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Editors Note

TRINITY UNITED



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA). We are three churches which merged together to become one in 2008. We are a multicultural, multigenerational and multiethnic congregation reflecting the rich diversity of God's people. This church is a witness to the uniqueness of the Christian faith which is called to mission and must be responsive to diversity both in the church and in the world. You are welcome here. We have made space for you.

Upcoming Events

Please check your Worship bulletin for a more complete list

March 16 Session Meeting at 4 pm

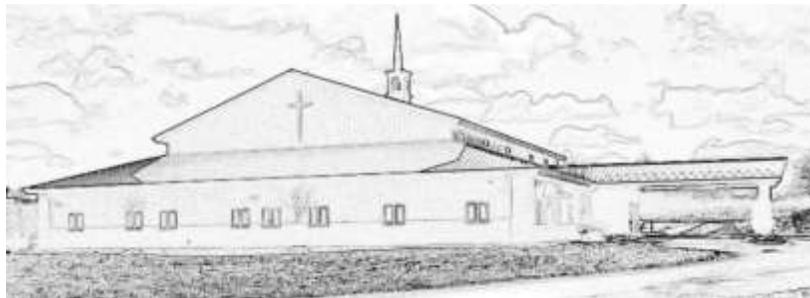
March 17
Happy Saint Patrick's Day!

March 18
Lenten Supper and Study at 6 pm

March 20
Volunteer at the North End Soup Kitchen 2 to 5 pm

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March and April 2015



FROM THE EDITOR

This is the first newsletter since November 2014 and I apologize for its absence. For those that don't know, I do work full time and writing isn't my strong suit.

At this time, I'm going to try to publish every other month and hopefully I will get enough material from members for a newsletter!

The deadline for the May/June newsletter will be April 25.

If you have items for the newsletter, please send them to gregoirembolduc@comcast.net

Trinity Community Focus On:

JERRY AUGER

By Debbi Deming

March 25
Lenten Supper and
Study at 6 pm

March 29
Palm Sunday,
April, May and June
Communion Servers
Training after
Worship

April Events

April 1
Lenten Supper and
Study at 6 pm
(no fooling!)

April 2
Maundy Thursday
Service at 6 pm

April 5
Easter Sunday
He Is Risen!

April 6
Music Team
Meeting at 4 pm

April 17 and 18
Church Rummage
Sale

March Birthdays

3rd Mark Bolduc

7th Karen Fischer
Margaret Tilley
Waldo Bronson

10th Steve Long

16th Sue Smith

After returning home from Trinity's Thursday morning men's Bible study, and reflecting on the previous evening's Lenten dinner meeting at Trinity, Jerry Auger explained that he likes "going to church and learning about Jesus, and the church, and the world."

From Thrift City Gospel Hall on Davison Road to Bethany United Presbyterian to Trinity United Presbyterian, Jerry Auger has been involved with Sunday School and Church since he was a young child. Through his days in the Flint Community Schools, Flint Junior College (now Mott Community College), and the University of Michigan, Flint, Jerry continued to attend church.

Jerry characterizes his early Sunday School days at Gospel Hall nondenominational as a "wonderful group of people who taught us great things." "There were about one hundred and sixty-five of us, from about five years old through high school." "I accepted Jesus Christ as my savior at eight years old." He committed his life to Christ and began a personal relationship with Him.

He liked this Sunday School AND Bethany so much that he stayed at Gospel Hall when his sisters and parents moved to Bethany, and then hurried after Sunday School to catch the service at Bethany.

Jerry states that he enjoyed Bethany's Wednesday night services too, remembering mostly the song service, and a girl named Miss Sharon Perry. It turns out that Mr. Auger's father had met Sharon in Bethany's choir, and was impressed by her. And, it seems that (no source is cited here) he encouraged Miss Perry to invite Jerry to go with the youth group to Detroit's Fisher Theatre to see the film "The Ten

<p>Jim Dixon 19th Greg Bolduc 22nd Chris Lyttle 25th Cynthia Lyttle 30th Ken Grover 31st Larry Generes</p>	<p>Commandments". So she did, and he did, and we know this same person as Mrs. Sharon Auger.</p> <p>Mr. Auger remembers enjoying the Bethany Youth Group, about forty strong with many activities, including attending meetings, assemblies with speakers, choir, and playing softball on the church team. He "was elected elder at age 26, and became active in all things going on at the church, including the addition to the building."</p>
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April Birthdays

