

Trinity United Methodist Church
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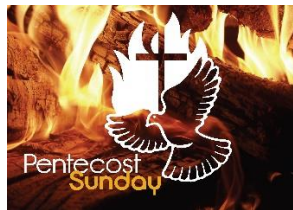




Pastor's Pen

April flowers bring May flowers. After the cold and snow of winter and the coming of Spring the

warmth and beauty all around gives us joy. As we move into May let me lay out before us plans for the four messages (sermons) in the coming month. The first Sunday in May I will share on the topic: "The Life Is In the Blood" by looking at the "trail of blood" or scarlet thread throughout Scripture. The second Sunday in May, then, is Mother's Day. I will reflect on motherhood as a son, sharing my experiences of my mother's nurture.



The third Sunday will be Pentecost. So, I will talk about the Holy Spirit in our lives, who He is, and His ministry in and through our lives. On the

last Sunday I will share a sermon on prayer. From John 15 I will speak in light of Jesus' saying, "Ask for anything". What does it mean that we can ask for anything in prayer? And how do we pray according to God's will?

We had a great time in Pennsylvania with family recently. We look forward to rounding out this 8th year at Trinity through the month of June as we look forward to year nine.

God Bless,
Pastor Jeff

Baptism

Baptism - On Sunday, 5/12 during the 8:30 worship service we will be baptizing

Magnolia Jacoby.

Heritage Sunday – We will celebrate our 50-year members on Sunday, 5/19: Bill Brucker, Michael Hayes, Jodi Morgan and Brian West.



Trustees Moments

Hello to all!

The elevator repair/update is on the schedule. Moseley Elevator out of Plain City has indicated that the update is on the docket for August which may go into September. I will be monitoring them for updates on a regular basis. The update takes around four weeks to complete once they start. Moseley will also be our supplier for inspections and repairs from this point forward. Many thanks go out to the Trustee, Finance and Ad Council committees for their commitment to arrange financing of the project quickly and efficiently.

The Center Street door repair has been completed by Division 8 Glass LLC out of Marion. They were able to install a new lock mechanism and crash bar for less than \$900.00 versus replacing the entire door unit exceeding \$9,000.00. Many thanks go out to Division 8 for their quick response saving Trinity a large expenditure. This enables us to get back to using the church security system as in the past.

If anyone knows of someone who would like to earn a few extra dollars on the side by mowing the church lawn, please let me know. We would supply a self-propelled walk behind mower or if they would prefer to use their own mower, that would be fine also.

God Bless!
Gary Begeman, Chairman



The Chosen Video Series

We will be watching the Chosen series. Our final date for the Season 3 Finale will be 5/5 in Trinity Hall from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.



Light refreshments will be provided.

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile

will be here on Monday, 5/6 from 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Thank you for giving!





PRAYER CONCERNS

Trinity members and friends who have been in our prayers the past month.....

New Prayer Concerns: Adam Jackson & Family's move, Hannah McMurray, Bryan Morris, Jim Palmer, Fred Robinson, Sally Sitterly, General Conference

Ongoing Prayer: Sue Barnett, Colton Beam, Phyllis Bell, Bill Brucker, Harold Bush, Jim Christian, Marcia Cooper, Barb Detwiler, Mike Egler, Brian Hoover, Steve Job, Jan Maxwell, Frances McPeak, Susan Myers, Cindy Scohy, Pat Tolbert, Unspoken Requests, Civilians serving overseas.

Military: Curt Belohlavek, Troy Hill, Eric Mann & all other military personnel around the world

Nursing Home Residents & Shut-Ins:

Carlotta Blair, Mary Dianne George, Ruth Logan, Bob Willeke

Missionaries: D. Yang [Laos], Sara Flores [Ecuador], Willie Berman [Mexico]

Our Trinity Family wishes to extend prayers to the following families in the loss of a loved one this past month: Pat Irons

TRINITY ATTENDANCE

DATE	SUNDAY SCHOOL	8:30 AM	10:30 AM	TOTAL
04/07/2024	UWIF	UWIF	50	50
04/14/2024	-	21	52	73
04/21/2024	35	23	56	79
04/28/2024				

COMMUNITY DINNER

Wednesday, May 15th 5:00-6:45 pm



Baked Steak and Party Potatoes.
Meals Include: vegetable, choice of salad, roll, dessert and drink. Dinners are \$12.00 per person. Children 10 & under free. Carry out available. Thank you everyone for your help and support!



WE LOVE OUR MOMS!

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY AT SAMES & COOK 2:00 - 3:00 pm

40 Lives in 40 Days
by John MacArthur



God has often used everyday people - imperfect men and women who had the same struggles we experience today - to accomplish His might purposes, including the most might purpose of all: sharing the good news of the gospel.

40 Lives in 40 Days revisits favorite character studies from John MacArthurs's works to provide new insights into the Bible's heroes of the faith.

This study is on Tuesdays from 2:00 – 3:00 pm. Come and join us!

