

Trinity Times



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I am thrilled and excited to be starting a new journey with the wonderful people of Trinity and New Chapel UMC. I am told that both churches pride themselves in getting things done.

I look forward to working with both congregations to fulfill the calling that God is leading you to. In the coming weeks I hope to be meeting with church leaders and members to discuss your visions and hopes for the future. I will be happy to meet with you both privately and collectively. I know that working together we can get things done.

Recently Pastor Steve May sent fellow Pastors his thoughts on Getting Things Done, he based his reflections onPsalm 90:12 which asks God to, "Teach us to make the most of our time, so that we may grow in wisdom." Each day for me is a challenge to be more productive in my personal as well as well as spiritual life. I found these reminders to be helpful to me and I hope they will be helpful to you as well.

Steve wrote:

**Three things I've noticed about productive people.**

**1. They're protective of their time.** They don't waste their time and they don't let others waste their time. They tend to ask themselves, "Is this the best thing I can be doing at this moment?"

**2. They know how to say to no.** Productive people spend most of their time doing things that take them in the direction of their goals. They know how to make the distinction between a good use of their time and the best use of their time. Productive people know that their time and strength and resources are limited. You can't do everything that everyone else wants you to do; you can

only do what God has called you to do. It's important to know how to say, "no."

**3. They limit the number of projects they pursue.** I've never met a truly successful person who was spread too thin. They tend to dig deep, not wide. Productive people invest more of their time in fewer projects. The result is that they get more done.

Some people I've known who were supposedly good with managing time were, in fact, abrupt and impatient, always with the impression that you're imposing. It doesn't have to be that way.

Effective time management doesn't mean that you're always in a hurry. It means that you're always focused on doing what matters. This includes, sometimes, just hanging out with your kids and doing nothing. It includes, sometimes, swapping stories with co-workers and employees. It includes, sometimes, sitting in a park and just thinking about what's happening in your life.

William Penn said, "Time is what we want most, but what we use worst." Using time well is a lifelong pursuit, a never-ending process of weeding and pruning.

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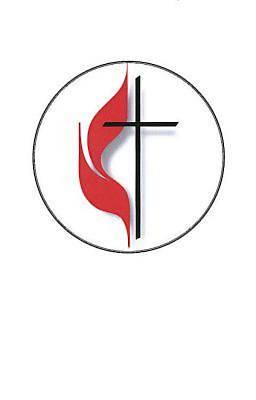
Description automatically generatedMay your use of today bring God glory and lead you closer to him. *[SM]*

For any needs you may have or to schedule an appointment you may call the church office or reach me on my cell phone at 803-543-0082.

In Christ,

Pastor Doug

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AS OFTEN AS YOU CAN!

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Head Usher: Harry Longshore

Choir Director: Jane Pollard

Organist: Eddie Welborn

Substitute Organist: Phyllis Sanders

Video Board: Josh Pitts, Caroline Senn,

Foster Senn, Bryan Waldrop

Acolytes/Cross Bearers Coordinator: Eli Martin

Newsletter Editor: Harriet Stevenson

**GREETERS, ACOLYTES, USHERS, AND SCRIPTURE READERS NEEDED!!!**

**Now that we are almost back to normal worship we would like to have our church servants helping us with the services again. That means we need greeters, acolytes, ushers to collect offering and scripture readers. Please let Pastor Doug or Phyllis Sanders, Chairperson of Worship, know if you would be willing to help. Thank you so much!**





We are a caring church and want to share your concerns. Let us know if you or someone you know would like to share a prayer request with us. We will be happy to pray for you. Contact Peggy Bogart, Church Secretary, or Harriet Stevenson, Communications Chairperson, to add or remove names from the Church Prayer List.

