

# TRINITY IN TOUCH

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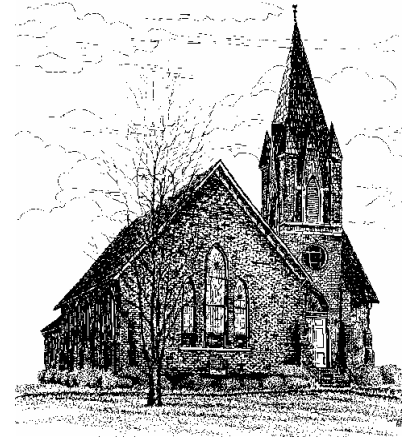
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Church School: 10:00 a.m.

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

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February 10, 2009

## From the Pastor

From 1952 when television was in its infancy until 1969 there were a lot more live programs than there are now, even in the afternoons. One of the most popular programs was Art Linkletter's *House Party*. One of the most popular segments of *House Party* was the time when Linkletter interviewed children. The secret of this segment was the way that Linkletter could relate to small children and get them to share their secrets. One of the tactics that he used was to ask, "What did your parents tell you not to say while you were on the show?" Almost every time that he asked the question this way at least one child would "spill the beans" about something going on at home. Finally parents caught on and tried to find other ways to keep their children from telling about what Dad called his boss, or why little Johnny hated his sister. It seems that all you have to tell a child is to not talk about something in order to get it broadcast.

Maybe it's like that with all of us! In the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter of Mark's Gospel we read about Jesus healing a leper and then telling the man not to talk about what Jesus had done. He tells the man to go to the priest, and to make the sacrifice commanded in the Law. The man, however, cannot keep quiet about what Jesus has done for him. "But he went out and began to proclaim it freely and to spread the word so that Jesus could no longer go into a town openly, but stayed out in the country and people came to him from every quarter" (Mark 1:45). Telling the man not to tell about what Jesus had done seems to have had the opposite effect. The man who had been a leper could not remain silent about what Jesus had done for him.

Dr. Evelyn Laycock, a teacher and leader at Lake Junaluska, writes about meeting a young man in an airport. As they chatted while waiting for their flight, they talked about the young man's job and his hopes. "What do you do?" he finally asked her. "I'm a Bible teacher," she responded. "Lady, if I believed half of what you Christians say you believe I wouldn't sleep tonight. I'd be out telling everybody!" "Looking straight into his eyes," Evelyn writes, "I responded, 'Thank you for that, I needed it, and I'm going to start with you.' I shared what God has done and is doing in my life and asked if he didn't want to say yes! to God's love and forgiveness." (From [Awaken the Giant](#), which Evelyn wrote with James Holsinger.)

The leper was healed and couldn't keep from telling about it. Dr. Laycock was challenged to tell what God had done for her, and was more than willing to put into words the way that God has touched her life. She began to tell more and more people about what God had done, and people began to respond to God in faith.

What would happen if Jesus told you and me not to talk about what he has done in our lives? I guess many of us are very obedient and we prefer not to talk about what God has done for us! The fact is, if we take the time to think about it, we all have a great deal to tell about what God has done and is doing. I know how God has blessed me with a wonderful wife and family. I know how blessed I am to be pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church. I can look around and see how God is acting in the lives of folks here in the Trinity family—guiding those making difficult decisions, helping folks to find ways to reach out to others in need, giving children and grandchildren... The list could go on and on. I can see people who are growing in their faith. I can see people who are learning how to reach out to others. I can see people who are being cared for as they mourn the loss of loved ones. What can you tell about what God is doing for you? What would it mean if you told someone? Could you help another grow closer to God? Take a look around to see how richly God is blessing you. Find a place to tell someone else about how God is guiding you (or should I tell you not to tell so that you will find yourselves with a compulsion to talk about what Jesus has done?) God continues to act in our world and in our lives. Let's be alert to what is happening, and let's be quicker to share what we see!

