

## TRINITY TIDINGS February 2019

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### From the Pastor

Sharon and I flew to Illinois several years ago to visit an old high school friend and his family. When we got off the plane, we collected our rental car, and began driving to a little neighboring town where our friends live. After a few blocks of turning this way and that, seeing none of the places I expected to see according to the map and directions our friends gave us, I was beginning to think I might be lost. Another 15 minutes and I was sure that I was lost.

I called our friend, who after trying to explain where I was, admitted he had no clue and remarked that it was too bad I didn't think to rent a car with GPS.

Well there was an empty mount of some kind on the dash, so I looked in the glove compartment and low and behold...there it was...a Portable GPS! I hadn't even thought of it, so I pulled over, plugged it in, entered the address I was looking for, and within a minute a friendly voice in the little box was directing me to the right place. I doubted the directions a couple of times, but it turns out that the GPS knew the way better than me. (Go figure!) Eventually I heard the words, "Arriving at destination on left..."

It reminds me of what **we** so often do. We **think** we know how to get where we want to go, but we get lost because we make wrong decisions. We have a place we can go for directions, but for some reason we neglect to look.

*The Lord says, "I will guide you along the best pathway for your life. I will advise you and watch over you." (Psalm 32:8)*

God has promised to guide us step by step through this journey, through our relationships and through our careers and through our finances and through our personal lives. He speaks to us through his Word and through the wisdom of spiritual leaders. Too often we fail to listen and keep making wrong turns either because we think we know the way or we're too proud to ask for directions.

My prayer for us, as individuals and as a church is that when we begin to lose our sense of direction and feel a little lost; when we begin to make wrong turns, we stop for a

moment and open our hearts to God's voice. Let his Word direct us to our next waypoint and guide us along the best route until one day, we arrive at our destination in the Heavenly Kingdom.

May God richly bless you as you follow God's will for your life and the ministry of Trinity United Methodist Church.

*Pastor John*

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## ***United Methodist Women***

*Bible Study - Alice Ryals, Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Brides Room  
- Sandra Collins-Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in her home*

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## **United Methodist Men**

\*A valentines Dinner will be hosted by UMM on Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 in the fellowship hall. All are invited.

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## **Igniting Men Conference**

\*One more Sunday (Feb 10<sup>th</sup>) of sign-ups for *the next Igniting Men Conference* coming to Mandarin UMC on Sat. Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

What can you do this week to bring more men to this conference?

1. Send an email out to all of your men and share with them the message "I am going to this Igniting Men Conference. Who is going with me?" *All pastors are free, but we need you to register.*
2. Asking the same question while making calls and getting final commitments

I will need the final list of men coming from your Church by 5:00 next Sunday so I can place orders for Saturday lunch and resource materials. Feel free to call me with any questions or concerns before then. Remember, we have scholarships available for the asking. I have attached a flyer and sign-up sheet for your convenience. Check out our website at [ignitingmen.com](http://ignitingmen.com) (you can also register online here).

Please let me hear from you. I look forward to seeing you, your pastor and your men at the **Igniting Men Conference!** If there is anything, I can do to help improve attendance from your Church or your Community, please ask. *I am here to serve!*

Serving Him through UMM!

Michael

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**IGNITING MEN CONFERENCE**  
**TRAINING & EQUIPPING SAT, FEB 16<sup>TH</sup>** 8:30-3:00 MANDARIN UMC JACKSONVILLE

**Roundtable Discussion: How Men Can Help Prevent Violence Against Women**

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER:**  
**MAN UP**  
 MINISTRIES  
 Rev. Timmer Sanders of Man Up Ministries, will be our Keynote Speaker. From Virginia, his heart and mission is helping men unlock their God-given potential and helping churches build an effective ministry for men. He is the author of multiple books on men's ministry.

**MASCULINE WORSHIP BIBLICAL MESSAGES**  
**BREAKOUT SESSIONS ON RELEVANT TOPICS**  
**REGISTER ONLINE:**  
[www.ignitingmen.com](http://www.ignitingmen.com)  
 \$35 spots 12-22 - \$20 per man per session 03 - \$25 Single  
 Prices include Lunch, Drinks and Snacks  
 PASTORS FREE - All Men Must Register in Advance

**POWERFUL BREAKOUT SESSIONS — PICK TWO:**  
 Defining a Healthy Marriage    Future Husbands & Fathers    Fatherhood at His Best  
 Balancing Faith, Family & Career    Conquering Addictions    Legacy-building Grandfathers  
 Internet Issues / Pornography

*45-minute Breakout Sessions on relevant subjects to better equip our men led by well-known pastors and lay men's ministry leaders including multiple authors and speakers on crucial subjects that impact our men of today.*

For scholarships and more information contact Michael Maxwell at 904-625-7883 or [michaelmaxwellumc@gmail.com](mailto:michaelmaxwellumc@gmail.com)

**LOCATION:** MANDARIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
 10000 N. W. 10th St.  
 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32217

IGNITING MEN CONFERENCE IS A MINISTRY OF UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF FLORIDA

## Did You Know???

As of last Sunday, February 3, 2019 we have collected \$5,892.00 for the Education Wing Roof Fund. You can use a roof fund envelope from the narthex for your contribution or just mark on a check the amount of the contribution that is intended for the roof fund and place it in your weekly envelope. The contribution for the roof can be placed in the offering plate and we will use those specific collections to help with the payment for the new roof.

