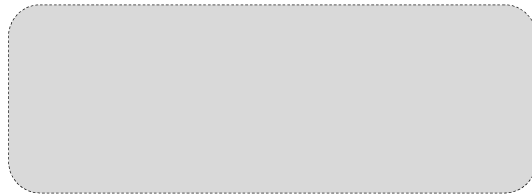


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You are welcome each Sunday at:
9:00 am Sunday School for all ages
10:15 am Worship for Everyone

Lenten Soup Series - "Be Nurtured" March 5th through April 2nd.

Looking Way Ahead

March 27th— Newsletter Crew at 10 Am
April 8th— Palm Sunday
April 16th— Easter
April 23— Potluck Sunday
May 6th & 7th— Handbell concert
June 24th— Historic Tour of Idaho Falls Churches
September 15th - Progressive Dinner Night "Soup Night at Trinity"
September 16th— Walk to End Alzheimer's— Memory Methodists Team

Trinity United Methodist Church

Pastor's Perspective

Jesus said, "This is what I want you to do: Ask God for whatever is in keeping with the things I've revealed to you. Ask in my name, according to my will, and God will most certainly give it to you. Your joy will be a river overflowing its banks!"

(John 16:23-24)

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ, Easter is fairly late this year. Easter Sunday will be April 16, so Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 1st. Lent is 40 days long, excluding Sundays, which are considered "little Easters" and you are released from

your Lenten discipline. Traditionally, fasting was the preferred Lenten discipline, but in the United Methodist Church, Lenten disciplines are aimed at growing closer to Christ and each other rather than focusing on penitence through suffering. Six weeks is long enough to begin forming a new habit, but not so long that it seems forever if you can't abide by the discipline that seemed like a really good idea until you started doing it! One last note, it can be helpful to use the buddy system when you practice a discipline. I will be keeping you in my prayers.

Lenten Discipline Suggestions:

1. Attend an Ash Wednesday worship at Trinity at 10:30am or 6:30pm on March 1st.
2. Share in the "Be Nurtured" Lenten supper gatherings on Sundays at 5:30 in the Parlor.
3. Read a book for spiritual growth. (give Pastor Ruth a call for some suggestions)
4. Read twice through the Gospel of Luke, or read the Passion Story in all of the Gospels.
5. Begin to keep a journal of prayer concerns, questions, and readings.
6. Focus on thanksgiving, rather than on asking, in prayer.
7. Give yourself a gift of three hours to do something you always said you don't have time to do.
8. Find a way to go to bed earlier, or sleep in, so you get enough rest.
9. Make a list of people with whom I you need to be reconciled. Pray for them and let Jesus guide you in your thinking and feeling toward them.
10. Take control of your life by_____.
11. Go to all of the Holy Week services as an act of love and waiting with Jesus.
12. Take one hour to inventory your priorities and plan how you will reorder them.
13. Give up a grudge or a rehearsal of a past event.
14. Forgive someone who has hurt you.
15. Dance your prayers to a favorite piece of music.
16. Take on some loving task.
17. Plan to visit a "shut-in" neighbor or church member weekly.
18. Write a letter of affirmation once a week to people who have touched your life.
19. Listen and respond to Christ's call to a ministry of service.
20. Go to coffee or dinner with someone you want to know better.
21. Recycle waste from your home and workplace.
22. Give blood and recall the cross.
23. Spend time in solitude each day.
24. Pray about who you could become a mentor for; act on that prayer.
25. Say "NO" to something that is a waste of money and time.
26. Decide to become a member of the church and speak to the pastor or lay leader.

27. Rebuke the spirit of criticism and your own tongue when it is out of control.
28. Find a way to live out the baptismal promise to "resist evil, injustice, and oppression" in the power and liberty God gives us by _____

29. Pray for refugees from war. Ask God if there is more you should do.
30. Call someone you haven't seen in a while and need to reconnect with. (signed) _____ (date) _____ Blessings, Reverend Ruth

Welcoming Statement Project By Don Rohde

The project to develop a welcoming statement for Trinity is progressing. Posters with examples of welcoming statements from 10 other Methodist churches have been on display in the Parlor and back of the Sanctuary since January 1st. Thank you to the people who have been using the Post-It notes to make comments on the wording, and to those who have already volunteered to be part of the Welcoming Statement task force.

