

Trinity United Methodist Church
237 N Water Ave.
Idaho Falls, ID 83402
Phone 208-522-7921
office@tumcif.org



NONPROFIT ORG.
U.S. Postage
PAID
Idaho Falls, ID
Permit No. 1491

Return Service Requested

April 2018



"Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors"

Pastor's Perspective

And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. (Mark 16:2-4)

Dear Siblings in Christ,

Last month I wrote to you about the Lenten journey that Norma, David's mother, and I took together back in 2009. As I prepared that edition of the pastor's perspective, I had no idea that I was about to embark on a very similar journey with my father, including an eerily similar time frame. First of all, please allow me to tell you how grateful I am for that time with Dad. You have truly been the church for me over these past weeks!

Two nights before Dad died, we were talking about why dying seems to take so long and how bodies are stubborn about giving up. He was ready to be home in the arms of God, and impatient that Jesus had not yet shown up to take him there. Jesus reminds us often in the Gospels that we do not know God's timing, and for most people, not knowing the timing makes us unsure when the job is complete.

During this season of Lent I preached about our covenants with God (relationship) and using Lent as a tool of renewal, rather than an instrument of suffering, to learn a lesson. The following question still looms large; How will we know?

How will we know when we are renewed, fixed, done with the project? The dictionary says that renewal means to resume an activity after an interruption. That's not really what I had in mind! I don't want to do things again

in the old way, I want to find a new, fresh way to do a very ancient thing - be in relationship with God and the whole of creation.

Easter is almost here; yet the Lenten journey may well have a few more twists and turns in store for us. While we can just make out the glimmering sunrise of Easter morning (if we stand on our tip toes), we still must travel the days of an unsettled Palm Sunday, an overcast Maundy Thursday, a dark Good Friday, and the unknown of Holy Saturday.

There will be several Holy Week opportunities to help you prepare to weather the storms of these trying times. Palm Sunday worship will once again offer a feast for the eyes and ears with special visuals and special music. Maundy Thursday helps us to remember a feast of food infused with sacred meaning. Good Friday is about communication with God through prayer. On Holy Saturday we are left to our own devices, much as the disciples of Jesus must have felt they had been left on their own after Jesus' death on the cross. And then comes Easter Sunday and the bright glory of God! We begin celebrating by witnessing another Easter sunrise, this one at the pier, then continue to rejoice through the morning with our siblings in Christ at worship services in the church.

Although navigating the various weather fronts of Lent and Easter may be somewhat satisfying all in itself, there is a much larger (climate wide) question to be answered; What will you as an individual, or us as a church community, do with the blessing of new life that is bestowed upon us this and every Easter?

Blessings, Reverend Ruth

Sunday Schedule:

9:00 am Adult Sunday School

10:15 am Worship for Everyone & Kids Church

Looking Ahead:

April 1 - Easter

April 15 - 8:00 am - Scout Breakfast

April 22 - 11:45am - Pot Luck Lunch

April 22 - Earth Day

April 27 - 6:30 pm - "Big Reveal" Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser for Restoration

April 30 - 7:00 pm - Ring Praise Ministry Handbell & Piano Concert from Boise

May 19 - 1 to 5 pm - Table Talk at Pocatello UMC

May 20 - 8:00 am - Scout Breakfast

May 20 - 4:30 pm - Trinity Wesley Spring Handbell Concert

Look inside for more details about these events.

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH—IDAHO FALLS

Holy Week Schedule

Maundy Thursday: "A Disciple Remembers" Beginning at 7pm we will journey with the disciples through a remembrance of Jesus' Last Supper, time in the garden, and at the house of Caiaphas the high priest.

Good Friday: "Prayer That Speaks To Your Heart" Drop in Prayer Vigil from noon to 3pm. Time to listen to God and time to speak with God.

Easter Sunday:

6:45 am - Sunrise Service: Celebrate the rising of the Son with the rising of the sun! Gather at Snake River Landing Pier (901 Pier View Dr.). Be sure to wear warm clothing, and pajamas may be appropriate attire.

9:00 am - Easter Sunday pot luck breakfast: Bring your favorite breakfast dish to share.

10:15 am - Easter Sunday Worship: A music filled worship celebration of the rising of our Savior.

