Trinity Tempo August 2015

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Can you believe the summer is almost gone? Where did it all go? Time does feel like it is flying right by us. Though we look back and see the summer getting further away, we can look forward and see wonderful times ahead.

I read a book that the Lord used to open my eyes to the awesome power of His grace. *Ben-Hur* is a story about a man whose life is bent

on vengeance. This motivation is with him for almost the entire book. Then, with only 15 pages left, he has an encounter with Jesus' suffering right before the crucifixion. This changes his life. The act of Jesus' love on the cross cools his revenge and the rest of his life is marked with peace and service to the risen Lord.

What if there was something in history that the world could look to in order to see plainly the tremendous power of Jesus' grace. There is one sign of the redeeming grace of God that is undisputed by the entire world. So complete is its redemption that it is difficult to see evil when we look at it.

The cross was once a symbol of evil, punishment and humiliation to all the world. Now when holding a cross to most of the world, regardless of religion, people can tell you that Jesus died on it and that it is a symbol for the Christian church. They may not understand it, but the cross no longer primarily brings forth visions of humiliation and death. What a redemption it has had!

I get excited when I reflect on the cross. If Jesus can do that with two pieces of wood, imagine what he can do with us, since we have been created in the image of God!

Wonderful times are here and more are coming. I know this because Jesus loves us far more than the instrument of his death. Get ready for a year of being loved by the Lord through those whom he redeemed by his shed blood.

PTL,

Pastor Justin Judy

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Trinity Happenings

Back to School



Blessing of the Backpacks

(by Jane Pogue)

It's that time again! On Sunday, August 16, 2015 Pastor Judy will be blessing the backpacks of our students, young and old, during our 11 a.m. worship service. So, all you students, make sure you bring your backpacks to church and start your new school year with God's blessing!

Salad Bar Luncheon

Helping Hands women will hold their annual Salad Bar Luncheon on Saturday, September 19 at 12:30 p.m. Tickets are on sale now and are available from any member of the group at a cost of \$8 per ticket.

Every Tuesday, the women continue to work on craft items which will be sold during the luncheon. (Crafters, you are welcome to join them Tuesday mornings at 10 a.m.)

So set time aside to lunch with the ladies on September 19. They are accepting donations of salads for the event. And remember to purchase your tickets in advance. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Don't Forget the Church Picnic!

(by Jane Pogue)

We all have things going on during the summer, and many of us are already thinking of going back to school. So why not have one more evening of fun and relaxation before the fall grind begins! The annual picnic is at my home on Friday, August 14 at 6 p.m. Everyone knows when Methodists get together the food is fantastic!

We have Bocce Ball and Lawn Yahtzee this year, which doesn't take a whole lot of athletic ability! We still have our bonfire with s'mores, couples corn toss game, adult and kid trivia games, and many comfortable chairs for those whose expertise is observing! And kids, bring your suits for the hot tub!

We don't get enough opportunities to hang out with church friends, so make a point of joining us this year. Oh, yes, and there are prizes for our "first time" friends! So sign up for the picnic in the vestibule. Don't worry about what you will bring to eat—there is always a wonderful assortment. Take care, and see you there! If you need directions, just call me at 724.864.2858.

Rural Life Sunday

On Sunday, August 9, we celebrate the rural heritage of the United Methodist Church. It's our chance to recognize the needs of our sisters and brothers living in rural areas and to affirm our mutual dependence. Prayerfully consider what you can give to this conference-wide offering. Your gifts go toward nurturing, outreach and witness programs in towns and rural areas.

WorshipFest 2015

Looking for a "spirit filled worship encounter?" The Greensburg District HelpShop Committee and First UMC of Greensburg are co-sponsoring WorshipFest 2015, a clergy/laity event on October 17, 2015 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The cost is \$15 per person (lunch included). Register online or print a mail-in registration form via greensburgfirst.org. Call the Greensburg District Office at 724.863.5673 for additional information.

Thank You

Friends at TUMC,

Thank you so much for the card and the book. I appreciate your thoughtfulness. I am looking forward to taking the book to school with me. It's so great to have a wonderful church family!

Love, Morgan

Dear Tea Party Ladies,

I would like to thank those who came to my party. I really enjoyed being with you and your fellowship. I will never forget your kindness.

Love, Judy Mason



Community Happenings

Got God? Got Questions? Get Answers!

DISCOVERING CHRIST is a 7-week faith journey designed to bring participants closer to Jesus Christ. If you've already "got GOD," come learn how to share Christ's message with others. If you are struggling with your faith or know someone who is, come experience the power of the Holy Spirit. Share a meal, watch a video and join together in discussion and prayer.