We are half way through the five session Sunday evening study of "For the Bible Tells Me So" during which Reverend Ruth is helping us examine, with scholarly rigor, the 8 scriptures that are commonly thought to refer to homosexuality.

Next, during the 6 weeks of Lent, which begins March 1st, a task force composed of a cross-section of the congregation will craft a Welcoming Statement. To volunteer for the Welcoming Statement Taskforce please contact Reverend Ruth.

Example Welcoming statement from Coventry Cathedral in England sent in by Dave Bybee



March Birthdays & Anniversaries

Genevieve Clemens	3/1	Ruth Anne Cole	3/12	Analea Hruska	3/21
Pat Dunzik	3/2	Adyllena Castillo	3/13	Gene Summers	3/25
Josie Brown	3/4	Geraldine Crighton	3/14	Jim Anderson	3/28
Gregory Clemens	3/7	Mike Croson	3/15		
Kathy and John Harder	3/7	Scott Brown	3/16	For additions or corrections in	
Art Jensen	3/7	Elaine Poulter	3/18	birthdays please contact Pam	
Sheila Mullin	3/10	Giovi Castillo	3/19	in the church office. 522-7921	
Chelsea Gaskill	3/11	Heidi Empey	3/21		

Cub Scout Pack 6

By Sam Bays

Blue is the color associated with royalty. Gold is the color associated with wealth. The Blue and Gold Banquet is a time of celebration and reverence for the opportunities and gifts granted to our Scouts by Providence. On February 25, Pack 6 will have our Blue and Gold Banquet to commemorate the



achievement of rank advancement for all the Scouts. There's a bit of Pomp-and-Circumstance as we remember the hard-work of the youth and leaders. For example, January 28 was the Pinewood Derby. It was awesome to see the great diversity of car shapes, decorations, and car names. Blue and Gold also marks the end of the "Required Adventures" and the beginning of the "Elective Adventures." To me, this symbolizes the end of the hard winter,

and the beginning of the summer fun. How appropriate that Blue and Gold should occur at the end of February as winter begins to ebb and turn towards noticeably longer, brighter, and warmer days.

Another changing of the season is the bridging of the Arrow-of-Light Den from Cubs to Boys Scouts at the March Pack meeting. At the bridging ceremony, the A.O.L. Scouts will be presented with an arrow decorated with items commemorating all their accomplishments over their Cub Scout career. The straightness of the arrow symbolizes the straight path set before him with our guidance. Interesting enough, the straightness of their path is the straightness of ours, for "Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are sons born in one's youth." Ps 127.4

United Methodist Women by Mary Nagel

A big thanks to all who helped on U.M.W. Sunday.

The two circles will meet at their regular times in February. Kelly Carney will present the Prayer and Self Denial program to each circle. A special offering will be collected. Please try to attend this special program.

The Legislative Advocacy Event will be held in Boise February 26 & 27th. Cordy Koelsch will be attending and would like more to accompany her. Contact Cordy for more information.

The Every Member Enrichment Event (EMEE) is



March 4th here at Trinity. Registration is at 9:00. Cost is \$8.00. A luncheon is provided. Since our church is hosting, it would be wonderful to have our members participate. The main speaker will talk about "Ending Mass Incarceration".

Looking forward to March: The unit meeting March 9th will have the Susannah Circle host. The program is Human Sexuality from the Mission U study.

March 12th is the Spring bake sale. Bake and buy to make this event a success!!!!

Happenings Around the Church

Directory

The directory is now in the hands of the publisher for corrections and printing. I have been told that it will take about 22 days to get the finished product, so look for the books to be available about mid-month.

4th Sunday Potluck

March 26th is the Sunday for Pot Luck this month. What exciting cuisines will appear on the table? Show up to see.

Handcrafters

Handcrafters will meet March 10th at 9 am to discuss quilts.

