

News update for June 1, 2023

Contents

Trinity Homeless Services 1
 This Week at Trinity 1
 ! Farwell for Pastor Ruth ! 1
 Worship Plans for 5/28 2
 Last Week’s Sermon 5/28..... 2
 Financial Statements 4
 Walk to End Alzheimer’s 4
 John Wesley Quote 4
 Sunday Morning Fellowship..... 4
 A car for Pastor Kathy..... 4
 Birthdays.....5
 Trinity Scholarships.....5
 Safe Sanctuaries Training.....5
 UWF NEWS 6
 Summer VBS Bible Camp 6
 Trinity Leadership7
 Homeless Services7
 Habitat for Humanity at St. Pauls.....7
 Farewell for Pastor Ruth..... 8
 Furnishings for Rev. Kathy..... 8
 Paint Restoration in Sanctuary 8
 Sawtooth Methodist Camp 9

This Week at Trinity

Thursday (June 1st)

Friday (June 2nd)

- 7:00pm N.A

Saturday (June 3rd)

Sunday (June 4th)

- 9:30am Donuts and coffee
- 10:10am Worship in the Sanctuary
- 11:30am Fellowship soup brunch
- 6:00pm N.A

Monday (June 5th)

- 7:00pm N.A

Tuesday (June 6th)

- 7:00pm N.A
- 7:00pm PEO Meeting

Wednesday (June 7th)

- 6:30pm Gather at the Table
- 6:30pm Cub Scout Pack meeting
- 7:30pm Scouts BSA

Trinity Homeless Services

Homeless Services are available during office hours: Monday - Thursday 9 am -2pm, for laundry, showers, and compassionate care services that are authorized by Rev. Ruth.

! Farwell for Pastor Ruth !

May 18th is the last Sunday Pastor Ruth will be with us. Join us in wishing her a fond farewell for her years of dedicated service*

**More info on page 8*

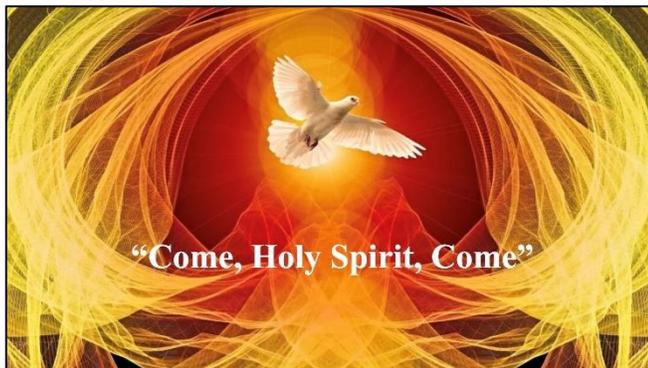
Worship Plans for 6/4

Theme:
 Sermon: ""
 Focus Scripture: ()
To be Announced

Last Week's Sermon 5/28

Theme for the day: Ascension Sunday
 Sermon: "At Home in God"
 Focus Scripture: (Acts 17:22-31)

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive, for as yet there was no Spirit because Jesus was not yet glorified.



© New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition

"Come, Holy Spirit, Come"

"Come, Holy Spirit, Come"

"Come, Holy Spirit, Come" Come to us on the Pentecost Day

Each day during the "festival" of Booths (Tabernacles), water has been carried from the Pool of Siloam to the Temple, as a reminder of the water which sprang forth from the rock in the wilderness. Jesus now reinterprets the water: he is the "living water"; Christ relieves the thirst of



the believer. The Greek translation of "the believer's heart" means one's very being. Christ gives life!

Yet there is a slight hiccup when it comes to understanding our gospel reading this morning. It refers to a scripture that Jesus likely quoted, but we don't know just which scripture that was. Since we don't know where Jesus was quoting from, our lesson can be interpreted as to mean that Jesus is the living water (a way that he has referenced himself before, with the woman at the well) or Jesus may be encouraging, even challenging, those who follow him to become vessels of living water which they share with others!



