

### Fall Yard Sale

The Fall Yard Sale will be October 2—6. Now is the time to begin gathering up items to donate and help make this yard sale a huge success. For more information, please contact Kathleen Gillespie.



### Pancake Breakfast

The United Methodist Men will be hosting the Fall Pancake Breakfast on Saturday October 7. Tickets are available in the office or from any of the Methodist Men. Go ahead and put this wonderful, and yummy, event on your calendars and be sure to share the information with your FRANS (friends, relatives, associates, and neighbors) so they can come enjoy the breakfast also.

### 2017 Fall Lay Servant Training

The 2017 Fall Lay Servant Training is Saturday, October 28 from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm at Trinity UMC in Wise. There are many different types of training available. Pre-registration is preferred but not required. Courses offered are: Basic Lay Servant, United Methodist Polity, Leading Worship, Leading in Prayer, Living Our United Methodist Beliefs, Spiritual Gifts, Planning Worship, and Called to Preach. Most of the courses are \$25 each and include the materials, food and drinks. If you would be interested in signing up for any of these courses, there are registration forms on the mailboxes outside the office.

### Samaritan's Purse

The boxes are here. Now we need your help to fill as many as we can. You can sponsor a box for \$15. Please make your checks payable to Trinity UMC and put "Samaritan's Purse" in the memo line. We will be assembling the boxes on November 12 at 5:30 pm as part of the youth meeting that evening, but everyone is welcome to come help.

### Nominations Team Meeting Rescheduled

The meeting scheduled for next week has been rescheduled for tonight at 6:00 pm in the Wicker Room. All members of the team should try to be present for this meeting. Members are: Pastor Terry Goodman, Jackie Mainous, Cindy Ashley, Jan Zentmeyer, Mary Beth Allen, Don Shorter, Christy Smith.

### District Conference is Today

Our District Conference will be today at 3:00 pm at the East Stone Gap UMC. We have some special worship activities planned for this yearly meeting. Everyone is invited to attend. The following persons are voting members of the conference and should attend: Phil Robbins, Bill Cole, Don Shorter, Pat Bowden, Alberta Mitchell, Dr Larry Fleenor, and Skip Skinner. You are invited to come a few minutes early to the conference and view the various missions/outreach displays from churches in the district.

### Office Closed

The church office will be closed the week of October 2-6. Ashley will be taking her vacation during this week. This is also the week of the Kelly Sunday School Class's Fall Yard Sale, so there will be persons available to answer the phone for general information.

### N.O.W. Team

The N.O.W. Team will meet Thursday October 5 at 6:30 pm in the Wicker Room. Anyone and everyone is invited to participate in this meeting. If you would like to help with the ministries in the church that reach out to the community, please mark your calendar to attend this meeting.

### October Fellowship Supper

The October Fellowship Supper will be the second Wednesday of the month instead of the first due to the Fall Yard Sale. Be sure to mark your calendars for Wednesday October 11 at 6:30 pm for the monthly Fellowship Supper.

### Bottled Water Giveaway

David and Katy Shupe are in charge of the bottled water giveaway at MECC on Saturday October 21 from 8 am to 6 pm. We still need volunteers to help out for an hour or two throughout the day. If you would be interested in helping with this event, please contact the church office and let Ashley know what time you would be available to help so David and Katy know when to expect the people who will be helping.

