Euchre Tournament

The Trinity Spring Euchre
Tournament will be Saturday
evening, April 29th. Cards
will start at 6:30pm. The
schedule and format of the
evening will be identical to
the January tournament.
Come join us for this night of
fun and friends!



VBS Volunteers

Our VBS this year is **Rome** and will be held July 16-20. **Preparation is beginning now! We need your help!** If you can help plan, paint, prepare crafts, etc., please let Missy know. You don't need experience to be a big help! Thank you!



Graduations

Please let us know if you or a member of your family is graduating high school or college this year. We like to recognize our graduates each year, so please contact Missy or Pastor Dana if you have a graduation to celebrate this year.



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2017 Audit Information

Attention Sunday school classes, Men's Group, Esther Circle and any other church group with a checkbook or financial account: if you have not turned in your books (financial records) to Joanie Manning for auditing, please do so at your earliest convenience. Please place your items in the mailbox marked "Joan Manning" above the coat rack across from the church office or you can also drop them off in the church office. Thank you for your help!

College Gift Baskets

We will be preparing gift baskets for the college students again this year. If you would like to help us by donating food or items of encouragement for them to enjoy as they go through their exams, please bring them to the church by Sunday, April 23rd. We will need 25 of each item. If you would like to help create the baskets, please talk to Missy to volunteer. Thanks for your help in showing our college students appreciation.



Remember to join us for the Lenten lunches every Wednesday at noon at Trinity.

United Methodist Historical Society of Ohio

The United Methodist Historical Society of Ohio Convocation will be held in Trinity on April 22nd. Trinity's own Rev. Kathleen Miner Kisner, will be giving a presentation. Anyone from Trinity who is interested, is welcome to attend, but must register and pay for the meeting. You may attend as a guest of Beverly Miner, if you wish and not have to pay the yearly membership fee, although being a member has its perks. The theme will be "Celebrating Women of Courage, Character and Commitment in the United Methodist Church," and will include sessions of interest to local church historians. The Society encourages church historians, pastors, local churches and other interested persons to join and attend this annual event. The UMHSO. Spring 2017 newsletter, which includes a membership/registration form and a detailed schedule is at http://www.umhso.org/Newsletter-Winter. The deadline for registering is April 10th. We also need volunteers to help with parking on that day. If you can help, please contact Beverly Miner.

Confirmation Sunday is April 23rd during second service. There will also be a reception to celebrate with the confirmands in the Fellowship Hall after the service. Please be sure to join us for this special occasion.



Congratulations to this year's confirmands ~

Mathias Drumm Shelby Roberts Shelby Zulch

Bible Reading Marathon at the Wood County Courthouse

Trinity has once again been requested to fill a two-hour spot at the Wood County Courthouse for the Bible Reading Marathon. Our time is Monday, May 1st, from 8:45 - 11:00am. Each person will read for 15 minutes on a preassigned Bible reading. Please contact Beverly Miner 419-352-3014 or sign up on the sheet at the back of the overflow room. Thank you for your help!

Youth Group

There will not be youth group meetings this month, but the youth are encouraged to get involved with the Easter activities. Thank you.



Men's Group

The next meeting is Saturday, April 15th, at 9am at the Big Boy on Wooster. Please join us and invite a friend!



Easter Egg Hunt

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Palm Sunday after the second service. We hope all Trinity children will attend and invite a friend. Bring your basket and join the fun! We will be filling the eggs on Saturday, April 8th at 3pm. All help would be appreciated!

Easter Breakfast

Join us for our annual Easter
Breakfast on Easter morning at
9:15am during Sunday school
time. This is always a great time
of fellowship for our Trinity
family, so come enjoy a delicious
breakfast. We will be accepting
donations for Vacation Bible
School. Also, the food donation
cards are on the information
station table in the sanctuary.



April Worship Volunteers

Ushers

Andy Swaisgood
Amanda Parish
Gary and Joan Manning
Andrew and Heather Janes
Jim and Wanda Augsberger

Greeters

4-2 Don & Phyllis Pickering 4-9 Tim & Amanda Parish 4-16 Don & Phyllis Pickering **4-23 Need Volunteer** 4-30 Marilyn White

Liturgists

4-2 Laura Drumm
4-9 Gaynelle Predmore
4-16 Becky Fallon
4-23 Mary Rife
4-30 Konnie NicholsonGeorge

Coffee Hour

4-2 Bill & Nicki Kale 4-9 Beth Van Vorhis 4-16 None – Easter Breakfast 4-23 The Swaisgoods 4-30 Stan & Konnie George

Acolytes

4-2 Allie & Katie Parish
4-9 Evie Van Vorhis &
Grace Swaisgood
4-16 Abby Oswald &
Mathias Drumm
4-23 Luke Hart &
Abby Oswald
4-30 Katie & Allie Parish

Thank you!





