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The Outreach

Trinity United Methodist Church—237 N. Water, Idaho Falls, ID 83402

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Augusts'

Sunday Schedule:

9:00am—Praise &

Rejoice Service

10:00am—Hubbell

Study

11:00am—Traditional Worship

The **purpose** of Trinity United Methodist Church is to build a Christian community that meets spiritual needs in a changing world. The **Vision** of Trinity United Methodist Church is to humbly:

- Be safe and nurturing
- Follow God's will
- Reach out to the
- community
- Break down walls within and outside of the church.





Announcing Trinity's Next

EPIC YOUTH LOCK IN FOR GRADES 6-12

Friday, August 26 at 5:00 p.m. until Saturday, August 27 at 9:00 a.m.

Schedule

5:00 Registration, Getting Settled

5:30 Dinner in the Church Parlor

6:00-8:45 Free Time to Explore Options

(Wii, PlayStation 3, XBox 360, Painting and Art,

Foosball, Air Hockey, Jam Session, Movies, Board Games)

9:00-11:00 City Wide Scavenger Hunt

11:00-1:00 Free time (Snacks Available)

1:00-7:00 Sleep for 6th-8th graders

2:00-7:00 Sleep for 9th-12th graders

8:00 Breakfast

8:30-9:00 Clean!

9:00 Go Home



Sleeping Arrangements

6th-8th grade girls will sleep in room 108
9th-12 grade girls will sleep in the nursery
6th-8th grade boys will sleep in the older elementary room upstairs
9th-12th grade boys will sleep in the middle school room upstairs

What to Bring

Sleeping bag, pillow, personal toiletries, clothes for Saturday, games (please ask your parents if the games are appropriate for church!), cell phones, and snacks.



"Rethink Church" on July 17 was an incredible worship experience for me, and I hope for many others. I heard from a couple of people that they did not agree from the beginning that we should do this on a Sunday, because the Sabbath is a day of worship and rest. I thought about it more, and read scripture (especially Mark 2 and 3, where Jesus healed on the Sabbath and picked grain on the Sabbath), and decided to err on the side of grace. I could not see the negative in asking our congregation to sacrifice our traditional 11:00 a.m. worship time for one Sunday, so that the homebound could share in communion and worship at what used to be their traditional time for worship.

After our 9:00 a.m. worship service which included hymns as well as praise songs, and after sharing together in communion, we took our worship out of the church and put our faith into action. Thirteen of our homebound friends received communion. Prayers were supplied, so our homebound friends were able to share in a whole worship experience. Unlike our quick stops when we go Christmas Caroling, the communion servers were encouraged to stay and visit. I was glad to see that our homebound were visited by people they had never met before, as well as by old friends.

After the worship service, many chose to grab garbage bags and gloves and clean the alleys around the church and the downtown. One man was working to clean up behind his business when one of our church members stopped by to take care of his garbage for him. The man was amazed that a group would be out working and doing something useful and good for him on a Sunday morning. We had shared the Micah 6 passage in worship that God wants us to "do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God." We were not doing this work for personal recognition, or even as a gimmick to grow the church, but to truly be the church and to offer God the best of ourselves through sacrificial acts of worship.

Those who stayed at the church worked together to prepare an incredible lunch for everyone. Our lunch conversations were filled with laughter and warmth all around Mary Dawson Hall as people told about their experiences picking up after an obvious party around city hall; or visiting a church member who called a youth by the state where she was born rather than her name; or about how it felt to meet and share something so personal in a person's home, and that they felt that they were truly now church family; or about how hard our youth work, and how good they are at making salads.

It was exciting to see generations worshiping together and serving together. I will not be here at Trinity next summer, but my prayer is that all who participated in this incredible worship experience will want to do it again and again. One church member asked if we could do this every month! The Praise and Rejoice Service could, but part of the joy was doing this as a church family, with people from both worship services involved. Perhaps the way to start will be to set the date for next summer's "Rethink Church" while this experience is still strangely warming our hearts and while the faces of our much loved homebound friends are still fresh in our minds.

Thank you, dear friends, for sharing in such an extraordinary morning at Trinity UMC, and outside Trinity UMC!

Grace and Peace, Brenda

Kay's Musings...

