



THE TRINITY TIMES



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Welcome to **Trinity** United Methodist Church

OCTOBER 2010

6800 Wurzbach Road
San Antonio TX 78240

October 3



World Communion Sunday

8:30 a.m.	MISSIONS BREAKFAST
8:45 and 11 a.m.	Worship services
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
NOON	BAKED POTATO LUNCH
	UMW SILENT AUCTION
12:15 p.m.	Youth Choir rehearsal
12:15 p.m.	Family Life meeting

October 10

8:45 and 11 a.m.	Worship services
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
12:15 p.m.	Missions and Outreach Team Meeting
12:15 p.m.	Youth Choir rehearsal
12:45 p.m.	UM Youth Fellowship
1:00 p.m.	Church Leadership Summit Meeting

October 17

8:45 and 11 a.m.	Worship services
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
12:15 p.m.	Youth Choir rehearsal
12:45 p.m.	UM Youth Fellowship

October 24

8:45 and 11 a.m.	Worship services
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
12:15 p.m.	Youth Choir rehearsal
12:45 p.m.	UM Youth Fellowship

October 31

8:45 and 11 a.m.	Worship services
9:45 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
12:15 p.m.	Youth Choir rehearsal
12:45 p.m.	UM Youth Fellowship



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED to attend a "Taste of Africa" Wild Game Dinner/Silent Auction on **OCTOBER 9TH, 2010 AT TRINITY UMC. RECEPTION IS AT 5:30 PM.**

Cost is \$25 per person. Tickets must be purchased by **Oct 4th.**

Contact Tendekai Muzorewa at Tel:210-320-0862 or Mary Holland at 210-492-8711.

Dress casual Safari. Proceeds from dinner/silent auction pay for a water distribution system for the village of Muziti

Thanks,
Tendekai Muzorewa
Zimbabwe Mission Event VIM



"Free For All"
Is HERE !!

October 16, 2010
Saturday
4-7 p.m.

Come one Come all—
at TUMC
Church Grounds



'Margaret's Musings'

Rev. Margaret Decker, Pastor



So much is happening with getting ready for Church Conference, "Taste of Africa," Free for All, and Extravagant Generosity. This article will touch on these various programs.

CHURCH CONFERENCE—This year our church conference will be conducted in a very different manner. We will meet with 3 other congregations at St. Matthew's at 6:30 PM on Thursday, October 14th. We will have a time together with refreshments. We are to bring cookies or some other "non-healthy" goodies for our part of the refreshments. The four congregations will share celebrations with one another. Trinity Singers, formerly Early Ensemble, will sing at that time. Members of Jubilee Ringers, the bell choir, will play. We will also have presentations about some of our mission projects. After the individual meetings, we will reconvene for Holy Communion. This should be an inspiring time for everyone. I hope you will be present.

"A TASTE OF AFRICA"—will be held on Saturday, October 9th. It will begin with a reception at 5:30 PM and dinner will begin at 6:30 PM. This is a Zimbabwe Mission Event with a wild game dinner and a silent auction. The cost of the dinner is \$25.00. "Taste of Africa" will be in our gym. This event is being co-hosted by members of University UMC and Trinity. The proceeds from the dinner and the silent auction will go toward a water system for the village of Muziti. The program will be "Zimbabwe—the country and the people." There will also be music from Zimbabwe. The attire is casual safari. If you plan to attend the dinner, please, write the check to Trinity UMC and memo the check with "Muziti Fund." If you would like to place an item or service in the silent auction, forms are available in the narthex. If you pay for anything related to "Taste of Africa," with cash, please, put it in an envelope with your name, address, and "Muziti Fund" on the front of the envelope. This will be a great help for bookkeeping. Thank you.

FREE FOR ALL—Are you ready to have a great time? This year's Free for All will be held Saturday, October 16th from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM. There will be clowns with balloon animals, face painting, and a magic show. Critters from Sea World will also be in attendance. If you know some children, you might want to invite them to come and interact with the clowns and the critters. There will be some jeeps to look at and possibly a couple of vintage cars. There will be live music. Games for adults and younger people will be available. Tents will be set up so you do not have to sit in the sun. There are other plans still being developed, but it should be a great evening for all.

EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY—Beginning Sunday, October 24th, we will spend four weeks looking at the topic, "Extravagant Generosity: A Matter of the Heart." The sermons will be related to this topic. There is material for all ages to be shared during Sunday school. There will be vehicles for us to share positive comments related to our church. This will be a time of spiritual growth, for our hearts "to be strangely warmed."

I hope that everyone will find these opportunities to be times of sharing with one another and growing closer as members of this congregation. May all that we do be for the glory of God.

