



## **Pastor's** COLUMN

*My Dear Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ!*

*Happy Easter! No, I'm not late. We are still in the 'season' of Easter, therefore, each day we need to live into the Resurrection by shouting the good news, "Jesus Christ has risen!" Wow! What a way to bring in the month of May with all the new foliage and flowers, beautiful sunsets and sunrises, and the joyful chorus of nature as her songs ring loud through the air, in that, even creation knows there is much to celebrate. Therefore, let us joyfully greet each day and each other as we celebrate our risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!*

*Mother's Day is on May 9<sup>th</sup> which provides us an opportunity to remember and celebrate those special women who have influenced, guided and directed our lives.*

*We end the month celebrating the birthday of the church and sending of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost (May 23<sup>rd</sup>). Spend time reflecting on how the Holy Spirit has influenced and impacted your life and continues to transform you to be all you were called and created to be.*

*We will then, as a nation, celebrate Memorial Day on Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup> remembering all the men and women who have given their lives fighting for our country and for freedom around the world. This is the day to reflect upon the cost of freedom and lift our country and our military up in prayer.*

*Let your lives be filled with joy so that all who encounter you also encounter Jesus Christ. Let your hearts and minds be so filled with the love of Christ that people will come up to you and want what you have. Take advantage of each opportunity to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with this hurting world around us.*

*May God continue to bless you each and every day, reveal Himself to you in amazing ways, watch over and protect you, and always draw you closer to His heart.*

*Love in Christ,  
Pastor Kristie*



# MAY 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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<b>2 5th Sunday of Easter</b> <b>11am Worship</b>  12pm Meet & Greet	<b>3 Pastor Out this week</b>  10:30 UMW General Meeting	4	5 6pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal Mother's Day Memorial Contribution and Names due to office today	6 National Day of Prayer	7	8
<b>9 6th Sunday of Easter</b> <b>11am Worship led by Jane Whitaker</b> Start Food Buckets for Zimbabwe Mother's Day	10 Finance Meeting -IF NEEDED	11	12 6pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	13	14	15
<b>16 7th Sunday of Easter</b>  <b>11am Worship</b>  Communion	17	18	19 6pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	20	21	22
<b>23 Pentecost</b> <b>11am Worship</b>	24	25	26 6pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	27	28	29
30 <b>11am Worship</b> End Food Buckets for Zimbabwe	31 Memorial Day Holiday- Office Closed					

- 05/01 Charlie Ledbetter
- 05/05 Anne Williams
- 05/08 John Brookshire
- 05/09 Wilma Bickers
- 05/14 Steve Pippin
- 05/16 Nancy Beaty
- 05/22 Sue Jane Hartsook
- 05/25 Rita Dunn



MEET AND GREET -WE ARE STARTING BACK WITH MEET AND GREET

PICTURES FROM MEET AND GREET ON MARCH 28, 2021

\*OUR NEXT MEET AND GREET IS MAY 2, 2021\*



Welcome our new Administrative Assistant  
Gayle Johnson

Gayle Johnson joined us at the beginning of April as Trinity's new Administrative Assistant. She is a native Floridian, and she and her husband, Steve, moved to Rarity Bay a year ago. She and Steve have five children and ten grandchildren who reside in Florida and Connecticut. A few of the things Gayle enjoys are reading, motorcycling and boating.





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## United Methodist Women News

### Peanut Butter for Wesley House

In response to COVID-19, Wesley House is dedicated to providing a food pantry for the Knoxville community, offering groceries, household supplies, pet supplies and more to anyone in the area. Trinity UMW is asking everyone in the congregation to help the food pantry

by bringing a jar of peanut butter on the first Sunday of each month. Small and medium jars are best. Please place your jars in the basket in the Education Hall. We will continue to collect peanut butter through the end of the year.

*Trinity President Terri Pearce makes the first peanut butter donation to Kristy at Wesley House. In April we collected 22 jars for their food pantry.*



### Special Mission Recognitions

On Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, the Trinity UMW recognized two Trinity UMC members for their outstanding dedication of time and effort to our church.

Jane Whitaker - As our Lay Leader, Jane steps up whenever there is a need. Jane has selflessly spent many, many hours sewing facemasks for our church and asks nothing for them in return. Jane also stepped into the role of substitute pastor while Kristie was out for medical reasons. She has continued to bring the Gospel to us through the virtual church as a vital part of the audio/visual team that brings us the online videos of our services.

