

**The Pastor has Conference Responsibilities and Ministers Convocation This Month**

The month of February is going to be a busy one for me. I have been selected to lead and participate in several conference positions. I am the Chairperson of the Stewardship Team and the Conference Commission on Equitable Salaries. I am also a member of the Conference Discipleship Team. In addition, I am a member of the Board of Ordained Ministry. All of these groups will be meeting February 13 through the 16th in Alcoa. I will be away attending these meetings during that time. The following week I will be at Ministers Convocation in Pigeon Forge from Monday, February 20th through Thursday, February 23rd. Please keep me in your prayers as I attend these meetings and as I travel to and from East Tennessee.



**Administrative Board Scheduled to meet February 12, 2017**

The Administrative Board will hold its regularly scheduled monthly meeting this evening at 7 PM in the Fellowship Hall. All members of the Administrative Board should be in attendance. Anyone is welcome to attend to hear the discussion.

**United Methodist Men To Meet on Monday, February 13, 2017**

The United Methodist Men will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, February 13 at 6:30 p.m. All men of the church and community are invited to attend this meal. Please mark your calendars and plan on participating.

**Jean Hendrick's Birthday Celebration**

Join us for Jean's Birthday Celebration on Saturday February 18, 2017 from 1 to 3 pm at the John Fox, Jr. House in Big Stone Gap, Virginia. This celebration is being hosted by Becky, Diane, Jamie and Paige. The only gift requested is your presence at this celebration for Jean. If you wish, please feel free to make a donation to the John Fox, Jr. House in honor of Jean Hendrick.

**President's Day is February 20, 2017**

The office will be closed Monday February 20, 2017 in observance of President's Day and will be open on Wednesday February 22, 2017 from 9 am to 2 pm.

**Black History Month Celebration**

Mark your calendars to join us Sunday February 26, 2017 at 5:30 pm for the Black History Month Celebration. This celebration will have musical offerings by several different local churches and will offer a history lesson on various African Americans who have helped shape our country.

# Shrove Tuesday

Since I have been at Trinity, we have never celebrated Shrove Tuesday. Right about now, most of you are saying to yourself, "What is Shrove Tuesday?" It is the final day before the beginning of the season of Lent. From a secular viewpoint, we often call it Fat Tuesday. If we were in New Orleans, there would be revelry and celebration and excess. As with most secular events, there is often a religious counterpoint. For Christians, it is Shrove Tuesday.

According to the Catholic Website About Religion: "*Shrove* is the past tense of the word *shrive*, which means to hear a confession, assign penance, and absolve from sin. In the Middle Ages, especially in Northern Europe and England, it became the custom to confess one's sins on the day before Lent began in order to enter the penitential season in the right spirit. "

With such a season of penance that lasted 46 days in front of them, the church instituted a one day celebration on the Tuesday prior to Lent. It was called Shrove Tuesday. One of the traditions associated with Lent was the removal of fat and other rich elements from your diet. So, on Shrove Tuesday (a.k.a. Fat Tuesday) people would often celebrate by eating high fat and yeast rich foods and they further sought to use up their eggs, milk and butter.

By the time it comes down to our day and age, in many Protestant churches, that means: Pancakes and Sausage. Which, thanks to our UMYF, we will be having during a special Shrove Tuesday meal on Tuesday February 28th. The meal will begin at 5:00 pm and end at 7:00 pm. Take out will be available. The cost will be \$5.00 per person. Please put this event on your calendar and plan on joining us for this special meal and celebration.

We will begin the Season of Lent with a Service of Ashes on Wednesday March 1st at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. That is also the night of our March Fellowship Meal. In observance of the Lent principle of simple diet, I am asking for simple foods: soups and sandwiches for the supper that night and that we forgo dessert for that meal. (No I do not have a fever and I did just ask us not to bring desserts.) So please plan on attending both of these events.

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# The Trinity Companion

## Sunday February 12, 2017



## Trinity United Methodist Church

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Worship begins at 11:00 am

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Let me tell you how glad we are to have you at our worship service today. We hope that you will encounter the presence of the risen Christ. We'd really like to get some contact information. Would you please text your email and name to 80123 and we'll get back in touch with you.