Yours in Christ,

Margaret



Becky Thaxton
Director, Children Ministries

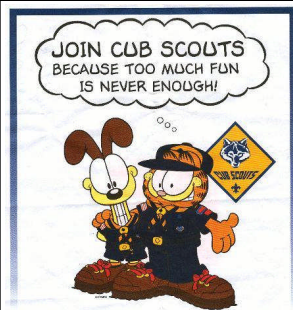
Children's Ministry at Trinity United Methodist Church

We have a wonderful Sunday School time available for our children at Trinity UMC. Sunday School starts at 9:45 a.m. Right now the children are studying The Green Church which teaches all of us how to be good stewards of our earth.

God has given us a great place to live . . . it's our honor and responsibility to take care of it. Sunday School is an integral part of our children's spiritual growth and development. As a congregation, and as parents, Sunday School is a priority. We have chosen curriculum, developed a cadre of volunteer teachers, and certainly prayed for our children. Sunday School is in session and we are waiting for you!

God bless you.

Becky



Greetings! I want to first thank Trinity for graciously allowing the

scouting program the use of the facilities at TUMC. Trinity has chartered the scouting program for over 75 years! The mission of scouting is to prepare young boys to make ethical and moral choices over a lifetime.

This year has been a blessing for our program. **We now total over 40 scouts and 10 adult leaders! Praise God!**

Ronda and I have worked with this program for the last eight years and have seen an extraordinary amount of change in the youth. My personal mission with these boys is to complete service project throughout San Antonio to let these boys know that we can make a difference!

Your continued prayers for the scouts, their families and the program is always appreciated.

We extend our invitation to you and anyone to visit with us on

**Tuesday nights at
Trinity.**

Respectfully,

Armando Bustos

Pack 20 Scout Cubmaster

Church Grounds Workday - Saturday, October 9, AM

Please come help tidy up a few neglected areas of our church grounds – lower beds, a photinia bush, and a crape myrtle tree. Bring your hand or electric clippers, saws, and any other tools you might need. All help is appreciated!

Call Mary Shoemaker, 684-4873, for more information.



Immediate Need for Glen Oaks Elementary School

Glen Oaks Elementary has asked us for help for refugee families attending their school. The families are in need of a variety of toiletries (which I will share with the TUMC Congregation this Sunday, September 26th) which are not covered by Medicaid.



The young girls are maturing early and are in great need of "feminine products". As an active and caring unit of the San Antonio Area UMW we can help these girls with these very personal needs. I propose that we begin collecting these items immediately. I will gladly store them in my office (and will transport them to Glen Oaks ASAP).

As always many thanks for your heartfelt support.

Becky Thaxton

Director of Children's Ministry

JIREH House Needs Our Help

Trinity will be collecting money and canned goods through the month of October to fill 90-100 Thanksgiving baskets for **Jireh House**.

Canned items needed are: **green beans, sweet potatoes, pumpkin, cranberry sauce, and corn.** **Boxed mashed potatoes and stuffing mix** are also needed. If you want to give money for turkeys, please mark **Jireh House** on your check. Pat Putz will have a box in the Narthex to collect your items and the children will be collecting canned goods during the Sunday School hour.

We would like to have everything collected by the **second week in November**. Let's put our faith in action by helping the needy.

Thank you ahead of time for your generosity.



"Do all the good you can, By all the means you can, In all the ways you can, In all the places you can, At all the times you can, To all the people you can, As long as ever you can."

-John Wesley



Greetings from the Prayer Team, your fellow warriors for Christ.

In thinking about this article, I was reminded of an old hymn, written by Gerhard Tersteegen in 1735 and translated to English from the German by Sarah B. Findlater. It still speaks to me and I hope it will speak to you. "God calling yet; shall I not hear? Earth's pleasures shall I still hold dear? Shall life's swift passing years all fly, And still my soul in slumber lie? God calling yet; shall I not rise? Can I His loving voice despise, And basely His kind care repay? He calls me still—can I delay?"

Prayerfully consider joining your church's prayer ministry. You may meet with us or pray from home, as part of the prayer chain. We lift up our church and all its joys and concerns and as Pastor Margaret said, "to talk to our best friend" who is also our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Sandy Keyser, Mary Hale, Jean Bell, Loraine Whittaker.