11:30 am - Easter Egg hunts: After the kids find their eggs, they will have an opportunity to hide eggs for the adults to find!



2018 Annual Conference Session in Boise this Year

This year the Annual Conference is close enough that we can all attend.

The 50th Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference Session will be **June 13-16, 2018** in Boise, Idaho.

Most events will be at The Riverside Hotel, with some worship services at Boise First United Methodist Church Cathedral of the Rockies in downtown Boise.

For more information about the 2018 conference session go to this link:

www.umoi.org/AC



ADAH Meeting on February 27th

On Tuesday, April 24th at 6:30 our speaker will be a detective from the Idaho Falls Police Department speaking about senior issues such as scams.

If you are having a senior emergency you can call (860) 810-3227 or email me at: donrohde@aol.com. I will get you connected with some resources.

ADAH is here to support you!

- Don Rohde

ADAH

Regional Council for Christian Ministry

Committee Reports:

The Community Food Basket reported that 1,200 families and individuals were helped in January (an increase of 350 over January 2017), and 930 were helped in February (and increase of 200 over last year). They are able to know more about needs as they track assistance through zip codes, those who have a family member working, veterans in the family, etc. The new van for deliveries and gleaning has arrived. The director is meeting with the President of College of Eastern Idaho to discuss needs of students at the college. The Food Basket will have booths at Earth Day on April 28 and Cinco de Mayo and have a float in the 4th of July parade.

The Little Church in the Pines is planning special services for Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. They have located a home to lease as a parsonage and have given a copy of the lease to the RCCM executive committee to review and approve. They are preparing a new directory and requested permission to establish a memorial fund, which was granted. They are growing!

Community news and other business:

The Soup Kitchen served 6,500 meals during February. Some maintenance issues were reported and resolved. As in past years, the number of children served increased during spring break since school lunches were not available.

Emergency family housing issues are being addressed by First Presbyterian Church in cooperation with St. Vincent de Paul. The old Harbor House building will be used to house 2 to 3 families for up to 90 days. It was noted that the location is a good one as it is located between the Community Food Basket and the Soup Kitchen. Other churches will be encouraged to assist with the project.



Kids Corner - Betty Anderson

Bible Sunday - The United Methodist Church and Trinity UMC have a long standing tradition of giving the gift of a Bible to children when they are in 3rd Grade. This year the special celebration will be during the Worship Service on Easter Sunday, April 1, 2018. At this time we have four children that will receive their very own Bible. They are Angel Cole, Lily Bottcher, Jaxon King and Levi Myers.

A reception with a lovely decorated cake for the children will be held following worship and before the Easter Egg Hunt. The Anderson Family Bible Fund at Trinity provides the Bibles for the children. Past recipients of Bibles will assist with this activity too. Please come celebrate with these children.

Camping Scholarship Fund - We ask for funds to support our children, youth, adults and families who wish to attend summer church camps. Designate checks or cash to TUMC Camp Fund. We want to assist anyone who wishes to attend. The experience is very rewarding.

Vacation Bible School Training

Pocatello First United Methodist Church will host VBS "Shipwrecked Fun Shop" training on April 14 at 8:30 am - 12:30 pm. \$40 per registrant. For information, contact Amy Scarlett at: amyj.scarlett@gmail.com

Vacation Bible School at Trinity - July 30 - Aug. 2, 2018. -Please be in prayer about how you can help that week.

United Methodist Women—UMW - Mary Nagel

February flew by.

So good to recognize our new UMW members. Thank you Kathy Gaskill for arranging the recognitions. Kelly Carney offered the excellent Prayer and Self Denial Program to each circle.

In March we had a very successful bake sale. \$936.07 was made!!!! Tributes to Bev Kemp and Joanne McCray for spearheading the event, and to all who helped, donated food and bought!!!!

The March 8 Unit meeting will highlight "Living as a Covenant Community."

The Circles will meet:

- Ethel Clark- April 26th
- Susannah- April 25th

Please try to attend. EMEE (Every Member Enrichment Event) will be April 7th at Jason Lee in Blackfoot. We hope to have many from our church attend.

Happy and a blessed Easter to all.



Camping and Retreat Ministries – 2018 - Betty Anderson

Oregon and Idaho Conference – The United Methodist Church

"We are people dedicated to creating quality environments of Christian hospitality and learning."

