

TRINITY TIDINGS

MAY 2021

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FROM THE PASTOR

Dear brothers and sisters.

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus. Last week was Announcement Sunday and although there were 37 saints in attendance, I know that what was shared that day needs to be shared with everyone in our congregation.

As you may know, each year pastors and churches within the United Methodist tradition arrive at a decision point where they must decide if the current pastor continues to lead the church for another season or if it's time for a change. In some cases, the leadership of the church requests a change... and sometimes the Pastor and his or her family makes the decision. Sometimes it's clear to both parties that a change is needed. Of course, the final decision is made by the Bishop and the Cabinet. This year is a bit different for several reasons.

First and most important, as of July 1, after 21 years of ministry, I will be Officially Retired. This is mandatory in our Denomination for Pastors when they reach the age of 72. I have grown to know and love our family here at Trinity and in many ways, I was not looking forward to leaving, especially with the upcoming choices concerning Denomination as a whole and Trinity in particular.

However, several months ago I was in conference with our District Superintendent and after expressing my concerns with him, Rev. Foshee offered the opportunity to return for one year after retirement. After much prayer and consideration Sharon and I have made the decision to accept the full-time appointment extension for another year.

Another change that you should be made aware of is we have a new Chair of the Administrative Council. As most of you know Tina Mullis is getting remarried and has moved to St. Augustine. Tina submitted her resignation at our last meeting. I have asked Alice Ryals to take Tina's place as Chair. Alice has served that position in the past and I'm sure will do a great job again.

In the 3rd chapter of the book of Ecclesiastes there's a very popular passage. In fact, back in 1965 a group called "**The Birds**" recorded a **Platinum Hit** song based on these words. ***To everything there is a season, A time for every purpose under heaven:*** And then the scripture goes on to list 14 "Seasons". We are all moving into a new season, in our Denomination, in our nation and indeed, in our world. My prayer for each of us is that we remain close to our Lord, for only He has the power and knowledge to get us through the months and years ahead.

May the Lord bless you and keep you in all that you do in His name.



United Methodist Men

Second Saturday of the month, 8:30 a.m.

Bible Study

-Bible Study with Alice is every Tues. in the Fellowship Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Bible Study is postponed until further notice!

-Ladies Bible Study with Sandra Collins is on Wednesday's, at 10:00 a.m.

call- (386)-937-6475



CIRCLE OF CONCERN – *Those needing our prayers:* Marlin Bechanan; The Bigsby family; Tommy Brooks; The family of Bonnie Trauerman; Belinda Mullins; Jimmy Wood; Thayer; Lillie; Kayla; Jo Dunn; Carolyn Deel; Tia Lingle; Kathy Baker; Charlene Cole; Leslie Lewis; and Taylor; Those in the nursing homes and our shut-ins; San Antonio de Rio Blanco Church in Cuba; the persecuted Church; Moseley Elementary School & teachers; Children at the Methodist Children's Home; our Nation's leaders & military; your Pastoral family & your church.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT (Through 4/25/2021)

Total Budget	\$227,066.00
Estimated needed to date	\$74,233.12
Received to date. **	\$44,658.89
Amount of Received to date that came from E-giving	\$3,190.00
Percent of "needed to date" that has been collected	60.16%
Percent of Year that is complete	32.69%
Percent of Yearly contributions that have been received	19.67%
<u>DESIGNATED CONTRIBUTIONS</u>	
Kids' Klub	\$620.00
Cuba Covenant	\$460.00
Salary-Worship Leader	\$1,666.64
Children's Home	\$755.00
In memory of Harry Strickland	\$700.00
United Methodist Men	\$100.00
A Women's Resource Center	\$20.00

Update to Bread of Life. Praise.

Hello,

Thankful to God we can assist and provide to the Bread of Life continuously month after month. Donations to TUM not only provide a monthly meal, but also a donation for the Bread of Life's choosing for a day. That is twice a month we have been donating. We are blessed and to pass on our blessings is what Jesus would have us do. Thank you to all the men.

Our last meal was April 20th and we provided meals for 40 people. The rest of the food was frozen and will be used in the future. We have two dates for May, one we provide the food and one we provide the financial means.

Chrissy has stepped down from the daily role at the Bread of Life as she wants to spend more time with her children. The new contact is Teri Odom, 239.919.0516. She will be the new coordinator for our meals. The new (old) location has been renovated and opening soon. Our meals will now be delivered to 320 N 5th St.

As always, thank you for your support to the church, our outreach programs and to each other.

Please continue to pray for those in need that they find comfort.

God bless,

Douglas Brown

Would You Like to Help?

