

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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Hope Everyone Enjoyed Their Summer

Well, summer is about to draw to an end as we prepare for the kids to head back to the classrooms for another year of learning. I know for some this is a very joyous time and yet for others they dread it. I view attending school as part of our preparation to serve God throughout the rest of our lives. The young student in school can serve God too as they strive to be kind to others and a friend to all.

For all of us, young and a little older, we can serve God as we go about living our daily lives. Several years ago **WWJD** was seen on jewelry, shirts and other accessories. I feel it is still applicable today. Sometimes when we are faced with a situation and we are not sure of the proper thing to do...we can ask ourselves **WHAT WOULD JESUS DO**, then act accordingly. I feel that too many times in today's world we have forgotten just how to do that. When we do take the time to do this we give the devil a headache. He likes to keep things stirred up and our lives in turmoil. It is much harder to think about what Jesus would do and act accordingly, but the satisfaction for our own soul is certainly much greater. It feels wonderful when we know we are serving God.

This year for Blessing of the Backpacks my theme will be **FROG**, another one of my favorite sayings...

FULLY (FOREVER) RELY ON GOD.

We would all do well to remember this. (That is why I have frogs scattered everywhere in my office. They remind me of this.) God is truly our source of strength and endurance. He aids us to overcome some of the struggles we face daily. He is always there ready to lend a helping hand if we will only remember to ask Him for it.

Remember, God loves everyone on the face of the earth. Yes he loves that aggravating neighbor, that annoying pupil in our class, that homeless person on the street corner, etc. as much as He loves us. Jesus died on the Cross to save all of us from our sin.

May God's Blessings be with all of you. May His face shine upon you as you start each day.

Love,
Rev. Donna, Cece, Curlie, and Patch



Vacation Bible School
Thursday, Friday & Saturday
August 3, 4, & 5
6 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

AGES: 2 Years to Rising 6th Graders

Kids will trek through an outdoor adventure and learn Jesus is the light of the world. Thursday and Friday will be regular VBS nights with lessons, crafts and a snack. On Saturday we will prepare S'mores, have hot dogs and watch a movie. Plan now to join us!

Registration Forms can be found in the Gathering Area or printed from our website.



Sunday, August 20th @ 11 a.m. Service

In preparation for the new school year we will have our annual Blessing of the Backpacks at our 11 a.m. service on August 20th.

We are planning to give each child a bag of some school supplies that they can share with others if they do not need them themselves. We will pray over the children and all current and past school workers. An education is so important today and we want to send our pupils back to school with the blessings of the Lord to watch over them and help them have an amazing school year.

May God Bless all of our students and school workers.

Rev. Donna



Donnie Sox

George Taylor	Oren & Hilda Edwards
Bonnie Ramsey	Arnold & Jo Ann Heiting
Wayne & Charlie Hooker	English & Jewel Pearcy
Grover & Patsy Shuler	Maurice & Joyce Robinson
Pauline Wenner	Margie Gay

Bill McCarter

Peggy Smith



WE EXPRESS OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY to:

Carol Frye and family and friends on the death of *Bill McCarter* on Saturday, July 1;

Carolyn Sox and family on the death of her husband, *Donnie Sox*, on Sunday, July 2.



To My Trinity Family,

The family of Donnie Sox would like to thank everyone at Trinity for their prayers, cards and food during his sickness and following his death. We would also like to thank the Bereavement Team for providing the meal following Donnie's service. Your kindness was very much appreciated.

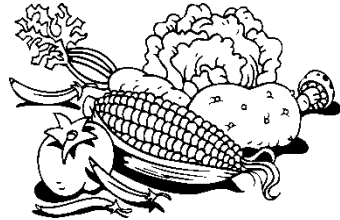
Love,
Carolyn Sox



To My Church Family,

Thank you for keeping Bill McCarter in your prayers during his illness and upon his death. His family and friends appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,
Carol Frye



Trinity Food Co-op

Remember, the **Trinity Food Co-op** is held on the **fourth Tuesday of every month!** Our next co-op date is August 22.

If you would like to add your name, applications are available on the Gathering Room table. The cost is \$5.00 and must be paid no later than the Sunday before each co-op date.

Becky Derrick



Ice Cream Social

**Asbury Arms
Tuesday, August 15
2 p.m.**

Trinity will host an Ice Cream Social at Asbury Arms on Tuesday, August 15, at 2 p.m. We will need two to three churns of home-made ice cream and help with serving and cleaning up. If you would be willing to help furnish the ice cream or join us as we serve the residents, please call Becky Derrick at 796-3361.



Nell Cook
Brookdale Senior Living
190 McSwain Drive, Room 230
West Columbia, SC 29169
794-1869

Jon & Elizabeth Moore
6711 Blackwood Lane
Waxhaw, NC 28173

Kevin Thomas
105 Old Arms Court
Columbia, SC 29212

The address shown in the
directory for Jenny Frye is not
a valid address.

