TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# The Trinity

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#### **Pastor's Corner**

150 years of faith and ministry.

150 years of people gathering to encourage one another and share the Word of God.

150 years. That's a long time!

150 years of families and individuals gathering together each week to train their children to walk with the Lord.

150 years of baptisms; both young and old.

150 years of meals shared.

150 years of stewarding properties, buildings and resources for ministry.

150 years of new believers and lives transformed.

150 years of service.

Our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary theme comes from Psalm 145

3 Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise;

4 One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts.

21 My mouth will speak in praise of the Lord. Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever.

The Church has always been about relationships - our relationship to the Father through Jesus Christ, by the empowering work of the Holy Spirit. Our relationship of love with all those in our Church family where our lives become entwined and enriched by each other.

It has been said that Christianity is always one generation away from extinction. The Psalmist declares the Lord's greatness then states clearly that our faith journey, our song of praise, is passed on from one generation to the next.

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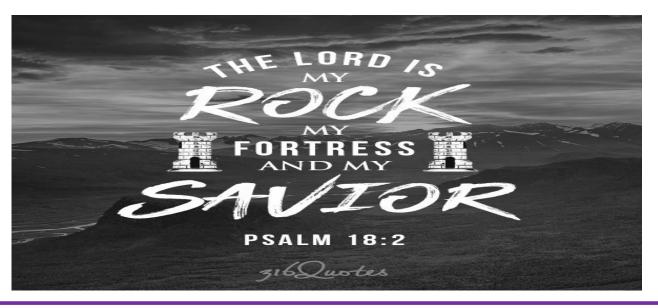
As I sit in my office I find myself grateful for the faithful women and men who shared their faith with each of us who now claim Jesus as Lord. Those followers of Christ who shared Jesus, served others, mentored believers and shared their faith life with persons are giants to me. Yet, in reality they were just people loved by God; who experienced 'His work' in their lives and chose to tell and show others in a myriad of ways.

On Trinity's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary, Pastor Albert J. Rymph wrote, "From 1872 to 1972 men, women and children have here glimpsed the glory of God, and have here studied the Word of God... to thank God for Trinity Church is to thank God for all its members whose biographies woven together tell the story of a century of Christian faith. And even as I remember these, I find myself dreaming of those who shall follow after. The past is a prelude, I pray, to a century of faith now dawning."

It's always been about the gathering of the saints – His people – together, living their faith simply but boldly commending His works to others.

Let's praise His Holy Name, let our words and actions be in praise of the Lord to each other and to those who have not yet realized and accepted His salvation. I wonder what will be said about us 50 years from now?

Pastor Mike



PRAYER CONCERNS

Briana White Terry McGuire Becky Polcyn Kim Bender Ray Olson Kelly Kerr Jamie Shank Jeff Scarborough Steven Walters Larry Bernard Kristen Windscheffel Pam Smith Neal Schmidtberger Richard Newton Brett Toll Cory Applebee

Dustin Poche' Jodi Radke Richard Newton Marie Hogan Dave Johnson Stephanie Brown Kelly Jeroue

### UNITED METHODIST MEN

Will meet <u>Oct 1, 2022, at 8 a.m.</u> in Fellowship Hall .. Hope to see you all there! We have folks who can't come to our meetings but are able to help in our missions in other ways..... for which we are truly grateful. Perhaps an evening or week-end circle would fit your schedule. Contact the church office for more information: 785-483-2440

# TRINITY LADIES

<u>The Trinity Ladies</u> will meet <u>Sept 13, 2022, at 10 a.m.</u> in Fellowship Hall. Members and guests are encouraged to bring a devotion selection and prayer requests. Any one may join us; we are here to support each other, the church and the community. We will be looking at our participation (usually food) in the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations of Saturday, Oct. 8 (Hymn singing & BBQ) and Sunday , Oct. 9 ( service and a shared meal). In addition, the local charge conference for the Area district churches is Oct 23 and Nov 6 will be a seminar (again snacks were mentioned for these events.) Contact the church office for more information: 785-483-2440

# TRINITY COMMUNITY THRIFT STORE

The summer season is winding down but not so the work at the Thrift Store. We are continuing to be inundated with donations, which is a good problem to have but creates some other problems for us. One of these problems is we have too few racks to hang two complete seasons of clothes. We are working on transitioning from summer to winter merchandise so working in the processing room is somewhat like working in a closet. There are a few summer clothes being placed while the bulk of the clothes are winter. Winter clothes take up a lot more room than does the lighter weight summer apparel. Hopefully the changeover will be completed within the next two or three weeks.

