



The Outreach

Christmas at Trinity!

December 1st
1st Sunday in
Advent

December 8th
2nd Sunday in
Advent
UMW Holiday
Treat Sale
Bell Concerts
4:30 & 7:00

December 15th
3rd Sunday in
Advent
2:00 Christmas
Caroling

December 22nd
4th Sunday in
Advent
Christmas Carol
Communion

December 24th
Christmas Eve
Services



7:00 Family
Service
Children's
Pageant

9:00 Traditional
Lessons & Carols
Candlelight
Service
Community Choir

11:00 Traditional
Lessons & Carols
Candlelight
Service
Community Choir

Church Council

At its November 12 meeting, Trinity's Church Council voted to return to two distinct worship services after much prayer, discussion, and consideration of the results of our October worship survey.

Beginning December 1 (the first Sunday in Advent) the new Sunday morning schedule will be: Praise and Rejoice worship from 9:00 to 10:00, Sunday School from 10:15 to 11:15, and Traditional wor-

ship from 11:30 to 12:30. The clear majority of respondents to the survey preferred the blended worship style, 54 votes in favor to 42 against. Most people cited the joy of worshipping as

Christmas Caroling

You are invited to go Christmas Caroling with the church at 2:00 pm on Sunday, December 15.

We will go caroling to the homebound members of our congregation.

Please participate in this ministry.

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one church family as their reason for preferring one worship, even if they had to compromise over their favorite style of worship music.

God is the audience for our worship, not us. We should be more concerned over pleasing God with our worship than pleasing ourselves. That said, it's difficult to sing joyfully to God if we are stumbling over unfamiliar words or tunes in church. A significant minority expressed (in their survey responses) that they are just not able to make the necessary changes to participate joyfully in a blended worship service. The Church Council felt that we did not want to cause that much dis-

stress to people at a time in which they hope to connect with God in a meaningful way. Therefore we will offer two worship styles again on Sunday mornings.

However, while we were discussing the needs of the congregation, we faced the fact that we have been shortchanging Christian Education for years. With a 15 minute break between Sunday School and each worship service, we hope to avoid the problems caused by the interruptions of late arrivals and early departures from classes. We also hope and pray that the Trinity people who so loved worshipping together will transfer that joy to learning and growing in our faith

together. And this spread-out schedule will allow Pastor Brenda to teach between services.

We realize that this change will push the Traditional service back by 30 minutes, but everyone will compromise a little this way. The Praise Band members will arrive at 7:30 am to set up and rehearse; the Traditional worship will last until 12:30 pm. May we all be willing to "give" a little so that we can all meet with God in a joyful way here at Trinity.

Patti Edwards, Church Council Chair

Giovanni Castillo Update and Prayer Requests

Continued Prayers for Giovanni and Heather Castillo -

News as of Nov 25, 2013

The latest treatment for Giovanni for Leukemia did not stop the cancer cells from growing. He had many complications from the last treatment. He is trying to remain positive but it has been very difficult. He began a new treatment yesterday but his options are running out. Please pray for Heather and the 3 young children too. She is very exhausted but trying to be with him most of the time. His mother, Francisca, is also helping too. They are now in a little apartment close to the Huntsman

Cancer Center in SLC.

Jim and I are going to SLC tomorrow, (Tuesday) with the 3 children to be with Heather and maybe see Giovanni briefly. Children are not allowed in his room.

Heather has a birthday on Sat., Nov. 30 so we hope to celebrate with her if possible. The kids are on vacation from school for the Thanksgiving week.

If anyone is able to send her greetings for her special day it would be wonderful.

Her address is: 130 S. 800 E. Apt #210 Salt Lake City, Utah 84102

Heather's e-mail address is: chelitahr@yahoo.com . She

also has a Facebook page and she is writing a journal on the internet at "Caring Bridge" that is open for anyone to see.

If interested go to: www.caringbridge.org Sign in with a password

Then go to:

visit/giovannicastillo

Giovanni has a Facebook page and has occasionally been writing when he is able. He shows lots of courage, faith and will to stay alive.

His e-mail account

is: castillo_ni@yahoo.com

Thank you!

Jim and Betty Anderson
(Heather's parents)

Wesley Handbell Choir

The Wesley Handbell Choir will be performing in the community on the following dates to “Ring in the Season.”

Friday, December 6th, 6:30 in Menan

Saturday, December 7th, 3:30 at

Trinity UMC

Sunday, December 8th, 4:30 and 7:00 at Trinity UMC

Saturday, December 14th, 1:00 at Driggs Idaho Catholic Church

Tuesday, December 17th, 12:00

at the Retired Teachers Lunch.

We are looking forward to seeing you at one of our presentations and kicking off the Christmas Season!

Jim Dahlgran

Regional Council News

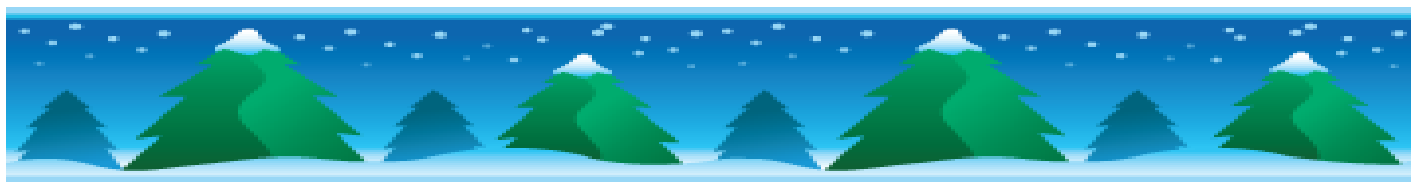
The Little Church in the Pines has announced that they are available for group events. If your group would like to have a retreat or other meeting, contact them at [\(208\) 558-9394](tel:2085589394)
4100 South Big Springs Loop Road

Island Park, ID 83429

Soup Kitchen: The needs at the soup kitchen continue to increase. The daily average for last year was 99. This year that number has grown consistently each and every month, with the

year to date average now being 114. In August the daily average was 128. The soup kitchen relies on donations of money, food and time. If you are interested in helping, contact Kathy Harder. **RCCM** efforts to feed the hungry and provide school supplies to children in need, continue: 1024 food boxes were distributed at the Food Bank in October, and 825 students received needed school supplies. In addition, the Soup Kitchen at the Commu-

nity Outreach Center provided 4178 meals in October (35,754 year-to-date). Those who attend the Little Church in the Pines, in Island Park, will be pleased to learn that fund-raising efforts have been successful and the construction loan has been paid off; future fund-raising efforts will be used for maintenance. Trinity's representatives are Sara Jensen and Linda Milam; Bev Kemp chairs the FISH organization, a committee of RCCM.



Prayer Chain

Please Continue to pray for the family of Baby Ava. She passed away at 7.5 months old at Primary Children's Medical Center on November 24th. We ask also for continued prayers for Giovanni Castillo and the Castillo and Anderson families as Gio continues to battle cancer.

Prayers for Jamie Dazey, Avery Mendoza, Sharon Eld, Ruth Farkas, Joyce Ayers, Carol Bruinsma, Dan Frontczak, the French Family, and Leo Howard's Family



Prayer Group

Prayer is important in the life of a Christian. 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.

This intercessory prayer group meets at the church the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at 1:00.

United Methodist Women



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Women

United Methodist Women Holiday Treat Sale Sunday, December 8th. Please come and see the

large selection of holiday treats and support our sale. Any donated items will be greatly appreciated. The December Unit meeting will be **SATURDAY, December 14, 1:00**, in the parlor. The Christmas unit meeting was changed to enable those working UMW members to be able to attend and enjoy. This special Christmas Unit

meeting will be filled with cheer and music, provided by St. Luke's Bell Choir. Our unit's shepherd, Jane Wyndham of Inkom UMW, will install the 2014 officers. Executive Board will be the hostess. All ladies and youth are welcome to come and enjoy Christmas music and fel-

A Trinity Kids Christmas

all the children and older kids of Trinity United Methodist Church are invited to take part in the annual Christmas Pageant. This year it stars...YOU! Please join

us and share in telling of the first Christmas as only the youth of Trinity can tell it in words and music. This will be one of the best gifts you can give your family.

We'll meet Sundays in December, in the Sanctuary and start gathering about 2:45. Practice will start at 3p.m. SHARP! See you there!

UMCOR

With the recent tornadoes and typhoons, plus floods earlier this year, there is a great need for donations to UMCOR to supply cleaning buckets, hygiene packages, programs that fight hunger and poverty, and assist the displaced and respond to disasters. Any gift to mission that is made online through the advance on UMC #Giving Tuesday will be matched dollar for

dollar. Contact at: www.umcmmission.org/give. These are the numbers and where the donations will go:

International Disaster Response: 982450: quick response to meet emergency needs around the world.

United States Disaster Response: 901670: supporting UMCOR's response to disasters.

Global Health: 3021770: supporting holistic, community-based health programs in the US and around the world.

Undesignated: 999895: supporting programs that fight hunger and poverty, assist the displaced and respond to disasters.

Endowments Committee

The Endowment Committee is pleased to announce the awarding of the following scholarships:

Molly O'Brien at the University of Washington,

Katy Robinson at Idaho State University

Mary Stewart at the University of Montana

and a special music scholarship to Gavin Carney at Washington State.

Scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic achievement

and active participation in Trinity U.M. Church activities.

Applications, transcripts and references are carefully considered by the committee. We are very proud of our youthful members.

Community Events

The 6th Annual Museum of Idaho “**Olde Fashioned Christmas and Winter Festivals**” exhibit will be held this year from December 13 through January 4, 2014. The display is held in conjunction with the Museum of Idaho, City of Idaho

Falls, Chesbro Music and many faith organizations. Trains will be included this year in a special display. To share a Nativity, Gingerbread house, or Trains, serve as a docent, or perform music, please contact Rod Hansen at rodhan-

sen@museumofidaho.org by November 18th.

The delivery date for loaned items is Wednesday, December 11, and 9-5 and pick up date is Monday, January 8, 2014 from 9-5.

Scouts! Troop 6, Pack 6, and Crew at Trinity

Trinity has long been supportive of this program as a community program. Boys (and some girls) come from all over the city to participate in this program. As part of the Grand Teton Council, the troop is the oldest troop in the area. They were founded in 1920 and are celebrating 93 years in the scouting program. The Cub Scouts are celebrating their 26th anniversary this year. The leaders and scouts have made it possible for this unit to obtain and maintain the Quality Unit Award. We are proud to be able to sponsor such a hard working group!

There was a lively meeting of cub scout and families in Mary Dawson Hall on Tuesday, November 19. The scouts and parents had been busy baking, and on that night they auctioned off their goods. All of the money was given to Trinity UMC to support the Pastor's Emergency Fund. This was a record breaking year. A check for \$761 was handed to Pastor Brenda at the end of the evening! The scouts heard that last year's money provided Christmas for a family, and turned the heat on for another family. The Pastor's Emergency Fund is used to help people who fall through the

cracks. Trinity partners with local service agencies to help the money to go further. We often get calls from these agencies when they are not able to help a family, or when the needs are too great for one agency and we all need to contribute to meet the need. It is also used to help people in our own congregation when emergencies arise. We have helped pay rent, utilities, gas, and car repairs for some of our members. This is God at work in our community through the children and adults of Trinity!

Sunday Volunteers

1: Counters: Bob Siedelmann & Kathy Harder

Sound/Radio Room: Jacob Robinson & Jared Sene

Radio Sponsor: Don & Marilyn Taylor in Honor of the Bell Choir

8: Counters: Scott Taylor & Ted Watanabe

Sound/Radio Room: Dylann

Rhys & Max Harrison

Radio Sponsor: Donna Bailey in Honor of Margaret Jobe

15: Counters: Jeff Bryan & TBD

Sound/Radio Room: Jacob Robinson & Jared Sene

Radio Sponsor: Roy & Betty Simonds

22: Counters: Jim Anderson & Shirley Cowell

Sound/Radio Room: Dylann Rhys & Max Harrison

Radio Sponsor: None

29: Counters: Bob Siedelmann & Kathy Harder

Sound/Radio Room: Jacob Robinson & Jared Sene

Radio Sponsor: None

Birthdays

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| 12/02 Barb Brooks | Walt Weaver | 12/30 Jason Jakovac |
| Dylan Empey | 12/15 Kamiko Norris | |
| 12/05 Jules Clemens | 12/16 Davis Taylor | |
| 12/06 Clara Grimes | 12/17 Ellen Schuman | |
| 12//10 Margaret Jobe | 12/18 Michael Benson | |
| 12/11 Richard Gildersleeve | Christina Carroll | |
| Gwen Weaver | 12/23 Kathy Smith | |
| 12/12 Nancy Bergman | 12/25 John Mullen | |
| Alyce Gonzalez | Jo Ann Rose | |
| 12/14 Elaine Flatland | 12/26 Judy Bryggman | |
| | 12/29 Joanne McCray | |



Radio Broadcast Sponsorship



The 11:00 am radio broadcast of our Sunday worship service is valued by many people within our

congregation and our community. It is an important ministry that Trinity has been honored to provide. Please sign up to sponsor a radio broadcast. In honor of a person or occasion, or in memory of a loved one.

The cost of our broadcast is \$90 each week. If you want to help sponsor a broadcast, but cannot afford the full \$90, it is fine to contribute toward the broadcast whatever amount that is within your budget. Get your sponsorships in soon, to make sure you can get the date you want.

****(Please make sure to clarify **Who** is sponsoring and in

“Honor/Memory of whom”Thanks) *****

December 8, 2013

December 22, 2013

December 29, 2013

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December



1: 900 Praise & Rejoice 1015 Sunday School 1130 Traditional 430 Youth Group	730 Choir 6: 930 Community Partners 7: 330 Bell Concert	14: 800 UMM 100 UMW Unit meeting	700 NA
2: 1130 Soup Kitchen 615 TOPS 700 NA 700 Wesley Bells	8: 900 Praise & Rejoice 1015 Sunday School 1130 Traditional UMW Holiday treat sale 430 Bell Concert 430 Youth Group 700 Bell Concert	15: 900 Praise & Rejoice 1015 Sunday School 1130 Traditional 200 Christmas Caroling 16: 1130 Soup Kitchen 615 TOPS 700 NA	24: 900 Sermon Study 100 Prayer Group @ Dorothy's House 700 <i>Christmas Eve Children's Service</i> 900 <i>Christmas Eve Candlelight Service</i> 1100 <i>Christmas Eve Candlelight Service</i>
3: 900 Sermon Study 530 PEO 700 Cub Scouts 730 Trustees	9: 615 TOPS 700 NA 10: 700 Cub Scouts 730 Church Council	17: 900 Sermon Study 630 Cub Scouts 18: 900 Breakfast @ O'Bradys 130 NAMI 630 Made to Crave 730 Boy Scouts 730 Marnie Circle	25:
4: 900 Breakfast @ O'Bradys 130 NAMI 630 Made to Crave 730 Boy Scouts 730 Marnie Circle	11: 900 Breakfast @ O'Bradys 130 NAMI 330 Cooking Class 630 Made to Crave 730 Boy Scouts 730 Marnie Circle	19: 100 Ethel Clark 700 Girl Scouts 730 Choir 22: <i>Christmas Carol Communion</i> 900 Praise & Rejoice 1015 Sunday School 1130 Traditional 1130 Soup Kitchen	 26: Office Closed 29: 900 Praise & Rejoice 1015 Sunday School 1130 Traditional 430 Youth Group 30: 1130 Soup Kitchen 615 TOPS 700 NA
5: 930 UMW Ex Brd 700 Girl Scouts	12: 100 UMW Program planning & budget meeting 700 Girl Scouts 730 Choir	23: 615 Tops	31: New Year's Eve

The Mitten Tree

Have your hands ever been cold, especially when you're playing in the snow? Then you'll understand why mittens are very important, especially for children. Therefore, a tree has been set up by the drinking fountain for you to bring mittens to be given to children at Bush School. All sizes are needed. Just bring the mittens to the church and hang them on the Mitten Tree. Some children will be very grateful for your gift to them.

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United Methodist Church is
to humbly:

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

If you can't be with us in person,
join us on the radio every
Sunday at 11:00 am, KBLY
1260 AM or KBLI 690 AM.

Each Sunday's order of worship
is available on our website, tum-
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portions of previous Sundays'
worship services.