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June Calendar

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

It is summer so it must be planning time. Besides, Finance wants Council to come up with a mission statement and missional priority list for the budget and fund raising. So....we will be double dipping on our Thursday Nite Lites this summer. We hope to take the time to invite the congregation to help dream where we go from here. Like in all of life, priorities change over time. What we use to do, we don't do any more. Or we don't do it the same way. Some things we put down and then pick up other activities. So, the office has been working on a list of how the building is used: Which ministries meet where on what nights. We are also working on our ministries, who is in them, to what audience, and the numbers.

On Thursday the 28th we are asking the congregation to meet and brainstorm about where we want to go and the idea about building the next planned building. The drawings call for a fellowship hall. Council is exploring a Community Center. With the schools being more and more shut down to community use, we are exploring that the church become what it used to be: a center in which the community can gather. A center where people from the community can come and know that God has not forgotten them but offers a place for them.

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What would this look like for our community? What groups? What mission opportunities? What priorities to which the congregation feels (y'all) God is calling.

So please put Thursday night the 28th of June on your calendar. 7pm.

You will be home before dark. We will start with a short worship, followed by an exploration time. Ed Barnes, the Chair of Council will lead this time. In the weeks that follow, we will be inviting the groups that already use our building to share input and invite them to be part of the planning with us. Over the summer we will be plugging in the spiritual gift inventories too. So that, by the end of the summer we have vision, plans, participants and budget goals. See you on the 28th.



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please have all news, pictures and articles to the office no later than Friday, June 22nd for inclusion in the July newsletter. You can send items by email to trinity@trinity-umc.com or drop off in the "Church Secretary" hallway mailbox.

PRICKLY CITY

BY SCOTT STANTIS





Trinity Softball Team

Games in June

1st at 8:30 pm on field 6
8th at 8:30 pm on field 5
15th at 7 pm on field 6
22nd NO GAME
29th at 7 pm on field 6

All games are played at
Harry G. Daniel Park.

HOMELESS MAT WORKSHOP WITH ANGELA

Tuesday, June 12th at
10:00 am.

CONFERENCE

Pastor Teresa will be
away at conference
June 15-17.

WEBSITE HELP

Years ago the first thing that someone wanting to visit our church would see was our sign and building. If that was appealing enough then they might come in and meet our smiling faces and get to know us. We could show them around learn about them, they would learn about us.

In the last ten years there has been communication shift that hasn't been seen in over five hundred years. We can find anything we want to know on the internet. We can get information, entertainment, or see what our friends are doing.

People don't come through our doors for us to greet and show around. They go to our website or Facebook page to find out what we are about. They are not just looking for the times of our services or our address. They are looking at pages and pictures to see what we are doing; how active we are; who we are helping, in our community, or Nation, or the world; how we relate and help each other.

We need to improve our "new" front door. Our website is in dire need of an upgrade. The council has asked the Communications Committee to see what it will take to improve our website. I am not a techie person nor am I creative, so I need a few people to assist me in improving our website, so we can not only be more inviting, but also make it more useful for current members.

Please contact me, Tim Ruxton, at ruxtontm@gmail.com if you feel called to assist us with this ministry.

Thanks,



MUSIC NEWS – JUNE 2018

The Angels, Cherubs, and Chimers will be leading the worship service on June 3, 2018. Please join us for this service and celebration of our children. Our Chimers will be ringing and the Cherubs and Angels will present their production of “O Chicken of Little Faith”. This is a delightful musical set on the farm with Faith, who worries about every thing, and her Grandma’s chickens. Travel with us as we learn that God is always with us and that He will be our strength and help us conquer our fears. Please remain after the service for a picnic on the grounds. We will be having barbeque, cole slaw, and pork and beans. Please bring a side dish to share. A special thanks to Pat Shrader and Lucy Shields for costumes they made. Thanks to Stephanye Fuina and helpers- Mary Palmer, Emilee Bailey, and Kelly Wright for organizing this. We look forward to a good production, good food, and good fellowship. **DON’T MISS IT!**

As this year comes to a close, I would like to thank all those people who have made our Wednesday night and Sunday afternoon music programs possible. We are so grateful for the time you devoted to either lead or just be that extra person we need to be with us. Thanks to the following:

Trinity Chimers: Pat Shrader and Lana Lefferts

Odyssey Choir: Dawn and Sue Makins

Cherubs: Janet Collins, Pam Soto, Michelle and Ellie Sawyer, Hailey Donithan

Angels: Lori Poythress, Hannah Donithan, Pat Shrader, Deborah Napolitano

Wednesday night chefs: Emilee Bailey and Mary Palmer and daughters

Thanks to Emilee for being in charge of meals this year and to all who donated food and money to feed our children. Your support and leadership makes our program possible. Thanks you for sharing your time and talent.