We have welcomed several new volunteers in the past few months. For this we are very grateful. There are a couple of ladies who are now in charge of the small children's clothes and are doing a great job. We also have a volunteer who has decided that maybe being a bagger is her cup of tea. For this we are also grateful. She will be joining us on a more permanent basis after returning from a trip. We hope this works out as we always need people to work at the checkout desk.

Holiday seasons are almost upon us again. The Halloween and Fall decorations will hit the shelves around the middle of September. Costumes will not make their debut until the first of October. We seem to have less Halloween and Fall merchandise this year, but we are certainly not lacking in Christmas décor and clothes. Hopefully there will be a good amount of Thanksgiving decorations in the Halloween and Fall boxes.

There have been many of the volunteers who have tested positive for COVID and some have struggled with other sicknesses. Please say a prayer for the health of all the volunteers and their families. On a final note, we need a few more volunteers to work as checkers and baggers. If this is something you feel you can help with, please let Lyndel know. The number for the store is 785-483-4469.

# **Children's Education Ministry**

Greetings Church Family,

The hustle and bustle of the school year has officially begun, and so have all the fall sports. Fun times for the kids and their families!

As you are in the stores and begin noticing the summer apparel that starts to go on clearance, please keep in mind that around October we will be filling up Operation Christmas Child boxes so now is a great time to get items while they are at a great price. Items could include sandals, socks, shirts, and even school supplies such crayons! Please bring your items to the church office. In the middle of October, we will have a night where all the IGNITE kids will box all the goodies up and prepare them for shipment, but we need items for the kids to pack up. What a great lesson to teach them about helping others!

Let's talk VBS! VBS was hosted at Otterbein this year and it was a WON-FERFUL event! We received tons of positive feedback from the volunteers. We had a total of 47 people from OUMC and TUMC and from some other churches help with the event. Each night we had 30-37 children attend. On Wednesday night, many children prayed the sinner's prayer and gave their hearts to Jesus! Thursday night was parent night where all families were invited to eat and attend VBS for the night. We had 100 people in attendance for supper and many stayed for VBS! The VBS committee would like to thank all the church members and members of the community for helping us this year! What a monumental time we had!

We will be starting up IGNITE! again at Trinity UMC on *September 14<sup>th</sup>* and we are excited to see all the kids again! Please note the orientation meeting for those helping is set for September 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.

We will be implementing a new program this fall, Children's Worship, that will take place on Sunday mornings during the main service. As we strive to grow the church and bring in new families, we feel it's important to have an option for the parents with children who aren't used to sitting in the pews during service. The children will hear the children's message in the main sanctuary and then be dismissed to their own classroom to have an exciting time of worship along with their own lesson tailored just for them! This by no means, means that your child MUST attend Children's Worship and it's fantastic if you feel it is best for your family if you child remains in the sanctuary. Parents with children are often told by the congregation that the children are not a distraction when they begin to get a little loud while sitting in the pews, however, many parents with those restless children, DO feel it is a distraction and are constantly trying to ensure they are keeping their children quiet. This means the parents aren't truly listening to the sermon and aren't fully getting the whole message. This program will allow those parents the option to sit in the sanctuary, children free, and really get something out of the service while the kids are learning about Jesus too! For this program to be successful and a way to grow our church family, it is going to take volunteers! If this is something you would like to be a part of, even if just to volunteer ONCE a month, please let me know!

Please continue to pray for our children, youth, and volunteers as Summer comes to and end and as we prepare for our weekly programing to resume.

