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September 2016

My Dear Sisters and Brothers,

I bring you love, joy, grace, peace and power in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! I hope and pray all is well with you, your families and all GOD has entrusted to you.



Welcome to September! Can you believe it? Growing up in West Virginia, the deliciously cooler weather and the incredible transformation of green leaves to bright, glorious colors across the spectrum were a sure wake-up call that Fall was coming. We don't really experience those delicious temperature drops or glorious colors here but the arrival of the storage PODS in early September are a sure sign that Fall is soon to follow - the Fall Festival at Trinity UMC to be exact!

Fall Festival is that one day during the year, culminating months of preparations, when our church opens herself up fully to the community so that together we can impact and transform our city and world! At the Fall Festival you will find delicious home-baked goods, lunch and desserts that hit the right spot, trash and treasures, toys, books, hand-made crafts, antiques and collectibles, boutique items, beautiful plants and the silent auction offerings all donated in order to make a difference in someone else's life.

All proceeds from this one day event go toward outreach into our community. As well as supporting our own outreach ministries of Christ's Closet, Faith In Action, Trinity Learning Center, Youth Mission Trip Scholarships, Youth Ministry, and other outreach ministries of our church, we will also donate funds to support wonderful local ministries which all do remarkable, transformative work here in DeLand and beyond.

Of course, we cannot do any of this without your full support. We certainly need any items you can donate but even more we need your presence throughout the next month. We need volunteers to watch the PODS, to pass out flyers around town, to contact local businesses for donations to the silent auction, to place

Birthdays

- September 2 Betty Cunningham
- September 3 Ann Anderson
- September 3 Ann Oliver
- September 6 Dennis Kletzing
- September 6 Ann Sollien
- September 8 Glenn Thompson
- September 9 Mitch Donaldson
- September 9 Mirabella Gagnier
- September 9 Valerie Hencinski
- September 10 JoJo Hennessey
- September 10 Terry Williams
- September 11 Marty Atkinson
- September 11 Lynn Thompson
- September 11 Carly West
- September 11 Dorothy West
- September 12 Bethany Smith
- September 13 Jane Messersmith
- September 16 Loron Donaldson
- September 17 Mark Cheesman
- September 18 Molly Cunningham
- September 18 Kathryn Hennessey
- September 20 Becky Kellogg
- September 20 Cameron Lilly

September 21 Sandy Alinson
 September 21 Cindy Hunt
 September 21 Charlie Yocum
 September 22 Don Taylor
 September 24 Jennifer Griffis
 September 24 Vernon Linder
 September 25 Bernice Fishpaw
 September 25 John Rooney, Jr
 September 26 Melissa Palmer
 September 26 Betty Schuetz
 September 26 Chuck Temperly
 September 29 Paul Ebanks

promotional signs in their yards and on their vehicles, to sort through donated goods, to help our Crafts group continue to create, to help any of our other groups to pick up large donated items, to be here throughout the week of September 25th for a last-week blitz in getting ready, to help with dinner on Thursday, September 29, to invite and bring people with you on October 1 and, most importantly, to be here en mass on the day of the event demonstrating to the community the friendliness and love of Trinity United Methodist Church. Whew!!! That was quite a sentence representing an incredible amount of work!

Please be in prayer for our Fall Festival even now. May GOD richly bless you and your families in every way as you richly bless all those around you. I look forward to seeing you in worship and beyond.

Pastor Brian

Anniversaries

September 3 Robert & Shirley Hall
 61 yrs
 September 6 George & Ann Jenkins
 41 yrs
 September 14 Charles & Judith McLaughlin
 42 yrs
 September 15 Frank & Kathleen Gagnier
 15 yrs
 September 18 Tom & Betty Cunningham
 57 yrs
 September 24 Bill & Judy Ward
 39 yrs
 September 26 Ed & Carol Plummer
 40 yrs
 September 27 Chuck & Teresa Temperly
 19 yrs

PASSIONATE WORSHIP

Services in September

Sunday, September 4 is "**Labor Day Sunday**" and the Worship Team is asking everyone to wear "work" clothes to celebrate this significant day in the life of America. Wear your work clothes proudly, as we honor and celebrate all who labor.



