

Welcome!

Trinity United Methodist Church



"Together we LIVE to see our lives, our community, and our world transformed by the power of the Gospel of JESUS CHRIST."

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*Send forth your light and your truth,
let them guide me;
let them bring me to your holy mountain,
to the place where you dwell.*

PSALM 43:3 NIV

June 2024

"Do All the GOOD you can in ALL the
PLACES you can" - John Wesley

"Serve each other according to the gift each person has received, as
good managers of God's diverse gifts" - 1 Peter 4:10



⇒ There will be a **POP-UP MARKET** on Wednesday, JUNE 5TH from 3-7 pm and JUNE 15TH, Saturday from 9 am-2 pm in our parking lot.

⇒ Trinity's **RUMMAGE/YARD SALE** is on Saturday:

JUNE 1ST from 9 am -2 pm.

If you would like to save a spot for the rummage/yard sale, please prepay at the church office or bring on the day of - *cash only*. Please bring your table and chairs. You may erect a canopy if you'd like. It is \$15 per space.

Christmas Brainstorm

Since it's 100F outside, what better time to start planning for Christmas?

We're looking for ideas for a new Christmas project - something to help grandmothers share their faith with their young grandchildren.

Many grandmothers care for their grandchildren while their daughters work. We would like to give them something to help them share the good news of Jesus' birth with their grandchildren in a fun way.

Can we fit great crafts, stories, and other activities like the ones from Sunday School, Godly Play, and Vacation Bible School into a small cardboard box? We might target giving these gifts to 100 or more grandmas who might have limited resources.

I'd like to hear your thoughts!

DON KETCHUM



REV. FEDERICO PEREZ, JR.
 Pastor
 fperez@riotx.org

Sunday Worship
 10:00 a.m.
 In the sanctuary -
 we encourage you to wear
 your mask as you feel
 comfortable.

Sunday Worship
 10:00 a.m. is also available
 on Facebook Live, &
 www.tumcsa.net

Pastor-led Bible Study
 7:00 p.m. on Tuesdays
 Zoom room

Seekers Faith Meeting
 (Sunday School):
 - Thursdays at 3:00 p.m.
 Zoom room
 - Sundays, in-person, Null
 building at 9:00 a.m.

Prayer Meetings:
 - Wednesdays via zoom at
 2:15 p.m.

Church office phone
 210-684-0261
 Office hours:
 Mondays—Thursdays
 11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
 or call for an appointment

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MAY, 2024

ATTENDANCE IN WORSHIP

IN THE SANCTUARY (IN-PERSON)

MAY 5	45
MAY 12	41
MAY 19	38
MAY 26	27

FACEBOOK LIVE – VIEWS

MAY 5	111
MAY 12	65
MAY 19	125
MAY 26	45

TITHES & DONATIONS

MAY 5	\$ 4,663
MAY 12	\$94,995
MAY 19	\$ 1,010
MAY 26	\$ 2,491

(Report taken from ONLY the counters;
 NOT including online and text giving).

Happy Birthday to:

LIZ CAVIN	3-Jun
TONY AGUILAR	4-Jun
CHRISTY WILSON	4-Jun
MADISEN DYE	8-Jun
JANIS WINN	13-Jun
CLAUDIA BURGE	14-Jun
PAM SCHNAUBERT	16-Jun
ELIZABETH TAN-JOHNSON	21-Jun
BILL CAVIN	23-Jun
SANDRA KEYSER	25-Jun
JOY PATRICK	30-Jun

Happy Anniversary to:

DON & CHERI DANCAK	5-Jun
ETHAN AND MARY ELIZABETH CALK	22-Jun
FRED & LOUISE LYLE	23-Jun
DON & ANGIE KHAN	30-Jun
TONY & KAY AGUILAR	30-Jun

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 amount you wish
 to donate, then
 hit send).



If we have missed your
 special day, please notify
 Cynthia in the church office.
 Thank you!

Rummage/Yard Sale

- Bring your tables.
- The cost is \$15.00 per space.
- You may bring your canopy and chairs.
- Invite your friends, and come and have a picnic.
- Either prepay at the church office (April 29th through May 2nd) between 11 am and 2 pm or bring in the day of – CASH Only.
- Great visibility on Wurzbach. Will advertise on social media and the church's electronic marquee.



JUNE 1, 2024 | | 9 AM-2 PM | SATURDAY

Trinity United Methodist Church

6800 Wurzbach Road, 78240. 210-684-0261 church office.

Come early for a good location.



