

UPS Back Pack Program

Don't forget that each month we are going to Restock the Shelves for the Union Primary School Back Pack Program with a specific kind of food. The food item for October is Chicken or Beef flavored Ramen Noodles.



Trinity was able to contribute 84 cans of Chef Boyardee during the month of September.

Board Meeting

Due to several scheduling conflicts, the Administrative Board Meeting has been moved to Sunday, October 20th at 7 pm.

Trunk-or-Treat

The NOW Team will be hosting Trunk-or-Treat Thursday October 31 from 5-8 pm. Please make sure that you are set up by 4:45 pm if you are going to participate. If you would like to provide candy, please start dropping it off in the office or get in touch with Pastor Robert or Christy Smith.

Cancellation

TUMC Choir will not be meeting Wednesday night for practice.



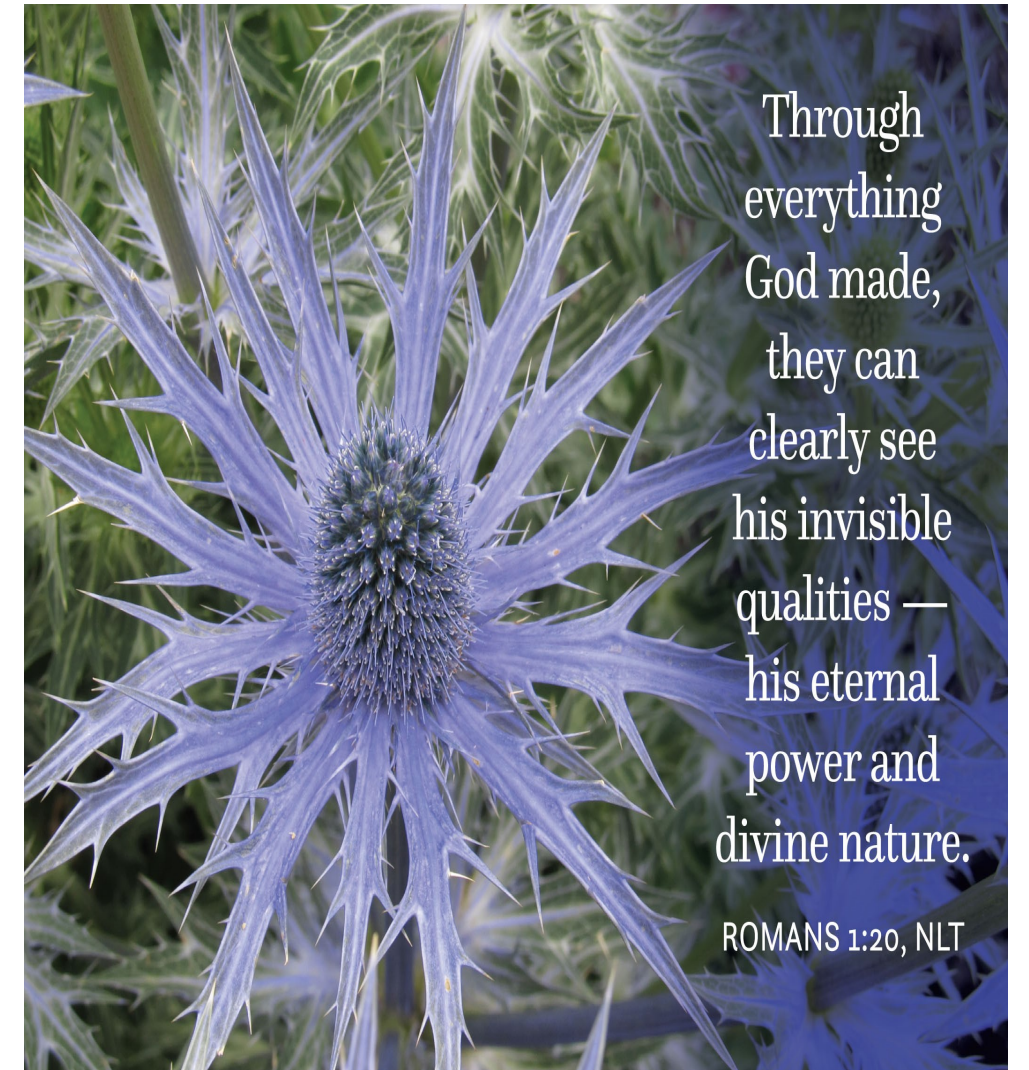
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- October 14 6:30 pm Parsonage Study Group
6:30 pm UMM Meeting
- October 15 11:00 am Ugly Mug Study Group
- October 16 6:00 pm Bible Study
7:00 pm Choir Practice (canceled)
- October 17 11:00 am I Love Growing Older Group
- October 20 7:00 pm Administrative Board
- October 21 6:30 pm Parsonage Study Group
- October 22 11:00 am Ugly Mug Study Group
- October 23 6:00 pm Bible Study
7:00 pm Choir Practice
- October 24 11:00 am I Love Growing Older Group
- October 28 6:30 pm Parsonage Study Group
- October 29 11:00 am Ugly Mug Study Group
- October 30 6:00 pm Bible Study
7:00 pm Choir Practice
- October 31 11:00 am I Love Growing Older
5:00 pm Trunk-or-Treat

