

#### **Trinity United Methodist Church**

## Trinity Tidings

"Life in the Son"

September 2020





**Business Hours** 

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#### A Pastor's Ponderings

"...Do not [earnestly] remember the former things; neither consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs forth; do you not perceive and know it and will you not give heed to it? - Isaiah 43:18

I was riding down the road the other day, and something caught my attention outside. It was a line of pelicans flying in their V formation. Unfortunately, I barely got a glimpse, and then they were gone. I kept looking in the rearview mirror but never saw them again. Then I realized, I am driving the car and looking in the rearview mirror. Hello, this is not very safe, and quickly I took my attention back to the road.

How many of us are driving by looking in the rearview mirror. I once heard someone ask, "You have the whole windshield to look through; why do you choose to only focus on the small section of the rearview mirror. Fact of the matter, God does not want us to be backward looking, going through life looking in the rearview mirror. But we so often can't help ourselves. We remember the hurts of the past and the mistakes we made.

As we continue to navigate the waters of COVID-19, it is important that we stay safe and vigilant, but it is also important that we are moving forward and doing the ministry that God has called us to.

When I was child, my family would ride bikes around the neighborhood. However, I didn't have a bike nor did I know how to even ride one. I actually rode in a seat on my mother's bike. I still remember the day that my parents bought me my first bicycle. I had never ridden one. Patiently, my family and friends tried to teach me the art of cycling. I soon found out there was one thing I must do if I were to stay on the bicycle - keep moving forward. If I ceased to go forward, I would fall and hurt myself. So it is in the Christian life. We can never live this life on the highest plane unless we are continually growing and moving forward. You should be closer to God today in heart, soul, and body than at any other time so far in your life.

It's time now to look ahead and focus on what's before us. God wants to do a new thing in our lives. He wants us to rise up to our full potential in Him. He has called us to do mighty things. He will even make a way when we feel lost and refresh us when we're burning in the heat.

We have got to keep on moving forward. It's only in moving forward that we can ever accomplish what God has called us to. We can't stay where we're at nor can we go backwards. The only direction we can go is forward. Yes, it can be hard - but it's the only way if we want to move on in God and grow.

As a church, we are starting to move forward - cautiously. Worship, Sunday school, youth and children's groups, administrative meetings and other gatherings are starting to get back together - cautiously. But most importantly, we are moving forward and monitoring how the world around us is going. Together, we are picking up our bikes and traveling the rough terrain together.

Rev. Michael Ritter

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#### Music Ministry News



September. What does that mean? Usually, this time of year is when the music department gets back in gear to start the fall and look toward the coming season. I usually have things planned all the way to Christmas. By this time, I know, with a few exceptions, what the choir will be singing for every service until the middle of January. This year is so very different. Some

days, it seems, I may have plans for the next few weeks. I have been struggling with how to move forward. I am looking forward, but how to do certain things is a problem, especially in my mind. Trying to figure how to do handbells is especially hard. Thinking about Christmas is crazy. We have a wonderful group of volunteers who love to make music. I am proud and grateful for each one. I also have a few of those who are not participating right now, and each of them is truly missed. I look forward to things becoming a little more normal.

For now, we are continuing with the small group of strings that provide prelude music each Sunday. Every week, I send an email to the choir to see who is available for that coming Sunday. I figure a way to have a seat for each of them. It is a little different how I prepare for the service because I have to set us up so we have space between each seat. Being outside allows for us to spread out.

We hope everyone enjoys the music that is being provided. We will continue to do quality music that shows talent, but more than that, Music that gives God praise and glory.

Melody





Don't forget to bring your backpack to our September 13th Service for our Blessing of the Backpacks.

NEW RELEASE FORMS It is that time of year again to fill out release forms for the 2020-2021 school year. If you have a child under 18 who participates in our Sunday night program or any of our special events throughout the year, please stop by the office and fill out a release form. This will cover their involvement through next summer.

