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CONFIRMATION TIME

It is that time of year. We are looking at confirmation classes. These weekly gatherings will begin the second week of September and run thru the school year. Topics will include Creation, spirituality, service, and who is God. If you have a youth that is interested in the discussion and possibly taking vows to God, please contact the office. The gatherings will be directly following youth group meetings.

FOOD FOCUS

The Food Focus for August is peanut butter and jelly. For the summer, all food focus items will go to the Chesterfield County Food Bank.



Walk Through the Bible

Starting the 2nd Sunday in September, the 10th, the Pastor is offering a class where we walk thru the Bible. Want to discuss the stories that shape who God is? Want to learn about the Bible as a book challenges? The discussions will take place on Sunday mornings at 9:45. Feel free to come and join.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please have all news, pictures and articles to the office no later than Sunday, August 20th for inclusion in the September newsletter. You can send items by email to trinity@trinity-umc.com or drop off in the "Church Secretary" hallway mailbox.





Trinity Softball Team

August schedule of games:

August 4th - 7 pm (Field 6)

August 11th - 7 pm (Field 6)

Last games of the season



Homeless Mat workshop

We will be having a workshop to prepare the homeless mats on August 8 at 10 AM until 12. All are welcome to come because there is something for everyone to do. We will be making strips out of the plastic bags and then we will be tying them together to make balls of PLARN. We have plenty of plastic bags to go through and if you have scissors that you don't mind using to cut plastic bags please bring those.

We can also use crocheters but you do not have to be a crocheter to help with this project. I hope to see you there and if you have any questions Please call Angela Bailey at (804) 338-3203.

2017 Flower Calendar

The new Flower Calendar for 2017 is posted on the bulletin board for sign up of Sunday flower arrangements in memory or honor of someone special in your life. The arrangements are \$35 each and can be taken home after the 11:00 service. Please check the calendar early so you can sign up for your preferred date. If possible we would rather not have more than two arrangements per Sunday. Contact Lucy Shields if you have questions.

Open dates for the remainder of 2017: **October 1st & 22nd; November 5th, 19th, & 26th; December 24th & 31st.**



MUSIC NEWS – AUGUST

Members of the Trinity Chancel Choir will be participating in a concert with 4 other choirs on August 13th at 5:00 p.m. at Bethany Place Baptist Church. We learn the music separately and then come together to create this unique worship service of music. Please plan to come and enjoy this time of worship. Everyone is invited to an ice cream social following the service.

There will NOT be a choir rehearsal on August 9th for the Chancel Choir. I will be with the campers that evening and all week at St. Marks.

We have 8 members of the children's choir attending Kaleidoscope music camp on August 7th through August 10th at St. Marks Methodist Church. Campers will be in attendance from 9:00 to 6:00 each day. There will be a Wednesday night dinner with food trucks (see brochure) and service, and a closing worship/concert at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday in the St. Marks sanctuary. Following worship will be a smorgasbord of delicious food and everyone is invited. Please come and see what our 8 campers have learned that week. I know we all will be making new friends.

Our annual Handbell Retreat will be held this year at the Airfield Conference Center in Wakefield on September 9th and 10th. This is a special time for us to plan, practice, and fellowship together. Jean Wallace will be our substitute organist for that Sunday. I know you will extend your warmest greetings to her as she allows Rachel and I to attend this retreat.

Thanks to Gary Potter for his leadership in expanding the music room. Progress is being made and with help we should be all set before Labor Day. We will need volunteers to help paint the room this Thursday and Friday, August 3 & 4. If you think you have time to help with this project, please let me know. E-mail me at piano4mom@gmail.com. Thanks for your help.

Music activities will resume on Wednesday, September 13th at 5:45 p.m. with dinner. Cherubs (ages 2-kindergarten) will have music from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m. followed by Bible Story and craft with Ms. Janet at 6:30. Angels (1st-5th grades) will have Bible study or craft with Ms. Deborah from 6:00 to 6:30 and then have music until 7:00. More details will follow in the September newsletter.

Trinity Chimes and Odyssey (Grades 6-12) will meet at 4:00 p.m. on Sundays followed by 5:00 Angels Choir Rehearsal beginning September 17th. More information about our plans to come in the next newsletter.

Please try to come and support our choir (August 13th) and our children on August 10th. I am sure you will enjoy both events! Have a good rest of the summer!

Blessings,

Pat

Prayer Shawl...HELP!

Yes we could use more hands to tie knots on fleece blankets, crochet or knit shawls and offer contributions. We are still making blankets for the kids at UMFS. We may need up to 5 or 6 each time depending on the census there. The young folks really do enjoy the blanket as it is one thing that is theirs alone. They wrap in them as soon as they open them. We have relied on UMW and Missions in the past for funding as well as the members having donated their materials for several years now. So we are asking our church family to support us in our mission to continue to do this work. We recently received a donation and are so grateful for the help.

Please pray for the folks who receive these shawls and blankets and us. We would really appreciate any donation you may be able to make. The average fleece blanket is about 15 or so dollars. 4 skeins of yarn is approximately that amount if on sale. And of course we would love to have you join us at our meetings where we work on shawls and blankets, wrap them, share fellowship, pray, laugh, cry and usually eat!!

Please watch the bulletin for the meeting times. Along with this please let us know if there is someone you would like to see receive a shawl. In September we will have a display of prayer shawls and blankets as well as a blessing of the ministry and the items. They really are a concrete expression of God's love and care. We want to continue to bring them to those in need.

Any questions contact Pam Soto at pumice@comcast.net or Janet Collins at montanadog96@gmail.com



Got a Teen? Don't know how to talk with them?