Thanks  
 Gary

*\*The next meeting for Finance will be February 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:15 p.m.  
 Ad Council at 7:00 p.m.*

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT (Through 2/3/2019)

Total Budget	\$233,674.00	<u>Designated Contributions</u>	
Estimated needed to date	\$22,468.65	Roof Education Wing	\$1,065.00
Received to date	\$16,889.50	Salary-YthDir&Worship	\$416.66
Percent of "needed to date"		Cuba Covenant	\$100.00
that has been collected	75.21%	Children's Home	\$5.00
Percent of Year that is Complete	9.62%	Kids' Klub	\$100.00
Percent of Yearly Contributions that			
have been received	7.23%		

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**CIRCLE OF CONCERN – Those needing our prayers**

Carolyn Brown; The Pierce Family; Gary Simpson, The Walston Family; Teresa Bechanan; Leslie Lewis; Joyce Strickland; Samantha Hayes; Isabella Hayes Virginia Alexander; Those in the nursing homes (Jean Moore) 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.

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**KIDS’ KLUB CORNER**

Kids’ Klub will be celebrating Jesus’ call for us to “Follow Him” in the month of February. We will be making Valentines, sharing God’s love with others, learning about the New Testament and blessings from Jesus. If you are a kid between three years old and sixth grade 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.



The girls and their snowman on “Snow Day”



The boys and their snowman on “Snow Day”

*Wish a Happy Birthday to:*

Charlene Coles	6 <sup>th</sup>
Crystal Reed	8 <sup>th</sup>
Ashton De Los Santos	8 <sup>th</sup>
Isabella Hayes	8 <sup>th</sup>
Fran Harden	9 <sup>th</sup>
Karen Fridy	12 <sup>th</sup>
Lee Ryals	16 <sup>th</sup>
Charles Hunter	17 <sup>th</sup>
Lynsey Cox	17 <sup>th</sup>
Jimmy Wood	23 <sup>rd</sup>
Kimberlee Collins	25 <sup>th</sup>



# FEBRUARY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Sunday Schedule</b> 9:15 a.m. – Sunday School 10:30 a.m.-Worship					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> Superbowl luncheon after Church, hosted by Share & Care Circle	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Trinity Flame- Choir Room-7:00 p.m. -- Bible Study 7p.m.	<b>6</b> Kids Klub 5-7  Chancel Choir Practice-Choir Room-7:15	<b>7</b> Share & Care Circle 7:00 p.m.	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> United Methodist Men 5:30 p.m. Valentines Dinner  --Conference Equip at Crossroads UMC-8:30-3:00 p.m. \$10.00
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Trinity Flame- Choir Room-7:00 p.m.	<b>13</b> Kids Klub 5-7  Chancel Choir Practice-Choir Room-7:15	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> UMM Igniting Men Conference at 8:30-3:00
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Wesley Ann Circle 9:00 a.m.  Presidents Day No school	<b>19</b> Trinity Flame- Choir Room-7:00 p.m.	<b>20</b> Kids Klub 5-7  Chancel Choir Practice-Choir Room-7:15	<b>21</b> Ad Council 6:15 Finance 7:00	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Trinity Flame- Choir Room-7:00 p.m.	<b>27</b> Kids Klub 5-7  Chancel Choir Practice-Choir Room-7:15	<b>28</b>		

## Recipes



## **Appetizer Tortilla Pinwheels**

**Recipe submitted by Jean Foster**

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Besides being attractive and tasty, the pinwheels can be made ahead of time and sliced just before serving, leaving you time for other last-minute party preparations.

### **Appetizer Tortilla Pinwheels**

#### **Filling:**

8 ounces dairy sour cream  
1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese softened  
1 can (4 ounces) diced green chilies, well drained  
1 can (4 ounces) chopped black olives, well drained  
1 cup grated cheddar cheese  
1/2 cup chopped green onion  
Garlic powder to taste  
Seasoned salt to taste

5 (10") flour tortillas  
Fresh parsley for garnish  
Salsa

#### **Directions:**

Mix all of the filling ingredients together thoroughly. Divide the filling and spread evenly over the tortillas; roll up tortillas.  
Cover tightly with plastic wrap, twisting ends; refrigerate for several hours. UNWRAP; CUT IN SLICES 1/2" TO 3/4" THICK.

\*An electric knife works best. Discard ends. Lay pinwheels flat on glass serving plate; garnish with parsley. Leave space in center of plate for small bowl of salsa if desired. Yield: about 50 pinwheels.

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