

News update for May 25, 2023

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This Week at Trinity

Thursday (May 25th)

Friday (May 26th)

- 7:00pm N.A

Saturday (May 27th)

Sunday (May 28th)

- 9:30am Donuts and coffee
- 10:10am Worship in the Sanctuary
- 11:30am Fellowship Brunch
- 4:00pm Bell Choir Concert
- 6:00pm N.A

Monday (May 29th) **Memorial Day**

- *Office Closed*
- 7:00pm N.A

Tuesday (May 30th)

- 7:00pm N.A

Wednesday (May 31st)

- 10:00am Upper Room book study
- 6:30pm Cub Scout Pack meeting
- 7:30pm Scouts BSA

Trinity Homeless Services

Homeless Services are available during office hours: Monday - Thursday 9 am -2pm, for laundry, showers, and compassionate care services that are authorized by Rev. Ruth.



! Bell Choir Concert !



There will be a free handbell concert put on by the Rigby Highschool Handbell Choir. Come see them! *

*More info on page 3

Worship Plans for 5/28

Pentecost Sunday (wear red)

Theme: Receiving the Holy Spirit
Sermon: "Come Holy Spirit Come"
Focus Scripture: (John 7:37-39)

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive, for as yet there was no Spirit because Jesus was not yet glorified.

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Last Week's Sermon 5/21

Theme for the day: Ascension Sunday
Sermon: "At Home in God"
Focus Scripture: (Acts 17:22-31)

This past Sunday Trinity celebrated the Ascension of Jesus into heaven about 6 weeks after Easter. It was a big day in other ways as well. Trinity confirmed 3 young people and welcomed them into full membership. Our confirmands were:

- Eliana Castillo
- Angelique Cole
- Ellie Ford.

Wayne Ford received child baptism.

Two adults;

- Candace Newman
- Debbie Empey

were baptized and became members.

- Johnny Rutlage became a member with his stepdaughter Eliana Castillo. He came forward to stand beside her as both of them took membership vows.

It was a banner day for the Empey / Ford family since "nana" Debbie Empey was baptized along with Wayne and Ellie was confirmed!



Rigby Handbells at Trinity

The Rigby High School handbell choir, under the direction of Corbin Rasmussen, will present a bell concert at Trinity on Sunday May 28th at 4pm.

There is a strong connection between Trinity and the Rigby Bell Choir. Corbin was the latest director of the Trinity Bell Choir and gave the Rigby students an opportunity to play within the Trinity Bell concerts. Trinity has supported the Rigby Bell Choir by loaning them extra bells for their regional competitions.

Please come and hear the Rigby Highschool Bell Choir in their "Thank You" concert at Trinity.



Financial Statements

Our church's financial status January 1 - April 30, 2023



Income	\$41,223
Expenses	\$62,428
Current deficit	<-\$21,205>

Walk to End Alzheimer's

The Alzheimer's walk will be held on Saturday, September 23th. The Trinity team "Memory Methodists" is participating in the 2023 walk. Our goal is to raise \$1,000 to fight Alzheimer's.

To join the Trinity team sign on to: https://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2023/ID-GreaterIdaho?fr_id=16521&pg=entry

Register for:

[Memory Methodists](#)
Team Captain: Don Rohd



John Wesley Quote

"Be merciful about your power; give as God enables you. If you are not pressing in want, give something, and you will be no poorer for it. Grudge not, fear not; lend unto the Lord, and he will surely repay.

~ To the Societies at Bristol, 1764



Sunday Morning Fellowship

There is always food and fellowship after church

- **Every 1st Sunday: Soup Potluck**
Bring your favorite Soup.
- **Every 2th Sunday: Regular Brunch**
Bring your favorite dish
- **Every 3rd Sunday: Scout Brunch**
This is a fundraiser for Troop 6 and a wonderful meal to share as we visit.
- **Every 4th Sunday: Regular Brunch**
Bring your favorite dish

Birthdays

May

Gonzalez, Jr.	05/25
Oliver, David	05/25
Kelly, Carney	05/26
Wade, Jennifer	05/26
Harmon, Kristine	05/27
Borland, Faith	05/28
Jensen, Sara	05/30
Lybeck, Eric	05/30
Wooten, Leslie	05/30
Gates, Wesley	05/31

Trinity Scholarships

ATTENTION High School Seniors and College Students! The TUMC Endowment Committee is kicking off its scholarship process for the 2023/2024 academic year.