The Progressive Dinner

Last year we were the talk of the dinner circuit with our fancy decorations and ice cream Sunday smorgasbord. All that food and we raised \$2,300 for the soup kitchen. This year we will be serving many soups and breads. Don Rohde has agreed to be the food coordinator and liaison with the ecumenical team. Pam Traugher is leading the cleanup team. We still need two more team leaders for Decorations and Worker supervisor. We also need people to help cook soup, serve at the dinner, and clean up. We are getting the team together early so please call Pam 522-7921 and let her know how you want to assist.

Building Preservation - Board of Trustees

Trinity Restoration is a project we are working on in conjunction with the National Fund for Sacred Places (NFSP) for a matching grant in cooperation with Partners for Sacred Places and the process is going well.

Mike Bean, Rev. Ruth Marsh, and I attended the January "Capital Funds 101" training session. Highlights of the training included: face to face introductions, training, taking home training binders of material for our use in Idaho Falls, networking, planning for feasibility surveys in Idaho Falls with Laura and Rachel from NFSP, etc.

Overall, we are excited to kick off our Capital Funds Campaign but we are waiting on the Myers Anderson Conditions Assessment to determine the highest priorities for our church.

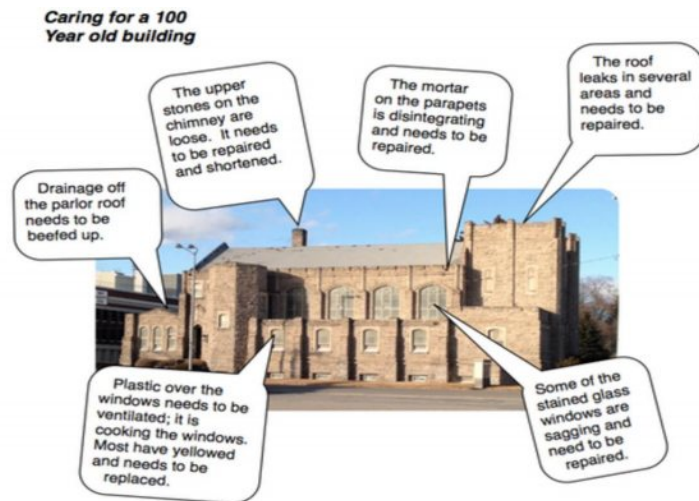
After we have the final report we will meet in late April with NFSP trainers in Idaho Falls, and complete the feasibility study and interview donors (Trinity members and the public). This step is a way to determine the amount of money we can comfortably raise.

NFSP has given us a \$5,000 planning grant that we will

put towards the Myers Anderson Building Conditions Assessment and they will reimburse Mike, Ruth and me up to \$2,000.00 for our travel to Fort Worth in January.

The take away for me from our meeting in Texas is that our congregation is not alone in shrinking size, building needs (roof, mortar, bathrooms, etc.) and that our important partnership with our community is through our outreach: FISH, Scouts, AA, NA, P.E.O. Music, Food Basket, Soup Kitchen, etc.. Together the membership of Trinity in all the above, and though the use of our building, we make a difference in our community.

Yours in Christ,
Nancy Stewart



Scouting News

By Robin Stewart



Girl Scouts

Girl Scout Troop 60 /62

Troop 60 had a great time in January at Harriman cross-country skiing with girls and adults from our troop. February included working on the Night Owl badge, Valentine's fun, turning in cookie forms, getting ready for February 22 Thinking Day. Upcoming dates include: Cookie Booths 2/24 -3/12, Girl Scout Week March 12 -18 and Girl Scout Sunday on March 5.

The girls are working on a lock in at the church, possibly building pinewood derby cars and a visit from a police officer. A fun filled / busy month.

February included the last meetings with our long time leader Shannon Bassista who has volunteered for Troop 60 (without a daughter) for the last seven years. She is moving to Boise for career advancement with the BLM. We have loved Shannon's dedication and the many outings she has led through the years - floating the South Fork of the Snake River, Harriman cross country skiing weekend, Public Lands Day, Yellowstone Camping, Henry's Fork Ice Fishing!



Boy Scout Troop 6

Boy scouts. Troop 6 had a great Feb Dutch Oven Brunch / Lunch / Scout Sunday. Thanks for everyone who came and supported the youth as they purchased, prepared and served the brunch - This tradition at Trinity is a thank you from the scouts to the Trinity Parishioners for supporting scouting at Trinity. While the scouts do raise seem funds - Bill reported ~\$250 was raised - the real reason for the brunch is to remind the congregation how much we appreciate scouting here at Trinity.




