TRINITY TIDINGS August 2020

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FROM THE PASTOR

Greetings Church, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Just a short note this month to welcome you back to IN PERSON WORSHIP!

This last week we had our first in person worship service since March 15th and even though we only had 35 in attendance, from all reports, everyone was blessed.

I'd like to thank everyone for being cooperative in going along with all the restrictions we are having to operate under, but other than the discomfort some folks felt in wearing the facemask, I believe everyone was quite comfortable.

I'd also like to extend a word of thanks to the team of planners, greeters and ushers who helped make the service run smooth. Without these folks we could not have opened our doors.

As we look forward toward September, if all continues to go well, we hope to start adult Sunday school back. This is still in the planning stage, but it is looking positive.

Just remember that in all we do, our number one concern is the safety of our members and guests. We will continue to abide by the CDC guidelines in every phase of our restart as we slowly move toward the new normal.

Pray for your Church and for your Pastor so that we will have wisdom in making the right decisions at the proper time.

May the lord bless you and keep you safe.

Your Brother in Christ

Pastor John

Hello!

I wish to start off with a big shout out to Lee and Alice Ryals. They provided the meal for the Bread of Life on June 23rd. and it went very well. So, a continuance of God's love and giving to the needy. Thank you!

Continue to pray, continue to seek his grace.

Any worries, thoughts, suggestions, feel free to pass along a note.

In God's love! Douglas Brown 386.336.5560

Hello folks!

We fed the Bread of Life (Fri. July 31). We (Marlin, Angie, and Douglas) served chicken, broccoli and rice casserole, salad, and Marlin's corn bread to 50 folks. Chrissy said they were well fed with leftovers to save for future needs. She thanked the church yet again.

Many thanks, God Bless, Douglas

No Groups until further notice!

United Methodist Men

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

United Methodist Women

Share & Care Circle with Gail Cahan, first Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Wesley Ann Circle with Karen Dutour, third Monday of the month at 9:00 a.m.

Bible Study

-Bible Study with Alice will not resume until the fall.

-Ladies Bible Study with Sandra Collins is in her home on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. call- (386)-937-6475

Prayer Group with Pastor John

Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. in the Pastors Office-all are invited.



CIRCLE OF CONCERN – Those needing our prayers: The family of Carolyn Brown; Bonnie Trauerman; Belinda Mullins; Thayer; Lillie; Kayla; Herb Dutour; Jo Dunn; Carolyn Deel; Tia Lingle; Marilyn Reid; Charlene Cole; Leslie Lewis; Virginia Alexander; 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 8/3/2020)

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| Total Budget | \$179,727.00 | | | | | |
| Estimated needed to date | \$107,144.94 | | | | | |
| Received to date | \$89,334.79 | | | | | |
| Amount of Received to date that came | \$3,662.65 | | | | | |
| from E-giving | | | | | | |
| Percent of "needed to date" | | | | | | |
| that has been collected | 83.38% | | | | | |
| Percent of Year that is complete | 59.62% | | | | | |
| Percent of Yearly contributions | 49.71% | | | | | |
| that have been received | | | | | | |
| DESIGNATED CONTRIBUTIONS | | | | | | |
| Kids' Klub | \$580.75 | | | | | |
| Cuba Covenant | \$700.00 | | | | | |
| Salary-Worship Leader | \$2,916.62 | | | | | |
| Children's Home | \$1,010.00 | | | | | |
| Help Offset E-Giving Expense | \$22.65 | | | | | |
| Memory of Carolyn Brown | \$100.00 | | | | | |
| Memory of Virginia Alexander | \$50.00 | | | | | |
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Kids' Klub Corner

COVID 19 brought our last meeting in June for Kids' Klub as a drive by. We were so blessed to see each of you as we made a quick visit. We were very, very glad to see you all doing so well. We pray for each you and send lots of hugs. I am not sure when Kids' Klub will

meet together in the Fellowship Hall at Trinity, but I do know that our hearts are joined together in one accord to worship, to praise, to share and to love each other and Jesus. Continue to pray and know God loves you and is always with you.



Showing what was in the bag!!!



Surprising the Kids' Klub kids!!!



Everyone was glad to see us!!!



The Kids' Klub team enjoyed visiting the kids. They are a blessing!!!

Love Is the Greatest of the Spiritual Gifts

The apostle Paul said that Christian love is the greatest and most essential of all the spiritual gifts. Even faith is worthless without love!

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. (NRSV, 1 Corinthians 13:1-3)

Love Is the Essence of All the Commandments

In another of his letters, Paul said loving our fellowman is the way to live by all the commandments:

Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for he who loves his fellowman has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "Do not commit adultery," "Do not murder," "Do not steal," "Do not covet," and whatever other commandment there may be, are summed up in this one rule: "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no harm to its neighbor. Therefore, love is the fulfillment of the law. (NIV, Romans 13:8-10)

The Nature of Christian Love

Paul went on to describe the nature of true Christian love in this beautiful passage:

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end... And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love. (NRSV, 1 Corinthians 13:4-8, 13)

God is the source of all our love. Loving God and loving other people are so interrelated that we cannot have one without the other:



Wish a Happy Birthday To:

- 01 -Carlie Ann Drew
- 03 -Jolee French
- 03 -Kyla Rae Rogero
- 03 -Matt Simpson
- 11 -Tina Mullis
- 12 -Pam Peterson
- 14 -Cathy Ollie
- 15 -Ashley Vining
- 17 -Andrea Findlater
- 18 -Wendy Underwood
- 20 -Tilden Gill
- 20 -Erica Rogero
- 22 -Ken Echols
- 25 -William Ollie
- 26 -Julie Thompson
- 28 -Karen Dutour
- 30 -Cassie Nettles
- 31 -John Thompson



Happy Anniversary

Anniversaries

25 -Bob & Crystal Reed



August 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| Sunday Schedule Worship: 10:30 a.m. | No Group activities until further notice | | -Ladies bible study with Sandra Collins 10:00 a.m. -Kids Klub 5-7 p.m. Fellowship Hall, kids age 3 thru 7 th grade -Flame Practice, 6:00 -Chancel Choir Practice at 7 pm | Share & Care Circle 7 pm | | 1 |
| 2 1st Sunday back to Church HOLY COMMUNION | 3 | 4 11:00 am-Prayer Group Led by Pastor John, all are invited7:00 pm Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall with Alice. | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | 17 Wesley Ann Circle 9:00 a.m. | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 | 24 1 st day of school | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 | 31 | | | | | |



How much do you know about the Bible? Find out with this week's <u>Bible Quiz</u> and <u>Crossword Puzzle</u>.

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

