

TRINITY IN TOUCH

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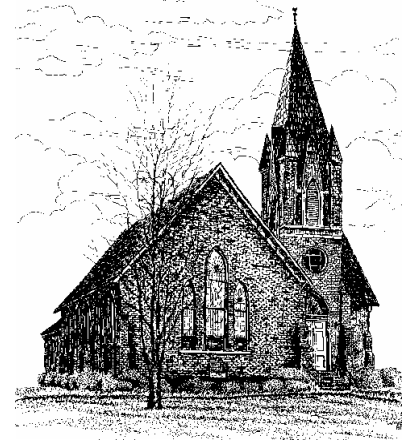
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Church School: 10:00 a.m.

Morning Worship: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:30am – 1:30pm (Closed Fridays)



August 3, 2010

From the Pastor

United Methodist clergy are expected to spend some time each year in Continuing Education classes. It only makes sense, doesn't it for us to set aside some time to learn and grow and hone our skills? This summer I have attended two workshops at Lake Junaluska—well, as this issue of *Trinity in Touch* goes into the mail I am at Lake Junaluska for the second workshop. We are camping at Lake Junaluska and enjoying the beauty of God's world while I attend a workshop titled, "The Jazz of Preaching." The leaders are well-respected preachers and I am looking forward to listening to them and receiving inspiration and renewal as well as insights for preaching.

So, what have you been doing with your summer? In a very short time, the children will be back at school and may be asked to write an essay or report on "How I Spent my Summer." What memories will they have from the summer of 2010? In my mind this will go down as one of the best summers in the life of Trinity UMC. Miss Alice planned just the right amount of activities for each age group, and almost every one of them was well-attended. The trips (and there are more to come for adults) were almost always filled and we had cars going along behind the bus to almost every place that Trinity went. Vacation Bible School was a smashing success. We averaged approximately 124 children for the week. The turn out from Trinity folks was outstanding. The number of volunteers who gave some time during the weeks leading up to VBS and the number of folks who came to help during the week itself represents a large number of the active members and friends of Trinity. Thanks to each one who attended or who helped in some way.

Even though our attendance will generally sag a bit in the summer, the slump this year doesn't seem to have been as bad as in other years. Our offerings have fallen a little further behind than we would have liked—but now is a good time to begin to catch up on our giving. As you have read and seen, we are having some long-overdue work done on the bricks in the steeple. There will be other repair work that will need to be done, but this work has been the most pressing. We are grateful to the Trustees for moving forward with the work. We are thankful to the Choir and to the Vida Lee Stewart estate for helping finance this work.

Speaking of the Choir and the Vida Lee Stewart estate, we have completed installing our new sound system with its upgrades to the video and audio capacity of the church. We have a system of video monitors in the Jack Benfield Class and in the Parlor so that when we have overflow seating—at weddings or funerals for example—folks can see and hear what is happening in the Sanctuary. We have the capacity for making CDs of any worship service in the Sanctuary. If you are interested in receiving copies of the services, please let Jill or David Hodges know. We hope to begin carrying them to the shut-ins who are interested on a regular basis. Some of this work was finished before summer, but it has all been refined during the summer.

Let's work together for the rest of 2010 like we have in the 1st part. Let's continue to listen to the call of God as we draw closer and as we work together for God's glory. Let's catch up on our giving and let's be faithful in our attendance at worship and Church School.

God bless, Gene Feagin, Pastor

Sunday, August 8, 2010
Scriptures: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40
Sermon: "Treasures and Lights"

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8

UMMen..... 8:00 a.m.
Worship Service..... 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship Time 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service..... 11:00 a.m.
Administrative Board..... 12:00 noon
Flower Ministry: Jack Benfield Class
Lay Reader:
Nursery Infants: Jamie & Kristen Patterson
Toddler Church: Dicksy & Jason Broadwater
Children's Church: David & Alicia Breakfield
Acolyte: Briana Pursely

MONDAY 9

VBS Meeting 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY 10

Dulcimer Class..... 6:30 p.m.
Adult Basketball 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 11

Adult – Excursion to Greenville Meet at the church 8:30 a.m.
Chancel Choir 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY 14

Families–Virginia Creeper Trail Meet at the church 6:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

Worship Service..... 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship Time 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service..... 11:00 a.m.
Contemporary Worship Service..... 6:00 p.m.

USHERS FOR AUGUST: *Dick Sweigart, Chip Alexander, Church Youth.