God continue to bless each one. Gene Feagin, Pastor

**February 15, 2009 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany**

**Scriptures:** 2 Kings 5:1-14; Mark 1:40-45

**Sermon:** “The Word Got Out”

**SUNDAY, February 15**

Worship Service.....	9:00 a.m.
Fellowship Time .....	9:30 a.m.
Children’s Choir Practice.....	9:40 a.m.
Sunday School .....	10:00 a.m.
Worship Service.....	11:00 a.m.
Biddy 3 Basketball Practice .....	2:30-3:30 p.m.
Biddy 1 & 2 Basketball Practice .....	3:30-4:30 p.m.
Jr.Hi.UMYF.....	5:00 p.m.
Sr. Hi.UMYF.....	6:00 p.m.
Flower Ministry:	The David Burroughs Family
Lay Reader:	Pat Childers
Nursery Infants:	Alicia & David Breakfield
Toddler Church:	Jason & Meg Munn
Children’s Church:	Terri & Lee Keller
Acolyte:	

**MONDAY 16**

Disciple Bible Study .....	6:30 p.m.
York/Clover Cluster @ Trinity UMC .....	6:30 p.m.

**TUESDAY 17**

Disciple Bible Study .....	10:00 a.m.
Mite Boys Basketball Practice .....	4:30-6:00 p.m.
Mite Girls Basketball Practice .....	6-7:30 p.m.
Adult Basketball .....	7:30 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY 18**

Chancel Choir.....	7:30 p.m.
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**THURSDAY 19**

Mite Boys Basketball Practice .....	4:30-6:00 p.m.
Adults – Concord Cove.....	5:30 p.m.
Brownie Troop 3495.....	6:30 p.m.

**SUNDAY, February 22**

Worship Service.....	9:00 a.m.
Fellowship Time .....	9:30 a.m.
Cherub Choir Practice.....	9:40 a.m.
Sunday School .....	10:00 a.m.
Worship Service.....	11:00 a.m.
Biddy 3 Basketball Practice .....	2:30-3:30 p.m.
Biddy 1 & 2 Basketball Practice .....	3:30-4:30 p.m.
Dulcimer Class (Beginners).....	5:00 p.m.
Parent Seminar @ St. Johns.....	5:00 p.m.
Trustees Meeting.....	5:00 p.m.
Jr.Hi.UMYF.....	5:00 p.m.
Sr. Hi.UMYF.....	6:00 p.m.

**USHERS FOR FEBRUARY:** \*Dick Sweigart, Chip Alexander, Tony Roberts, Chris Wood, Mike Smith, Keith McSwain.

**FIRST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP:** FRIENDS Class

**TRUSTEES/FEB:** Lee Keller & Keith McSwain

**ALTAR GUILD/FEB:** Libby Brown & Cynthia Bradford

**WELCOME VISITORS/FEB:** FRIENDS Class

**VISITOR CARDS/FEB:** Sandra Deyton

**PATH FOOD OF THE MONTH:** Breakfast food – any kind, any size.

Sunday School Attendance February 8:	111
Worship Attendance (9:00 am) February 8:	66
Worship Attendance (11:00 am) February 8:	186
Operating Fund received on February 8.....	\$5,414.00
Operating Fund received up to February 8.....	\$37,365.67
Budget goal up to February 8 (\$6,500 x 6).....	\$39,000.00

**MEMORIALS**

**To the Operating Fund in memory of Vida Lee Stewart** by Betty J. Jones; Voight & Anne Hipp; Ray & Mary Sue Burns;

**To the Mississippi/Katrina Fund in memory of Vida Lee Stewart** by Kenny & Ellen Jones.

**To the The Jack Benfield Class in memory of Mary Meeler** by Anadell Burch.

**To the Sudan Fund (Tractor) in memory of Amanda & Samantha Breakfield’s great grandmother Annis Lindsay** by Johnny & Diane Wine.

**DONATIONS in honor of the Sudan Mission Team** by Terri & Lee Alford; Dick & Jan Sweigart; The Bible Study Class.

**VISITOR ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8.**

Mack Porter 1075 Kellocreek Lane, York.

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Our prayers** are with John Smith, Voight Hipp, Justus Chol, John Deyton, Lois Crolley, Ernie Ulbricht, Louise Smith, Bob Johnsey, and with Joe McCorkle now at Spring Arbor in Rock Hill.

