TRINITY TIDINGS July 2019

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From the Pastor

In 2007 a young couple, with two small children and one on the way, moved to a small town in south Florida and began attending the local United Methodist Church. When the expectant baby decided to be born a month early, the couple rushed to the hospital. Fourteen hours later, the baby arrived.

Joe, a retired member of the church happened to be at the hospital and ran into the new father. When Joe asked why he was at the hospital, he found out about the new addition to the family. Hearing of the new baby, Joe called the pastor, who came to visit and pray for the baby and the rest of the family.

Forty years have passed, and this couple is still at the church—seeking to be servants, worshiping and loving God, and sharing God's love with others.

So what is it that causes people to choose a church and stick with it? Well, I believe that people have to sense that they "belong." They must sense that they have a place, and that people care, and that there is a need for them. They want and need to have a purpose for their life.

This young couple was invited to a Sunday school class which was having a spaghetti dinner for some special event and they were asked to help serve and clean up. They did, and from that point were hooked. What is it that will "hook you?" If you are floundering in finding your place and purpose, what will it take to feel at home?

The Apostle Peter says "God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another." 1st Peter 4:10 (NLT). Now you may feel you have no gifts (or talents)—but you do—everyone has them. Here is what you can do to get hooked and find your purpose:

- (1) Seek to discover your gifts.
- (2) Look for a need in the church.
- (3) Offer your gifts to meet the need.

Realize that you are strong in some areas and weak in others. There will someone else who will take care of your weakness. Working together in harmony will enable great things to be achieved for God.

Remember too, God will provide what you need when you serve His purpose.

If you have trouble discovering your unique gifts or don't know what needs are present in the church, seek me out and I'll help you find them. And remember too, that age isn't a barrier to serving, God has a purpose for each one of us.

May the Lord richly bless you as you seek to do His will. Your Brother in Christ,

Pastor John

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School Supplies for Moseley Elementary

School will be starting back before we know it, and we are again collecting school supplies for Moseley Elementary. Any and all school supplies are needed as well as boys and girls' new underwear & socks (ages 4 to 12). Please place items in the box in the narthex and we will make sure they get them. Thank you for your generous support.

- Alice

United Methodist Men
Next meeting September 14th
United Methodist Women
No circles meet until September.

Did You Know???

- No Kids Klub in July.
- The Chancel Choir will not meet in July 3-31,
- We will not have Tuesday night bible study during the summer.

Trustees Meet Tuesday July 23, at 6:00 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT (Through 6/30/2019)

Total Budget \$233,674.00

Estimated needed to date \$116,837.00 Received to date \$81,589.50

Percent of "needed to date"

that has been collected 69.83% Percent of year that is complete 50.00%

Percent of yearly contributions that

Have been received 34.92%

DESIGNATED CONTRIBUTIONS

Roof Education Wing-2018 \$1,140.00 Salary-YthDir&WorshipLdr \$2,499.96 Cuba Covenant \$600.00 Children's Home \$1,003.00 Kids'Klub \$1,807.00

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Memory of Henry Mullis \$1,755.00

Memory of Rodney Sheffield \$1,560.00



CIRCLE OF CONCERN - Those needing our prayers-

Douglas Palmer; Debbie Bacon; Carolyn Brown; Bonnie Trauerman; The Pierce Family; Teresa Bechanan; Leslie Lewis; Gail & Lee West; Joyce Strickland; Samantha Hayes; Chris Schmidt 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.

Cuba Covenant

Eight to ten years ago Trinity agreed to a covenant relationship with the San Antonio de Rio Blanco United Methodist Church in Cuba. Over time the Cuba Conference of the United Methodist Church has assigned and reassigned pastors to the San Antonio de Rio Blanco Church. Earlier this week we received an e-mail from the prior pastor, Pastor Alexei Velazquez Perez saying he was moving to another church and he would be replaced by Pastor Yohandrys Sojo Gomez. Below is the e-mail from the new pastoral family.

By this means I am making myself known as the new pastor of the church of San Antonio de Río Blanco. My name is Yohandrys Sojo Gomez, we have been working in the ministry within the Cuban Methodist church for 21 years. My wife's name is Yarileisy Arias Gomez and we have three children: Jessica, 16, Cynthia, 7 years old, and Caleb 7 months old.

Our desire is to continue the relationships between us in Jesus Christ.

Attached I send you a photo of the pastoral family. Thank you for supporting our ministry.







Trinity is currently supporting 4 missionaries from the San Antonio de Rio Blanco Church. We will be sending \$240 for each missionary for a years salary in late July. If you would like to participate in supporting this effort, place the contribution in the offering plate and mark it Cuba Covenant. Because of our support they have already opened two new churches.

God Bless You

Kids' Klub Corner

The month of June saw the Kids' Klub celebrating with Pentecost, pool party, bowling and a water day to end the 2018-2019 year. The 2019-2020 year will begin on August 7, 2019 with our first meeting from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM. We are always glad to see children from 3 years old through the 6th grade. We discuss, play games, pray, share concerns, sing and have dinner.

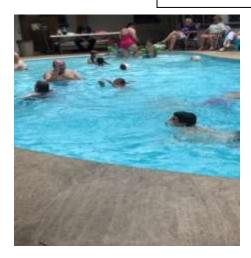
A special thanks to all who work with the Kids' Klub and all who contribute to assist with the expenses. God has blessed us with a great team and very supportive families and children. Below are a few pictures from June.

Celebrating and learning about the meaning of Pentecost





Swimming at the pool party





Bowling at Putnam Lanes





Playing with water balloons and getting instruction on a hula hoop game with rock, paper and scissors at water day.





Wish a Happy Birthday to:

- 02 Amanda Pinkerton
- 02 Harry Strickland
- 02 Gail West
- 04 Richard Smith ir.
- 05 Sara Dew
- 06 Addison Nettles
- 06 Dustin Morgan Phillips
- 06 Stephen Waldron
- 07 Jayne Moran 08 William Harden
- 09 Kyndal Lewis
- 10 Edward Coles
- 10 Kent Hinton
- 12 Charles Alford



- 12 Sydney Breton
- 13 Cíndy Levine
- 17 Stan Browning
- 17 Dylan Lewis
- 18 Nevaeh Hudson
- 19 Lawrence Gene Cahan
- 19 Casey Ann Kovacs
- 24 Kevin Ryals
- 24 Edward Schmidt
- 25 Wayne Hare
- 26 Greg Larsen
- 26 Brenda Símpson
- 28 Lisa Burnett
- 29 Sharon Bennett
- 29 Elizabeth Dunn
- 30 Marlene Ogle
- 31 Erica Rene Charles
- 31 Bonnie Trauerman

JULY 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday Schedule Sunday School: Worship:		2 No Flame Practice No Tuesday night Bible study during Summer.	3 No Kids Klub until August No choir practice in July		5	6
7 Holy Communion		9 No Flame Practice	10	11 Prayer Group-led by Pastor John- 10:00 am <u>Pastors</u> <u>Office</u>	12	13
14		16 No Flame Practice	17	18 Prayer Group-led by Pastor John- 10:00 am <u>Pastors</u> <u>Office</u>	19	20
21		23 Trustees Meet 6:00 p.m. No Flame Practice	24	25 Prayer Group-led by Pastor John- 10:00 am <u>Pastors</u> <u>Office</u>	26	27
28	29	30	31			