



# The Outreach

## Goodbye and Hello

### Come Wish Pastor Brenda and Tom Shanor Well

Please join us at an ice cream social at 4:30 in Mary Dawson Hall on Sunday, June 22. Help us express our appreciation for Pastor Brenda's nine years of service at Trinity, as she and her family move to her new appointment in Boise. In addition, we will wish Tom well as he will be accepting a pastor appointment in Florence, Oregon.

Likewise, we have a responsibility as parishioners to not saddle the former pastor with reports of how Trinity might be changing under the new pastor's leadership.

I'm sure Pastor Brenda does not want us to drop all contact; we just need to limit our greetings to non-church news. Likewise, Pastor Ruth will appreciate knowing that we are ready to embrace her leadership.

Cheryl O'Brien, SPRC Chair

### Greet our New Pastor, Ruth Marsh

Please join us to welcome Pastor Ruth to Trinity with coffee after services on July 6 and 13. Punch and cookies will also be provided.



### Guidelines for Pastor Transition

Last year, Pastor Brenda and I attended a workshop on healthy boundaries sponsored by the Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference. One of the topics dealt with letting the departing pastor go so the new pastor can lead.

When a former pastor returns to do pastoral acts, or maintains close ties to parishioners, the current pastor is denied key opportunities to be in ministry and to develop pastoral relationships. This is why the Conference advises former pastors to not accept invitations to return to perform weddings, baptisms, etc., or continue pastoral care from afar.

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## Offerings

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After nine years sharing in ministry, sharing in life transitions, laughing, crying, studying and even arguing together, what can I write for this last newsletter at Trinity? It is daunting!

I remember the first letter I wrote for Trinity when I introduced my family to the congregation. Sarah was entering her junior year of high school, Sean was entering eighth grade (where Wendy Cavan would be his incredible school principal), Jared was entering fourth grade, and Cameron was entering first grade. In that letter I shared the story of Cameron, who was offended when I asked him why he wouldn't even consider ministry in his long list of things he would consider doing when he grew up. His response was, "Mom, it is a girl's job!" Yet I also remember how reluctant some of our members at Trinity were to have a woman appointed as their minister! Thank you for welcoming me as your minister, for accepting my family, and for not asking for a male pastor this time.

Sarah and Sean are staying in Idaho Falls. I have raised Idahoans. They love the community, and they love the church. Sean will continue to sing in the praise band each week, and Sarah will sing when someone entices (or reminds) her to attend church. When they visit me in Boise, you can be certain that I will invite them to sing there! Jared will remain in Idaho Falls for the summer before he heads to NNU in Nampa for school this fall. Cameron will move with us and will attend Kuna

high school. Thank you for helping raise my children, and for helping to teach them about God's unconditional love.

When I arrived at Trinity, Daniel and I were together and while I had my suspicions (as did some of you), he was still living in a very dark closet. Thank you for walking with us through this difficult time. I especially thank the older members of our congregation who took my sons under their wings. You provided the stability for my children that Daniel and I were not able to provide during such a tumultuous time. It is largely because of those of you who stood by our family through divorce and then remarriage that our family is still strong and healthy.

There have been disappointments as well as triumphs in our many years together. It was a struggle for some of us to transition to offering both Sawtooth UMC summer camp and Luther Heights ELC summer camp for our children and youth. Last summer we sent 26 children and youth to summer camp! It was a struggle for some to see the Praise and Rejoice Service move from Mary Dawson Hall to the Sanctuary, yet now we cannot imagine worshiping in the church basement on Sunday morning. We struggled together discerning whether or not to share our beautiful church building with an Hispanic congregation. It was the most difficult time for me in ministry when the other congregation declined our divided and reluctant final invitation because they were afraid that we would treat them with

prejudice. Now I realize that we just weren't ready to be welcoming and accepting. I think it would be different today, after experiencing the way Trinity has welcomed, and how you love, members of the LGBT community without judgment. Through all the struggles and joys we have encountered, we have lived with the mantra from Romans 8, "God works with us through the difficult times to bring about good, for those who love God and are called according to his purpose."

Thank you for providing ministry to this community. Thank you for helping to build a bridge between the LDS and the UMC. Thank you for feeding the hungry and for reaching out to the children and youth through Scouting, and through Books for Bush. I have learned much from this congregation, and I will take what I have learned from our experiences together into ministry with the people in and around Hillview UMC.