**Greeters:** Peggy Beverly and Nancy Allman

**Announcements:** Martha Spurlock

**\*Prelude:**  
**\*Call to Worship:** "Majesty, Worship His Majesty"

**\*Opening Hymn:** "Be Thou My Vision" No. 451

**A Sharing of Our Joys, Concerns, and Thanksgivings**  
*(Please raise your hand and an usher will come by with a microphone so that everyone will be able to hear your joy, concern or thanksgiving. After you state your concern, everyone will join together and say: Lord. In your Mercy. Hear our Prayer.)*  
**The Lord's Prayer** (as found at No. 895)  
**Gloria Patri** No. 70

**Children's Message:** Christy Smith

**The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings**  
**Ushers:** Phil Robbins, Jack Williams, Ruben Allman, Spencer Quesenberry  
**\*Offertory:** "Great is Jehovah"  
Richard Wagner, AD 1813-1877; melody from "Tannhauser"  
**\*The Doxology:** No. 95

**\*Special Music:** "Two Spiritual Hymns" - Based on hymn tunes "I'm Going to Sing" and "It's Me, O Lord"

**The Presentation of God's Word**  
**Scripture: Deuteronomy 30:15-20** Bennie Turner

Lector: The Word of the Lord for the People of the Lord

**People:** Thanks be to God

**Sermon: "Going in the Right Direction"**

**\*Closing Hymn:** "Take Time to Be Holy" No. 395

**\*Pastoral Benediction:** "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"  
**\*Postlude:**

***\*Please stand, as you are able***

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## February Events and Activities

- ♦ **Sunday February 12, 2017**
  - ♦ 5:00 pm—UMYF
  - ♦ 7:00 pm—Administrative Board Meeting
- ♦ **Monday February 13, 2017**
  - ♦ 6:30 pm—United Methodist Men Meeting
- ♦ **Wednesday February 15, 2017**
  - ♦ 6:00 pm—Prayer Team
  - ♦ 7:00 pm—Choir Practice
- ♦ **Saturday February 18, 2017**
  - ♦ Jean Hendrick's Surprise Birthday Party
- ♦ **Sunday February 19, 2017**
  - ♦ 5:00 pm—UMYF
  - ♦ 5:00 pm—Asbury Circle
- ♦ **Monday February 20, 2017—President's Day**
  - ♦ **Office will be closed**
  - ♦ Pastor at Convocation
  - ♦ 6:00 pm—Garden Club
- ♦ **Sunday February 26, 2017**
  - ♦ 5:00 pm—UMYF
  - ♦ 5:30 pm—Black History Month Service
- ♦ **Tuesday February 28, 2017**
  - ♦ 5:00 pm—Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

## March Events and Activities

- ♦ **Wednesday March 1, 2017—Ash Wednesday**
  - ♦ 6:00 pm— Service of Ashes
  - ♦ 6:30 pm—Fellowship Supper

# United Methodist Men Meeting

## 6:30 pm Monday February 13

### All are welcome!



## February

**Van Drivers and Riders**  
5—Christy Smith, Cathy Galyean  
12—Pat Bowden, Diane Botts  
19—Kenny & Martha Spurlock  
26— Christy Smith, Donna Mahan

**Children's Church**  
5—No Children's Church  
12—Mary Beth Allen  
19—Donna Mahan  
26—Ashley Turner

**Money Counters**  
5—Chris Higgins, Paul Clark  
12—Diane Botts, Christy Smith  
19—Pat Bowden, Kim Parsons  
26—Kenny & Martha Spurlock

**Children's Message**  
5—Bill Cole  
12—Christy Smith  
19—Mary Beth Allen  
26—Nancy Toney

**Greeters**  
Peggy Beverly  
Nancy Allman

**Announcements**  
Martha Spurlock

**Ushers**  
Phil Robbins, Jack Williams,  
Ruben Allman, Spencer  
Quesenberry



"I HAVE NOT STOPPED GIVING THANKS FOR YOU, REMEMBERING YOU IN MY PRAYERS."  
EPHESIANS 1:16, NIV

**For Those with Cancer:**  
Robin (Rita Nash's Daughter); Debbie Cooper; Phyllis Gilley; Melody (Mellie) Gilley; Doris Berta; Denise Qualls; Kathy Hirsch (Larry & Teddy Bland's daughter); David Burke (Bubba Burke's Dad); Karrie Compton (Randy & Phyllis Compton's daughter); Zack Carter; Carey Mills; Steve Clark; Robert Holbrook; Kamyryn (Patsy Mutter's great granddaughter's sister)

**Facing/Recovering from Surgery/Hospital Stay**  
Helen Cochran; Mary Warner; T. R Davidson; Melanie Sturgill; Mark Nickels; Jim Cooper; Ronnie Phillips (Patty Robbins' brother); Elizabeth White; Terry Goodman; Karen West; Dotty Allen; Dell Williams; Irene Black

**Non-Specific Prayers for:**  
Geneva Allen; Jim Gates; Jennie Shupe; Matt Carroll; Bill & Jean Hendrick; Peggy Bates; Marion Kocher; Bob Horne; Beth & John Hagan; Debbie Goodman; Sarah Shores; Elmer Lowe; John Wheeley; Louise Wright; Joyce Ann Harver

- Pray for our Pastor and the Leaders of our church.
- Pray for the Leaders of the United Methodist Church.
- Pray for those in the Church in need.

If you know that someone on the prayer list has passed away, please contact the church office.