God Bless You!

Katie Scarborough Children and Youth Education Coordinator On July 31-August 4, 2022, Vacation Bible School was held at Otterbein United Methodist Church. 47 people from OUMC and TUMC and other churches helped with the event. 30-37 children attended each evening. Supper was served each night by Pat and Chris Stielow and the kitchen crew. The theme this year was Monumental: Celebrating God's Greatness. There was a lot of celebrating God's greatness going on!

The evening began in the Agape Family Center at 5:00 with supper, followed by Opening Ceremonies each evening. Cleo, the survivalist, visited each evening for tips of living in the area of Monument Valley and the desert. The children were introduced to a new Bible verse, Bible point, and a buddy (desert animal) each evening, along with God Sightings, singing and dancing.

The children were then guided through stations by their Crew Leaders. The stations presented the Bible lesson in each individual station through storytelling, role playing, science experiments, small group discussion, singing, and recreation.

The day ended with the Canyon Closing in the Sanctuary. This was a time to reinforce the day's lesson and Bible verse and a time to praise and worship God before leaving for the evening.

On Wednesday night, the Bible lesson was about how Jesus died for our sins. On that evening, many children prayed the sinner's prayer and gave their hearts to Jesus!

Thursday night was Parent Night. All families were invited to eat supper and attend VBS for the evening. There were 100 people in attendance for supper on Parent night. A Monumental time was had by all as we celebrated God's greatness!

Money was collected for the VBS World Vision mission project. The money was used for purchasing school supplies for Native American children. For the local mission project the children and adults Topped the Tipi with food/items for the Russell Co. Food Pantry.

The VBS committee would like to thank all of our church members and members of the community for helping us out with our needs for this year. A special thanks to our pastors: Pastor Eurit and Pastor Ketchens, the TUMC Thrift shop, the church secretaries: Ann Blessing/Deyoe and Jamie Moore, Craig Sanford and the janitor for helping prepare our church for the week. We really appreciate all your help!

Mari Purdy-VBS Director

Katie Scarborough-Christian Education Director

Beth Foster- Assist. Christian Education Director

#### Online Giving is Available!

Set up an ACH Plan for your offering to Trinity UMC. It is a great way to continue to financially support the church and its ministries. Save a stamp and keep your personal check!! Contact the church office <u>rsltrin@ruraltel.net</u> or 785-483-2440

#### CHURCH RECORDS WEDNESDAY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

Date Aug. 3	Recharge
Aug. 10	10
Aug. 17	10
Aug. 24	12
Aug. 31	12

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Aug. 7	39	Views 9	views 37	Aug. 14	\$ 1426	
Aug. 14	49	views 13	views 83	Aug. 21	\$ 1048	
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(Thank you for your attendance and monetary support of Trinity United Methodist Church)

# September Worship Assistants

#### Communion Stewards: Barb Jeroue & Cindy Ohlson

#### **Ushers**

Sept.4:Duane AdamsSept.11:Robert KleeSept.18:Jim RidgleySept.25:Duane Adams

#### Lector

Sept. 4: Lyndel AdamsSept. 11: Raeleen ReinhardtSept. 18: Carol DrogemeierSept. 25: Ken Jeroue

#### **Pianist & Organist**

Curtis Sander Pat David Galen Schmidtberger

#### **Bulletin Delivery to Shut-Ins**

Sept. 4: Dee Ann MathesonSept. 11: Margie GilpinSept. 18: Colleen AllenSept. 25: Kathy Hickert

#### **Greeters:**

Sept.	4:	Dale & Joan Weimaster
Sept.	11:	The Jim Ridgley Family
Sept.	18:	Cindy & Terry Ohlson
Sept.	25:	Barb Jeroue

#### Sound System

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Sept. 11: David Munday; Darren Walters Sept. 18: David Munday; Darren Walters

Sept. 25: David Munday; Darren Walters

#### **Children's Time**

Sept. 4: Lyndel Adams Sept. 11: Raeleen Reinhardt Sept. 18: Katie Scarborough Sept. 25: Katie Scarborough

Thank you for the many ways you are serving the Lord.

