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Monthly Newsletter

Summer Schedule—No Sunday School

Worship, with Communion @ 9:30 am

Fellowship (after Worship Service)

Let the Little Children Come to Me



The Little Children and Jesus:

¹³ Then people brought little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴ Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” ¹⁵ When he had placed his hands on them, he went on from there.

Matthew 19:13-15

This month we present the value that Jesus places on children.

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FROM THE PASTOR *Jaynan Clark*

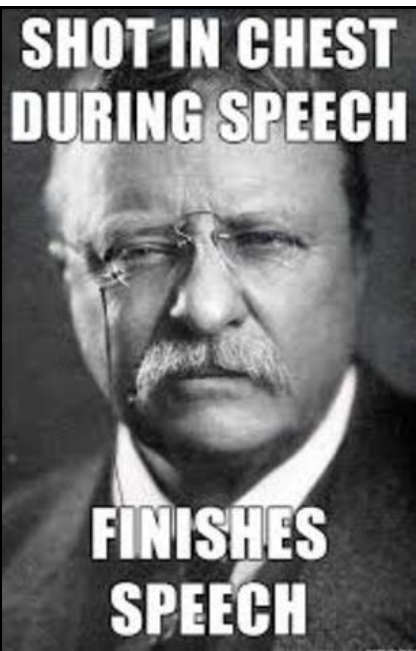
Hyphenated and Divided

A few months ago as I grew more and more tired of all the tireless, false claims of America being wrought with systemic racism and white supremacy, I posted the following publicly:

"Things you can't say: there aren't African, Native, Asian, Hispanic Americans. We are Americans together equally. Stop dividing us to empower your selves."

One of my friends who is big into history responded: "Channeling your inner Teddy Roosevelt?" A bit confused by the comment, I responded, "Hmm... guess I've been compared to much worse." His response, "If you don't know, search Roosevelt's hyphenated speech." I did and this surprising history lesson appeared:

Theodore Roosevelt's opening line was hardly remarkable for a presidential campaign speech: "Friends, I shall ask you to be as quiet as possible." His second line; however, was a bombshell. "I don't know whether you fully understand that I have just been shot..." The horrified audience in the Milwaukee



Auditorium on October 14, 1912, gasped as the former president unbuttoned his vest to reveal his bloodstained shirt. "It takes more than that to kill a bull moose," the wounded candidate assured them. He reached into his coat pocket and pulled out a bullet-riddled, 50-page speech. Holding up his prepared remarks,

which had two big holes blown through each page, Roosevelt continued. "Fortunately I had my manuscript, so you see I was going to make a long speech, and there is a bullet — here is where the bullet went through — and it probably saved me from it going into my heart. The bullet is in me now, so that I cannot make a very long speech, but I will try my best..."

X-rays taken after the campaign event showed the bullet lodged against Roosevelt's fourth right rib on an upward path to his heart. Fortunately, the projectile had been slowed by his dense overcoat, steel-reinforced eyeglass case and hefty speech squeezed into his inner right jacket pocket. — Christopher Klein, "When Teddy Roosevelt Was Shot in 1912, a Speech May Have Saved His Life," History.com, July 21, 2019.

I admit that while I am a lover and student of history, I didn't even realize this had happened! I mean, "Wow!", he really was a bull moose of sorts. 😊 Obviously the good Lord kept Teddy alive for a reason. Roosevelt is known for many things but I was impressed with this new history I learned; yet, I still wondered what that had to do with my Facebook post? Then I scrolled down and saw the next link:

Teddy Roosevelt on hyphenated America: "No Room in This Country for Hyphenated Americans." A speech made October 12, 1915, to the Knights of Columbus in New York City. (Note: It was 3 years after he was shot and survived.)

"There is no room in this country for hyphenated Americanism. When I refer to hyphenated Americans, I do not refer to naturalized Americans. Some of the very best Americans I have ever known were naturalized Americans. Americans born abroad. But a hyphenated American is not an American at all. 'This is just as true of the man who puts 'native' before the hyphen as of the man who puts German

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or Irish or English or French before the hyphen. Americanism is a matter of the spirit and of the soul. Our allegiance must be purely to the United States. We must unsparingly condemn any man who holds any other allegiance. But if he is heartily and singly loyal to this Republic, then no matter where he was born he is just as good an American as anyone else. The one absolutely certain way of bringing this nation to ruin, of preventing all possibility of its continuing to be a nation at all, would be to permit it to become a tangle of squabbling nationalities, an intricate knot of German-Americans, Irish-Americans, English-Americans, French-Americans, Scandinavian-Americans or Italian-Americans, each preserving its separate nationality, each at heart feeling more sympathy with Europeans of that nationality than with the other citizens of the American Republic. The men who do not become Americans and nothing else are hyphenated Americans; and there ought to be no room for them in this country. The man who calls himself an American citizen and who yet shows by his actions that he is primarily the citizen of a foreign land, plays a thoroughly mischievous part in the life of our body politic. He has no place here; and the sooner he returns to the land to which he feels his real heart allegiance, the better it will be for every good American."

