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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Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior. I am so thankful to be able to be at Trinity UMC with all of you. I am very blessed as I get to know each of you.

I am also thankful for the many ways that I see you as a church reaching out to the community in the name of Christ Jesus our Lord. We never know what the seeds of faith that we plant will grow into.

I am looking forward to our upcoming Stewardship campaign. God asks that we return to Him ten percent of our TIME, TALENTS, and RESOURCES. This includes our prayers of thanksgiving, as well as our prayers for concerns and one another. Also we are asked to use our talents. Talents come in many forms, not just singing or playing music. There are those who are great hosts, organizers, prayer warriors, card senders, phone callers, just to name a few. God uses the abilities we possess to Glorify His Name if we will only yield to him and turn them over to him.

Please pray for me as I continue to try to visit the shut-ins and get to know each one of you. If you know of someone that is sick or needs a visit please let me know as soon as possible. I would rather be told ten times about something rather than be left with no knowledge at all. I do thank those of you who have tried to keep me informed about the people of the church.

I am also very grateful for how active your differing committees are and how much work you are doing through them. It is such a pleasure to be a part of such an active church.

I thank God for letting me come to Trinity UMC to serve Him hand in hand with all of you.

May the Blessings of the Lord be upon all of you.

Love, Rev. Donna, Cece and Curlie



Our Fall series of Wonderful Wednesdays will begin on Wednesday, September 9, and continue through Wednesday, October 28. The meals will be served at 5:30 p.m. followed by Bible Study with Pastor Donna at 6:15 p.m.

The price of the meals is \$5.00 for adults and children 12 and over. Children 6 to 12 are \$3.00 each. Children ages 2 to 5 are \$1.00. Reservation forms for each week will be included in the Sunday bulletin beginning Sunday, September 6, so that we can be sure and have another food prepared. You can also call and make a reservation through the Church Office by calling before noon on Monday each week.

September 9: meal prepared by English and Jewel Pearcy and Charlie and Wayne Hooker and will consist of:

Eye of Round Roast Rice & Gravy String Beans Bread & Dessert

September 16: meal prepared by Francis Hipp, Margie Gay, Oren & Hilda Edwards and Grover and Patsy Shuler.

September 23: meal prepared by Martha and Nell Cooke.

September 30: meal pepared by John and Patsy Zeigler, Bonnie Ramsey and Mary Kamoroff.



CONGRATULATIONS to *Donna Easterling* on the birth of her grandson and granddaughter, *Ty and Ginnie Byrd*, on Friday, August 14, 2015. *Ty* weighed 6 lbs. 8 oz. and was 19 ½ inches long. *Ginnie* weighed 6 lbs. 2 oz. and was 19" long. *Ty and Ginnie* are the son and daughter of *Ryan and Heather Byrd* and the brother and sister of *Clemson Belle*.



<u>LaCrecia Taylor</u>

Linda Maloch

George Taylor

Mary Kamoroff

Shirley Butler

Elizabeth Summer

Carolyn Williams

Ray & Gale Frady

Linda Maloch

Shirley Butler

Randy & Nancy Taylor Francis & Gillett Hipp

Grover & Patsy Shuler

Arnold & Jo Ann Heiting

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English & Jewel Pearcy

Oren & Hilda Edwards

Mary Alice Duncan

Marvin & Sara Efron Ray & Gale Frady

Mary Comolander

Linda Maloch English & Jewel Pearcy Grover & Patsy Shuler Marvin & Sara Efron Arnold & Jo Ann Heiting Shirley Butler Ray & Gale Frady

<u>Clifton Lee Simmons, III</u> Bonnie Ramsey

Mary Kamoroff Arnold & Jo Ann Heiting Shirley Butler

<u>Calvin Stone</u> Grover & Patsy Shuler Arnold & Jo Ann Heiting Ray & Gale Frady

Winslow Jumper

English & Jewel Pearcy Mary Kamoroff Arnold & Jo Ann Heiting Shirley Butler Ray & Gale Frady



WE EXPRESS OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY to:

John & Patsy Zeigler and family on the death of his great-nephew, Clifton Lee Simmons, III, who died on August 6, 2015;

Morris Taylor and family on the death of his wife, *LaCrecia Taylor*, on August 14, 2015; and to

Nell Cooke and family on the death of her brother, *Winslow Jumper*, on August 20, 2015.



