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"Diverse in Background, United in Faith"

Friends,

School is back in session, the weather is thinking about getting a little cooler, and pumpkin-flavored everything is showing up in the stores. That means only one thing: fall is almost here, and we are getting geared up at Trinity for an active, productive, and joy-filled season! Your church calendar should become your best friend this month, keeping you on track for all the wonderful things we have planned.

A few highlights for September include the Funnel Cake Booth at Santa-Cali-Gon, Rally Day, and Outdoor Sunday (complete with church picnic). Soon will be the Festival of Sharing and the Crop Walk, both of which will need some attention from you sooner rather than later. The Stewardship Campaign will kick off soon, the Nominating Committee will begin their work, and we will have a number of fundraisers and other great activities coming up. In other words, lots of exciting opportunities for service and fellowship are starting to fill up the fall already!

In the midst of these activities, I invite you to do three things. First, participate! Even if it's been a while since you've been to church, we always love to see you. Second, allow yourself time to breathe and enjoy the benefits of renewed activities rather than just adding more things to your overwhelmed calendar. Third, and most important, remember to pray for and thank each other for all the hard work that goes into a full church schedule. We have so much for which we can be thankful!

I am looking forward to seeing all of you in the coming days.

Blessings,
Elizabeth



CHURCH OFFICE HOURS



Beginning in September, the church office will resume regular office hours: 8:30 am – 1:00 pm Tuesday - Friday.

Women's Circle



Thank you, Trinity, for saving the Best Choice Bar Codes for us. We have already collected 1,659 for 2015. Please keep saving!



BRING YOUR CRAFTS

Craft Social

September 26, noon-3pm



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:

- Sept. 6:** Marilyn Walter & River & Nikki Preator
Rev. Ky Weekley
Carol, Jessica, Allison, Albert, Jr. & Elizabeth Weeks
- Sept. 13:** Helen West
Rich & Donna White
Brian, Julie, & Danielle
Wildschuetz & Alyssa Morris
- Sept. 20:** Chris & Sara Williams
Tyler & Mary Williams
Joe & Sara Wilper
- Sept. 27:** Steve & Mary Winfry
Joann Wyman
Rev. Robert Wyman



- Sept. 2 Paul & Sondra Tivis
7 Joe & Mary Daniel
Bill & Lynda Hansen
9 Dennis & Jewel Lawson
Rick & Mari Shineman



Thanks to everyone who donated school supplies this month. A trunkload of supplies were taken to Three Trails Elementary School. They were thrilled with our donations. We will continue collecting school supplies throughout the school year. A collection box is located in the front entryway. Thanks again for your support.

The Mission Committee



Can you guess the church member who has...

1. ... been a drive time reader on radio.
2. ... taught English at a Muslim school in southern India.
3. ... recently just bought their first house.

Answer is on the last page!



Sept.	1	Madeliene Lyons
	3	Megan Berry Candice Brock
	5	Beverly Campbell
	7	Tom Haggard
	9	Kyle Palmer
	11	Joe Wilper
	12	Elijah Ellis
	17	Marilyn Burkett
	19	Troy Berry
	20	Rick Shineman
	23	Diana Miller
	27	Madelyn Hansen
	30	Steven Gordon Bill Hansen



CHRISTIAN SYMBOL



NIMBUS – the nimbus is a halo of light often shown in art behind the head of a religious figure such as Mary, Joseph, the disciples the four evangelists and so forth. Though often just a simple circle, one with three rays symbolizes the Trinity, so this style of nimbus – or a triangular one – may be seen behind Christ.



September 13, 2015

Mark your calendars for Rally Day! We will have another round of Bible Jeopardy and a continental breakfast. So pull out those Bibles and start studying for this fun event. Classes will begin September 20, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.



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

Worship Services:

Aug. 2:	.....	.69
Aug. 9	.....	.69
Aug. 16	.....	76
Aug. 23	.....	85
Aug. 30	.....	Not Available

and the people gave . . .

