



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.

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HOURS:

Monday through

Thursday

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PASTOR'S PEN

A word from the heart



Dear Friends,

As 2019 draws nearer to a close, we begin to dream and imagine the new ways God will bless and use us in the coming year. How many children and families will we feed in 2020? How many new people will be introduced to Jesus Christ? How will the sick be healed, and the mourning be comforted? How will we grow in our faith and mission?

Just asking these questions is enough to ignite a spark of excitement in my heart. I hope and pray the same is true for you. As a United Methodist, I have embraced our denominational mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. My doing so is more than simple denominational loyalty. I fully and whole-heartedly believe that our United Methodist mission is consistent with the life and teaching of Jesus Christ.

As disciples of Jesus Christ, we have a duty to continue the transformative work he began. One of the ways we do that is through our tithes and offerings. Our connectional giving is transforming the world. Through our advance giving over 400,000 children have been reached with lifesaving interventions since 2016. In 2017, we were supporting 307 clinics and hospitals in 30 countries, and we had 346 missionaries in the field. In the last nine years we have birthed 1,000 new faith communities in Europe, Asia, and Africa. Additionally, the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) has committed over \$20 million in relief and recovery in Puerto Rico since 2017. All these things and many more are made possible by your generous giving.

This month (November), we will be conducting our annual stewardship campaign. We will be asking everyone to provide an estimate of giving for 2020. As you contemplate and pray about how you will support your church in 2020 consider all the ways that your giving is transforming our congregation, our neighborhood, our city, and our world. However, much you have given in the past, we want to

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4TH SUNDAY SPECIAL OFFERING
PROVIDENCE PLACE—YOUTH

.. challenge you to step it up a notch. We will be sharing more about what that means as we move through the month. For now, simply ask yourself how much you could reasonably increase your giving in 2020. If you have never been a regular tither, you may want to consider committing to \$5.00 per week. The goal is to reach the tithe, which is 10% of whatever God provides for you in the form of income. If you make \$1,000 dollars a month, a tithe would be \$100 per month or \$25 per week. It is easy to spend that much on one meal in a restaurant. Could you sacrifice on meal in order to help eliminate a deadly disease like malaria?

All that I am asking from you at this time is to pray about how God is leading you to step up your giving. Together we can change the world, and that change begins with generosity.

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

Blessings
Pastor Bob



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CHILDREN AGES 2-16
WEEKLY SATURDAY REHEARSAL 1:00-4:00 PM
SNACK PROVIDED!
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Happy Birthday to:	
DWIGHT HALE	2-Nov
RYAN LANDERS	3-Nov
REUBEN P. GOANEH	4-Nov
PAUL GERTH	7-Nov
CALEB WILSON	8-Nov
CONNIE MEDRANO	10-Nov
JEFF WILSON	11-Nov
CINDY COZART	14-Nov
JAMES PARKS VINCENT	14-Nov
GAIL HALL	17-Nov
MISHA MISAKI	19-Nov
ELORINE ECKHARDT	19-Nov
ANNE MARIE CLANCEY	21-Nov
JIM LANDERS	23-Nov
MARISABEL RODULFO	23-Nov
JAMES SMITH	25-Nov
VALERIE PUTZ	28-Nov
Happy Anniversary to:	
ERICK & JOANNE BENTON	1-Nov
KATHY SETTLES-HOREJSI & FRANK HOREJSI	12-Nov
JORY & JULIE VINCENT	12-Nov



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United Methodist Youth Fellowship
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Hello Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I hope everyone is enjoying the tiny bit of Fall weather we are having! This is one of my favorite times of year. November is time to give extra thanks to God for all my blessings, and December is the month we celebrate the greatest gift ever given, God's son!

I know some churchgoers are not always excited about going to church during October and November because a lot of churches have their Stewardship Campaign during this time. I used to feel that way. I would like to share with you how I changed my thinking on this subject and in doing so turned my life around for the better and have never looked back.

Some of you already know my story but some don't. I grew up as a Methodist, and I saw my mom's check register from time to time. I was amazed at how little she made, but there was never a month she did not write a check to the church. When I would ask her why are you giving so much money away, she said it was because she knew God always took care of us and she was going to always give back to Him. This tugged on my heart for years, but no matter how much I made, I never had anything left over to give to God.

