

## Treasurer Now Available at an Earlier Time on Thursdays

With the availability of two computers, Joyce is able to come in earlier on Thursdays. Previously, she had to wait until Becky left at 3:00 p.m. Although she has not yet set a specific time, most likely she will be in the office starting sometime between 1:00-2:00 pm each week. If you haven't met Joyce, drop by sometime and introduce yourself to her.



## Shepherd Team Needs Your Involvement

I know that you have heard me mention the Shepherd Team, but I believe that many of you still do not know what this team does. Let me share some specifics:

- This team reviews attendance patterns at the Sunday morning worship service. Those that are absent get calls or notes from the Team letting you know that you have been missed.
- This team visits members in their homes and in the hospital.
- This team talks with me about pastoral needs and issues that they might have discovered through one of the visits or phone conversations that they might make.
- This team is focused on providing ministries to those persons that are members of our church.
- This team talks about issues of hospitality and receives training articles to help them be better equipped to carry out their ministry of care and concern for our members.
- This team makes sure that the Grief Kits are stocked and ready to use when there is a death within the church or in the community.
- This team occasionally takes meals to our members if they are sick or unable to make a meal.
- This team keeps in contact with our homebound members.
- This team is lovingly concerned about each and every person related to the Trinity UMC.

THIS TEAM NEEDS YOU!! That's right. We need you to come and be a part of the ministries mentioned above, as well as those that we will develop in the future. For more information contact Patty Cooper at (276) 523-0450. The team meets on the fourth Monday of each month at 10:00 am. You are invited to join us at our next meeting on Monday April 27th. Please pray for this team and its mission and ministry.

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If you have been listening over the last few months, you will have heard me say on numerous occasions, that my prayer life has been on an upswing due to an app that I use on my telephone. The app is called PrayerMate and is available on both android and apple platforms. The church has now teamed up with PrayerMate and from within the app, you can create a link to the Prayer Blog that is found on our web site.

I am encouraging you to download this app to your phone or tablet and begin using it. The app is totally customizable and allows you to create categories and within categories you can create subjects. Think of it in this way. Imagine you had a large recipe card box. In the box were dividers and within each section there were individual cards. Those individual cards would represent the person or situation for which you were praying and the dividers would represent categories or types of prayers.

In my system, I have the following categories (divisions): My Family, My Church, My Church Leaders, Homebound Members, etc. Within each of those sections I have specific cards for specific individuals and/or families. On each card is information specific to that individual. So, it's a simple concept. Basically it's a card file on steroids and I can keep it with me wherever I go.

Let me be honest, it does require a little while to set things up. After all, you have to create the sections and the cards in each section. In the end, however, you will be rewarded for your efforts by having a stronger prayer life. I know that I have been.

One other feature allows you to pull in feeds from established ministries.. That is the part that excites me at the moment. For months I have been reading the feeds of other Christian ministries and praying for events facing Christianity, often on a global basis. I have enjoyed daily devotions and prayers from a site called Heavenward. Now, our church is listed as one of those links that can be viewed directly from the PrayerMate app. I think this opens up a possibility of options for us in terms of corporate prayer. My goal is to post our Sunday Prayer Concerns each week. My goal is to also offer a weekly devotional or instructional moment focused on some aspect of prayer.

I need for you to download this app, personalize it, link to the Trinity United Methodist Church feed and begin to pray more intentionally for those persons and situations that you find in your life.

If you have any questions about the app and how to use it, then by all means get in touch with me. I'd love to sit down with you and show you how to use it. I truly think that you will be blessed and that our church will be blessed as one more person becomes more involved in prayer.

## The Trinity Companion Sunday April 19, 2015



## 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. Please feel free to join in any of the activities or events that you see mentioned. Please come back and worship with us again!

