TRINITY TIDINGS August 2017

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From the Pastor

Greetings to all!

This month I'm doing something I don't normally do for my newsletter article.

Sharon brought this to my attention from one of her friends on Facebook. As most of you know, I don't do Facebook. But there is an old saying that most of you are familiar with about "Blind hogs and acorns".

Anyway, I found this to be very thought provoking and I hope you do as well.

It was written by Wilbur Rees and it is entitled "Three Dollars' Worth of God"

"I would like to buy \$3 worth of God, please.

Not enough to explode my soul or disturb my sleep, but just enough to equal a cup of warm milk or a snooze in the sunshine.

I don't want enough of God to make me love a black man or pick beets with a migrant.

I want ecstasy, not transformation.

I want warmth of the womb, not a new birth.

I want a pound of the Eternal in a paper sack.

I would like to buy \$3 worth of God, please."

THINK ABOUT IT...

Your servant in Christ,

Pastor John

He touched their eyes and said, "Become what you believe."

Matthew 9:29 (The Message)

A CONVERSATION WITH BISHOP CARTER

Join Bishop Ken Carter at one of three important fall regional gatherings. These events are open to all and there will be opportunities to submit questions for Bishop Carter prior to the event. Each event will begin at 6:30 PM and a reception will follow.

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, September 24 - Hyde Park UMC - Tampa

Monday, September 25 - Mandarin UMC - Jacksonville

Tuesday, September 26 – Community of Hope UMC – Loxahatchee



CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

Or go to FLUMC.org and find Regional Gatherings under the Bishop's Corner

Save the Date
Saturday, September 16, 2017
MissionInsite Training
Leader: Tom Bandy

As part of the Florida Conference United Methodist Church we have free access to MissionInsite and the demographics around our church. This free service is provided to our church by the Florida Conference New Church Development Office.

Fellowship Lunch

Sunday, August 27 12 noon Fellowship Hall Everyone is invited! Hosted by Selah Sunday School Class

SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

Our adopted school, **Moseley Elementary**, is in need of school supplies for the new school year. When you are out shopping, please remember the children at Moseley and pick up some items for the school. Take advantage of the BoGo sales!! Items needed include:

School supplies
Kid size new underwear
Kid size socks
Travel size shampoo, lotion, toothpaste
White elephant items (old jewelry, knick-knacks, etc.)

You may place your donations in the box in the church narthex. Thanks!!

Chancel Choir Resumes Practice on August 16 7:15 p.m. Choir Room

There is always room for one more! If you would like to join the choir, this is the perfect time to do so. See you there!

Friday, August 4 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

LifeSouth Community Blood Center
6003 Crill Avenue, Palatka, FL

The first 200 kids with an accompanied adult will receive a backpack full of school supplies.

Enjoy free food from Pizza Hut, Woody's BBQ of Palatka, and Niko's Pizza. St. John's Salon will be handing out coupons for free kids haircuts, Azalea Health will be distributing oral care products, and there will be a fun bounce house!

North East District Lay Servant Ministries Training – Fall 2017 Friday, September 22 – Saturday, September 23 Keystone United Methodist Church

4004 SR 21 South, Keystone Heights, FL 32656

The course fee of \$30 includes snacks and lunch on Saturday. Class sizes are limited to 15 students per class. Be sure to register early. **No walk-in registrations please.** Please note all registrants are required to purchase their own book. The Basic and Advanced Courses will be opened to all who are seeking to receive certification or re-certification credits. You must attend all 10 hours of the training. For registration information, contact the church office or go to

https://florida-reg.brtapp.com/NorthEastDistrictFall2017LayServantTraining71

The Evelyn Laycock Bible Study Series "Creating a Symphony" October 9-12, 2017 Epworth By The Sea, St. Simons Island, Georgia

Bishop James E. Swanson, Sr. will be preaching and Bishop Richard C. Looney will lead the Bible Study. For more information, please visit: www.epworthbythesea.org or call 912-638-8688.