We are called to give life to our community! The good news is that we are just the conduit! Furthermore, we get to jump ahead in the story and hear from the Apostle Paul sharing the Apostle Peter's word about what *does* happen when the Holy Spirit arrives, and it's wild! To be able to follow these texts, let alone understand them, we need to embrace a "re-enchanted" world view that joins science and spirituality and awakens us to experience divinity holistically. In the process, we need to be

“re-enchanted” ourselves, open to “signs and wonders” in the world, in church, and in our lives. Abraham Joshua Heschel asserts that we need to be willing to let go of control, and be radically amazed.

Remember that the great religions of the world began with mystical experiences and that a truly authentic vision of reality accepts the evidence of mystics as well as scientists. God can touch us unexpectedly and we can become mystics, too! The mystics remind us that reality is larger than we can imagine and that we live in a sea of energy, such as only the Holy Spirit can bring, and possibility in which wild things can happen when we least expect it, rearranging our spiritual landscape and sending us on unexpected holy adventures.



Reverend Dr. William Loader is professor emeritus at Murdoch University in West Australia. Perhaps his poem about the Holy Spirit can help us to become “re-enchanted with the gift of living water that we are called to share.

“Wind, Wind - a reflection on the Spirit”

by William Loader

Wind, wind, you come from nothingness and go to nothingness, and when you are still, there is nothing we see, nothing we hear, and you surround us in our not seeing and not knowing. Wild, wild wind, you whip the seas, whirling great water spouts and fountains, crashing on the foamed edges of the shore, sweeping the unsuspecting fisherman from the slippery rocks, terrifying force, uncontrollable, beyond our power.

O wind, piercing wind, driving the blizzard, the sleet, the rain, trampling earth with wild tempests and tantrums that uproot trees, unroof houses and wreak devastation in your path. Wind, wind, wondrous wind, hovering at the birth of creation, whisking secretly among the wonders of new life, bearing the seed, lifting high the heads of mighty trees, swirling among the grasses, celebrating life.

Wind, wind, we know your ways, we trace your web on the map of highs and lows, today’s weather, tomorrow’s predictions, depressions and sea breezes, we harness your power, our weather vanes point to you, a cross shows where you have been and we do not know.

O wind, O silent wind, where do you go? Do you go away and play, in outback gorges or bare mountains of the desert, stirring small clouds of red dust among the bushes, kissing the rippled smile of the billabong, running down the slopes, exulting at the rock face, passing by the mountain with none to see and none to know your trail. Wind, gentle wind, wind of our breathing, our life, our hope, renewing, refreshing, sighing in our stress,^{SEP} moaning in our pain, still in our dying.

O wind, wind, you breathed upon the clay and there was life, you danced down to the forehead of a Galilean and there was hope, you shook the foundations of community and there was Pentecost.

Wind of nothingness and awe, wind of knowing and unknowing, wind of bearing and begetting, wind of secrets and mystery, O wise, wise wind, whisper to us your grace.

Amen.

Financial Statements

Our church's financial status January 1 - April 30, 2023



Income	\$41,223
Expenses	\$62,428
Current deficit	<-\$21,205>

Walk to End Alzheimer's

The Alzheimer's walk will be held on Saturday, September 23th. The Trinity team "Memory Methodists" is participating in the 2023 walk. Our goal is to raise \$1,000 to fight Alzheimer's.

To join the Trinity team sign on to: https://act.alz.org/site/TR/Walk2023/ID-GreaterIdaho?fr_id=16521&pg=entry

Register for:

[Memory Methodists](#)
Team Captain: Don Rohde



John Wesley Quote

"See that you be courteous towards all men. It matters not, in this respect, whether they are high or low, rich or poor, superior or inferior to you...The lowest and worst have claim to our courtesy..."

~ *Pleasing All Men*



Sunday Morning Fellowship

There is always food and fellowship after church

- **Every 1st Sunday: Soup Potluck**
Bring your favorite Soup.
- **Every 2th Sunday: Regular Brunch**
Bring your favorite dish
- **Every 3rd Sunday: Scout Brunch**
This is a fundraiser for Troop 6 and a wonderful meal to share as we visit.
- **Every 4th Sunday: Regular Brunch**
Bring your favorite dish

A car for Pastor Kathy

It is Trinity's responsibility to provide a car for Pastor Kathy to drive while she is in town. A 2009 Saturn Vue with AWD and new tires has been donated to Trinity for that purpose. The car is now titled, registered, and insured in Trinity's name. It will be stored at the St. Paul's parsonage where Pastor Kathy will be residing while she is in town. The car will also be used by the members of the bishop's cabinet when they come to Idaho Falls to preach on the 4th Sunday and give classes.