Our wonderful volunteers created an exciting and productive Vacation Bible School. Thanks to

- Patti Edwards and Tricia Oliver for leading the charge, with able assistance from Daniel Sene,
- Camille Blackburn, Gavin Carney, Jared Sene, Aidan VanLeuven, Judy Cope, Mary Stewart,
- Jill Summers, Joan Fuhrman, Kelly Carney, Cordy Koelsch, P J Piper, Edith Knowles, Amanda
- McClure, Joy Christian, Kay Rice, Trudy LaBonte, Ruth Anne Cole, Ed Kiefner, and Tara
- Brooks. Lee and Jan Lowry made it possible for our invaluable youth helpers to visit
- Tautphaus Park Zoo. Our most knowledgeable docent guide, Jan, presented "Going, Going,
- Gone," a program about endangered species. Then, we visited Funland and had pizza in the
- park. Our gratitude goes to a congregation that saved all those odd items and gave supplies and
- financial support to the effort.
- Red Cross Blood Drive will be August 30. If you can donate blood, please call Jo Ann Rose at
- 548-7447 or sign up at the Church.
- Yours in Christ,
 - Kay Kiefner

Lake Oswego Member has Mission for Infants

by Bev Whitehead

7/13/2011

When UMCOR West Depot Director Brian Diggs heard that 400 baby gowns made by Jan Rogers were going to be delivered to the Depot in late June, he responded, "Great! We really need layette kit contents right now." Jan Rogers is a member of Lake Oswego United Methodist Church. She takes seriously the need for Infant gowns for Layette Kits. She goes to garage sales and fabric store sales to buy material to make infant gowns. She says, "I can get three gowns out of two yards of material and a package of bias tape."



These 400 gowns are a part of the 1040 gowns she has made over two years for United Methodist Committee on Relief. She continues her commitment for helping UMCOR in this manner. Currently she has a stack of gowns cut and ready to sew. Jan is glad to receive donations of yardage and bias tape. She encourages folk to check their sewing baskets for part or whole packages of bias tape and yardage. Donations can be left at Lake Oswego United Methodist Church, call 503-636-8423 for more information.

A United Methodist Volunteer in Mission Team from First UMC, in Portland will take 40 more gowns and 75 school bags that Jan just finished when they go to the depot in late August.

Debt Elimination Campaign Monthly Pledge Review:

Grand total Pledged-

18270

Amount in the bank-

12215

Thank you to everyone that has given generous one time donations and has pledged to give every month. We still have a ways to go to meet our goal, but we have faith we will reach it!

Save the date!!

Box Social August 28th, 2011



Chancel choir's debt elimination campaign

Bring a cool looking box filled with tasty food. A local auctioneer will auction off all the boxes and you can bid on the box you want. Then enjoy the food you bought by eating with the person who prepared it! It will be a great chance to get to know someone new, or to sit and visit with friends!

We will have a disc jockey to play some easy listening music, and also some special music performances. Proceeds will go towards our debt reduction campaign.



Free junk car & Metal Removal!

Half of the proceeds will go to the Debt Elimination Campaign. The other half will be used for pick up and delivery to the steel yard. For more information please contact Jr Gonzalez at (208) 534-1130

Once again, thank you for your continued support for the ministries of Trinity. June was another excellent month for Trinity's Finances. The table below shows the finances for the month of June and for the Year-to-Date of 2011. In June, Income exceeded Expenses by about \$11,100. Income also exceeded Expenses for the Year-to-Date 2011 by almost \$21,000. The Committee voted to resume payments to Conference next month. However, the funds that were not sent during the second quarter will be held until later this year.

	June 2011	Year to Date 2011
Income	26,708	134,762
Expenses	15,599	113,828
Net	11,109	20,934

Of the \$18,270 pledged for the Debt Elimination Campaign, we have received \$12,215. From this amount, our loan to the Bank of Idaho for elevator construction has been paid. This payment was about \$10,000. We have two additional loans from the Conference totaling about \$700 that we are awaiting billing. As a result, we have about \$1,600 in the Debt Elimination account. We have made significant progress in restoring the financial health of Trinity but still have much work to do!

Once again, thank you for the support. Trinity could not provide the many services to you and to the community without it.

Ron Ayers-Finance Committee Chair

UMW...