13 Kathy & Scott Murray



- 1 Joanne Hoiles, Jack Miller
- 6 Sue Maurer, Doug Walter
- 7 Greg Shepherd
- 8 Lloyd Fite
- 12 Sue Potter
- 13 Joy Domke, Dean Smith, Alex Augsberger
- 14 George Riker, Glenne Zephier
- 16 Ellen Smith, Blair Eberly
- 17 Beverly Robie
- 18 Frank Smith
- 20 Carol Jones, Konnie Nicholson-George
- 22 Beverly Magrum
- 23 Kathy Benschoter
- 26 Brad Gibson
- 27 Brian Stoots
- 29 Don Snyder
- 30 Sara Zulch-Smith

Esther Circle

Esther Circle will meet at the East Wooster St. Big Boy for breakfast on Wednesday, April 12 at 8:45 a.m. Easter greeting cards will be addressed for shut-ins. The program will be presented by Janet Puffer. Come join some of the 800,000 United Methodist Women members in Faith, Hope, and Love in Action.

United Methodist Women

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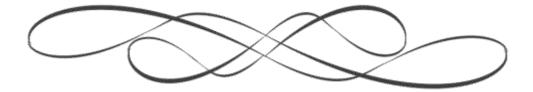


As we approach Easter this year, we again get to celebrate Jesus as "Our Risen King." Jesus Christ died, but even more importantly, He rose again and is seated at the right hand of God.

We have probably read many stories about kings. There are invisible kings, unworthy kings, and wise kings, but as Christians we have a Risen King, Jesus. The Bible tells us that Jesus literally defied death. But, this was more than a David Blaine trick or stunt.

Jesus Christ is greater than that. He defied death forever. So, Jesus Christ lives and reigns for all of eternity.

Our Easter Celebration is on April 16. I hope you will join us and invite others to experience the happiness and hopefulness that "Our Risen King" provides at Easter and always.



Holy Week Service Times

Palm Sunday Services – 8:30am & 10:30am 11:30am Easter Egg Hunt

Maundy Thursday Service - 7pm at Trinity

Good Friday Service - 7pm at First UMC

Easter Services – 8:30am & 10:30am 9:15am Easter Breakfast



Finance Report for February, 2017

There's not too much to report to you this month. February seemed to be an average month with nothing out of the ordinary.

We did spend more from the operating fund than we received. In other words, \$17,218.14 collected while \$20,467.83 spent. Again, I'm thankful for the carryover we had going into 2017. However, that won't last much longer.

As I've written before, last year we needed to shore up our payroll line item by \$2,000 each month from other accounts—the parsonage account, the revolving loan fund and an investment. So far this year we have been able to reduce that subsidy by \$1,100 per month and still operate in the black. That's good news. It would be better yet if we did not have to subsidize the payroll at all. But it's a good trend and I hope it will continue to improve.

And my day is always brightened by even small pieces of good news. For instance, the natural gas bill just went down by \$276 per month. God bless the mild winter.

Tim

Higher Education Grants

Trinity is pleased to announce the availability of grants to all church members pursuing higher education. The purpose of this grant is to help members of Trinity UMC who need funding to be able to pursue non-seminary related, accredited higher education including undergraduate, part time or full time, campus or off campus. The amount of awards will be based on the number of applicants and the funds available. Individuals may fill out an application form to be submitted to the church office by June 1st for the fall semester of the following year. Applicants will be asked to write an essay as outlined on the application form. Evidence of need of scholarship is not part of the form or necessary for approval. Applications are available on the information station table in the sanctuary.



■ March 2017 April 2017 May 2017							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
						1 9a Church Clean-up Day	
2 8:30a Service 9:15a Sunday school 10:30a Trad Worship 11:30a Confirmation Class 7p Lenten Study 7p COG Practice	9a Prayer Shawl Ministry	4 3p Worship at Heritage Corner 6p Dave Ramsey Class	12p Lenten lunch6p Bell Choir Practice	7n Changal Chair	7 Midnight Pancakes	8 10:30a Bockbrader Memorial Service 3p Egg Hunt Prep	
9 Palm Sunday 8:30a Service 9:15a Sunday school 10:30a Trad Worship 11:30a Easter Egg Hunt 7p COG Practice	6p Dave Ramsey Class	3p Worship at Brookdale 7p 4-H Meeting	12 8:45a Esther Circle at Big Boy 12p Lenten lunch 6p Bell Choir Practice	13 Maundy Thursday 7p Maundy Thursday	14 Good Friday	15 Holy Saturday 9a Men's Group at Big Boy Easter Breakfast Set-up and Prep	
16 Easter 8:30a Service 9:15a Easter Breakfast 10:30a Trad Worship	9a Prayer Shawl	18 3p Worship at BG Manor	19 6p Bell Choir Practice	20 7p Chancel Choir	21 UMHSO Event	22 Earth Day 8:30a-3p UMHSO Event 10a-12p FMSC Meal Pack at First UMC Block Festival	
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