# Trinity Congregational Fellowship

#### **Adult Sunday School**

There will be an Adult Sunday School class on September 6th after the 9:30 am service. Depending on the size of the class, it will meet in the Fellowship Hall or the Sanctuary for social distancing. At this time, there will be a discussion on how to proceed moving forward. For further information please call the church office at 843-272-5236.



**Prayer Shawls** 

A big Thank You to all the gals out there who keep on making prayer shawls one at a time, all the time. You are appreciated. Covid has slowed things up a bit, but I am now seeing the supply of yarn back in the stores again. Keep up your good work. Stay safe and healthy, and see you on Sundays out on the lawn.

Prayer Shawl Mission Vivian Fletcher





Trinity United Methodist
Men's
Eighth Annual Golf
Tournament
November 7th, 2020



8:30 am Beachwood Golf Club North Myrtle Beach

If you want to play, see one of the Methodist Men or call the church office.

TUMC Congregational Care Team is here for YOU!!

In times of need, our *Meal Ministry* is *NEW*!!

We extend our caring concerns - support and LOVE,

With homemade meals "HOT" off our STOVE, So if you are sad or "down and OUT, Don't just sit there; give us a SHOUT. Congregational Care Team - 843-756-1227 - Sandy Roberts

News from the PEP Club (People Enjoying People)

#### **Upper Room Magazine**

We have the September-October <u>Upper Rooms</u>

available in a box at the back door of the church. Come by and pick one up.



We are looking forward to getting together as soon as the guidelines change!



As soon as the guidelines change, we'll be back to have fellowship.

Wednesday Nights Miss you all! We are collecting canned goods along with peanut butter and jelly for ASAP and our small food pantry.







You can leave it at the back door, and we'll bring it in. Thank you for all that you do.



Hey, everyone! We hope everyone is excited for the start of the Amplified Youth Group semester! We have some exciting things planned for the up and coming semester. We will be diving deep into some amazing topics and spiritual discussions to further our growth as Christ followers. Amidst things facing us, we will have a fun semester with a bunch of activities and outings.

We will be making sure all measures are taken to adhere to safety protocol to keep all youth, volunteers, and parents safe and healthy. We have and continued to create a safe space for our students! We are also excited to introduce our new conservative curriculum for our students this semester. This curriculum will help to continue to further our students on their journey to better know God.

To know HIM more and more is the ultimate goal. We're looking forward to this semester with everyone! If anyone has any questions, please feel free to contact Matthew Daniel at the church or at <a href="mailto:amplifiedtumcyou@gmail.com">amplifiedtumcyou@gmail.com</a> or at 843-742-3221. Many Blessings!

#### **Fall Curriculum Topics**



Topic Overview: We will discuss and look at scripture as we look away from comparing ourselves and look closer to contentment in Christ.

Topic Overview: We will discuss and look at scripture as we look at family and our faith. We will see what scripture has to say about families and how no matter what they look like, your family matters!





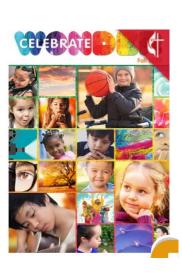
Topic Overview: We will discuss and look at scripture as we look at arguments and relationships. In a world full of arguments and debates, we sometimes feel the need to "win" the feud while losing ourselves and those we love. We will see what truly being a true Christ follower in an argumentative society is meant to look like!



Come

#### Celebrate Wonder

with us starting September 13th at 4:00 pm. We can't wait to see you.



#### **News from the**

#### TRINITY UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

<u>Purpose:</u> The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God, and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship, and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

#### Around the Circle(s)

(Although we haven't been able to have regular meetings during the spring and summer, we have stayed true to our mission and our purpose.) The General UMW meeting on September 18th has been cancelled.

Love Circle members have been collecting school supplies during the summer and will deliver them to North Myrtle Beach Middle School in early September.

Susanna Wesley Circle provided favors for Mobile Meals' clients during Trinity's delivery weeks in the spring and summer.

Dot Jordan Circle continues to build on their "creative, supportive fellowship," staying close through emails and prayers for one another.