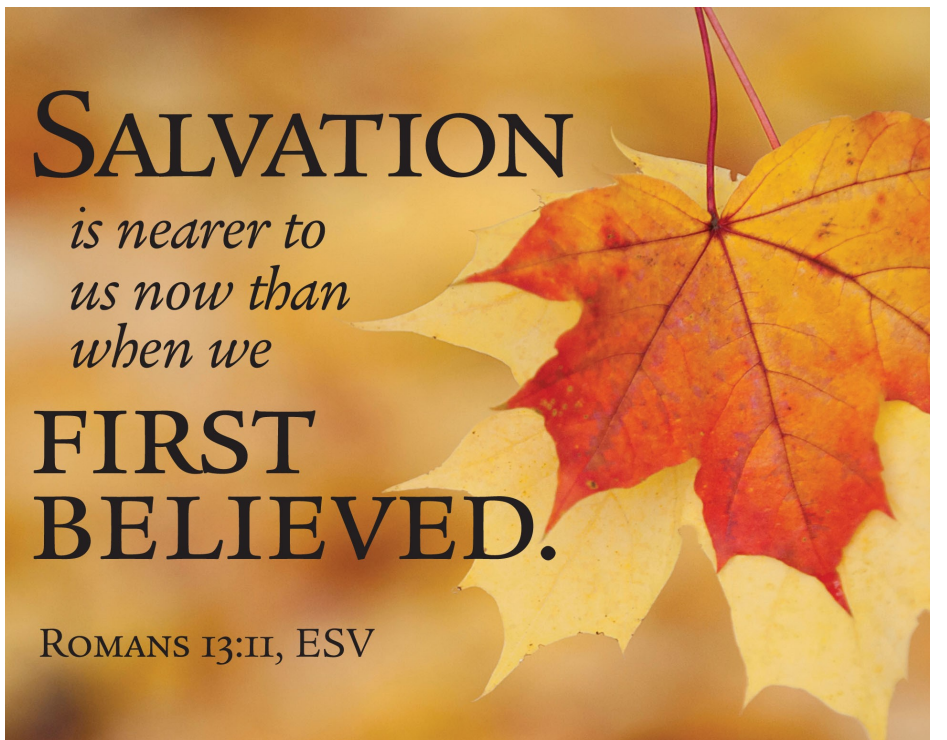
### Trunk or Treat

Halloween is quickly approaching. We will be doing the Trunk or Treat event again this year. First Street between Wyandotte and Gilley will be closed off and we will have the vehicles lined up on that side of the church. There is a signup sheet in the office if you will be participating in this event. Also, Pastor Terry will be purchasing candy from Sam's Club again this year. If you would like for him to pick up candy for you, there are order forms available in the office with the pricing for you to choose from. Last year, there were more than 500 children who came by to see us. Let's make this year even bigger and better!

You can sponsor a bulletin. For \$15, we can put color on one side and for \$25 we can put color on both sides. Contact the office to see if the Sunday you want is available.

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## The Trinity Companion Sunday September 24, 2017



## Trinity United Methodist Church

203 E 1st St, South

Big Stone Gap, VA 24219

Worship begins at 11:00 am

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**Greeters:** Kathleen Gillespie and Donna Mahan

**Announcements:** Diane Botts

**Call to Worship:**

Leader: We come to worship God, who has made us and knows us;

**People: We come to celebrate God's presence among us!**

Leader: We come to follow Jesus, who leads us to New Life;

**People: We come with joy, knowing in Christ we have eternal life!**

Leader: We come to listen to the Holy Spirit, who calls us forth;

**People: May we enter this worship knowing the Spirit is alive among us! Amen!**

**Prelude:** “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” - Henry Francis Lyte, AD 1793-1847

**Choral Call to Worship:** “The Lord’s My Shepherd”

**\*Opening Hymn:** “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” No. 127

**A Time for Prayer:**

*Call to Confession:* No matter where we have been, where we are or where we are going, God is there. No matter what we have done, God loves us. In the certainty of God's love, let us honestly confront our shortcomings as we pray together.

*Prayer of Confession :***God of great love, we clearly remember the times when we have thought you to be less than loving. We recall with pain the dark times in our lives when we could not see your light; nor did we seek it. We remember with remorse the occasions when we did not recognize the small pleasures of our abundant life. We confess that we have been quick to criticize and hasty to condemn. Forgive us for all that has come before and grant us grace to go forward in your forgiving love.**

*Assurance of Pardon:* My friends, listen to this good news: God is always present to us, even when we are not present to God. And the love of God never lets us go, even in the times when we are wounded beyond words and let go of God. You are forgiven! In the grace of God's love, let go of your regrets and embrace the goodness of God's love. Amen.