Prophets of the Old Testament



The Old Testament Prophets

The prophets of ancient Israel were the divine messengers sent by God to communicate to humankind messages from God. They spoke about the events

mentioned in the Old Testament long before they actually happened. Israel was confronted with the choice of blessings or curses. Blessings if they followed the LORD and curses if they forsook him.

For the following three Sundays (September 11, 18 and 25), Pastor Brian will take an in-depth look at three of the Old Testament prophets: Jeremiah (the captivity of Judah), Hosea (the sins of Israel) and Jonah (the fall of Nineveh) to learn the messages that these prophets foretold and the lessons to be learned in today's terms.



The trustees last met on August 3rd. Since our last meeting, the Plymouth Avenue house has been demolished. Grass seed was planted and a temporary fence was put up at the entrance.

With the help of our youth group and a few volunteers, the leaves were raked at the Parsonage.

The church van recently had some minor body work and touch up painting plus a new battery was installed.

Two new window AC units were purchased and installed in Christ's Closet.

We are scheduling a church work day for November 5 and are asking for volunteers to help out. There will be plenty to do both inside and

Sermon Titles for September

Sept. 4 16th Sunday after Pentecost/Labor Day/Communion
 "All Alone in the World"

out. There will be plenty to do both inside and outside the facility. Volunteers can choose whatever they want to do to "make a difference" in the appearance of our church.

The next Trustee meeting is scheduled for September 7, 2016.

Charlie Daniels, Chair

The next **Administrative Council** meeting will be held on Monday, September 26 at 6 p.m.



In addition to discussions surrounding a revision of our mission statement, council members will learn more about plans for a start-up "mission" or day shelter led by Steve and Karin Roland through the new **Faith Partners' Ministry**.

Any member of Trinity UMC can attend council meetings. For more information, see Pastor Brian or John Campbell.

Master Calendar

The church's master calendar can now be seen online. Visitors can view both previous and coming months. [Click here to view.](#)

Hard-copies will be available in the church office or in the Narthex on Sundays. To add or correct information seen on the calendar, contact Lori Jones at trinitymgr@cfl.rr.com or 734-4425.



THE ZIKA VIRUS: WHO IS AT RISK?

Trinity will host a public forum titled **The Zika Virus: Who is at Risk?** on Tuesday, September 20th at 7 p.m. in the church Fellowship Hall.

The Zika virus is transmitted to humans primarily through the bite of an infected mosquito. The State of Florida is now considered by the US Center for Disease Control as a "hot spot" and the Florida Department of Health, in conjunction with local city and county municipalities, is actively working to

All Alone in the World
II Kings 19:1-10

Sept. 11 17th Sunday after Pentecost
"Jeremiah Weeps"
Jeremiah 1:4-19

Sept 18 18th Sunday after Pentecost
"Hosea's Suffering Love"
Hosea 1:2-9

Sept 25 19th Sunday after Pentecost
"Jonah Swims, Jonah Flies, Jonah Sulks"
Jonah 1:1-17

INTENTIONAL DISCIPLING

Youth News

"The best gift you can gift to yourself is challenging yourself"

September 4	Labor Day - No Youth
September 5	Interfaith Kitchen at First United Methodist Church
September 10	Wet'n Wild, Orlando
September 11	No Youth, due to P.E.O. Concert
September 18	Regular Youth 3-5
September 25	Set up and unload pods for Fall Festival 3-5 pm

Calling all helpers: The youth are in charge of *Trash and Treasures* for **Fall Festival**; however, we will need extra hands to set up, price items and tear down. If you are able to help, see Lori Hansard. Also start collecting items now so we can have things to sell. We will be unloading the pods for Trash and Treasures on Sunday, September 25th. (Again, we need lots of volunteers!)

Wet'n Wild trip, September 10th. Due to the increase in cost of Night of Joy and Rock the Universe, we will be going to Wet'n Wild instead. See Mrs. Lori for the cost and permission slips.

Labor Day at Interfaith Kitchen: Trinity Youth will prepare and serve dinner at Interfaith Kitchen on Monday, September 5th. We will meet at 4:30 pm and should be done by 7:00 pm. See Mrs. Lori for what you can bring.

