

TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH

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THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Pastor Emmanuel Dass

God has done something for us. God has called us. God has chosen us. God has placed his seal of the Holy Spirit upon our lives. God has created us into a holy nation. God is the one who has called us into a royal priesthood. Peter calls the chosen people of God a royal priesthood. You and I, as the people of God, are intermediaries between God and the world. We are bridge builders. We have access to God; we bring to him offering of praise. We proclaim his glory to the waiting world. And we have the divine function to invite people into God's presence because of what Jesus Christ has done for us.

Peter has taken the description of Israel found in the nineteenth chapter of Exodus and has applied it to the church. In the theology of Peter and Paul, and the rest of the New Testament, the people of God are the church, the New Testament successor to Israel. Then Peter gives his admonition: "Beloved because you are God's people, I beseech you as aliens to abstain from sinful desires which war against your soul. Live such good lives among the pagans that in case they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of His visit.

The greatest appeal to ethical and moral living is a call to remember who we are. We are the people of God. We belong to God.

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William Barclay relates the story about a Spartan king who boasted to a visiting monarch about the impregnable walls of Sparta. When the visiting monarch looked around and saw no walls, he said to the Spartan king, "Where are these walls about which you speak and boast?" Pointing to his bodyguards of magnificent troop, "These," said the Spartan king, "are the walls of Sparta. And every man of them a brick."

A cynic will say to Jesus, "Where is this church you are building? What is it that you are trying to build in this world? Where are its walls?" And Jesus will say, "You want to see the church? There! And there! There! There is the church and every one of them a brick."

UNRELENTING GRACE

BISHOP KEN CARTER

In his new book, *Unrelenting Grace*, Bishop Ken Carter says that healing can come to our church as we center ourselves in grace, holiness, and connection. As he writes, "Trust that grace, connection, and holiness are our path to healing—perhaps your own healing, perhaps the healing of your congregation. And dare we say it, perhaps the healing of The United Methodist Church."

Bishop Kennetha of Iowa invites you to join her in exploring the unrelenting grace of God with friends and colleagues around the conference. The study will last for just four sessions, on Tuesday evenings online (zoom) at 7pm. The dates are November 28, December 5, 12, and 19. Eileen can print you the study material, if you wish to participate.

Let us Know

- Let us know if you have recently moved, changed your mailing address, your email address, phone number or are using cell phones instead of land lines.
- Let us know if you would like to be included in pastor's Daily prayer. Pastor's Cell phone: 515-447-7953 email: emmanueldass@hotmail.com, Church email: huxleytume@gmail.com

Prayer Corner

- For those that are home-bound and their caregivers.
- For Trinity church that God will continue to lead our congregation in serving our community.
- For our government and leaders as they lead the nation in making decisions for peace and prosperity for our nation and the world.
- For those effected by the recent gun violence throughout our cities and towns and nation.
- For those who are sick and needing healing.



WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

World Communion Sunday, October 1 is a celebration observed by several Christian denominations, taking place on the first Sunday of every October. It helps to promote ecumenical cooperation. It focuses on an observance of the Eucharist through Holy Communion.

Holy Communion joins us in Christian unity. This sacrament invites us to focus on the holiness of communion with God and one another. On World Communion Sunday - United Methodists, in conjunction with other denominations and believers worldwide, participate in communion to recognize our unity in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. This universal and inclusive connection is the foundation of the special offering for World Communion Sunday.

The tradition began at Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1933. The Rev. Hugh Thompson Kerr and his congregation sought to demonstrate the interconnectedness of Christian churches, regardless of denomination. Rev. Kerr appropriately chose the sacrament of Holy Communion to symbolize this unity.

In 1940, the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, which included all of the predecessor denominations of The United Methodist Church, adopted World-Wide Communion Sunday.

United Methodists believe in an open table, anyone may receive communion. Our Book of Worship says, "All who intend to lead a Christian life, together with their children, are invited to receive the bread and cup."

Charge Conference

Our annual Charge Conference is scheduled for Sunday, November 5, 1:00 pm at Collegiate United Methodist Church, Ames. If you are interested in attending, please contact Pastor Dass.

Daylight Savings Time

Remember Daylight saving time ends Sunday, November 5. Be sure to set your clocks back one hour.