May 7: *John the Baptist (Matthew 11:11)*
James, the brother of our Lord (Acts 15:13)

May 14: *Mark (2 Timothy 4:11)*
Onesimus (Philemon 10)

May 21: *Paul (1 Corinthians 2:2)*
The Prodigal Son (Luke 15:21)

May 28: *The Elder Brother (Luke 15:28)*
Jesus (John 1:14)

POSITIONS AVAILABLE



Job Openings

Staff Parish Relations continues to search and advertise for candidates for three part-time positions at the church:

1. Director of Children's and Youth Programs
2. Pianist/Organist/Accompanist
3. Child Care Provider.

If you know of anyone who might fit any of these openings, please let them know to notify the church office. For more information, call Noni Wheeler – (740) 815-1768

Food Pantry Needs

Listed here are the items of need in the coming months at the Cardington Food Pantry. If you can't donate the specific item requested in a particular month, feel free to give whatever you can.

May 2024
Men & Women's
Deodorant

The donation box is next to the elevator on the lower level.

Every item donated makes a difference!



UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH NEWS

"Listen O daughter, consider and give ear: Forget your people and your father's house. The King is enthralled by your beauty; honor Him, for He is your Lord. Psalm 45:10-11 (NIV)



It is so easy for us to forget that we are daughters of the King. He is always taking care of us, filling our needs, and giving us His love. We need to take a moment and say thanks to our Lord and Savior for His many blessings that He gives us every day.

Our Annual UWF Sunday was held on April 7th. Our Ladies did their part in bringing you the service on that special day. Vince Brown did a wonderful job in taking the suggested sermon, adding his twist to it, and making it very interesting, as well as informative. The slides that he selected to go with the Sermon were wonderful and so appropriate. Thank you each and everyone who assisted with the service. Obviously, we could not have done it without all of you. A special thank you to Marty Barnett for stepping in at the very last moment to do the Offering Prayer for us. Barb Brewer had planned to do it, but she had a stomach virus that morning.

The new West Plains District had their first Spring District Meeting on 4/6 at Lakeside UMC. The baked potato luncheon and cheesecake were delicious. Our speakers were Rev. Charles Yoost, Lakeside's Senior Director of Religious Life and Pastoral Care; Judy Kidder, East Ohio Conference United Women In Faith President; and Sherri L. Buehl, Deaconess and Volunteer Manager of Flat Rock Homes, Inc. It was a great opportunity for the new UWF mission team to get better acquainted.

Trinity's UWF Unit will have their next Meeting on 5/13 at 2:00 p.m. in the Community Room. Barb Brewer will do our Annual Pledge Service.

We are looking forward to our Guest Salad Luncheon at noon on Monday, 6/10 in Trinity Hall with Marcella Garverick bringing her many craft items to share with us. Feed sacks were used for a lot of things. Aprons were once very popular.

Noni Wheeler, President
Trinity United Women In Faith

Lay Servant Training - West Plains District Lay Servant Training will be held on Saturday, 6/1 from 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. at First UMC in Ashland. Brochures are on the table with the bulletins and in the church office.



Rummage Sale – SPRING is HERE! It's time for warmer temps, more sunshine, less wind and our church Rummage Sale!



Please mark your calendar for the sale May 9th & 10th from 9 am – 4 pm and May 11th from 9 am to noon. Drop off begins on Thursday, May 2nd from 8 am – 3 pm and continues daily until Tuesday, May 7th. **There is no drop-off** on Wednesday, May 8th.

Start now to clear clutter from your home...one drawer or closet at a time! Pass it on! We take your "stuff" you no longer want or need and turn it into treasures for people to purchase at bargain price. Come shop with us too – we have something for everyone!

Start now to fill a bag or a box with clean stuff! Sorry **NO** TV's, large appliances or exercise equipment.

~ Sandy Snyder

Honor your mother

Anna Jarvis, the woman who first suggested a national day to honor mothers, had an incredible mother to honor. Her mom, Ann Reeves Jarvis (1832-1905), was a Sunday school teacher and activist who helped lower infant-mortality rates in Appalachia and promoted friendship among families of Civil War soldiers.



At a memorial service for her mother, Anna Jarvis distributed carnations — her mom's favorite flower — to attendees. Her idea to set apart one day each year for moms gained traction, and in 1914, President Wilson proclaimed the second Sunday of May Mother's Day. It was customary by then to wear white carnations in honor of departed mothers and red carnations to honor the living.

Of the white flowers, Jarvis said they "symbolize the truth, purity and broad-charity of mother love; its fragrance, her memory, and her prayers. The carnation does not drop its petals, but hugs them to its heart as it dies, and so, too, mothers hug their children to their hearts, their mother love never dying."

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

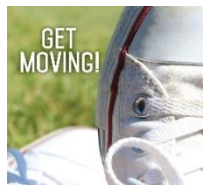


Because of our Child Protection Policy, we need 2 people in the nursery during the Sunday school hour and during the 10:30 a.m. worship service.