#### A note from our President, Debbie Snow:

The Executive Board met (social distancing, of course) in August to carry out our mission support plan for 2020 and to make plans for the future. UMW is carrying on and finding many ways to communicate sister to sister. We welcome any woman to join us and feel the love we have for one another. Janis Ortmeyer, <a href="mailto:orty.janis@gmail.com">orty.janis@gmail.com</a>, is our membership contact. The only requirement is your desire to join. You don't have to be a member of the church. You don't even have to be a United Methodist! Janis can send you more information about UMW.

A personal note: I thank God for Trinity United Methodist Women. The "supportive fellowship" part of our Purpose has come alive for me during my husband's illness. The calls, the emails, the texts, and the prayers are sustaining us through the long, hard days. We have heard from many "sisters" in all the circles and are grateful for each of you. Much love, Gerry Ferguson



### Mission Ministry News September 2020

Around the **middle of September** we will kick off our fundraiser for **Shoes that Grow.** Most of you are familiar with this since we have been doing it for several years. The money raised will buy shoes that will grow five sizes with the child. Mainly these shoes are for children in Africa. Many die because of parasites that get into the feet because they do not have shoes.

**ASAP** is still going strong. We are currently serving 61 veterans. All food donations are welcome, but peanut butter and jelly are the most needed. Of course we will happily accept monetary donations as well.

Mobile Meal Dates for the remainder of 2020. October 26-30, December 28-January 1

Master's Meal – Master's Meal is not operating in the "old normal" fashion, but we are in business. We have resumed with the "new temporary normal" as our volunteers are now fixing bag lunches for distribution on Wednesday. Also, Linda and Leslie have created bags of food and toiletries so they can have them readily available if someone comes to the door asking for food. For these bags, we need food with **pop top lids and small size toiletry items.** If you are interested in helping with this mission, please contact Linda Jones (864-680-3994).

**American Flags** – If you have an old or tattered American flag that needs to be disposed of properly, you can drop it off at the church.

**Pop-Tops** - We are still collecting aluminum pop-tops. We don't get much for them, but what we do get is donated to the Ronald McDonald House. If you want to help, start saving the pop-tops and every few months bring them to the church and leave for Frank Autry. Thanks to those who have been leaving them for me.

All **Mission** and **ASAP** meetings have been cancelled for the remainder of 2020.

If you have any questions or suggestions for your Mission Committee, please contact Frank Autry at 843-685-1190 or frank.autry@hotmail.com.



EPWORTH IS OUR MINISTRY! Where do children go when DSS has taken them from their families because of abuse or neglect? What about when a mother is struggling with addiction and is neglecting her children? Currently, over 80 children call Epworth home. Each of these children have found refuge in the ministry we share as United Methodists in SC. Epworth Children's Home has been welcoming children in Christ's name for 124 years through the generous support of churches like ours! We will participate in the annual Work Day Offering on Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, to benefit the children who call Epworth home. Please be in prayerful consideration of what God is calling you to give to this valuable and life-changing ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, you can visit them on the web at www.epworthchildrenshome.org or find them on Facebook.

Please see our video on Youtube at: <a href="https://youtu.be/hDHxMf86tTc">https://youtu.be/hDHxMf86tTc</a>
Our link to our online giving:

https://www.epworthchildrenshome.org/give/

#### News from the United Methodist Men

**TUMM** is an organization that involves men of the church growing in a relationship to Christ by supporting the church programs and missions, local and abroad.

August was our month to represent the men here at Trinity UMC, NMB by presenting the message to our virtual viewers and those personally attending the lawn service.

Thank you, Frank Autry, for the sermon and Mike Walters for your message and prayer Sunday August 16<sup>th</sup>.

**September 25th** we will be cooking our famous Boston Butts again. We will be cooking 75 or so, depending on requests. Free to those requesting one (Donations will be accepted to help sponsor our Missions.) Don't forget to fill out your request form when they are distributed in the Sunday bulletin or call Jackie Stanley (336-816-3539) or Tom Kesler (614-378-8307).

