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This book club meets the 3rd Friday of each month at 10am in conference room 1 here at Trinity UMC! The next meeting is February 16th with Bonnie Snyder leading the discussion over 'All My Knotted-Up Life: A Memoir' by Beth Moore. This group is led by Kim Wright and they enjoy seeing new faces and receiving new viewpoints in their monthly book discussions! If you enjoy reading, I highly encourage you to stop in and meet everyone!

- March 15th - 'Lessons in Chemistry' by Bonnie Garmus
 - April 19th - 'Mayflower: A Story of Courage, Community, and War' by Nathaniel Philbrick
 - May 17th - 'Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine' by Gail Honeyman
 - June 14th - gathering for 2024-2025 book selection
- "Reading furnishes the mind only with materials of knowledge; it is thinking that makes what we read ours." — John Locke**

Trinity Family News & Notes . . .



Jan./Feb Birthdays 90+

Carolyn Snider 91 yrs. - January 17th
Paul Shin 93 yrs. - January 30th
Margaretha Timmerman 99 yrs. - February 22nd

Free Store....is in need of blankets, sheets, towels and personal hygiene items. (the small sample/ hotel sizes work best). Men's winter clothing, along with hats and gloves.



Parents of college and military students: It's time to send out our care packages from our "church family"! Please submit their address to Crystal in the church office by **Feb 1st!**

February Anniversaries 50+



James & Donna Frederick 58 yrs. - 2/12/1966

C.U.P.

The C.U.P. Board has created a calendar for member churches to donate hygiene items. In February, we're asked to donate toothbrushes/ toothpaste. There is a box in the narthex area to place donations in.



Good morning Trinity,
Thank you for such a wonderful weekend! As always, the Trinity volunteers were exceptional. You make us feel so welcome, and we just love performing there!

All my best,

Elizabeth Brown-Ellis

Executive Director - Lima Symphony Orchestra

Meet Trinity's Servant Leadership Board!

The purpose of Trinity's Servant Leadership Board (SLB) is "to help accomplish Trinity's mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world" as set forth in the United Methodist Book of Discipline. In other words, the SLB is to guide the operations and ministries of the church to allow its congregation to actively participate in ministry endeavors and its staff to dedicate more time to developing ministry leaders.

Current members of Trinity's SLB are listed below, and you can approach any of them with your ideas and concerns regarding the operations and ministry of Trinity UMC.

Pastor Jim Nathan – Lead pastor

Linda Fox-Miller – SLB vice chairperson

Dennis Hefner – Co-Trustees chairperson

Kevin Reeks – Co-Finance chairperson

Jeff Wright – Co-SPRC chairperson

Valerie Thompson – Hospitality chairperson

Sheila Rowe – Missions chairperson

Larry Huber - SLB chairperson

John Mulder – Co-Trustees chairperson

Polly McConnel – Co-Finance chairperson

Patty Reed – Co-Staff-Parish Relations Committee

Matt Boutin – Worship chairperson

Beth Bartels – Discipleship chairperson

Meetings of the SLB are held every month (except July and December) on the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30P. Minutes of the meetings are available to anyone but a few highlights from January's meeting are below:

1. Work on Pastor Jim's Five Goals is getting started. Last fall Pastor Jim announced five goals for Trinity's congregation. The five goals are to create time capsule to be opened in 2025, start a young adult ministry, develop the use of surveys as part of worship, consider how to better utilize the parlor, and visibly engage in partnering with an outside ministry. SLB is moving forward with two of these goals—the time capsule and the parlor. If interested in being part of these endeavors, contact Patty Reed about the time capsule and Valerie Thompson about the parlor.

2. The 2024 operating budget was approved.

3. Another mission trip to Cuba is being planned for April 9-16.

Other notes:

□ Randy Bartels graciously volunteers his time to oversee Trinity's budget and finances. However, he is in need of another person to learn and help in this endeavor. If you or someone you know enjoys working with finances and accounting, please contact Randy or the church office.

□ Just a reminder that our Senior Pastor, our Associate Pastor, and our church Office Manager are all new to Trinity! This is a major change for our congregation and for them, so please...get to know them, let them know of your desires, expectations, and concerns, and be open to new ways and ideas for doing things here at Trinity!

Submitted by Kim Wright, SLB secretary

Trinity United Methodist Church Calendar - February 2024

All events and activities listed are subject to change.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28 7:30am Breakfast Worship 10:30am Radio Broadcast 12pm 1pm Hispanic Worship	29 6:30am Monday Morning Men ... 10am Monday Morning Women Hispanic Bible Study	30 2:30pm Lima Music Academy 6pm Pastor Led Bible Study 7pm TOPS	31 7am Men's Bible Study 11:30am Soup Kitchen 4pm TOPS	1 7:30pm Choir Practice	2 7pm Hispanic Worship	3
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February Church Schedule

Liturgists

February 4 John Mulder
February 11 Kevin Reeks
February 18 Grant Sullivan
February 25 Cathy Woodward

Usher Pam Laules

Greeters Vickye Laules and Polly McConnell

Attendance Takers Brian Clymer and Linda Fox-Miller

Communion Servers (1st Sunday)

Beth Bartels, Barb Davis, Janice Reed, Patty Reed

The Chimes



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"In the heart of the city, sharing the heart of Christ."



In other words....

This past week, the Servant Leadership Board met and re committed to working on the five goals that I had set before the congregation last fall. While we are not attempting to tackle them all at once, (and actually one has been removed because the required partnership is not agreeable to the plan), but we are prioritizing where to begin.

The Time Capsule:

The Time Capsule creates a great opportunity to turn a page from our past to our future. We want to share a little of what these past few years have meant (both in terms of the good and the bad) to the congregation. We have been through a lot. But more than anything, we want to claim that we do have a future. When the church in general is under attack and being threatened as to its relevance; it is time to claim that we do have purpose and meaning in this day and age, that we have something to offer to the larger community and that there will be a congregation to open that time capsule in the year 2125. Patty Davis, Beth Bartells and Matt Boutin are participating in leading a team to help discern what items and stories we capture to place in the capsule and how we will celebrate the event. They are looking for at least three more people to help in that process. If you would have interest in participating in fulfilling this goal, contact one of them, or let us know through the office.

The Parlor

Every church has that space that does not get used for weeks, sometimes even months. If we are not careful, that space can be like opening the time capsule we just discussed. Our Parlor has become just such a space. There was a day when there would be grand receptions following weddings, or funerals, people would hold family reunions in the church; those days are gone. It is time for us to reimagine how we use this space and how to encourage people to use it again. Valarie Thompson and Dennis Hefner need several people to join them in looking at the Parlor. Consider the ways this space could be used and upgraded. Finding the answers to those questions will lead us in what exactly we need to do in remodeling the space for use in today's church. We want to continue to increase the opportunities for everyone to be involved in the work of moving Trinity UMC into a vital place of mission that will continue to serve Lima, Ohio and the world.

See ya in church!

Pastor Jim