As difficult as it is to leave Idaho Falls, I know that an exciting ministry is waiting in Boise, and that I am more prepared because of you! I also believe that you are ready to welcome Ruth Marsh as your minister, and that you are on the precipice of deciding what ministry is going to look like as you move forward together in Idaho Falls. It won't look the same as it does right now, but I am excited to hear the stories of change and growth in the coming years.

Grace and Peace, Brenda

# Father's Day Tools

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We remember mothers for Mother's Day, so now lets remember fathers! Trinity's Mission Committee invites you to honor fathers, grandfathers or someone special through Church World Service's "Tools of Hope" program. Church World Service is a Cooperative ministry of 35 Protestant, Orthodox, and Anglican denominations, providing sustainable self-help and development, disaster relief, and refugee assistance in some 80 countries.

The Tools of Hope Program supplies those tools necessary for maintaining adequate food supplies and living environments. Tools of Hope may include hardware tools, emergency clean-up buckets, medical supplies, health

kits, school kits, and "kid kits" to assist uprooted families and individuals.

Remember when you needed "just the right tool" do that special job? People who need something, not necessarily a special tool, but one to build a shelter for their family from inclement weather just to survive, appreciate our gifts.

Make your gifts to remember your father, grandfather or someone special to you as a gift of hope in their name. The needs are great- so are the opportunities to help. Each \$5.00 donation will go toward the purchase of tools and other items that will make a difference in the lives of those who receive them.

When your order is placed, a note will be sent to each person you are honoring, telling of this special gift given in their name by you. Just fill out the order form on the back and send or bring it to Trinity UMC, along with your cash or check for \$5.00 per person you want to honor

Your Name

Phone Number

Person (s) to be honored  
Name

Address

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A big thank you to everyone who participated in the Mothers' Day Blanket mission: over 120 blankets will now be distributed by Church World Service to people in disasters all over the world.

Thank you.

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It's that time again!  
Vacation Bible School will be here before you know it! Mark your calendars for Monday, July 28 through Friday August 1, 2014!

This years theme: Treasure Cove!  
We'll get you more information as the dates get closer!  
Hope to see you there!

## Prayer Requests

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Our prayers are with the family of Jo Wallin, the family of Betty Sailer, the family of Andy Nelson. Prayers for Joyce Ayers, Lynette Hanson, and Carol Bruinsma.

If you would like to be added to the prayer chain, please email Sharon Eld at sharon1965@cableone.net, or call 522-5827

If you would like to be part of Trinity's prayer group, please call Dorothy Mandiloff at 523-8949, or Sue O'Steen at 552-0665.

## United Methodist Women

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Members of the United Methodist Women learned about "Creation Vacation" from Kathy Gaskill at the May meeting. Through "Creation Vacation", lower income families are given a week out in God's creation at Camp Sawtooth where they have crafts, activities, food, and best of all, time together as families. Families are chosen by EICAP and Health and Welfare. The local United Methodist Women gave scholarship money to sponsor "friends" to be with the families during the days at the camp. Transportation is also provided for them.

Another part of the program was information shared by Patti

Edwards about the Sierra Project in which work projects are held yearly where youth can participate. Twice, young people from TUMC participated in the program at Fort Hall.

Cordy Koelsch and Joni Pace attended the national meeting of United Methodist Women in Louisville, KY the last of April and had many opportunities to learn about the great work that United Methodist Women do throughout the world for women, children and at risk adults. They also were privileged to attend many workshops, to hear wonderful music and to see fine drama presentations.

Saturday, October 25th at 1:00, the United Methodist Women will have a luncheon and program titled "Lunch Theater". Following the luncheon, there will be a melodrama presented by Camille Blackburn, other members of the Opera Theater and Hillcrest High School students. Tickets will go on sale in August/September for only \$10. Put this date on your calendar now and plan to be part of this splendid afternoon.



## NIRDA (Nicaraguan Rural Development Agency)

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The Annual Parking Lot Sale – August 22-23, 2014 St. Paul's United Methodist Church 1730 St. Clair Road.

**Please** donate items to sell. All proceeds support education projects in rural communities.

**Volunteers needed to help with the sale!** sorting, setting up,

selling and clean-up.

Another mission trip to Nicaragua is in the planning stages. If interested you can help plan the dates – early 2015. Items for sale can be taken to St. Paul's after June 30, 2014.

We continue to recycle Aluminum Cans. Please leave

in the container near Mary Dawson Hall or call and we can pick them up.

We can also recycle other aluminum as well.