Got a teen and don't know how to talk with them? Your teen? A grandchild? Someone you love dearly?

The Pastor is offering a class on how to communicate with them. We will be using a DVD – Handbook class put out by Active Parenting for Teens. We will start out with the 6 week program and go from there. The topics include: teens and technology, teen bullying, brain development, sexuality, winning cooperation, how to redirect misguided behavior and more.

We do need to know how many people want to come so that we can provide the workbooks. Everyone is invited.

This class will run at the same time as the youth group meetings.

Adult Mission Trip

The Adult Mission trip is planning another 3-day trip in September. This time they will be traveling to the Virginia Beach area on Sunday, September 17 - Wednesday, September 20, where they will work on home repairs needed to help residents recover from weather-related disasters. Bunk bed lodging and kitchen facilities for them are located in a converted church in the area, and the James River District has a mobile shower trailer that will be on the property. There is no cost for lodging, but each participant will pay a nominal fee for food and gasoline. They will either carpool or take the church van. Donations to the District Disaster Fund are always welcomed (from anyone), but not a requirement for the trip.

If you would like to participant in this adventure, lease contact

Karen Poole (billandkaren@mindspring.com) or

Stefanie Griffith (2baagd@ureach.com).



Girl Scout Seniors in Troop 3490 are working on their Gold Award and are making Little Libraries for the Jefferson Davis Corridor. We need your help. We are in need of books to stock the libraries. The types of books we are looking for include: young readers, early chapter books, teen novels/mysteries, “how to” books, cookbooks, and adult novels/mysteries. **We will begin collecting the books on August 6th until Labor Day weekend.** There will be a box in the Narthex for your donations. If you have any questions, you can contact Sue Makins at (313) 516-7249.

Trinity UMC People Page

BIRTHDAYS

Help us update our information; if your birthday is this month and you are not listed, please notify the office so we won't miss you again!

August 1	JoAnne Jones	August 28	Amanda Langford
August 2	Karen Bradley		Brian Harman
August 4	Bill Shields		Robert Ellis
	James Benfield	August 29	Anne Shelton
	Caroline Justice		
August 7	Lee Kump		
August 11	Preston Bradley		
August 13	Olivia Hairfield		
	Ron Gray		
	Mark Babcock		
August 14	Ann Willis		
	Hannah Lisagor		
August 16	Megan Madison		
	Benjamin Fallin		
August 21	Lizanne Orn		
August 22	Michelle Kennedy		
	Virginia White		
August 23	Sara Echols		
August 24	Lois Thomas		
August 25	Ashley Lively		

AUGUST SERVANTS OF WORSHIP

MONEY COUNTERS:

August 7

Dana Potter & Aubrey Tarkington

August 14

Dana Potter & Flo Gray

AUGUST 21 & 28

Dana Potter & Brenda Shepherd

USHERS:

August 6 & 20

Kim Pratt, Ann Wright, Mike S.

August 13 & 27

Tom Reis, Mary Palmer, Kim Pratt

Summer Sunday Schedule

8:30 am Contemporary Service • 9:45 am Sunday School
11 am Traditional Service

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If you have items to add to the calendar,
please let the office know

by email to trinity@trinity-umc.com or phone at 748-2439.

Summer Wednesday Schedule

7 pm Men's Chorus • 7:30 pm Choir

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 10 am Audit Committee 7 pm Praise Team	2 11 am <i>Young at Heart – Helping Heart Day</i> 7 pm Men's Chorus 7:30 pm Choir	3 7 pm AA 7 pm TNL 8:00 pm Adult/Youth planning Meeting	4 7 pm Softball (Field 6)	5 8 am UMM 9 am Finance Committee
6 <i>Regular Sunday Schedule</i> 5 pm SPR	7	8 10 am Mat Workshop 7 pm Praise Team	9 7 pm Men's Chorus 7:30 pm Choir	10 7 pm TNL 7 pm AA 7 pm Children's choir concert at St. Mark's Methodist church *Day long mission trip, waiting on more info*	11 7 pm Softball (Field 6) *Final games of season*	12
13 <i>Regular Sunday Schedule</i> 5 pm Choir performs at Bethany Place Baptist church	14	15 7 pm Praise Team 8 pm Adult/Youth planning meeting	16 11 am Young at Heart (van) 630 pm Scout District Mtg. 7 pm Men's Chorus 7:30 pm Choir	17 7 pm AA 7 pm TNL <i>Teresa out of the country</i>	18 <i>Teresa out of the country</i>	19 <i>Teresa out of the country</i>
20 <i>Regular Sunday Schedule</i> NEWSLETTER DEADLINE <i>Teresa out of the country</i>	21 <i>Teresa out of the country</i>	22 7 pm Praise Team <i>Teresa out of the country</i>	23 7 pm Men's Chorus 7:30 pm Choir <i>Teresa out of the country</i>	24 7 pm AA 7 pm TNL <i>Teresa out of the country</i>	25 <i>Teresa out of the country</i>	26 <i>Teresa out of the country</i>
27 <i>Regular Sunday Schedule</i> Youth Paddle boarding (van use) <i>Teresa out of the country</i>	28 <i>Teresa out of the country</i>	29 7 pm Praise Team <i>Teresa out of the country</i>	30 7 pm Men's Chorus 7:30 pm Choir <i>Teresa out of the country</i>	31 7 pm AA 7 pm TNL <i>Teresa out of the country</i>		



We will be having a fall yard sale on Saturday, October 14th that will benefit the youth and children programs. Please start saving items now and we will have more information in the coming weeks. This is the same day that Brunswick stew will be sold.