The 8<sup>th</sup> annual Golf Tournament sponsored by the **TUMM** is getting organized, so if you are interested in sponsoring or participating, please contact Tom Kelser @ 614-378-8307.

Trinity UMM continues to aid those in our community who are needing help, so please enable us to continue our support by making your donation to Trinity UMM.

All men of the church are invited and are members by association.

God Bless You.

JACKIE STANLEY

#### Ins and Outs

#### We are BACK

#### Walk on the Beach with Us

Walk your dog with your friends at Trinity along the beach. Don't have a dog; that's OK; come walk and join us in fellowship.

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:00 am to 8:00 am. We start at **17th Ave. S.** 



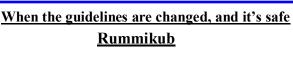
#### We are BACK

Golf anyone??? Join us for a fun round of golf on Mondays. Check the weekly bulletin for times and locations. Players of any ability level are welcome.



## When the guidelines are changed, and it's safe

Come join our Bridge Group. We are always looking for more players. We meet at 9:30 am on Wednesdays in AG Greene for a great time, meeting new friends and having fun! ALL skill levels are welcome.



Rummikub is on Wednesdays at 2:00 pm in AG Greene, and we'll be here for the Wednesday night dinner. We need some more people to play Rummikub. Men also, it is not just a ladies' game. Very much like rummy with tiles. Call the office at 843-272-5236 or just show up.



•Bulletin info is due at noon on Wednesday each week.
October Newsletter information is due by September 20th!!!
•Upper Room devotional booklets are in the Narthex.

#### **Memorials and Honorariums**

#### **BUILDING FUND**

IN MEMORY OF JACK BOWARD Doris Pollock Barbara Tyson

IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL OLIVER
Martha Little

#### **SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

IN MEMORY OF JACK BOWARD The Slapniks

#### **MUSIC FUND**

IN MEMORY OF CINDY HAWTHRONE &
IN MEMORY OF DON LITTLE
Albert & Melody Evans

#### SYMPATHIES TO THE FAMILIES OF:

James Ray

September 30, 1951 - August 1, 2020

Michael Oliver

February 24, 1952 - August 13, 2020

#### Birthday and Anniversary Wishes

Please consider a birthday or anniversary honorarium for you or someone special.

May we suggest a donation of \$1.00 per birth or anniversary year to the New Building Fund.

Please note "New Building Fund" **and** "Who is being recognized" on your check and/or envelope.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT (July 2020)

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	Income Under Budgeted Amount	\$	93,548.94
	Total Expenses YTD	\$	341,570.29
	Total Expenses YTD Budget	\$	446,912.60
<b>V</b>	Expenses Under Budget YTD	\$	105,342.31
Apportionment	\$ \$	39,919.80 39,919.80	
Weekly Needs' Average Budgeted 2020 \$ Weekly Actual Average Giving 2020 \$			14,714.73 11,759.93
New Building Fund Balance \$			282,880.09

#### thank you!

#### Online Giving

Thank you so much for your donations during this difficult time. If you have given to Trinity on our online giving, that donation will not be reflected on your contribution statement. You can get your online contribution information when you sign in on your online account.

Barbara Tyson

#### **Boston Butts**



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#### **Trinity United Methodist Men**

Cost is a donation to the Trinity Men when you <u>Pick Up.</u>

Please pre-order your Boston Butt by September 22nd.

(so we know how many to buy/smoke)

By Calling Jackie Stanley @336-816-3539,

or Tom Kelser @ 614-378-8307

To pre-order your Boston Butt

Pick up Friday, Sept. 25th from 3 to 5 pm

#### A Letter from Matthew Black



Dear Trinity Family,

Greetings and grace and peace in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ. Thank you for your prayers for me these past couple of months. Thankfully, there are no confirmed cases of covid here at this institution. Off-campus work ceased in March, leaving me doing odd jobs for the warden. Recently six of us made cards for nursing homes. That was gratifying for us.

