



The ACORN

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Summer Reading

Summer's a great time to curl up with a great book. I've found these two especially insightful and wanted to share them with you. I look forward to your insights and "ah ha's."

- [Chasing Francis: A Pilgrim's Tale](#) by Ian Morgan Cron

Pastor Chase Falson has lost his faith in God, the Bible, evangelical Christianity, and his super-sized megachurch. When he falls apart, the church elders tell him to go away: as far away as possible. Join Chase on his life-changing journey to Italy where, with a curious group of Franciscan friars, he struggles to resolve his crisis of faith by retracing the footsteps of Francis of Assisi, a saint whose simple way of loving Jesus changed the history of the world.

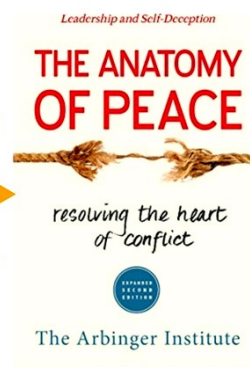
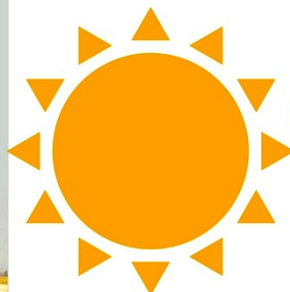
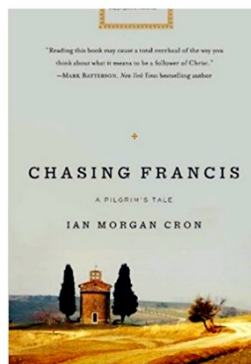
- [The Anatomy of Peace: Resolving the Heart of Conflict](#) by The Arbinger Institute

Through a moving story of parents who are struggling with their own children and with problems that have come to consume their lives, we learn from once-bitter enemies the way to transform personal, professional, and global conflicts, even when war is upon us. An international bestseller that instills hope and inspires reconciliation.

Current small groups are welcome to discuss the books on their own. You're also welcome to form a new book club for one or both books. (Let me know if you do!) I'll also be scheduling some book club discussions throughout the summer at the parsonage, the church, a local coffee shop, or some other fabulous place you might recommend. Happy Reading!
– Lisa <><

Summer Reading

TRINITY. SARASOTA



Sermon Series

What is Church?

Jesus calls us and gathers us in beautiful and unique ways.

In May, we'll continue exploring Biblical images of what it means to be God's people.

May 6

Holy Communion at both services

Sermon Title: The Body of Christ

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31

May 13 **Mother's Day**

Blessing all the women and girls at both services

Sermon Title: The Place of Belonging, the Family of God

Scripture: Ephesians 2:11-19



May 20 **Graduate Sunday and Pentecost Celebration**

Blessing and honoring high school, GED, tech school and college graduates at both services. Please invite the graduates in your life to attend and let us know their names so we can have a gift ready for them.

Sermon Title: A People on Fire

Scripture: Acts 2:1-4; Matthew 3:11; Romans 12:1

May 27 **Memorial Day Weekend**

Armed Forces Day and Memorial Day remembrance as part of the services

Sermon Title: A People Persecuted

Scripture: Acts 5:12-42

How to Stay Connected -

Our Facebook page, [Trinity United Methodist Church Sarasota](#) is the best place for reminders, updates and the latest pictures.

Whenever at Church, be sure to CHECK IN on Facebook to help your friends find our Church.

Check out and Share the Facebook page for [Trinity Preschool Sarasota](#).

Trinity UMC, Sarasota: Who We Are

God's Vision- Why we do what we do

God is love.

We are called to share that love and the hope we've found in Jesus Christ with all people.

[John 3:16-17](#); [1 John 4:16](#)

God's Mission- What we do

Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World

[Matthew 28:18-20](#)

Growth from no faith/little faith to spiritual maturity:

No or Nominal Relationship with Jesus Christ



Fully Devoted Follower of Jesus Christ
Able to mentor another disciple

The Evidence We've Accomplished God's Mission

Transformed lives transforming the world by the grace and power of Jesus Christ

[Romans 6:4](#); [Matthew 6:10](#)

Our Values- How We Accomplish God's Work

[Ephesians 1:15-23](#); [1 Peter 2:16-17](#); [Galatians 3:26-29](#); [Luke 14:12-14](#); [Matthew 25:34-40](#); [1 Peter 4:8-9](#);
[Luke 10:25-36](#); [Acts 2:37-47](#); [Genesis 1:26-27](#); [John 13:34-35](#); [Luke 7:36-50](#)