Blessings,
Miss Lori & Mr. Jeff
Mr. Brian and Mr. Frank

NEW SMALL GROUP!

The new **Trinity@Stetson Football** small group is making plans to attend the first game on Saturday, September 3rd.



educate and inform the public of the risks – not just to pregnant women but other populations, as well.

Attendees will hear from two experts in the field: Dr. Paul A. Rehme is the Director of Disease Control for the Florida Department of Health in Volusia County. Rehme oversees the epidemiology and the communicable disease divisions, which includes HIV, tuberculosis and sexually transmitted disease programs, as well as the Zika virus. He is charged with conducting surveillance, prevention and control of the disease including investigating outbreaks, analyzing disease trends and providing education, technical assistance and consultation to medical providers and the community.

Mr. Jim McNelly is the Director of Volusia County's Mosquito Control department within the county's Public Works division. McNelly is responsible for the county's Integrated Pest Management program for mosquitoes and other arthropods of public health importance based upon a surveillance system targeting both nuisance and disease-important mosquito species.

Plan now to attend this important forum to learn the signs, symptoms, treatments and protections, as well as what is being done to prevent a large outbreak here in Volusia County.

For more information on the forum, call the Church office at (386) 734-4425 or ask Anita Campbell and Dave Griffis.

Susanna Circle News

Susanna Circle will meet this month on Monday, September 12th at the home of Lana Saxon beginning at 6:30 pm. Judy Ross' daughter Rachel Quarberg, a family practice physician with Florida Health Care in Orange City, will talk about guidelines for women's health.

With the circle in charge of the Fall Festival Salad Bar and Chili/Hot Dog sale, members will review the "to-do" list and finalize preparations. Judy Ross will bring refreshments and Carla Rhoderick will give a devotional.

Susanna Circle meetings are always on the second Monday of each month at 6:30. We welcome any women who would like to be a part of our very special small group!

Lana Saxon, Chairman

General admission tickets will be discounted to \$10 each for a group of ten or more. Call John Campbell to inquire at (386) 734-9224 and make plans to join us!



RADICAL HOSPITALITY

Hospitality Ministry



Ministering to visitors is an important part of a church hospitality program, but it is equally important to be alert to the needs of our church members and find ways to serve those needs. With that in mind, a group of hospitality volunteers have begun contacting members who have not

been regularly attending Sunday services. Our goal is to let members know that they are missed, and to demonstrate a caring approach if there is a complication in their lives that is keeping them from coming to church.

A great deal of effort is going into tracking attendance based on our blue Connection Cards, and it is important that we have names of all people attending worship. Since our Connection Cards are the basis for our member contact initiative, please continue to place yours in the offering plate. Names of all family members attending can be placed on one card.

You may have noticed that the reverse side of the card now has various categories where you can request more information, such as Sunday school classes, joining the prayer team, or community outreach. If you have been meaning to get involved in service

activities, but aren't sure what might be the best fit for you, then mark the Volunteer and Service Opportunities option and a volunteer will work with you to find the opportunity that works best.

Dave Ross, Hospitality Team Leader

SALTY SERVICE

Louisiana Floods

Over 60,000 homes have been damaged by the disastrous flooding in Louisiana, and Florida Conference church members can help the countless families in distress through a number of means:



Bishop Carter invites us to please consider collecting a special offering to help those affected by the floods in Louisiana. Churches and individuals can send in special offerings using this code: **Fund 101190--Louisiana Flood Relief**. Churches can include their offering in their regular monthly apportionment payments by including this code on their apportionment giving form. All monies received will be given directly to the Louisiana Conference, enabling them to use the money when and where it is needed most.

The Conference also invites churches and members to package cleaning bucket kits to be shipped to the United Methodist



Human Trafficking

In May, The Trinity United Methodist

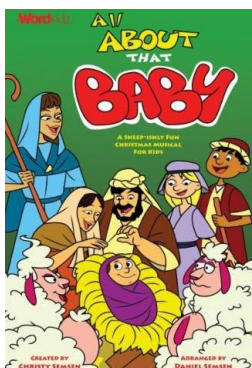
Women hosted 70 people at the first religious-based Human Trafficking Awareness Night in the area. Ten churches and five different agencies were in attendance. We heard from a Deland police officer, a Devereux employee, Bikers Against Trafficking, and the Orange City United Methodist Church's HOPE Team.