This Ministry keeps growing and thriving under new leadership at all levels. There are 6 locations where camps and retreats take place, Camp Magruder, Suttle Lake Camp, Camp Latagwa, Wallowa Lake, A. L. Collins Retreat Center, and Sawtooth Camp, that serve the United Methodist Church of Oregon and Idaho and the Oregon Diocese of the Episcopal Church. Donation of funds are always welcome to the Camping program to make this kind of ministry available. There are programs for children, youth, adults and families too.

For us in Eastern Idaho, the closest camp is Sawtooth which is located north of Fairfield, Idaho, in the Sawtooth Mountains. Many youth from Trinity and other Methodist Churches in Southern Idaho have participated in the camping program through the years, and we are hoping to recruit new campers of all ages to participate in the programs that are available now in 2018.

Rev. Ruth Marsh and her husband, David Armstrong are active in supporting the program. David is Chairman of the Camp and Retreat Ministries Board for our conference, Ruth was the

Dean of the Elementary Camp at Sawtooth last year and David was a counselor. They will be doing the same this year.

Here is the schedule for Sawtooth Camp – 2018:

- Family Camp – June 15-17, 2018
- Elementary I – July 8 -14, 2018
Completed grades 3rd – 6th
- Elementary II- July 22-28, 2018
Completed grades 3rd – 6th
- Outpost Camp – July 15-21, 2018
Completed grades 3rd – 6th
- Junior High Camp – July 8 - 14, 2018
Completed grades 6th – 8th
- Senior High Camp – July 15-21, 2018
Completed grades 9th – 12th
- Adventure Camp – July 22 – 28, 2018
Completed grades 7th – 12th

We are asking for donations, as we have in the past, to the Trinity Camp Fund that will help cover the costs.

More camping information is available at: www.gocamping.org

(Luther Heights Camp information is not yet available.)

Trustees At Work

Your trustees have been hard at work as usual. The boiler has failed to start two times. Rocky Mountain Boiler is monitoring the situation.

This month we focused on a parking agreement between the Museum of Idaho and Trinity.

We also spent extra time on design reviews for the interior remodel with our architect and the subcontractors associated with Myers-Anderson.

We contacted Associated Crafts & Willet Hauser Architectural Glass for a free estimate and will see what they have to say about our stained glass restoration needs. We would like to have several estimates in our back pocket for the future.



Around the Church

Scout Breakfast 3rd Sunday (4/15)

The fundraising breakfast for scouts will be on Sunday, the 15th of April. Oh, the sausage! The eggs! The pancakes! And they start at 8am for the Sunday Schoolers!

Fourth Sunday Potluck Lunch

April 22 will be our fourth Sunday potluck lunch right after church. Come and share lunch and friends.

Membership Changes:

Dorothy Mandiloff has passed away. A Celebration of Life was held on March 24th.

Restoration "Big Reveal" Dinner 4/27

On Friday April 27 at 6:30 pm we are having an old fashion spaghetti dinner and a big reveal of the finished plans for the restoration. We will have drawings to look at and answers to questions. There will be forms to fill out for your commemorative bricks (see page 8). Donations from dinner will be used to raise money for the restoration project.

The menu will include spaghetti with a sausage meat sauce, salad, French bread and dessert.



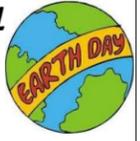
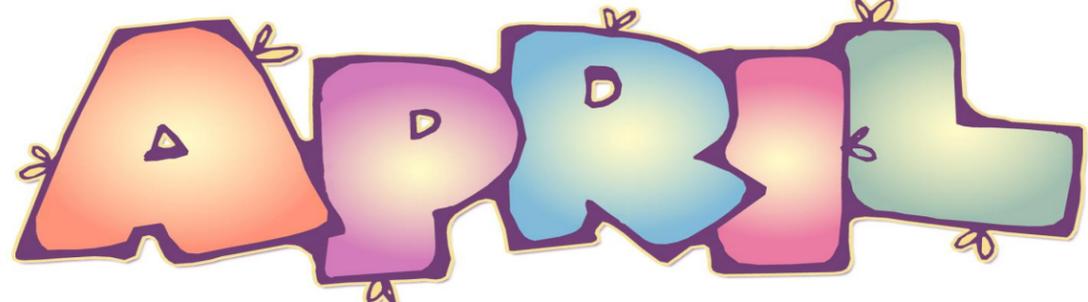
Days for Girls - Bev Kemp