Ed Tinnel - Ed's technology, music and video editing enable us to share our worship with our neighbors. Ed, along with his audio/visual team, have brought Trinity into the 21<sup>st</sup> century with the updates they made, and the skills Ed has acquired.

Please join UMW in congratulating Jane and Ed for their achievements. **THANK YOU!!!**

UMW wants to send a giant THANK YOU shout out to Scarlett Hamilton. Scarlett hand-made and donated two baby afghans and three warm winter hats to our unit. She is so talented, and the items are beautiful.



Our next meeting will be Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:30am. We will decide what organization will be the recipient of Scarlett's items. If you have suggestions, let Terri know.

**TRINITY'S FIRST QUARTER 2021**  
 Treasurer's Report by Sandra Guinn, Treasurer  
**BUDGET GIVING PER MONTH**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>January</b>	\$14,800	\$13,834
<b>February</b>	\$14,123	\$12,854
<b>March</b>	\$16,047	\$13,528
<b>April</b>	\$18,226	
<b>May</b>	\$30,103	
<b>June</b>	\$17,090	
<b>July</b>	\$12,707	
<b>August</b>	\$21,429	
<b>September</b>	\$12,103	
<b>October</b>	\$13,859	
<b>November</b>	\$12,263	
<b>December</b>	\$16,344	
 <b>Three Months Total</b>	 \$44,970	 \$40,216

**APPORTIONMENTS: Trinity owes the Conference \$3,586**

Income did not cover our expenses for the Third month in a row.

Donations have not returned to our 2020 levels.

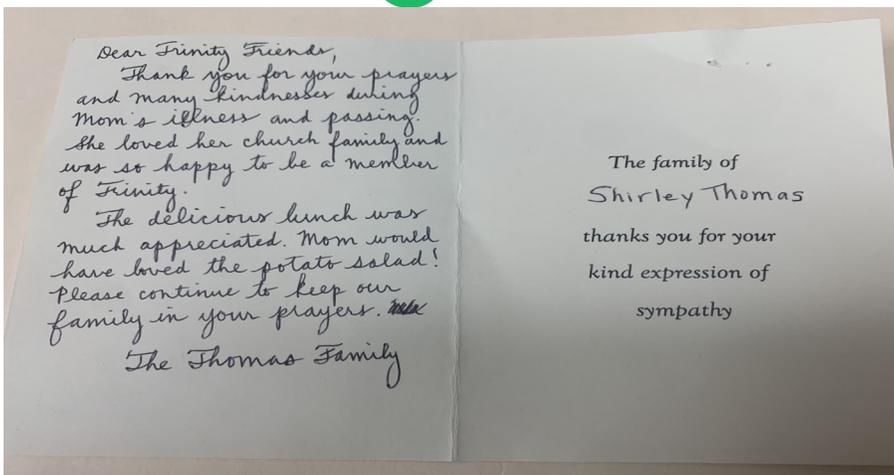
Please continue to mail your contributions or drop them off at the office if you are not attending worship.

**THANK YOU for your continuing generosity!**

Please ask the Treasurer **WHENEVER** you have questions. Thanks.

memorials  
 & gifts

**From the family of Shirley Thomas**



## 2021 Holston Conference Hands-On Mission Project

Again this year our Smokey Mountain District is asking our churches to provide 400 Food Buckets for Zimbabwe. In 2019 Trinity provided 15 Food Buckets, and this year our Outreach Committee has set a goal of 10. We will dedicate them **Sunday, May 30th**.

Each 5 gallon bucket is to be filled with nine specific food items (a list of these items accompanies each bucket), also listed below, and returned by **Sunday, May 30th** for dedication.

Food Buckets will be available in the Sanctuary **Sunday, May 9th** and each Sunday thereafter till all have gone home.

If you would like, two or three people can take one bucket and fill it together, or an individual can fill one alone. In 2019 a bucket cost approximately \$30.00.