Purpose Statement:

The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose PURPOSE is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

Annual UMW Rummage Sale

October 7th and 8th we will be having our Annual Rummage Sale. If you would like to contribute any gently used items to our sale you may bring them in to Trinity, <u>after</u> September 1st.

IF you have questions please call Nancy O'Brien @ 552-1316 or Joy Christian @ 522-6793

UMW Quilts

Several members of the United Methodist Women are making quilts as their part of boosting the general budget of Trinity United Methodist Church.

Much of the fabric is from Marilyn Taylor's recently deceased sister's fabric supply. Tickets for drawings on the quilts will be available in August for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. There will be several sizes and purchasers may get tickets for the quilt/quilts of their choosing. Look forward to having an opportunity to have your name drawn for a quilt and assist in boosting the general budget.

Thank you, Marilyn Taylor

Executive Board- Thursday August 4th in the parlor.

UMW'S Unit Meeting- ICE CREAM SOCIAL Thursday August 11th,

1:00 p.m. in the parlor.

Sisters Bible Study: Sisters Bible Study will take a break for the summer, We'll be back in September with a new study. We'll get the details to you in plenty of time!

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Would you like to serve God and others through your knitting or crocheting skills? Would you like to learn how to knit or crochet? The Prayer Shawl Ministries will **continue** through the summer, on Wednesday morning from 10am to Noon, in Trinity's Library. We have plenty of yarn and plenty of needles to borrow. This summer, the ministry will knit and crochet items to sell, to help Trinity's bottom line. If you'd like to contribute, but can't come on Wednesday, that would be wonderful too!

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A Look Ahead to Adult Sunday School this Fall...

September 11-October 2

"Muslims, Christians, and Jesus" by Carl Medearis—Taught by Gene Summers in the library

According to author Carl Medearis, an international expert in the field of Arab-American and Muslim-Christian relations, how Americans responds to Islam and how Christians think of Muslims could be the most significant issues of our time. In this study, Medearis helps American Christians understand the basics of Islam, the difference between 'moderate' Muslims and radical terrorists, the Muslim view of Jesus, and how we as Christians should interact with our Muslim neighbors, friends, and co-workers. From the Ground Zero mosque to whether we believe in the same God, Medearis also addresses key questions and responses to the current Muslim/Christian tensions facing our society. Connecting with Muslims is an invaluable guide for any curious, thoughtful, or fearful Christian who has a Muslim neighbor, who lives near or works with Muslims, or who sees, hears, and reads conflicting information about Muslims in the news.

October 9-0ctober 30

"Why?" by Adam Hamilton

When the ground shakes, and a poor nation's economy is destroyed; when the waters rise, washing away a community's hopes and dreams; when a child suffers neglect and abuse; when violence tears apart nations; where is God? If God is all powerful, and if each one of us is a beloved child of God, then how can God allow tragedy and suffering to infest his creation?

When we lift our prayers to God, and no answer seems to come; when we earnestly seek to know the will of God for our lives, yet can't seem to discern it; when God seems far away; where is God? If God counts the hairs on our head, and knows every sparrow that falls, why is finding and understanding God's will so difficult at times?

In Why? Making Sense of God's Will best-selling author Adam Hamilton brings fresh insight to the age-old question of how to understand the will of God. Rejecting simplistic answers and unexamined assumptions, Hamilton addresses how we can comprehend God's plan for the world and ourselves.

November 6-November 27

"Enough" by Adam Hamilton (You don't have to go into debt this Christmas!)

Money has great power in our lives. Used wisely, it is one key to accomplishing our goals, providing for our needs, and fulfilling our life purpose. In recent years, many of us ignored the wisdom of the past when it came to managing and spending our money. Credit card debt soared, savings rates plummeted, and our home equity became something to be tapped into and spent rather than a source of security in retirement. We felt an insatiable desire for more. And we found ourselves spending tomorrow's money today in order to have what we hoped would satisfy. The result of all of this was not greater happiness and satisfaction, but greater stress and anxiety.

Enough is an invitation to rediscover the Bible's wisdom when it comes to prudent financial practices. In these pages are found the keys to experiencing contentment, overcoming fear, and discovering joy through simplicity and generosity. This book could change your life, by changing your relationship with money.