Thanks – Thank you for the special recognition of graduating seniors at the worship service on May 21st and the reception. I appreciated it very much and will always remember your kindness. Carol Hawkins

Note – Carol has joined the Marines and is at basic training in Parris Island.

Her address is: RCT Hawkins, Carol S.

4th RTBN Pit 4032 Co N

PO Box 16445, Parris Island, SC 29905-6445.

I am sure she would love to receive some words of encouragement from her church family.

Thanks - From The Florida United Methodist Children's HomeDear Friends:

As I walk around our campus, I can certainly tell that it's summer. Not just because of the usual Florida heat, but because of the activity so fitting for this time of year. Children are out of school and our Summer Fun program is in full swing. Children can be found in the pool, on the ropes course, riding bikes, or getting ready to attend Warren Willis Camp in Fruitland. It also reminded me how grateful I am to know that we have friends like you who can help make these activities possible for the children.

If you're wondering how much of an impact your support has on our children, just take a look at our high school graduates. This year, we had six of our young people receive their diploma. All six came from their own traumatic situation of abuse. Your support provided the daily needs to help them overcome past issues, feel loved and valuable, and become successful. Because of your support, Antoine, Collin, Donovan, Heather, Garrett and Tyrese are also going to college.

Success stories like this are only possible through your loving gifts, which translate into providing the children with therapy, education, clothing and other necessities for a happy and healthy life. This is the kind of unconditional love that Jesus spoke of to his disciples when he said, "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you."

We are very appreciative of your congregation's recent gift of \$640.00. Your generosity is making an impact in the lives of our children.

From our children and staff, thank you for your continued love and support.

Sincerely, Elisabeth Gadd, Chief Development Officer

Baptism – A covenant of baptism was celebrated on June 4, 2017 for **Nevaeh Rae Hudson**, daughter of Matthew & Chelsea Hudson.

Sympathy – Our Christian love and sympathy are extended to the family of:

Sarah Ogle who entered heaven on June 2, 2017.

Rev. Paul Bauer (pastor at Trinity 1980-86) who entered heaven on June 19, 2017.

William Snyder who entered heaven on June 24, 2017.

Douglas Palmer whose father entered heaven on July 3.

Service of Confirmation was celebrated on June 25, 2017 for Brandon Lewis, Dylan Lewis, Carlie Drew and Emily Simpson. We welcome them as members of Trinity.

Scholarships – Congratulations to Sarah Bellamy, Carsyn Drew, Anthony Moran and Brianna Paulin this year's recipients of the Lois Jungenberg Memorial Scholarships.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT (Through 7/23/17)

Total Budget	\$234,478.00	<u>Unbudgeted Contributions</u>
Estimated needed to date	135,275.77	Scholarship Fund 375.00
Received to date	109,771.41	Cuba Covenant 2,607.00
Percent of "needed to date"		Uprising Student Min. 1,210.00
that has been collected	81.15%	Children's Home 1,322.00
Percent of Year that is Complete	57.69%	Kids' Klub 1,469.00
Percent of Yearly Contributions	that	Kairos Outside 25.00
have been received	46.82%	Brie Paulin Mission Trip 100.00
		Vacation Bible School 600.00
		Music Accompanist 200.00
		Annual Conf. Offering 125.00
		Uprising Curriculum 600.00

CIRCLE OF CONCERN – Those needing our prayers -

Joyce Strickland	Lee West	Charlotte Rose	Virginia Alexander
Gary Armstrong	Herb DuTour	Gail West	Tracy Underwood

Those in the nursing homes (**Edna Houck, Jean Moore**) and our shut-ins; San Antonio de Rio Blanco Church in Cuba; the Persecuted Church; Moseley Elementary School teachers; Westover Mobile Home Park Ministry; Children at the Methodist Children's Home; our Nation's leaders & military; your Pastoral family & your Church

KIDS' KLUB CORNER

WOW!! Kids' Klub is so excited to be starting a new year. Here at Kids' Klub we want to share God's love with you. We hope that if you are between the ages of 3 thru fifth grade that you will come and share God's love with us. We will be meeting each Wednesday, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Trinity UMC. We will be learning about the men and women of the Old Testament, having new adventures, sharing dinner and making lots of new friends.