Please contact the church office if you are able to help during either of these times at trinityumc@redbird.net or 419-947-6040. There are also sign-up sheets in the nursery. Thanks to all those who volunteered in the nursery: Gary Begeman, Tom Cotton, Christy Egler, Marlene Lancaster, Cheryl Young, Alberta Stojkovic, Becky Maggs and Theresa Walsh.

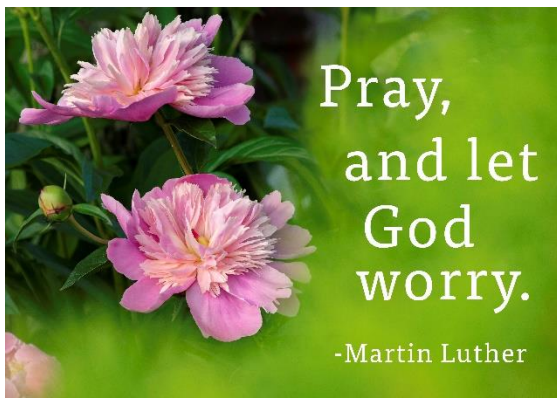
2024 Altar Flowers Sign up Calendar.

The Altar flower sign-up sheet for 2024 is hanging up and is located in the hall next to the workroom. Make sure you write who is purchasing the flowers and who they are "In Memory of" or "In Honor of". **The cost of the flowers is \$35.** Please mark "Altar Flowers" in memo line of your check made out to Trinity UMC. The church office orders flowers for anyone who has signed up the week before the Sunday they are for. **If you decide to get them yourself at another florist, please let the church office know in advance.** Thank you!



"Energize with Exercise" - will include stretching, free weights, bands and floor exercises. The class will be with Allen Stojkovic and is open to the public. There

is no charge, donations can be made for use of the building. Classes will be at 7 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays. Bring a friend and get some energy with low impact exercise.



REIMBURSEMENT VOUCHERS



If you make any authorized purchases for the church, please return the **original receipt** and a completed Voucher to the church office within **one month** of the purchase. This will insure that you receive your reimbursement on time and it also helps the church keep its accounts up to date and accurate. Blank Vouchers are available in the church office.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND USE OF FACILITIES



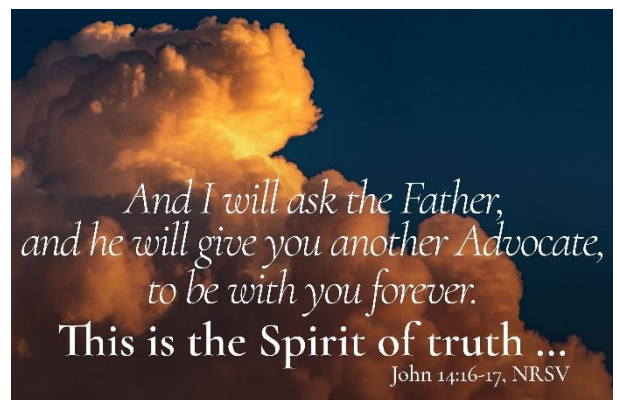
We are fortunate to have a facility that is busy through the year. If you plan to hold a special event, work session or other function in the church, **please make sure to check availability of date and time with the church office** as far in advance as possible. A Building Use form may need to be completed and returned for approval and signature by the Trustee Committee. The forms are available in the church office or may be emailed by the office at your request. Your cooperation in this process helps everyone coordinate use of the facility. Thank you!

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM



Trinity is part of the Kroger Community Rewards program. Just by using your Kroger plus card when you shop at Kroger, they will make a donation to our church. Our most recent check was **\$162.20**. To sign up go online at www.kroger.com/community and register your Kroger Plus Card. You will need to enter Trinity's number **#RH570** and your email address.

Thank you for supporting this program and Trinity UMC!



GOD'S SERVANTS – May 2024



May 2024	8:30 am Greeters	8:30 am Call to Worship Readers	8:30 am Scripture Readers
5	Mike & Marlene Lancaster	Marlene Lancaster	Mary Fuller
12	Gary & Carol Begeman	Gary Begeman	Gary Begeman
19	Mary Fuller	Mary Fuller	Pat Tolbert
26		Deb Knechtley	Rod Clinger

May 2024	10:30 am Greeters	10:30 am Call to Worship Readers	10:30 am Scripture Readers
5	Allen & Alberta Stojkovic	Robin Brucker	Joan Myers
12	Dave & Laura Burrus	Dennis Richardson	Barb Brewer
19	Juanita Piercy & Suzy Piercy	Nancy Reed	Robin Brucker
26	Jill Richardson & Evelyn Shoults	Jim Patterson	Marilyn Dabney

May 2024	9:30 am Nursery Volunteers	10:30 am Nursery Volunteers	Altar Flowers (\$35.00)
5	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	Dave & Deb Knechtley
12	Gary Begeman	Gary Begeman	Theresa Walsh
19	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	
26	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	Becky Maggs

10:30 am Ushers: Merrill Brucker, Dennis Richardson, Denny Hill, Glenn Hayes

Trinity United Methodist Church:

Office Hours: 8:00 am – 3:30 pm [Lunch 12:00-12:30 pm]

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