Two scholarships are available:

1. The Hazel Skelton General Scholarship: one scholarship, up to \$1,000
2. Chesbro Music Scholarship: one scholarship, up to \$1,000, for those pursuing a college major or minor in music

The Pete Isaksen Scholarship is not available. The funds have all been awarded. Many students benefitted from his generosity and we are so thankful!

Applicants will be considered for all available scholarships, with selections made based on individual scholarship criteria. Therefore, each applicant only needs to submit one application package. Completed application packages, including a brief essay, transcripts, and two letters of reference, are due no later than June 15, 2023. Completed application packages need to be type written and e-mailed to TrinityUMCIIdahoFalls@gmail.com

Scholarship applications are available on the church website at www.tumcif.org or by contacting the church office or Kathy Borland. The application has been updated as a "Form" document to assist you in completing it electronically. A scholarship checklist is also posted on the website to help you. If you have questions regarding the process, please contact Kathy Borland at kaborland28@gmail.com



Safe Sanctuaries Training

There will be Safe Sanctuaries training provided via zoom on Saturday June 3rd 10a MT. Please RSVP to jasonleeumc@gmail.com by June 1st.

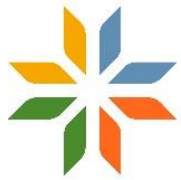
The Zoom link will be sent to those who sign up.

Both training courses will last 1 hour and 15 minutes. For more information on the program, www.umoi.org/resources



Everyone who can sign up is encouraged to. This training is very valuable, and we'd love for as many people as possible to participate.-9

UWF NEWS



United Women in Faith

Greetings! We enjoyed a wonderful and very informative program presented by Shepherd's Inn at unit meeting on Thursday. The Inn is a faith-based pregnancy support center that offers a variety of services tailored to individual needs. Joni and Kay served a yummy cake and treats. Marilyn delivered the devotional. Thank you, ladies!

Bev Kemp talked to us about FISH and the school backpack program. They are already getting supplies gathered for the coming school year. Kay read a short story about an early Methodist women's group. They were brave women.

Remember there will **not** be unit meetings in June or July. Our next get-together will be in August for the ice cream social. Keep in touch with Mary if you are planning on attending Mission U at Trinity in July.

Have a safe and fun summer.



Summer VBS Bible Camp

This year we are participating in the Summer Bible Camp at St Paul's UMC. This invitation is extended to other churches also as the world restarts after Covid.

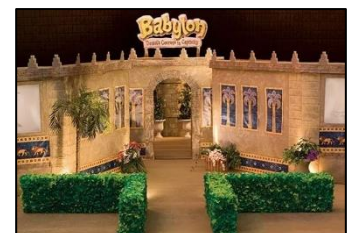
Dates: June 26-29 9am - Noon



Babylon lets kids experience Old World Babylon with all of its exotic sights and smells, and learn they are not much different than Daniel and his friends.

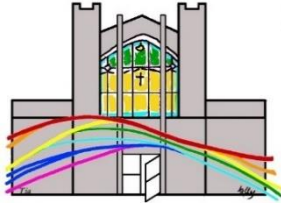
Each day at Babylon VBS, kids explore and experience their daily bible point in creative ways. Daily bible content is woven in with captivating music and old world inspired decorating.

At Babylon VBS, God's Word comes alive through engaging interaction with Bible history.



Trinity Leadership

Below are the leadership positions for the next leader year. Please let the appropriate person know how you are willing to serve: **Chair of Admin Council;**
Open Position



Chair of Staff/Parish Relations

Bev Kemp-(208)569-6149
bevmkemp@gmail.com

Chair of Trustee

Don Rohde (860)810-3227-
donrohde@aol.com

Chair of Finance

Scott Taylor (208)201-5593

Homeless Services

In April, 71 people received services in the 16 days we were open. This represents 31 unique individuals whose ages range from 18 to 70 with an average of 47. The average time in the church was 52 min with a range of 1 min to 5 hours. 9 people registered as first-time visitors. The services included 57 showers, 16 loads of laundry, 12 supplies which included drinking water, sleeping bag, 3 pair of socks, and 2 hygiene kits. 14 people use the mailbox service. 72% of the visitors had valid ID cards and 63% had a phone.



