



Trinity United Methodist Church Newsletter



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Notes from Church Council

Though not the official minutes, here are some of the things discussed at the recent Church Council meeting.

Trustees – roof leak has been repaired and downspouts cleaned and extended to aid runoff.

SPRC - we continue the search for the right person to lead our children/ youth ministry. Ads are being placed in several places. Funds for paying a salary will come from the “Nanette Fund” If anyone knows a suitable, interested person have them send a resume’ to the church.

Missions – We have been asked to serve supper on Saturday, November 18 and December 16 at Glencliff UMC (which is taking over some of the ministries of 61st Ave UMC). See Charles Wilson to volunteer to help

Worship – All Saints Day will be observed on Sunday, October 29. We are working on the possibility of a Community-wide-UMC- Thanksgiving service. Details to come. Jeanne Rybolt has agreed to help with the costumes for the unrehearsed Christmas Pageant, but others will need to assist as well. Tentative date will be Sunday evening December 17th.

Charge Conference - Our Charge Conference will be held Sunday afternoon, November 19th at 3:00 p.m. at Franklin First UMC. We need everyone from Church Council to attend.

Finance – Our offerings are running way behind what is needed to meet our budget. We are not at a critical place yet, but everyone is encouraged to give generously.

Prayer Ministry

The following persons are part of the prayer ministry at Trinity UMC:

Elva Beard

Larry Eastwood

Leslie Eastwood

Rachel Newman

Kenneth Stevens

Patricia Stevens

Sam Richardson

Judy Richardson

Charles Wilson

Part of our membership vows in Trinity UMC is that we will all pray for the ministries of our church. However the members of the prayer ministry of Trinity United Methodist church covenant with one another to pray daily for:

- Those concerns on the prayer list of the Church and for healing of body and spirit for all persons listed;

- For each ministry of the church that each ministry would work to bring the Gospel to those within our community and most especially to bring the Gospel to those who have not yet accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior;
- For all the members of the Trinity UMC community that they be led and enabled to live as the Body of Christ;
- For our local community and all its needs, especially for those who are struggling with the burden of poverty;
- For our nation and our world that God help lead the people of the world to live in peace with God's Kingdom.

If you would like to be a part of this ministry please see Brother Will and we will be sure to add you to the list.

Will's Wonderings:

C.S. Lewis On the Lord's prayer:

If you are interested enough to have read thus far you are probably interested enough to make a shot at saying your prayers: and, whatever else you say, you will probably say the Lord's Prayer.

Its very first words are Our Father. Do you now see what those words mean? They mean quite frankly, that you are putting yourself in the place of a son of God. To put it bluntly, you are dressing up as Christ. If you like, you are pretending. Because of course, the moment you realize what the words mean, you realize that you are not a son of God. You are not being like The Son of God, whose will and interests are at one with those of the Father: you are a bundle of self-centered fears, hopes, greeds, jealousies, and self-conceit, all doomed to death. So that, in a way, this dressing up as Christ is a piece of outrageous cheek. But the odd thing is that He has ordered us to do it. *From Mere Christianity*

Church, I wonder if any prayer at all might be considered "cheeky" as we flawed, sinful, selfish creatures dare to approach the throne of the King of kings. Even our adoration and praise, we imagine, must sound like so much blather. But we approach only because He has not only invited us, but urged us to come into his presence. And we have the assurance of scripture that He delights in hearing from us. Let us Pray:

Our father

Shalom, Brother Will

See YOU Sunday!

Up-Coming Sermons

October 29 (All Saints Day observed) Revelation 7:9-17 "A Glimpse, Just a Glimpse"

November 5 - Guest Preacher

November 12 - Matthew 25:1-13 "The Procrastinator's Handbook"

November 19 - Matthew 25:14-30 "Making Wise Investments"

November 26 - Deuteronomy 8:7-18 "Happy Thanksliving"

UPCOMING Opportunities:

Sunday, October 29 – 4:00 p.m. – Nominating Committee meets

Sunday, November 5th - First Sunday Covered Dish

Saturday, November 11— Time TBA – Men's Group Pancake Breakfast – Fellowship Hall

Sunday, November 12 – 3-5 p.m. Pop In to the parsonage. You are invited to the Wells' home to see the work that has been done at the College Grove parsonage (Trinity helps to provide this home for us through a housing allowance)

Saturday, November 18th time TBA - Help serve supper at Glencliff UMC

Sunday, November 19th – 3:00 p.m. - Charge Conference @ Franklin First UMC

Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. - Bible Study. We are currently studying the Lectionary readings for the upcoming week. Come join us. We need your input!

Friday, December 1 – Time TBA - Methodist Women's ornament exchange at Elaine Rohrig's

Sunday, December 17 – Time TBA - Unrehearsed Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 24 – 4:00 p.m. - Christmas Eve worship

GraceWorks has continuous need to donations to their food pantry: **Critical Needs:** Canned green vegetables (not green beans), Canned beans, Canned meat (not tuna), Cereal, Hamburger Helper type boxed meals, Soup. Please support this important ministry with your regular donations. The box is located beside the side door.

The Nanette Crowell Companions in Christ Sunday School Class: We enjoy fellowship beginning at 9:45 with our study beginning at 10:00. Our current study is, "Moses, the Reluctant Prophet." All are welcome to join us as we pursue Biblical truths and the application for our lives.

Laughter is GOOD Medicine

The Sunday School teacher was reading the story of the Prodigal Son to his class, clearly emphasizing the resentment the older brother expressed at the return of his brother. When he was finished telling the story, he asked the class, "Now who was really sad that the prodigal son had come home?"

After a few minutes of silence, one little boy raised his hand and confidently stated, "The fatted calf."

Worship Leaders Schedule:

October 29:

Charles Wilson, **Liturgist**

Mike and Elaine Rohrig, **Greeters**

Greg and Sherry Locke, **Ushers**

November 5:

Houston Hartsock, **Liturgist**

Tommy and Jo Cotton, **Greeters**

Gina and Brandon Stewart, **Ushers**

Birthdays in November

**Cheryl Wilson – 11/1, Greg Locke – 11/4, Betty Haynes – 11/7, Ken Strait – 11/10,
Brooks Crowell – 11/11, Ross Crutcher – 11/26.**

Happy Birthday to each of you!