

TRINITY TIDINGS

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Dancing In The Shadows

“Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil.” My father took me on our first camping trip together. We set up camp and then went on a hike down a forest trail. But before we got back to camp, it had gotten dark. The moon was rising, and a breeze blew through the forest, casting eerie shadows all around us as we walked back to camp. I took hold of my father’s hand and squeezed it tightly. The shadows seemed to be giant monsters with large arms reaching out to grab me. I looked up at him and whispered, “Daddy, I don’t like the shadows. They scare me.”

My father knelt down, sitting me on one of his knees. He stretched out one of his own hands into a shadow at our feet. The shadows looked like a hungry mouth. He turned his hand over in the shadow and then slowly pulled it back and said, “Put your hand on mine.” I reluctantly rested my hand on his. He then slowly put our hands into the shadow and said, “See? Don’t be afraid of the shadows. They can’t hurt you.

After I put my hand in the shadow, I then slowly put in a foot...then the other...until I was standing completely in the shadow. I smiled up at my father and then, like little children do, began to dance right there in the shadow! And I danced through the shadows all the way to camp, glancing up now and then to make sure my father was still there. And when we got back, my father made a glorious campfire, and we made funny shadow creatures with our hands on the side of the tent.

Shadows cannot hurt us. Do not fear them. The Shepherd is with you even in the shadows. So dance in them until you reach camp.

---Bass Mitchell

The Methodist Men's breakfast Meeting

No Methodist Men's Meeting, June—August

Kid's Klub

On Wednesdays 5-7 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall.

Kids ages 3 thru 8th grade.

No Kid's Klub in July. Starts back August 14, 2024

Ladies Bible study with Sandra Black

There will be no ladies bible study until September

Choir & Flame Practice

*Wednesday's at 7:15 pm.—Chancel Choir Practice in choir room.

*Tuesday's at 6:00 pm.—Flame Practice

Father's Day Breakfast

On Sunday, June 16th, we will be celebrating Father's Day and honoring all men, young and old. Everyone is invited to come for breakfast at 9:15 a.m., and for a short program entitled, "Branded in Christ." We will have fun with a western theme, so wear your cowboy hat, bandana, and boots! Afterwards we will adjourn to go to our church service at 10:30. Plan now to join us!

Methodist Men Notes

Here is what is planned so far.

June – August 2024 - We will not have meetings in June – August 2024

September 14, 2024, 8:30 am - County Tax Appraiser Tim Parker will be our guest and he will explain the Amendments on the ballot for the November elections. Whole church invited.

October 12, 2024, 8:30 am - We will provide breakfast for the church and then help unload pumpkins if they arrive on time.

November 9, 2024, 8:30 am - A meeting of just the men. A business meeting.

December 7, 2024, 6:00 pm - Christmas Dinner which will be catered by Azalea Catering, Patsy Glisson. This is the caterer we used last year.

IMPORTANT! Pastor John's last day in our Trinity GMC pulpit will be Sunday, June 30, 2024. Following the service will be a covered dish dinner on the grounds with the meat being provided. Please plan on joining us and bring a favorite dish. We want to celebrate John & Sharon's 11 year ministry with us and give them a warm and heartfelt send off as they finally begin their retirement. A short and fun program will follow dinner, so **MARK THIS DATE, JUNE 30TH ON YOUR CALENDAR!** You won't want to miss it!

Rededication Service and Dinner

On Sunday, June 2, 2024, Trinity Global Methodist Church celebrated with a Rededication Service followed by Dinner in the Fellowship Hall. The service was designed to remind us of our Wesleyan beliefs and roots and to let us reconfirm our dedication to following those directions from John Wesley. Pastor John Bennett led the service, and all present were asked to answer questions regarding serving, following, participating, and helping the body of Christ to bring Jesus closer to each of us and others in the community. All who were members of Trinity United Methodist Church and those who were baptized in another denomination but wanted to join Trinity GMC were asked to respond to the liturgy. At this service we had approximately 60 people join and will become the initial members of Trinity Global Methodist Church of Palatka along with those who contacted the office and stated they were unable to attend on June 2, 2024. We are starting new by refreshing our rolls with those who wish to worship, serve, participate, and learn in the Fellowship of Trinity Global Methodist Church of Palatka.

After the service everyone gathered outside the front of the sanctuary and formed a cross. The cross formation which was all the members who had joined earlier in the service posed for a picture taken by a drone provided by Doug and Angie Brown.

After the pictures a covered dish dinner was enjoyed by all. The meat was prepared by Matt Simpson, and everyone seemed to enjoy the variety of items provided. Everyone also received a Trinity GMC pen and a cookie to commemorate this occasion. Pictures of the dinner follow.



Reflection On Marriage

In the words below, an anonymous Christian wife tells of what she has learned after 23 years of wedlock: I married to get away from home. At first our marriage was pretty bad. My husband's every action was inconsiderate—or at least I thought so. One day I faced the fact that even though I might not feel loved, at least I could show love. From that moment on, I began to act differently. "What will I do for my husband today?" I asked myself. I began doing little kindnesses. I studied his likes and dislikes and bought treats for his lunch box. I comforted him when he came home tired. I met him at the door with a smile. I tried to speak softly and diplomatically when we had a difference.