Donation Drive

If you're able to, we would love if you could donate a couple items to us for the Humanitarian Centre of Idaho Falls.

We're trying to help them out, and would absolutely love it if you could help us out.

Below are some items that they are in great need of currently. If you have any of these items, feel free to come by the church and drop them off, and we'll make sure they get to the right people.

The main thing they are in need of now is all-purpose cleaner.* Dollar Tree cleaner is perfect for their needs, and is very cheap. Some other items they could use are:

- Baby Wipes
- Toilet Paper Rolls
- Shampoo
- All-Purpose Cleaner*
- Disinfectant Wipes
- Laundry Detergent
- Disposable Women's Razors 5 each
- Large Quilts
- Disposable Men's Razors 5 each
- Twin Quilts
- Shave Cream
- Diapers all Sizes
- Bleach
- Dish Soap
- Paper Towels 1

Anything helps, and we would be very grateful for your donations. See if there's anything that you'd like to donate!



Letter from DS Karen

Sage District



Oregon-Idaho Conference

The Reverend Karen
Hernandez, District
Superintendent The United
Methodist Church Etha
Carruthers, District
Administrator

May 14, 2023

Dear members and friends of Trinity United Methodist Church,

I am writing to share with you that Bishop Cedrick Bridgeforth and the Greater Northwest Area Cabinet have long prayed about and worked on an interim appointment plan for your congregation. As a result, we have a one-year plan with the goal of discerning what God is calling United Methodists in Idaho Falls to do and be in the future. Beginning July 1, 2023, the following leadership will be journeying with you in ministry:

First. Rev. Kathy Neary, ordained elder from the Pacific Northwest Conference, will be with you on a part-time basis. Pastor Kathy is a trained and experienced interim minister who will lead you in worship the first two Sundays of each month, offer a weekly discipleship group, work with your leadership, and join you in the ministry of pastoral care for the year ahead.

Second, Genesis Christian Mediation will also be with you to listen, teach, train, and discern. Andrew Arthur and Rev. Brian Shimer's work alongside Pastor Kathy will make for superb team! Genesis has a track record of success with an ever-growing number of Sage congregations, and I am grateful to know that their gifted leadership will be put to use among you.

Third, a different member of the Greater Northwest Area Cabinet will be with you each month to preach and offer additional training resources. *This is unprecedented in the Area!*

Because of your resources, your potential, and you being you, the Bishop has asked the Cabinet to invest in you on a monthly basis. You can expect Bishop Cedrick to be your preacher once in the coming year – and you should expect to be richly blessed by his faith and wisdom!

In order to have these three kinds of leadership available to you, all three will all be shared with the St. Paul's UMC congregation. Your worship time will change, but you will continue having worship for your congregation in your building. Many details are yet to be determined. While this complex plan likely seems challenging, I am absolutely certain that you are in for an incredible year of learning, growth, and discernment.

Because this is a lot to take in, you are invited to a time of conversation immediately following worship today. Leaders who met with me to discuss this plan will facilitate this conversation and help to clarify this news. Your SPRC members will convey to me your questions and concerns so that Pastor Kathy, Andrew, Brian and I can give them our time and careful consideration.

You have been praying for your next pastor. The Cabinet has prayed dozens of times, and I have prayed many hours for your church and this appointment. God has answered all of those prayers with a surprising plan that includes an abundance of extraordinary leaders!! Don't stop now though! Instead, please be in prayer for Andrew, Brian, Pastor Kathy, Bishop Cedrick, the Greater Northwest Area Cabinet, the St. Paul's congregation, and for your church family. Pray that the Spirit moves in a mighty way and that we are all courageous enough to follow! Know that all of these leaders are also praying for you.

May God's grace carry you in the weeks ahead as you thank Pastor Ruth for her wonderful care, her joy, her service over these past nine years. May the hope of the Risen Christ lead you into the possibilities that await you!