Brown Bag Sunday

We will be receiving non-perishable food items on Sunday, October 19 to help the Clothing Pantry. Let us help lift the needy out of poverty and feed those who are hungry.

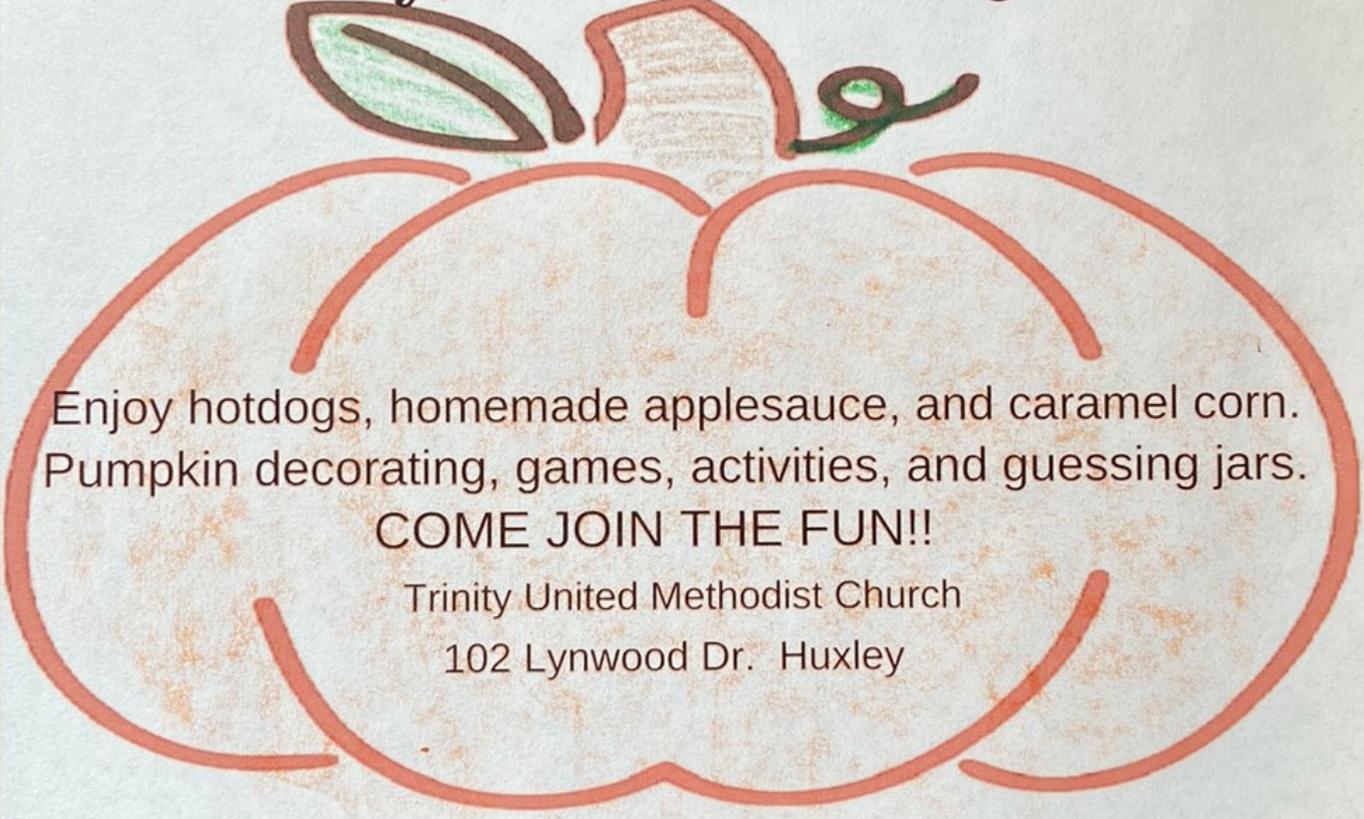


Golden Angels

A heartfelt thanks to all who sing with the Golden Angels. The Angels will sing on Sunday, October 19. The Golden Angels is a group of people who enjoy singing and praising God. Join the Golden Angels to praise God.