December 4-December 25

"The Journey: Walking the Road to Bethlehem" by Adam Hamilton

Journey with Adam Hamilton has he travels from Nazareth to Bethlehem in this fascinating look at the birth of Jesus Christ. Hamilton approaches a world-changing event with thoughtfulness. Using historical information, archaeological data, and a personal look at some of the stories surrounding the birth, the most amazing moment in history will become more real and heart-felt as you walk along this road.

Looking forward to Fall...

September 11—Rally Day!!!!

We will be having regular services at 9 and 11. Followed by a picnic, with some tasty food here at the church. We will have lots of exciting games and activities for kids and adults alike. We will also be selling goods such as quilts and plants to benefit our debt elimination campaign. Join us for Sunday School registration and fun.

Youth Sunday School

We're gearing up for a great year of Sunday School by planning curriculum, activities, and recruiting teachers.

Senior High Students

Sherri Clemens will offer an original and challenging series for our Senior High students: "Angels: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly."

Middle School Students

Nancy Stewart will be teaching the Middle School students.

Our text is "Believe –It—Or— Not," a thirteen week series of life lessons based on Bible stories including *Balaam's Donkey* and *Ehud and the Fat King*.

Grade School Students

Children will study "Rock Solid," and will focus on forming a strong faith foundation.

Youth Groups

Youth groups will meet on Sunday evenings from 5:00 P.M. until 6:30 P.M. It's a terrific opportunity for sharing faith and food among our teens. All youth are invited to attend.

Adult Bible Study

Also an adult study will also be provided during youth group for the parents and any one else who would like to join; taught my Pastor Brenda. From September 11th until January 8th we will be completing overviews of the Old & New Testament for beginners.

Bells of Joy

September 7th, 2011 @ 6:30

Come one, come all!

All ages welcomed, children, teens, and adults Everything for bells is provided, just show up and

For questions contact Marilyn Taylor 522-2630

learn

Chancel Choir

Rehearsals will begin Thursday September 1st @ 7:30 p.m.

We will be preparing two special numbers for September 11th.

The special music will commemorate the 10th anniversary of 9-11 as well as kicking off the church year on rally day.

See you there and bring a friend. Anyone can join chancel choir that is interested.

For questions call Camille 520-7845

N.I.R.D.A Annual Parking Lot Sale

Friday and Saturday -August 19 - 20, 2011 8:00 - 3:00 p.m.

St. Paul's UMC at corner of 17th and St. Clair Rd.

We need donations of all kinds, All items can be taken to St. Paul's and stored from now until the sale. Large and small household items, bikes, sports equipment, books, toys, Anything that is sellable!!! We can pick up items too.

Volunteers Needed to help with the sale – youth and adults

Mission Trip to Nicaragua - Late Nov. – early Dec. 2011. (about 10 days, exact dates not finalized)

Everyone is invited to join us as we teach, celebrate, build, worship and more with the rural people we have grown to love.

RECYCLE - Keep recycling used aluminum of all kinds.

We have locations for cans at Trinity, St. Paul's and Jason Lee UMC in Blackfoot. We can pick up also.

Monetary Donations - Help support NIRDA with checks payable to Trinity – marked NIRDA

All proceeds support the school project in the rural communities.

This is the 7th year that we have been helping give children hope for the future. We need approximately \$12,000 a year to support the teachers and students. We know our presence in the communities each year helps give the people motivation to stay in school.

<u> UMCOR – (United Methodist Committee on Relief)</u>

UMCOR has an ongoing need for the various Kits used when disasters occur. As you know there have been many weather related disasters in the past few years. Therefore the supply of Kits is being quickly depleted.

We have facilitated an annual campaign for the School Kits here in Idaho Falls.

Here are the needs:

- 1. Volunteers to cut and/or sew bags
- 2. **Donations** of durable fabric for the bags.
- 3. **Donations** of supplies to put into the bags. Each bag needs the following:
 - a. 6 plain color pencils with erasers
 - b. 1 small hand held pencil sharpeners
 - c. 1- 2 ½ "erasers
 - d. 1 12" ruler (30cm)
 - e. 1 blunt scissors
 - f. 1 box of 24 crayons
 - g. 3 notebooks (or packs of loose leaf) 8 ½ x 11' ruled paper

All of the above items may be donated in bulk packages as well. Money for the kits may also be donated. The School Kits value is \$11. All donations can be given through Trinity – designated for UMCOR kits. When we have completed this project all kits and supplies will be delivered to the UMCOR WEST DEPOT in Salt Lake City.