We currently do not have addresses for the following members:

Don Bailey, Randy Branham, Mike Coward, Dawn Dees, Jennie Frye, Hugh Henry, Robert James, Brett Jones, Darby Jones, Sandra Jones, Nita Lacdan, Bethany McGill, Billy Orris, Rick Platt, Jim Pownall, Cathy Rich, Judy Shaw, Linda Tallman, Janis Toney, Beth Warczyglowa, Paul Warren and Kevin and Karen Williams.

Please let us know if you have an address for any of the above.



Snacks and a Movie
August 13
4 p.m.

Snacks and a Movie will be held on Sunday, August 13, at 4 p.m. in the Conference Room. Join us for a time of fellowship as we enjoy appetizers and watch “The Shack”. Based on the best-selling novel, The Shack takes us on a father’s uplifting spiritual journey. After suffering a family tragedy, Mack Phillips spirals into a deep depression causing him to question his innermost beliefs. Facing a crisis of faith, he receives a mysterious letter urging him to an abandoned shack deep in the Oregon wilderness. Despite his doubts, Mack journeys to the shack and encounters an enigmatic trio of strangers led by a woman named Papa. Through this meeting, Mack finds important truths that will transform his understanding of his tragedy and change his life forever.



Community Recognition

The purpose of Community Recognition is to get us out into our community and involved with the people who help make it a great place to live and work.

In July, John Ballentine, Pastor Donna and Jeanette Hornsby took donuts to the Lexington County EMS and 911 Dispatch employees. Unfortunately the EMS staff (who are housed in the Cayce Fire Dept.) were out on a call when we arrived so we left them donuts along with some of the cross pennies that Pastor Donna brought. The 911 Dispatch Office is off Ball Park Rd. in Lexington. We were welcomed and given an impressive tour of the facilities. They were most appreciative of our recognition of their efforts.

Here’s the upcoming schedule:

Who are we recognizing?

Date	Location	Responsible
August 15	Brookdale Assisted Living	
September 21	Northside Middle School	
October 19	Millenium Nursing Home	
November 16	Jenny Lynn Assisted Living	
December 21	Lexington Medical Center	Rusty Poole

How can you help?

- Volunteer to be responsible or help take something to a group
- Clip coupons for doughnuts or other goodies we could use to purchase things
- Bake home-made cookies, muffins or other goodies
- Donate money to help provide some treats
- Pray for the people who work in these often thankless jobs

Call Jeanette at 803-796-0588 or 803-467-0993 if you’d be willing to be responsible for a month or specific group. It would be great for a Sunday School class, Youth, or just a couple of friends in Trinity to do this together.

LOOK at THIS!

FROM MARILYN LLOYD

On Sunday July 30, after the Ice Cream Social we Kicked Off Vacation Bible School with a Skit. Erin Derrick is this year's Director. Come- It'll be fun to be in Mission with Jesus!

To "Kick Off" Trinity's FAN Program after the Ice Cream Social we noted that:

- Ice cream is wonderful!
Ice cream is fun and yummy. It has healthy dairy, chocolate and /or fruit.
It also has lots of calories, made up of sugar and fat .
- Therefore what should we do?
 - Take smaller portions. Try yogurt (or Edy's no sugar ice cream).
 - Have other food with less calories available
 - Be active. Go for a walk. Go swimming. Dance, plan some moves.
Find music to get moving Sing, with gestures.
- To take this advice, as a group we enjoyed the refreshments, then did some easy moves to get active.

"Faith, Activity, Nutrition"

Again, FAN is a cooperative effort between the University of South Carolina and the United Methodist Churches in South Carolina, "Faith, Activity, Nutrition". We are concerned about eating better and getting more movement in our lives, together with learning how studying passages in the Bible shares these concerns.

For the third month of FAN we are encouraged to Make Decisions, Set Goals, and Track Progress. On the Second Sunday during the FAN Moment, we'll talk a bit about that and the insert information you'll find in the Bulletin. Also, check out the Gathering Area Table for leaflets or other hand outs. In the Fellowship Hall there is a new Bulletin Board on the wall. It'll have additional info about FAN, some recipes and photos of Becky Derrick's Co-Op volunteers in action . Enjoy!

Marilyn Lloyd, FAN Coordinator

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!



**Church Clean-Up Day
September 30, 2017
10 am-2 pm**

Please come help us clean up the Stage in Fellowship Hall and all classroom closets. The Fire Marshall has said we need to clean up the stage area because it poses a fire hazard. We want to try to combine all our other "stuff" where possible and clean out whatever is no longer needed. A representative from each Sunday School class or group would be great so that we can divide and conquer!

If you'd be willing to help, a sign-up sheet will be available on the table in the Gathering Area. Contact Jeanette Hornsby at 803-467-0993 for more info or to offer your help.