

TRINITY TIDINGS

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From The Pastor

In the 26th verse of the 19th chapter of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus is quoted as saying that "*With God, all things are possible.*"

This scripture reminds me of a weight training coach that I had during the glory days of my youth. Coach Doar had a way of constantly placing goals in front of me that *I knew* to be impossible. He would stand at the head of the weight bench with his hands hovering over the bar, reminding me in a very loud voice that NOTHING is impossible.

Rick Warren and other gifted Christian leaders have been challenging local church leaders for decades to attempt things in our churches for the glory of God, that unless He intervenes, we most certainly will fail.

I believe this is a principle to live by and it should be a driving force in every decision we make in the ministry of Trinity GMC. Jesus called his disciples to move out of their comfort zone into places that required faith to navigate. To reach for goals that seem to be just beyond their grasp, goals that require faith.

However, when Jesus said, "With God, all things are possible", we need to remember he wasn't implying that it would be easy. It wasn't easy for me to make the decision to finally retire, It hasn't been easy for Sharon and I to downsize many years of accumulated stuff in order to sell our home, It wasn't easy for Trinity to make the decision to leave the UMC and obtain the funds necessary to "buy out". Accomplishing the impossible usually takes extraordinary effort.

It doesn't mean that success is immediate. Reaching worthwhile goals require a long-term commitment.

It doesn't mean that our efforts will be painless. Personal sacrifice is almost always part of the price.

It may not be easy, immediate, or painless, but if we're willing to step out in faith, if we're strong enough to trust God to do the impossible, if we're willing to pay the price of perseverance, the reward will always be greater than the investment.

I believe God has a higher calling for Trinity. I believe that much like my old coach, God is standing over us, reminding us that nothing is impossible as long as we have faith in the hands that are hovering over the bar.

As a child of God, are you willing to live a life of faith? As a congregation, are you willing to make the investments?

If you are, get ready because as the Apostle Paul said..."God is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, *according to his power that is at work within us*"...

Your Servant in Christ,

Pastor John

Kid's Klub

On Wednesdays 5-7 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall.
Kids ages 3 thru 8th grade.

Ladies Bible study with Sandra Black

Every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in her home. (386) 937-6475

Choir & Flame Practice

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

*Tuesday's at 6:00 pm.—Flame Practice

The Methodist Men's breakfast Meeting

Just a reminder that we are going to have a Methodist Men's meeting on Saturday morning April 13, at 8:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a business meeting after breakfast, and we will discuss who we may like to come and speak to us in May. When we have speakers we invite the whole church so consider someone who would appeal to the whole church.

Last month we had Rick Surrency come and speak about the Putnam School District Revitalization Plan. Everyone at the meeting seemed to appreciate the information they received. It always helps for us to be informed and not just talk about things without knowing all the details. We also will be planning for ways to increase our attendance at the Methodist Men meetings and at the weekly Sunday morning messages. Below are a couple of pictures from the last meeting on March 9.

Thanks to all. Please pray for our church and all those who have not been attending. God has given us an opportunity to bring people to our activities and we pray you will become involved and also bring someone with you.



Thank You From HOPE FM

Dear Trinity Friends,

Once again, you've blessed us incredibly! We're so very grateful for the delicious breakfast you provided. Your love, support, and encouragement mean so much to us. We appreciate your kindness!

with Love,
Robin & Staff

Prom Dress giveaway

Prom Dress giveaway on Sunday, April 7th in the Fellowship Hall from 3:00 to 6:00 pm. We need volunteers to help out & prom dress donations. Hosted by Wanda Strickland

Words To Live By

- *“Do you love me?” asked Eve. “Who else?” replied Adam.*
- *A trembling lower lip may be more the sign of a true Christian than a stiff upper lip.*
- *Christians who move the world are those who do not let the world move them.*
- *It’s easy to make a buck. It’s a lot tougher to make a difference.*
- *If through one man’s life there is a little more love and kindness, a little more light and truth in the world, then he will not have lived in vain.*
- *People who squawk about their income tax can be divided into two classes: men and women.*
- *A long life might not be good enough, but a good life is long enough.*

How’s That, Again

The minister had been asked to deliver the funeral sermon for a complete stranger. After the service had started, the pastor realized that the name given him might be applied to male or female. The details about the deceased’s life gave no clue as to the sex. Concerned, he waited until the choir began to sing and then bent over and whispered to a nearby mourner, “Brother or sister?” The weeping mourner answered hoarsely, “Cousin.”



