Loaves Food Pantry at Binghampton UMM, 258 N. Merton St., is open on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for distribution of fresh fruits and vegetables....people can come as often as they want for these.

Once a month, persons can request an emergency food bag (canned goods, peanut butter, cereal, rice, dried beans, soup, etc). Neither of these options require any proof of residency or need.....you ask, you receive. Individuals and families who need an emergency food bag can call Michael Anderson at (901) 503-2748.

Trinity members: please continue to bring staple items for the food pantry each Sunday—one item per household member—as we partner in this vital ministry to the poor. A red tin has been placed on the counter at the front desk if you prefer to give a cash donation.



Room in the Inn First Summer Session

by Rosemary Potter

On Tuesday, May 28th, Trinity hosted our first summer session for Room in the Inn. We had 13 women guests, several of whom had been with us in the past.

Although it is always nice to greet returning friends again, there is always a touch of sadness to seeing them because it means that they have been unable to find housing and have remained on the street. The street is a very hard place to be, especially for women. That's the primary reason why we are offering summer sessions to women.

A delicious dinner was provided by a group of volunteers from St. Jude. They served yummy enchiladas with all the fixings, Mexican rice, beans and two choices of dessert. The guests really enjoyed themselves! As some told us, they don't get Mexican food very often.

On another note, the next morning, one of our new guests had no pants to wear and had wrapped her lower body in a blanket. Thank goodness, we have a clothes closet so she was able to find something to wear! To all of you who have given clothing to the clothes closet, please know that the donations are deeply appreciated- not only by our guests but also by our RITI volunteers. This kind of emergency sometimes occurs and it is wonderful to have a solution. Thank you!

Our needs continue to be the same: women's deodorant (travel size), foot powder (travel size), Sports bras (Plus/larger sizes), women's underpants, hipster and briefs (8/9 size and up). Thanks in advance for your generosity!

