

TRINITY TIDINGS

SEPTEMBER 2022

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How do you Think of God?

At first, I saw God as my observer, my judge, keeping track of the things I did wrong, so as to know whether I merited heaven or hell when I die. He was out there, sort of like the president. I recognized His picture when I saw it, but I really didn't know Him.

But later on, when I recognized my higher power, it seemed as though life was rather like a bike ride, but it was a tandem bike, and I noticed that God was in the back helping me pedal.

I don't know just when it was, He suggested we change places, but life has not been the same since. When I had control, I knew the way. It was rather boring but predictable. It was the shortest distance between two points.

But when He took the lead, He knew delightful long cuts, up mountains and through rocky places and at breakneck speeds. It was all I could do to hang on! Even though it looked like madness, He said, "Pedal!"

I worried and was anxious and asked, "Where are you taking me?" He laughed and didn't answer, and I started to trust.

I forgot my boring life and entered into the adventure. When I'd say, "I'm scared," He'd lean back and touch my hand.

He took me to people with gifts that I needed, gifts of healing, acceptance, and joy. They gave me their gifts to take on my journey, God's, and mine.

And we were off again. He said, "Give the gifts away; they're extra baggage, too much weight." So I did, to the people we met, and I found that in giving I received, and still our burden was light.

I did not trust him at first, in control of my life. I thought He'd wreck it. But He knows bike secrets, & knows how to make it bend to take sharp corners, jump to clear high rocks, fly to shorten scary passages.

And I'm learning to be quiet and pedal in the strangest places, and I'm beginning to enjoy the view and the cool breeze on my face with my delightful constant companion.

And when I'm sure I just can't do it anymore, He just smiles and says....
...."Pedal!"

United Methodist Men

The UMM will begin their breakfast meetings on Saturday, September 10, 2022.

Kid's Klub

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

Ladies Bible study with Sandra Collins

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

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

*Tuesday's at 6:00 pm.—Flame Practice

CPR Class

There will be a CPR Class at St. James United Methodist Church

On Saturday September 17, 2022, at 8:00 a.m. the price is \$11.00

Thank You, Rev. John Schafer

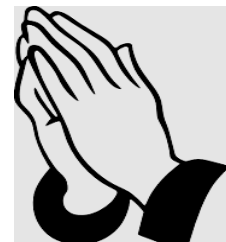
Hello & Thank You!!

...so much for your generous support. Our community can never thank you enough!

Bread of Life



Prayer of Concern: The Family of James Mull; Alex; Ashton; Austin; Belinda; Bill Wadding; Bob; Brauneck family; Carol; Carolyn; Chris; Cindy; Clint; Cody; Collins family; Derrick; Diane & Bill; Donna; Donnie P; Dougie; Ed & Charlene Coles; Gail; Jacob; Jolee; Jimmy W. Karen & Herb; Ken; Kim; Linda & Bill Gardner; Mary Beth; Michelle; Mickie & Joey; Ora & Crystal; Page; Peggy & Johnny; Samantha; Shane; Smith family; Tammy; Trish Murff; We pray for the people of Haiti; Those in the nursing homes and our shut-ins; We pray for our sister church in San Antonio de Rio Blanco in Cuba; the Persecuted Church; Moseley Elementary School & teachers; Children at the Methodist Children's Home; our National leaders & military; The people of Ukraine; your Pastoral family & your Church.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT (Through 8/28/2022)

Total Budget	\$197,655.00
Estimated needed to date	\$133,037.02
Received to date. **	\$93,245.89
Amount of Received to date that came from E-giving	\$6,651.28
Percent of “needed to date” that has been collected	70.09%
Percent of Year that is complete	67.31%
Percent of Yearly contributions that have been received	47.18%
DESIGNATED CONTRIBUTIONS	
Kids’ Klub	\$1,210.00
Cuba Covenant	\$840.00
Salary-Worship Leader	\$3,333.28
Children’s Home	\$2,145.87
United Methodist Men	\$1,000.00
A Women’s Resource Center	\$140.00
In memory of Don Kennard	\$1,365.00
In memory of Trey Curtis	\$100.00
In memory of Sara Dew	\$425.00
In memory of Phil Lednik	\$200.00
United Methodist Women	\$20.00
In memory of John Alexander	\$100.00
In memory of Bonnie Trauerman	\$475.00
In memory of Ed Griffin	\$50.00