<u>English & Jewel Pearcy</u> Marvin & Evelyn Bernstein

> Genie Duncan Ray & Gale Frady



Dear Trinity family,

I want to thank you for all of the cards, calls, prayers and expressions of concern I have received as I recover. Your thoughtfulness means so much to me.

Love, George Taylor, Sr.



Thanks to those who helped at VBS! It was a Blast to the Past!

We went back in time to learn that God's Love is INCREDIBLE when Moses wasn't hurt by the burning bush; that God's Love is INVINCIBLE when we learned about David and Goliath; and that God's Love is REAL when we learned that an angel came to lead Peter out of jail to freedom.

Our minds were drawn to thinking about others at the mission tent. \$40.51 was collected during VBS for Nepal Earthquake Relief bringing our grand total to \$344.32. This money will be sent through UMCOR.

The skits and music were fun, the Crafts and Science were awesome! Snacks and Games were special. It was a great time of learning and cooperation for the Crew Leaders, too. A Great Time!



BALANCE GROUP NEWS!!!!

Classes for the **'Still Movin' Balance Group** will begin after Labor Day on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 from 2:30 to 3:15 p.m. Classes will be scheduled on Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 2:30 to 3:15 p.m. for 10 weeks. With fun activities and exercises, an instructor and students from the University of South Carolina, Department of Exercise Science, will be guiding us to better balance and coordination. Please sign up in the Gathering Area if you are interested. There is a \$25.00 fee which is to be paid in advance. (Sunday, September 6, Marilyn will be collecting them.) Make your checks out to "Trinity United Methodist Women." Call Marilyn Lloyd to ask any questions.



We welcome *Dolph and Jeanene Varner* who joined Trinity on Sunday, August 9, 2015. They live at 2212 Quail Hollow Court, West Columbia, SC 29169. Their phone number is 796-9577.



UMW Let's Go Together!

The 43rd Annual Meeting of the Columbia District UMW is on Saturday, September 19, 2015. The Theme is: "Fill My Cup Lord with Faith, Hope, and Love". The annual meeting is an inspirational morning when new officers are installed, Women of the Year are recognized, and those members we have lost are remembered. New books for the Reading Program and information about the United Methodist Women organization will be available for purchase. Let's all go to support our Woman of the Year, Charlie Hooker. This year's Annual Meeting is being held at Shandon UMC, located at 3407 Devine Street, Columbia, SC 29205.

Registration fee is \$15, sent in by Friday, Sept. 11 (to Debra Schooler; 113 Meadow Lane; Eastover, SC 29044), or give your check to Marilyn Lloyd.

We are Invited to a Fun Evening with our UMW Sisters at Cayce UMC

On Thursday, September 24, 2015, we are invited to a Covered Dish Supper at 6:00 p.m. to be followed at 6:45 p.m. with a program of mirth from Myrtle Mae: An Ordinary Woman. Otherwise known as Helen Walker, she is a comedian from Charleston. This is a chance to enjoy a time with other UMW women in the area. All we need to bring is a covered dish.

Presentation of Trinity's UMW Mission Pin to Charlie Hooker:

For many years, Charlie came with us to the November Killingsworth Gala with Virginia Baird. Then, she decided to become a member of Trinity, where she jumped in with both feet: joining the UMW, helping to serve Time Together snacks for UMW, being a member of Nell's Tuesday Bible Study. She enjoyed bringing and serving food for many of the programs at Trinity. Then it was devastating when she had a stroke. We missed her so! She has made such great strides in her recovery, that when she and Wayne came to our VBS planning meetings, they volunteered to head up the snacks. WOW! (Didn't you have some great snacks?!) It is with great pleasure that the Trinity United Methodist Women present Charlie Hooker with the Mission Pin designating funds to women and children in our worldwide endeavors. Thank you, Charlie, for being a wonderful example for us and for our children. Charlie is our Mission Pin recipient and Trinity United Methodist Women's "Woman of the Year-2015". (Presented on August 9, 2015)

Thanks to those who have brought donations to the Bethlehem Center Clothes Closet.



