

God's Love In Action

**GLIA: the essential element, or glue,
which connects the tissue found in the nerve centers of the body**

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The mission of Trinity United Methodist Church is to:
To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

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Exodus.....we are all on an exodus somewhere. Prayerfully, your exodus is GOD's exodus for your journey through this world. We all move through days thinking we know where we're headed. The truth is we have plans...but only GOD can see the end of our day. Part of our exodus is simply birth to death, but in between are many beginnings and endings - those we plan and expect and those we do not.

Those in the Biblical exodus thought they knew best, and believed that the grass would be greener elsewhere. Not too long after beginning their much desired journey, they began to complain and second-guess Moses and their GOD. When needed, GOD provided leadership in Moses, food for each day (Exodus 16:4-36), water from a rock (Exodus 17) and GOD defeated their enemies along the way too. They were led forth by the cloud before them daily and they followed. They received GOD's laws and broke them all while GOD led them onward toward that which GOD had promised them.

I would like to think we "modern day" Christians would follow GOD more closely. We should learn from the scriptures the many treasures GOD has chosen to give us in our inheritance in CHRIST. My own exodus journey has been littered along the way with my failures to take GOD at His word. Our "promised land" is the salvation we have in CHRIST both now through this life and then forever in the life hereafter. Our salvation in CHRIST includes many works of GOD in our life, relationship with HIM, peace and hope through all our wandering days and GOD to lean on through it all. GOD still offers life or death, now and later. We must love the LORD our GOD, walk in His ways, keep his commandments and seek to enter our promised land in our earthly lifetime and after our death.

When we choose this life He offers we choose life as He intended, we lay the foundation for the spiritual life of our families and add priceless treasure to the inheritance we leave as well as our legacy (Deuteronomy 30:15-20), Choose life...today and everyday!!!

Blessings for the journey in CHRIST!!!
Pastor Robert

The Wonderful Wednesdays continue in February. The meals will be served at 5:30 p.m. and the Bible Study, led by Pastor Robert, will begin at 6:15 p.m. The following groups will prepare meals in February :

Feb. 5	UM Men	Tommy Johnson
Feb. 12	JOY Class	Francis Hipp
Feb. 19	Choir	Jackie McNeill
Feb. 26	Witness	Marie Stiles

Please be sure to sign up for your Wednesday meal by handing your form in on Sunday or calling Jackie Eitel on Monday. For the cooks to shop and prepare the meals, they need to have the information as soon as possible so they can make enough to serve those who have signed up.

The price of the meals will be \$5.00 for adults and children 12 and over, \$3.00 for children 6 to 12 and \$1.00 for children ages 2 to 5. There will be a limit of \$12.00 to be paid per immediate* family, with a maximum of five persons. (After five family members, each additional person is \$3.00.) (*Two related generations is an immediate family.)



Dear Trinity Family,

I would like to express my sincere thanks for all of the cards, calls and visits during my hospital stay. Your thoughts and prayers were so appreciated. Please continue to keep me in your prayers as I recover at home.

Sincerely,
Barbara Pearson and Family



WE EXPRESS OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY to *Jim and Marie Stiles and family* on the death of his father, *W. Harvey Stiles*, on Friday, January 24, 2014.

memorials & gifts

Griff Duncan
Ray & Gale Frady

Harvey Stiles
Mary Alice Duncan
Mary Kamoroff
John & Patsy Zeigler

Helen Barnes
Mary & Ellen Matthews
George Taylor
Mary Alice Duncan



Mary Kamoroff
Frank & Megan Howard

Bonnie Ramsey
Frank & Megan Howard



Trinity Family,

Thank you so much for the exam pack this semester and all of the semesters past! They have saved me an innumerable amount of trips to the store when instead I can be studying!

Most of all, thank you for keeping me in your thoughts throughout my years in college!

Blessings,
Taylor Lewis

COMING UP IN MARCH

Tuesday, March 4	Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper
Wednesday, March 5	Ash Wednesday Service
Sunday, March 9	First Sunday in Lent Girl Scout Sunday Daylight Savings Time Begins

Trinity United Methodist Women:

As members, we need to be aware that "**The Roma of Europe**" is the UMW Mission Study for 2014. Because we will not meet before this event, those of you who are able to attend, please do so and tell your circle about it.

This year's UMW mission study focus is the Roma people of Europe.

Saturday morning February 8th from 10 a.m. Until 12 noon, Mt. Hebron UMW is hosting a brunch and mission study program in the Fellowship Hall of the church. The study will be presented by Ann Alexander, who taught this class at last summer's Mission U event.

The Roma, also known as Travelers or Gypsies, living in Europe are an impoverished group of people living in deplorable conditions, denied health care, education, jobs and are often evicted from their homes and the cities they live in.

The Methodist Church has been in mission with the Roma people for many years, and in more recent years, the United Methodist Women have joined in this ministry.

Now WE have an opportunity to learn how our church is reaching out to these people. **The United Methodist Advance Program has provided a way we can be involved and offer support for this ministry through Advance #3020676. At this study program a love offering will be collected, to be channelled through the church to that Advance which serves the Ministry with Roma in Central and Southern Europe.**

We hope you can join Mt. Hebron UMW for this mission event. It will be fun as well as informative. If you have questions or comments and /or wish to attend please contact Dianne Youngblood by phone at 803-794-3554 or email byoungblood4u@aol.com or Christine Porter at 794-7988.

Marilyn Lloyd



Dear Trinity family,

My heartfelt thanks go to you for so many things. First of all, I wish to thank you for your outpouring of love and support during my mother's hospitalization and after her death on January 19th. The many visits, cards, calls, food, flowers and most importantly, your prayers, all were appreciated and touched my heart.

I also want to thank you for all of the love and support you have given me over the last few years. You made it possible for us to keep mom at home. There are no words to convey my gratitude and my family's gratitude. From the first, you have treated me not only as staff, but also a member of the Trinity family.

My thanks again for all you have done.

Love,
Jackie Eitel