- We are Christ Centered
 - *We place our trust in Jesus Christ as our Savior and Leader
- We choose to be family to one another
 - *For many of us, our church family is more of a family to us than our biological family
 - *Commitment to deep community, mutual support, caring, collaboration, servant-hearted living, faith in action
 - *We are better together
- We value hospitality
 - *Far more than friendly or welcoming
 - *Belonging, acceptance, openness
- We value genuineness
 - *Honest with God, each other, and our community
 - *Transparent, real, down to earth
- We value respect
 - *All persons are made in the image of God
 - *Dignity of all and for all

Leadership Council

Church Conference and Leadership Council Meeting

Saturday, May 5 in Haley Hall

- 8:30am Gathering and Continental Breakfast
- 9:00am Worship and Church Conference
One Item: Approval of midyear nominations to Trustees, SPRT, and Nominations
- 9:30am Leadership Council Meeting
Reports on the New Website,
70th Anniversary Year,
Family Fun Week,
Healthy Conversation Initiative
- 11:00am Drafting a Church Leadership Covenant
- 12:30pm Dismissal

Youth Ministry Internship

Trinity UMC is seeking a year-round Youth Ministry Intern to assist our Director of Children & Youth Ministries in the organization and leadership of our youth group programming on Wednesday Evenings. The ideal candidate will set a positive, Christ-like example that includes:

Building relationships with neighborhood youth, both encouraging them and challenging them in their faith.

Having fun, leading group games

Basic programming set up and clean up.

This position is 5 hours per week (4pm-9pm)

To apply, email trinity@iTrinity.org or call 941/924-7756 ext. 158

Photo Directory

We expect the new Photo Directories to arrive around the first of May.

If you had your picture taken, a free directory will be provided for you. As soon as they arrive, we will have them available at the Welcome Center in the Courtyard on Sundays.

Graduates!

Graduates! Trinity wants to honor your accomplishment!

Please email trinity@iTrinity.org with names of graduating High School, Vo-Tech, GED, and College students and their immediate plans. Send pictures too!

We will recognize all of our 2017-2018 school year graduates at both Worship Services on May 20.



Scholarships are considered for eligible students who are active members of Trinity.

Applications and guidelines are available in the church office, Haley Hall and the Sanctuary Resource Table. Deadline is May 31st.

Finance Team Report

TUMC DOLLARS AND CENTS
(does not include designated funds)



Jan-March income
\$102,725
(with prepaid pledges prorated)

Jan-March spending
\$ 99,959

30% of apportionments
(\$12,888) paid through March.

Liturgists needed

Please contact Diane Freestone, if you would like to be a Liturgist for the 10:30 Traditional Service.

The Basics

memory loss, dementia and Alzheimer's disease

An education program by the Alzheimer's Association.

Alzheimer's disease is not a normal part of aging.

If you or someone you know is affected by Alzheimer's disease or dementia, it's time to learn the facts. This program provides information on detection, causes and risk factors, stages of the disease, treatment and much more

Tuesday, May 22

3:00 p.m.

Trinity United Methodist Church, 4150 S. Shade Ave., Sarasota, FL

Presented by Sue Fox, M.A., Alzheimer's Association Florida Gulf Coast Chapter
Free-will donation to the Alzheimer's Association will be taken.

RSVP Preferred to 800.272.3900

Church contact: Tammy tm Barnett@comcast.net or (941) 924-7756



In Need of a Resource to Help You Through a Difficult Time?

Are you or someone you know going through a difficult circumstance such as divorce, depression, financial stress, anxiety, or death of a loved one? Care Notes are topic related booklets which say the right words at the right time and make a healing difference in people's lives. These booklets communicate that God cares and is near no matter what situations you or your loved ones are facing. This Care note display can be found in the back of the Sanctuary.

Friendship Class

“It Must Be the Will of God”

How often have you heard this phrase, or perhaps said it yourself? This statement has been used and abused. The Friendship Class will study and discuss our new book, The Will of God, by Leslie Weatherhead, beginning Sunday, April 29.

One of our recent studies had this quote, “Dedicated to the memory of Leslie Weatherhead and Harry E. Fosdick, two of my heroes among pastors for the way they invite their parishioners and readers to engage their intellects as well as their hearts and not settle for a religion of half truths.” (Weatherhead has been studied in seminaries and Fosdick was my father’s favorite).