Picnic at Trinity on Sunday, June 30th following the 10:00 a.m. worship.

Everyone is invited to our Independence Day Indoor Picnic in the gym after the 10:00am service on Sunday, June 30th. Hamburgers and hot dogs with all the fixings will be provided.

Dress in red, white, and blue and bring your friends and neighbors.

Freewill-offering baskets will be available to cover the cost of the food.

Jason Brown, our Music Director, will lead our patriotic sing-a-long honoring the many branches of the military. Wear your uniform if you wish.

Anyone available can come on Saturday, June 29th about 2:00 p.m. to set up tables and decorate for our patriotic picnic.

See you at the picnic!

Trinity UMC Family Life Committee

The Peace of the Lord be with you" Colossians 1:20-1:23

20 and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. 21 Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. 22 But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation— 23 if you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant.

What comes to mind when you think of the word "peace"? Do you think of tranquil settings, like a relaxing day in a hammock in the backyard under a shade tree? Or perhaps peace for you is being out on the lake fishing, or like Henri and I, a few quiet days at Rockport, Texas. The dictionary defines peace as "freedom from war, mental calm, law and order, a state of harmony." How many of us would love to experience these things in our lives?

There are different places and relationships in which we seek peace. There is peace between countries, peace at home between family members, peace at church, and peace on the job, just to name a few.

There is one relationship in which it benefits us tremendously to be at peace. If we are not in a peaceful relationship with our creator, we will struggle with experiencing true peace in other areas of our lives.

There are a multitude of people who are not experiencing peace in their lives because they are at war with God. And when you are at war with God, how can you be at peace with your brothers and sisters?

We have learned that God deemed that all things are reconciled to Himself through Jesus. We are told in Colossians 1:20 that God made peace with us through the shed blood of Jesus.

I do not think that many people realize how important it is for us to be at peace with God. Many more do not realize they are not at peace with God because they consider themselves to be good people.

When we look at and study Colossians 1:20-23, we will learn some things about the issue of being at peace with God.

When we are at war with God, it will affect every other area in our lives in a bad way. A right relationship with God is the foundation for everything else we do in life.

When we accept Jesus, we are telling God that we are surrendering our lives to Him on His terms! Are you ready to be at peace with God and with your brothers and sisters?

My prayer is that you are, and may "The peace of the Lord be with you" in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen!

Rev. David Cervantez

How God Sent An Angel To Help Me

This is my true life story. It starts with my being down on my luck in Los Angeles and ending up homeless for 3 1/2 years sleeping in alleyways, the subways, homeless shelters, in abandon buildings, and just on the sidewalks of Los Angeles.

One frigid night I was trying to sleep in between some office buildings in the city of Toluca Lake, but because I had not eaten in three days, I could not get to sleep. So I got up around 6 am and hid my sleeping bag in the bushes, and it also was a very foggy day. I remember thinking to myself that if I could just get \$3.45, it would allow me to go over to the red building breakfast place on Riverside Blvd. and breakfast to eat, but where and how could I get the money. \$3.45 at that time in my life was like trying to get a \$1,000.

I started walking down the alley in the thick fog, and out of nowhere and an older man with a cane came walking toward me, stopped, and said "hello". I said "hello" back to him, and then he turns towards the direction he just came from and tells me that there is some money by the tree in the direction that he just came from by the red bricks on the left side of the alley. He then tells me that he can't get the money because he can't bend down due to his bad back. I was so excited that I started walking pass him about five or six steps, and then remembered that I didn't say thank you, but when I turned back to say thanks, he was gone. I tried my best to find him by going up and down the alley, but he had just vanished. He was walking very slowly with that cane, so how could he disappear like that.

So I went to the location that he told me about and found the tree in someone's front yard. I walked over to the tree and looked, and looked and nothing was there at all, so I gave up and walked across the street, but a little voice in my head told me to go back to the tree and try again. So I turned around and went back to the tree and got on both knees. On the ground spread all around the tree were those red woodchucks that people put down, but as I looked again for the money, I saw nothing.

Weak, tired, cold, and still sleepy, I got up and made my way across the street again. But again that small voice spoke to me and said, go back and try one more time, so I turned in the middle of the street and went back for one last try. When I got to the tree again, I got down on both knees and looked, but saw nothing. But just then that small voice said to me, why don't you take your hands and move some of the red woodchucks out of the way, and so I did, and to my great surprise, there were some coins. After quickly garbing up the coins and heading across the street to count it, and to my happiness, the total amount was \$3.45, just enough for my first meal in three days!