Jill Woods and Cinda Lewis head up the HOPE Team at OCUMC. On the first Saturday of October, they and their team (of which I am a part) host a dinner to raise funds for a Human Trafficking project. This year, they have chosen the Ruth House (www.theruthhouse.com), whose founder and President is Dr. Donna Sallee' in Palm Coast. Dr. Sallee', a minister's wife, felt God calling her to build a house to provide a place for 10 - 12 recovering HT victims. They will take victims from

the Circuit 7 FL counties of Volusia, St. Johns, Putnam, and Flagler and the house will be located in one of these counties. They need to raise \$400,000 to make this happen. What a huge undertaking, but what a worthy cause!!

The average age of a trafficked girl is between 11 and 13 years old. These girls have nowhere to go when they do escape the bonds of their pimp; they have come from a drug/alcohol home and bad or no family relationships. The Ruth House will seek to restore these girls and women to physical, emotional, and spiritual healing over the year they will spend in the house.

Please consider attending the Night of Freedom at OCUMC on October 1 or make a donation toward this fundraiser. We accept auction items, gift cards, and checks from businesses and persons. Please contact Lana Saxon, 736-1008, for additional information.



Music Makers will begin September 12th. Looking for all 2nd - 5th graders to join us for "All About That Baby". Join Nathaniel and his rapping sheep as they encounter the newborn Savior.

Rehearsals will be held Mondays from 2:30-4:30

p.m. with the presentation on Sunday, Dec. 4th at both services.

cleaning bucket kits to be shipped to the United Methodist Committee on Relief (**UMCOR**) Sager Brown Depot in Baldwin, LA. The director of Sager Brown reports that as fast as kits are coming in, they are going back out to help those affected by the floods. "Because the height of the hurricane season is only a couple of weeks away, the Depot is also concerned about replenishing cleaning buckets in the event of another storm anywhere along the Gulf Coast," said Pam Garrison, FLUMC Disaster Relief Coordinator. A link to instructions for packing the buckets, as well as some ideas from Garrison to create momentum around the ministry, are below.

1. [Click here](#) for a list of what goes in the bucket and a video showing how to pack it.
2. Get creative!
 1. When purchasing supplies, tell retailers what you're doing and ask for a discount or donation.
 2. Have a cleaning bucket packing party and serve snacks.
 3. Set a church goal and challenge your friends and leaders at other UMCs to get involved.
 4. Bless the buckets at a worship service and pray for the lives they will touch.
 5. People like knowing where the cleaning buckets come from, so put a label with your church name on the outside.
1. Drop off your buckets at one of the collection sites by the deadline and the Conference will do the rest.
2. [Click here](#) for the location of collection sites and deadlines for delivering your buckets to the sites.

For questions or more information, contact:

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Disaster Recovery Ministry
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pgarrison@flumc.org

Faith Partner's Ministry

The new **Faith Partners' Ministry** (Faith in Action/Christ's Closet) now consists of a partnership between Trinity United Methodist Church and First Baptist DeLand. (Stetson Baptist Church was originally to be a part of Faith Partners', but they are no longer joining us due to their congregation wanting to work out of their own church.) We are also joined by volunteers from First Christian Disciples of Christ DeLand and missionaries from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.



Unfortunately, donations to this "walk-in" ministry for the needy of our community have been on a decline since 2015. [READ MORE](#)

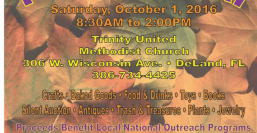
EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY



FALL FESTIVAL

Chancel Choir

The Chancel Choir has resumed rehearsals and we need some additional voices to join us! Come be a part of a wonderful group of dedicated folks who love music, and sing with our wonderful Larry Graham. Wednesdays from 7:00-8:30 p.m.



Saturday, October 1 from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm. Volunteers are needed to complete a variety of tasks. Contact Melissa and Brian Fuller to find out how you can help!

Need to contact TUMC staff?