FALL FAMILY FUN

Sunday, October 22nd 1-3 PM



Enjoy hotdogs, homemade applesauce, and caramel corn.
Pumpkin decorating, games, activities, and guessing jars.

COME JOIN THE FUN!!

Trinity United Methodist Church
102 Lynwood Dr. Huxley

Fall Family Fun will be October 22nd. Please invite your neighbors, family and friends!

We will be serving Hot Dogs, homemade Applesauce, Pumpkin bars and Carmel corn.

The activities we have planned are: Pumpkin decorating, Thankful Wreath, Halloween Tic Tac Toe, Photo Booth, Outdoor games and Guessing Jars.

Please volunteer to assist with the event. It takes a lot of willing hands to have a great event!

Sunday School

The Children Sunday School will resume on Sunday, September 10. Tracy Weber will do a children's sermon during worship and then we will go to Sunday School.

Please invite your neighbors' children to attend Sunday School to continue growing in the knowledge of God and Jesus Christ.

Little Free Pantry

Come and check out the Little Free Pantry that has been installed on the corner of the church property. Feel free to add supplies to it. Just please keep in mind food safety and weather conditions.

Thank you!

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School was moved from August to December due to the number of children away on vacation. In December we will have 3 sessions on Wednesday evenings: December 6th, 13th, and 20th. Each session will be from 5 - 8 pm. in the Fellowship Hall. More information will be coming soon.

Nazareth Community Players Presents

STEEL MAGNOLIAS

by Robert Harling

Truvy Jones runs a successful beauty salon in Chinquapin, Louisiana, where all the ladies in the neighborhood come on Saturdays.

Along with her new assistant, Annelle, Truvy styles the hair of many of the women about town: a wealthy widow, a local curmudgeon, a compassionate career woman, and her daughter, the prettiest girl in town.

As the women make their way over life's many hurdles together, they find comfort--and a fair amount of ribbing--in one another.

**Featuring VAN HARDEN
as the DJ**

Three Performances Only
Friday, October 20, 7:30 pm
\$10 admission
Saturday, October 21, 6:30 pm dinner,
7:30 pm show- \$20 admission
Sunday, October 22, 2:00 pm
\$10 admission

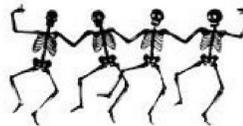
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PUZZLES



Across

1. a large, round vegetable with hard yellow or orange flesh
3. believed to be visited by ghosts
4. a dead body wrapped in long narrow pieces of cloth
5. the bones of the head
7. a net that a spider makes out of thin sticky strings
10. a large round metal container used for cooking over a fire
11. a large, flat stone that lies over a grave or stands at one end, that shows the name, age, etc. of the person buried there
13. a character in stories who appears at night to bite people's necks and suck their blood
14. an area of ground where dead people are buried



Down

1. a trick that is done to someone usually as a joke
2. a farming tool with a curved blade and long handle that is used for cutting grass, grain, etc.
5. the set of bones that supports a human or animal body
6. (in stories) a small, ugly creature that is harmful to humans
7. a long coat without sleeves, that fastens around your neck
8. someone who, in stories, changes into a wolf at the time of the full moon
9. a small animal like a mouse with wings that flies at night
10. a set of clothes worn in order to look like someone or something else
12. a woman in stories who has magic powers



Trick or Treat Jokes

Q: Where do werewolves store the candy they get from trick or treating?

A: In a were-house

Q: What do hockey players say on Halloween?

A: Hat trick or treat!

Q: What do you call a lycanthrope who gets lost while trick or treating?

A: A where-wolf.

Q: Why is Superman's costume so tight fitting?

A: Because it's a size "S"

Q: What do they do on Halloween in Minecraft?

A: Go trick or creeping.

Q: What do ghosts give out to trick or treaters?

A: Booberries.

Q: What do witches put on to go trick or treating?

A: Mas-scare-a

Q: When do ghosts like to go trick or treating?

A: In the moaning.

Q: Which monster dances when he goes trick or treating?

A: The boogiemer

Q: What do owls say when they go trick or treating?

A: Happy Owl-ween!

Q: Why didn't the skeleton go trick or treating?

A: Because he had no "body" to go with.

