# TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

#### Tie a String Around your Finger

There are some expressions that change from one generation to another. I don't recall hearing this expression often, but I have heard people say, "Tie a string around your finger, so you won't forget."

It is terrible when you don't remember a sting around your finger. The logic of tying a string around your finger is that when you feel the irritation of the string you will ask, "Why is that string there?" And that will lead you to say, "Oh, I remember!" Then you will do whatever you were supposed to do.

We are much too sophisticated to tie a string around our fingers. I don't know about you, but I have a calendar in which I enter my appointments and list of things to do. It is amazing how helpful it is – if I don't forget to look at it."

Charles Dickens in "The Haunted Man," tells of a chemist who was deeply troubled with unhappy memories. As he sat before the fire in a dismal reverie, a ghost appeared and offered the haunted man the opportunity to have his memory destroyed. The man immediately took the ghost up on the offer and from that time on, only was the man without memory, but also he had the power to strip others of their memory was well. But the gift was a disappointment. So great was man's misery and so great was the unhappiness that he inflicted upon others, that he begged the ghost to restore to him his memory.

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Sunday School will resume on September 15th. All children are welcome!

#### 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 the prayer chain and pastor's daily prayers

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## Tie a String

The tale came to a conclusion with the man offering a grateful and earnest prayer, "Lord, keep memory green."

God has a way of just doing that. Beginning with Jews, God gave them reminders of what he wanted them to remember. He kept their memory green by giving them rituals, ceremonies, symbols, feast days, and festivals that would serve as a string around their finger. God has the done the same for us through Jesus Christ. Every baptism is not only a seal of the vows taken by parents for a child or by an adult for himself, but also a reminder to everyone that we belong to Jesus Christ. Every communion service is a reminder that Jesus died for our sins and that we can be what God has done for us through Jesus Christ.

In the Book of Genesis we read, "So on the seventh day, having finished his task, God ceased from his work he had been doing and blessed the seventh day and declared it holy, because it was the day when he ceased his work of creation. God declared the seventh day was holy, a day of worship, the day when believers will gather together to remember and acknowledge the mercy of God. The seventh day is to serve as a string around your finger, to remind you what you are supposed to do on this day, to worship and give thanks to God for his many blessings to us. Pastor Dass

#### Worship

We witness to the transforming power of Christ through our regular presence in worship. Invite a friend or a neighbor to come with you to worship services. "God has poured out his love into our hearts."

Romans 5:5

### Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be served on Sunday, July 7th.

The grace of God is ministered through the Holy Communion.

Come and join us in worship and celebration of the Holy Communion.

#### Independence Day

Independence Day in the United States recognizes the formal adoption of the Declaration of Independence by the Continental Congress, which until then had governed the thirteen colonies with British oversight. Although the Declaration wasn't officially signed until August 1776, July 4th is considered the day the Declaration was born, and, as such, the holiday.

#### **Prayer Corner**

- For those that are home-bound and their caregivers.
- For the government of all countries as they make decisions.
- For those effected by the recent gun violence throughout our city, state, and nation.
- For those dealing with weather-related damage here and abroad.
- For those whose cup runs over with stressful events in their work and personal lives.





#### Church Calendar

SUNDAY	Mon	TUESDAY	WED	THURS DAY	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
		6:30 PM Taekwondo		Independenc e Day		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Worship 9:30		6:30 PM Taekwondo		6:30 PM Taekwondo		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Worship 9:30 Did You Know Sunday		6:30 PM Taekwondo		6:30 PM Taekwondo		
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Worship 9:30 Brown Bag Sunday Ice Cream Noisy Offering		6:30 PM Taekwondo		6:30 PM Taekwondo		
28	29	30	31			
Worship 9:30		6:30 PM Taekwondo				

## Did You Know Sunday is 7/14

Noisy Offering 7/21 (Nicki will have a new project to announce.)

Ice Cream Sunday 7/21

No Social Dinner in July

Did You Know Sunday 8/11

Noisy Offering 8/18

August Social Dinner 8/29 TBD

October Craft Fair 10/26 Keep watching for information

# Summer Word Search

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Hint: What has eighteen legs and catches flies?

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Hint: Why is the season of summer like the letter N?

#### Word Bank

Relaxing Traveling Hot Sunshine Barbecue **Popsicle** Ocean Beach Grilling Sunbathe Vacation **Swimsuit** Air Conditioning **Swimming** Ice Cream Water Park Lake Pool Camping **Speedboat** 