"Ray": United States



Trusting in Jesus
...is living your life with hope

Some of you probably remember a song recorded by Elvis Presley with this title. It talks about being each other “for just one hour,” about seeing through another’s eyes “instead of your ego” and makes it clear that we really have no right to “abuse, criticize, and accuse” unless or until we have walked a mile in someone else’s shoes.

When you encounter someone who immediately snaps at you, don’t assume this is just a mean, crabby person. Perhaps we should see whether we can find out how his day has been going. We might learn that he just found out that his car has been stolen, his bank account has been hacked, or he just learned he or a family member has an incurable disease. At the very least, we should not assume it was something we did or said. Unless you purposely said something to anger him or to pick a fight with him, – and I know there are people who do - it is probably something already going “wrong” in his life.



Now, I realize that we all think we are right – and it’s even possible that we can all be right on certain issues, but, most likely, one of us is wrong. On many issues there’s only a 50/50 chance that you are the one who is right! In the words of Davy Crockett, “Be sure you’re right, then go ahead.” We will ALL be happier if we try to consider where the other person is “coming from.” Believe me; I know it’s very difficult to believe we could be wrong, but, again, there’s a 50/50 chance in any argument, that we are. Surely you’re not the one who is right every time!

By: Harriet Phillips, Lay Leader

Even in traffic sometimes people are worried about something or someone, and forget where they are going. Then, at the last second they realize they needed to be in another lane to get to their intended destinations. Not only would we make their day a lot better if we let them in, I believe we would make our own day a lot better with that feeling that we did a good, generous thing. I know, I know, we don’t want to condone that kind of behavior; but, if there is even a chance that that person didn’t mean to take advantage of you, maybe you should do the generous thing.

What about when people insult you? What about when they say just subtle comments that try to be funny but are really hurtful? I have noticed that those people are pretty insecure. This is their way of building themselves up. If they can tear you down, they can build themselves higher – at least, in their own minds. As Eleanor Roosevelt said, “No one can make you feel inferior without your permission.” Just try to change positions, to be on the other side of the conversation or situation, before you react. I realize none of us is perfect, but we CAN be perfect in aim. God sees your motive. God knows whether you meant to hurt, or whether you just reacted without thinking. God knows whether you are going through something traumatic, yourself, or not. If only we could know what is going on with the other person, we could probably react in a better way. Let’s just try it!

Weekly Recurring Meetings where everyone is invited:

- Sack lunch ministry each Sunday at 9:15am in the narthex.
Everyone is welcome to help. For more information, please contact Don Ketchum.
- Seekers Sunday school every Sunday at 9:00am in the parlor.
- Pastor-led Bible study every Tuesday via zoom at 7:00pm.
- Prayer meeting every Wednesday via zoom at 2:15pm.
- Sunday school meetings every Thursday via zoom at 3:00 p.m.

Please call Cynthia for zoom links or visit our website at www.tumcsa.net.

Trinity is asking for volunteers to...

..... broadcast our worship service live on Facebook (on rotation).

..... help with the Family Life Committee alongside Alisa Roberts, Carol Lewis, & Sandra Dance. Family Life is responsible for our social activities, e.g., July 4th luncheon and sing-along, Trunk or Treat, Thanksgiving luncheon, Super Chili Bowl Cook-off, and “Fat Sunday instead” (Sunday before Ash Wednesday).

..... read at our Sunday’s worship services, on rotation.

..... help in the church office with very light clerical duties such as answering phones, assisting visitors, and other tasks alike. Help is needed on Mondays and Wednesdays from 11am -2pm.

..... serve refreshments and clean up after church on the 1st Sunday of every month.

..... donate refreshments such as cookies, doughnuts, sweet breads and beverages to serve after the first Sunday worship services; please contact Stacie Brown.

If you are led to serve in these areas, or any other ministries not mentioned, please contact Cynthia in the church office or Harriet Phillips.



Trinity UMC Prayer Team †

“God, help me navigate whatever challenges I encounter this day. Be my comfort and my rock. Guide me to do Your will and be an instrument of Your peace today and each day. Amen.”

**Come
Let Us
Pray**



*Prayer team meets every Wednesday at 2:15pm via Zoom.
Please join us or send us your prayer request at www.tumcsa.net*