Trinity has three teams of two people each who count the tithes, offerings, and donations on Sunday morning at the conclusion of the 10:30 service. Each team counts one month and then has two months off. The counting takes about 30-45 minutes and requires that the collections be taken to the night deposit box at TD Bank in Palatka at the end of the process. The teams are currently in a transition as several members have been unable to come for various reasons. We need two to three additional persons who would be willing to help if one or both team members are unavailable. The hope is that we would know soon enough before the Sunday service so plans can be made. If you are interested or would like more information, call Gary Simpson (386) 972-0708 and we can talk about the process.

We need someone to volunteer to assist. Training will be provided, and your prayerful consideration is appreciated.

KIDS' KLUB CORNER

Here at Kids' Klub, we want to share God's love with you. We hope that if you are between the ages of 3 and eighth grade 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. This month we will be learning about friends of Jesus, having new adventures, sharing supper, praising Jesus, and showing Jesus' love.

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



Learning the Great Commission to tell the world about Jesus.



Singing for joy as we learn about the man that Peter healed and how he jumped for joy.





Working on and stuffing “Blessing Bags” for distribution at Palatka Christian Service Center as we learn about sharing with others.



Thanking our church workers who like the seven chosen leaders in Acts are sharing God.



NE DISTRICT UPCOMING EVENTS

- *11:00 AM Monthly District KidMin Meeting on Wednesday May 19, 2021.
- *May 8th 9:30 am to 12:00 pm, Intentional Discipleship Workshops part 2, 2021.
- *Run 4 Life 4 miler, May 15 [Register](#) (click on "register" and click Ctrl)
- * NE DCOM, May 12

COVID-19 and Prayer

Let us all continue to pray, hug, (with masks on) & love those around us and those we come in contact with. Share the love of Jesus Christ...continue his passion for kindness, compassion, and sacrifice.

Flower Calendar:

May 2---Holy Communion

May 16---Open

May 9---Schmidt

May 23---Schmidt

May 30---Open

If you have any information for next month's newsletter, (May) the deadline to have it in the Church office is Monday May 26, 2021. Please send an e-mail or drop something off in writing.

Thank You!



May 11, 2021 7:30 p.m.

Lewis Auditorium

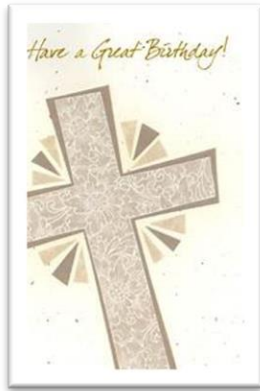
TICKETS: staugustinecommunitychorus.org

\$25

\$12 Ages 11-17 • \$5 Active Military with ID



Children 10 and Under Free



Wish a Happy Birthday To:


- 02-Caren Drew
- 12-Kyndal Rogero
- 13-Gracyn Rose Levine
- 13-Elizabeth Waldron
- 14-Megan Simpson
- 17-Ja'ena Foshee
- 17-Rebecca Waldron
- 24-Mckinsey Browning
- 27-Christopher Schmidt

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:

- 05-Lonnie & Tammy Vining
- 24-Joey & Micke Schmidt
- 25-J.D. & Marlene Ogle



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 <u>Sunday Schedule</u> Sunday School 9:15 Worship: 10:30						
2 Holy Communion Altar flowers- Sharon	3	4	*Ladies bible study with Sandra Collins 10:00 a.m. *Kids' Klub 5-7 Fellowship Hall, kids age 3 thru 8 th grades.	6 National Day of Prayer	7 May friendship Day	8 9:30 am to 12 Intentional Discipleship Workshops part 2, 2021
9 Mother's Day  Altar flowers- Schmidt	10	11 SACC St Augustine Community Chorus 7:30 pm	12 *Ladies bible study with Sandra Collins 10:00 a.m. *Kids' Klub 5-7 Fellowship Hall, kids age 3 thru 8 th grades. NE DCOM	13	14	15 Run4Life4miler
16 Altar flowers- Open	17	18	19 *Ladies bible study with Sandra Collins 10:00 a.m. *Kids' Klub 5-7 Fellowship Hall, kids age 3 thru 8 th grades. *11:00 am Monthly district KidMin meeting	20 Ad Council 7:00 pm	21	22
23 Altar flowers- Schmidt	24 Deadline for newsletter articles	25	26 *Ladies bible study with Sandra Collins 10:00 a.m. *Kids' Klub 5-7 Fellowship Hall, kids age 3 thru 8 th grades.	27	28	29
30 Altar flowers- Open	31 Memorial Day					



How much do you know about the Bible? Find out with this week's [Bible Quiz](#) and [Crossword Puzzle](#).

Christian Bible Reference Site
<https://www.christianbiblereference.org/>