Birthdays

June

Bottcher, Aubrey	06/01
Blank, Jared	06/02
Dickson, Brian	06/02
Hall, McKenzi	06/02
Rhoades, D.J.	06/02
Petersen, Karen	06/03
Allison, Kirsten	06/04
Dickson, Richard	06/05
Shanor, Tom	06/06
Smith, Connor	06/06

Trinity Scholarships

ATTENTION High School Seniors and College Students! The TUMC Endowment Committee is kicking off its scholarship process for the 2023/2024 academic year.

Two scholarships are available:

1. The Hazel Skelton General Scholarship: one scholarship, up to \$1,000
2. Chesbro Music Scholarship: one scholarship, up to \$1,000, for those pursuing a college major or minor in music

The Pete Isaksen Scholarship is not available. The funds have all been awarded. Many students benefitted from his generosity and we are so thankful!

Applicants will be considered for all available scholarships, with selections made based on individual scholarship criteria. Therefore, each applicant only needs to submit one application package. Completed application packages, including a brief essay, transcripts, and two letters of reference, are due no later than June 15, 2023. Completed application packages need to be type written and e-mailed to TrinityUMCIdahoFalls@gmail.com

Scholarship applications are available on the church website at www.tumcif.org or by contacting the church office or Kathy Borland. The application has been updated as a "Form" document to assist you in completing it electronically. A scholarship checklist is also posted on the website to help you. If you have questions regarding the process, please contact Kathy Borland at

Safe Sanctuaries Training

There will be Safe Sanctuaries training provided via zoom on Saturday June 3rd 10a MT. Please RSVP to jasonleeumc@gmail.com by June 1st.

The Zoom link will be sent to those who sign up.

Both training courses will last 1 hour and 15 minutes. For more information on the program, www.umoi.org/resources



Everyone who can sign up is encouraged to. This training is very valuable, and we'd love for as many people as possible to participate.

UWF NEWS



United Women in Faith

Remember there will **not** be unit meetings in June or July. Our next get-together will be in August for the ice cream social. Keep in touch with Mary if you are planning on attending Mission U at Trinity in July.

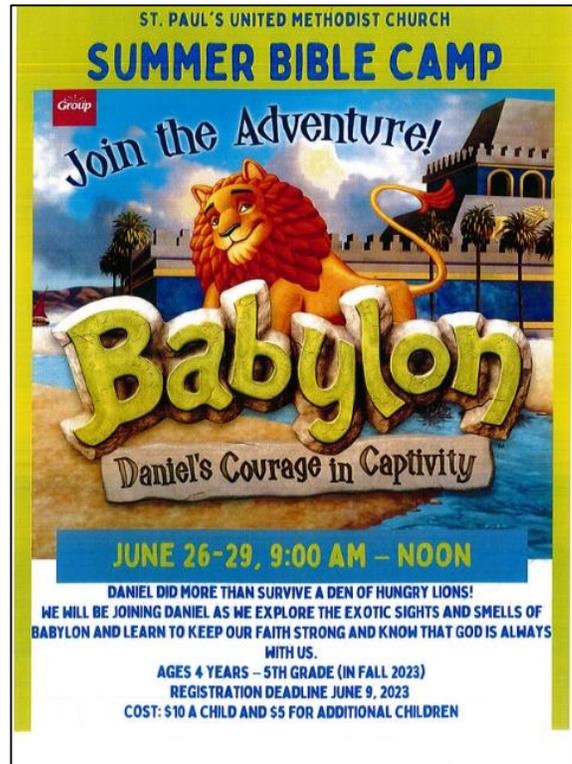
Have a safe and fun summer.



Summer VBS Bible Camp

This year we are participating in the Summer Bible Camp at St Paul's UMC. This invitation is extended to other churches also as the world restarts after Covid.

Dates: June 26-29 9am - Noon



Babylon lets kids experience Old World Babylon with all of its exotic sights and smells, and learn they are not much different than Daniel and his friends.

Each day at Babylon VBS, kids explore and experience their daily bible point in creative ways. Daily bible content is woven in with captivating music and old world inspired decorating.