Aug. 2	.....	\$4,263.02
Aug. 9	.....	3,081.00
Aug. 16	.....	1,291.40
Aug. 23	.....	1,368.03
Aug. 30	.....	Not Available
Total	.....	\$10,003.45

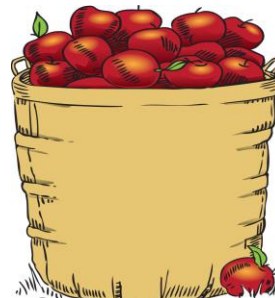
A heartfelt thank you to those who have so lovingly and generously contributed to Trinity's memorial funds:

Harold & Vicki Curry



FREE TO A GOOD HOME!

The Martin Family is looking for a new home for an antique Cumberland Player Piano that came with their house. We hope to find someone that wants to restore or repurpose the piano – we just don't want it to end up in the dump! Please contact Stacia at 816-878-5176 with any questions.





Festival of Sharing

The youth group is collecting supplies for Festival of Sharing. They will be putting together kits for a “Women’s Prison Pack”.

Here are the contents needed for these kits:

Women's Prison Pack

1 Shampoo L2-L6 oz. size-

(alcohol-free only, must be transparent, example of an acceptable brand is Suave.)

1 Tube of Toothpaste 6 - 6.4 oz. size-

(alcohol-free only, example of acceptable brands are Ultrabrite, Colgate)

1 Deodorant 2-3"oz.size- *(alcohol-free only, no roll-ons, no men's brands, accepted brands are Almay clear jel, and Mitchum for women)*

1 Pencil Unsharpened-

(Please no promotional printing on pencil.)

1 Emery Board-

any brands are fine

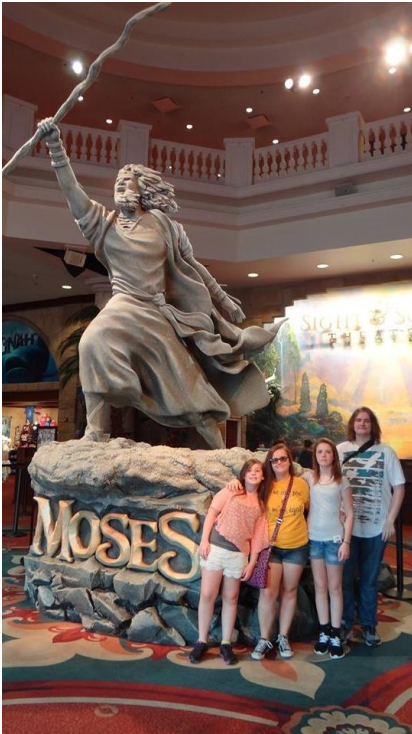
5 Standard envelopes with 5 sheets of writing paper in each-

(6" X 9" folded in thirds, with part of the paper not in the envelope.)

The youth will be collecting these items through the end of September, and will put the kits together before we take them to the Festival of Sharing on October 16, 2015.

Thank You for your help!

YOUTH MISSION RETREAT



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

The TIGERs attended Heartland Presbytery's Day at Worlds of Fun in July.

In August we had an in house Mission Trip Retreat. We kept busy with a multitude of activities. We spent time making bags and sorting carrots at Harvesters. At the Episcopal Community Service Center we worked under Chief Conn's direction prepping, serving & cleaning up for the Friday lunch crowd.

There were projects done at church, which included some heavy duty cleaning in the kitchen and the organizing of some Christmas decorations and making the wheel chairs and walker easily accessible by the front stairs. Time was spent with Elizabeth discussing spiritual growth. We also had fun Flocking some yards with our flamingo flocks, doing Karaoke, Go Carts,

miniature golfing, arcade games and going to the drive-in movies, where we saw *Inside Out & Minions*. The retreat had a surprise trip to Branson, where we got to have a backstage tour at the Sight & Sound Theater and then watched a performance of *Jonah*. We had a wonderful time with the congregation members that provided all the delicious food and the much needed showers during our retreat. We want to thank them & everyone who made this retreat possible and so great: Jack & Jess Layman, Elizabeth & Charlie Strobel, Cathy Ruppert, Beth McPike, Marilyn Burkett, David & Julie Lyons, Sondra & Paul Tivis, Jan Privit, & Tim Layman. We do not want to forget those additional church members that made offers of meals that exceeded our need during this retreat.



