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"If you have faith as a grain of mustard seed... nothing will be impossible for you."

A Note From the Pastor

Dear Trinity Family and Friends,

This is the time of year that we experience many changes. We have more daylight hours, schools let out for summer, and people spend more time outside. The changes happen to us as a church as well. Some of the ministries we do change over the summer months. Wednesday night meals, Bible Studies, and other activities may be put on hold due to vacations and other scheduling problems, maybe. Summer is also when the youth and children do an incredible amount of ministry.

The youth and children will be meeting and having activities throughout the summer and when I think about that I realize that we are all God's children. Children of all ages will have activities. I will be leading a book study that will help us to become disciples and grow in our faith. We will have the opportunity to read with children through Project Transformation. We will also continue to have Coffee with the Pastor. Several local mission activities will also be offered.

You may also notice some changes in worship. We are looking into making the first service slightly different from the second service. Maybe less formal but I will be asking those who attend to see what changes are appropriate and desired.

We are also changing Sunday School. Do not worry your Sunday School will meet just as it always had. We are going to add small study groups that will function like a Sunday School but meet during the week sometime either at the church or rotating around to peoples' homes. With these new classes we hope to reach people that are not able to attend during the Sunday time for a variety of reasons.

I am excited to see what God has in store for us. Let us all pray and follow where we are being led.

Blessings,

Pastor Tom

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If you have updates to the Circle of Concern please call the church office at 615-896-0413 or email Kristen at: trinityumcboro@gmail.com Prayer Requests

The Coil Family, Ken Santos, Leslie Trail

<u>Continue To Pray For</u>

Jackie and Jo Jamison, Steve Kavanaugh-Kaye McClellan's brother-in-law, Shirley Kull, Powell McClellan, Steven Lowel, Sondra O'Briant-Gene Cain's sister, EJ Williams-Sara Roy's father

If you have any prayer requests, notices to be sent, or need a visit/phone call from the pastor, please contact the church office: <u>trinityumcboro@gmail.com</u> or call (615) 896-0413. Names will roll off the prayer list after 2 weeks unless the church is notified. Thank you for your help.

AT HOME/ ASSISTED LIVING / NURSING HOMES

Sadie Agnew-Adams Place Jack Arbuckle-NHC Bill Elmore-TSVH in Murfreesboro Lorene Fourman-The Villages Marlene Massey-The Villages Doug & Charlotte Mason- NHC Place Franklin, TN Reba Miller-Adams Place Clarice Stewart-Park View Meadows Joy Elkins Tribke-Adams Place Reva Wallis-Adams Place

Military Personnel

Shane Aylesworth, Seth Bell, Chaplain Jen Bowden, Chance Cooke, Tristin Corson, David Foster, Deserae Laczniak, Kelsey Lane, Thomas Lane, Robert Tracey, and the families of service men/women.

Trinity Finance

2022 Giving and Attendance

Date	Giving	Attendance
2/27/22	\$3,573.50	81
3/6/2022	\$13,449.00	105
3/13/2022	\$4376.39	102
3/20/2022	\$2,827.36	101
3/27/2022	\$3,790.00	94
4/3/2022	\$10,291.77	92
4/10/2022	\$12,697.97	135
4/17/2022	\$4,207.01	146

The Church Family Birthdays and Anniversaries



- **3 Denette Yarber** 3 Leslie Trail **3 Danny DeLuca** 5 Tara Strong 7 Clarice Stewart 8 EJ Snyder 8 Calder Harvey 9 Amy Adcock 10 Christine O'Day **10 Caroline Lewis** 12 Don Richardson 12 Cindy Burkitt **13 Katherine Malpas** 13 Sarah Malpas 13 Thomas Malpas 14 Pam Strinafield 16 Tristin Corson
- Wanda Richardson
 Brad Campbell
 Brendan Johnson
 Luke Hendrix
 Karen Garner
 Kellum Johnson
- 27 Reva Wallis
- 29 Sue Young
- 30 Karen Malpas
- 31 Daniel Young



1 Don McKinney

4 Floyd Stricklen

7 Donald Davis

12 Nancy Smith

15 Jim Whitehead

16 Steve Agnew

17 Olivia Boylan

18 Dianna Adcock

20 Joshua Brown

22 Briana Strong 22 Jessica McDonald

17 Evie Agnew

18 Eric Smith

8 Travis Bugg

16 Kathy Coil

4 Chris Roy

- 1 Nancy McGill
- 23 Barbara Wallis 27 Meredith Boylan
- 27 John Lewis
- 28 Bryan Hendrix