Strong words indeed! I recall them here as a reminder of what strong, unifying leadership looks and sounds like. Do not confuse kingdom's here. Roosevelt is not diminishing in any way faith connection and allegiance to God. He is not elevating patriotism over faith. He is specifically addressing matters of the state in regards to the threat of tribalism, an ever present condition infecting the

human race. The encouragement of tribalism is now being relabeled and packaged as "identity politics". Its goal is to divide individuals into groups and identities, based on race, ethnicity, gender, and sexual preference. It is in direct opposition to the foundational principle of this nation: we are all created by God, equal in His sight, and our freedoms, our inalienable rights, are gifted to us by Him, not the Republic. The Republic is strengthened when we

see, acknowledge, and celebrate our differences and yet pledge allegiance to "one nation, under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all."

It occurs to me that if Teddy Roosevelt had been alive during my lifetime he would certainly have objected to the hyphenated phrase, "African-American" also. Has anyone noticed how over the last few decades we've gone from Coloreds to Blacks to Black-Americans to African-Americans exclusively for many years? It was a "No-No" to say Blacks, and

now you rarely hear African-Americans. Now everything is about "Colored People" who are everyone except the Whites who are non-colored and viewed, by those who continue to play with the language and labels, to be the problem. Many are confused by this, but we shouldn't be. Bullies rarely use their fists, for usually they are weak and fearful, so they pick and cause problems with their words. They continue to push around and manipulate anyone who allows them to do so and especially those who support their intimidation and manipulation. Don't be fooled by their foolish tactics. Their goal is to divide, cause chaos and conquer. It is part of our human fallen nature and it should not be propagated but rather pointed out and defeated.





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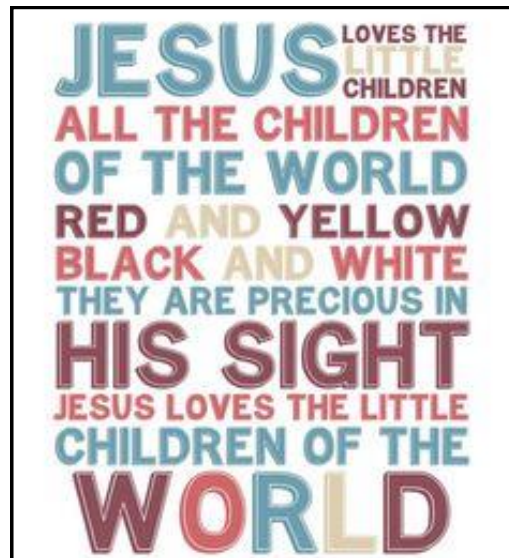
In this time of great cultural and political upheaval, it is necessary for each of us to be informed of who are the true dividers, liars and false prophets. They are not difficult to identify for they betray their true “heartfelt allegiance” in their words and deeds. One cannot claim to be for “equality” and pursue “equity”, a basic tenet of Marxism that negates equality of opportunity and enforces equity of outcome. This is achieved through division, chaos, destruction of the church, the nuclear family, and ownership of private property, all in order to achieve complete dependence on the State—the ideological powers that be. According to their ideology, any means necessary are acceptable for the end result justifies their methodology. If you don’t understand this historically, I suggest you become better informed on the pillars of Marxism and the practice of Machiavellianism.

Such contemporary dividers such as Ibram X. Kendi and Robin DiAngelo, together with the Marxist leadership of Black Lives Matter, have introduced, promoted, and indoctrinated every level of our institutions, educational system and corporations--now focusing on our military personnel. The divisive practice of “anti-racism” as taught under the terminology of Critical Race Theory and White Fragility is blatant racist hate meant to divide and destroy. Just reading their writings makes one question how we will continue together in Western Civilization. The breakdown of basic society and civility is preferred in order to build something different and better. Many states are lining up to ban this “teaching” in their schools and institutions; Governor Inslee has **mandated** its teaching across Washington. Even the very youngest of our children will be indoctrinated and infected with this divisive, hate-based curriculum.