—All items can be left at the Office too.

Contact: Jim and Betty Anderson – 523-8272 or

Jill Ecklesdafer - 523-7719

School supplies needed for F.I.S.H.

It's almost back to school time and school supplies are on sale!!

During the 2010/2011 school year 523 students were helped with school supplies.

The following can be provided to each student and are needed:

Binders, Dividers, Wire Notebook (college or wide rule), Loose-leaf Filler Paper (college or wide rule), Pocket folders, Composition notebook, Black/Blue pens, Red pen, Pencils, Watercolor Paint Set, Scissors, Colored Pencil Set, Markers (thick or thin), School Glue, Glue Sticks, Crayons, Pink Eraser, Ruler, Calculator, Highlighter, Pencil Box or Pouch, Dry erase markers and Kleenex. Any school supply donations are welcome!! FISH is a program of the Regional Council for Christian Ministries and if you have any questions, please contact the RCCM office at 524-9935. Thank you!!!

DID YOU ENJOY ReThink Church? Would you like the opportunity to give a hand to the community again? St. Luke's NEEDS volunteers of ALL faiths to join the cause!

LOVE CAN BUILD A BRIDGE...Don't you think it's time?

By Buddy Hall, St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Save the dates...September 9 and 10, 2011! This will be a mission experience for people of ALL ages and we want EVERYONE to be involved! We will begin with dinner, team building, and music on Friday evening. Teams will gather for breakfast on Saturday, and then set out for work! Many worksites will be assigned, including the Soup Kitchen and a local nursing home. After an early supper, there will be an incredible Saturday night program, that will be repeated during our worship service on Sunday, September 11. There will be teams for preschoolers, worksites for seniors, and all ages in between. Cost is \$25 / person and includes 4 meals and a T-shirt. Scholarships can be arranged. Fill out an application today.

Questions? Talk to Buddy at 351-9376.

Sunday August 14th, 2011 Canned Soup Drive for the Soup Kitchen

The shelves at the Soup Kitchen are becoming very bare. We are in extreme need for soup, especially creamed soup. (cream of mushroom, cream of chicken, cream of celery, etc.) Please bring your canned soup to worship with you!

Marilyn Taylor 522-2630



Volunteers Needed~~

We provide the volunteers needed the 4th Sunday and 1st, 3rd, and 5th Mondays of every month @ the soup kitchen. This is a very worthy cause, and it takes a lot of hands to accomplish it. If you can volunteer, meet

@ the community center on boulevard around 11:30am. Childcare will be provided during Sunday volunteer hours!

Annual Conference Report...

The Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference met at the Salem Conference Center in Salem, Oregon. Though several meetings and an orientation were held on Wednesday evening, the annual conference officially began on Thursday morning at 9:00 am, with separate clergy and laity sessions. Eleven workshops were offered for laity; I attended "Bold Disciples Practice Stewardship in their Daily Lives" presented by Karen Bolin. I will give an overview of the workshop to the Finance Committee at their August meeting.

The first "business session" began after lunch with Bishop Hoshibata's address. He reminded us that we can face change because God is leading us and because "God's steadfast love endures forever" (Psalm 48). We then took the first of a dozen votes to elect our conference's delegates to General Conference, which will be held in Tampa, Florida in the spring of 2012. Eventually, six clergy and six laity were elected. One laywoman from the Snake River District, Bonnie McOmber, was among those elected.

We were joined throughout the conference by Bishop John Innis (and Mrs. Innis) of the Liberia Annual Conference (our two conferences have a special relationship). Bishop Innis was an integral part of the conference proceedings through his presence, prayers, and preaching at the Service of Retirement and Commissioning on Friday night. Rev. Emmett Shortreed was moved to retired status at that service.

Thursday night brought something new – a celebration of partnerships of clergy and laity in ministry at a Welcome Dinner and Awards Ceremony. Three lay members were given the annual Bishop's Award for service to the church: Cesie Delve Scheuermann (Conference Lay Leader), Norm Dyer (member of the Conference Oversight Board), and Ted Wimer (Chair of the Conference Finance and Administration Committee). In addition, one outstanding example of clergy and laity cooperation in ministry was highlighted from each District. The Snake River District celebrated the almost miraculous efforts made by Crossroads UMC in Kimberly to avoid foreclosure on their church building.

