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“Diverse in Backgrounds, United in Faith”

Friends,

My earliest memories of church are of hymns; specifically, of my mother singing hymns. My mom has a great alto voice and harmonizes by ear better than anyone else I’ve ever met. My parents kept me in the sanctuary with them for “big church” at a pretty young age, and the only thing that really kept my attention was standing up to sing hymns, my mom’s finger following the words so that I could keep up and her voice harmonizing along with every song. (Incidentally, it was years before I realized that the “hymn tunes” I knew weren’t the actual melodies at all, but Mom’s harmonies!).

Hymns and music continue to be a big part of my life, and I know that’s true for many of you as well. Music has such a gentle power to shape us – it moves us to tears, dance, action, and rest. Even the simplest human words take on new depths when set to music. In worship, music allows us to sing with one voice, experiencing a foretaste of the Kingdom of God in which our Alleluias will be never ending. A new hymnal, then, is truly something to celebrate in the life of the church as it brings us new ways to unite together in praise.

So, this summer, let’s spend some time talking about our new hymnal and singing some great music! We will officially kick off the summer on Pentecost – June 8 – with Choir Appreciation Sunday, a service that will be filled with music! Then each Sunday we will focus our worship around a new hymn from *Glory to God* – either a hymn that is completely new to us, a hymn making its first appearance in a Presbyterian hymnal, or an old hymn that we haven’t seen in a while. We will end our summer of hymns together with a Hymn Sing service on August 31. We will then continue into Rally Day and the fall with several new hymns under our belts and a renewed appreciation for the wonderful music of this church!

I look forward to seeing you – and singing with you – this summer!

Blessings,
Elizabeth

BE UPLIFTED

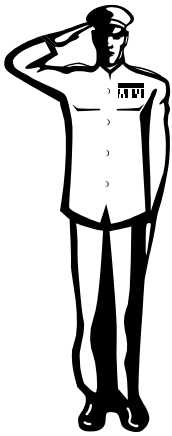
**WE GRIEVE WITH THOSE
WHO GRIEVE . . .**



With Deepest Sympathy

Trinity sends its sympathy to Becky Layman's family following the death of her uncle, Norm.

**WE REJOICE WITH THOSE
WHO REJOICE . . .**



Tony Pinto, son of Carolyn Nickens and grandson of Ann Rich, will be graduated from the United States Naval Academy on May 23. If anyone wishes to send him a card, send to Anthony Pinto, 7868 W. 156th St., Overland Park, KS 66223. Carolyn, Ann and Patrick will be leaving on May 20 and driving to Annapolis for the ceremony.

CONGRATULATIONS . . .



Fletcher Allen Lindgren is the newborn great-grandson of John & Mary Sloan.

Troy Berry won Bocce Class 1 Regional Championship for the 4th year. He traveled to Nationals in E. Lansing, where he took third place in Team Bocce and second place in Individual.

DON'T FORGET

Sunday, June 8 is Communion Service and you'll want to bring your food donations for Salvation Army and the hungry of Eastern Jackson County. Barrels will be in the lobby for your convenience.



Wear Red for Pentecost

SUNDAY, June 8 will be a red-letter day in the life of our church in more ways than one! This Sunday is **Pentecost**, the birthday of the Christian Church, and all members are invited to wear red as a way of remembering the gift of the Holy Spirit which came upon the first Christians as tongues of fire.

THANK YOU . . .

To My Trinity Family,

I do not know how I can ever thank you for the help and support through the years while doing this (Financial Secretary) job.

The gift is overwhelming and really a very nice surprise. Thank you all very much and Trinity has a lot of good years ahead.

Thank you,
Rich White

Thanks to everyone who brought items for our Mothers Day collection. We collected items and they were delivered to the Salvation Army.

Jan-Privett

Thanks to my Trinity Family for the prayers, phone calls and cards I received following my fall. They help the healing process.

Barb Burnett

Many thanks to my Trinity friends for your concern, prayers, cards, and well wishes following my recent surgery.