KIDS’ KLUB CORNER

September is here and we are so excited to be learning about “The Family of God” through Abraham. We are looking for you to join us as we learn about, share, and serve Jesus. We hope that you will join us on Wednesdays from 5:00 to 7:00. Come learn and enjoy all the things that God has blessed us with. God Bless!



Learning how God created the world through our creative snacks.



Crafting the Creation story with a panel for each of the six days.



Family Night with Kids' Klub eating Tacos



Playing together

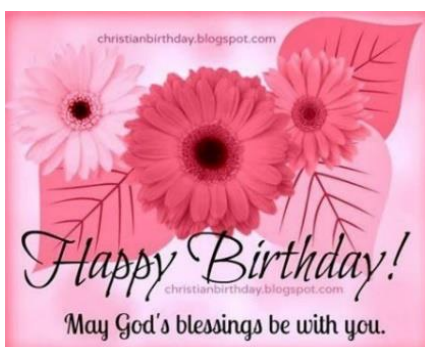


Family Night Singing



Twas the Night before school starts

'Twas the Night before school starts and everywhere,
Anxious students were choosing which outfit to wear.
The notebooks were laid with care in the den,
Among brand new folders, pencils, and pens.
Gone swimming, gone fishing, gone playing all day,
Gone vacations and sunburns, at least until May.
Gone is church camp, late nights, sleeping in, too,
At the thought of it all, I began to feel blue.
So I dropped to my knees at the side of my bed,
And prayed, "Can't I just join the circus instead?
The kids at my school are cruel and unfair,
Some don't know you, Father, and what's more, some don't care.
They know I'm a Christian, so they watch every move,
To see if I'll mess up, and sometimes I do."
Then out of the silence, I heard his reply,
"I'll be with you always, just point them to Christ."



Wish a Happy Birthday To:

- 01**—Sandy Sanders
- 02**—Carsyn Drew
- 03**—J.D. Ogle
- 08**—John Bennett
- 10**—Even Simpson
- 17**—Teresa Kennard
- 26**—Bryan Hayes
- 29**—Tonia Hare
- 30**—Hayden Gill

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Sunday Schedule Sunday School 9:15 Worship: 10:30				1	2	3
4 Holy Communion	5	6	7 Choir Practice- 7:15 p.m. <i>*Ladies Bible Study with Sandra Collins at 10:00 am.</i>	8	9	10 UMM breakfast meeting at 8:30 a.m.
11	12	13 Trinity Flame practice 6:00 pm	14 Choir Practice- 7:15 p.m. *Kid's Klub 5-7, Fellowship Hall. Kids ages 3 thru 8th grade. <i>*Ladies Bible Study with Sandra Collins at 10:00 am.</i>	15 Admin. & Finance Council meeting 7:00 p.m.	16	17
18	19	20 Trinity Flame practice 6:00 pm	21 Choir Practice- 7:15 p.m. *Kid's Klub 5-7, Fellowship Hall. Kids ages 3 thru 8th grade. <i>*Ladies Bible Study with Sandra Collins at 10:00 am.</i>	22	23	24
25	26	27 Trinity Flame practice 6:00 pm	28 Choir Practice- 7:15 p.m. *Kid's Klub 5-7, Fellowship Hall. Kids ages 3 thru 8th grade. <i>*Ladies Bible Study with Sandra Collins at 10:00 am.</i>	29	30	

If you have any information for next month's newsletter, the deadline to have it in the Church office. Monday September 26, 2022. Please send an e-mail or drop something off in writing. Thank You!

Christian Bible Reference Site

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