Visits stopped in March so I have not been able to see my son this year. Thankfully, I am still able to talk to him on the phone once a week. The isolation is hard. When it seems like I will deflate from the exhaustion of it all, I turn to my alone time with God and my Bible study. It hasn't been easy, but God is good, and He has continued to keep me and my loved ones safe.

Our church services stopped in March when volunteers were banned from the institution. So during our recreation time on Sundays, about 20-25 of us gather in Jesus' name. We sing songs, hear the Bible, and one brother brings a pretty good message to us. We have grown from 6 people in the beginning. Last week I gave my testimony, and it was a blessing for me to share with new faces all that our God has done for me and what He brought me from!

I always enjoy hearing Marc's story. I pray regularly for those who have been released and walk faithfully with the Lord. It can't be easy re-integrating, but God will put in place the resources to succeed. I truly believe that.

I can hardly wait until I am able to step out of these walls and into freedom... and I am looking forward to coming to Trinity.

In Christ alone, Matthew Black

#### Pastor/Congregational Prayer Program

The pastor and we as the congregation are always in prayer for others. Now we have the opportunity to pray for other members of our congregation every week. Six names of families/members will be drawn at random, and we will pray for these individuals and their families. Below are the names of the members selected for September:

#### Week of September 6th

Billy & Betty Coggeshall Earl & Gaye Dagenhart Ruby Curry Sandy Hahn Dave Dickson Millie Doud

#### Week of September 13th

Bill Eagen Terry & Vivian Fletcher Calvin & Wanda Furr Donald & MaryAnne Furcillo Susan Douglas Dolan Dull

#### Week of September 20th

Cheryl Drew Scott & Debbie Critzer Connie Cochrane Donald & Lenora Flynn Jason & Courtney Miller Michael & Janet Curry

#### Week of September 27th

R.C. Dorman Tony & Beverly Monte Frank & Peggy Farrington Linda Neely Anne Nash Carol Stigger

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Margaret Wesley



Scott Keziah

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	Beth Fields	09/06	Roger Snyder	09/15	Robin Zehr
	Linda Neely	09/06	Bunnie Gore	09/16	Braxton Byrd
	Melissa A. Hughes	09/07	Marti Little	09/16	Heath Byrd
	Marianne Vandawalker	09/07	Linda Mills	09/16	Corey Cooper
1	Michael Walters	09/07	Nancy Banaian	09/17	Trey Gore
	Carol Holt	09/08	Linda Carter	09/17	Wayne Allen
	Lauren Beltran	09/09	Kade DiMaio	09/17	Jack Formy-Duval
	Ross Knorr	09/09	Daniel Gower	09/17	Michael Ritter
	Zak Pearsall	09/09	Arlene Milligan	09/17	Travis Yates
	Linda Whitley	09/09	Kit Wahl	09/18	Douglass Berry ll
	Melanie Welborn	09/10	Debbie Waitzman	09/19	Ellen Holliman
	Reba Brainerd	09/11	Denise Bray	09/21	Bruin Slaughter
	Alan Slaughter	09/11	Donald Furcillo	09/21	Carol Adams
	John Fields	09/12	Tony Monte	09/21	John Wilson
	Marion Teeguarden	09/12	Emily Sharp	09/21	Roxanne Baumann
	Seneca Slaughter	09/13	Bob Clark	09/22	Angelo DiFrancesco
	Howard Byrd	09/14	Sandy Hahn	09/22	Don Frye
	Mark Overton	09/14	Cliff Bass	09/24	Dottie Kinlaw
	Margaret Philemon	09/15	Shirley Brodhecker	09/24	Doris Pollock

Sarah Jane Slaughter

09/15

Thomas & Cynthia Whitley	09/03
Michael & Patricia Mahaney	09/07
Shafran & Wendy Fields	09/11
Thomas & Nell Beasley	09/12
Don & Reatha Robertson	09/12
Elaine & Jean-Pierre Berard	09/14
Ben & Christine Prince	09/14
Larry & Marianne Vandawalker	09/14
Robert & Lori Goulet	09/18
Barrett & Kimberly Slaughter	09/18