In other business sessions action, the Conference Financial Report was presented, discussed, and accepted. The Nominating Committee Report for conference and district positions was amended and accepted. And the 2012 proposed budget was accepted as presented. The2012 budget is 0.47% higher than for 2011, which includes long -postponed raises for conference staff and \$60,000 as contingency funds for Episcopal Transition. Beginning in September 2012, the Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference will share one Bishop with the Pacific Northwest and Alaska Conferences as a "three-point charge." We do not yet know what the financial implications will be. Bishop Hoshibata also let us know that, as of July 2012, the Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference will have a reduction of one district, so that one Assistant to the Bishop will be watching over the whole conference while the Bishop is away. No decisions have been made about the boundaries of the four districts.

Throughout the Conference, votes were taken on various Action Requests submitted by groups and individuals within our conference. Some of the Action Request votes were:

- Support an Act of Repentance and Reconciliation to Native Americans passed
- Petition the General Conference to establish a United Methodist Economic Justice defeated
- Standing Resolutions (statement of Annual Conference official positions) supporting a ban on torture, the rejection of war as foreign policy, the accessibility of health care as a basic human right, opposition to the death penalty, and support for actions to curb global warming/climate change passed
- Requirement that clergy make a security/cleaning deposit to cover costs upon leaving the parsonage passed
- Petition the 2012 Jurisdictional Conference to penalize any bishop convicted of ordaining of appointing a self-avowed practicing homosexual with suspension of said bishop for 24 hours passed

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• A statement of conviction that the UMC should remove from the Discipline the statement that "The practice of homosexuality is incompatible with Christian teaching. Therefore, self-avowed practicing homosexuals are not to be certified as candidates, ordained as ministers, or appointed to serve in the United Methodist Church." – passed

• A Standing Resolution that any clergy member of the Oregon-Idaho Conference convicted of the above be penalized by suspension for 24 hours – passed

The Annual Conference offered a day of Leadership Training again this year, by inviting Mike Salughter of the Ginghamsburg UMC to speak on his book *Change the World: Taking It Out There*. He encouraged us to use new approaches to tell the old, old story. The old ways aren't working anymore, as evidenced by the drastic and continuing declines in membership of the UMC. He emphasized that today's people aren't looking for meetings; they're looking for meaning. We encouraged us to see ourselves as more of a missional outpost and less a cruise ship offering a full slate of entertaining activities. A more complete description of his presentation will be in next month's Outreach.

It was an honor to represent Trinity again this year at Annual Conference. Any of you may ask to see any of the information that I brought home. It's really yours, after all.

Patti Edwards, Lay Member of Annual Conference

Worship Volunteers

Sunday, August 7th

Counters: Ron Ayers & Ted Watanabe

Greeters: Donna Bailey
Sound / Radio: Max Harrison
Liturgist: Ed Simmons

Radio sponsored by: Roy & Betty Simonds in honor of

our family

Sunday, August 21st

Counters: Jim Anderson & Jerry Christian
Greeters: Sherri, Marguerite, Jules Clemens

Sound / Radio: Jared Sene & Kay Rice

Liturgist: Joni Pace

Radio sponsored by: Gene & Debbie Hochalter in honor of

their 41st wedding anniversary

Sunday, August 14th

Counters: Jeff Bryan & Ron Hilker

Greeters: Kathy Gaskill

Sound / Radio: Jakob Bryan & Deborah Jackson

Liturgist: Tim French

Communion Servers:

Radio sponsored by: Mart, Patti, & Rich Edwards

In honor of Kari's 19th birthday

Sunday, August 28th

Counters: Bob Siedelmann & Kathy Harder

Greeters: Jean Winter
Sound / Radio: Jacob Robinson
Liturgist: Walt Weaver

Radio sponsored by: Doug & Betty French in honor

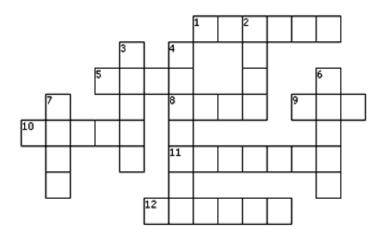
of our homebound members



The greatest gift of all!