- 12 Kevin & Jamie Reneau
- 15 Ralph & Denise Scott
- 21 Jeff & Diane Bowden
- 22 Warren & Linda Anderson
- 28 Bud & Sue Fultz
- 29 Floyd & Wanda Stricklen
- 31 Al & Debbie Goss
- 31 Denny & Claudia Schooley



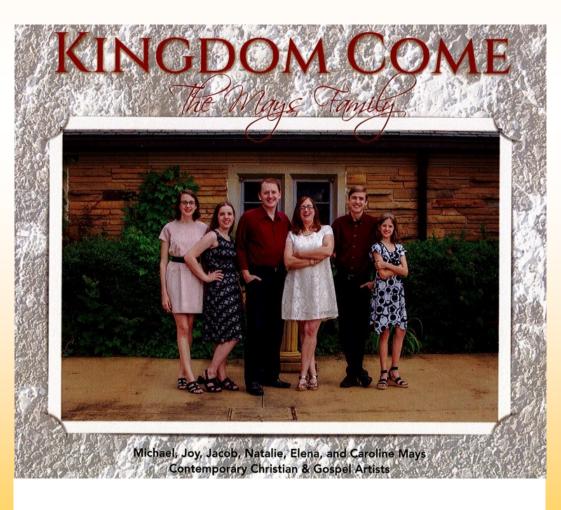
- 3 Jim & Brenda Whitehead
- 10 Robb & Pam Stringfield
- 16 Mark & Cathy Johnson
- 17 Russ & Deanna Frame
- 17 Eric & Melissa Snyder
- 26 Lee & Barb Wallis
- 29 Stephen & Diane Lewis
- 29 Randy & Tara Strong

TRINITY BULLETIN BOARD

On behalf of the Finance Committee, we would like to remind the church family that monies left at the altar rail on Communion Sundays are specifically designated for the altar fund. This fund is for Pastor to use at his discretion for people in need. And coming in May, there will be five (5) Sundays. On the fifth Sunday, a special offering will be taken after the "regular" offering. The special fifth Sunday offering is designated for the scholarship fund. Thank you."



Coffee with the Pastor happens every Wednesday from 8:00am to 9:30am (flexible ending time) at Just Love Coffee (127 MTCS Rd.) Come for conversation discussions or just a quiet cup of coffee with Pastor Tom.



Sunday, May 29, 2022 during 10:45am service

The Scholarship Committee is pleased to inform you that Caroline Lewis, daughter of Diane and Stephen Lewis, granddaughter of Linda and Steve Lewis, has been awarded the \$1000 scholarship grant for academic year 2022- 2023. Caroline is completing her degree in Biochemistry at University of Tennessee Knoxville. She has earned dean's list honors and she is on track for graduating summa cum laude.

She will be using the funds to pay for MCAT (Medical College Admissions Test) and textbooks for medical school. In her essay, Caroline states she is very appreciative of the experiences she had at Trinity that taught her more about the Bible and led her to be the Christian she is today. Reference letters noted Caroline is bright, considerate of other people's welfare, highly studious and always delivers quality work.

The Scholarship Committee thanks each member of our congregation for supporting the Scholarship Fund through your fifth Sunday contributions.

Trinity Preschool

Our Preschoolers celebrated Easter in the classroom with lots of fun crafts, an Easter egg hunt and learning about the Resurrection.

On May 17th our preschool will be visited by a traveling petting zoo!

We will be celebrating graduation in our 3 and 4 year old classes on May 19th, followed by all kinds of water-day fun!

If you know anyone looking for a wonderful preschool program, send them to Trinity. We are taking registrations now.

Christa Roth TNP Director

Trinity's Children Ministry

I want to thank all of you for your prayers and service while I have been busy recovering. The notes, kind words, and help that you have offered have been a blessing to me and my family. I know that you are the hands and feet of Christ as you bless me. I especially want to thank all of those who have led classes for the children in my absence! Teaching on a weekly basis takes dedication and Connie Golson, Beverly Anthony, Ashley Deluca, and Amalie Sutton have been so dedicated to these children!