The Trinity Companion
Sunday October 13, 2019



Through everything God made, they can clearly see his invisible qualities — his eternal power and divine nature.

ROMANS 1:20, NLT

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Here is the New Union Primary School Food List :

Jan—Breakfast Cereal Feb—Single Serve Fruit Mar—Mac n Cheese
Apr—Juice Boxes May—Juice Boxes June—Cash Donation
July—Cash Donation August—Soup Sept—Chef Boyardee
Oct—Ramen Noodles Nov—Breakfast Bars Dec—Juice Boxes

Food Notes: *Soup (Chicken Noodle or Tomato) *Chef Boyardee (Spaghetti O's or Ravioli) *Ramen Noodles (Chicken or Beef) *Breakfast Bars (Apple/Cinnamon or Strawberry) *Cereal (Small bulk bag 7-9 servings) *Single Serve Fruit (Pears, Peaches, or Fruit Cocktail) *Mac n Cheese (Individual servings) *Juice Boxes (Apple or Grape)

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.

This Bulletin is sponsored by...

Greeters: John Hagan and Dana Barlow

Announcements: Martha Spurlock

Prelude: Will Farmer & Austin Farmer

Lighting of the Candles: Natalie and Caitlyn Shell

***Opening Hymn:** Great is Thy Faithfulness No. 140

Pastoral Welcome

***Statement of Faith**

Gloria Patri

Prayer of Confession

Then the Lord spoke to Job (us) out of the storm. He said:
“Who is this that obscures my plans with words without knowledge?
Brace yourself like a man;
I will question you, and you will answer me.”
“Where were you when I laid the earth’s foundation?
Tell me if you understand?
Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know!
Who stretched a measuring line across it?
On what were its footings set, or who laid its cornerstone—
While the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy?”
“Who shut up the sea behind doors when it burst forth from the womb,
when I made the clouds its garment and wrapped it in thick darkness,
when I fixed limits for it and set its doors and bars in place, when I said,
“This far you may come and no farther;
Here is where your proud wave halt?”
“Have you ever given orders to the morning,
Or shown the dawn its place, that it might take the earth by the edges
and shake the wicked out of it?”

Lord’s Prayer

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

Prayer of Blessing

Ushers: Joe Toney, Ruben Allman, Nancy Allman, and Angela Tipton

Offertory Music:

***Doxology** As found at No. 95

Children’s Message: Christy Smith

Special Music: Amazing Grace

***Scripture Reading:** Romans 1: 18-21 Rob Moore

Homily: Christian Life: Stop 3— Personal Implications of Sin

***Closing Hymn:** O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing (vs. 1-4) No. 57

Pastoral Benediction

Postlude: Will Farmer & Austin Farmer

*Indicates that you may stand, as you are able.
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Drop and Surrender

Romans 1:18-21

At Stop 3, people experience concerns about personal sin. Like the young rich ruler they ask, “what must I do to inherit the kingdom of heaven?” Having adjusted to a rich diet of the Fruit from the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, don’t expect people concerned about personal sin to do anything other than look for the way of “good.” They have not learned the Way of Jesus!