John 3:14-17 (NIV)





ACROSS

- 1. Hot, dry area of land with few trees or plants (vs.14)
- 5. To care very deeply for someone (vs.16)
- The period of time from birth to death (vs.16)
- 9. A male child (vs.16)
- A serpent or reptile (vs.14)
- 11. Lasting forever, without end (vs.15)
- 12. To die or be destroyed (vs.16)

DOWN

- To rescue from danger or harm (vs.17)
- Received the ten commandments from God (vs.14)
- To accept something as true, genuine, or real (vs.15)
- The earth with its inhabitants and all things upon it (vs.16)
- 7. Alone in its kind, nothing like it (vs.16)

Moses	believe	world	perish
snake	eternal	only	life
desert	love	Son	save

Bible Memory Verse

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16 (NIV)

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The Measure of Success - 525,600 minutes

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Earlier this month, the leaders of our Annual Conference gathered for our 43rd session of the Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference. These were days rich with activity and inspiration! For the second year, we were graciously hosted by the Salem Conference Center.

Our worship was inspirational, and varied, modeling for us how we can use both traditional and contemporary music and liturgy to stir souls for Jesus Christ. We were graced by the presence of Bishop John Innis, resident bishop of Liberia who reminds us of our brothers and sisters in Christ throughout the world and whose prayers encouraged us.

We were blessed by the words of Mike Slaughter, who encouraged us to lead our congregations to take our ministries out of the church, and into the world. We worked on legislative actions was completed in ways that were grace-filled and respectful in spite of differences. We ate well. We laughed together. We witnessed the commissioning, licensing, ordination, retirement and appointment of clergy leaders. We celebrated accomplishments and bestowed awards. Perhaps the one thing many did not do was sleep long enough.

I received many comments indicating that it was a great Annual Conference Session. However, what makes this Annual Conference great is really not any of the things I mention above. We will only be able to assess the quality of this AC session if we begin to see positive changes in the health and vitality of our congregations as a result of our gathering. The leadership of this AC presented its report to you summing up the accomplishments of the past year accompanied by the song "525,600 Minutes," from the Broadway show *Rent*. 525,600 minutes from now, what difference will it make that we gathered here this week? Will we remember and live by these words of Mike Slaughter? "We are facing challenging times. This is not a time to fear or to insulate ourselves from the human pain and suffering around us. If the world is ever going to take the good news of the gospel seriously then we must take a serious look at our paradigms (models) for ministry, repent, and realign our priorities and resources with the message and mission of Jesus." (*Change the World*)

The real value of this Annual Conference Session will be determined by whether or not we have really learned anything from our time together and whether we have done anything to change the way we do church when we return to our homes. A year from now, will we still be talking about the changes that we would like to make? Alternatively, will we have moved significantly toward our vision of a conference of healthy vital congregations? I fear that too many congregations will be hindered in their efforts to change because of a refusal to try new things and new methods.

A year from now I hope that we will be seeing some of the fruits of our changes. Signs to look for:

- A larger cadre of strong and confident, competent leaders among our laity and our clergy.
- New kinds of ministries reaching out to those who are not yet disciples of Jesus Christ.
- Consistently more and more persons in worship will indicate that passionate worship is being offered.
- A proliferation of gatherings for new disciples and new expressions of the Christian faith.
- People excited about doing acts of kindness and love in the world outside the walls of the church in the name of Jesus: for example, hunger ministries in our neighborhoods, or support for our anti-malaria campaign in Liberia.
- Persons in our congregations who are willing to share about their own experiences of faith.
- Congregational giving that reflects generous response to real experiences of God's love through tithing and support of our shared ministry askings.

In the year before us, I expect that we will see more and more of such fruits of our efforts. I pray that history will judge this Annual Conference Session truly "great" because we have put into practice all that we have just learned and experienced and that a year from now we will proclaim that we have been faithful to our mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!