**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.)*

**The Lord’s Prayer** (as found at No. 895)  
**Gloria Patri** No. 70

**Children’s Message:** Diane Botts

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

**Ushers:** Kathleen Gillespie, Donna Mahan, Angie Tipton, Christy Smith

**Offertory:** “Grand Choeur” - from the Oratorio “Joshua” - George Frederic Handel, AD 1685-1759

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

**Anthem:** “Il Mio Bel Foco” - Benedetto Marcello, 1686-1759

Rick Galyean, Euphonium

**The Presentation of God’s Word**

**Scripture:** Romans 13:8-14 Chris Higgins

L: The Word of the Lord for the People of the Lord P: **Thanks be to God**

**Sermon:** “Writing Your Obituary”

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

**\*Pastoral Benediction:**

**\*Postlude:** “Bringing in the Sheaves” - Psalms 126:6

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

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Touch Holiness: Resources for Worship (Cleveland: United Church Press, 1990), 113.*



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**September 2017**

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**September Events and Activities**

- ♦ **Sunday September 24, 2017**
  - ♦ 2:00 pm—Snack & Paint
  - ♦ 2:00 pm—Drop in Mission Fair
  - ♦ 3:30 pm—District Conference
  - ♦ 6:00 pm—Nominations Team
- ♦ **Wednesday September 27, 2017**
  - ♦ 6:00 pm—Prayer Team
  - ♦ 7:00 pm—Choir Practice

**October Events and Activities**

- ♦ **Sunday October 1, 2017—World Communion Sunday**
  - ♦ 5:00 pm—UMYF
- ♦ **Monday October 2, 2017**
  - ♦ 8:00 am—Fall Yard Sale Begins
  - ♦ **Office Closed This Week**
- ♦ **Wednesday October 4, 2017**
  - ♦ 6:00 pm—Prayer Team
  - ♦ 7:00 pm—Choir Practice
- ♦ **Thursday October 5, 2017**
  - ♦ 10:00 am—Susanna Wesley Circle
  - ♦ 12:00 pm—Wesleyan Circle
  - ♦ 6:30 pm—NOW Team
- ♦ **Saturday October 7, 2017**
  - ♦ 7:00 am—Pancake Breakfast

**Prayer Time for the Worship Service**  
**10:50 am in the Wicker Room**



**October**

**Van Drivers and Riders**

1—Kenny & Martha Spurlock  
8—Pat Bowden/Diane Botts  
15—Christy Smith/Cathy Galyean  
22—Kenny & Martha Spurlock  
29—Pat Bowden/Diane Botts

**Money Counters**

1—Bill Cole, Ashley Turner  
8—Chris Higgins, Paul Clark  
15—Pat Bowden, Kim Parsons  
22—Kenny & Martha Spurlock  
29—Christy Smith, Diane Botts

**Children’s Message**

1—Nancy Toney  
8—Mary Beth Allen  
15—Christy Smith  
22—Diane Botts  
29—Nancy Toney

**Greeters**

Christy Smith  
Nancy Allman

**Announcements**

Martha Spurlock

**Ushers**

Phil Robbins, Ruben Allman, John Hagan, 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); 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); Karen Owens

**Facing/Recovering from Surgery/Hospital Stay**

Helen Cochran; Mary Warner; T.R. Davidson;  
Melanie Sturgill; Mark Nickels; Ronnie Phillips  
(Patty Robbins’ brother); Elizabeth White; Terry  
Goodman; Karen West; Dotty Allen; Dell  
Williams; Peggy Beverly; Marjorie Blevins; Bill  
Cole

**Non-Specific Prayers for:**

Geneva Allen; Jennie Shupe; Matt Carroll; Bill &  
Jean Hendrick; Peggy Bates; Marion Kocher;  
Bob Horne; Beth & John Hagan; Debbie  
Goodman; Sarah Shores; Elmer Lowe; Louise  
Wright; Joyce Ann Harver; Jim Cooper

- 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.