Brian Carr	Pastor	734-4425, ext 12
Conya Hartman	Director of Music & Worship	734-4425, ext 14
Lori Jones	Office Manager	734-4425, ext 10
Lori Hansard	Youth Director	734-4425, ext 13
Miro Pamoukov	Maintenance	734-4425, ext 10
Cindy Fox	Learning Center Director	734-4124

FL UM CONFERENCE NEWS

Bishop's Town Hall Meeting

You are invited to join Bishop Carter and other clergy and laity from around the East Central District for an evening of conversation:

- Call for Unity
- A Time for Questions and Answers
- Highlights of Key Future Initiatives



Watch this video to learn more - [VIDEO](#)

Thursday, September 22
St. Luke's UMC, Orlando

The gathering will begin at 6:00 pm and conclude with a time of fellowship. Light appetizers will be served. For more information, see Pastor Brian. To register, [click here](#).

SPECIAL 9/11 EVENT AT TRINITY!

"GOD BLESS



THE PODs have arrived!

Bring your new or slightly used unwanted items to donate to our annual Fall Festival. The PODs will be open and monitored on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays from 2-6 p.m. For more information or to sign-up to volunteer, contact Melissa and Brian Fuller, this year's event chairpersons.

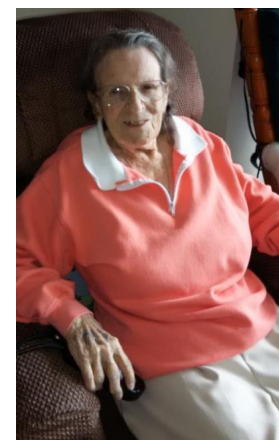


MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Bernice Fishpaw

"For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind" - 11 Timothy 1:7 KJV

What a woman! A 96-year-old who, seven years ago, wrote her second book. Bernice Fishpaw and her husband, Eli, were members of Trinity for many years.



Bernice was born in Janesville, Wisconsin, in 1920, where she grew up on a dairy farm. In her senior year of high school, she was selected for the National Honor Society. After she graduated, she enrolled in Mercy Hospital in Janesville and became a Registered Nurse. In 1942 Bernice joined the US Army, where she trained as an operating room nurse at Fort Jackson, Tennessee. One of the RN's she became acquainted with at Fort Jackson was Polly Rothmel whom she learned later had moved to DeLand.

She met Eli, at the Officer's Club. According to the book they co-authored, "Rumor was, the 2nd Lt Artillery Officer needed a date. Bernice seemed very interested in hearing about artillery." As a child she had tagged along with her father and learned a lot about machinery. * Though she and Eli often were assigned to different areas, their relationship blossomed, and they married in 1943. Unfortunately, again they were assigned to different areas, and they did not see each other for over a year. Upon Eli's return they decided to begin a family. Over the next few years, Virginia, Mary Jane and Billy were born. During this time Bernice learned to fly a Piper Cub airplane. They retired from the service in October 1962.

Before moving to DeLand, the family traveled to many countries and decided "DeLand, Florida, was right where we needed to be," she related. "After attending churches in the area, we chose Trinity."

AMERICA"



P.E.O. Chapter DT of DeLand will hold a vocal music concert featuring the popular men's chorus **Great Expectations** on Sunday, September 11th at 4 pm.

Admission is \$5 per person (minimum donation) and funds will be used to further the education of women.

For more information, contact Debbie Bennett or Carolyn Linder.

Eli was on the Trustees team and Bernice played in the bell choir under the direction of Melissa Fuller who said, "Bernice has a great sense of humor and was always ready to go to the next place to play the bells."

She and Eli wrote The Shavetail and The Army Nurse in 1998, and Bernice wrote Up Crabapple Creek in 2009. It's a story about a nine-year-old schoolgirl growing up on the farm before there was

electricity. Bernice was 89 years young when the book was published! Eli died in 2010. Her happiest moment was when they placed the American Flag on her lap. She knew Eli was at peace.

When asked what hadn't changed during her lifetime, she hesitated briefly and replied "Fresh homemade bread...and a hug." In the interview, she reminded me that Janesville, where she grew up, is the hometown of Paul Ryan - present Speaker of the House. What a memory that lady has!

*p. 98 *The Shavetail and the Army Nurse*

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