The fruit of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil is judgment. The experience of judgment is control. The rich young ruler wants to be in control of his entry into the Kingdom of Heaven.

If we want to help people enter the Kingdom of Heaven, we must drop our judgment and surrender our control. I find that practicing love as patience leads me to surrender my desire to be in control. Once I surrender control, the need to judge the person turns to love that never insists on its own way. The goal of making disciples is to walk in Jesus’ Way to show people Who Jesus looks like as they learn to Follow Him! (Discernment is not the same as judgment. Discernment rightly sees sin. Judgment condemns the sinner. Jesus did not come to condemn. He came to save. see John 3: 16-18)

When I meet a person struggling with personal sin, I invite them to talk about their fear, shame, guilt, or blame. These feelings are in the heart and mind. They are the fruit of judgment! As I listen, I am listening for their language to reflect one or more of the Ten Commandments. (Sometimes people are dealing with a controlling, judgmental neighbor. The neighbor may be sinning but the person speaking is carrying their neighbor’s judgment and control not a violation of the Commands.)

Remember, the struggle with personal sin has to do with control and judgment. The Apostle Paul invites us to deal with the personal implications of sin by looking at creation. “For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. Ever since the creation of the world his eternal power and divine nature, as invisible as they are, have been understood and seen through the things he has made.”

Watch the sunrise! Can you with your power and nature reverse the earth’s rotation? See, your discernment is spot on. The sun is rising. But look, you have no control.

Is it not the same with the sunset? Who can push the sun down? Who among us can turn the clock back? Yet, we sit in meetings and talk at the dinner table like we can. Ah, remember the GOOD ole days? Let’s go back. God is the same today as God was in the Good Ole Days! Like the Rich Ruler, we want to go to heaven, but not at the cost of selling our control and judgment to live by faith in Christ and love of our enemies!

Watch the wind dance with the trees and rubbish we dropped on the sacred ground God created with his eternal power and nature. We see the affects of the wind? Find us a judge who can tell us where the wind came from or where it is going. Who can stop the wind? Who has the power to huff and puff and blow a house down? Why, even our nursery rhymes invite us to see that only a fool thinks they can control creation with their nature and judgment.

Who can make a thief a saint?
Who can make an adulterer Holy?
Who can take a false witness testimony and redeem your name?

All I can do is help you drop your judgment and surrender your control. But to accomplish it, I must first drop and surrender!

One in Christ,

Robert

Welcome Will Farmer & Austin Farmer



Van Drivers and Riders

6—Christy Smith & Donna Mahan
13—Kenny & Martha Spurlock
20—Christy Smith & Cathy Galyean
27—Christy Smith & Diane Botts

Money Counters

6—Bill Cole, Tiffany Adams
13—Pat Bowden, Kim Parsons
20—Kenny & Martha Spurlock
27—Christy Smith, Diane Botts

Children’s Message

6—Communion Sunday
13—Christy Smith
20—Patty Robbins
27—Nancy Toney

Scripture Readers

6—Phil Robbins
13—Rob Moore
20—Rick Galyean
27—Andrew Holyfield

Greeters

John Hagan and Dana Barlow

Announcements

Martha Spurlock

Ushers

Joe Toney, Ruben Allman, Nancy Allman, and Angela Tipton

Communion Ushers

Alberta Mitchell, Kathleen Gillespie, Diane Botts, and Sandra Marshall

Fellowship Dinner Hosts

Tiffany



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

For Those with Cancer:

Denise Qualls; David Burke (Bubba Burke’s Dad); Karrie Compton (Randy & Phyllis Compton’s daughter); Zac Carter; Steve Clark; Kamyryn (Patsy Mutter’s great granddaughter’s sister); Wilma Mills

Facing/Recovering from Surgery/Hospital Stay

Jeff Wright, Jan Tate, Patty Cooper, Beth Hagan

Non-Specific Prayers for:

Marion Kocher; Matt Carroll; Bob Horne; Ida McCall; Judy Cole; Maurice & Patsy Lay; Andrew David Hartman; Jack Williams; Bill & Jean Hendrick, Larry Spears; Ann Nickles

- 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.

Donation link can be used at any time and from any capable phone.