At Babylon VBS, God's Word comes alive through engaging interaction with Bible history.



Trinity Leadership

Below are the leadership positions for the next leader year. Please let the appropriate person know how you are willing to serve: **Chair of Admin Council;**
Open Position

Chair of Staff/Parish Relations

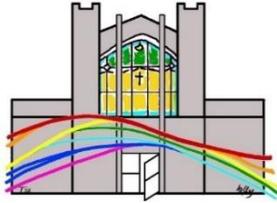
Bev Kemp-(208)569-6149
bevmkemp@gmail.com

Chair of Trustee

Don Rohde (860)810-3227-
donrohde@aol.com

Chair of Finance

Scott Taylor (208)201-5593



Homeless Services

In May there were 113 homeless services supplied in the 19 days we were open. This represented services to 41 unique persons. The clients ranged in age from 18 to 73 with an average age of 41.6. The services provided included 97 showers, 17 loads of laundry, and 7 requests for supplies. The supplies included hygiene kits, socks, underwear, gas and photocopying. 16 visitors were new clients for us. 53% have cellphones and 90% had valid ID.



Habitat for Humanity at St. Pauls



Over the weekend Tommy, Don and Sherry attended the Habitat for Humanity build at St. Paul's UMC. They joined about 80 other people in making a house come true for a local family. The house will be assembled on 18th street about ¾ of a mile south of Trinity.

This was a "progressive" build where on the first day 4 cutting teams spent 3 hours reducing two loads of 2x4s and 2x6s into all the precision cut pieces necessary to build the house.

On the second day 12 build teams with 5 people each assembled the precut pieces into 43 wall sections. Each completed wall section was inspected by a master carpenter to assure they matched the blueprints and requirements.

After all the walls were completed, they were temporarily assembled in the backyard of the church into a house so that the "after church crowd" could take a tour of the house and get a feel for the size. Sunday afternoon the house was disassembled, and the wall sections will be trucked to the construction site where they will be reassembled for the finished house.





Farewell for Pastor Ruth

Following worship on 18 MAY we will be celebrating Ruth's nine years of service at Trinity.

David will be back in town so we can bid him farewell as well. The Scouts will be preparing breakfast and then we will reminisce and send them off with love and gratitude.

Please call me with any questions you may have. *Bev Kemp - 208-569-6149*



Furnishings for Rev. Kathy

In conjunction with St. Paul's UMC we are furnishing their parsonage for the use of Rev. Kathy during her tenure here. It will also be used by visiting members of the cabinet. Do you have single beds that you no longer need? Please call the church if you can help.

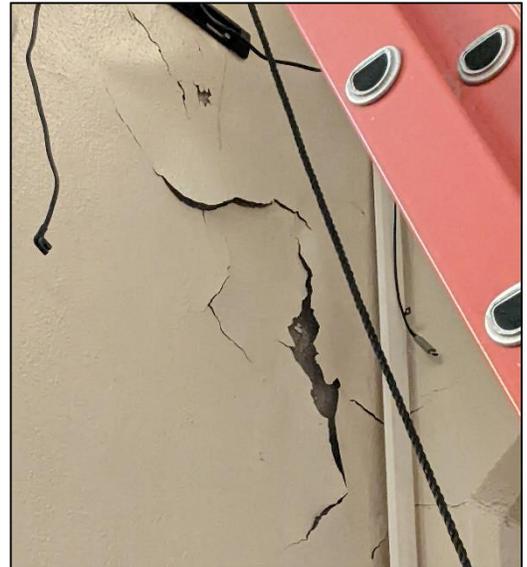


Paint Restoration in Sanctuary

Rob is starting on the restoration of the south front wall of the sanctuary. The paint on the wall was damaged by a leak from the roof before it was replaced. There are now large sections of paint peeling off.

The first step was for Robin to remove the south video monitor. He accomplished this by using a very long ladder as a hoisting point over the monitor. He made a sling for the monitor and lowered it to the ground.

Next Rob will remove the peeling paint and patch the surface of the wall to make it smooth again.



Sawtooth Methodist Camp



UNITED METHODIST & EPISCOPAL CHURCH CAMPING PROGRAM

Calling all children and youths age 3rd to 12th graders in Eastern Idaho. Past, present, and future campers.