Trinity's UMW is continuing our effort to help Days for Girls with their mission to provide high quality, washable feminine hygiene kits as well as sanitation and health training to girls who miss school for lack of these materials. There is a basket

in the parlor labeled Days for Girls. Thank you so much for your generosity in collecting underwear again in March. In April, please bring microtex 80/12 sewing machine needles, straight pins and 45mm rotary cutter blades. Our participation, along with others nationwide, makes the program possible. You are truly appreciated.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1 EASTER DAY 6:45 Sun Rise Worship 9:00 Potluck Breakfast 10:15 Worship 11:30 Easter Egg Hunts 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous 	2 11:00 Soup Kitchen Mission 6:00 Beginning Bells 7:00 Theology On Tap at Tap-n-Fill 7:00 Wesley Handbells 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	3 7:00 Cub Scout Den Meet 7:00 Daisy & Brownie 7:00 Trustee Meeting 108 7:00 P.E.O.	4 9:00 Breakfast - O'Brady's 11:00 Upper Room 6:30 Chronic Disease Self Management 7:00 Adler Lecture Series 7:30 Boy Scout Troup 6	5 9:30 UMW Executive Committee Meeting 6:30 Choir Rehearsal 7:00 Girl Scouts 7:15 Praise Band 8:00 Serenity Seekers	6 Church Office Closed 9:00 Community Partners 6:30 Dinner & Movie: "Places of the Heart" 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	7 10:00 Brownie Troup 421 7:00 Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	
Ruth Out of Office							
8 Easter-2 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	9 10:00 F.I.S.H. 6:00 Beginning Bells 7:00 Theology On Tap at Tap-n-Fill 7:00 Girl Scout Leader Group 7:00 Wesley Handbells 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	10 7:00 Cub Scout Den Meet 7:00 Daisy & Brownie	11 9:00 Breakfast - O'Brady's 11:00 Upper Room 7:00 Adler Lecture Series 7:30 Boy Scout Troup 6	12 9:00 Steering Committee 1:00 UMW Unit Meeting 6:00 Finance Committee 6:30 Choir Rehearsal 7:00 Girl Scouts 7:15 Praise Band 8:00 Serenity Seekers	13 Church Office Closed 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	14 8:30 VBS Training at Pocatello First UMC 7:00 Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	
15 Easter-3 8:00 Scouts Cook Breakfast for us 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship <i>News Letter Articles Due</i> 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	16 11:00 Soup Kitchen Mission 6:00 Beginning Bells 7:00 Theology On Tap at Tap-n-Fill 7:00 Wesley Handbells 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	17 TAX DAY  7:00 Cub Scout Den Mtg 7:00 Daisy & Brownie 7:00 Admin Council Meeting	18 9:00 Breakfast - O'Brady's 11:00 Upper Room 7:00 Adler Lecture Series 7:30 Boy Scout Troup 6	19 6:30 Choir Rehearsal 7:00 Scout Pack Committee 7:00 Girl Scouts 7:15 Praise Band 8:00 Serenity Seekers	20 Church Office Closed 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	21 10:00 Brownie Troup 421 7:00 Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	
22 Easter-4 Earth Day  9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship 11:30 Pot Luck Lunch <i>"Festival of God's Creation"</i> 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	23 6:00 Beginning Bells 7:00 Theology On Tap at Tap-n-Fill 7:00 Wesley Handbells 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	24 6:30 ADAH Meeting 7:00 Cub Scout Den & Pack Meeting 7:00 Daisy & Brownie	25 World Malaria Day  9:00 Breakfast O'Brady's 11:00 Upper Room 7:00 Adler Lecture Series 7:00 Susannah Circle 7:30 Boy Scout Troup 6	26 10:00 News Letter Crew 1:00 Ethel Clark Circle 6:30 Choir Rehearsal 7:00 Girl Scouts 7:15 Praise Band 8:00 Serenity Seekers	27 Church Office Closed  6:30 "Big Reveal" Spaghetti Dinner for Restoration 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	28 7:00 Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	
29 Easter-5 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	30 6:00 Beginning Bells 7:00 Ring Praise Handbell Concert 7:00 Wesley Handbells 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	May 1 7:00 Cub Scout Den Meet 7:00 Daisy & Brownie 7:00 Trustee Meeting 108 7:00 P.E.O.	May 2 9:00 Breakfast - O'Brady's 11:00 Upper Room 7:30 Boy Scout Troup 6				