He began behaving differently—as though he knew he was loved. And I began to notice a change in my own feeling. I discovered that he had real depth. And I began to feel a new kind of love for him. Actually, when I began showing my love for my husband, it was I who benefited. Our son recently said, "All of my friends say that I have it good."

"Why?" I asked. "Because you and dad really like each other. You would be surprised how many parents don't get along." So, my answer to people who are stuck in a marriage that is loveless is, show love!

Quiet Beauty

*A rose can be quite eloquent
When standing all alone;
It needs no vast accompaniment,
No pompous, royal throne,
For beauty is not always found
In suave sophistication,
But often stands just by itself
As simply God's creation!*



Change?!

Q: How many church members does it take to change a lightbulb?

A: Change? What do you mean, change? My grandmother gave that light bulb to the church!

Prayer of Concern: Anna; Austin; Autumn; Barbara; Belinda; Bill; Connie; Carolyn; Carol; Cate; Charlotte; Chad; Chris; Cheryl; Cindy; Clint; Crystal; Dougie; Donna; Gail; Grace; Helen; Jack; Jayne; Joe Martin; Jim; John Jr.; John & Joyce; Joy; Karen; Ken & Linda; Kim; Kenny Thompson; Kevin; Lily; Micke; Michelle; Pat; Paul; Rhonda & Randy; Ricky; Samantha; Sandy; Sharon & John; Shirley; Teddy Edwards; Tracy; The Burks family; The Fales family; The Flint family; The Stapp family; Those in the nursing homes and our shut-ins. We pray for Moseley Elementary School & teachers. Children at the Methodist Children's Home; our national leaders & military; & Gods Church.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT (Through 6/2/2024)

Total Budget	\$194,037.00
Estimated needed to date	\$82,092.58
Received to date. **	\$62,133.58
Amount of Received to date that came from E-giving	\$5,630.98
Percent of "needed to date" that has been collected	75.69%
Percent of Year that is complete	32.31%
Percent of Yearly contributions that have been received	32.02%
DESIGNATED CONTRIBUTIONS	
Children's Home	\$530.00
Methodist Men	\$1,250.00
Cuba Covenant	\$900.00
Kid's Klub	\$710.00
Salary-Worship Leader	\$2,083.30
Memory of Addie Joy Larson	\$50.00
Memory of Charlene Coles	\$50.00

KIDS' KLUB CORNER

Here at Kids' Klub we want to share God's love with you. We hope that you will come and share God's love with us. We will meet each Wednesday thru June 12th. We will then resume Kids' Klub the first week of August, where we will be learning about the Old Testament, having new adventures and sharing prayers and supper.

We are looking forward to seeing you on Wednesdays. Come learn and enjoy all the things that God has blessed us with. God Bless!! The Kids' Klub Team

Mark your Calendar in the month of June for:

June 5th Summer Celebration

June 12th Pool Party at the Reed's/ Grab a bathing suit, towel and sunscreen and join us for some splashing fun.

June 19th NO KIDS' KLUB

June 26th NO KIDS' KLUB

July NO KIDS' KLUB

August Kids' Klub starts again (:



Eating Bugles for snack to remind us we are to tell others about Jesus.



Trying to see when blinded as Paul was by Jesus on the road to Damascus



Eating a bright yellow snack to remind to remind us of the light that blinded Paul.



Coloring a Happy Birthday Church banner when celebrating Pentecost.



Celebrating the birthday of the church at Pentecost by wearing fire on our heads and eating birthday cupcakes.



Learning about Timothy and how others teach us about Jesus.



Making Friendship Bread to remind us friends help us to learn about Jesus.



Learning about Lydia from Bible stories about her.



Wish a Happy Birthday To:

- 05**—Alice Ryals
- 17**—Linda Echols
- 28**—Doug Palmer

Anniversaries

- 05**—Wayne & Vicki Hare
- 08**—Lee & Alice Ryals
- 15**—Gary & Brenda Simpson
- 18**—Tracy & Wendy Underwood

JUNE 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Sunday Schedule Sunday School 9:15 Worship: 10:30						1
2 *Holy Communion -Rededication Service 10:30 am	3	4 Trinity Flame practice 6:00 pm	5 *Choir Practice @7:15 -Kid's Klub 5:00-7:00 pm—Fellowship Hall Summer Celebration	6	7	8 No TMM this month
9	10	11 Trinity Flame practice 6:00 pm	12 *Choir Practice @7:15 p.m. -Kid's Klub 5:00-7:00 pm—Fellowship Hall Pool Party at the Reed's	13	14  FLAG DAY	15
16 Father's Day  *Father's Day breakfast 9:15 am	17	18 Trinity Flame practice 6:00pm	19 *Choir Practice @7:15 p.m.	20	21	22
23 30 Pastor John & Sharon/ dinner on the grounds	24	25 Trinity Flame practice 6:00pm	26 *Choir Practice @7:15 p.m.	27	28	29

If you have any information for next month's newsletter, the deadline to have it in the Church office is Monday June 24, 2024. Please send an e-mail or drop something off in writing. Thank You!

Christian Bible Reference Site

<https://www.christianbiblereference.org/>