TRUSTEES/AUGUST: Mike Smith & Mary Jane Shuler

ALTAR GUILD/AUGUST: Libby Brown & Jennifer Cooney

WELCOME VISITORS/AUGUST: Jack Benfield Class

VISITOR CARDS/AUGUST: Grace Ulbricht

Sunday School Attendance August 1: 103
Worship Attendance (9:00 am) August 1: 39
Worship Attendance (11:00 am) August 1: 100
Operating Fund received on August 1 \$7,535.30
Operating Fund received up to August 1 \$175,896.00
Budget goal up to August 1 (\$6,524 x 31)..... \$202,244.00

MEMORIALS

To the Operating Fund in memory of:

Wilette Weatherly by Evelyn Johnsey; The Jack Benfield Class.

Howard Steele by Evelyn Johnsey; Reid & Karen Smith; Eddie & Susan Jones.

Harold Dellinger by Evelyn Johnsey;

To the Jack Benfield Class Fund in memory of Dot Caldwell and Wilette Weatherly by Anadell Burch.

To the Sudan Fund in memory of Howard Steele & Wilette Weatherly by Bud & Suzanne Jones.

To the Mississippi/Katrina Fund in memory of Howard Steele by Kenny & Ellen Jones.

HONORARIUM to the Sudan Fund in honor of Mildred Kalb's 90th birthday by Bud & Suzanne Jones.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Our prayers are with Louise Smith, John Smith, Geneva Warren, Havern & Helen Brindle, Lois Crolley, Bebe Benfield, Isem Pennington, and Ernie Ulbricht.

Also, we remember Ed Warren, son of Geneva Warren; Connor Glenn, great nephew of Ellen Jones; Patsy Clark, sister of Susan Jones; Sherry Leonard, niece of Bill Huffstetler; Ginger Boyd, mother of Carrie Hodges; Linda Sherer and her baby daughter Emma, friend of Robin Johnston; Marilyn Young, friend of Patsy Freeman; Virginia Baker, sister of Jo Hammond; Kinsley James, and Mackenzie Decuir.

Our sympathy is with Sandy Pursley and her family following the death of her father, Howard Steele, on Monday, July 26; also with Terri Alford and her family following the death of her mother, Betty Baker, on Sunday, August 1.

It's Back To School again soon! It is hard to believe that summer vacation is almost over! Again, as in years past, the Mission Committee is sponsoring our Back To School project for PATH. As you are aware, there have been critical budget cuts and our school children need our help. PATH is in need of school supplies to help their clients. Please consider donating supplies or making a donation either individually, by Sunday School Classes, Circles, UMW, UMM, Youth, or any other committee or church group. The Mission Committee will take the donations and buy the supplies for you. How easy is that?! Please prayerfully consider the needs of our area children. Donations can be left in the Sunday School Hallway in the PATH Boxes. We will be taking donations from now till August 31st.

The following items were requested by PATH: Crayons, Pencils, Black Pens, Notebook Paper, 3 Prong Folders, Backpacks

The UMM will have their monthly breakfast meeting on Sunday, August 8 at 8:00am. This meeting is open to ALL men, young and old. We will discuss events and missions for the remainder of year. And, as usual, we will be eating a wonderful breakfast. This month's menu will be breakfast casserole, cheesy grits, bacon, biscuits and fruit salad. Please make every effort to attend and bring a friend.

Vacation Bible School evaluation meeting on Monday night, August 9 at 7:00 pm for everyone (leaders & helpers). Please try to attend.

Parent's Meetings

All Parents of rising 5th & 6th graders are invited to a parent meeting on Tuesday, August 10 at 7:00 pm in the FRIENDS Classroom. With the changes in the schools this year a new program (KFC) is being planned. Come hear the details and be a part of the planning.

All parents of rising 7th-12th grades are invited to a parent meeting on Monday, August 16 at 7 pm in the Conference Room. This is an opportunity to discuss Trinity's youth program opportunities for the school year 2010-2011. We will discuss meeting days and times, trips, program topics and leadership. This is your chance to share your opinions and concerns and work for solutions. Are we equipping our youth with the faith skills and knowledge to face their challenges each day?

ALICE'S CORNER

Our summer vacation is quickly coming to an end. We have had a fabulous summer together. My sincere thanks to so many families who have supported the events and shared of themselves. Don't miss out on remaining August fun!

Wednesday, August 11 – Adult Excursion to Greenville. Meet at the church at 8:30 am. Bring money for lunch and wear your walking shoes.

Saturday, August 14 – Virginia Creeper Trail – Bicycle Trip. Meet at the church at 6:00am. Bring a picnic lunch. Contact Alice immediately for bicycle information.

Sunday, August 22 – TUMC Ice Cream Social 5:30-7:00 pm. Ice cream, pies, brownies, cookies are needed.

Our annual Adult trip to Myrtle Beach for the Christmas Shows and shopping are set for Monday, November 29 - Wednesday, December 1. Get your name on the list now if you want to go.