I am pleased to be taking 8 members of our Angel Choir to Kaleidoscope music camp this summer! The cost was covered by the proceeds from the Trinity Talent show. Thanks again to all who participated and supported this effort. We will be taking the Angels to Mt. Pisgah on Midlothian for 4 days of learning, fun, mission projects, and worship.

Our Chancel Choir continues to meet on Wednesdays during the summer. The Men's Chorus meets at 7:00 p.m. and the Chancel Choir meets at 7:30 p.m. We are participating again this summer in a concert at Bethany Place Baptist Church on August 5th. We have done this for

several years and enjoy the experience of singing with other choirs the music we have learned. Please put August 5th on your calendar and join us that afternoon.

Since our Chancel Choir continues to meet during the summer, this is a great time to experience being in the choir. No auditions are necessary, just come on Wednesday night and help us make a joyful noise to the Lord. All are welcome!

Our Bells will be ringing on June 10th and then we will take the summer off. Please thank these ladies when you get the chance for their hard work and dedication. We are so blessed to have a group of such dedicated and talented ladies.

Have a wonderful summer!

Blessings,

Pat



UMW – June 2018

UMW will meet at 7:00 on Thursday June 7th (note change of date). We will be assembling school and health kits which will be taken to Annual Conference. We would like to thank those who donated items and money for these kits.

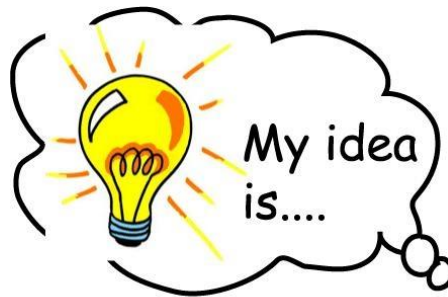
UMW does not meet in July or August. Our next meeting will be on September 13th.



CHILDREN'S ministry NEWS



VBS will start July 8th 5:45- 8:30!!!



Children's Mission & Fellowship Suggestions

Our children are busy! They are growing and changing. What activities does your child like? Suggestions are welcome on new ideas for fun fellowship and mission projects for our wee ones. The Children's Ministry strives to plant the seeds of fellowship, evangelism and mission work in the hearts of our children. Your suggestions are greatly appreciated. Please contact Stephanye at 804-651-4470 or childrensministry@trinity-umc.com with your suggestions.



Missions

The Mission Committee is reinstating the monthly "Food Focus" beginning in June. The food we collect will be donated as additional food on the last Friday of each month during the food distribution from "A Place of Miracles Cafe" program. The population that is served through this program includes the Meadowbrook High School students as well as several of the Chesterfield County schools that have the highest percentage of free and reduced lunches. This is an area of great need and is a great opportunity for Trinity to help "the least of these." The food requested for June is peanut butter, jelly, and powdered milk. Thank you for your support.

Trinity also sent a mission team to Dendron, VA in May for a day trip to work on an old church which has been converted to a retreat center for mission teams to stay. It was a productive and fun day with church family! We would love to send another team for a weekend day trip in June to help continue the efforts there. Date and sign-up sheet to follow in church soon.

The Route 1 Cafe will be moving up the street to Bellwood Baptist Church in mid-June. They will have a larger kitchen and more storage space all will expand their program to include hot meals on Tuesdays and Thursdays, in addition to the Friday night food program. The volunteer schedule for Trinity will be posted on the next page. If you would like to volunteer, please see any of the following people:

Stephanie Griffith
Sherri McCaul
Karen Poole
Bill Poole
Lana Lefferts
Ann Wright
Mary Potter
Gary Potter

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE A PLACE OF MIRACLES CAFÉ

| DATE | CHURCH |
|----------|-------------|
| 5/25/18 | Trinity UMC |
| 6/8/18 | Trinity UMC |
| 6/22/18 | Trinity UMC |
| 7/6/18 | Trinity UMC |
| 7/20/18 | Trinity UMC |
| 8/3/18 | Trinity UMC |
| 8/17/18 | Trinity UMC |
| 8/31/18 | Trinity UMC |
| 9/14/18 | Trinity UMC |
| 9/28/18 | Trinity UMC |
| 10/12/18 | Trinity UMC |
| 10/26/18 | Trinity UMC |
| 11/9/18 | Trinity UMC |
| 11/23/18 | Trinity UMC |
| 12/7/18 | Trinity UMC |
| 12/21/18 | Trinity UMC |

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!