Pastor Mike Loomis preached a series of 3 sermons on this book some years ago. Later I gave this book to a skeptical, unchurched woman. When she returned it, one of her very favorable comments was, “Everyone should read this book.”

Our class engages in much discussion but you may just listen if that is your desire. The class facilitators include Fritz Springer, Larry McDorman, Betty Shipley, and Barbara Ellsworth.

We welcome you to join us when we begin this new study on April 29th at 9 am in the Mary Hill Room. - Barbara Ellsworth

Membership Secretary

Help Us Keep In Touch!

Has your contact information changed? If so, please let me know so I can update our records. We want to keep in touch with you so we can continue to serve you and share news about everything that’s going on at Trinity.

Thank you.

Membership Secretary, Nancy Smith

nancy@iTrinity.org or call Church office on Tuesdays

May Birthdays



Barbara Bergman	5/1
Mary Lou Lawson	5/1
Kevin Tippen	5/2
Sean Hamilton	5/2
L.J. Gibbs	5/5
Joy Moyer	5/7
Connor Thomas	5/8
Nora Kuhn	5/9
David Liller	5/9
Jim McWhinnie	5/11
Gayle Ramirez	5/11
Mary Catherine Scott	5/15
Becki Creighton	5/16
George Pierce	5/16
James Tay	5/20
Hannah Marks	5/24
Nancy Masterson	5/24
Thomas Hankins	5/25
Chip Anthofer	5/26
Mary Beth Day-Karl	5/26
Jon Sprenger	5/26
Omer Quesnel	5/29
Bob McGuirt	5/30
Nicholas Schwied	5/31

May Anniversaries

Bruce and Phyllis Landis	5/3
Mark and Julie Calmes	5/5
Sam & Linda Cipoletti	5/5
Omer & Beverly Quesnel	5/6
James and Tammy Barnett	5/12
Henry and Mary Lou Schnathmann	5/14
Richard & Diane Ladny	5/15
George & Pam Pierce	5/16
Mark and Pam Anthofer	5/23
Craig and Cindy Jorgensen	5/26



May 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Every Sunday: 9:00 am & 10:30 am Worship 9:00 am & 10:30 am Adult Small Groups Nursery Hours 9 -11:30 a.m. Promise Kids 9 - 10:30 a.m. Youth Praise Band 10:30 am	Every Monday: 6:00 am Breakfast Group at Dennys	Every Tuesday 9 am TVB Rehearsals 10:30 am Program Staff	TGIWednesday: 8 am: 40 minutes of hymns, a devotion and communion 8:45 am GlorYoga 11 am: Pastor's Bible Study *4 pm: Tutoring 4:30 pm Bible Buddies 5:15 pm Kidz Chorus 6 pm TGIW Dinner *6 pm Youth Group 7 pm X-Claim Rehearsal 7 pm Wascally Wesleyans	Every Thursday: 9:00 am Sanctuary Team 2pm Daniel Plan 4 pm GlorYoga 6:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsals	Every Friday: 8:00 am Breakfast Group at Tasty Home Cookin' 11am Book Study at Der Dutchman Sun Porch Church Office Closed	(Other weekly small groups available - iTrinity.org for more information.)
		1 6 pm Board of Trustees	2 TGIWednesday Schedule (see above)	3	4	5 8:30 am Leadership Council
6 9:00 am XClaim! Contemporary Worship 10:30 am Traditional Worship 1:00 pm Brookdale ALF Worship	7 10 am Nancy Crase Memorial Service 12:30 pm Hannah Circle at E. Miller's	8 noon Ruth Circle, Stoney Brook 6:30 pm Persis Circle	9 TGIWednesday schedule (see above)	10	11	12
13 Mother's Dsy UMW hosting Coffee Hours 9:00 am XClaim! Contemporary Worship 10:30 am Traditional Worship	14 6:30 pm Preschool Board meeting	15	16 TGIWednesday Schedule (see above)	17	18 Preschool end-of-year PotLuck	19 4 pm - 8 pm Emmaus Gathering, Haley
20 Pentecost 9:00 am XClaim! Contemporary Worship 10:30 am Traditional Worship	21 11:30 am Ladies Lunch Lift @ TooJays 12noon Men's Lunch Bunch	22 3 - 5 pm Alzheimer's Association Program Haley Hall	23 Acorn Published TGIWednesday Schedule (see above)	24	25	26
27 Youth serving Pancakes 9 am XClaim! Contemporary Worship 10:30 am Traditional Worship	28 MEMORIAL DAY Church Office Closed	29 9:30am Arts & Crafts Group	30 TGIW Summer Dinner Schedule begins	31		

PRAYERS....

