

TRINITY TIDINGS

January 2020

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From the Pastor

My dear friends and family in Christ,

First, Sharon and I would like to thank each and every one of you for the generous Christmas gifts this year and for the get-well cards, prayers and kind words during my recovery from back surgery. We love you all very much.

Well my friends, the New Year has arrived. What joys and challenges await you in 2020? Will this be the beginning of a decade filled with exciting new opportunities to explore? Or will 2020 be just a year like every other year, filled with the same old grind, worries, and boredom. Will you meet a new lifelong friend or lose one? Will you discover a hidden gift that enables you to go in directions you've never gone, or will you experience lessons from failure that will cause you to rethink your direction?

The answers to these and many more questions remain an unknown chapter yet to be revealed in God's unique purpose for your life. However, Jesus had some great advice for people like us who tend to worry about the future:

"Therefore, I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?" Matthew 6:25-27

Now the worry-free life Jesus spoke of doesn't relieve us from our responsibility to be diligent and to value integrity and patience, but you'll also notice there isn't any small print in Jesus' promise that says, "Void during a crisis."

And so even as we try to deal with the crisis going on in the world... in our Government... within our denomination and for some even within our own families, we should remember what Jesus is saying here is that we are more important and more valuable to God than anything that could possibly worry us.

Some of you may remember a cartoon character named Alfred E. Newman. (I know, I'm dating myself.) Well Alfred had a saying... "What, me worry"? As we go boldly into the new decade, I encourage you to take on that attitude.

Don't let the silent thief of worry claim 2020! Take ownership of your future by placing your faith in God who considers you more valuable and more important than anything you could ever imagine or worry or worry about!

May God richly bless you and your families as you strive to follow God's desire for your life in the New Year.

I remain your brother in Christ,

Pastor John

United Methodist Men

*-Jan. 11, Breakfast meeting
8:30 a.m.*

United Methodist Women

*-Share & Care Circle.
-Wesley Ann Circle will not meet in January*

Bible Study

-Bible Study with Alice is in the Fellowship Hall on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. 1-7-20
-Ladies Bible Study with Sandra Collins is in her home on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.
call- (386)-937-6475

Did You Know???

*Calendar meeting on Jan. 23th at 7:00 p.m.
in the Fellowship Hall
*Trustee's meeting on Jan. 21st at 6:00 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT (Through 12/29/2019)

Total Budget	\$233,674.00
Estimated needed to date	\$233,674.00
Received to date	\$169,382.09
Percent of "needed to date"	
that has been collected	72.49%
Percent of Year that is Complete	100.00%
Percent of Yearly Contributions that have been received	72.49%

DESIGNATED CONTRIBUTIONS

Roof Education Wing - 2018	\$1,140.00
Salary-YthDir&WorshipLdr	\$4,999.92
Cuba Covenant	\$1,700.00
Children's Home	\$2,178.00

Kids' Klub	\$2,752.00
Missions-Local Outreach	\$980.00
Memory of Jean Moore	\$250.00
Memory of Henry Mullis	\$1,755.00
Memory of Rodney Sheffield	\$1,735.00
1st Interlachen Share Salary & Benefits	\$26,545.02
Honor of Teresa Bechanan Birthday	\$50.00
Memory of Ed Griffin	\$675.00
Memory of Teresa Bechanan	\$1,825.00
Memory of Lee West	\$625.00



CIRCLE OF CONCERN – *Those needing our prayers:* Samantha Hayes; Herb Dutour; Joe Dunn; Carolyn Deel; Tia Lingle; Kristin West; Marilyn Reid; Charlene Cole; Debbie Bacon; Carolyn Brown; The Pierce Family; Leslie Lewis; 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

Thanks, from Heart of Putnam Food Pantry

Dear Friends of the Pantry,

Your food donation of 400 lbs. on November 26th is greatly appreciated. Your continued support allows us to give back to our community by helping our most vulnerable citizens. The food we give through your gift helps us provide our clients with several days of food for their families each month. Through November we have served 9,572 clients and their 25,981 family members .Christmas celebrations in our community are a time for us all to give thanks for what we have to share with others. Thank you for sharing with us.

Volunteer Co-Managers
Sandra Bayless and Cathy Loy
Heart of Putnam Food Pantry, Inc.

KIDS' KLUB CORNER

As we begin this new year with Kids' Klub, I would like to take time to thank all of you that have taken your time and effort to make Kids' Klub such a great place to be. Thank you for playing the piano each week. It brings such great joy as we worship in song. Thank you to those who faithfully come each week to help teach, to do Bible study, to take us out for play time or getting our dinner ready. Thank You to all that helped with the Advent Workshop. What an awesome way to begin the season. It is with a humble heart that I send a big "THANK YOU" to those that attended the children's Christmas Joy night as we met under the manger. Thank you to Santa for sharing your time and love. I know you are very busy that time of year. Your support as a church is Amazing. You made the children feel special and a true blessing for God. We are so blessed by your prayers, your support and presence, your donations but most importantly by your love. We are looking forward to a great new year filled with Jesus and His wonderful stories and truths. If you are a kid between three years old and seventh 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. We will begin the new year on January 8, 2020 with Epiphany."



Singing in Church on
December 8,



Advent workshop



The Trinity team at the Thanksgiving Turkey Trot



Caroling in the neighborhood.



The group that helped assemble and decorate the Trinity Christmas Parade float



Remembering the Christmas Story

Wish a Happy Birthday:

- 01 -Gail Cahan*
- 02 -Leslie Heffington*
- 09 -Elizabeth Walston*
- 14 -Tate West*
- 19 -Hannah Heffington*
- 20 -Starr Douglas*
- 30 -Eva Mankey*



January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Sunday Schedule Sunday School: 9:45 Worship: 11:00 a.m. Flame: 9:00 a.m. Chancel Choir: 10:45</p>			1	2 -Share & Care Circle	3	4
5 Holy Communion	6	7 7:00 p.m. Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall with Alice.	8- 10:00 a.m. <i>Ladies - Bible Study with Sandra Collins in her home.</i> 5-7p.m.Kid's Klub Fellowship Hall, kids age 3 thru 7 th grade. -Flame Practice at 6:00p.m. -Choir Practice at 7:00	9	10	11 UMM Breakfast meet at 8:30 a.m.
12	13 -Wesley Ann Circle cancelled this month.	14 7:00 p.m. Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall with Alice.	15 - 10:00 a.m. <i>Ladies - Bible Study with Sandra Collins in her home.</i> 5-7p.m.Kid's Klub Fellowship Hall, kids age 3 thru 7 th grade. -Flame Practice at 6:00p.m. -Choir Practice at 7:00	16	17	18
19	20	21 7:00 p.m. Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall with Alice. Trustee's meeting at 6:00 p.m.	22- 10:00 a.m. <i>Ladies - Bible Study with Sandra Collins in her home.</i> 5-7p.m.Kid's Klub Fellowship Hall, kids age 3 thru 7 th grade. Flame Practice at 6:00p.m. -Choir Practice at 7:00	23 Calendar meeting 7:00 p.m.	24	25
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How much do you know about the Bible? Find out with this week's **Bible Quiz** and **Crossword Puzzle**.

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