August Happenings:

August 2nd "Daniel" Our annual Kids' Klub Retreat

August 9th Parent night

August 16th This year will begin with learning about heroes from the Old Testament.

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



Mr. B talking about the lost Indian, Osceola, and showing the kids tracks and things the Indian used to survive.



Playing games with the parachute on our last meeting before summer.



Group picture at the Bechanans after fun and eating and dodging rain drops.

Wish a Happy Birthday to:

1st - Carlie Drew

- Raymond Lewis

3rd - Teresa Bechanan

- JoLee French

- Carol Hawkins

- Kyla Rogero

- Matt Simpson

6th - Mitchell Huskey

11th - Tina Mullis

13th - Jessy Jo Revels

14th - Cathy Ollie

17th - Samantha Chapman

- Andrea Findlater

- Casey Sheffield

- James Taylor

18th - Wendy Underwood

19th - Trey Curtis

- Ivey Sheffield

20th - Tilden Gill

- Erica Rogero

21st - Landon Hare

- Leslie Lewis

- Kristi Willoughby

22nd - Ken Echols

24th - Matthew Kennard

25th - William Ollie

26th - Richie Lewis

- Julie Thompson

28th - Karen DuTour

30th - Cassie Nettles

- Wyatt Woodard

Anniversaries

9th - Austin & Marisa Annis

21st - Brad & Lynsey Cox

25th - Robert & Crystal Reed

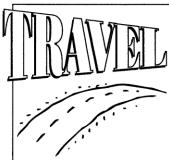
Altar Flowers

6th - OPEN

13th - OPEN

20th - Reed

27th - OPEN



It is very quick and easy to travel in the world today. In Bible times, it was not so easy!

Make a "travel collage."

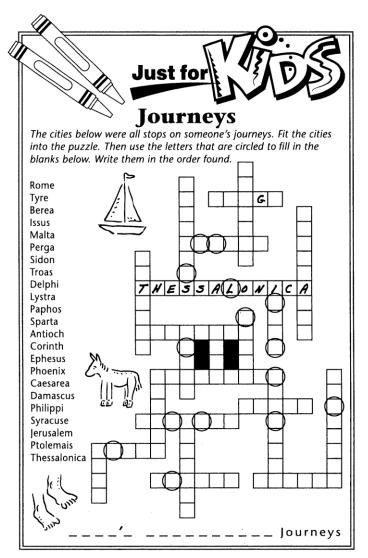
You will need:

- a large piece of construction paper
- ▲ magazines
- ▲ scissors
- ▲ glue

Cut out pictures and words that show all kinds of transportation. Don't forget "feet" or donkeys and other animals!



Glue everything on the paper. Don't leave any empty spaces.



Paul's Missionary Journeys

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AUGUST 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday Schedule 9:15 a.m. – Sunday School 10:30 a.m. –Worship		1 7 p.m. – Trinity Flame Practice	5 p.m Youth 5 p.m. – Kids' Klub Retreat	3	4	5
6	7	8 7 p.m. – Trinity Flame Practice	9 5 p.m Youth 5 p.m. – Kids' Klub Parent's Night	10	11	12
13	14	15 7 p.m. – Trinity Flame Practice	5 p.m. – Kids' Klub 5 p.m. – Youth 7:15 p.m. – Chancel Choir Practice	17	18	19
20	21	22 7 p.m. – Trinity Flame Practice	23 . 5 p.m. – Kids' Klub 5 p.m. – Youth 7:15 p.m. – Chancel Choir Practice	24	25	26
27 12 noon – Fellowship Lunch	28	7 p.m. – Trinity Flame Practice	5 p.m. – Kids' Klub 5 p.m. – Youth 7:15 p.m. – Chancel Choir Practice	31		