BENEFITS: Camp provides spiritual and emotional formation for your children. It helps kids make friends and build connections across the area. Camp is a safe place with plenty of unconditional love.

Did we mention Fun! Adventure, Nature, Friends?

MISSION: We are people dedicated to creating sacred spaces of Christian hospitality and learning. We offer these spaces so that people may...

- Experience God’s love
- Engage with creation
- Develop loving interdependence with each other and the Earth
- Act with justice* in the world (*justice is what love looks like in public)

LOCATION: Sawtooth Camp is remotely located in an alpine valley 35 miles north of Fairfield, Idaho, on the North Fork of the Boise River. This picturesque camp is a blend of mountains, meadows and a winding river that offers a wide range of wilderness experiences.

COST: The cost is \$475 per person. There is a \$50 nonrefundable registration fee payable at registration. We encourage families to provide the registration fee and whatever additional money they can pay. Discounts and scholarships are available and provided by local churches or the conference. Our goal is to see that all students that wish to go to camp can

participate. We urge each congregation to donate to a camp fund and fundraise to cover costs. For more information about scholarships contact Betty Anderson at bettyellenba@gmail.com

SCHEDULE:

Elementary	Completed Grades 3 rd -6 th
7/09/2023 - 7/15/2023	
Junior High Camp	Completed Grades 6 th -8 th
7/23/2023 - 7/29/2023	
Senior High Camp	Completed Grades 9 th -12 th
7/16/2023 - 7/22/2023	

REGISTRATION: Register on-line at

gocamping.org or call Holly Dolan Camping Registrar at 503-802-9214 for more information. If you register for camp, please also contact Betty Anderson so we can coordinate transportation to and from camp. We encourage parents to assist with transportation.

INFORMATION: Eastern Idaho Campers contact Betty Anderson call or text at 208-521-3039 or email bettyellenba@gmail.com. You can also leave a message with the Trinity church office at 208-522-7921.

ACCREDITATION: Sawtooth Camp is Accredited by the American Camp Association. Camp and Retreat Ministries is a partnership between the United Methodist Church of Oregon and Idaho and the Oregon Diocese of the Episcopal Church. Todd Bartlett is the Executive Director of Oregon Idaho Camp and Retreat Ministry (503) 802-9211.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			31 Ruth at Transition Retreat	1	2 Office Closed	3 Office Closed
			10:00am Upper Room Study 6:30pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting 7:30pm Scouts BSA		7:00pm N.A	
4 9:30am Fellowship Coffee & Donuts 10:10 am Worship 11:30 am Soup Potluck Brunch 6:00pm N.A	5 7:00pm N.A.	6 7:00pm N.A. 7:00pm PEO Meeting	7 Ruth out of Office	8 Annual Conference	9 Office Closed 7:00pm N.A	10 Office Closed
11 9:30am Fellowship Coffee & Donuts 10:10 am Worship 11:30 am Fellowship Potluck Brunch 6:00pm N.A	12 10:00am F.I.S.H 7:00pm N.A.	13 6:30pm Trustee Meeting 7:00pm N.A.	14 10:00am Upper Room Study 6:30pm Finance Meeting 6:30pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting 7:30pm Scouts BSA	15 6:00pm Annual Conference Closing Session via Zoom	16 Office Closed 7:00pm N.A	17 Office Closed
18 9:30am Fellowship Coffee & Donuts 10:10 am Worship 11:30 am Scout Brunch 6:00pm N.A Ruth's last Sunday at Trinity	19 7:00pm N.A.	20 6:30pm Admin. Council Meeting 7:00pm N.A.	21 10:00am Upper Room Study 6:30pm Gather at the Table 6:30pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting 7:30pm Scouts BSA	22	23 Office Closed 7:00pm N.A	24 Office Closed
25 9:30am Fellowship Coffee & Donuts 10:10 am Worship 11:30 am Fellowship Potluck Brunch 6:00pm N.A	26 7:00pm N.A.	27 7:00pm N.A.	28 10:00am Upper Room Study 6:30pm Cub Scout Pack Meeting 7:30pm Scouts BSA	29	30 Office Closed 7:00pm N.A	31 Office Closed 