Thanks! Jim and Betty Anderson – 523-8272 --- jimn-betty@ida.net Jill Ecklesdafer -- 5237719 --- jackandjill@ida.net

## Regional Council for Christian Ministry

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Meeting at Crown of Life Lutheran in Rigby, RCCM agencies reported that, in April, the food bank distributed 963 boxes of food feeding 3,949 people and FISH served 24 families. FISH held a SOUP &

Soap at which 486 hygiene kits were assembled, most of which went to the Department of Labor. FISH is looking for folks to do direct client contact. If you are interested, please contact the church office. The Little

Church in the Pines, the RCCM ministry in Island Park, is up and running for the summer and will host the monthly meeting on June 17.

# Sprucing Up The Parsonage

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The Trustees will be sprucing up the parsonage for the new pastor during the last week of June and first week of July. Some of the bigger jobs, such as replacing the kitchen floor-

ing and counter tops will be done professionally. However, we have some cleaning, painting and minor repairs that can be performed by talented members of Trinity. If you

would be interested in helping the Trustees, please contact the Church Office (522-7921 or [office@tuncif.org](mailto:office@tuncif.org)), Dave Bybee (524-1798), or Richard Dickson (523-3023; [ifspud@srv.net](mailto:ifspud@srv.net)).

## We Need Your Help

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The following is a list of the handyman jobs that need to be completed before our new minister moves into the Parsonage. This can be accomplished by either male and female.

### General:

- Clean all baseboard and wall heaters

### Laundry:

- Clean Washer & Dryer (under and around, too)
- Replace Washer Supply Lines

### Pantry:

- Light in pantry ceiling needs new pull chain

### Kitchen:

- Update the door handles on kitchen cabinet. (Coordinate selection of handles after the new pastor moves in.)

### Office/Den:

- Base-board heater needs to be secured to the wall
- Trim on door frame is coming loose

### Front Bath:

- Toilet needs new seat (plastic fasteners are stripped)

### Main Bath:

- Door handle– lock is on the outside (need to turn around)

### Back Bedroom:

- Large windows and two upper windows needs curtains

### Front Bedroom:

- Curtains for upper windows
- Nail heads are protruding slightly from hardwood floor in front of closet (nails may have been installed to remedy squeaking floor)

### Basement Bath:

- Toilet needs new flapper valve
- Replace caulk around the tub

### Garage:

- Trim (white) on basement window (south side by back door) needs painted

### Patio:

- Needs covers (grills) for kitchen exhaust vent and another vent to the west

### Yard:

- Fence post along east backyard is rotted off. (post has been propped up.)

### Kitchen Counter Tops:

- Kitchen– Replace old counter tops

### Refrigerator:

Kenmore Model 25351234102; Serial No. LA136194448; Mfg. 2001

- Front molding (below handles) needs new clips (2 for each strip). Molding on freezer side needs to be replaced.

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Missions produce sale will begin mid-June.  
If anyone has produce, flowers, bulbs, plant starts,  
rhubarb or cookies to share,  
bring them to the church on Sunday mornings  
where others can "buy" them for a monetary donation.  
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## Birthdays

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Aubrey Bottcher	06/01	Aedan McClure	06/10	Paula Blair	06/20
Jared Blank	06/02	Bonnie Hilker	06/11	Gaylen Denning	06/20
Brian Dickson	06/02	Marv Eld	06/12	Joan Fuhrman	06/23
McKenzi Hall	06/02	Lorraine Driskell	06/15	William Cole Jr.	06/25
D.J. Rhoades	06/02	Alexi Jensen	06/15	Michael Pearson	06/26
Karen Peterson	06/03	Joni Pace	06/15	Max Harrison	06/27
Richard Dickson	06/02	Sandra Krivanek	06/17	Linda Nelson	06/28
Connor Smith	06/06	Matthew Croson	06/18	Tony Nelson	06/28
Mary Stewart	06/06	Steve Farkas	06/18	Alexandra Croson	06/29
Lorrie Holaday	06/08	Barbara Anderson	06/19	Liz Herrmann	06/29
Jackson Hilker	06/10	Chris Allison	06/20	Katie Robinson	06/30

## Sunday Volunteers

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### June 1, 2014

Counters: Jeff Bryan & Bob Siedelmann

Sound Room: Jacob Robinson & Max Harrison

### June 8, 2014

Counters: Jim Anderson & Shirley Cowell

Sound Room: Dylann Rhys & Jared Sene

### June 15, 2014

Counters: Bob Siedelmann & Kathy Harder

Sound Room: Jacob Robinson & Max Harrison

### June 22, 2014

Counters: Scott Taylor & Ted Watanabe

Sound Room: Dylann Rhys & Jared Sene

### June 29, 2014

Counters: Jeff Bryan & Bob Siedelmann

Sound Room: Jacob Robinson & Max Harrison

## An Invitation

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Jared Sene and Jill Summers invite their extended family (all of Trinity) to their graduation party!