Barbara Ploeger

From the Women's Morning Circle...

Thank you, Trinity, for saving the Best Choice Bar Codes. We have already collected 1453 for 2014. Please keep saving!

From the Sew & So's...

The sewing group needs used bed sheets to use as filling for their quilts. If you have extra to donate, they would be so grateful.

2014 PER CAPITA ASSESSMENT

Trinity will again be paying our assigned per capita assessment in 2014 by asking members of the congregation to donate their own \$32.95 per active member. This will help to ease our budget.



- June 2 Jennifer Piper
- 3 Paul Carr
- Brenda Scott
- 7 Phillip Tivis
- 8 Lynda Hansen
- Tim Layman
- 9 Vickie Brock
- 15 Billie Cross
- Betty May
- Faith Nickens
- 18 Virginia Elsea
- Jan Privett
- 19 Kerry Ellis
- Jack Palmer
- 27 Christine Walker
- 28 Daleen Lyons
- 29 Sondra Tivis



In Our Prayers

WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

This list of members at Trinity has been organized for the purpose of being lifted up in prayer during the week. We look forward to God's blessings as we pray for one another. During the month please pray for these:

- June 1:** Paul & Marian Carr
Wilma Chambers
John & Teresa Chapman
- June 8:** Carol Chartrand
Larry Clark
Donna Coffel
- June 15:** Bob & Jane Cooper
Billie Cross
Joe & Mary Daniel
- June 22:** Angela Drew
Shelby Eagan
Margaret Edwards
- June 29:** Mike, Kerry, Elijah, & Emmalyn Ellis
Virginia Elsea
Betty Goetz



- June 3 Charles & Frances Buck
- 9 Tim & Becky Layman
- 10 Dave & Deborah Hatton
- 12 Jack & Jess Layman
- 14 Jerry & Irene Schmitt
- 25 David & Julie Lyons



Vacation Bible School

Dust off your spurs and dig out your boots for this year's VBS – *Avalanche Ranch!* We will join First Presbyterian and First Christian Churches of Independence from Sunday, June 28 – Thursday, July 3 (6:00-8:00pm) for a fun-filled learning experience. But we can't do it without you! Here's how you can help:

- **Kids:** Ask your parents to sign you up!
- **Parents:** Registration forms are available at the church and should be returned to Jan Privett or Stacia Martin.
- **All Members:** We need volunteers to help kids with crafts Sunday and Monday, manage a pizza dinner (no cooking!) on Thursday, and guide kids through the different activities every night. You must be in high school or older to volunteer.

You want more details before volunteering? No problem!

- **Who:** Trinity, First Pres, and First Christian of Independence
- **What:** Vacation Bible School!
- **Where:** First Pres in Westminster Hall
- **When:** Sunday, June 28 – Thursday, July 3 from 6:00-8:00pm

If you need more information, don't hesitate to contact the church office!

Computer Users:

Please bring in your printer cartridges when you come to church. There is a box to place them in by the Session members mailbox.

Questions—See Sondra Tivis



Sunday, June 1, 3-5pm

Come and bring your friends to enjoy fresh strawberries and all kinds of delicious strawberry desserts.

Sign up sheets are available in the bell tower room.

Any questions, please contact Jan Privett, 419-9405.



T.I.G.E.R.s' Corner

June 1:	6:15 p.m. - T.I.G.E.R.'s
June 8:	6:15 p.m. - T.I.G.E.R.'s
June 15:	6:15 p.m. - NO T.I.G.E.R.'s
June 22:	6:15 p.m. - T.I.G.E.R.'s
June 29:	6:15 p.m. - T.I.G.E.R.'s

T.I.G.E.R.'s questions call
Becky Layman at 830-4066

ALUMINUM COLLECTION

For several years this congregation has recycled aluminum cans. Proceeds are given to help our youth activities expenses. This has yielded \$200 - \$300 a year.

There have been some clarifications from the buyer. they **only** want beverage cans, clean, dry, & empty. The current price is 58 cents per pound.

