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A Note From the Pastor

Confirm Your Faith!

Greetings and Peace to you in the name of Jesus Christ. Winter is slowly drifting away and spring will be upon us soon. Ash Wednesday and Lent begin a new Church season and then Easter is around the corner. The Season of Easter is 6 weeks that carries us from Easter to the Church Birthday Celebration we call Pentecost. This year I will be leading a confirmation class during the Sunday school hour in this Easter season. This will be Sundays beginning April 27th and ending June 8th.

Who should join the confirmation class? Is it only for 12 year olds? NO! Confirmation should be done by those who are spiritually mature enough to make a lifelong decision for themselves and who personally desire to know Christ. Sometimes that is persons growing into teenagers or young adults, other times that is older adults from outside the church, and sometimes its good church going Christians who want to remind themselves of the commitment they have made.

RE-Confirmation is encouraged in our tradition and in fact can be done as many times as you like. I personally think people should reconfirm their commitment to the church and Christ on a regular basis, maybe every 10 years or so. We often get distracted by the secondary things and Confirmation is all about the primary focus of Christianity and Methodism, Salvation.

This class will focus on the basics of Christianity, what do you need to believe to be saved (the Apostles' Creed), what and who are Methodists, and who are we at Trinity UMC. Completing this class and being confirmed or reconfirmed is a great way to join the church as a full member (for those who were not before, young persons or new visitors) and a great way to recommit to the vows of membership for long time members. This is also a great class for those who have been part of Trinity life for a while but have not yet made that full commitment to membership. Should the confirmands (our name for students in Confirmation Class) so choose to make this commitment at the end, we will celebrate their vows during worship on Pentecost Sunday. Please contact Pastor Dane or Sheryl Mabry to learn more and sign up for Confirmation. Please feel free to

reach out and ask questions to learn if confirmation is right for you or someone you know.

Blessings, Pastor Dane

P.S. A note for Parents and Guardians. DO NOT force your young persons or others in your care into confirmation classes. You should encourage but if a person does not want to pursue this commitment, we should respect that. Confirmation by force does more harm than good. Reach out to me if you have someone you want to pursue confirmation but you are having difficulties encouraging them.

If you have faith as a grain of mustard seed ... nothing will be impossible for you."

Pastor

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Upcoming Calendar

March

- 3 United Women in Faith @ 10:00 a.m.
- 5 Shrove Tuesday Symbolic Pancake Dinner 5:30pm
- 5 Ash Wednesday Service @ 6:30pm
- 6 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 10:00 a.m.
- 6 Sisters in Ministry @ 6:30 p.m.
- 9 UMM Breakfast @ 7:00 a.m.
- 13 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 10:00 a.m.
- 13 Ladies Game Day @ 11:00 a.m.
- 14 Golden Agers Game Day @ 10:00 a.m.
- 15 DCOM Meeting
- 16 Praise Band Rehearsal @ 11:00 a.m.
- 20 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 10:00 a.m.
- 23 Ladies Game Day @ 11:00 a.m.
- 24 Rutherford Co. Laity Club 6:30 p.m.
- 25 Finance Committee @ 6:30 p.m.
- 27 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 10:00 a.m.
- 27 Ladies Game Day @ 11:00 a.m.

- April
- 3 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 10:00 a.m. 3 Sisters in Ministry @ 6:30 p.m. 7 United Women in Faith @ 10:00 a.m. 8 Trustees Meeting @ 6:30 p.m. 10 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 10:00 a.m. 10 Ladies Game Day @ 11:00 a.m. 13 UMM Breakfast @ 7:00 a.m. Golden Agers Game Day @ 10:00 a.m. 11 17 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 10:00 a.m. 17 Maundy Thursday Service @ 7:00 p.m. 18 Offices Closed: Good Friday Good Friday Service @ 7:00 p.m. 18
- 24 Prayer Shawl Ministry @ 10:00 a.m.
- 24 Ladies Game Day @ 11:00 a.m.
- 27 Confirmation Class Begins
- 28 Rutherford Laity Club @ 6:30 p.m.
- 29 SPRC Meeting @ 6;30 p.m.

