

SEPTEMBER Trinity Tidings - 2017

Statement of Purpose

"Trinity United Methodist Church is a community of Christians who worship God, proclaim to all people the love of Jesus Christ, and nurture growth through innovative programs of worship, fellowship, service, education and mission."

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED Monday, September 4th in observance of Labor Day.

FALL / WINTER OFFICE HOURS BEGINNING SOON

Office hours will change on Tuesday, September 5th, 2017

Monday – Thursday – 9 am – 3 pm / Friday – 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

ANNUAL CONFERENCE REPORT by Roni Newman & Connie Murdoch

The 2017 Conference theme was "Gather Up". As the conference members came to Traverse City they did indeed gather – 2000 United Methodists gathered there. It didn't take long to see what can be accomplished by the church's presence in the world and in the communities of Michigan. We saw example after example of the impact the church and Christians are making.

"Gathering up" extended to the resources that are offered by Michigan's churches. For example, 20 baskets overflowing with items for a new homeless shelter in Traverse City were presented at one of the worship services. Our own church contributed \$500 dollars to be used for the Haiti Hot Lunch Program and Bishop Craig's Children's Village. A total of \$56,626 dollars were presented by Michigan United Methodist Church's, which are a great help to various outreach programs sponsored by our Conference.

This July, our Bible School members have already begun contributing their offerings to the Haiti Hot Lunch Program.

Thank you Trinity! Your generosity goes a long way to help with programs in the state and across the world.

LIBRARY NEWS

It's hard to believe summer is drawing to a close already. School is starting, and days continue to get shorter. It's time to think about your relationship to your children and everyone's relationship to God. We have a new book, "Praying Circles Around your Children", by Mark Batterson, in our library. "Batterson teaches how to create prayer lists unique to your family, claim God-inspired promises for your children, turn your family circle into a prayer circle, and discover your child's life themes. And he not only tells you how; he illustrated why." Check it out!

*Our next library committee meeting will be **September 11** at 6:30.*

Sunday Schedule

8 am	Early Worship
9 am	Trinity Café
9 am	Sunday School
10:30 am	Worship Service

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Isaiah 40:31

"But those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."

Newsletter articles due
the 19th of the month

METHODIST WOMEN NEWS

Don't forget to look for summer clearance items while you are out shopping to help fill boxes for Operation Christmas Child. A list of items will be on the UMW table by September 10.

The UMW will be back in session in September –

Sept. 6: 9:15 Morning Circle / 7:00 Evening Circle

Sept. 12 2:00 Executive Committee Meeting

Sept 20: 7:00 Unit meeting - **Program:** *A Community for Climate Change* - presenter: Janet G.
refreshments: Odile, Dianne

Sept.17: Trinity Cafe

ACOLYTE TRAINING

Calling all individuals 3rd grade and older interested in becoming an acolyte: Current and future acolytes, an acolyte **training session will be held Sunday, September 10, 2017 after the 10:30 a.m.** service. The training session will be approximately 30 - 45 minutes. The session will include individuals for both services, the 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. If you are unable to attend, please let Maureen Lerner know, 989-845-4610. After the training session has been completed, a schedule will be devised for all the individuals involved. This schedule will be available the following week.

SUMMER CAMP REPORTS

Robert has enjoyed two years of church camp because of the Methodist Men. He talks about his experiences at camp with everyone he meets! I know he will continue to show God's Love to his family & friends. He is always sad to be picked up at the end of camp. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. ~*Jerry & Christine Terry*

Dear UMM,

Thanks for donating money for me to go to Farm Camp. I had so much fun at Judson Collins.

Every morning I had to get up, go to the barn to feed the animals and then go to breakfast. The farm had 2 donkeys, 3 goats, 4 hens, 1 chick, 2 bunnies, and fish. After breakfast we went back to our cabin to get water bottles and cameras. Then we learned about farming in the barn I was able to hold a bunny and chick. The goats loved me! We even wrestled a goat every day.

On Wednesday we (4 kids attended farm camp), went to a Buffalo farm camp to go on a horseback ride. Other things we did at camp were water carnival, walked in a mud pit, climbed a rock wall, played sports, and worshipped every night with about 50 kids and our counselors.

Thank you for sending me to church camp again this year. I am planning to go again next year. I wasn't ready to come home when my mom picked me up. ~ *Your Camper, Robert Terry*

COMMITTEE MEETINGS BACK IN SESSION

Second Wednesday of the month / September 13

Shepherding – 6:30 pm

Family Ministries – 7 pm

Outreach – 7 pm

Worship – 7 pm

Administrative Council – 8 pm



We are collecting items to fill the shoe boxes. Please be sure to have items to the church November by 10th. You can find a list of items needed on the UMW table by September 10th. For more information, contact May Lou Higdon, 989-643-2201



SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS

Calling all of God's Children! September 10 beginning at 9 am. This time of education is not just for our young children, but for ALL of God's children from ages 3 – 10. Classes are open to everyone and feel free to bring a friend. **Picnic to follow** the 10:30 am worship service in the fellowship hall. Be sure to bring a passing dish if able. Meat & beverage provided.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Come join the youth group! Beginning Sunday, September 10th from 4 – 5:30 pm. All middle school & high students are invited.



CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL

Come and warm up those vocal chords – September 14th at 7 pm. All singers welcome! If you are new and have questions, see Kathy Tithof.

CROCHET/KNITTING W/BRENDA

Class will begin September 5 at 5:30 pm in the lounge. **Please bring with you:** Crochet – H hook & skein of yarn; Knitting – 8 or 10 needles & skein of yarn. If you are left handed, please let Brenda Hinojosa (845-7889), know so she can bring special instructions for your project.



WORKING TOGETHER FOR HUNGER RELIEF

Join the community in raising funds to help support the **FREE FOOD PROGRAM** for residents of Chesaning and surrounding communities!

Join us here at Trinity on
Saturday, **September 30th**
for our Annual *Fundraiser*
2 – 6 pm



Invest in our community....

- Donate a silent auction item valued at \$20.00 or more.
- Be a sponsor - Corporate or individual sponsorships available!
- Donate your time & volunteer!

For more information, see Dave Sutton. Silent auction items can be dropped off at the church

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

	<u>DAY</u>
PAUL LANCZYNSKI	1
TINA ERVIN	9
MARK SHORKEY	9
LINDA POTTS	11
ROBERT FULTON	15
FRAN THIEL	16
MARY VAN LOON	19
DARLENE SMITH	21
AUBREY MAYHEW	22
NATHANIEL SINCISSEN	24
CHRISTINA BECKWITH	25
BARBARA BUGBEE	25
DONNA CRAFT	28

The church office is in the process of updating membership records...if you find your name is not listed this month, please let the office know as soon as possible.

We apologize for leaving your birthday or anniversary out this month & will be sure the error is resolved.

	<u>DAY</u>	<u>YRS</u>
JIM & DARLENE SMITH	3	40
MIKE & KIM POAG	2	29
GARY & PAM SOUKUP	13	41
ARVID & SHARON WARSTLER	16	49
LEWIS & JACQUELINE LAMROEEX	17	56
DAVE & TINA SUTTON	19	14
PAUL & BARB LANCZYNSKI	20	25
JOHN & CHRISTINE HARTGES	21	31
MIKE & SHELIA MAIER	25	45
SHELDON & CAROLE SPENCER	26	46

FAITH CUP

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

- ROMANS 5:2 KJV