God created all of us and made us different for reasons not of division but beauty, intrigue, variety and a witness to His creativity and expansive love. As I wrote last summer, I repeat now: *Jesus loves all*

*of His children, **all** the children of the world; therefore, I will not be bullied or shamed into saying “black lives matter” but rather will continue to sing and proclaim the biblical truth that **all** lives matter.* Those who accuse me of being a racist, for to say “all lives matter” is a racist statement should be not only laughed at but regarded as either stupid or a divisive bully at enmity with God’s creation and His Word of Truth.

The very foundation of this nation is being torn at intentionally in order to “burn it to the ground” and replace it with something completely different; a “re-imagined America” is the phrase most used. A new



world order is touted, but there is nothing new about it for they are guided by the basic principles of Marxism adorned as non-threatening, palatable, inclusive, compassionate Socialism. It always starts there. These are the same people who took such extreme issue with the slogan, “Make America Great Again” because they say, and I quote, “When was America ever great?” “America was never great!” “America is a systemically racist country led by white supremacists haters.” Before any of you jump on or off your “Trump” bandwagon, hear me out. What is revealed by those objections to that political slogan? Utter contempt for the historic, foundational principles that this country was founded upon. It is



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blatant rejection of our Judeo-Christian foundation of this Republic based upon liberty and freedom granted to us by God not the government.

They reveal their agenda through their openly proclaimed hatred of the very foundation of this country, its history, its historic leaders, its flag and even its birthday. On and on they bellow out their “anti” historic claims based on presumed “anti-racist” intent all growing from the 1619 project which is not only not factual but is itself racist and divisive to its core.

So, as we move toward the celebration of the 4th of July, hearing that such celebrations are racist because everything is labeled such, including Math and advancement according to merit, I suggest you get a bigger flag and fly it higher and maybe even throw a party! Yes, indeed, an in-your-face expression of your freedom, God-given, and your love for the land that He has provided as your home. Those who are proud to be Americans and love their country are, I believe, a super majority that have been cowed into believing that the minority, well-funded, strategically and institutionally placed bullies and dividers are many. They are not.

Rather than get sucked into the divisiveness and the sickness that makes all things political, just reject it and be embraced by Your God-given freedom and liberty. So I suggest you thank God that you were born in this unique melting pot which grants an abundance of opportunity. Of course it’s not perfect, but who ever said it was? The founding documents pledge a goal of to “form a **more** perfect union.” Jesus alone is perfect. This nation is one small piece of land in God’s expansive creation. As believers we should remember that this whole world groans under the heavy weight of sin. A biblical worldview should help you, all of us together, maintain a realistic understanding of who we were, are, and can be together, if we resist those who, by intention, are tearing us apart from the inside out. Have ears to

hear and take time to reflect upon our current events, not just nationally but globally, in light of these verses:

“See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ.” Colossians 2:8

“For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths.” 2 Timothy 4:3-4

Remembering that Teddy could stand and speak freely and fearlessly with a bullet in his ribs; perhaps we together as Christ’s children can stand and speak His Word which is the Truth the whole world needs to hear.

Also remembering these historic words spoken by Alexander Hamilton in 1775, “The sacred rights of mankind are not to be rummaged for, among old parchments, or musty records. They are written, as with a sun beam in the whole volume of human nature, by the hand of the divinity itself; and can never be erased or obscured by mortal power.”

Forgive us Father, for we know not what we do and don’t do. Give us ears to hear the Truth of Your Word and Your Spirit, which is not one of timidity, to act faithfully. And please, God, bless our home land. Amen.



Holy Trinity's Monthly Ministry Field Trips

Make note of Holy Trinity's next Ministry Field Trip!

We will be taking our next field trip to UGM Kids Camp in Ford, WA. Many of you have donated items for the children attending this week-long camp. Now we have the opportunity to see exactly what these children get to experience.



UGM Kids Camp Field Trip to Ford, WA

Tentatively Scheduled for August 2021—more information coming soon!



Please join us and see our ministry come alive. Contact Dan Olson at (509) 990-0981 with your ideas, your participation, and your questions.

See you on our next **Ministry Field Trip!**

And whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.
Matthew 18:5

The Greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven

Matthew 18:1-5

At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Who, then, is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" He called a little child to him, and placed the child among them. And he said: "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me."




Spokane Valley Partners

FOOD BANK & FAMILY SERVICES

May donations = 6 lbs.

2021 total donations = 1110 lbs.

Contact Drew Taes for information:

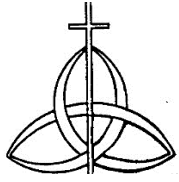
drew.taes@gmail.com

And remember, you can use your Thrivent Action Dollars to donate to the food bank.