Rodney & Stephanie Williams	09/18
Jerry & Lynnie Russo	09/19
Jay & Arlene Leskowicz	09/20
Kerry & Janis Ortmeyer	09/20
Mike & Joanna Gombos	09/21
Lee & Gail Hitchcock	09/23
Scott & Kathryn Keziah	09/27
Steve & Phyllis Rountree	09/27
Ryan & April Marrs	09/28

#### Workers

#### **USHERS**

9:30 am

Tom Kelser Mike Walters Neal Krumme Frank Autry Jackie Stanley Scott Keziah



Have you seen Pastor Ed's "Come To the Cross//Minute Message" each week? They can be found on YouTube OR

you can find them on: Trinity United Methodist Church at NMB, SC Facebook page.

https://youtu.be/mAmYZlDBSkc



#### **Dedication to Matthew Daniel**

Six months ago Pastor Michael, Neil Krumme and I answered questions regarding our new Life Center plans following a Wednesday night meal. We had a wonderful turnout and a very positive question-and-answer time, followed by a church vote to proceed with the Building Committee's suggested plans. During that time we began brain-storming ways to aggressively set financial plans in motion to support the build, which included the naming of areas in the new Life Center (classroom, playground, etc.). That was March 4, and in a few days, our world began to experience the beginning of a pandemic that would nearly consume every aspect of our daily lives, including "coming to church."

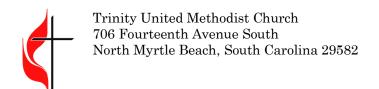
Soon the dedicated staff at Trinity had us worshipping at our kitchen tables and on our mobile phones through live streaming services on Sunday mornings and Wednesday afternoons. We had our pastors, music and all the regular aspects of our Sunday worship, which was a welcome staple in an ever-changing world of new directives. In May, we added live services from our cars and "lawn pews" just feet away what we knew and loved as "normal" church.

This brings me to Frank Autry's message last month, "Sometimes you have to do something" ....

Please join Ross and me in making a donation to name the Audio-Visual loft in the new Life Center in honor of Matthew Daniel for his unyielding service to the youth while being the **CRITICAL** link weekly to bring us "church," both online, in our cars and on the lawn. All this taping and editing does not magically appear every week or the equipment set up for Sunday mornings. It all takes time and love for all of us while having nothing to do with his job teaching, mentoring and loving our youth. (All at the ripe old age of 23).

During this time of a pandemic, civil unrest and violence in our world, we are truly blessed to have this bright, young, loving "star" at Trinity. Please prayerfully consider honoring him for all he has done for us by making a donation in Matthew's honor to the Building Fund for the Audio-Visual Loft.

Jan Knorr, Building Committee & Administrative Chair



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SEPTEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

Or Current Resident



If you are interested in becoming a member of Trinity UMC, please contact the church office.

### Life in the Son

Loving, Inviting, Faithful Examples, Serving Our Neighbors

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#### **Business Hours:**

Monday - Thursday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Friday 8:00 am to 12:00 pm

#### TRINITY STAFF

Michael Ritter...... Pastor Edmond Daniel..... Pastor

Dan Ramsey..... Pastor (Volunteer)

Matthew Daniel....... Youth Ministry Coordinator

Barbara Tyson ..... Financial Secretary
Melody Evans .... Director of Music
Dan Vigo .... Orchestra Director
Albert Evans ... Director of Music
Melanie Welborn ... Associate Organist
Leslie Volpe ... Administrative Assistant
Edward Klein ... Building Supervisor

Lori Goulet, Melissa Hughes, Jan Mosley.....Nursery









Youth

TUMM Boston Butt Sale Pick Up September 25th Pre-order is required.



### Worship Services Sunday Mornings

#### In September

8:30 am Encounter Contemporary Streaming Online

9:30 am On the Lawn

11:00 am Streaming Online