NO pet food cans.

NO foil or pie pans

NO paper of any kind

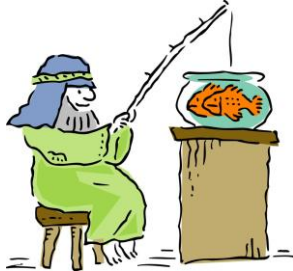
NO plastic except the sack

Put them in the black box in our parking lot.

At special times we could benefit from collecting old aluminum cookware, aluminum guttering, and old aluminum storm windows.

COMING EVENT . . .

Dads--we haven't forgotten about you.



We know that some Dad's get to do special things on Father's Day. We're going to do something special for our dads--**TAKE THEM FISHING**. We will be stocking our pond (play pool) with fish. Please bring cans of tuna, salmon, or other non-perishable food items and help us stock our pond (pool). We will be collecting items through Father's Day, Sunday, June 15.

Any questions, please call Jan Privett, 419-9405.



I want to thank our wonderful teachers and helpers who for the past 9 months have planned lessons and fun things for our youth and adults to participate in. Nursery: Diana Miller; Wee Kirk: Kerry Ellis; Youth Class: Carolyn Nickens, Kerry Ellis, Susan Matthews; Adult Class: Evelyn Richards; TIGERS: Becky Layman, Dave and Julie Lyons.

Our next meeting will be June 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. Enjoy your summer!!!



A huge thank you to Bob Sorensen and the Building & Grounds Committee for doing their best to keep Trinity's lawn and properties well maintained.

Musicians Needed

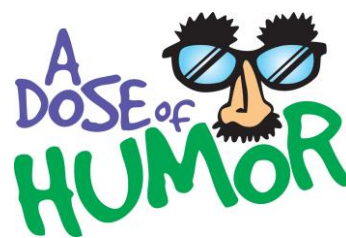
As the choir takes a much-deserved Sabbath from weekly anthems this summer, all musicians of the church are invited to offer solo or small group pieces for special music in worship. If you feel the Spirit moving you to serve in such a way, please call Jack Palmer at 728-6646.



JUNE WORSHIP READINGS

We will be going “off lectionary” several Sundays this summer so that we can focus on the ways in which God speaks to us through hymns. For those of you who like to study the Scripture before our Sunday Services, here are our Scripture readings for the month of June.

- June 1 – John 17:1-11, Acts 1:6-14
- June 8 - I Corinthians 12:3-13, Acts 2:1-21 (Day of Pentecost)
- June 15 – Psalm 8, Matthew 28:16-20 (Trinity Sunday)
- June 22 - Mark 1:14-21, Galatians 2:16-21
- June 29 - 2 Peter 3:8-15, Isaiah 40:3-11



HOW TO COOK A HUSBAND

A good many husbands are utterly spoiled by mismanagement. Some women keep them constantly in hot water . . .others roast them, and some keep them in a pickle!

No husband will be tender and good if treated in this way; but they are really delicious when properly managed.

Be sure to select him yourself as tastes differ. Make a clear, steady fire out of love, neatness, and cheerfulness. Set him near this as it seems to agree with him. If he sputters and fizzes do not be anxious . . .some husbands do this ‘til they are quite done . . . add a little sugar (what is called “kisses”) but do not use vinegar or pepper on any account. A little spice improves them but it must be used with judgement.

Do not use a sharp instrument to see if he is tender. Stir him gently . . .you cannot fail to know when he is done

If cooked thus, you will find him very digestible and he will keep indefinitely unless you set him in a cold place.

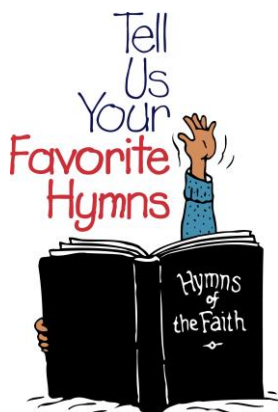
-Anonymous

A SHORT QUIZ

- Q. What time of day was Adam created?
- A. A little before Eve.