No cost to attend. Open to all adults 18 years or older. Sessions begin Thursday, September 24 and run through Thursday, November 5. Time: 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Location: Gillen Hall, St. Regis Parish (517 Homewood Avenue, Trafford).

Visit stregistrafford.org to register and see weekly discussion topics, dinner menu and more. Space is limited. Open registration through September 4. Questions? Contact Lisa Lotito at 412-372-0102.

Christian Music

Looking for some fun and music this summer? The 39th Annual Doddridge County Fair will feature Christian music on Saturday, August 22. The concert begins at 3 p.m. and includes artists such as *Sunday Drive*, *About a Mile* and *Big Daddy Weave*.

The fair is held at Doddridge County Park, WV. \$10 The per person gate fee covers parking, the concert. exhibits



and more. For more information about the fair, concert or directions to the park, visit doddridgecountyfair.com.



Joys ਰੂ Concerns

Keep Trinity's family, friends and neighbors in your prayers.

Fred and Roberta Cuttler

Beecher and Kay Dale

Gavin Dulemba

Patrick Frye (George Silowash's cousin)

Carol and David Grubb

Judy Huber

Patrick, Michelle and Bobby Kelly (friends of

Tom and Pat Puckey)

Jan Keefer

Diane Kerrigan

Barb Lyskava (friend of Donna and Les Race)

Paul Lyskava (friend of Donna and Les Race)

Ray Marto (friend of Donna and Les Race)

Joann McKnight (friend of Jane Pogue)

Lloyd Myers

Carol Piper

Paul Schuler

Vicki Stokes

Peggy Whitfield

James and Florence Loretta Yobst (Danielle

Mallik's grandparents)

Give thanks for friends and family who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries in August.

August Birthdays

4th Larry Mallik

5th Jennifer Mallik, Julie Sippel-Silowash

8th Jace Beam

10th Angel Spell

12th Ernie Keefer, Lynn Antoon, Rob Hainsey

14th Carol Piper

15th Amy McLaughlin, Bill Vowler

16th Cindy Graw, Renee Kociela

19th Bill Fenton

21st April Beam, Joanne Ondulich

22nd Beverly Piper

24th Dan Musser

28th John Musser, Becky Hughes

31st Alvin Lafferty

August Anniversaries

6th Caleb and Corrie Baker

12th Bob and Mary Ann Casper, Brian and Christy Witmer

13th Tom and Carmen Owens

15th Bill and Joan Vowler

22nd Larry and Becky Mallik

August Schedules

GREETERS

2nd Cliff and Evelyn Felmlee

9th Linda Yocum

16th Jim and Eileen Bentley

23rd Jane Pogue

30th Bob and Sandy Chiappetta

LITURGISTS

2nd Julie Sippel-Silowash

9th Sandy Chiappetta

16th Joanne Ondulich

23rd Beverly Piper

30th Stephanie Judy

NURSERY

2nd Eileen Bentley and Julie Sippel-Silowash

9th Sandy Chiappetta and Lynn Antoon

16th Stephanie Judy and Diane Kerrigan

23rd Cindy Graw and Genny Triponey

30th Linda Yocum and Lori Dorko

ALTAR FLOWERS

2nd Silowash Family

9th Lloyd and Marjorie Myers

16th Bill and Joan Vowler

23rd Larry and Becky Mallik

30th open

August Calendar

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship / Holy Communion 5-7 p.m. Youth Night		10 a.m. HH Crafts				
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
9:45 a.m. Sunday School		10 a.m. HH		7:15 p.m. Choir		
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TUMC Scrip Program

Plan your shopping and gift giving for back to school. Place orders for gift cards on August 2, 16 and 30 through Linda Yocum or Jane Pogue. Order forms are available in the vestibule.

To the right are just a few of the many retailers who participate in the program.



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Sunday School: 9:45 AM Sunday Worship Service: 11:00 AM

Healing Service: second Sunday of the month following the worship service

"Our hearts, our minds and our doors are always open"

Tempo Deadline

Articles for the March issue are due Wednesday, February 18.





Pastor Justin recommends...

Over the past few months, Pastor Justin has recommended several Bible studies. If you missed out, here are some of them:

- "3-2-1-Penguins!" (seasons 1 & 2)
- "Amazing Grace" by Francis Chan
- "Hebrews: Jesus Is Better"
- "To Live Is Christ to Die Is Gain" by Matt Chandler
- "Recalculating: Paul's Journey, God's Destination."

To sign up for this free streaming Bible study service, contact the church office or Pastor Justin and provide us with your e-mail address.