

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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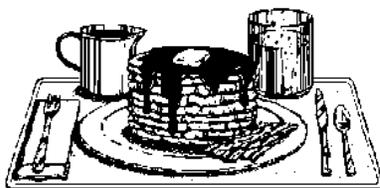
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Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper
Tuesday, March 1
6 p.m.

Plan now to join us on Tuesday, March 1, at 6 p.m. for a wonderful pancake supper served with sausage prepared by the Men's Club. There is no charge, but donations will be accepted.



Wednesday, March 2
6 p.m.

The Ash Wednesday Service will be held on Wednesday, March 2, at 6 p.m. Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent, beginning a period of reflection and penance. In the Christian tradition, Ash Wednesday also marks the beginning of preparation for the understanding of the death and resurrection of Christ.



Wonderful Wednesday
March 9
5:30 p.m.

Wonderful Wednesday will be held on March 9. The meal will be served at 5:30 p.m. and a devotional will begin at 6:15 p.m. The meal will be prepared by John and Sue Ballentine:

Homemade Chicken Pot Pie
Pasta Salad
Dessert

Reservations will be in the bulletin on Sunday, March 6, or you can call the Church Office by noon on Monday, March 7.



Each month we will highlight the birthdays of those who are turning 85 or older. There are none in March.



New Class

Wesley Class Meeting
Begins Wednesday, March 16
7 p.m.

We will begin a Wesley Class Meeting on Wednesday, March 16, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will be using Kevin M. Watson's book *The Class Meeting: Reclaiming a Forgotten Small Group Experience* as a starting point for the first eight weeks then will continue from there. If you are interested but unable to come at that time do not lose heart. After the first eight weeks, we will split into two groups. Tom Geddens and Pastor John will be leading the groups initially. We hope that the groups will continue to grow and multiply. Membership in the groups is not limited to Trinity members but anyone who seeks to grow in holiness and love with God.



FROM THE STAFF-PARISH COMMITTEE

Congratulations to Pastor John on passing his boards and meeting approval as a Full Elder! John will be officially promoted to Full Elder as part of the Annual Conference in June.

Way to go, John!

Tom Geddens
Staff- Parish Chair



Janet Odom

Ray & Gale Frady

Paul Robinson

Chuck & Lynn Martin
Jeanette Hornsby
Jan Stamps
George Taylor, Sr.
George Taylor, Jr.
Randy & Sarah Smith

Wayne Tallon

George Taylor, Sr.
George Taylor, Jr.
Wayne & Charlie Hooker



Dear Trinity Family,

I would like to thank everyone for making my birthday such a special day!

All of the cards and calls were much appreciated.

Sincerely,
Linda Maloch



Changes to Addresses and Phone Numbers

Chris and Erin Derrick no longer have a landline. Their cell phone numbers are:

Chris Derrick (803) 556-0013
Erin Derrick (803) 467-3484
Brady Derrick (803) 636-6076

The following is an update and reminder of some of the address changes that are the most requested:

Irvin Wells (Will let you know when we have a room #)
Blackville Healthcare & Rehabilitation LLC
1612 Jones Bridge Road
Blackville, SC 29817

Wayne and Charlie Hooker
1016 Mohawk Drive
West Columbia, SC 29169

Nell Cooke
Brookdale
1920 Ebenezer Road, Room 705
Rock Hill, SC 29732

Jean Raynor
Morningside of Lexington
218 Old Chapin Road, Room 106
Lexington, SC 29072



Dear Trinity Family,

Thank you for everything you do for my mother, Jean Raynor. You have all been such a blessing to her.

She will soon be 96. She continues her love for her church and is so happy to get news from the church.

We are so grateful for all of you.

Love,
Mary Hook & Jean Raynor's family



Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 13.
Don't forget to move your clocks forward one hour.



John's Jottings

Lent: From Separation to Oneness

The first Wednesday of this month is Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, the time of preparation for Easter. Lent begins with mourning.