VENTURING BSA

Venture Crew 6

Venture Crew 6 explored the new climbing gym in town - rave reviews were had. The crew is exploring auto maintenance this month, learning the ins and outs of changing a car tire safely, and performing routine maintenance.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		February 28 1:00 Prayer Group 6:00 Shrove Tuesday Pancake dinner 6:30 ADAH—Hospice 6:30 Pancake Races 7:00 Cub Scout Den Meeting 7:00 Daisy / Brownie	1 ASH WEDNESDAY 9:00 Breakfast - O'Brady's 10:30 Ash Wed. worship 11:00 Upper Room 6:30 Ash Wed. Worship 6:30 Venture Crew 7:30 Boy Scouts 7:30 Marnie Circle	2 9:30 UMW Executive Committee Meeting 6:45 Girl Scouts 7:00 Choir Practice 7:00 David Adler Lecture	3 Church Office Closed 9:00 Community Partners 5:00 Bonneville County Heritage Awards at Colonial Theater 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	4 9:00 UMW Hosts EMEE 7:00 Alcoholics Anonymous
5 Girl Scout Sunday 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship 4:00 "For the Bible Tells Me So" class 5:30 Lenten Dinner Series - Be Nurtured	6 11:00 Soup Kitchen Mission 6:00 Beginning Handbells 6:30 Praise Band Rehearsal 7:00 Wesley Handbells 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	7 7:00 Trustee Meeting—108 7:00 PM P.E.O. 7:00 Cub Scout Den Meeting 7:00 Daisy / Brownie	8 9:00 Breakfast - O'Brady's 11:00 Upper Room 6:30 Venture Crew 7:30 Boy Scouts 7:30 Marnie Circle	9 1:00 UMW Unit Meeting 6:45 Girl Scouts 7:00 Choir Practice	10 Church Office Closed 9:00 Handcrafters 4:30 RCCM Meeting 7:00 Narcotics Anonymous	11 7:00 to 11:00 Alternative Prom at Trinity 7:00 Alcoholics Anonymous
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MARCH

Please have your articles for the April newsletter submitted to: office@tuncif.org no later than Wednesday, March 15th, so we can get the newsletter out in a timely manner. Thank you!

Regional Council for Christian Ministry

Homeless Stand Down 2017—

Thanks to all who contributed to and helped with the Homeless Stand Down held Saturday January 28 at the Veterans memorial Hall. This event allows community service providers to link the homeless and precariously housed members of our community with services and housing opportunities. Offered were veterans services, medical screenings, medical and haircut vouchers, clothing, sleeping bags, portable food, flu shots, and a hot breakfast served by the Civitans. F.I.S.H. collected new white tube socks and distributed the portable food supplied by the Community Food Basket – Idaho Falls. Over 100 individuals were linked to needed services, over 20 being veterans.

Lent Church Schedule You are invited to participate in the RCCM Lenten Series this year! As in the past, the host church will serve early lunch from 11:30 to 12:00 - the service will be at noon - and then late lunch will be served from 12:30 to 1:00 for people with a later lunch hour. Each week the preacher will be from a different congregation than the host church. Schedule for each Friday:

11:30 Early Lunch Date:	— Noon to 12:30 Worship Location:	— 12:30 to 1:00 -Late Lunch Preacher:
Friday, March 17	St. Paul's UMC	Preacher: Thomas Baird
Friday, March 24	St. Luke's Episcopal Church	Preacher: Ruth Marsh
Friday, March 31	First Presbyterian Church	Preacher: Ric Shewell
Friday, April 7	Trinity UMC	Preacher: Dawn Turner

Seedbed Experience - Congregational Leadership Development

Ashton Community United Methodist Church is presenting the *Seedbed Experience* on March 4th at 10am and it includes lunch. This is a three-hour workshop for church leaders to introduce the principles of maintaining their church congregation in a world that is changing everywhere.

There will be a chance for you to actually experience the basic first steps toward a more fruitful leadership practice.