Thank you so much for your contributions!



Holy Trinity's Ministry with Union Gospel Mission



UGM Kids Camp Donations

By Diane Fried

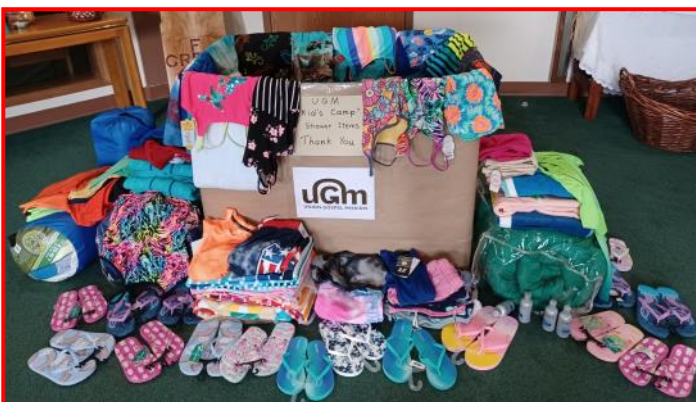


UGM Camp was established in 1992. It is held in Ford, WA for boys and girls ages 8-12 years old. It is held for eight different weeks over the summer from the end of June—August. UGM has invited churches to come partner with them so eight different churches take one whole week where they gather



Thank you to all of you who donated items for Union Gospel Missions Kid's Camp. Sleeping bags, swim suits, beach towels, shorts and shirts, flip flops and tennis shoes, deodorant, bug spray and sunscreen cream, lice kits, construction paper and markers were delivered to the UGM Administrative Office on Trent on Friday, June 11, 2021, at 8:45 am by Ilene Benham and Diane Fried. Shelley, Linda, and Dave Wall helped carry in the items and were most appreciative.

impoverished children from their neighborhood and provide for them a free of charge week of camp. The church runs the program; teaching Bible lessons, leading worship, and crafts and games. They also provide counseling.



UGM does the infrastructure; providing the facility, the food, the lifeguards, and the nurses. UGM goes to the church in the neighborhood where the children live to gather them for their week of camp. When camp is over, the churches follow up on the children so they have a place to go to where they know they are loved and someone cares about them.

Thank you to all for placing value, just like Jesus, on these little children by donating much needed items during their week away at camp!

Vacation Bible School

July 12—16, 2021

8:30 am—11:30 am



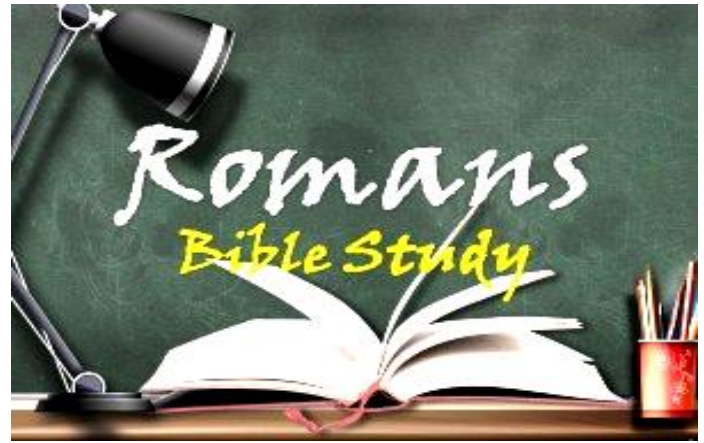
*Climb aboard the Rocky Railway!
Jesus' Power pulls us through VBS for
the best week of the summer!!*

*Tell your friends' and neighbors'
children and grandchildren
to register on our website:
<https://holytrinitylcmc.org/ministries>*

*If you would like to volunteer for
VBS, please complete a VBS
Volunteer Application
(applies to adults & youth).*

*Volunteer Forms are available at
church on the table in the Narthex
or on our website:
<https://holytrinitylcmc.org/ministries>*

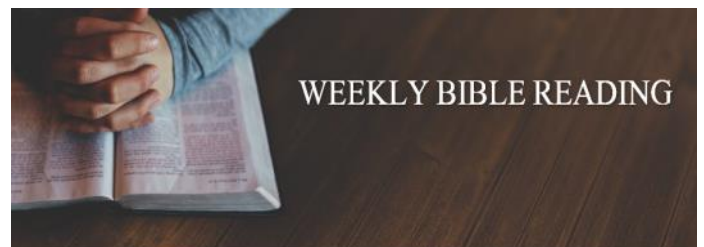
*Please consider volunteering!
Call Marcia Taes @ (509) 954-4701.*



Bible study group meets
Wednesdays at 10:30 am.

