God's Love In Action

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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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Ramblings from Your Pastor

I would like to thank each and every person and family that took the time to bring their dog out to our 1st annual Blessing of the Animals. I want to especially thank Jewel and English Pearcy, Charlie and Wayne Hooker, Mary Alice Duncan, and Linda Maloch for all their help with refreshments, setting up and registration. A wonderful time was had by all. There were 19 dogs blessed in person, and 1 cat and 2 dogs who were not present. Also 4 of the dogs that were brought were not family to Trinity UMC members.

On Sunday, November 1, 2015 we will be celebrating Holy Communion and observing All Saints Sunday. We will be remembering all those who have gone on to Glory during the last year whose names have been given to us. Also we will have a Bell Banner with names of anyone who has gone on to Glory placed there by their loved ones.

I am really looking forward to our Consecration Sunday. Rev. Dave DeDonato will be our guest preacher. I know also that we will have a wonderful lunch following the service, because you all are wonderful cooks. I guess that is what makes Wonderful Wednesdays so wonderful.

Speaking of Wonderful Wednesdays I have certainly enjoyed the food and the fellowship every Wednesday night. I have been teaching from a book by N. T. Wright called *The Meal that Jesus Gave Us.* It has been about the history of Holy Communion and why we do what we do as we celebrate Holy Communion. I have really enjoyed teaching this book, because I love Holy Communion and it is one of our sacraments in the United Methodist Church. For me Holy Communion allows me to honor God even more.

I also wish to send a big Thank You out to Ted Frady for the way he has handled the moisture problem we have had at the parsonage. Also thank you to the church for allowing me to stay in a hotel so it would be convenient for me to do my work here at the church.

Our annual Charge Conference is scheduled for Tuesday, November 3rd at 7 p.m. We will have a Reaffirmation of our Faith by remembering our Baptismal vows. Please plan to join us for this.

I am looking forward to our Advent season that will start the Sunday after Thanksgiving. Also I am planning to take a vacation November 16 - 21. If you need me during this time please call the office and Jackie will be able to contact me.

May the Blessings of God be with you all,

Rev. Donna, Cece and Curlie

CONSECRATION SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8th

Please make sure you have marked your calendars and made plans to join us for Consecration Sunday service and celebration luncheon to follow. Rev. Dave DeDonato will be our guest preacher. We will each be making our Stewardship commitment for next year in the areas of *presence, prayer, witness, service, and gifts.* I look forward to seeing you on Sunday, November 8th. (Your commitment cards will not be handled or seen by me.) Rev. Donna Eidson, Stewardship Chairperson



The next Youth trip is planned for Sunday, November 15th. The Youth will have lunch immediately following the service and then head to the Zoo for a great afternoon together! Youth, please mark your calendars so you don't miss this fun event.



COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE Wednesday, November 25

The Community Thanksgiving Service will be held at Mt. Tabor Lutheran Church on Wednesday, November 25 at 7:00 p.m. A reception will be held following the service.



Help Us Decorate for Christmas On Saturday, November 28, we will gather in the sanctuary at 10 a.m. to decorate for Advent and Christmas. Lunch will be provided. Plan to join us as we prepare for the upcoming season.



<u>LaCrecia Taylor</u>

Nell Cooke

Anne Taylor

George Taylor

Mary Kamoroff

Richard Wesley Hough

English & Jewel Pearcy

Mary Louise Robinson

John & Patsy Zeigler

<u>Mary Comolander</u> Charles & Jackie McNeill

<u>Clifton Lee Simmons, III</u> Mary Alice Duncan

J. E. Horton, Jr. Mary Alice Duncan

<u>Arthur Ray McCroskey</u> Mary Kamoroff

<u>Kyle Martin</u> Ray & Gale Frady

Nellie HippJean RaynorIMary Alice DuncanMCharles & Jackie McNeillEWilliam & Garnell CliftonOToni C. & Fairy SmithIOwen & Linda ClarySam & Eva EzzellSam & Patsy ZeiglerO

Linda Maloch Mary Kamoroff English & Jewel Pearcy Carolyn Hite Henry & Charlotte Ruff Joe & Diane Clary Grover & Patsy Shuler Francis & Gillett Hipp



WE EXPRESS OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO:

Christopher McCroskey and family on the death of his uncle, *Arthur Ray McCroskey*, on Tuesday, September 29th.

The family of *Nellie Hipp* on her death on Friday, October 9, 2015.

Mary Louise Robinson on the death of her brother, *Richard Hough*, on Tuesday, October 13, 2015.

Margie Gay, on the death of her uncle, *J. E. Horton, Jr.*, on Tuesday, October 20, 2015.

Shirley Butler on the death of her niece, *Nancy Friedrich*, on Friday, October 16, 2015.



My Dear Trinity Family,

I have missed everyone during my absence due to medical problems. Thank you to each and every person who prayed for me, sent a card, or bought delicious food.

I am truly grateful and blessed.

Love in Christ, Bob Strickland



Nomen's Fellowship

UMW will meet on Wednesday, November 11, at 11 a.m. The World Thank Offerings, which are used for missions around the world, will be collected at the meeting. All are welcome to make a donation to the World Thank Offerings. Checks should be made out to Trinity UMW and can be placed in the offering plate or given to Marilyn Lloyd.

Those attending the Killingsworth Gala on Thursday, November 12, should meet in the Gunter Circle parking lot at 5:15 p.m. if you wish to ride the bus.

The UMW is sponsoring a trip to Jewel's Pink House on Saturday, November 14. We will meet in the Gunter Circle parking lot and leave at 10 a.m., have lunch there and return around 3 p.m. A sign-up sheet is located in the Gathering Area.



Youth Group Day at Wofford was a BLAST !!!

You talk about having FUN, FUN, FUN....that was Saturday Oct. 24th at Wofford's Youth Group Day!!! Our youth were full speed the whole time!!! It was through the gate to playing pick-up football with other youth from around the state, several bean-bag games called cornhole tosses, nailing a pass to a life size mock receiver, and cardboarding down the "little grass slope" while a live band, the Rhythms with Kami Ocean, played music for the constant motion. After some fun, the youth paused with the campus chaplin for some special intervention ... you see, it was cloudy...and we wanted to avoid any rain. Did you know you could make rain sounds by snapping your fingers, thunder by stomping the ground, and heavy rain by brushing your pants fast? It worked....we avoided the rain. We really think it was that final prayer and blessing that had us covered !!! The Campus Ministry had arranged a picnic lunch of cheeseburgers/ chicken sandwiches, chips and a chocolate chip cookie. Inside the stadium, on the way to the picnic tables, we saw "IT". The "steep grassy HILL" surrounding outside the end zone :-))))) Quick lunch, hit the slope before kick-off !!! That's the best description for the rest of the afternoon....sliding down hill via cardboard, rolling down hill via no cardboard, tossing football, wrestling, shoe tossing, while cheering on the Wofford Terriers. (Sadly, the Terriers lost the 17-17 tie when Chatanooga kicked a field goal in the last 3 seconds of the game.) But, how could you end an almost perfect day?......Being in Spartanburg, there's only one answer......supper at "The Beacon" !!! If you have never had the experience, the youth will gladly imitate the gentleman calling out food orders..... Oh, and we can't forget the serenade for The Beacon customers by the drum corps of the Keenan High School Band....What a day !!! To thank our Trinity Family for sponsoring our trip, we will have a story in pictures outside the youth room on the bulletin board. Upon request, we can supply sound effects also...lots of laughter !!!

Thank you with Love, Trinity Youth Group