**Greeters:** *Patty Robbins & David Goodman*

**Prelude**

**Announcements, Welcome, and Introduction :** Diane Botts

**Call to Worship:** “Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place”

**\* Opening Hymn:** “Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy” No. 340

**Sharing Our Joys and Concerns**

*(You will be given an opportunity to share joys and prayer concerns. Please raise your hand and wait until an usher comes to you with a microphone.)*

**The Lord’s Prayer** as found at No. 895

**Children’s Message** -Angie Clendenon

**The Presentation of God’s Tithe and Our Offerings**

**Ushers:** Ruben Allman, Phil Robbins, Mike Allen and Bill Hendrick

**\* The Doxology** **No. 95**

**Musical Offering:** “I Lift Up Mine Eyes”

**The Presentation of God’s Word**

**Scripture:** **Ephesian 2:1-10; John 1:1-14** Barbara Polly

**Lector:** The Word of the Lord for the people of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Sermon :** “What if God Had Just Stayed Home” -Rev. Jeff Wright

**\* Closing Hymn:** “Rescue the Perishing” No. 591

**\* Pastoral Benediction :** “Old Irish Blessing”

**Postlude:**

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

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Items will need to be ready for pick up or dropped off at the church by 4:00 pm on Friday, May 1. All items will need to include a list of ingredients and the name of the item so that we can make labels. This is a requirement of the VA Department of Health and also for those with food allergies/sensitivities. Thank you for your continued support of the TUMC Youth.

**Don’t Forget...**

- Make your monetary gifts to the Annual Conference Mission Project for the Children of Holston Conference. Goal is at least \$10 per member and 10 hours of service and/or ministry with children in our church and community. Mark checks and envelopes: Kid’s Mission Offering
- Bring in items for the Annual Conference Mission Kits and money to send the kits. If you are making a monetary gift, then please label it: Mission Kits.
- Prayer Team meets on Wednesday nights at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary. We pray for lots of people and lots of different situations in our church or community. We would really like for you to join us in this ministry.
- We are still trying to recoup the funds used to pay for the heat pump from back in January. We are just over 3/4’s of the way toward that goal. We also need second mile gifts to the Forward Trinity Equipment fund to recoup the funds used to pay for the recent computer purchase for the church office. Funds to either of these projects would be greatly appreciated.

**UYMF Needs Baked Goods Donated for Farmer’s Market**

The TUMC Youth will be selling baked goods at the Big Stone Gap Farmer’s Market on the first Saturday of every month during the season. The first event is on Saturday, May 2. If you are able to provide any baked goods (pies, bread, cookies, etc)



**Financial Snapshot**

The Administrative Board thinks that it is important that we give you a weekly Financial Snapshot. Here are some figures to ponder:

**Funds need for HVAC Units.....\$ 5,800**

**Current Balance Forward Trinity Maintenance: .....\$ 4,547**

**Money Given to General Fund**

**Budgeted Need to Date ..... \$50,288**

**Actual Amount Given to Date ..... \$43,870**



“I HAVE NOT STOPPED GIVING THANKS FOR YOU, REMEMBERING YOU IN MY PRAYERS.”

EPHESIANS 1:16, NIV

**For Those with Cancer:**

James Horne; Liz Ashley; Robin (Rita Nash’s Daughter); Earl Covey; Barbara Polly; Debbie Cooper; Wilma Nein; Phyllis Gilley; Melody (Mellie) Gilley

**Facing or Recovering from Surgery or Hospital Stay**

Beth Hagan; Becky Clark; Helen Cochran; Kimberly Clifton; Mary Warner; Joyce Rutherford; Ann Davis; Dennis Davis; Robert King

**Non-Specific Prayers for:**

Brownie Polly; Dagni Spurlock; Virginia Sigmon; Geneva Allen; Jim Gates; Fred Vanbever; Jennie Shupe; Hope Meade; Susan Curran; Matt Carroll; Jim Cooper; Judy Cole; Melvin Carter; Kenny Spurlock’s mother; T. R Davidson; Phyllis Compton; George Gose; Bill & Jean Hendrick; Becky Rogers; Mike Shaffer

- 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.

**You Are Invited to a Bridal Shower**

Saturday April 25th from 10:00am-12:00 pm

for

Elizabeth Robinette & Erik Yañez

at the

Trinity United Methodist Church

hosted by the Asbury Circle

R.S.V.P. – Nancy Toney 523-2531

The couple is registered at Belk, Macy’s and Target

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