'if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, pray, seek my face, and turn from their ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.' 2 Chronicles 7:14

Church History

The Historical committee is in the process of compiling information that covers Trinity's History beginning in 1897 and coming forward to the present. If you have any OLD pictures, newspaper articles, or any other Trinity historical memorabilia, please consider donating it to the church. We are lacking information that covers the life of the church from the 1960s to the 1980s. This could include pictures of Confirmation, Baptisms, Easter, and Christmas Services, the Mothers Day Out Program, etc. Please include names and dates on all donations. If anyone knows where the two glass negatives, of the first two churches pictures that are displayed in the narthex are, please let us know also. Several videos of church activities are missing.

Please contact Twila Icenogle, Historian, for any information at 479-6124. Any donation can be dropped off at the church office, 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Monday-Friday.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT
MARK !!! your CALENDAR!

OCTOBER 23, 2010
-SATURDAY-
5-7 p.m. in the
GYM

F.I.P.S. (Fun in Progress Seniors)

All senior adults are invited to join Fun in Progress Seniors (F.I.P.S.) to their monthly **Dinner Fellowship on the 4th Tuesday of each month.** For information contact:

Jim and Jo Ann Chambers at 684-0221

FIPS will meet on October 26th at 5:30 p.m.
(Place will be announced later)

MISSIONS Baked Potato Luncheon

Sunday, October 3rd, please plan to stay after the 11:00 a.m. worship service and join us in the gym for the Missions' Annual Baked Potato Luncheon with all the trimmings. Our UMW (United Methodist Women) will have some wonderful items for a silent auction to benefit our local, district, conference, and world wide ministries. We will also have a table of priced items for sale.

How can you help? Come to this event to eat and shop. Also, if you have any nice item that you would like to donate to our silent auction, please bring it to the gym at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 2nd, or on Sunday morning before the 11:00 worship service.

If you have any questions or need assistance with a donated item, please call Connie Medrano at 308-6095.

Thank you all for your help.

"Meals on Wheels"

If you are interested in delivering or coordinating, please contact Christian Senior Services at 210-735-5115.

MONDAY STUDY GROUP

The Monday Study Group meet at 1 PM in the Parlor. The group is on the Bible People series. Current study is *"The Green Church" - how are we being good stewards of our environment? Beautiful natural resources from God.*

Study guide provided for FREE.

Angel Food Ministries

Order forms are available in the narthex and in the church office. **OCTOBER** orders are due no later than **OCTOBER 17**. Food will be available for pickup on **OCTOBER 30, 8:30-10:00 a.m.** at **Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church.**

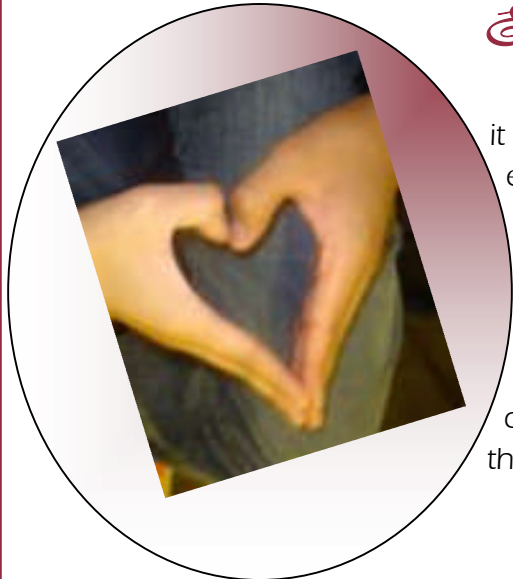
Please contact Pat Putz (684-9105) with any questions.

Today's Inspiration

'Happiness resides not in possessions and not in gold; the feeling of happiness dwells in the soul.' Democritus

Congratulations! are in order to **Dwight Hale** who was recently installed as Chairman of the Texas Association of Realtors (TAR).
 TAR oversees and works with realtor organizations in the state of Texas.
 Congratulations Dwight!

Thank You ...
 Friends at Trinity UMC,
 Thank you so much for inviting Travis (and all the Deckers) to Morgan's Wonderland. We had a **BLAST !!** What a blessing to have such a special place close by. We also treasured our time at Trinity on Sunday. Thanks again!
Tammy Decker



Extravagant Generosity, A Matter of the Heart

I am honored to be in charge of this program and the name fits it perfectly. It amazes me how much my heart continues to open every time I work on this project.

Please pray with me every day for God to help make us into the extravagant givers that He wants us to be.

How awesome would this world be if we gave back a tenth of what He gives us? Remember it's not all about money. It's about our prayers, our gifts and our services. God will bless His children when they ask Him, please pray for our church to receive the blessings God has in store for us.