#### Announcements

Photos to be taken at Trinity for the 150th Anniversary Pictorial Directory Sunday, September 11th at 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. - If you can't make it please send us a family photo.

Ignite Children's Program Resumes Wednesday, September 14th at 5:30 p.m.

Trinity's 150th Anniversary—Hymn Singing and BBQ Saturday, October 8th at 6:00 p.m.; Celebration Worship Service Followed by a Potluck Meal Sunday, October 9th at 9:30 a.m.

The Adult Sunday School class meets in the library at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings and has completed the first 2 sessions of The Chosen on video. Currently, we are watching the Brandon Robbins series "Beyond the Words" on YouTube. Brandon describes the geography, history and background of the culture of the Bible. Join us.

Annual Charge Conference at Trinity UMC Sunday, October 23rd

If you can't join us in person, please join us online at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays.. Services are streamed online each Sunday. There is an updated link posted on our **FB page** each week: <u>https://www.facebook.com/</u> <u>Russell-Trinity-UMC-200278325077</u>, or our webpage: <u>https://russelltrinityumc.org/</u>

Listen 1st and 3rd Sundays to the radio on 98.1 FM or 990 AM.

Weekly posts in Facebook ReCharge@trinity

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4 Holy Communion 8:30a.m. Adult & Chil- dren's Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service on the radio	5 NO Thrift Store Work Night 7 pm	6	7 Recharge 6:00 pm	8 Thrift Store Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm 8:00 am New Testa- ment Bible Study	9 Thrift Store Hours 1:00 pm –5:00 Facebook Re- charge@Trinity	10 Thrift Store Hours 10:00 am–2:00 pm
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### September Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 1. Blaine Krug, Sarah Martin, Sandy Smith 🖞
- 4. Heather Williams, Becky Polcyn 🖞
- 8. Derek Ashlaw, Grayson Ryan 🖞
- 10. Shantell Fabian, Autumn Karst 🖞
- 11. Dylan Hogan, Kennedy Brown 🖞
- 12. Amy Banker, Breanna White 🕯
- 14. Jami Ganson, Colleen Allen, Grant Allen 🕯
- 16. Logan Keller 🖞
- 17. Kiefer Craig, Mike Schoech, Dennis Baxter
- Maren Standley, Darren Walters <sup>≜</sup>
  Jim & Meridy Barnes <sup>▲</sup>

- 19. Aldean Banker, Bryan Weimaster 👌
- 20. Logan Trober 🖞
- 21. Dorothy Hopper, Aftan Hogan 🖞
- 23. Hadlee Brown, Dallas McCobb<sup>≜</sup> Michael & Kim Ryan ⊖
- 24. Bill & Amy Dollison 🖨
- 25. Tad & Courtney Krug
- 26.Jeral Krug, Tristan Walters,
- Kristen Windscheffel 👌

If you'd like to add a birthday or anniversary, please contact the church office by phone or email.

# Trinity United Methodist Church

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#### **Church Office Hours**

Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

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Christian Education Assistant: Beth Foster

Facility Administrator: Jodi Radke

Organist & Pianist: Galen Schmidtberger Curtis Sander Pat David

Music Minister: Galen Schmidtberger

Choir Accompanist: Curtis Sander Pat David

> <u>Worshin Hours</u> Sundays 8:30 Sunday School 9:30 Church Service

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**ReCharge @trinity Join us on Facebook** There are messages and devotionals from the team along with other content to keep you Recharged. *IN PERSON 6:00 PM* 

Visitors are WELCOME at Trinity anytime. We appreciate you being a part of the Trinity experience on your Sunday! Be sure to check out our website at <u>www.russelltrinityumc.org</u> for Live Stream on Sundays, and Facebook : <u>Russell Trinity UMC</u> <u>Join us the 1st and 3rd Sundays radio—</u> <u>KRSL 990 AM and 98.1 FM</u>