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Celebrations

March

April

1 Kyle Goss

4 Diane Lewis 5 Ken Goss 6 David Johnson 7 Justin Johnson 10 Reba Schmidt 14 Powell McClellan 15 Les Schmidt 16 Nancy Hendrix 17 Stella Agnew 18 Carleen Brown 18 Kelsey Mabry 20 Carter Garner 22 Richard Youree 23 Brenda Sanders 23 Ethan Roy 27 Beth Garner 28 Jerry McDonald 29 Adam Long 29 Ben Long



1 Rebecca Lane 2 Elaine Taylor 3 Mary Alsup 3 Lewis Snyder 4 Amy McBride 4 Lauren Goss 5 Bobby Boylan 7 Lance Cowell 11 Ellie Baker 11 MaryLee Brown 12 Aiden Golson 14 Bill West 19 Patti Agnew 25 Dwight Brown 26 Linda Lewis 27 Brandon Mabry 27 Sarah Young

30 Shelby Snyder

March

Tom & Carol Wisdom
Jim & Karen Malpas
Richard & Tonya Youree
Steve & Linda Lewis

April

4 David & Beverly Anthony 7 Dwight & Debbie Brown 13 Phillip & Diana Adcock 13 Tom & Fran Shepherd 15 Kevin & Teri Towe 25 Harlon & Pam Van Etten 25 Steve & Patti Agnew

Scout Sunday



Thank you to all of the Scout Troops for leading Worship!!

Youth Sunday









THANK YOU YOUTH!!!











United Methodist Men

Call Out to Men!

On behalf of Trinity's United Methodist Men, I want to extend invitation to other men in Trinity's church family to join in with Trinity's chartered United Methodist Men's (UMM) group. Trinity's UMM meet the second Sunday each month in Fellowship Hall beginning with breakfast at 7:30am and adjourn at 8:30am. Trinity's UMM are blessed to have a loyal and dedicated team of cooks and servers who prepare each breakfast meal including homemade biscuits prepared the morning each breakfast meal is served.

UMM meetings include praise to God for His provisions/joys and lifting up spoken/unspoken concerns to God praying for his blessing of grace, healing, comfort, strength and courage for members of Trinity church family and others whose lives are affected. Each UMM meeting includes a devotional by one of the men. Business matters included at each meeting include Treasurer report, Trustees report, Old Business and New Business. UMM members are involved in many areas of service and ministries at Trinity including leading Adult Sunday School Class, preparing Wonderful Wednesday meals, ushers, liturgists, communion servers, choir, bells, AV techs, lawn maintenance crew, golden agers coordinator and Journey Home volunteers

Active UMM Members Include: David Anthony, Jeff Bowden, Steve Bugg, Gene Cain, Mike Counts, Rev Dane, Rev Dee, Butch Golson, Al Goss, Gary Johnson – President, Steve Lewis – Master Cook, Kevin Reneau, Denny Schooley, Ron Sledge, Floyd Strickland, Kevin Towe, Jeremy Trail - Treasurer, Jim Whitehead, Tom Wisdom, Bill Young,

If you have not been attending our UMM meetings, please consider joining us. We would love to have you! Following are some spiritual, therapeutic and quality of life benefits of becoming a member of Trinity's UMM. After reading these benefits, how can you not come onboard with Trinity's UMM?!



Confirmation 2025 will begin on Sunday, April 27 and run through Sunday, June 8 (Pentecost Sunday). Class will meet during the Sunday School hour each week and be led by Pastor Dane. This year, it will be open for anyone of all ages who would like to attend the class as a Re-Confirmation or even a first time if you never had the opportunity growing up. Let Pastor Dane or Sheryl Mabry know if you are interested!