APRIL

Please have your articles for the May newsletter submitted to: office@tumcif.org no later than Thursday, April 15th, so we can get the newsletter out in a timely manner. Thank you!
 Don Rohde-Editor
donrohde@aol.com

Daisy and Brownie Girl Scouts - Ruthanne Cole

The Brownies and Daisies have been busy selling yummy cookies for the last couple months. All the profit we make is used for expenses of running the troop. The girls also earn Cookie Dough that is money they can use for camps and other girl scout activities and of course prizes for each level earned. They have also been learning checkers and experimenting with dominoes.



Brownies are still working on the Philanthropist Badge. They had a skating party where each person was to bring gently used clothes to donate to Idaho Youth Ranch.

The Daisies are working on law and honesty. We plan on visiting the sheriffs office soon. We also chose law enforcement to give our donated cookies to.



Trinity Restoration - Nancy Stewart

This project is supported by a grant from National Fund for Sacred Places, a partnership of the National Trust for Historic Preservation and Partners for Sacred Places as we have \$95,000 in our checking account from them and they will distribute the final \$95,000 when we complete the project.

Fundraising is moving forward. We need to raise \$18,000 to match the \$23,000 grant opportunity from The William J. & Shirley A. Maeck Family Foundation. We received \$5,000 from the Beckman foundation that will count as our matching Maeck portion, hence the need for \$18,000.

We are concerned about the lack of General Contractors to bid on our interior restoration project in this construction boom, so we are working hard to ensure that we have contingency money for a delayed start and/or plumbing, structural or electrical issues with our ~55 year old Education Wing. Any money we have left over from construction completion will be used to start TUMC stained glass renovation. Left over money

will not be used for the church operating budget.

We are opening up the \$500 or less brick opportunity for the congregation and public to honor our supporters of Trinity Restoration. For each \$100 we receive from you, \$20 will go to pay for your brick and engraving of your name, and \$80 will go to Trinity Restoration. We are interested in having a brickyard under our pine tree that represents the members of the early 21st century Trinity United Methodist Church.



At the Spaghetti Dinner on April 27 we will share our fundraising thermometer, drawings of the latest interior design, and details of upgrades (finish for walls, floors and ceilings in the building, etc.). Finally, we are working diligently to ensure that we don't have "scope creep" in order to stay within the confines of our grants as proper stewards of our Trinity Capital Funds Campaign.

Cub Scout Pack 6 - Sam Bays

I have to honestly admit, Lent has not been a priority of mine. I just have not been thinking of it a lot. However, some God sightings recently, have got me thinking that Lent (and soon Pentecost) is at least in-part observing how to spend time on the Earth preparing for what's next.

Sometimes, we "need" to be busy because it is time to do so, like when Jesus performed all those miracles before His crucifixion. Other times we are exercising our faith, like the disciples waiting in uncertainty not knowing when they would see their friend again. And then there's Ordinary Time which isn't really bad, sad, mad, or glad, but Jesus rejoicing in our existence.

I think I've experienced all of these seasons lately. At times I had to raise my voice enough to be heard, other times I needed to be quiet and let others speak, and still other times the great energy of the children carried the moment and we grownups had to just be still and rejoice.

Being an interfaith group, we don't actively observe liturgical seasons on the Pack calendar. Nevertheless here's my testimony of my God sightings: Pancake Feed (Thank you TUMC!), Scout Sunday, Blue and Gold Banquet, Round Table, field trips to the Rexburg Legacy Flight Museum, I.F. Waste Water Treatment Plant and bowling.

Also, I'm happy to see our leaders (adults) and scouts (youth) working together to plan activities, inviting special speakers, short hikes, and even more.

Are you Scouting out God sightings? Would you like to share them with Pack 6? If so, give me a call at 208-520-8883.