We are studying the Book of Romans.
You are welcome to join us at anytime!

Contact Pastor Jaynan for more information.



July 4 (6th Sunday of Pentecost):

- ✝ Ezekiel 2:1-5
- ✝ 2 Corinthians 12:2-10
- ✝ Mark 6:1-13

July 11 (7th Sunday of Pentecost):

- ✝ Amos 7:7-15
- ✝ Ephesians 1:3-14
- ✝ Mark 6:14-29

July 18 (8th Sunday of Pentecost):

- ✝ Jeremiah 23:1-6
- ✝ Ephesians 2:11-22
- ✝ Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

July 25 (9th Sunday of Pentecost):

- ✝ 2 Kings 4:42-44
- ✝ Ephesians 3:14-21
- ✝ John 6:1-21

Jesus welcomed the little children...you can too, volunteer @ VBS!



F Freedom came with a price, the price of Christ blood shed on the Cross.

O Our Lord and Savior saved us all from our sins.

U Unrighteous we may be, but the grace of God set us free.

R Rely on God, He will show our paths.

T The truth is in God's Word, the Bible, His Holy Book.

H Helping one another along the way.

O Obedient to what God wants us to do.

F Father, Creator, God is He.

J Jesus died for our sins.

U United one day, we believers will be in Heaven.

L Love one another as Christ loved us.

Y You are a special creation made from God, our Heavenly Father.

Written by Steve Patterson on June 18, 2012.
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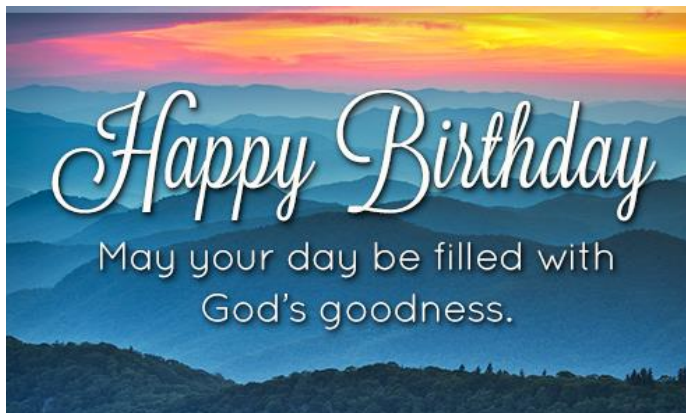
This women's ministry event is a warm, friendship-building night of eating together, watching a movie, and comfortable conversation about moral issues and biblical perspectives.

We will take a break over July & August to enjoy vacations and busy summer life.

We will resume our monthly schedule in September.

Stay tuned for the upcoming September movie announcement and dinner menu.

Contact Squeaky May for more information.



July Birthdays

Gary Hanson	July 5
Cheryl Brown	July 5
Arlene Severance	July 16
Judy Ingraham	July 20
Janece Scheele	July 22
Squeaky May	July 26
Jaynan Clark	July 31



July Anniversaries

David & Christel Seybold

*July 8, 2000
Celebrating 21 years!*

Dan Winchester & Rita Smith

July 20



**All are invited to join us
(men and women)**

Fridays @ 7:30 am

**for Bible study,
fellowship and
breakfast**



*We will be watching
R.C. Sproul's videos on
"Knowing Christ--The 'I AM'
Sayings of Jesus"*

July 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	HAPPY 4TH OF JULY			Office Manager Hours: 11:00 am—1:00 pm 12:00 pm AA—VNG 5:30 pm AA—HHG	7:30 am Breakfast and Bible Study 12:00 pm AA—VNG 5:30 pm AA—HHG	10:00 am AA—SMM 8:00 pm AA—SNM
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Mission Statement:**

*"To proclaim the Good News of God's
Saving Grace and to minister to our
community through our relationship with God."*

**God Bless
America**

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**July
Upcoming Events**

Vacation Bible School:	Monday, July 12—Friday, July 16, 8:30 am-11:30 am
Council Meeting:	Tuesday, July 13 @ 6:30 pm
Newsletter Articles Due:	Wednesday, July 14
Worship & Music Meeting:	Wednesday, July 28 @ 12:00 (noon)
Weekly Bible Studies:	Wednesdays @ 10:30 am Fridays @ 7:30 am

Sunday Worship Schedule

**9:30 am Worship w/Communion in the Sanctuary
10:30 am Fellowship (after Worship)**

***You can also call in at 1-509-223-2025
or tune to 95.1 FM and listen from the parking lot.***