The course includes other resources will be available to you as your lead your congregation forward into an inspired and renewed ministry.

Trustees Corner

Trustees have worked hard in February to address needs for our beautiful building. Highlights include:

- ◇ Planning to complete use of designated funding in memory of Ruth Farkus for Sanctuary lighting.



- ◇ Planning has started on the Video System upgrades per a designated funding gift. Video systems have matured and now is a good time to utilize this gift with new technology and lower pricing for worship in our beautiful sanctuary.
- ◇ Stopping the water leak in the parlor and parlor painting are needed ASAP and are a high priority for Trustees.
- ◇ Upgrading the power in the Mary Dawson hall has been completed with the addition of two 20 Amp circuits on the right side of the stage.

Yours in Christ,
Nancy Stewart

Membership Updates Since 2015

Baptisms

- Raymond M. Flores
- Analea R. Hruska
- Dalton D. Goodrich
- Eryx D. Goodrich
- Donald R. Rohde

New Members

- Ryan Atwood
- Jennifer Hass
- Dalton Goodrich
- Don Rohde

- Lindsey Pruyn

Transfers In:

- Sharen Trickey
- John Trickey
- Bessie Boyd

Deaths:

- Doris Plesner
- Peter Isaksen
- Geraldine Whitmill
- Margaret McComas
- Richard Gildersleeve

- Jaqueline Schnuckel
- Betty Simonds
- Hellen Gildersleeve
- Louis Rigby
- Paul Schwabedissen
- Harold Ron Hilker
- Shirley Cowell
- Kenneth Strom

UMCOR WEST – Salt Lake City Utah

Sewing Room Upgrade

The August 2016 Annual Parking Lot Sale held here in Idaho Falls was a joint effort of both churches and friends. We raised \$4,800 which has been given to the UMCOR WEST Depot to upgrade and expand the Sewing Room Facilities.

They have begun the work and hope to have it completed by Mid-April. We visited with the staff on Feb 11 and we have been invited to assist with this renovation. We will need volunteers from Idaho Falls to come help paint the new rooms. No dates are definite yet, but late April or May is being considered. We will keep you updated.



Lenten Dinner Series - Be Nurtured - All ages are welcome on Sunday evenings through Lent from 5:30pm to 7pm to “Be Nurtured” of mind, body, and spirit. Together, we will fill our tummies with a simple supper, our intellects with interesting study and our hearts with the gift of being a community. The series will run March 5th through April 2nd.

UMCORE WEST Trip Planned

The week of June 19-23 we have an opportunity for youth and adults from Idaho Falls to join a team of youth from St. Paul’s UMC in Tucson, AZ. We will work together at the UMCOR WEST Depot in Salt Lake City. More information will be available later.

To volunteer contact: Jim and Betty Anderson 208-523-8272 or 208-521-3039 (c).

UMCOR SUNDAY

March 26, 2017 will be UMCOR SUNDAY in all the Methodist Churches in the US. A special offering will be taken to pay the expenses of the staff and facilities for UMCOR for the coming year.

When you give money for special causes, 100% of the money goes for disaster relief. This annual offering is very important to the operating expenses of UMCOR. Plan now to support UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief)

Alternative Prom

On Saturday, March 11, from 7:00pm to 11:00pm the very first Diversity Defenders’ alternative prom for all LGBTQ+ and any allies will be held here at Trinity United Methodist Church. This prom is being sponsored by Breaking Boundaries, and is for anyone from the age of high school freshman or older who doesn't feel comfortable, or doesn't feel like they fit in at a regular prom or dance. “It lets people of all ages come together into a space that is completely judgement free and lets them have a good time without all the nerves,” says Isabel Espinoza, one of the founders of the prom and a high school freshman at Skyline. This prom will have no dress code, and if you prefer not to dance to the lovely DJ’s (Jennifer Haus) mixes, there will also be board games in other rooms and finger foods provided by Diabla’s Kitchen.

There are 200 tickets available for free, and there should be some available at the door, but if you'd like to reserve a ticket talk to Pamela Traugher or Ruth Marsh to do so.

