

TRINITY UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

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It dawned on me lately just how wonderful, unique and special is the congregation known as Trinity United Presbyterian Church. We are blessed to be a fellowship of believers who truly love and care for each other. We are blessed to have a beautiful space to worship, meet, fellowship and do God's mission.

I believe the real blessing is in our spiritual DNA: we are a multicultural! We are diverse, we are young and mature, we are light and dark and everything in between, we are small and wide, tall and short—we are a mosaic fearfully and wonderfully designed by God. We are living the dream of being a community reconciled to God and each other. We cannot forget that racism was the cancer that almost broke our country apart during the Civil War. We cannot forget that when the three churches became one, we essentially looked racism in the face and said no more! We cannot forget how many have sacrificed their very lives so that all people and nations may be gathered back together. Jesus made the ultimate sacrifice so that we might be reconciled to God. ***“All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting***

the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.” (2 Corinthians 5.18-21) We not only have been reconciled to God, we now have become agents of reconciliation on behalf of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The ambassadors of Trinity United represent something very unique and special. Like Joshua, we have had to be strong and courageous and will continue to be strong and very courageous. This congregation represents the hope and the future of these United States of America. It also represents a foretaste of heaven.

“When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place (Acts 2:1)

...no longer Jew or Greek, slave or free, male or female...(Galatians 3:28)

a house of prayer for all peoples (Isaiah 56:7b)

a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language...(Rev. 7:9)

...all are one in Christ...(Galatians 3:28)

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...(Matthew 29:19)”

Blessings,
Pastor Lawson

Updates from the Session

- **Celebration of the Lord’s Supper**: Due to Pastor Lawson’s Thanksgiving vacation plans falling on the first Sunday in December, the Session voted to move the Celebration of the Lord’s Supper to the second Sunday. We will celebrate the Lord’s Supper on Sunday, December 8, 2013.
- **Upcoming Advent & Christmas**: Given the climate of our city and the ongoing rumors of war, there is an ongoing need for us to focus on Jesus, our Prince of Peace. In the months ahead we will focus our attention of the subject of Peace and our theme for Advent & Christmas 2013 will be ***Peace Within***.

- **Membership Directory**: We are in the process of updating the church directory and it will be available in the next few weeks. In an attempt to cut down on expenses, this next directory will not include photographs and it will be simplified to include name, addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses. We hope to be able to resume the photo directory the following year. Thank you for your understanding.
- **WORSHIP IN OCTOBER (Focus on Stewardship: Time, Talent & Treasure)**

October 6, 2013	Judges 6:33, 7:1-8	CRISIS of BELIEF
October 13, 2013	2 Samuel 24:24	SACRIFICIAL GIVING
October 20, 2013	Joshua 3:1-7	TAKE THE LEAD
October 27, 2013	1 John 1:11-18	THE TIME IS NOW
November 3, 2013	James 1:17-18; Psalm 24:1	DEDICATE IT ALL TO GOD
November 10, 2013	Proverbs 3:9-10; Acts 20:35b	GENEROSITY

CALENDAR ITEMS

OCTOBER

- Worship Team Retreat – Saturday, October 5, 2013 9am-Noon
- Stewardship Soup Dinners – October 7, 9, 14 & 16, 2013
- New Member Class – Saturday, October 19, 2013 at 10am
- Congregational Meeting – Sunday, October 27, 2013 (Election of Officer & Challenge Budget)
- Harvest Festival – Thursday, October 31, 2013 from 5:30pm-7:00pm

NOVEMBER

- Officer Training – Saturday, November 9, 2013 from 9:30am to 2:00pm
- Fall Bowling League Ends – Wednesday, November 20, 2013
- Harvest Dinner – November 24, 2013
- Office Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday – November 28 & 29, 2013
- Hanging of the Greens – November 30, 2013

• STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

- Trinity United Presbyterian Church is now entering the Stewardship Season. Please plan on attending one of the special dinners planned. This will allow you the opportunity to have input into all areas of church membership, fellowship and future plans, in addition to learning the present status of church programs. The Stewardship Dinners will be held on Monday, October 7; Wednesday, October 9; Monday October 14, and Wednesday, October 16. There will be no charge for the dinners. Your presence is needed.
- We need help for the dinners – soup, bread, cookies, greeters, and people to set up and clean up. Please participate by signing up for all these areas of help. Look for the lists at Coffee Hour.
- If you have questions or thoughts, see members of the Finance Committee.

Committee Members are: Waldo Bronson, Chair; Sharron Alexander, Charles Atwater, Jerry Auger, Roberta Hardy, Chris Lyttle, Betty Shaw, and Maxine Storey.





The Youth Team is planning a roller skating event for all youth and adults that would like to chaperone at Rollhaven in Flushing on November 19th, 2013. See Allison Bradley or Youth Team Member for further details. Next Youth Team Meeting will be October 17th at 5:15pm.





Larry Tilley.....5th
 Emma Auger (child)...5th
 Beverly Bronson.....5th
 Addie Terrell.....7th
 Gayle Kettler.....11th
 Katie Granberry.....12th
 Louis Schoeppach....14th
 Tamara Sanders.....28th

Millie Arbor.....15th
 Audrey Resler.....16th
 Fredrick Granberry....19th
 Roy Olson.....20th
 Bob Shaw.....22nd
 Stan Thomason.....23rd
 Millie Arbor.....15th
 Andy Bausack.....31st

Moved:

*****Addie Terrell 6554 East Medalist Circle
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 350 Orchard St. Apt. B-7 Gr. Blanc, MI. 48439



Ronald and Alice Shirley.....1st

Louis and Shirley Schoeppach.....16th



Liturgist for October

October 6th – Delphine Holland

October 13th and 20th – Monica Bradley

October 27th and November 3rd – Waldo Bronson

Special Care



**Shirley Hale, Karen Fischer, Gary Madden, Lynwood Berry,
Jim Bonney, Arleen Gullett, Pamela Pascal, Darryl Stiltz,
Delores Generes, Ron & Alice Shirley, Tim Graham,
Maxine Storey, Mary Krist, Kathy Henderson,
Mr. Cleveland Mance (uncle of Karen Fischer), Anne Lomax
@ Genesys Rehabilitation Center, Sharon Bonney,
Richard Holland, Patricia Rice, Charles Atwater,
Barbara & Don Wesley, Larry Shoup, Sharon Thomason,
Donna Jones, Denny Bonney, Michael Jackson,
Katie Granberry, Ruby Fizer, June Foltz, Larry Tilley,
Connie Hutchins, Jean Lyttle, Addie Terrell, Joan Shirey,
Dr. Alfred Gwillim, Roy Olson, Margaret Pepler, Betty Elford,
Jesse Cook, Patricia Miller, Abbey Park, Room 119, 3221 East
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