***Nursing Home****: Gloria Brehmer (new resident of Springfield Place)*

***Trinity Member Prayers:*** *Robert Pollard (recent hospitalization), Mary Forrest (car accident), Shirley Berry (recent fall), Wayne Black (recent hospitalization), Frieda Kesler (back surgery), Ashley Wilson (recent hospitalization)*

***Family and friends of Trinity:*** *Phillip Sanders, Blake Hendrix, Wilson Bowles, Charlotte Berry, Sal Welborn (White Oak – surgery), Megan Wainwright, Diane Merchant (White Oak), Neil Thomas, Francis Leopard, Harriet Connelly, Ricky Dorman*

**We have made some changes to our website. Go to** [**www.newberryumcnewberry.net**](http://www.newberryumcnewberry.net) **and let us know what you think.** **We have added the weekly bulletin and info about VBS.**



There will be a **VERY IMPORTANT** meeting of all VBS volunteers on Thursday, July 8, at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. If you are helping or would like to help with VBS, PLEASE be at this **IMPORTANT MEETING** to discuss roles and responsibilities and to give input. Thanks so much! Trinity has awesome volunteers! **Call Harriet at 276-3602 to RSVP.**

4 – C. J. Griffen

4 – James Marion Pitts 1 – Linda Lominack

7 – Denise Pitts 1 – Tony Pitts

8 – Taylor Bouknight 2 – Linda Rowe

9 – Dale Longshore 4 – Harry Longshore

12 – Austin Pollard 7 – Johnnie Pitts

14 – Hagen Waldrop 11 – Kelly Morris

14 – Matthew Pollard 16 – Mary Forrest

18 – William Johnson 20 – Sharon Senn

29 – Alice Longshore 24 – Shelbie Johnson

30 – Beverly Pitts

***CHURCH MEMBERS IN THE NEWS***

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| |  | | --- | | Leah Longshore Caldwell was recently announced as the 2020-21 award winner of the J. L. Geddis Staff Excellence Award in recognition of her contributions to Spartanburg Methodist College. She is the Director of Alumni Relations at SMC. Leah is a member of Trinity and is the daughter of Susan Longshore. | | ImageImageMichael Bouknight, a CT/X-ray Tech at Newberry County Memorial Hospital was recently highlighted in their Get to Know the Face Behind the Mask and was commended for the role he plays in keeping our community safe and healthy. Congratulations!  Who is that MASKED man?  **BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING – August 15** | |

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| Back to School - STRANDZ*Students, teachers, faculty, administrators, and all others involved in the education of our children are invited to attend the 11:00 a.m. service and receive a blessing for a successful 2021-2022 school year. Bring backpacks or mobile devices for blessing..* | |
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| **So Proud of our Trinity Boys!** |
| May be an image of 1 person  **Coye Cutshall**  **All Region Football &**  **Baseball NHS**    **Noah Waldrop**  **All Region Golf NHS** |
| A picture containing person, standing  Description automatically generated  **Wyatt Wilson**  **MVP Shotgun Team**  **Newberry Academy**  work_15623**Servant Saturday at Trinity –**  **We had many servants of God**  **who came out on May 7 and**  **helped clean up and beauify**  **Trinity. Thank you so much!** | | |
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| Myrtle, Sylvia, and Holly |  | | |
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Michael and Bryant

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Phyllis and Clarissa

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and Shelbie

Harriet and David

Hendrix also helped.

Thank you, Harriet,

for organizing this

Spring Cleanup!

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**BARNYARD ROUNDUP  
Jesus Gathers Us Together**

**July 20th & 21st 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

**July 21st – Closing Program and Family Cookout 6:30 p.m.**

Psalm 23 ”The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.” Psalm 23:1

Mark your calendars for this very  exciting 2 days of **fun, Bible stories, music, crafts, games, snacks, and lunch**. Registration forms are available in the narthex of the church and online at **myvbs.org/trinitybarnyard**.   Pre-registration is encouraged to help us in ordering crafts and for a smooth registration the first day of VBS. Please try to turn in registration forms by Wednesday, July14.