By: Bob Hoshibata On 6/27/2011

AUGUST

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Frí	Sat
	1 11:30 Soup Kitchen 6:15 Tops	2 6:30 PEO 7:00 Cub Scouts	3 9:00 B-fasts @ O'Bradys 10:00 Prayer Shawl 7:30 Boy Scouts 7:30 NAMI	4 6:30 Missions (108) 7:00 Girl Scouts	5 9:30 Community Partners	6 2:00 Idaho Babywearers 7:00 AA
7 9:00 Praise & Rejoice 9:45 Hubbell 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional	8 9-12:00 FISH 6:15 TOPS 7:00 Finance	9 9:00 Sermon Study 1:00 Intercessory Prayer 6:00 Youth Bible Study 7:00 Cub Scouts 7:30 Church Council	10 9:00 B-fasts @ O'Bradys 10:00 Prayer Shawl 10:00 Endowment 7:30 Boy Scouts 7:30 NAMI	11 1:00 UMW ice cream social 6:30 Missions (108) 7:00 Girl Scouts	12 9:30 IFSIC 6:00 Wedding Rehearsal	13 2:00 Wedding (David& Laura) 7:00 AA
14 9:00 Praise & Rejoice 9:45 Hubbell 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional 4:00 Christian Ed Council	15 9:30 Morning Glory 11:30 Soup Kitchen 6:15 TOPS	16 9:00 Sermon Study 6:00 Youth Bible Study 7:00 Cub Scouts	17 9:00 B-fasts @ O'Bradys 10:00 Prayer Shawl 7:30 Boy Scouts 7:30 NAMI	18 7:00 Girl Scouts	19	20 8:00 UMM 7:00 AA
21 9:00 Praise & Rejoice 9:45 Hubbell 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional	22 6:15 TOPS	9:00 Sermon Study 6:00 Youth Bible Study 7:00 Cub Scouts 7:30 NIRDA	24 9:00 B-fasts @ O'Bradys 10:00 Prayer Shawl 6:00 Susannah Circle 7:30 Boy Scouts 7:30 NAMI	25 7:00 Girl Scouts 7:30 Choir	26 5:00 Epic Youth Lock-In	9:00 Epic Youth Lock-In Ends 7:00 AA
28 9:00 Praise & Rejoice 9:45 Hubbell 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional 11:30 Soup Kitchen 4:00 BOX SOCIAL 6:30 Trustees	29 11:30 Soup Kitchen 6:15 TOPS 7:00 Wesley Bells?	30 9:00 Sermon Study 6:00 Youth Bible Study 7:00 Cub Scouts	31 9:00 B-fasts @ O'Bradys 10:00 Prayer Shawl 7:30 Boy Scouts 7:30 NAMI 7:30 Viva La Voce ?		SCHO	

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Prayer Concerns & Thank Yous...

Prayers for:

Alice Kay Wilson's recent surgery;

Ed and Jane Simmons, while they grieve the death of Ed's father;

Dave Bybee & Martha Drake, recovering from surgery;

Continued prayers for Paula Burr, Dorothy Mandiloff, Ken Teraguchi, Betty Schwabedissen, Larry Reed, Carol Bruinsma, Charlene & Roy Danvers, and Chuck Lepper.

Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with an attitude of thanksgiving

Colossians 4:2



If you aren't on the prayer chain and would like to be, I will be pleased to add your name. Also, if you are on the prayer chain now, but would like to be taken off, I can do that also. Just e-mail me at Sharon Eld
I at 522-5827.

Blessings, Sharon Eld



A heart felt thank you goes to TUMC for all the prayers, flowers, food, calls, & visits, sent to me and my family during my recent month in the hospital. Your thoughtfulness was greatly appreciated.

God Bless, Martha & Fred Drake

To our Trinity "Family" and Friends **Arigato** gozaimasu, which means Thank you very much, for your love, prayers and friendship over the past 18 years. Due to Rob's work we will be living at Camp Zama, 25 miles SW of Tokyo, Japan, for the next 3 years -- the move has nothing to do with the problems they had in March it is just a coincidence. Hopefully we can find a church family here like we found in Idaho Falls.

God's blessing to you all - Beth & Rob Brochu

To Daniel Sene,
Thank you for
sharing your
ministry through
music with us for
the last several
years. And all the
hours you
volunteered to
help keep Trinity
running smooth.
You are greatly
appreciated and
will be missed!
Best Wishes!

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Worship with us in August at 9:00 & 11:00 am

August 7th- Guest Preacher, Sarah Bettinger

August 14th- What United Methodists believe about: Heaven

August 21st- What United Methodists believe about: Hell

August 28th- What United Methodists believe about: Satan

September 4th- What United Methodists believe about: The Rapture



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