<p>4th Shawntera Fischer 6th Barb Wesley 9th Richard Holland 10th Maxine Storey 11th Sandy Topham 14th Nancy Dunlap Betty Shaw 18th Loraine Clark 23rd Lisa Graham 24th Gay Grover 30th Alice Shirley</p>	<p>Although he enjoyed these activities, Jerry recalls that he spent most of the time working. In fact, after that famous movie "The Ten Commandments," he remembers that he had to go to work. Primarily employed by retail grocery stores, including Segals, and Hamady, at 75cents an hour, Jerry moved up to A and P at 96 cents an hour.</p> <p>After two summers at the A and P in Oscoda, and manager training in Ann Arbor, Jerry hired in at Flint Welding Supply for what promised to be a long, steady job. However, after two years, Jerry was again looking for work. After succeeding at their personnel testing, Jerry found not only a job, but a very interesting thirty-year career in sales with Johnson's Wax Company.</p> <p>During those years Jerry and Sharon's family grew to four children, all of whom are married and live in Michigan. The closest child is Ron, in Imlay City. The next closest is Russ in Howell, then Bethany and Jerry Junior in Manton, Michigan. There are altogether fourteen grandchildren, some of whom we have been fortunate to meet at Trinity, including Emma and Evan, with parents Ron and Becky.</p>
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March Anniversaries

<p>24th Julie and Russell Auger; Sharon and Matt Burton;</p>	<p>Jerry's hurrying to Bethany after Gospel Hall expresses some of his appreciation for church, as does</p>
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Linda and Harold
Ryan.

April
Anniversaries

5th Anne and Larry
Shoup

6th Jacquelyn and
Herbert McClellan

27th Patricia and
Charlie White

30th Denise and Jim
Dixon

the 22 mile trip he takes now to Trinity, one way. Although the Augers lived close to church before, now they drive twelve miles further than to Bethany, forty-four miles round trip.

Jerry met another Trinity member early in grocery business, Ron Shirley, a close friend for 53 years, whom he describes as honest, fun-loving, and honorable. Members of Trinity are missing Ron who passed away earlier this year. Jerry remembers that Ron was involved in the development and construction of Trinity. He calls him "almost meticulous." "When conducting a meeting, he had everything right."

 **Ministry Links** 

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Presbytery of Lake Huron
Synod of the Covenant
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Remembering that Ron did not like to drive on the expressway, but did it anyway, Jerry notes that when Ron's sales territory included the thumb, he liked to drive the country roads. Jerry and Sharon travelled other roads with Ron and his wife Alice, and shared time together in Maine, Massachusetts, Montreal, Florida, and many other places.

Today Jerry spends special hours helping his son Ron and friend Gary Madden. Sharon and Jerry enjoy playing pinochle at the Davison Senior Center.

As for Trinity, Jerry Auger hopes that Trinity will grow into a mega church, black and white, with a Presbyterian Village in the back property. He hopes we will need a sanctuary as big as the total existing building, with programs for what people want to do, for children, youth, travel, and education. He would like to see 500 more members and 100 young people.

As for Jerry, he continues on the path he started as an eager young boy, asking questions, learning about Jesus, and sharing with family, friends and others, His

truth and love.

From The Membership Team

- Members and Friends, please make sure you have an Orange Inclement Weather Card. If you think Church will be cancelled because of bad weather, just call the person on the chart according to you last name.
- One the First Sunday in each month we are asking every person present to sign the Red Book's Attendance Registration Sheet: Visitors, Friends (those who regularly attend but are not members yet), and Members.

Calling All Bowlers!

The Spring League will begin in April. This year it will be a very short: 8 weeks, from April 8, 2015 to May 27, 2015; but we will still need at least 18 people to insure a 6 team league. See Jackie McClellan to sign up!

Thank You

Rummage Sale

The Annual Church Wide Used Treasure Sale will be held April 17-18 at the church. We will need lots & lots of "stuff" so it is a "time to throw and a time to gather" it at the church. Items can be brought any time after Easter Sunday during office hours. We need workers to set up on April 15 & 16th, plus

workers for both days. If you wish to rent a table, the price is \$15 for church members, \$20 for non-members.

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