**Also, we remember** Rick Glenn, friend of John Eite; Agnes Love, mother-in-law of Matt Feemster; Bebe Benfield, mother of Fredda Lee

Culbreth, now under hospice care at Sandpiper Nursing Home; Dot Caldwell, Anne Hipp’s sister; Karen Duncan, one of the members of our Mississippi/Katrina Team; Helen “Mimi” Riddle, mother of Harriet Wilkins; Kinsley James, daughter of Skip James, a friend of Evelyn Johnsey; Essie Thompson, grandmother of April Smith; John Sherer, cousin of Denise Mitchell; Midge Deaton, grandmother of Trip McGarity; Jane Adkins, niece of Jimmy Pridmore; Roy Wilkerson, father of Denise Mitchell; Joyce Robbins, friend of Mere McCoy; DeAnna Greiner, granddaughter of Bill Huffstetler; Lacey Robinson, friend of Ann Bailes; Harold Dickson; Sam Carpenter; and Mackenzie Decuir.

**Our sympathy** is with Alicia Breakfield and her family following the death of her grandmother, Annis Lindsay. Also, with the family of Vida Lee Stewart who died on Thursday, February 5.

**THANK YOU TRINITY!!**

*The Trinity Sudan Team is very thankful for the excellent support you gave to our two meals last week. Please know that our profits will go to help with expenses of the team and supplies that we carry to be used by the NESEI School. Your help touches the lives of people almost a half a world away and it lets them know that their Christian brothers and sisters do care. Blessings to each of you.*

**SUDAN PRAYER CALENDAR**

The Sudan Team asks for your prayers as we travel to Africa about a month from now. On the mission bulletin board in the hall, is a prayer calendar. If you would commit to a time that you will pray for us, please sign your name on that spot. Before we leave, each person who signs the calendar will receive a small calendar to have at home to show your time. There will also be an envelope on the bulletin board where you can put sealed notes for us to read while we are away. These may be a Bible verse, a special thought or anything you would like to write for us to read. Thanks in advance for doing these things for us!!!

**Elementary 4 and 5 Sunday School Class** will participate in a mission project for the month of February.

We are learning about Jesus ministry and we remember that Jesus came to help us know what it means to be children of God. As children of God, we are called to help others. For the month of February Elementary 4 and 5 want to help others by collecting canned goods, cereal, grits, and breakfast items for PATH.

The children and I are excited about this project. Please help fill their box –the box is located in the 4 and 5 Sunday School Room- in the fellowship building. Thanks, Ranny Eite

**Sunday, March 8, 2:30 p.m. - UMW Prayer and Self Denial Meeting and Tea.** (All ladies in the church are invited, and encouraged to attend.)

**The Mississippi/Katrina Team** is planning another mission trip to Biloxi leaving on Monday, April 13 and returning on Saturday, April 19. They are also planning another trip later in the year, tentative dates Saturday, October 31 – Saturday, November 7. Anyone interested in joining either of these mission trips should contact Kenny or Ellen Jones at 927-7271.

**The Salkehatchie Summer Service** brochure has arrived with 47 different places to serve throughout the state of SC. Participants must be 14 years old by the start of their chosen camp. Cost is \$200.00. (Reminder the church pays ½ if you are a member.) Come by the office or see Alice for an application and brochure.

**The Faith Explorers Class** will begin a new study “The Jesus I Never Knew” on Sunday, February 15. The book by Philip Yancy helps us take a closer look at the biblical Jesus and his motivations. Yancy will help us gain new perspectives on what it truly means to be a follower of Christ. Come join us! Alice will be the leader for this study!

**ALICE’S CORNER**

- **The Jr. Hi. UMYF** will meet at 5:00 pm in the Trinity Center this Sunday night. Bowling has been rescheduled due to venue tournaments. **The Sr. Hi. Youth** will meet at 6:00 pm. Please bring your Bibles!
- **The Older Adults** are planning an evening for supper and fellowship at the Concord Cove Restaurant on Thursday evening, February 19. (It is their \$12.00 special night.) Please let Alice or Jill know by Thursday, February 12 if you would like to go. Reservations are necessary. We will take the church bus and cars!



To save money, insulate your water heater and turn it down to 121 degrees.

**BASKETBALL GAMES FOR THE COMING WEEKEND (FEB. 13 & 14)**

<b>Team</b>	<b>Date &amp; Time</b>	<b>Opponent</b>		<b>Location</b>
Biddy A	Feb. 13 – 5:30 pm	Mt. Holly	@	OAPC
Biddy b	Feb. 13 – 6:15 pm	Neely’s Creek	@	OAPC
Biddy 3	Feb. 13 – 7:00 pm	OBC A	@	Woodland
Mite Girls	Feb. 14 – 11:00 am	Tirzah	@	Woodland
Mite Boys	Feb. 14 – 1:00 pm	OAPC A	@	OAPC