- **WHO:** Lexington Medical Center Outreach is working with TUMC to provide our Annual Health Screening for every member again this year.
- WHAT:
 (a) Free Screening Blood- Glucose- Lipid Profile
 (b) Thyroid Profile Screen for \$ 32
 (c) Vitamin D Level Screen for \$ 40
 (d) Flu Shot for \$ 32 No appointment needed
- **WHY:** Because you should have these screens annually and sometimes more often.
- WHERE: At Trinity in the Fellowship Hall. Rain or Shine. Quick and Easy. A lot better than sitting in the Doctor's office.
- WHEN: Monday, October 5, from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m.

EPWORTH WORK DAY OFFERING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

EPWORTH IS OUR MINISTRY! Where do children go when DSS has taken them from their families because of abuse or neglect? What about when a mother is struggling with addiction and is neglecting her children? Last year 181 of these children found refuge in the ministry we share as United Methodists in SC. Epworth Children's Home has been welcoming children in Christ's name for 119 years through the generous support of churches like ours! We will participate in the annual Work Day Offering on Sunday, September 13th, to benefit the children who call Epworth home. Please be in prayerful consideration of what God is calling you to give to this valuable and life changing ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, you can visit them on the web at www.epworthchildrenshome.org or find them on Facebook.

Please note that our Flying of the Flags is an ongoing Mission of Trinity.

We will continue to have flags available for our members and visitors to use as changes come and prayers are needed. By writing thoughts on our flags, our concerns and blessings will fly from Trinity throughout the world, carried on God's comforting breezes.



Matthew Skipper volunteers with Catholic Charities and is asking his church to help with collecting men's clothing for their ongoing ministry. Boxes have been placed on the stage in the Fellowship Hall. Let's do all we can, remembering "we are blessed to be a blessing". Read about it below in Matthew's words:

Catholic Charities of the Midlands has two main ministries - <u>Clean of Heart</u> and the <u>Clothing Closet</u>. Clean of Heart provides laundry and shower services to Columbia's downtown homeless population. Clean of Heart opened its doors in March of 2011. Since opening, 8800 loads of laundry have been washed for 800 unduplicated clients. Volunteers have logged 7000 hours of service.

In partnership with Clean of Heart, Catholic Charities of the Midlands operates a Clothing Closet ministry which provides new and used clothing items and shoes to Columbia's homeless population. The Clothing Closet Ministry began in 2000 and assists approximately 100-125 clients per month.

Most needed items:

Men's pants, gently used – jeans, khakis, work pants Men's briefs – new Men's socks – new Men's shoes – Sizes 11, 12, 13 Women's shoes – Sizes 8 and larger Women's pants, gently used, 16 and larger Women's underwear – new Travel Sized Toiletries Toothbrushes Razors Wash Cloths

We will collect items through the end of September.

Africa University Golf Outing

The Africa University Golf Outing will be held on Monday, September 28, at Cobblestone Golf Course in Blythewood, SC. The cost for the event is \$100.00 and includes entry into all events, 18 holes of golf, riding cart, snacks, dinner and various awards. You can pre-register by calling 803-210-6103. The funds will be used to support scholarships, provide health services at Africa University, as well as care for orphaned children and persons living with HIV/AIDS. Registration forms can be found in the Gathering Area.

Wesley's Youth Revival Saturday, September 19

This event will be held at Wesley UMC and will include games, worship and fellowship together, while exploring God's plan for living together in our world. Featured speakers are Cameron Levi and MC Brandon Taylor.