PRAYER PROMPTORS

Please contact the Coordinator, Phyllis Pritchett with any special prayer request. Your request will be relayed through 60 prayer partners. Contact her by cell phone at 356-6943 or email phyllispritchett@hotmail.com

Please lift extra prayers for: Eddie Aguilera, Enos Allen, Jane Becker, Bobbie Bruce, Roy Cowles, Bud Duffey, Karen Duffey, Roz Eskew, Elizabeth Fonda, Johanna Friday, Ray Garriott, Vickie Gill, Janet Headley, Bert Hooglander, Dan Jackson, Ruth Jackson, Sara Kane, Susan Keyser, Helen Krotec, Luis Laborde, Mary Lou Lawson, Marg MacLaughlan, Janet Marine, Mitch Mitchell, Maryalice McIntyre, George Pierce, Rob Purser, Barbara Smith, Evan Smith, Hal Stanton, Debbie Utter, Joan Utter, Ron Williams, Pat Woodyard

Our Prayers are with Tammy Barnett and family on the death of her mother, Nancy Crase on April 11, 2018. A Memorial Service will be held at Trinity on Monday, May 7th at 10 am.

Also please pray for our military family: Justin Chivas, Ed Degrenia, Kevin Gifford, Tanner Holly, Gunnar Kral, Joshua Marsh, Dylan Mitchell, Eric Neumeier, May-Ree Neumeier, Brandon Oberkamp, Audrey Santana, Craig Scott, Greg Sutton, John Turley, Aaron Utter, Devin Voyles, Dylan Youngblood.

If you know someone you would like to be put on the Acorn prayer list, or if you wish to be removed, call the church office at 924-7756 or email phyllispritchett@hotmail.com



May 6

9:00 am: Julie Calmes
10:30 am: Lee & Joy Moyer
Welcome Center: Ethel Paki
Crucifer: Carly Ellsworth

May 13:

9:00 am: Mark and Margie Aukland
10:30 am: Jerry and Joy Voyles
Welcome Center: Marilyn Williams
Crucifer: Owen Woodyard

May 20:

9:00 am: Patty Leathers, George Hoskins
10:30 am: Tom and Diane Freestone
Welcome Center: Barbara Hunt
Crucifer: Marguerite Hankins

May 27:

9:00 am: Dave and Susan Francisco
10:30 am: Brenda Moore, Ruby Ralston
Welcome Center: Barbara Hohl
Crucifer: Mike Ray



We're happy to announce Pastor Lisa and her husband Ed will be returning as our pastoral family for the 2018-2019 appointment year

May Worship Leaders

Liturgist: John Ellsworth

Communion Prep:

9 am: Bev & Omer Quesnel
10:30: Jan Robertson, Solita Tay

Praise Reports / Glory Sightings



Many Thanks to Mary Raymond, Carol Harris, Phil Harris, Dave Masterson and Nancy Masterson for the beautifully landscaped garden in our courtyard.



Trinity Members and friends gave \$3,559.00 through our special Easter offering to Florida United Methodist Children's Home.

Thank You

From Ray Garriott -

I want to thank all the people for their prayers, cards, calls and drivers during my recent surgery and recovery

From Elizabeth Fonda -

Thank you for all your thoughts, prayers, calls and cards. It has meant a lot to me feeling your support in this medical nightmare I have been in. Thank you also for the beautiful Easter Lily. I hope I will be able to worship with you soon.

2018 is a Big Year!

50 Years Ago.... The United Methodist Church was officially formed on April 23, 1968 with the unification of the Methodist Church and the Evangelical Brethren Church, along with the dissolution of the Central Jurisdiction, a segregated group of African American congregations. Fifty years ago, 1,300 delegates and 10,000 visitors met in Dallas, Texas on April 23, 1968 to celebrate the formation of the newly-constituted United Methodist Church. This merger of 10.3 million Methodists and 750,000 members of the EUB Church resulted in one of the largest Protestant denominations in the world. Flags from fifty-three countries testified to the breadth of the new reality.

70 Years ago....

In June, 1948, Trinity Methodist Church was officially organized. The first services were held in a tent on land on Bee Ridge.

Makers of Merriment are gathering to brainstorm ideas for Trinity's Anniversary Celebration. Details coming soon.



