

Trinity News

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July & August 2019

Mission Statement:

As the church continues to move forward Aligning with God's word and His love we have a new mission statement to help guide us on the journey-

"We are the body of Christ sharing His Love with ALL".

The Mission of the United Methodist Denomination:

The mission of the church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world

Pastor

Leslie Halchak

Secretary

Je Eshleman

Custodian

Randy Peters

Organist

Sue Peters

Treasurer

Gail Saxton

Lay Leader

Pastor's Introduction

In a few days, our country will celebrate its 243rd birthday! The country was born when our forefathers set forth in the Declaration of Independence, these words:

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

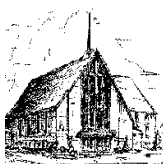
Of course, we have struggled to make the vision of those a reality for everyone. And the struggle continues. Yet, we can be very thankful that – as imperfect as we may be, and with as much room for improvement that there may be – we live in a country that values freedom.

We value the freedom to worship, to assemble, to express our viewpoints, to vote, and the freedom to make choices.

Every morning when we rise, we have the freedom to make decisions about how we are going to spend the day and the attitude we're going to have while we spend it.

Viktor Frankl, the noted psychoanalyst who spent time in a Nazi concentration camp talked about this very thing: "We who lived in concentration camps can remember the men who walked through the huts comforting others, giving away their last piece of bread. They may have been few in number, but they offered sufficient proof that everything can be taken away from a man but one thing: the last of the human freedoms – to choose one's attitude in any given set of circumstances, to choose one's own way."

As we near the Independence Day celebrations, let's remember that we enjoy the freedom to choose our attitude!



August is August! Who knows what this month will bring. At the time I am writing this newsletter, it is raining and I started writing this a week ago – and it is still raining!

Somewhere along this summer though I hope you have had some time to enjoy yourself, as I say, even if it is just sitting on your porch enjoying a glass of ice tea.

We were blessed to have our two granddaughters visit us for a few weeks in June, and sometime in July I hope to go to Dallas, Georgia to visit my son and family and see their new home they moved into while their daughters were up here. Our granddaughters start school there around August 1st.

This saying is on Trinity UMC's board in front of the church, very fitting as we try to love our neighbor.

“Compassion is a language the deaf can hear and the blind can see.”

Friends, we are in this together. May you find yourself blessed and loved to be a part of the family of God.

Praise God! This is a day of new beginnings!

Blessings,

Pastor Leslie



Food Pantry is every 3rd Saturday of the month from 9am-11am.

You are welcome to volunteer and join us!

June 2019 report:
 Children 181; Adults 225;
 Seniors 82
 Total of 488 people;
 127 families

We are constantly in need of volunteers to help for the following:

- **unloading trucks** every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month. If you want to volunteer, please call the church and leave your contact information. We will then call you regarding the schedule (time)
- **volunteers** to distribute food every 3rd Saturday of the month 9am to 11am

Please be praying for:



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| Our Church | Gertrude Moyer |
| Our Troops | Joyce Dressler |
| Our Shut-Ins | Carol Moyer |
| Our Pastor | Judyann Schmidt |
| Kerry Rohrbach | Linda Kuzin & Family |
| Marion Aucker | |

Our shut-ins (Home Bound).....

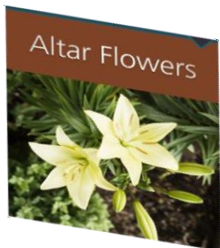
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| Marion Aucker | Dona Drumheller |
| Pauline Ford | Gertrude Moyer |
| Eveline Lenker | Fran Beck |
| Lewis Marotto | Carol Moyer |
| Eileen Bowersox | Joyce Dressler |
| Dora Jarrett | Helen Boyer |

Those who are Serving Military...

- Johnathan Baker
- William Klinger
- Jonathan Swank
- Robert D. Hufnagle-U.S. Marine
(Linda Hager's Grandson)
- Justin Eroh - U.S. Navy
(John & Connie Eroh's Grandson)
- Christopher Pelishek - U.S. Army (Pastor Robert & Margaret Bavender's Grandson)
- Melvin Smith II



Witness about Jesus Christ and your church by placing a yard sign in your yard. The signs are \$10.00 each. You can call the church or sign the form in the Narthex.



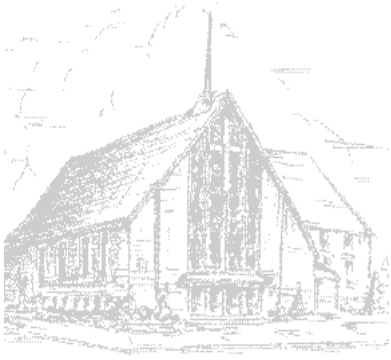
Is there a special occasion coming up in your family? Why not celebrate with Altar Flowers at Trinity UMC?

There are multiple open Sundays for Altar Flowers. The cost is \$25 for both vases. See sign-up sheet in narthex, to the left of the front doors, as you are coming up the steps. Or see Pam Heim 473-8144

OUR WORSHIP SERVICES

- ❖ Blended worship service every Sunday 9am
- ❖ Refreshments offered every Sunday morning before and after Church service.
- ❖ Come prepared to worship and receive what the Lord has for you.

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*"He restores my soul."
Psalm 23:3a (NIV)*