TRINITY’S TOP TUNES!

Back in January and February, Elizabeth took a poll of favorite hymns at Trinity. Now that we’re going to be learning some new hymns this summer, let’s take a look at the congregation’s Top Ten Favorite Hymns so far!



1. I, The Lord of Sea and Sky (Here I Am, Lord)
2. Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore
3. Morning Has Broken
4. I Dance in the Morning (Lord of the Dance)
5. Be Thou My Vision
6. Fairest Lord Jesus
7. How Great Thou Art
8. Amazing Grace
9. What Child Is This? (Greensleeves)
10. There is a Balm in Gilead



SUMMER TIME FUN!!!!

Looking for something fun to do this summer. Check out Summer Cruise In every Saturday night from May 3rd to October 25th 6-9pm at Hartman's Heritage Center. This is in the same parking lot as Buy Buy Baby, Buffalo Wild Wings, David's Bridal and plenty of other fine shopping. Family atmosphere and plenty of parking, local shopping promotions plus restaurant discounts. Further information needed contact Jim Tormena at 808-1154.

Our good friends at First Presbyterian on the square will be hosting a Performing Arts Summer Series. The second Sunday of June, July and August will have special performances for only \$10.00 per ticket or if you chose to attend all three concerts you can get a 3 pack of tickets for \$28.00. Sunday, June 8, they will host Raytown Christian Church Handbell Choirs. Sunday, July 14, they will be hosting Mr. Scott Foppiano organist. Sunday, August 10, will feature Mr. Mark Hayes composer and pianist. All performances will start at 3:00 pm. For more information and ticket ordering information go to <http://fpciperformingartseries.com/> What a great way to spend a Sunday evening.

Take a trip to Heartland Center to hear the wonderful end of camp performances by those in the Music Art Dance and Drama camps or M.A.D.D. camp. The date of the Middle School M.A.D.D. performance will be Friday, June 20th at 6:00 p.m. Our own Faith Nickens will be performing. Senior High M.A.D.D.

performance will be Friday, June 13th at 6:00 p.m.

Into Handbell Music then Heartland Center has an awesome treat for you. Thursday July 10, 6 p.m. there will be a massed Handbell Choir performance. This will be the conclusion of their Handbell camp. In years past there have been 30 or 40 members in this group from all over the Metro area. Not only is it awesome music but it is free.

Don't forget free Friday Night fireworks at Royals Stadium. You can see them from as far away as 40 highway and Blue Ridge Blvd. or the Blue Ridge Crossing complex. Check your Hy-vee ads for the Friday nights the Royals will be doing this. Of course if you want to our boys in blue play you can see the fireworks up close and personal.



STARS AND STRIPES

Since the early 1800's various groups have observed a day to display the American flag. Presidents Woodrow Wilson (in 1916) and Calvin Coolidge (in 1927) issued proclamations marking June 14 as National Flag Day. But it wasn't until August 3, 1949, that Congress approved June 14 as a day of national observance. President Harry Truman signed it into law.

The America flag has changed designs more than any other flag in the world. In fact, the United States didn't have a standardized flag until 1912! And even after standardization, the flag changed three more times with the addition of new stars representing new states.



*On the first Day of the Week
"The people came together..."*

Worship Services:

May 4.....	62
May 11.....	89
May 18.....	71
May 25.....	67

"and the people gave . . . "

May 4.....	\$2,812.00
May 11.....	3,336.38
May 18.....	2,226.25
May 25.....	<u>2,777.00</u>
Total.....	\$11,151.63

Budget information: (as of January, 2014)
 Weekly Bgt. Requirement\$ 2,823.96
 May Average Weekly Giving.....\$2,787.90

A heartfelt thank you to those who have so lovingly and generously contributed to Trinity's memorial funds:

Jacque Schliefer

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:6-7



*It doesn't matter who my father was;
it matters who I remember he was.*

-Anne Sexton