With the peace of Christ,

Rev. Karen

Sawtooth Methodist Camp



UNITED METHODIST & EPISCOPAL CHURCH CAMPING PROGRAM

Calling all children and youths age 3rd to 12th graders in Eastern Idaho. Past, present, and future campers.

BENEFITS: Camp provides spiritual and emotional formation for your children. It helps kids make friends and build connections across the area. Camp is a safe place with plenty of unconditional love.

Did we mention Fun! Adventure, Nature, Friends?

MISSION: We are people dedicated to creating sacred spaces of Christian hospitality and learning. We offer these spaces so that people may...

- Experience God’s love
- Engage with creation
- Develop loving interdependence with each other and the Earth
- Act with justice* in the world (*justice is what love looks like in public)

LOCATION: Sawtooth Camp is remotely located in an alpine valley 35 miles north of Fairfield, Idaho, on the North Fork of the Boise River. This picturesque camp is a blend of mountains, meadows and a winding river that offers a wide range of wilderness experiences.

COST: The cost is \$475 per person. There is a \$50 nonrefundable registration fee payable at registration. We encourage families to provide the registration fee and whatever additional money they can pay. Discounts and scholarships are available and provided by local churches or the conference. Our goal is to see that all students that wish to go to camp can

participate. We urge each congregation to donate to a camp fund and fundraise to cover costs. For more information about scholarships contact Betty Anderson at bettyellenba@gmail.com

SCHEDULE:

Elementary	Completed Grades 3 rd -6 th
7/09/2023 - 7/15/2023	
Junior High Camp	Completed Grades 6 th -8 th
7/23/2023 - 7/29/2023	
Senior High Camp	Completed Grades 9 th -12 th
7/16/2023 - 7/22/2023	






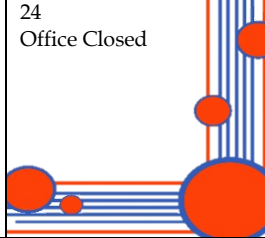
REGISTRATION: Register on-line at

gocamping.org or call Holly Dolan Camping Registrar at 503-802-9214 for more information. If you register for camp, please also contact Betty Anderson so we can coordinate transportation to and from camp. We encourage parents to assist with transportation.

INFORMATION: Eastern Idaho Campers contact Betty Anderson call or text at 208-521-3039 or email bettyellenba@gmail.com. You can also leave a message with the Trinity church office at 208-522-7921.

ACCREDITATION: Sawtooth Camp is Accredited by the American Camp Association. Camp and Retreat Ministries is a partnership between the United Methodist Church of Oregon and Idaho and the Oregon Diocese of the Episcopal Church. Todd Bartlett is the Executive Director of Oregon Idaho Camp and Retreat Ministry (503) 802-9211.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			24 10:00am Upper Room Study 6:30pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting	25 	26 Office Closed 7:00pm N.A	27 Office Closed
28 9:30am Fellowship Coffee & Donuts 10:10 am Worship 11:30 am Fellowship Potluck brunch 6:00pm N.A	29 Memorial Day Office Closed 7:00pm N.A.	30 	31 Ruth at Transition Retreat 10:00am Upper Room Study 6:30pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting 7:30pm Scouts BSA	1 	2 Office Closed 7:00pm N.A	3 Office Closed
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11 9:30am Fellowship Coffee & Donuts 10:10 am Worship 11:30 am Fellowship Brunch 6:00pm N.A	12 10:00am F.I.S.H 7:00pm N.A.	13 6:30pm Trustee Meeting 7:00pm N.A.	14 10:00am Upper Room Study 6:30pm Finance Meeting 6:30pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting 7:30pm Scouts BSA	15 6:00pm Annual Conference Closing Session via Zoom	16 Office Closed 7:00pm N.A	17 Office Closed
18 9:30am Fellowship Coffee & Donuts 10:10 am Worship 11:30 am Scout Brunch 6:00pm N.A Ruth's last Sunday at Trinity	19 7:00pm N.A.	20 6:30pm Admin. Council Meeting 7:00pm N.A.	21 10:00am Upper Room Study 6:30pm Gather at the Table 6:30pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting 7:30pm Scouts BSA	22 	23 Office Closed	24 Office Closed