Yours in Christ,
Bonnie Smith
 Program Director
 Extravagant Generosity, A Matter of the Heart

Honor the LORD with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine. Deuteronomy 15:11

The *Greater Emmaus Northwest San Antonio Community* bids you welcome to attend a monthly gathering. The October 2010 gathering will be held at Trinity UMC on Friday, October 15 at 6:45 p.m. in the church Sanctuary.

If you have questions, please call me. Thank you.
John Reed (210)645-4744

- Oct 3rd Game Day
- Oct 10th Inviting
- Oct 17th Stand Up and Don't Bow Down (GTO2)
- Oct 24th Kickball
- Oct 30th Halloween Basketball Tournament
- Oct 31st Crew Projects

Youth Happenings!

Please be on the look out for updates about our youth in the bulletin every week. As usual feel free to email me or call at 364-9239 with questions and suggestions.

Blessings,
Jared May
 Director, Youth Ministries

When we joined the church,
we pledged to uphold it with "our prayers".

***Please pray for our church
every day at noon***

Fourth Sunday Mission Offerings

August—Campus Ministries -\$120.00
September—Christian Assistance Ministry— \$60.00

Reminder: This month's 4th Sunday Mission Offering is the for the Red Bird Mission in Kentucky.

Red Bird Mission and Clinic have been providing ministries in this region of the Appalachian Mountains since 1921. Today the need remains critical in this isolated, rural distressed area. Chronic poverty, lack of jobs, poor housing, and rugged mountainous terrain provide obstacles to a fuller life for the residents of this area. Red Bird Mission and Clinic strives to meet these needs through ministry in five areas: Education, Health and Wellness, Community Outreach, Economic Opportunity, and Community Housing Improvement.



TUMC Church
Conference
October 14, 2010
Thursday
6:30 pm
St. Matthew's UMC

Anniversaries

DAVID & ROSEMARY BRIGMAN	6-Oct
BYRON & CLAUDIA BURGE	5-Oct
MICHAEL SCHROEDER & SANDRA KEYSER	28-Oct
BLAKE & SANDRA RICHARDS	28-Oct
RAY & JAN IRETON	31-Oct

Birthdays

BOBBIE ZIMMERMAN	1-Oct
TOM MADDOX	2-Oct
TERRI TRAEGER	3-Oct
SYDNEY HILLEGAS	6-Oct
ELIZABETH RICHARDS	6-Oct
MARTY WALKER	8-Oct
LAYNE KERLEY	9-Oct
KATIE KETCHUM	11-Oct
AMELIA REED	11-Oct
BILLIE GARRISON	13-Oct
ROBIN MADDOX	14-Oct
CLAY TRAEGER	15-Oct
MARIA MEDRANO	16-Oct
JO ANN CHAMBERS	19-Oct
DR JOANNE SMITH	19-Oct
ROBERT DUDA	20-Oct
RAYMOND GERLACH	23-Oct
BETS ARMSTRONG	24-Oct
SANDY EULER	26-Oct
CINDY GERTH	26-Oct
ETHAN HAGEMAN	26-Oct
SANDRA RICHARDS	30-Oct

(If we have missed your special day, please notify Cynthia in the Church office.)

We at Trinity UMC take seriously our Ministry of Prayer. Please use this as a guide of those for whom prayer has been requested.

Trinity UMC Members and Constituents:

Chris Acres* Eugene and Tina Azbill* Virginia 'Jan' Bates* Lou and Jimmie Green* Darleen Hardy* Lindsey Lee McCown* Larry Miller* Brian Phillips* Jim Pryor* Trinity Staff

Other Personal Requests:

Angela Catalla* Katie Chazen* Nancy Danielson* Marna Finnerty* Manuel Gonzales* Allie Gutierrez* Joyce Horton and her son William* The Itz Family* Erin Kimsey* Huei-Yi Pan* Wendy Poage and family* Debbie Russell* Tiffany Sims* Mary Ellen Thaxton* Travis and Tammie* The Vela family* Rev. Tony Brantley* Bishop Jim Dorff * District Superintendent Rev. Carl Rohlf*s*

**Our Presence
in Worship**

September 5– 170
September 12– 170
September 19—153
September 26—161



Thank you for joining the Trinity United Methodist Church.

You are always welcome here. Our Staff is here to help you.

Our Ministers are every member of the Congregation.

... praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. Acts 2:47.

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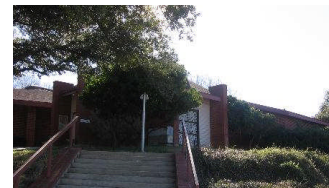
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Church website: www.trinityumcsa.org

Jesus said, "Come follow Me and I will make you..."

Sundays 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Worship Services

Sundays 9:45 a.m.
Sunday School for all ages



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