June 3 Aubrey Tarkington
June 4 Robert Napolitano II
June 6 Harold Saunders
Christen Miller
June 7 Pat Shrader
Ian Lang
June 11 Travis Collins
June 13 Susan Rouze
George Sawyer
Christopher Echols
June 18 Ruby Sawyer
June 20 Meredith Beck
Meredith Lively
June 21 Rodney Rasmussen
June 22 Betty Bauman
June 23 Dana Potter
June 24 Jean Brode
June 26 Donald Seely
June 27 Patricia Farmer
June 28 Bill Shelton
June 29 Ed Hazzard
Renee Sandlin

JUNE SERVANTS OF WORSHIP

MONEY COUNTERS:

June 3

Dana Potter & Carrie Smith

June 10 & 17

Dana Potter & Brenda Shepherd

June 24

Dana Potter & Sarah Bishop

USHERS:

June 3

Bob, Mike, Duane

June 10

Jane C, Faye C, Jeff R

June 17

Ann, Brenda, Tom

June 24

Kim P, Linda C, Mary P

SOUNDBOARD:

8:30 Service

Lucas C & Karen K

11:00 Service

Carroll S & Dewey C

ACOLYTES:

June 3

Meredith Lively, Maddie S.

June 10

Katie Griffith, TBD

June 17

Katie McGuffin, TBD

June 24

TBD, TBD

Communion Stewards:

June – Sunday school class

July – Sarah Bishop

August – Boopie & Pat Murdock

September – Sunday school class

October – Sarah Bishop

November – Boopie & Pat Murdock

December – Sunday school class

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 8:30 pm softball game on field 6 | 2 9:30 am Children's play rehearsal 11 am UMM trip to tractor museum & lunch (van) |
| 3 8:30 am Worship with communion 11 am Children's play followed by church picnic 5 pm Youth Group | 4 7 pm Trinity Belles 7 pm Boy & cub scouts (1, 2, 3, 4) | 5 6:30 Finance Mtg. 6:30 pm Sr Girl Scouts (backroom by kitchen) 7 pm Praise Team 7 pm Boy & cub scouts (1, 2, 3, 4) | 6 <i>Summer Wed. Schedule</i> | 7 7 pm UMW 7 pm AA (4) | 8 8:30 pm softball game on field 5 | 9 |
| 10 <i>Summer Sunday Schedule</i> 5 pm Youth Group | 11 6 pm Trinity Belles (Salad supper and bell cleaning) 6:30 pm Girl Scouts (Janet's classroom) 7 pm Boy scouts (1,2,4) | 12 10 am Homeless mat workshop with Angela 7 pm Praise Team 7 pm Boy scouts (1,2,4) | 13 <i>Summer Wed. Schedule</i> | 14 7 pm AA (4) | 15 7:00 pm softball game on field 6 | 16 |
| 17 <i>Summer Sunday Schedule</i> Youth mission trip departs to Gatlinburg (van) | 18 7 pm Boy scouts (1,2,4) Youth mission trip | 19 7 pm Praise Team 7 pm Boy scouts (1,2,4) Youth mission trip | 20 <i>Summer Wed. Schedule</i> Youth mission trip | 21 Office hours 8 am- 11 am 7 pm AA (4) Youth mission trip 7 pm TNL | 22 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE No Softball game Youth mission trip | 23 Youth mission trip returns |
| 24 <i>Summer Sunday Schedule</i> "YOUTH SUNDAY" | 25 7 pm Boy scouts (1,2,4) | 26 7 pm Praise Team 7 pm Boy scouts (1,2,4) TERESA ON VACATION THROUGH JULY 8TH | 27 <i>Summer Wed. Schedule</i> | 28 7 pm AA (4) 7 pm TNL | 29 OFFICE CLOSED 7:00 pm softball game on field 6 | 30 |



June

- 5th – Finance Meeting at 6:30 pm.
- 7th – UMW (Last meeting until September)
- 12th – Homeless mat workshop with Angela at 10 am.
- 17th – Youth depart on mission trip
- 21st – TNL begins for the summer at 7 pm
- 21st – Office hours 8:00 am to 11:00 am
- 24th – Youth Sunday
- 26th – Teresa on vacation through July 8th. Richard Wilkes and Gary Potter are points of contact in her absence.
- 28th – TNL at 7 pm
- 29th – Office closed

July

- 2nd – Office closed
- 4th – Office hours 8:00 am to 11:00 am
- 8th – 12th - VBS 5:45 pm to 8:30 pm