A great turnout for the AARP Safe Driver Course. Thank you Lee Moyer for leading. This class on April 17th was his 65th class spanning 13 years and over 1,000 students. Your passion is making Sarasota a safer community!

Florida Conference Disaster Recovery Projects

The following article appeared on The Florida Conference Website in March, 2018.

Volunteer lands his dream job as Irma construction coordinator

It was the middle of January 2010 and Hank Lunsford came home to find his suitcase packed and sitting in the front yard. What was wrong? Lunsford wondered. Had he forgotten his anniversary or his wife Natasha's birthday? No and no. Lunsford tip-toed into the house and meekly said, "Hi," to his wife of 10 years. "What are you doing here? Aren't you leaving?" Natasha, a native of Ukraine, asked, pointedly. "Why am I leaving?" he responded. "There was an earthquake in Haiti today," she said. Natasha understands and appreciates that Lunsford is committed to mission work. It's a very good relationship that we have," Lunsford said recently. "She knows that I'm doing God's work, and she's thrilled to death to do what she can to help."

Last year Lunsford, who has spent many years doing volunteer mission work in rural Florida, was named by the Florida Conference as a construction coordinator for Hurricane Irma-related long-term disaster recovery projects in six Central Florida counties.

His territory stretches from Hendry (Lake Okeechobee) to Polk County. Conference officials expect Irma-related construction projects to continue for three to five years.

During the last week of February, Lunsford was working on a storm-damaged manufactured home in Zolfo Springs, about 50 miles east of Bradenton, with a six-member mission team from the Michigan Area of the UMC. A team of 44 will be coming soon from Indiana.

Lunsford jokes that he has a "spotted" background, from serving in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War and managing a job service office to teaching at a disaster response academy and at schools. A member of [Trinity United Methodist Church](#) in Sarasota, Lunsford also owned a miniature horse ranch. He worked at Doctors Hospital in Sarasota for 17 years, primarily in wound care and with specialty equipment.

Throughout the past 20 years, Lunsford has gone on three to five mission trips annually to places like Pahokee, Florida, which – located on the banks of low-lying Lake Okeechobee – floods nearby homes as a result of heavy rain.

In Zolfo Springs, he and the Michigan team reconstructed a home while the owners lived in a Federal Emergency Management Agency-supplied travel trailer in the backyard.

When officials determine the conference should look into repairing a particular home, they call the construction coordinator for that disaster recovery zone, one of five such zones in the conference. Lunsford and those with similar jobs in other zones work up cost estimates for materials to repair the homes or declare that they are too damaged to be repaired by volunteer labor.

"Sometimes I have to say no," Lunsford said, mindful that for some homeowners, lacking insurance and being rejected for funds by FEMA, United Methodist relief efforts are a last resort.

It's not often that someone lands a dream job at age 76, but that's what happened to Lunsford when he started in the coordinator position on Dec. 26, 2017. "The first paycheck I got, I felt like it was sinful to take it," he said. "I never dreamed that God would get me a job that I loved so much. I spend the whole day doing things for people who can't do for themselves."

He'd spend the whole night, too, if he could. And, he comes close. That's because Lunsford chooses to bunk with the mission teams that work with him for nearly a week at a time. Most recently, he and the Michigan team stayed overnight at [First United Methodist Church of Sebring](#).

"He's a dedicated volunteer and employee, and he's just one of those kinds of people you run into who keeps giving," Michigan mission team member Mike Skelton said.

During and after Irma, as the nearby Peace River filled up, a creek flooded the log cabin-like home the team is reconstructing near the end of a long, gravel road in rural Hardee County. The community was under five feet of water.

The walls, furniture, appliances and many other features of the home were ruined. Two churches anonymously donated about \$5,000 for construction materials. Then, Lunsford and the mission teams stepped in to provide labor.

Lunsford likes to regale Northern-residing team members with stories about Florida Crackers of past centuries. But when he reflected on previous disaster recovery efforts in Pahokee, with Trinity UMC, there were holes in his stories: holes in the roofs and holes in the floors of homes lacking windows and doors. Construction efforts varied, depending on the extent of the damage.

Sometimes they didn't make it pretty, he said, but "we made it practical and safe."

That's his goal with the conference projects.

--Ed Scott is a freelance writer based in Venice.

UMW Women News

UMW Executive Board will meet Tuesday May 1st at 9:30 am in Haley Hall. We will complete necessary business before our summer break (June - August).