Prayer of Concern: Austin; Autumn; Barbara; Belinda; Betty; Bill; Connie; Carolyn; Carol; Charlotte; Chris; Cheryl; Clint; Crystal; Dougie; Donna; Gail; Grace; Helen; Jack; Jayne; Jeane; Jim; Karen; Micke; Michelle Kailani; John & Joyce; Joy; Ken & Linda; Kenny; Kim; Kevin; Lily; Paul; Rhonda & Randy; Samantha; Sandy; Sharon & John; John Jr.; Kenny Thompson; Teddy; The Earl Richards family; Pat Lee; Wes & Cindy; Those in the nursing homes and our shut-ins. We pray for Moseley Elementary School & teachers. Children at the Methodist Children’s Home; The people of Haiti; our national leaders & military; & God’s Church.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT (Through 3/31/2024)

Total Budget	\$194,037.00
Estimated needed to date	\$48,509.25
Received to date. **	\$34,976.33
Amount of Received to date that came from E-giving	\$2,148.62
Percent of “needed to date” that has been collected	72.10%
Percent of Year that is complete	25.00%
Percent of Yearly contributions that have been received	18.03%
DESIGNATED CONTRIBUTIONS	
Children’s Home	\$460.00
Methodist Men	\$850.00
Cuba Covenant	\$300.00
Kid’s Klub	\$430.00
Salary-Worship Leader	\$1,249.98
Memory of Addie Joy Larson	\$50.00

KIDS’ KLUB CORNER

Wow!! What an awesome month March was at Kids’ Klub. Kids’ Klub celebrated Lent by learning about Jesus and the miracles He performed. We send out a special “THANK YOU” to those that have supported us with their prayers and donations. Thanks for helping to make Kids’ Klub so special. Come and see what blessings God is showing us in April. We will continue our journey in the month of April as we learn about Jesus’ love, play games, sing, and pray together. Dinner will be served each week. We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday between 5:00 and 7:00.



We are learning about Jesus' miracle when He calmed the storm.



Learning about the week Jesus had before His crucifixion.



Bartimaeus helped us to think of all God does for us. Jesus is our light.



Celebrating with singing and going to the Sanctuary to hunt easter eggs.



Wish a Happy Birthday To:

- 11—Bob Reed
- 16—Paul Moran
- 21—Marlin Bechanan
- 21—Errol Findlater
- 21—Anthony Moran
- 21—Ryan Moran
- 23—Margaret Richters
- 27—Doug Brown
- 28—Cierra Brophy

Anniversaries

- 12—Matthew & Megan Simpson

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Sunday Schedule Sunday School 9:15 Worship: 10:30	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 Holy Communion Prom Dress giveaway, Fellowship Hall 3-6 pm	8	9 Trinity Flame practice 6:00 pm	10 Ladies Bible Study with Sandra at 10:00 am. *Choir Practice @7:15 Kid's Klub 5:00-7:00 pm—Fellowship Hall	11	12	13 Methodist Men's breakfast Meeting at 8:30 am
14	15	16 Trinity Flame practice 6:00 pm *Trustee's Meeting at 7:00 pm	17 Ladies Bible Study with Sandra at 10:00 am *Choir Practice @7:15 p.m. Kid's Klub 5:00-7:00 pm—Fellowship Hall	18 *Admin. Financial Council Meeting at 7:00 pm	19	20
21	22 	23 Trinity Flame practice 6:00pm	24 Ladies Bible Study with Sandra at 10:00 am. *Choir Practice @7:15 p.m. Kid's Klub 5:00-7:00 pm—Fellowship Hall	25	26	27
28	29	30 Trinity Flame practice 6:00pm				

If you have any information for next month's newsletter, the deadline to have it in the Church office is Monday April 29, 2024. Please send an e-mail or drop something off in writing. Thank You!

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