I wanted to know if this tithing thing really worked. It wasn't until I was going to school and had a small part-time job that I decided to take that leap of faith. I made a \$100 a month, so the church got \$10. At first, I thought really, what is \$10 going to do for the church? I WAS WRONG!

What was I wrong about? It wasn't the amount I was giving. It was the fact that for the first time in my life I said whatever I am going to make, God gets the first 10%. When I shifted my priorities and included God as part of my budget (I know most people can't stand that word), I got a peace about me that I never experienced before. Yes, there have been some rough years that we didn't fully pay our pledge because I overestimated what we could give. I didn't beat myself up because God was still first. God is always there picking me up and still blessing me with more than I could ever need.

I know when I give to my church, my offering is my gift back to God for all the wonderful things He provides me with. Our church does so many wonderful things and NONE of it would happen without ALL of our support. And yes, I know, some of my offering goes to the boring things like water, electricity and insurance but so does part of my money at home. I would love to not have to pay SAWS, CPS and insurance, but I pay these things to be able to live. My household would not stay afloat if I didn't pay these expenses. The church is the same way. We use offering to pay the necessities, but we also use it to change lives, and that is the greatest thing a church can do.

I have used the word "I" a lot in the above, but most of it should really be "we." I am married to the happiest giver I have ever met. He saw the transformation in me when I put God first, and he was on board without my even asking. The smile on his face when he puts our offering in the plate is priceless!

Thank you for staying with me through this letter. I know it was long. But I wanted to share my story of how we all have to start somewhere. My prayer is for everyone who reads this to understand and grasp the concept that if you haven't put God first and you are not giving, please try it. If you feel you could give more, please try it. My guess is you will be amazed at how your life changes and the peace that will come. I know mine was!

Yours in Christ,
Bonnie Smith

“For it is
in
giving
that
we
receive.”

- St. Francis of Assisi

Trinity Next Step October 2019

Alleviate Parent Stress	Spread Xmas Cheer	Feed Our Neighbors	Making Disciples	Serving the Community	Marketing Strategies	Survey the needs
Mothers/fathers night out	Help with Angels Aware	Meal once a month for NA Group	New Forest Weekly Bible Study	Community Garden	Banner	Conduct research to determine community needs
Offer free childcare to single parents	Angel Tree	Hand out water to exercise group	Prayer program for congregation	Community Events at Trinity	Paper Advertise at HEB, Walmart, Sam's	Meet our Neighbors
Survey TUMS families for their needs	Meowy Christmas	Feeding the 5,000 Round 4	Formal Choir	More Food Trucks, Festivals,	Spiritual or encouraging messages on Sign	Reach out to Schools
Create a nursery for babies		Coats for Children		"Driveway" Sales	Postcard mailout and survey or card	Visit Fisher House & See What they Need Then Do That
				Offer free seminars	Develop marketing plan for reaching community members	Do a needs survey in the neighborhood
				Support group for caregivers		Do a Needs Survey in Congregation
				Class for Community (Dance, Crochet, Taxes, Computer)		Social Media: What do you see as the greatest need in the community
Julie V.	Ashley Bonnie Raymond Don K Donna C Mary S Pat P.	Julie V Angie k Bonnie Don K Kay Tony Connie	Angie K Raymond Louise and Fred Misha Harriet	Donna C Misha	Ashley Layne Gene Raymond Kay Tony Misha	David Lopez Julie V Gene Tony Kay Raymond



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Everyone is welcome!
Annual church Thanksgiving lunch at noon in the gym on Sunday, November 24, 2019.

“Come Ye Thankful People, Come” to our annual Thanksgiving luncheon on Sunday, November 24th at 11:30 in the church gym. This will be a potluck lunch. There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex so you can designate what side dish you wish to bring (salad, veggies, potatoes, rice, desserts). Pastor Bob said he would bring a turkey, and there will be a sliced ham provided. The church will provide beverages, plates, cups, napkins, condiments, and flatware.

We will set up and decorate the gym on Saturday, November 23rd, about noon. If you have questions, please contact Connie Medrano 210-585-1494, or call the church office and leave a message.”