The children always enjoy the weeks leading up to Easter and Holy Week. This year, they had a special Holy Week calendar to lead them through the 40 days of Lent. They also had lessons about the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.

As we approach Summer, I am working on our weekly fun Wednesday schedule, so be on the lookout for that again this summer! We also will have our Vacation Bible School. The heme Jerusalem Marketplace was chosen because we know that members of our church will be visiting the actual Jerusalem Marketplace later this year. We wanted to learn more about Jerusalem and what it was like when Jesus walked with us there. If you are interested in serving in any form during Vacation Bible School, please email Leslie at trinitychild@comcast.net. Registration is also open for our Vacation Bible School. You can register at the following link: https://bit.ly/tumc2022vbs





Trinity's Youth Ministry

YOUTH:

The Youth Group has continued to have great discussions during Sunday School and on Wednesday nights! We have studied the book of James and will be moving into looking into a series called "God's Electric Power Company" which covers the books of: Galations, Ephesians, Philippians, & Colossians. (Same starting letter from books in the series title!) We have also gone into great depth in discussing the difference in empathy, compassion, and sympathy and then where accountability fits into all of it. Our youth have great questions and excellent points to ponder! A special thank you to Denny Schooley for leading Sunday School and sharing part of his story one week!

The Youth had a great Easter Egg Hunt during Wednesday of Holy Week! Thank you to everyone who donated candy!

As we enter the summer months, we will be continuing our weekly mission/fellowship day. If you would like to help with these days, they are a lot of fun and very rewarding for the youth and the volunteers each week. Let Sheryl Mabry know if you are interested!

ADULT & FAMILY:

THANK YOU to all who donated candy for our annual Easter Egg Hunt! We had a bunch of excited children whose eyes lit up when they saw all of the eggs that were scattered across the playground and around the church! It was a special time that added to the Easter Sunday activities for our families with young children! Many were able to get pictures by the cross after the egg hunt as well!

Adult & Family is looking to start having some great fellowship activities in the summer! The are open to anyone in the church as well as a great opportunity to invite friends & neighbors to get to know our amazing Trinity family in a relaxed setting!

(and this is where I'm waiting on the dates to be confirmed with staff....which I will get you! Then you can see if it would be better to do separate section for each ministry (youth, children, adult) or do them all on the same page). I see how either way could work.

I'm going to send a couple of pictures from the Easter Egg hunt in another email!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May/June Dates

Sunday, May 8: Mother's Day (Special gift & presentation for all women)
Wednesday, May 18: We are holding a get together of the Nurture, Outreach, and Witness Committees during the Wonderful Wednesday meal starting at 5:30pm. As we come out of the pandemic we are in a unique situation; everything is new! Take this opportunity to share your vision and wishes for what the church will pursue into the future. Have a great idea? Come and share. Have a neat plan? Come and share. Want to help? Come and see! All are welcome to eat and spend a few minutes talking about the ministries of Trinity United Methodist Church. Join us in determining where God wants us to make Trinity an even greater Church!

Adult, Youth, & Children's groups will meet as normal at 6:30pm.

- Saturday, June 11: Family Ministry Event (More details to come!)
- Sunday, June 19: Father's Day (Special gift & presentation for all men)
- Saturday, June 25: Family Ministry Event (More details to come!)

Summer Theme: Focus

We will be doing a focus each month (June, July, August) that will promote Physical, Mental/Emotional, & Spiritual Health (in order). For June, we will be aiming for members to walk miles to get us from Tennessee to Israel (we will have to be like Jesus and "walk" on water to do this). But it is 6,418 miles so we are suggesting that everyone have a goal to walk 1 mile per day for the month of June. Collectively, we should be able to add up to the entire distance!

High Education Graduates

Please let Sheryl Mabry know by e-mail at sheryl1981@hotmail.com if you have a student who is graduating from Higher Education in the Spring or Summer semesters. We want to recognize them in the bulletin on Sunday, May 22.

LOOKING WAY AHEAD:

♦ Friday, July 15: Church-wide Pool Party at Sports Com (this is to end the VBS week).

Sunday, August 14: Community Day (combination of Rally Day, Promotion Sunday, and mission to the community). It will be immediately after late service.

Let me know if you have any questions on these. Some of them, I've tried to explain it, but we will be going into great detail with announcements over the next few weeks too.







