

# Welcome to Trinity United Methodist Church

“The mission of Trinity United Methodist Church is to make disciples of **Jesus Christ** for the transformation of the world.”

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SUNDAY

Worship Service

10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY

School for all ages

11:15 a.m.

CHURCH OFFICE

HOURS:

Monday through

Thursday

9:00 am- 4:00 pm

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**Go**ing back to school is a day that inevitably comes each year. Some love it, others just go through the motions indifferently. School is an incredible meeting place. That presents an amazing opportunity to witness and share the gospel with so many people. In fact, the best people to reach out to these students are students. The conversations can be very powerful. School ought to be looked at as one of the ultimate mission fields for Christians. So as another year starts and the weekly cycle begins again, let's unite in prayer for all going back to school to make a difference. Jesus died for all our sakes, and he has sent us out to make disciples of all people.



*Hebrews 10:25 1 Peter 3:15  
Matthew 5:16 Colossians 4:2.  
-inspired by EdwardS/backtoschool.com*

## Scholarship Awards

The Permanent Endowment Fund Committee is pleased to award a \$1000 scholarship from Trinity United Methodist Church for the 2019-2020 school year. The funds are distributed in two \$500 payments. The award will be announced at the 10:00 am worship service here at Trinity, the first Sunday in August, August 4th. We invite all the awardees to be present (together with their parents or guardians). Pastor Bob will say a blessing.

Thanks to all of you who have supported the Permanent Endowment Fund and scholarships at Trinity. Once again, we have an outstanding group of recipients. Congratulations!

To God be the glory!

## Enrollment going on

Trinity UMS Pre-school —18 months to Kinder. Please call 210-684-5214. Enroll into the **STEAM**—based curriculum: **Science**, **Technology**, **Engineering**, **Arts**, & **Mathematics**.

2019 Missions - AUGUST  
4TH SUNDAY SPECIAL OFFERING  
SAMM Transitional Living Center



# PASTOR'S PEN

*A word from the heart*



## Servant Evangelism

**D**ear Friends,

The word evangelism conjures up a host of images in the minds of Christians, most of them negative or intimidating. Most of us consider ourselves ill equipped for the task of leading another person to Christ. We are fairly certain that there is more involved than sharing the Roman Road and leading someone in praying the sinner's prayer. Yet, whatever that something more is remains for us somewhat mysterious.

Servant evangelism offers a low-risk, natural way of connecting with people without religious tracts, gimmicks, or an advanced degree in theology. Who doesn't like to be given a cold soda on a hot day especially by someone who is smiling, happy and having fun? Servant evangelism wins the heart before it confronts the mind. A small act of kindness nudges a person closer to God, often in a profound way as it bypasses one's mental defenses. The average Christ-follower is willing to hand a stranger a can of soda (low-risk). The high grace is seen in the typical reaction. "Oh, thank you!" "This is so nice!" "I can't believe this is for free!" And, "Why are you doing this?"

Kindness builds the bridge for the person to receive a touch of love from God. Add an invitation to church or other method of connection—even a simple card with our church's name, phone number and times of services—and you've reached someone with the love of Christ! It's simple, practical, effective, inexpensive and fun! Pastors, lay leaders and ordinary Christ-followers all over the world are discovering the power and impact of "showing God's love in practical ways," and again and again we've seen relationships with God born from these simple acts of kindness in Christ's name.

If you are interested in becoming a servant evangelist, I gladly invite you for a chat and coffee.

As always, I give thanks to God for each of you.  
Pastor Bob



have fun 😊  
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**A** few Sundays ago as I was leaving for church, my husband called to me, “Have fun!” At first I wanted to laugh, but then I thought, “Yes, I do usually have fun at church.” I concluded that we should all be having fun at church. We should all enjoy being here, and we should be happy to have others there with us. Guests

should be able to readily see that we enjoy church. As we sing, we should “make a joyful noise unto the Lord.” We should have “joy like a fountain” from hearing the Word – the knowledge that through Christ we are saved!

If you don’t feel better after coming to church, something’s missing. Either your church is not offering what you need, or you are not “receiving” what it’s offering. Do you come in with an open mind, or have you already decided what the message is before you even hear it? Do you, at least, come to join in fellowship with others, or would you be better served to watch a service on TV?

I am on several committees, and during most of those meetings, we laugh while we are getting God’s work done. Someone usually led us in prayer for these meetings, and he often thanked God for laughter. That same “thank-you” was usually said during our lunch period on Thursdays. Many of us truly enjoy fellowship at Trinity! If you were a visitor and came into a church where you saw frowns or just no expression at all on people’s faces, would you want to return to that church? A previous member of our church used to say, “If sitting in a church makes you a Christian, then sitting in a garage should make you a Buick.” Churches where there’s “a sweet, sweet spirit in this place” tend to grow. Churches where people don’t talk to each other, where they just sit in the pew, tend to have fewer and fewer people and eventually close their doors. I am happy to notice that the pastor usually has to tell us to stop talking before he/she can begin the service. That’s a really good sign.

I hope you enjoy being at church, at Sunday school, and even at meetings! When you come to this church, please, have fun!

Yours in Christ,  
*Harriet Phillips*  
Lay Leader

Sharing

**Love**

**Faith**

**COURAGE**

**JOY**

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**Peace**

## NEWS FLASH!

### Sandwich Ministry

This is a feedback on the sack lunch ministry that so many Trinity people continue help out with. Together, with the help of dozens of intellectually/developmentally disabled adults, we have fed more than 12,000 people. God is using us to do wonderful things!



"What a blessing to have you include the people in our care at Unicorn Center in helping the patients and families served by Methodist Healthcare Ministries and their loving team. This is one of those stories of people from every corner, life experience and walk of life coming together for the greater good. It is the illustration of kindness and caring."

Lynette A. Farrimond  
Vice President, Development and  
Communications  
Mission Road Ministries



OCTOBER 10, 2019  
THURSDAY, 6:00 P.M. HERE AT TRINITY UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH

#### Happy Birthday to:

JOYCE PARKE	2-Aug
TINA AZBILL	6-Aug
BOB PARKE	14-Aug
LYNN FRANCIS	14-Aug
MARY ELLEN KELLER	19-Aug
BOB ICENOGLA	20-Aug
SARA GLASS	20-Aug
BECKY LAMBERT	23-Aug
KAY AGUILAR	26-Aug
MARY BETH CALK	27-Aug
EMMA MAY	28-Aug
JUANITA SCOTT	28-Aug
CHARLIE SETTLES	28-Aug
ERICK BENTON	30-Aug

#### Happy Anniversary to:

JACK & HELEN TOOLE	1-Aug
TOM & CYNTHIA SETTLES	4-Aug
DWIGHT & MARY HALE	26-Aug

## Help!

Still in need of—

### **GODLY PLAY VOLUNTEERS**

Please prayerfully consider volunteering during church service on Sundays. Men and women volunteers are welcome. Curriculum and materials are provided. Please contact Mary Hale.

Be grateful,   
enjoy the little things