



# Welcome to Trinity United Methodist Church

"The mission of Trinity UMC is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."

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SUNDAY  
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9:45 a.m.

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## Let's Feed Another 5,000

**2018 Missions  
MARCH  
Special/Fourth Sunday  
Offerings:  
ONE GREAT HOUR OF  
SHARING**

Each week we use about 5 loaves of bread for sack lunches that we distribute to the hungry, primarily at two clinics (the Wesley Health and Wellness Center and the Dixon Clinic). We've fed more than 3,600 people so far, and hope to reach our goal of feeding the 5,000 sometime in June. Thanks to God and everyone participating in this effort!

After we reach our goal we would like to step it up by repeating the program, but this time working with Special Needs Adults at Unicorn to put together the sack lunches. On a rotating basis, volunteers from Trinity will spend about an hour on Monday mornings helping the Unicorn folks assemble the lunches. (Unicorn is less than a mile from Trinity). If you are interested in being a part of this effort, please talk to Cynthia in the church office, or call Don Ketchum at 210/827-2527.



Dear Friends,

The season of Lent, in which we currently find ourselves, has always been a very meaningful

time for me. I can remember the very first time I received the mark of the cross on Ash Wednesday. I knelt at the rail with tears streaming down my cheeks, praying that the mark I had just received would be indelibly etched on my forehead and my heart. In that moment I was convicted of my need for repentance and forgiveness. Perhaps for the first time, I was conscious of my own helplessness, my own inability to overcome the power of sin. I was overwhelmed by God's grace and mercy in accepting and cleansing even a sinner like me.

Traditionally, the forty days (not counting Sundays) preceding Easter, was a time for prayer, fasting and preparation. For new converts it was a time of learning and indoctrination, during which the doctrines of the Church and the mysteries of the faith were introduced in preparation for the rite of Baptism. For the baptized, Lent was a time for deepening one's commitment to Christ and the Church through the practice of spiritual disciplines, including prayer, fasting, and searching the scriptures. Lent was also a time for reconciliation for those who, through sin, had separated themselves from the church and from God.

What was true for the early church is still true today. Two things have not changed, God and the human condition. We are, all of us, still powerless to save ourselves. We have no power over sin and death. Our only hope is in Jesus Christ, who through his life, death and resurrection, has made propitiation for our sins and conquered death once for all. Lent provides us with an opportunity for self-reflection, a time to fast and pray, to ask God to reveal those places in our life where we fall short of what God desires for us.

Therefore, I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to enter fully into the Lenten season this year. Take extra time to pray and to fast. Reflect on your Christian journey, where have you come from, where are you going, where are you today? How might God be calling you into a deeper relationship with Christ and the Church? Get together with a couple of other Christians and share what you are experiencing. Search the scriptures together. Start a study group. Help one another on the journey, hold one another accountable for the living of a disciplined Christian life. As the author of Hebrews writes, "...consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching" (NRSV Heb 10:24-25).

I would also like to make an invitation for anyone who would like to talk to with me for whatever reason, but particularly about ways of deepening your relationship with Christ and the Church, to call or text me to set up a time to get together. My cell number is 210-837-0928, or you can call the office at 210-684-0261. If you prefer, you may e-mail me at [pastor@tumcsa.net](mailto:pastor@tumcsa.net).

You are all, as always, in my prayers during this Lenten season. I pray that God will begin a new work in you and draw you ever nearer to perfection. In Jesus' name. Amen

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

*Pastor Bob*

a letter  
from the pastor



# Miracle in May

Look for new flooring in the parlor. Members are donating a new floor to replace the carpet that developed runners, was tattered and worn. This work is to be done March 1st and 2nd.

Is your pledge up to date? Did you pledge? It is not too late. We still have lots of improvements and accomplishments that we are working on. Soon there will be a new light shining on the stained glass window, and there are other ways to help also. We would like to develop paint teams to make painting less expensive.

We have a need for Kare Bear Child Care, Baby change stations. We have found a supplier, and they are available for \$249.00 each. We have one, and we are wanting five more so that there is one in each restroom. If you are able to donate one or have another source for stations, please let us know.

We are working toward having crumbling and uneven sidewalks replaced and repaired soon.

Call the church office or talk to a trustee to get involved.

In His service,  
*John Reed*



I want to thank those who helped out this past Sunday with the baby shower for Patrick, Sarah, and their new baby boy, Jonathan Daniel Ormond "Nate". It was truly a fun and blessed event here in the life of Trinity UMC.

Also I want to thank the many who contributed blankets last month. There were so many blankets that we had to divide them into three great locations to distribute them.

The Children's Shelter, Haven for Hope and the need of Meals on Wheels for their clients. None of these would have been possible without You!

God calls us to be His hands and feet for those in need, and I want to thank you for responding with generosity and kindness.

God's grace and peace be with you!

*Donna Clark*



# NewsFlash!



SUNDAY - MARCH 18

*Youth Hangout time  
at 12:15 p.m.*

We'll play video games,  
watch movies, eat and just  
have fun.

## Vacation Bible School

July 9-13, 2018

Planning meeting:

March 25 and April 29

Please contact Julie Vincent

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"The readiest way to escape from our  
sufferings is, to be willing they should  
endure as long as God pleases."

- John Wesley



### TRINITY UMC LENT AND EASTER SERVICES:

EACH TUESDAY AT 12:45 P.M.  
(FEBRUARY 20TH THROUGH  
MARCH 27TH)

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

#### THURSDAY

MARCH 29, 2018

7:00 P.M. MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

#### FRIDAY

MARCH 30, 2018

8:00 P.M. GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

#### EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 1, 2018

6:30 A.M. SUNRISE SERVICE

8:45 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE