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Sunday Schedule:

9:30 am Potluck Breakfast each Sunday

10:15 am Worship for Everyone & Kids Church

Looking Ahead:

June 3rd - 9:30am - Begin summertime potluck breakfasts

June 13th - 16th Annual Conference in Boise

June 23rd - Historic Tour of Idaho Falls Ridge Avenue Neighborhood

June 23rd - 7:30pm Salt Lake Trinity UMC Youth handbell concert

June 30th - 6:30pm - Flute Choir Recital

July 4th - Chukars Baseball Game and Barbeque

July 15th - Little Church In the Pines at Island Park

July 30th - Aug 2nd - Vacation Bible School

September 9th - Rally Day - Start of Sunday School and fall schedule

September 15th - Walk to End Alzheimer's - Memory Methodists Team

September 21st - Progressive Dinner - "Hors d'Oeuvre Appetizer Night at Trinity"

*Look inside
for more de-
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these events.*

June 2018



"Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors"

Pastor's Perspective

Dear Siblings in Christ,

The Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference will meet in Boise, Idaho June 13-16. Below are the pieces of legislation that will be acted upon by that body. I have given a brief description for each piece of legislation. The underlined name of the individual legislation is clickable to the full document if you are reading this article as a pdf on the computer.

Action Requests

AR - 1 [Revisions for Scholarship Policies of the Board of Ordained Ministry](#)

This revision clarifies the application process and requirements for persons in pastoral leadership positions to receive various types of continuing education funds.

AR - 2 [Inclusive Language to Be Used at Oregon-Idaho Conference and District Meetings and Worship](#)

This action will reflect the openness and acceptance of all persons in the business and worship of the Oregon-Idaho annual conference in the use of clearly inclusive language.

AR - 3 [Child Incarceration and the United Nations Convention on Rights of the Child](#)

We call on the United States Congress to join with 196 other nations in ratifying the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child; and Direct the Conference Secretary to write to the Oregon and Idaho Congressional Representatives, as well as the President, Vice President and Secretary of State, encouraging them to support pending and proposed legislation regarding the rights of children.

AR - 4 [Electronic Distribution of the Conference Journal - Replace Conference Rules 4.052 and 4.053](#)

The downloadable Conference Journal shall be made publicly available online within two months of the adjournment of the Annual Conference session, with a "print-on-demand" publishing option also available.

AR - 5 [Cause the Oregon-Idaho Conference to Affirm Unity in Diversity to the General Conference \(2019\)](#)

Prior to the called General Conference in February 2019, the Oregon-Idaho Conference Secretary, on behalf of the Conference, shall send a letter to the head of each annual conference delegation with the text of the letter to be: The Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference urges the Council of Bishops and the General Conference to affirm unity in our diversity, challenge in love all that divides, and offer to all people God's saving grace through Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. We pray that you will resist schism and express openness to diverse perspectives in matters of sexual identity and practice.

AR - 6 [Bi-Lingual Signage for Welcome](#)

By the year 2020 all permanent public signage at camps and other public facilities in Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference, including the conference center, will be bilingual, English and Spanish. Local ministry settings in Oregon-Idaho are encouraged to adopt bilingual signage. Congregations where there is a primary language other than English or Spanish will have signage with at least two languages.

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH—IDAHO FALLS

Standing Resolutions

SR - 1 Standing on the Side of Love

Churches throughout the Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference welcome people of various ethnic groups, income levels, ability levels, religious backgrounds, sexual orientations and gender identities to find a spiritual home in their congregations. Members of Conference United Methodist churches include people of various sexual orientations who are involved in loving relationships. God calls us to stand on the side of love. We believe all relationships that are grounded in shared affection and are equitable in power reflect God's will. We support marriage between loving couples – gay, bisexual, lesbian, transgender, straight, celibate, or otherwise – that reflects such commitments.

SR - 2 Supporting Middle East Peace Efforts

We urge our US and world leaders to carefully explore appropriate actions that will eventually help to end the terrorism that continues to be nurtured in the Middle East. We call upon United Methodists and other people of faith and good conscience to work for peace, to help change policies for the better and to improve human rights for all people.

SR - 3 Repair and Strengthen the 1965 Voting Rights Act

The Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference supports repairing the 1965 Voting Rights Act that was decimated by the 2013 U.S. Supreme Court Shelby County v. Holder decision. The weakened Voting Rights Act has allowed many states to place barriers to voting, including strict voter ID laws and residency requirements and prohibition of same-day registration. The voters most affected by these obstacles are racial minorities, the poor, the elderly and young people.

SR - 4 National Fair Trade Policy

This standing resolution is consistent with the Social Principles. The International Standards of Fair Trade are based on ensuring livable wages for farmers and their families.

SR - 5 Support for Inclusive Lay Staff Employment Policy

The Oregon-Idaho Conference is committed to employment practices in which laity called to serve are employed and dismissed without regard for sexual orientation or gender identity.

SR - 6 Support the Abolition of Human Trafficking (2009; r.2012, r. 2015)

Neither Oregon or Idaho have enacted Safe Harbor laws that treat sexually trafficked adults and children as victims of crime rather than perpetrators of crime. Therefore, we urge individuals, churches and church related organizations to research the status of Safe Harbor legislation in their own states. We believe that our ministry of reconciliation requires us to work towards ending human trafficking and to minister to the immediate needs of those who live in the fear, loneliness and physical pain that accompany human trafficking, offering hope and help to escape.

SR - 7 Climate Change

We resolve to take positive action to curb emissions that contribute to global climate change. As stewards of God's creation we acknowledge our way of living, specifically our use of energy, creates emissions that affect the climate and threaten all life. We resolve to support the creation of laws and policies that will lead to decreases in the dangerous emissions that threaten our planet.

SR - 8 Aligning Investments with Values Regarding Palestine and Israel

We call for all Oregon-Idaho United Methodist boards and agencies, districts, local churches and individuals to prayerfully consider avoiding companies involved in Israel's occupation of Palestine when making investment decisions, and/or utilizing their purchasing power; and Encourage United Methodists to partner with Jews, Christians, Muslims and other people of conscience working for corporate accountability, human rights, true peace and security for all people in Israel and Palestine, and an end to the illegal Israeli occupation of Palestine.

SR - 9 Close the Western Hemispheric Institute for Security Cooperation (formerly named the School of the Americas or SOA)

We resolve to continue to support the endeavor to close the WHINSEC located on the U.S. Army Base at Fort Benning, Georgia. WHINSEC trains Latin American military and law enforcement personnel in inhumane, oppressive tactics such as torture, assassination and kidnapping, to control their populations.

SR - 10 Human Rights for Incarcerated Children

The Oregon/Idaho Conference of the United

Methodist Church formally endorses the application of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights as it applies to incarcerated children.

Trinity will be well represented at Annual Conference. Please keep Tia Durrant (Trinity's Lay Member), David Armstrong (delegate to Jurisdictional Conference), Mario Estrada (Sage District Youth Equalization Member), Nanci Cutler (Sage District Ethnic Equalization Member) and Theo French (Page) in your prayers.

Blessings,

Rev. Ruth



Girl Scouting Troop 60 News - Nancy Stewart

The girls and leaders are going to Jubilation at Filer Fairgrounds in early June for three days. This is an every 3-year event planned by Girl Scouts of Silver Sage Council.

We are looking forward to a fun time together. Our plans for next year and summer activities need to be discussed and shared with girls and parents as developed.

United Methodist Women—UMW - Mary Nagel



There will be no unit meetings in June or July.

Mark your calendars for the annual ice cream social August 9th. Hoping to have a surprise guest!!!

The two circles will have their picnics in August. More information on that to follow.

Mission u is being held August 3 - 4th in Twin Falls this year for our section of the district. It will be a shorter mission, but just as interesting. Please try to attend.

Have a great summer and looking to see you all for ice cream in August!!!!



Chuckars Baseball Barbeque!

Trinity Night at the Idaho Falls Chuckars baseball is on July 4th. We have reserved the picnic area along the 3rd base line. There will be a group BBQ catered by the ball park that includes: admission to the game, grilled hamburgers, hot-dogs (featuring Falls Brand), classic macaroni salad, potato salad, maple and brown sugar baked beans, assorted Frito Lay potato chips, Pepsi products, bottled water. Tickets cost \$22.00 per person, Kids 12 & under \$15.00 per child, Un-

der 3 years of age: FREE. There is room for 200 people so bring your family and friends. If you are interested in attending the Chuckars game please call the church office (208) 522-7923) to add your name to the list. You can pay for your tickets in the office or pay Gene Summers (208) 351- 1499) If you are paying by check please indicate "Chuckars Tickets" in the memo field. Please get your money in by June 28th so we can get the tickets printed by Chuckars in time.

Salt Lake City Wesley Bell Ringers Concert - June 23 at 7:30 pm

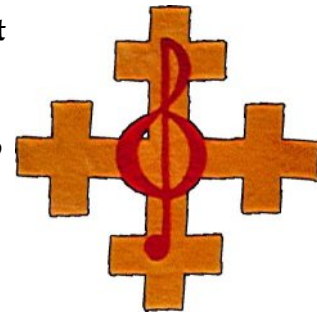
On Saturday, June 23rd, Wesley Bell Ringers from Christ United Methodist Church in Salt Lake City, will arrive in Idaho Falls to complete their 53rd annual tour at Trinity. We will feed them about 6pm, in plenty of time for them to get ready for their performance at 7:30.

The concert is free & donations will be accepted.

After the concert, the ringers and their chaperones will depart with their host families for the night, returning the next morning for loading

and departure before our own worship.

Please prayerfully consider hosting some of the people, cooking and serving dinner and helping out with breakfast the next morning. Let Pam know how you would like to help (208-522-7921) what you are going to help with. Thank you!



Regional Council for Christian Ministry

The Regional Council for Christian Ministry met on Tuesday, May 15 at the Soup Kitchen. Dave Manson, the director of the Community Food Basket, was our host and gave the prayer and meditation.

The first report was from FISH. Bev Kemp reported that their biggest outreach this past month was healthcare at the Community Family Clinic. They help cover \$20 of the cost, which is based on a sliding scale due to income. Because they are able to help with up to \$50, that gives them the option of helping with medication after the person has been seen.

FISH also reported that they gave out 780 backpacks of school supplies this past school year.

Dave Manson reported that the Community Food Basket provided food for 877 families in April. Also in April, the Soup Kitchen fed 3383.

During the Idaho Gives campaign, a total of \$9,366 was donated to the Community Food Basket online and through partnerships with local businesses. \$6,000 was donated to the Soup Kitchen.

Scouting for Food collected 30,000 pounds of food this year, and Broulins and Smiths are still bringing food in.

Last month, Connie Day stepped down as the RCCM chair and Jane Kaestner took her place.

This month, it was voted that JoAnn Biery take Jane's place as vice-chair. The vote was a unanimous yes!

There has been a need in Idaho Falls for emergency family housing for years. In response to that need, a new mission called Promise Ridge, co-sponsored by First Presbyterian and St. Vincent de Paul has begun. St. Vincent de Paul received a grant and First Presbyterian has donated the use of the house at 288 N. Ridge. They have a board of directors and are excited to begin! FISH will be providing the non-food consumables for the families (paper products, cleaning supplies, personal hygiene supplies, etc.) Please prayerfully consider donating to this new outreach in our community.

New Day Lutheran will be coordinating the Children's Summer Feeding Program here in Idaho Falls this summer. Volunteers will be needed to help with the cooking and the serving. They will be serving lunch at the shelter on the greenbelt across from the roundabout Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 11am-1pm beginning June 19th through August 18th. Contact Pastor Gina Herman for more information at 425-444-0079.

The next meeting will be on June 19th at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 270 N. Placer at 7pm. All are invited!

Daisy and Brownie Girl Scouts - Ruthanne Cole

Our Daisy and Brownie troop has had a busy and happy end of year. We have finished up our last two badges for the year.

We finished the **Philanthropist** badge when we had Bev Kemp come and explain how FISH helps people in need. The girls also visited the Sheriff Office and learned about law enforcement.

We worked on the **Play Fair** badge which included being fair.

They also participated in many active games and learned how to score in bowling. They then went on a Saturday to Bowlero to bowl. The girls all had a great time.

Our last meeting until September was on May 22. We invited our girls' families to a Hawaiian party to give our girls the awards they have earned. We won't have any more meetings until the fall but we plan on doing some fun summer activities.

Around the Church

Sunday Potluck Breakfast Begin

Pot luck lunches have come to an end, but the GOOD NEWS is that pot luck breakfasts are just beginning! Starting June 3rd potluck breakfast will start at 9:30am. Bring a dish to pass and enjoy the fellowship.

Trinity Graduates for 2018

McKenna Perez will soon graduate from Compass Academy. She is the granddaughter of Kathy and Terry Perez, and the great-granddaughter of Jeanine Beckman.

Membership Changes:

The Trinity family welcomed our newest mem-

ber, Nancy Smith, on May 6th. She transferred her membership from Blackfoot UMC.

Brick Campaign

We have received orders for 62 bricks so far. Applications will be available through August. Forms may be found on the counter in the Parlor and at the office.

The bricks will be placed along the sidewalk under the pine trees. The money raised will be shared between the cost of fundraising and the restoration.



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.

In June we will be revisiting some items that are needed. We will be collecting Ziploc brand gallon freezer brand bags with no slides and 5/8 inch grosgrain ribbon in dark colors. Our participation, along with others nationwide, makes the program possible.

You are truly appreciated. Thank you so much for your generosity.



Let's Go Camping!!! Families and kids! - Betty Anderson

It is time to plan for great camping opportunities.

Here are some of the camps available here in Idaho. There are camps in Oregon also.

Sawtooth Camp – Fairfield, Id

- Jr. Hi (Grades 6-8) July 8-14
 - Elementary (Grades 3-6) July 8-14
- Pastor Ruth will be Dean of the above Elementary camp and her husband David Armstrong (chair of Oregon Idaho camp and retreat ministries) will assist as a counselor. We invite Trinity Kids to join them.**
- Sr. Hi (Grades 9-12) July 15-21
 - Magic Valley - Sunday Worship - all invited Aug. 5
 - Family Camp June 15-17, All ages and family configurations.

Luther Heights – Alturas Lake (N. of Ketchum)

- Intro to Camp (Grades 1-3) July 15-18, July 22-25, Aug. 5-8
- Junior Camp (Grades 4-6) June 17-22, July 15-20, July 22-27
- Intermediate Camp (Grades 7-8) June 17-22, July 22-27, Aug. 5-10
- Senior Hi (Grades 9-12) July 8-13

More details: sawtooth.gocamping.org or lutherheights.org

Questions: e-mail: sawtooth@gocamping.org or jon@lutherheights.org

Trinity Camperships may be available.

Betty Anderson coordinator, 208-523-8272 or 208-521-3039.

Rev. Ruth Marsh 208-419-7870 or Trinity Office 208-522-7921



Cub Scout Pack 6 - Sam Bays

I don't always plan the monthly activities around a particular Scout Law, but it's fun how it works out that way. Here is Webster's Dictionary definition of A Scout is Friendly: (1) benefitting a friend, (2) serving a beneficial or helpful purpose, (3) easy to use or understand, (4) not causing or likely to cause harm.

There is no special mechanics to Scouting, no secret wisdom. Scouting is an intentional collaborative movement that normalizes the ambitions of all peoples to be friendly towards one another regardless of race, gender, wealth, or anything. By participating in diverse collaborations, scouts grow character traits that enable them to be good leaders of themselves and others. Of course on the surface it looks like this May's hike, marsh-mallow roast, field day, bird-house making, etc.

This month I criticized my son and daughter for packing so much junk food on the hike. My daughter responded, "But Dad, It's only six honey-buns." At the top of Cress Creek Trail, all the girls (including two visitors) on the hike had a sticky-bun picnic. Two weeks later, we had a field day. The Webelos and Bears (girls and boys) created an obstacle course in which they and the Lion Den (Kindergarten) could participate in a relay race. Later we all went to Community Park and picked up litter.

Sam Bays
208-520-8883.



Trinity Restoration - Nancy Stewart

April and May have been busy for Trinity Restoration. Fundraising is going well and we are excited to share the following highlights for the newsletter.

◆Highlander Masonry started and completed the work in May. Work included: repair and repointing masonry parapet walls, removing loose mortar joints, securing flashings, repointing mortar joints missing mortar, and cleaning masonry stains. The chimney has been stabilized, and two rows of stone removed and stored in the boiler room for future repairs.

◆Robinson Roofing has been hired to replace the existing roofing systems, flashings, reglets, terminations, drains, and associated roofing specialties on sanctuary and parlor. They indicated they would start in August.

◆Richard Creason of Myers Anderson Architectural firm, has completed our 60 percent design review for the bathrooms, upstairs kitchen, Parlor flooring and ceiling, electrical panel upgrades outside Men's room on the main floor.

◆Myers Anderson met with us one more time on the drawings, and submitted them to the City of Idaho Falls for a Building Permit in May. They will send a package out for bids to General Contractors. Interior work start date will depend on General Contractor availability. Our hope is for this summer.

◆\$2,000 was raised from the spaghetti dinner. What a fun evening and thanks to all the helpers including Troop 6 Boy Scouts!

◆\$1,500 was raised from the Jamming for Bread. Thank you, Camille. The Hillcrest Jazz Band and



Jazz Choir performers are excellent! It was an uplifting performance and the acoustics were excellent in our beautiful Sanctuary.

◆King George Royal Flush scoped our sewer pipes in April and the data will be used for the General Contractor bids. The pipes look good.

◆Brick garden details are being worked on and will be discussed at Trustees and the Admin Council with a decision of vendor and color by August.

The Trinity Restoration Steering Committee is: Mike Bean, Doug French, Roger Haga, Bev Kemp, Mike Lehto, Ruth Marsh, Linda Milam Hersch Mynarcik, Don Rohde, Nancy Stewart, Scott Taylor, and Pam Traugher.

Our fundraising is ongoing as we have heard construction costs are high due to the eastern Idaho construction boom;

100% of Trinity Restoration funding will be used for the work needs listed in the TUMC Facilities Assessment we completed in 2017. No money will be put into our general funds.

We apologize if you haven't been contacted to donate as advertised last year. Please call Rev. Ruth (208-419-7870) or Nancy Stewart (208-521-7247) to schedule a conversation.

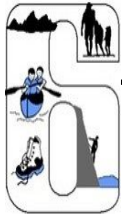
Arrangements have been made to audit our fundraising money receipts and expenditures this summer.

Thank you everyone for your support.

Tour of Historic Ridge Ave. Historic District – June 23

Idaho Falls Historic Preservation Commission is presenting a free tour of historic homes in the Ridge Ave Historic District. Registration will be at the Alturus Charter School (O.E.Bell) parking lot from 10:00 am to 11:30 am. The tour will continue until 2:00 pm. You may walk or drive.





Scouting Troop 6 News - Robin Stewart

Troup 6 sponsored the annual family camp at Krupp Scout Hollow. The scouts chose a Western theme, planned skill sessions, fun activities and a group dinner. Later the Scouts put on a campfire, complete with skits, run-ons and songs.

The troop is planning a climbing activity. Initially we were planning on City of the Rocks, but we were unable to secure a reservation. Being fast and flexible, we're planning an event closer to home.

The scouts finished their spring fund raiser, de-thatching and yard work. Thanks to everyone who supported the scouts with the required re-scheduling due to horrible weather. Having the boys earn their scouting activities teaches them to be thrifty, and makes the camping and other experiences that much more meaningful.

Our local council the Grand Teton Council, is undergoing a significant changes in response to the LDS church announcement that they will no longer support scouting as a church activity starting in 2020. The loss of LDS scouts will result in fewer camps, less professional support and unfortunately, the loss of our fellow scouts from the LDS church. Please help us by praying for the council, our fellow scouts and leaders as they figure out their scouting future; and pray for our troop as we help them in any way we can.

There are lots of unknowns at this time (less than a week after the announcement) so we'll be fast and flexible as we discover the impact to Trinity's scouts and the scouts in our area.



Kids Corner - Betty Anderson

Kids Time - Kids' Church with activities and lessons will continue during summer worship services. Please volunteer to assist. Activity Bags are available in the sanctuary, and the Nursery is open for children 5 years and under.

Acolytes, Readers and Sound Room Techs - Please volunteer to help with these elements of worship. We would like the children and youth to assist each Sunday

Special Theme "We are Christ's Hands" - Continuing through the summer and fall, handprints of various sizes and colors will be available for everyone at the back of the sanctuary. You are invited to take one, write your name on it, and share how you are using your hands, hearts and minds to share the words of Jesus as he left this earth and asked his disciples to begin his work. *You may create more than one hand print.* We will make banners with the hands that are created.

Vacation Bible School - July 30-Aug. 2 - The theme for the four-day program for children and youth will be "We are Christ's Hands."



Volunteer adults and youth, and various supplies, food and talents will be needed as we sing, play, explore, create, and help others during this special time. Everyone can get involved and have FUN!!!

Trustees At Work

Trustees have been busy working on the church and the parsonage.

- Met with City Water Engineer regarding the flooding of Elm and Water St. We can call 208-612-8108 to have the valve opened as necessary to keep the church from flooding.
- Called City of Idaho Falls to add no parking paint on the Water Street curb entrance (between parking lot and handicap unloading zone).
- Met with Church Mutual adjustor in April concerning hail damage and received a \$6,300 check for roof damage. The money was put into Trinity Restoration checking account.
- Rob Denkins has completed upgrades and verification of emergency lighting in the church.
- Sent a letter to the City of Idaho Falls noting we have a five-year parking agreement with the Museum of Idaho. They are losing their onsite parking with their expansion. We will share our north lot and they will share their

new lot behind the dental office. We can provide signage for weddings, United Methodist Women's events, bell concerts, etc., to restrict our lots as needed.

- Chimney bricks were secured at the parsonage. Thank you, Robin Stewart.
- Obtained the owner address of the Scorpious rental property to the east of the parsonage, and obtained a bid for a new backyard fence. The property owner has sent a check for 1/2 of the cost of the new fence we are going to install.
- The refinishing of a parsonage bedroom floor by Bell Hardwood Floors was completed. The floor looks beautiful.

Trustees meet once a month on the first Tuesday of the month. Members are: David Armstrong, Richard Dickson, Vince Esparza, Ruth Marsh, Linda Milam, Don Rohde, Lynn Seymour, and Nancy Stewart. Our teamwork is excellent. Thank you everyone for all we are doing for Trinity.



June Birthdays & Anniversaries

Trudy & Vince	6/1	Betty & Jim Anderson	6/14	Tony Nelson	6/28
Aubrey Bottcher	6/1	Teesha Griffith	6/14	John Trickey	6/28
Brian Dickson	6/2	Lorraine Driskell	6/15	Alexandra Croson	6/29
McKenzi Hall	6/2	Joni Pace	6/15	Liz Herrmann	6/29
D. J. Rhoades	6/2	Matthew Croson	6/18	Katie Robinson	6/30
Susan & Blair	6/3	Steve Farkas	6/18		
Karen Petersen	6/3	Barbara Anderson	6/19		
Richard Dickson	6/5	Gaylen Denning	6/20		
Connor Smith	6/6	Sharon & Marv Eld	6/22		
Mary Stewart	6/6	Joan Fuhrman	6/23		
Lorrie Holaday	6/8	Will Cole	6/25		
Aedan McClure	6/10	Ruth Anne & Roy Cole	6/25		
Bonnie Hilker	6/11	Max Harrison	6/27		
Marv Eld	6/12	Linda Nelson	6/28		

For additions or corrections in birthdays please contact Pam in the church office. 208-522-7921