Ring Praise Handbell Concert

Monday, April 30
7:00 pm

Trinity United Methodist Church
237 N Water Ave, Idaho Falls

Phyllis Tincher,
handbell soloist



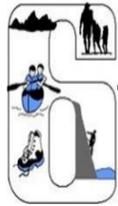
and

Sean Rogers,
pianist



An offering will be taken for Ring Praise Music Ministry,
a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization.
RingPraiseMinistry.org

Boy Scouting Troop 6 News - Robin Stewart



The scouts of Troop 6 held their 6 month elections and elected Walker Meek the new Senior Patrol Leader. The troop's monthly outing was to the Warm River Cabin, a Glamping trip (rather than camping), where they stayed in a cabin heated by a wood stove, and near a source of water (the Warm River Spring).

Skiing Friday night was a miserable affair. The icy snow was horrible to ski on. Saturday morning our snow prayers were answered, and we received 3-5 inches of snow. The scouts held their Introduction to Leadership Training - Troop (otherwise known as ILST), and then spend the afternoon honing their skiing skills, with the obligatory down hill challenge, which Robin faithfully recorded for social media.

The trip out Sunday was excellent, with perfect snow. Almost all the boys made it back to the vehicles with minimal help. And the Frost Top Ice

Cream tastes even better after a few miles.

April will take the scouts of Troop 6 to Utah, where we will tour the ATK Rocket Garden, and the Hill Air Force Museum. There is some talk about sneaking in the Golden Spike National Monument.

The annual plan for the troop was also updated:

April- Rockets, **May-** Krupp Family Camp, **June-** City of the Rocks, **July-** Island Park Summer camp/Philmont Scout ranch, **August-** Water Sports, **September-** Mountain Bike/Paddle, **October-** Yellowstone's Lone Star Geyser, **November-** Green Canyon, **December-** Granite Hot Springs, **January-** Winteree, **February-** Downhill Snow Sports/Biathlon, **March-** Warm River Cabin ILST, **April-** Space Exploration MB/Rocket launching, **May-** Family Camp, **June-** White Water Kayaking. **July-** Summer Camp, and **August-** Climbing Mount Borah.

Girl Scouting Troop 60 /62 News - Nancy Stewart



Girl Scouts.

On March 15th the girls had fun with Valerie making SWAPS (Special Whatchamacallits Affectionately Pinned Somewhere) for Jubilation 2018. We are advertising for Jubilation, Making Your Dreams Possible, June 8-10 at Filer Fairgrounds. The Cadettes are working on

the Special Agent Badge and the Seniors are working on Website Design. We will finish these badges in early April. The Leaders and Parents are having a planning meeting on 4/8/18. We are in need of volunteers to help with the troop.

Trinity Book Ladies - Joy Christian

All 416 AH Bush School students chose a book to keep from the Book Ladies this school year. This finishes the 14th year the Trinity Book Ladies have had fun watching or helping students chose a book to keep. Once again, we thank everyone who have given books to this fun and positive activity.



Also, thank you to all who support the Box Tops for Education program. These also go to Bush School. For those who would like to contribute, an envelope labeled Box Tops for Education is located on the bulletin board by the church office.



The Wesley Handbell Choir Presents:

“MOVIE MUSIC”

Sunday, May 20, 2018 at 4:30 pm

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

Free Admission, donations gratefully accepted
For more information: TrinityBellsIF@gmail.com

March Birthdays & Anniversaries

Richard Kunter	4/1	Bill O'Steen	4/12	Emily Scarborough	4/25
Christy Southwick	4/1	Debbie Hochhalter	4/13	Bev Kemp	4/27
Scott Taylor	4/6	Eliana Castillo	4/14	Isabelle Hayes	4/29
John Harder	4/7	P.J. Piper	4/16	For additions or corrections in	
Beth Brochu	4/8	Amy Dickson	4/17	birthdays please contact Pam in	
Amanda & Nathan		Ryan Atwood	4/19	the church of-	
McClure	4/8	Deborah Bean	4/20	fice. 208-522-	
Casey Eikelberger	4/9	Barry O'Brien	4/21	7921	
Marilyn Taylor	4/10	Nathan McClure	4/23		
Joanne & Les McCray	4/11	Sarah Jakovac	4/25		