**VBS 2021 is “Farm-tastic!”**

**ITEMS NEEDED FOR VBS**

**John Deere or other large farm toys for props.**

**Kid-friendly small animals that you can**

**bring by for kids to pet – rabbits, baby ducks, baby chicks, hamsters, baby calves, kittens, puppies, etc.**

**A tractor or other farm equipment we can borrow for a week or so to go in front of the church to put VBS sign on and attract attention.**

**If you have any of these items or you have questions, contact our VBS Coordinators: Betsy Black, Clarissa Hendrix, Phyllis Sanders and Harriet Stevenson**

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**LEARN ABOUT JESUS!**

**GAMES in the PASTURE**

**at the FUNNY FARM!**

**MUSIC in the BARNYARD**

**PRAISE ROOM!**

**MAKE CRAFTS!**

**FUNNY SKITS at the**

**MOO-tiful Theatre!**

**LIVE ANIMALS (hopefully)**

**BIBLE STORIES AT THE**

**HOG HEAVEN LIBRARY!**

**SNACKS & LUNCH at the**

**OINK-OINK DINER!**

**SENN FREIGHT LINES, TRINITY MENS CLUB AND TRINITY WOMENS CLUB WILL PROVIDE LUNCH AND THE WEDNESDAY EVENING COOKOUT!**

**Meet our newest Trinity Member:**

**Jed Daniel Brehmer,**

**son of Lance and Kaitlyn Brehmer**

**brother of Mia Kate Brehmer**

**Baptized on May 16, 2021**

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Lance, Kaitlyn, Jed and Mia Kate.



*Dear Trinity Friends,*

*We appreciate the “shower” of cards.*

*my mother, Shirley Berry, received for*

*her 98th birthday. Some came by mail*

*and some by special delivery. She has*

*read all of the cards and reread most*

*of them. She always enjoys receiving*

*cards and reading them multiple times.*

*We are so fortunate and thankful to*

*have her with us on her 98th birthday.*

*She has so many fond memories of the*

*people and events at Trinity. Thank*

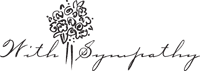
*you all for your thoughtfulness.*

*Sally B. Hillman*



MYF Leaders - Josh and Erin Pitts

MYF is planning a trip to Carowinds one Saturday in July. You will be hearing more about this in the near future. Summer is a busy time and we have to work around vacations but it is in the works. We will also meet one Sunday in July for a movie night at the church. Dates and times will be announced in church and you will also be notified in advance. Hope to see you in church and have a great summer!



It is with deep sympathy that we announce the

passing of one of our former pastors, Rev. David Templeton, on June 26, 2021, at the Abbeville Nursing Home. Much love is extended to his family. Blythe Funeral Home, Greenwood, is in charge.



July 3 – Boston Butt and Turkey Hash Fundraiser – Pick up Noon – 4:00 p.m.

July 8 – Meeting of all VBS Volunteers in Fellowship Hall – 10:00 a.m.

July 12 – Administrative Council – 6:30 p.m. – Fellowship Hall

July 20-21 – Vacation Bible School – 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

July 21 – VBS Program and Family Cookout – 6:30 p.m.

August 2 – Trinity Women’s Club Meeting – 6:00 p.m. – Fellowship Hall

August 4 - Trinity Men’s Club Meeting – Fellowship Hall

August 9 – Administrative Council – 6:30 p.m. – Fellowship Hall

August 15 – Back to School Blessing – during 11:00 a.m. service



***GETTING TO KNOW PASTOR DOUG***

Birthday: Doug: November 21 Carrie: January 9(fiancée)

Favorite Food: Bar B Que

Favorite Dessert: Ice Cream

Sweet or Unsweet Tea: Unsweet

Regular or Diet Soda: Diet

Favorite Bible Verse: Romans 12: 3-21

Favorite Book of Bible: Proverbs

Favorite Hymm: Amazing Grace

Last Book You Read: Leadership in Turbulent Times by Doris K. Goodwin

States Travelled: 48

Favorite Vacation Spot: Grand Teton’s

Favorite Hobby: Photography

Carolina, Clemson

Or Other Alabama – Roll Tide

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