“To be able to do this for ourselves, let alone to help be a part of making sure younger generations don't have to feel that [discrimination] is rewarding,” Tia Durrant, lay leader and Diversity Defender, says, “No one should have to feel ashamed for dancing with who they love.”



UMW Spring Bake Sale

Following worship on Sunday, March 12 the United Methodist Women will be holding their semi-annual sale of baked goods, candies and individually portioned home cooked meals.

It is the perfect opportunity for filling that desire for homemade items when there just isn't time in your busy life to

produce them. Take a treat to the neighbors, share in the break room at work, or just watch your family enjoy them.

Are there things you would like to see at the sale? Call Bev at 524-4321 and we'll see what we can do.

Called to Love! Workshop in Idaho Falls

On Sunday, March 12, 2017 at 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM Called to Love! workshop will be in Idaho Falls.

You and your church can help save lives! Come and find out how your warm welcome and acceptance can make all the difference to gender-nonconforming young people, adults and their families.

This practical workshop is being offered by our annual conference to help us focus our ministries with those who all too often experience rejection.

“Called to Love!” will help you and your church be better informed and resource you to be more hospitable.

Register now and bring your pastor and other church leaders.

Leaders for this event will be Revs. Jim and Bonnie Parr Philipson, retired Oregon-Idaho clergy.

Registration deadline: Monday, March 6, 2017

Registration is online at umoi-reg.brtaapp.com/CalledtoLove-IF.

Cost is \$5 per person and covers refreshments and materials.



Child care for younger children (up to age 8) will be provided upon request if made when you register. For each child you are welcome to provide a snack from home. If your child will be coming more than an hour late you must let us know.

The program will be at Trinity United Methodist Church, Idaho Falls, Idaho. Trinity UMC is located at 237 N Water Ave, Idaho Falls, ID 83402-4003.

If you don't have access to on line registration please contact Pam 522-7921

Bonneville County Heritage Assc.

Trinity United Methodist Church has been nominated to receive a Hero Award this year.

Idaho Day 2017 - "Beautiful Idaho", will be held Friday, March 3, 2017 at the Colonial Theater. — Free Admission

5:00 — 7:00 Silent Auction & Student Work Displayed at Carr Gallery

6:00 — 7:00 The Idaho Old Time Fiddlers will provide prelude music.

7:00 — Program including music, presentation of awards for "Heroes of our State and County" and awarding the winners of the student contests. Musical entertainment will include the Dist. 91 4th Grade Student Choir

Hospice of Eastern Idaho—End of Life Training

Hospice of eastern Idaho is offering their spring session of “End of Life” training for community members, volunteers, caregivers and ministry. The training is provided by professionals in health care, including a doctor, physical therapist, nurses, and chaplain.

The free 12 hour training class will be provided over 4 days on March 21st, 23rd, 28th & 30th from 6-9 pm each

night at 1810 Moran Street, across Woodruff from Smith's Food.

To register please call Katie at 529-0342 or email,

volunteers@hospiceofeasternidaho.com

This training is also the first step in becoming a hospice volunteer.



Aging, Dementia, Alzheimer's, Help (ADAH)

On March 28th – Trinity ADAH will present a discussion on services provided by Area Agency on Aging. Our Speaker will be Heather Croft - Outreach Specialist. The meeting will be Tuesday, March 28, at 6:30 pm in the Parlor. To get on the email list contact Don Rohde at: donrohde@aol.com (860) 810-3227.

Our Daisy /Brownies Group

started the first Tuesday in October. This year we have about eight to ten girls in kindergarten through third grades. Our Daisy group has earned their petals they need to earn this year. Our Brownies have earned the Scouts way badge and are working on the first aid badge which will be finished soon. They are great girls with about half coming from Trinity. Some of the fun things they have done is having a birthday party for the founder of Girl Scouts Juliette Lowe on Halloween because that was her birthday, and hav-



ing a Christmas party where they made ornaments and decorated cookies. They visited Fire Station 4, were taught fire safety, made a pocket first aid kit, and learned about calling 911. They also learned some silly and fun Girl Scout songs. They are terrific Girl Scouts. Say yes when they come to you to sell cookies. They taste wonderful and I bet you'll get a big smile when you buy some from our girls. Ruth Anne Cole.