We place ashes on our foreheads as a sign of grief and mourning. We mourn the reality that we live in a state of sin due to original sin. We mourn that we are sinners separated from God by sin.

As we mourn, we ask forgiveness for our sins. We ask God to forgive our sins. We ask forgiveness for our sins of commission. We ask forgiveness for those things we have done that have separated us from the love of God and others. We ask those whom we have hurt, by our actions or words intentionally or unintentionally, to forgive us. We also work to forgive those who have hurt us, intentionally or unintentionally.

We ask forgiveness for our sins of omission. We ask God to forgive us of the times we failed to act when he called us. We ask forgiveness for the times we did not respond to the needs of others. We ask forgiveness for the times we sat in the stands when God wanted us to get in the game.

During Lent, we confess and acknowledge our sin. We ask forgiveness for our sins. We repent. We change. We turn from sin toward God. We draw closer to God by fasting and prayer. We ask God to give us the strength to refrain from our sins of commission. We listen more closely to God's voice to become more aware of God's calling for us. We become more responsive to the needs of those around us so we no longer commit sins of omission.

We mourn at the beginning of Lent. As we journey through Lent, we are drawn closer to God. Lent begins acknowledging our separation from God, then being reconciled with God at Easter. We become reconciled to God through the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus. Our Ash Wednesday mourning becomes the joy of Easter. We more fully know the joy of being reconciled with God and receiving Eternal life as we are made one with God through Jesus. We begin Lent separated from God but we end being one with God and all creation for eternity.

Shalom,
John



Begins Sunday, April 10

We will be having Holy Week Services this year after a two-year hiatus. The Services will be Sunday night at Mt Hebron, Monday at Platt Springs, Tuesday at Trinity, and Wednesday at Cayce. The Services will also be live-streamed on each church's platform. More details to come.

LENTEN Prayers

One of the members of my Residency Group shared a Lenten Practice which I liked. She identified 40 community entities and asked the congregation to pray each day during Lent for a particular entity beginning Ash Wednesday. Since Sundays are not a day of Lent pray for all entities the previous week. Below is a listing and calendar of entities I came up with off the top of my head. If you think of others feel free to substitute them.

			Wednesday 3/2 School Teachers	Thursday 3/3 School Support Staff	Friday 3/4 School District Administrators	Saturday 3/5 Midlands Tech
Sunday 3/6	Monday 3/7 USC	Tuesday 3/8 Law Enforcement	Wednesday 3/9 EMS	Thursday 3/10 Fire Department	Friday 3/11 ER Staff	Saturday 3/12 Hospital Doctors
Sunday 3/13	Monday 3/14 Hospital Nurses	Tuesday 3/15 Hospital Support Staff	Wednesday 3/16 Doctors offices	Thursday 3/17 Mental Health Workers	Friday 3/18 Addictions Workers	Saturday 3/19 Home Health Workers
Sunday 3/20	Monday 3/21 Hospice Workers	Tuesday 3/22 Assisted Living Facilities	Wednesday 3/23 Nursing Homes	Thursday 3/24 DHEC	Friday 3/25 Dept of Corrections/	Saturday 2/26 Dept of Juvenile Justice
Sunday 3/27	Monday 3/28 DDSN	Tuesday 3/29 Babcock Center	Wednesday 3/30 DSS	Thursday 3/31 Epworth Children's Home	Friday 4/1 Dickerson Center	Saturday 4/2 Family Court Judges
Sunday 4/3	Monday 4/4 Homeless Shelters	Tuesday 4/5 God's Helping Hands	Wednesday 4/6 Governor's office	Thursday 4/7 State Legislature	Friday 4/8 County Council	Saturday 4/9 City Council and Mayor
Sunday 4/10	Monday 4/11 All Churches in WCC	Tuesday 4/12 SC Annual Conference	Wednesday 4/13 The Bishop	Thursday 4/14 The District Superintendent	Friday 4/15 West Metro UM Churches	Saturday 4/16 Trinity