T.I.G.E.R.s CALENDAR

Friday, Sept. 4th, 4-6 pm: Funnel Cake Booth
Monday, Sept. 7th, 4-6pm: Funnel Cake Booth
Sunday, Sept. 20th, 11:30am: Youth Group
Oct. 2-3: Heartland Presbyterian Fall Retreat
Oct. 16-17: Festival of Sharing
Oct. TBA: Liberty Corn Maze

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Due to Becky Layman's scheduled surgery in September, adult supervisors are needed for all September and October activities. If you are available to help for even one event, please contact Becky Layman or Julie Lyons.

FLOCK-A-YARD FUNDRAISER FUN

No yard was spared...including the church office!



A DOSE of HUMOR



~~oops!~~

From a newsletter in Richmond, Virginia:

~~THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE~~

School Spelling Bee On Thrusday

Movie Night on Friday

Will the students spell everything correctly on *Thursday*?



BIBLE HUMOR

We take Scripture seriously, of course, but God also gave us the ability to laugh—and it's healthy to do so! Enjoy these Bible-based riddles:

Q. Who was the fastest runner in the Bible?

A. Adam. He was the first in the human race.

Q. Where is baseball played in the Bible?

A. Genesis 1:1 reads "In the big inning." Then Eve stole first, and Adam stole second. Cain stuck out Abel, and soon everything was rained out.

Q. Who was the best financier in the Bible?

A. Pharaoh's daughter. She went to the Nile bank and pulled out a little prophet.

Q. What was Boaz like before he got married?

A. Ruthless.

UPCOMING EVENT...



Please mark your calendar for the annual CROP Walk and pot luck lunch to be held on October 11, 2011, following worship.

Beth McPike and Donna White will have sign-up packets soon.

Community Volunteers Requested

The Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure this year is September 13 at World's of Fun. Inspired by Becky Layman's brave battle, Mari Shineman joined the Kids for the Cure committee that is organizing the specialized area for kids involved with this fund raising event.

This year's focus for the Kids for the Cure area is crafts, but there will be other fun things going on (water game, balloon animals, face painting, sidewalk chalk, etc.). I am needing several adults who will not be participating in Trinity's Rally Day to help with the two crafts that I am in charge of: Deli Paper Butterflies and Notecards with a positive message for cancer patients. Also needed are people to help with preparing the items the kids will need to make these crafts. Any "in-kind" donations you might want to give for the crafting items are tax deductible through the Susan G. Komen foundation.

Date: Sunday, September 13, 2015

Location: Worlds of Fun, 435 & Parvin Road

Time: 5 AM – 9:30 AM (includes set up & clean up time ~ Participants will only be there 6-9 AM)

Parking is \$10 per vehicle (50% goes to Koman) from 5:30 AM on.

☺ **Perk:** You can purchase a \$10 ticket to be used later that day at Worlds of Fun. The park will open to the public at 10 AM.

Contact: Mari Shineman ~ 816-461-0721

Craft preparations can be done at any time, but need to be completed by September 1.

ITEMS NEEDED

Butterflies: For 200 butterflies
Supplies

- Crayons / Crayon shavings ~ tons!?!?!?
- Cardboard squares ~ **50**
- Irons ~ **8**
- Old Towels / Washcloths~ **50**
- Scissors ~ **15** fancy & plain
- Hole Punch ~ **5**
- Yarn ~ **1 skein**
- Power Strips
- Extension Cord

Prep

- Mark Deli Paper with butterfly outlines
- Shave Crayons. Keep color families separated.

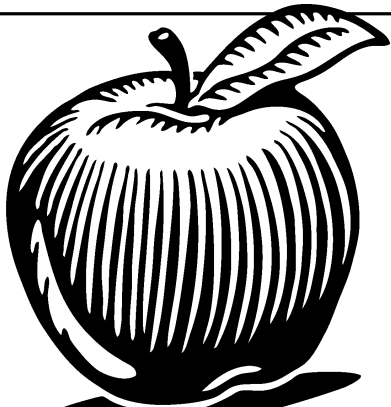
Notecards: For 200 Notecards
Supplies

- Premade Notecards ~ **100**
- Cardstock, wrapping paper, etc ~ **100** with template preprinted on it
- Scissors ~ **15** plain & fancy
- Stickers ~ **200** for sealing + ??? for decorating
- Gel Pens
- Markers

Prep

- Trace template for 100 notecards on non-cardstock. Cut out 50 of them
- Photocopy 100 notecards on card stock. Cut out 50 of them.
- Make sample greetings for those who need a little help.