June 8, at 12:30 lunch provided

At Trinity (outside if the weather permits!)

When Gene and I asked Jared and Jill if they would like graduation parties, both Jill and Jared replied that they wanted to share their graduation with the people who helped raise them...the church.

Please join our families to celebrate this milestone.

## Contact Information

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# June Calendar

<b>Sun 1:</b> 9:00 Praise & Rejoice 10:15 Sunday School 11:30 Traditional 4:30 Youth Group	<b>Sun, 8:</b> 9:00 Praise & Rejoice 10:15 Sunday School 11:30 Traditional 4:30 Youth Group	<b>Sun, 15:</b> 10:00 Worship 4:30 Youth Group	<b>Tues, 24:</b> 1:00 Prayer Group @ Dorothys 6:30 Cub Scouts
<b>Mon, 2:</b> 11:30 Soup Kitchen 7:00 NA	<b>Mon, 9:</b> 10:00 FISH 1:00 RCCM 6:15 TOPS 7:00 NA	<b>Mon, 16:</b> 11:30 Soup Kitchen 7:00 NA	<b>Wed, 25:</b> 9:00 Breakfast @ OBradys 11:00 Upper Room Study 1:30 NAMI 7:30 Boy Scouts 7:30 Marnie Circle 7:30 Susannah Circle
<b>Tues, 3:</b> 6:30 PEO 6:30 Cub Scouts	<b>Tues, 10:</b> 1:00 Prayer Group @ Dorothys 6:30 Cub Scouts 7:30 Church Council	<b>Tues, 17:</b> 6:30 Cub Scouts	<b>Thurs, 26:</b> 1:00 Ethel Clark 7:00 Girl Scouts 7:30 Choir
<b>Wed, 4:</b> 9:00 Breakfast @ O'Bradys 11:00 Upper Room Study 1:30 NAMI 5:30 Endowment 7:30 Boy Scouts 7:30 Marnie	<b>Wed, 11:</b> 9:00 Breakfast @ O'Bradys 11:00 Upper Room Study 1:30 NAMI 7:30 Boy Scouts 7:30 Marnie	<b>Wed, 18:</b> 9:00 Breakfast @ OBradys 11:00 Upper Room Study 1:30 NAMI 7:30 Boy Scouts 7:30 Marnie Circle	<b>Fri, 27:</b> 7:00 NA
<b>Thurs, 5:</b> 9:30 UMW Ex. 6:30 Missions 7:00 Girl Scouts 7:30 Choir	<b>Thurs, 12:</b> 7:00 Girl Scouts 7:30 Choir	<b>Thurs, 19:</b> 7:00 Girl Scouts 7:30 Choir	<b>Sat, 28:</b> 7:00 AA
<b>Fri, 6:</b> 9:30 Community Partners 7:00 NA	<b>Fri, 13:</b> 7:00 NA	<b>Sat, 21:</b> 7:00 AA	<b>Sun, 29:</b> 10:00 Worship 4:30 Youth Group
<b>Sat, 7:</b> 7:00 AA	<b>Sat, 14:</b> 7:00 AA	<b>Sun, 22:</b> 10:00 Worship 12:15 Birthday Celebration for June Kim 4:30 Youth Group	<b>Mon, 30:</b> 11:30 Soup Kitchen 7:00 NA
		<b>Mon, 23:</b> 7:00 NA	

## Bring It!

Once again this year Trinity is supporting the Interfaith Community Service Project, an interdenominational effort to stock the cupboards and shelves of groups here in Idaho Falls that work to alleviate the ravages of poverty on local families. We are joined by the congregations of Regional Council for Christian Ministry, the Catholic and

LDS communities and local businesses in collecting canned food, paper goods, cleaning supplies, diapers, bath towels, personal hygiene items, sleeping bags and school supplies. The formal collection will focus on the week of June 29<sup>th</sup> through July 6<sup>th</sup> but, as always donations will be accepted outside those dates as well. Donations will be collected from Trinity, combined

with those from the other churches, and distributed to the recipient agencies such as FISH, The Idaho Falls Community Food bank, The Haven, St. Vincent DePaul and many others. Cash donations are always welcome and are also divided between agencies. Please BRING IT! and help to put smiles on some very discouraged faces.

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## **June 8 is Pentecost Sunday!**

Wear your reds and orange  
we will celebrate with confirmation,  
church memberships, and baptisms.