Holy Week Schedule

Join us at Trinity this Lenten Season

PALM SUNDAY

Sunday, April 13 Easter Cantata 9:00AM - Sanctuary

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Thursday, April 17 Service 7:00PM - Fellowship Hall

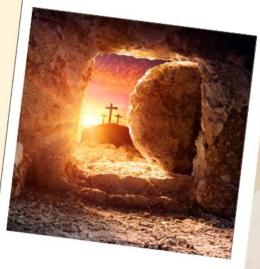
GOOD FRIDAY

Friday, April 18 Service 7:00PM - Sanctuary

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 20 Sunrise Service 6:00AM - Fire Pit area Easter Worship 9:00AM - Sanctuary







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	Date	Giving	Attendance
	12/15/2024	\$ 4,688.00	87
	12/22/2024	\$ 8,106.90	75
	12/29/2024	\$30,652.01	70
	1/5/2025	\$ 5,880.50	75
	1/12/2025	\$ 1,175.00	0
	1/19/2025	\$ 4,118.00	52
	1/26/2025	\$ 2,910.16	61
	2/2/2025	\$16,205.00	71



Don't have cash or check, but still want to give financially to Trinity? Use this QR code to donate on-line or set up an automatic payment. Create one less thing you have to remember to take care of each week, month, or quarter!

The Church Family



If you have updates for the Circle of Concern, please call or e-mail the church office.

615-896-0413 or

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Prayer Requests

Kathy Coil

If you have someone that is in need of prayers you may call or email the church office and we will gladly add them to the prayer list. Please help us to keep the list current by notifying the office of any updates. Thank you for your help.

Continue to Pray For

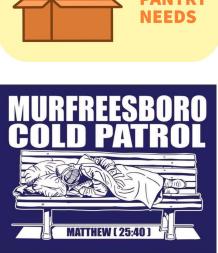
Alfred Arayza, Coil Family, Andrew Golson, Shirley Kull, Jane Kurek, Miles Lane, Powell McClellan, Stephanie McConkey, Steven Lowel, Selma Pancake

Jack Arbuckle-NHC Julia King-The Rutherford Marlene Massey-The Villages Doug Mason-NHC Place, Franklin, TN Reba Miller-Adams Place Don Richardson-Adams Place

Military Personnel

Chaplain Jen Bowden, Chance Cooke, Tristin Corson, Deserae Laczniak, Kelsey Lane, Thomas Lane, and the families of service men/women.

Regular Mission Opportunities



Trinity UMC's Food Pantry supports people in the community in need of food. We always welcome donations to our food bag ministry: canned goods, crackers, cereal, peanut butter, etc.

Murfreesboro Cold Patrol (MCP) work hard year-round to make sure the most vulnerable individuals in the community have the resources they need to survive living outdoors and are introduced to opportunities available to them to obtain substance use treatment, mental and physical health services, and work to eliminate barriers to accessing permanent, affordable housing.



Isaiah 117 House provides physical and emotional support in a safe and loving home for children who have been removed from their current living situation by DCS and are awaiting placement. Trinity UMC has graciously agreed to sponsor three tubs.

1. **Girls/Women's Deodorant:** Just collecting a variety of brands and scents would be great, as we have found that all the girls like different things, so it's nice to give them a variety to choose from.

2. Fun Kids Bath Time Tub: This is geared towards our younger guests that may be a little timid or scared about bathing or just being away from home. So, body washes with well-known cartoon characters, bubble baths, fun sudsy bath foam or bath bombs, or even soapy colorful body paint would be great.

3. Craft Supplies This can be anything that you think might be good for a do it yourself type craft project. Some suggestions would be popsicle sticks, pipe cleaners, pom poms, googly eyes, sequins.



Founded in 2006, The Journey Home is a Christian ministry that serves the homeless and disadvantaged of Rutherford County by helping to rehouse and provide resources and relationships that encourage faith, economic stability, wholeness, and reintegration into community life. We are collecting reading materials for the Journey Home. There is a basket in the church library where donations can be dropped off.



If anyone is interested in collecting pull tabs for Ronald McDonald House Charities, please contact Selma Pancake <u>selmaathome@aol.com</u>