Thank you in advance for your consideration!!! ~ Mari Shineman



AFTER-SCHOOL SNACK

Enjoy this healthy apple snack after a busy day of learning.

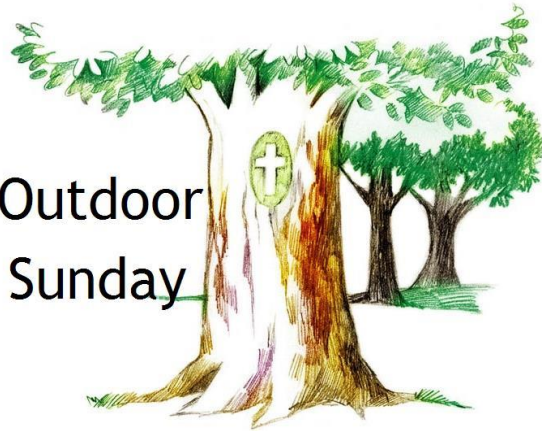
What you need:

- Apple
- Apple corer (optional)
- Peanut butter (or other spread)
- Pecan pieces
- Shredded coconut
- Chocolate chips

What you do:

1. If you have an apple corer, remove the core. Then slice apple into thin rings. (If you don't have a corer, slice into rings first and then remove the core.)
2. Spread peanut butter across one side of each ring.
3. Sprinkle with pecans, coconut and chocolate chips.
4. Enjoy with a glass of milk!

Outdoor Sunday



September 20, 2015

Join us for outdoor worship followed by a church picnic! We will worship in God's beautiful creation and then fellowship together, celebrating the changing seasons and the difference spaces that God has provided for us.

If the weather is good, we will meet in the Picnic Pavillion.

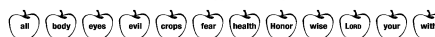
If the weather is a drippy kind of good, we will meet in the Fellowship Hall.















STAY NOURISHED

Eating nutritious foods such as apples helps keep our bodies healthy. But Proverbs tells us about other important sources of "nourishment."

Directions: Use the words in the apples to complete Proverbs 3:7-9, NIV.



Do not be  in your own  ;
 the  and shun  .
 This will bring  to your 
 and nourishment to  bones.
 the LORD  your wealth,
 with the firstfruits of  your .

PROVERBS 3:7-9, NIV

Answer: Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and shun evil. This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones. Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops.



September 11, 2015

A PRAYER FOR UNCERTAIN TIMES

An hour before the 9/11 terrorist attacks, pastor and author Stan Purdum was reading Psalm 66, which includes the words, “We went through fire and through water, yet You have brought us out to a spacious place” (v.12, NRSV). After watching the destruction, Purdum composed a prayer that remains relevant today, as terrorism and threats often make peace seem more “specious” than “spacious”:

O God of heaven and earth, who’s bigger than nations and factions, be with us as we live through times of terror, despair and danger. Be the strength of people who’ve been touched personally by disaster. Come with healing to those who are injured. Be the eternal rest of those who’ve died. Be through the wreckage. Grant our leaders courage and a double portion of Your wisdom. The day of universal brotherhood seems farther off than ever, O God, but help us not despair of trying to accomplish it. Strengthen our faith. In Jesus’ name. Amen.



September 7, 2015

**WORKING FOR GOD,
SERVING OTHERS**

No matter your occupation, each day brings opportunities to honor God by helping other people. This applies to everyone from a prince to a laborer, as Martin Luther said:

“The prince should think: Christ has served me and made everything to follow Him; therefore, I should also serve my neighbor, protect him and everything that belongs to him. That is why God has given me this office, and I have it that I might serve Him . . .

“The same is true for the shoemaker, tailor, scribe or reader. If he is a Christian tailor, he will say: I make these clothes because God has bidden me do so, so that I can earn a living, so that I can help and serve my neighbor. When a Christian does not serve the other, God is not present; that is not Christian living.”



ANSWER

You guessed it! The answer is Kyle Palmer!

Inserts and Items for the Sunday News Sheets are due **no later than the previous Wednesday morning.**



All submissions for the September Bridge are due on

**Friday
September 25**