

# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)

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### August 2013 Newsletter Article

By now, most of you should have received a letter from me in regards to our church finances. We are not alone. There are many churches that are feeling the weight of lost income and lost membership. The session has determined that we are going to do all that is within our power to turn things around with God's help and yours. However, in the meantime, we are not going to dwell on it. Included in the letter was also a list of mission activities Trinity United is currently engaged in. There were twenty-two items listed and it answered a question for me? Are we making a difference? **YES WE ARE!!**

The bible teaches us not to dwell on our problems but instead dwell with God and place our time, energy and efforts in praising God's name. It states the following:

#### **Psalm 91 NIV**

<sup>1</sup> Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High  
will rest in the shadow of the Almighty

<sup>2</sup> I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress,  
my God, in whom I trust."

#### **Psalm 34:3 NKJV**

<sup>3</sup> Oh, magnify the LORD with me  
And let us exalt His name together.

We are making a decision not to worry because God teaches that we should not worry (Matthew 6:31-34). Instead, we will dwell, rest and trust in God. We will seek **first** the kingdom of God and God promises that ALL things will be added unto us. God is apparently seeking us and our attention. Let us give to the Lord what he desires. We are also quick to magnify a problem and make it the biggest thing in our life. We are a culture that dwells on the negative. Once again, we are making another decision not to magnify (or make big) our circumstances. Instead, we will magnify the Lord because God is bigger than any challenge we encounter.

We often lose sight of the fact that the church belongs to Jesus Christ. He is Lord and Savior. God is sovereign and therefore has the power to lift us from our present circumstances. Join us as we commit to reading and praying through the Gospel of John for the month of August. Beginning Monday August 5, we are asking that you commit to reading one chapter a day and spending a few minutes talking with God about Trinity United. I do believe God is drawing us nearer to him and each other. The God we serve is good all the time and all the time, God is good! Let us exalt his name together.

Blessings,  
Pastor Lawson

### **Updates from the Session**

- **A Praying Church**: It is apparent to the Session that God wants to bless this congregation and its ministry. God is calling us into deeper relationship and we are responding. The session has asked that you join us in praying through the Gospel of John beginning Monday, August 5, 2013. God is calling us to be praying church; a place where the Spirit of God is dwelling in and among us. Where the Spirit dwells, there is hope, peace, joy and love. Please pray with us.

## WORSHIP IN AUGUST

August 4, 2013	Colossians 3:1-13	<i>Raised With Christ</i>
August 11, 2013	Guest Preacher	Rev. Zoltan Sutto
August 18, 2013	Guest Preacher	Rev. Zoltan Sutto
August 25, 2013	Jeremiah 1:4-10	<i>What Have You Destroyed Lately?</i>

## CALENDAR ITEMS

### **AUGUST**

- Lawson's on Vacation – August 8 – August 19, 2013
- Session Meeting – August 19, 2013 at 4:00pm
- Church Picnic – ***Express Yourself Talent Show*** – August 25, 2013

### **SEPTEMBER**

- Christian Education Begins (Sunday School) – September 8, 2013
- Healing Service & Luncheon – Saturday, September 14, 2013 at 11:00am
- Presbytery of Lake Huron Meeting – Tuesday, September 17, 2013 at First Pres. Bay City

## BANNER TEAM

Are you creative? Do you sew, knit, crochet, draw or simply enjoy arts & crafts? The Worship Team is putting together a new creative ministry team to design Banners for the sanctuary and other spaces throughout the building. The first project will be a **Trinity United Quilt** to be hung in the narthex. Every family will be represented in this wonderful, creative and diverse expression of who we are: an intentional multi-cultural congregation! We will begin gathering in August. If this is something that fits you, please contact Sharon Auger or Margaret Bausack.

# LITURGIST FOR AUGUST

August 4<sup>th</sup> and August 11<sup>th</sup> –Alice Shirley

August 18<sup>th</sup> and August 25<sup>th</sup> –Fred Tumer

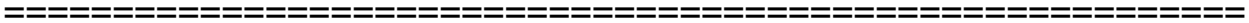


## **Women's News**

The Women's Group of Trinity will be hosting a Holiday Craft Show on October 10 and 11, 2013. We will accept crafters of all kinds. The fee will be \$25 for a table for the two days of the show. The table fee will go to P.W. projects. We will be charging \$1.00 door fee which will go to the General Fund of Trinity United P.C. as will the profits earned from luncheons sold. **No vendors or commercial products will be accepted.** If you know anyone wishing to rent a table, have them call Sharon Auger, (810-653-8735) or the church office (810-720-5152) for applications. All merchandise must be handmade.

## **FOR AUGUST**

**Sydney Graham and Allison Bradley**



## **Birthdays**

- Lynwood Barry-----5<sup>th</sup>
- Ronald Shirley -----7<sup>th</sup>
- Sydney Graham (youth)-----7<sup>th</sup>
- Barbara Shackelford-----10<sup>th</sup>
- Grace Tucker-----11<sup>th</sup>
- Buffy Wier-----16<sup>th</sup>
- Shirley Schoeppach-----17<sup>th</sup>
- Mary Scukanec-----17<sup>th</sup>

Gwen Barney-----18<sup>th</sup>  
Me'Onica Keahey (youth)-----18<sup>th</sup>  
Sharon Burton-----22<sup>nd</sup>

**Anniversaries**

Ron & Becki Auger-----9<sup>th</sup>  
Gary & Beverly Popovits-----14<sup>th</sup>  
Cleatus & Kathy Henderson-----28<sup>th</sup>  
Rev. James & Sally Offrink-----28<sup>th</sup>

**FOR THE SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER THE DEADLINE IS:  
AUGUST 21, 2013**



**Trinity United Annual Church Picnic will be held on  
August 25<sup>th</sup> following worship service. Please bring a dish to  
pass. Dress is casual for the day.**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Choir 6:30p	2	3
4 Adult S.S. 9:15a Worship 10:30am Rev. Desiree Lawson Liturgist: Phyllis Scales Coffee Hour: J. McClellan	5 Personnel 10am  Membership 4pm	6 V.B.S. wrap up 10:00am	7	8 Men's Bible Study 10:00am Praise Team 6:30p Pastor on Vacation	9	10
11 Adult S.S. 9:15am Worship 10:30am Guest Pastor: Rev. Zolton Sutto Liturgist: Phyllis Scales Coffee Hour: Phyllis Scales	12	13	14	15 Men's Bible Study 10:00am  PraiseTeam6:30p m	16	17
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