### FOOD BUCKET ITEMS.

- 1 Corn Meal (4-5 lb)
- 1 Box (12 pack) grits, butter flavored
- 1 Bag rice (2 lb)
- 1 Bag dried beans (2 lb)
- 1 Powdered milk (10 oz. or less)
- 1 Box quick/instant oats (18 oz. or less)
- 1 Bottle cooking oil (48 oz. or less)
- 1 Box Splenda/Sucralose (50 ct. or less)
- Canned ham (2 lb total)

The items listed are exact in the sizes and amounts.  
Please do not substitute or deviate from sizes and amounts  
as doing so could risk the shipment being rejected by customs.  
Thank you,  
Jo Alison Cortez

The very talented UMW President, Terri Pearce decorated the Bulletin board in the Education Hallway



Also the Meet and Greet Love Offering Baskets which are on the tables for everyone to place their contributions



## **Our PLACE** ADULT DAY CENTER

**Our Mission: Provide a Program of Activities for Seniors with Alzheimer's/Dementia That Will Enrich Their Lives and Allow Free Time for Their Caregivers.**

On Sunday, April 25, 2021, Jim Dezzutti, Volunteer Chairman for Our Place came and spoke to the congregation, promoting support for Our Place Adult Day Center.

Below is information dated April 2021, from their website:

The board members and volunteers are working daily to bring Our PLACE into existence for caregivers and individuals impacted by Alzheimer's/Dementia, and steady progress is being attained. As I alluded to in the last update, initial cost estimates received in September from renderings have escalated as expected resulting from increased material and labor costs. Correspondingly we have had to raise our fundraising goal from the initial \$620k to \$850k which includes the building, developing a road into our property, constructing a parking lot, and furnishing the inside of the building.

Despite this increase, we are moving ahead and planning a groundbreaking ceremony knowing that we will need to rely on financing to cover any construction and first-year operational cost shortfall.

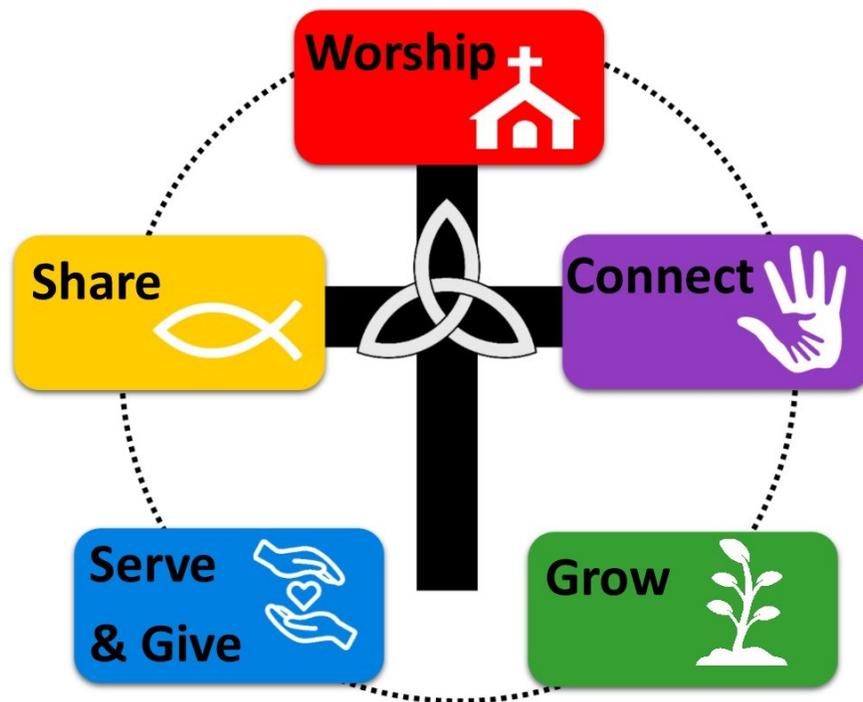
We believe the need for adult day services in Loudon and Monroe Counties, as well as surrounding communities more than warrants our progression with the project.

We will need your help in attaining this new goal in order to open the facility and begin offering services in the first quarter of 2022. We hope that you will consider making a financial contribution.

There are a number of ways you can show your support by participating in either the Commemorative Brick Program, Legacy Park, making a purchase through Amazon Smile, or making a stock, cash or check donation. One other possibility is to participate in one of the events listed on our calendar or help us by sponsoring an event.

We can be contacted through this website or by email at [info@ourplacetcn.org](mailto:info@ourplacetcn.org).

**Disciples making Disciples  
to share the LOVE of Jesus Christ  
with our community  
and the world.**



**Our Mission:**

Matthew 28:18-20 "And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make Disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

**Discipleship Keys: Worship, Connect, Grow, Serve, Share**