



Trinity United Methodist Church Newsletter

*Living as, and leading others to become,
Disciples of Jesus Christ.*

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Our VBS this year will be held Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, June 27th through June 29th from 6:30 to 8:30 each evening. The theme for our VBS this year is *AMPED!* Students and leaders will be super-stoked to *LIVE FULLY ALIVE* in the confidence that comes from trusting God!

Plan now to be a part of this special time— and invite your family, friends' and neighbors' children to this special time of fellowship and faith growing!

Will's Wonderings

We are almost halfway through the Major League Baseball season and my favorite team, the Atlanta Braves, are in first place in the National League Eastern Division with a record of 45 wins and 34 losses.

I heard a minor league manager say once, that the hardest thing to teach young players is how to lose. Most of them come from situations where, because of their exceptional talent, have never lost. They've always won the tournaments; won the championships - Then, they come here and go 0 for 4; 0 for a week; give up 7 hits in an inning, and they are devastated. I have to teach them how to lose; how to forget. I have to teach them that all that really matters is the next at bat, the next

pitch, the next game. Learn from your mistakes, and get better."

This mindset is crucial not only to effective baseball managing but to living faithfully, as well.

The Apostle, Paul said it this way ... *this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.* (Philippians 3:13-14)

Church, in this new week, and new life, will we accept the gift of forgetting? Forgetting what lies behind so that we can focus on the gift that lies ahead?

Shalom, Will

See you Sunday!

New Upper Room devotional guides for July/August are on the shelves in the hallway just outside the sanctuary. Please pick up your copy and join with us each day as we spend time in the presence of God. This is one way that we are connected, even when we are apart!

There are also devotional guides for children—"Pockets" and youth—"Devozine"

Upcoming Opportunities

Wednesday, June 27 through Friday, June 29

6:30—8:30 each night — Trinity Vacation Bible School (see Dawn Stevens for Details)

Sunday, July 1— Covered Dish Fellowship Meal
NO CHOIR PRACTICE THE MONTH OF JULY

Thursday, July 12— Cub Scout pack supper and family fun night

Saturday, July 28, 9:00 a.m. — **Church Council Meeting**

Thursday, August 2 — Weekly Bible study resumes

Worship Leader Schedule

July 1

Liturgist — Hal Newman

Greeters — Sam and Judy Richardson

Ushers — Tommy and Jo Cotton

July 8

Liturgist— Renita Hartsock

Greeters— Gina and Brandon Stewart

Ushers — Maurice and Joyce Edwards

July 15

Liturgist — Elaine Rohrig

Greeters — Dorise and Bill LeCates

Ushers — Jan and Stacy Bell

Guest Organist July 1

Noel Warford has been surrounded by musicians from a young age. The son of a church choir director and a cellist, he started studying the piano at the age of five. Since then, he has studied jazz piano, harp, percussion of all sorts, and most notably, the pipe organ. Noel is currently a fifth-year double degree student at Oberlin, studying computer science in the College and organ with Dr. Jonathan Moyer. He will be attending the University of Maryland in the fall to pursue his PhD in Computer Science.

We welcome Noel, and appreciate him sharing the love of God through musical offerings this Sunday.

WELCOME KAITLYNN VAUGHN!!

Kaitlynn is our new children and youth worker Summer Intern. Kaitlynn is a rising senior and a religions studies major at Martin Methodist College in Pulaski. Kaitlynn's home church is Hillcrest UMC.

We are excited to have Kailynn with us to give leadership to our budding Children's Ministry here at Trinity.

Please be in prayer for Kaitlynn as she serves in our midst.

Birthdays in JULY:

7-15 Leslie Eastwood

7/22 Jeff Otto,

7/23 Linda Robinson

7/25 Renita Hartsock



Trinity UMC Prayer Ministry

As members of Trinity UMC we all pray for the ministries of our church and for the needs of our fellow church members. However the members of the prayer ministry of Trinity United Methodist church covenant with one another to pray daily for:

- Those concerns on the prayer list of the Church and for healing of body and spirit for all persons listed;
- For each ministry of the church that each ministry would work to bring the Gospel to those within our community and most especially to bring the Gospel to those who have not yet accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior;
- For all the members of the Trinity UMC community that they be led and enabled to live as the Body of Christ;
- For our local community and all its needs, especially for those who are struggling with the burden of poverty;
- For our nation and our world that God help lead the people of the world to live in peace with God's Kingdom.

The following persons are currently part of the Trinity UMC Prayer ministry:

Elva Beard, Larry Eastwood, Leslie Eastwood, Hal Newman, Kenneth Stevens Patricia Stevens, Sam and Judy Richardson, and Charles Wilson. If you would like to be a part of this ministry please see Brother Will and we will be sure to add you to the list.



Laughter is GOOD Medicine

Thoughts from a wondering Mind:

Someone told me I was gullible and I believed them..

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Teach a child to be polite and courteous and, when he grows up, he'll never be able to merge his car onto the freeway.

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One nice thing about egotists: they don't talk about other people.

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I used to be indecisive. Now I'm not sure.

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How can there be self-help 'groups'?

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Is it just me--or do buffalo wings really taste like chicken

### **Up-Coming Sermon Series**

In the coming weeks I plan, Lord willing, to offer a couple of sermon series during Sunday worship.

The first series, on prayer, continues this Sunday, **July 1** with: Prayer— How Do I Do It?

**July 8:** Prayer — Does It Work?

**July 15:** Faith Questions (Ask Brother Will)

During the sermon time we will consider questions such as: "What does the UMC believe about ...?" "Why do Christians ...?" "What does the Bible say about ...?" etc. It will help if you submit questions in advance, either written or email to [will.wells@tnumc.com](mailto:will.wells@tnumc.com)

The Second series will be on the Psalms (These Are a Few of My Favorite Songs)

**July 22**— Psalm 139 "You Can Run, But You Can't Hide"

**July 29** — Psalm 23— He Maketh Me Lie Down

**August 5** — Psalm 121— Look Up

**August 12** — Psalm 84— AAH! Home

**August 19** — Psalm 118 — This Is the Day

**August 26** : Singing our favorite hymns.