# TRINITY TIDINGS FEBRUARY 2024

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### God's Peace

A minister, Dr. J. Ellsworth Kalas, once told of a terrifying childhood experience. He was 4 years old and was in the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota. The caregivers thought it was best for him to spend the first night in the hospital. Thinking little Ellsworth would be well taken care of, his father and mother went to their hotel room for the night. Alone in a strange setting, the child was quickly overwhelmed by fear and loneliness. His wailing and profuse tears compelled the nurse in charge to telephone the parents. Here is how Dr. Kalas describes what happened when his father came for him:

"I remember his dressing me there in the darkness. I remember especially those funny garters which children used to wear. My father fumbled in clipping them on. Then, I remember getting on a streetcar, and sitting way at the back of the car as we rode to the hotel. He held me very close to him, his long, ungainly arm wrapped around me. And the little boy who had been so frightened was now at peace."

Dr. Kalas went on to say that we all have those times when the odds are too great for us to handle. Sometimes there is a threat to health or finances or family stability and sometimes we cannot describe the problem we have, but we are troubled, nevertheless.

Finally, he said, "How good, then, to draw deeply on the resources of God! In Him, there is a peace which is greater than the trouble. How good, indeed, to burrow into a place of security, and to feel an arm wrapping strong about us and to know that it is the arm of our Heavenly Father."

#### **Methodist Men**

Valentines reception after church on Sunday, February11, 2024

#### Kid's Klub

On Wednesdays 5-7 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Kids ages 3 thru 8<sup>th</sup> 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.—<u>Chancel Choir Practice in choir room.</u>

\*Tuesday's at 6:00 pm.—<u>Flame Practice</u>

The Methodist Men will be sponsoring an "upscale dessert reception" after church on Sunday Morning February 11, 2024. The men will be providing the desserts. This begins a special week of Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday. Love will be in the air, and we invite you to come and bring someone with you. Share the love of God who sent his son Jesus because of His great love for each of us.

See you February 11 after the Morning Message.

Methodist Men





**Prayer of Concern:** Austin; Autumn; Barbara; Belinda; Connie; Carolyn; Carol; Chris; Cheryl; Clint; Dougie; Donna; Helen; Jack; Jayne; Micke; Michelle Kailani; Joy; Ken & Linda; Kim; Kevin; Lily; Family of Lowell Moore; Paul; Rhonda & Randy; Samantha; Sharon & John; Kenny Thompson; The Family of AC Myres; Earl Richards & Family; Pat Lee; Family of Jan Rice. 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; & God's Church.

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT (Through 1/31/2024)

Total Budget	\$194,037.00		
Estimated needed to date	\$14,925.92		
Received to date. **	\$11,059.74		
Amount of Received to date that came from E-giving	\$825.90		
Percent of "needed to date" that has been collected	74.10%		
Percent of Year that is complete	7.55%		
Percent of Yearly contributions that have been received	5.70%		
DESIGNATED CONTRIBUTIONS			
Children's Home	\$150.00		
Methodist Men	\$300.00		
Cuba Covenant	\$100.00		
Kid's Klub	\$100.00		
Salary-Worship Leader	\$416.66		

#### **Building Belief in God's Help**

Think of the many times God has been good to you. List each one on paper and review the list from time to time. For example, you might list recovery from an illness, the time your loved one was divinely protected, the occasion—when in deepest discouragement—you found a way out of your difficulty. "God is helping me now." Repeat this affirmation every day, and your mind will become tranquil and relaxed as you assure yourself of his love and mercy. Then, you will know that you can meet whatever the brings. Life will be good, even though it may be difficult at times.

Let us pray: Our Heavenly Father, help us to remember that when we take Jesus, our Savior, into our lives, we can handle anything. Help us to obtain spiritual power to overcome our problems and help others overcome theirs. Thank you, Lord, for letting us live in this wonderful world and be part of its challenge. This we ask through Jesus Christ, out Lord. Amen.

----Norman Vincent Peale

#### Noah and the Camels

Noah was standing at the gangplank checking off the pairs of animals when he saw three camels trying to get on board. "Wait a minute!" said the patriarch. "Two each is the limit. One of you will have to stay behind."

"It won't be me," said the first camel. "I'm the camel whose back is broken by the last straw."

"I'm the one people swallow while straining at gnats," said the second.

"I," said the third, "am the one that shall pass through the eye of a needle sooner than a rich man shall enter heaven."

"Come on in," said Noah, "the world is going need all of you.



#### Covetousness

Recently I laid a small circle of poison around a hill of stinging ants. Thinking the tiny granules of poison were food, the ants began to pick them up and carry them throughout the colony.

I returned later to see how well the poison was working. Hundreds of the stinging ants were carrying the poison down into their hill. Then I noticed a hole in the circle of poison. Some of the poison was moving in the opposite way—away from the hill.

Some smaller, non-stinging ants had found this "food" and were stealing it from their ant neighbors. Thinking they were getting the other ants' treasure, they unwittingly poisoned themselves.

When we see someone with more than we have, we must beware. The hunger to beg, borrow or steal our way into what is theirs may poison us spiritually.

--Bob James Paint Rock, TX

#### **KIDS' KLUB CORNER**

Kids' Klub will be celebrating Jesus' call for us to "Follow Him" in the month of February. We will be celebrating Ash Wednesday as we prepare for Lent, sending Valentines, sharing God's love with others, learning about the New Testament and blessings from Jesus. If you are a kid come and see what blessings God is showing us. We will learn about Jesus, play games, sing, and pray together. Supper will be served each week. We are looking forward to seeing you from 5:00 to 7:00 each Wednesday afternoon.





Epiphany and the Wise Men following the star.





Studying Simeon and Anna as they saw that God keeps His promises.





Looking for Jesus as Mary & Joseph were looking for Him when He was twelve.





Snow day at Kids' Klub. Learning about how God made each of us unique like snowflakes which can be used in snowball tossing and making snowflakes.



## Wish a Happy Birthday To:

**06**—Charlene Coles

**08**—Isabella Hayes

**08**—Crystal Reed

**16**—Lee Ryals

23—Jimmy Wood



Anniversaries
12—Edward & Charlene Coles

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Sunday Schedule Sunday School 9:15 Worship: 10:30	29	30	31	1	2	3
4 Holy Communion	5	<b>6</b> Trinity Flame practice 6:00 pm	7 Ladies Bible Study with Sandra at 10:00 am. *Choir Practice @7:15 Kid's Klub 5:00-7:00 pm—Fellowship Hall	8	9	10
11 Valentines Reception after Church Service	12	13 Trinity Flame practice 6:00pm	14 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 Ash Wed. Service 6:30 pm	15	16	17
18	19	<b>20</b> Trinity Flame practice 6:00pm	21 Ladies Bible Study with Sandra at 10:00 am. *Choir Practice @7:15 Kid's Klub 5:00-7:00 pm—Fellowship Hall	22	23	24
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If you have any information for next month's newsletter, the deadline to have it in the Church office is Monday February 26, 2024. Please send an e-mail or drop something off in writing. Thank You!



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