Hannah Circle will meet on Monday May 7th for a pot-luck picnic at the pool pavilion behind Evelyn Miller's home. **We will gather at 12:30 pm. *Time change** Please note this is the first Monday in May. Not our usual 2nd Monday.

Ruth Circle will meet at Stoneybrook Golf and Country at noon on May 8th!

Persis Circle will meet Tuesday May 8th in Wesley Room at 6:30 pm.

UMW will host special coffee hours on Mother's Day, Sunday May 13th in honor of all women....those that are biological mothers and those women who care for many children as their own.

A note from UMW President Sherrill Carr:

I will be traveling to Columbus, Ohio, May 17 - 20 to attend the United Methodist Women's 20th quadrennial Assembly.. "The Power of Bold...When Women Unite, Bold and Courageous Actions Happen". Thousands of women will gather from around the US and the world for fellowship and to encourage faithful women to be stronger discipleship leaders in their communities.

Through moving worship, inspiring speakers, immersion experience exhibits, riveting workshops and town hall-style meetings, members will leave Assembly with the knowledge, courage and determination to change the world as part of a daring and compassionate 150 year - old movement. 2019 is UMW's 150 year anniversary....the skills and tools that I will receive at this Assembly should help propel us into the next years of turning faith, hope and love into action on behalf of women, children and youth around the world.

I am honored to be representing Trinity UMW at this Assembly. I pray to learn much and bring many ideas and much information back to our active UMW Unit.

Day 4 Hope

Day 4 Hope volunteers:

I am going to be away this summer so cannot actually be at the upcoming Day 4 Hope on August 4th but I fully support this outreach and want to help as much as I can. Nancy Master-son has agreed to join me in recruiting the many, many Trinity volunteers that are needed for the event and I will help up until I leave in June. Nancy then will oversee all the volunteers training in July and on the day of the event.

If you helped last year, you will be getting an email or be asked personally to serve in the same way this year. Please watch your emails for the request or check the Day for Hope Volunteer board that will be going up soon, where you can sign up.

If you have friends or relatives that would like to help...that would be wonderful...let us know!

If you were unable to help last year but are available this year...yay...let us know.

If you are new to Trinity and would like to volunteer...yay also...let us know.

We really need everyone's help...even just sitting in various areas and greeting as families come by is one possible way you can volunteer. Please prayerfully consider saying "yes, I'll help!" We will provide all information, training, etc.

Sincerely,

Sherrill Carr, Co chair Volunteer Coordinator



Day 4 Hope News

A community outreach event to serve the children in our school system who are homeless or in great need with the basics (medical exam, dental checkup, haircut, photos, gift cards for and/or new clothes/uniforms and shoes, backpack filled with school supplies, and bag of personal care items) to begin the first day of school on an even playing field.

**Save the Date:
Saturday, August 4, 2018
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Invitations to Day 4 Hope have been distributed by the school counselor at Phillippi Shores. 13 families associated with Trinity Church received invitations directly from the church. Marla Wagler will be recording the information from the registration forms in a database. Nancy Smith is building an email list of all registered families. These tools help us communicate with the families and prepare nametags and forms.

In the next few months we will be working on recruiting community volunteers. Day 4 Hope flyers are available in Haley Hall to help you explain Day 4 Hope and invite people to volunteer. Please help us by inviting folks! Here is a list of Trinity team leaders to contact if you have a person who would like to volunteer for one of the teams listed below.

Spanish Interpreters
Ian Bland 941-545-5667
irbland@yahoo.com

Hair Stylists/ Barbers
Sandy Robbins 941-356-3482
buzzurhead@gmail.com

Doctors PA's Nurses
Bev Quesnel 941-320-0239
bjq1951@gmail.com

Dentists Hygienists
Pam Pierce 941-706-1720
pamelapierce5@gmail.com



Creations in Olive Wood

Bethlehem Christian Families creations in olive wood

Items will be displayed in Haley Hall on June 3rd.

We will have a special opportunity to view products and creations in wood created by the hands of Christian artisans in and around the Holy Land region. The Rishmawi Family has been designated as the representative for these wonderful Christian artisans and has been authorized to show their olive wood carvings. The tradition of olive wood carvings in the Holy Land has been handed down from father to son since the 12th century. Due to the difficulties the last few years in the Middle East, tourism has been dramatically reduced and these folks have suffered greatly. This is causing the Christian community to immigrate to different countries leaving the Christian population in Bethlehem at 2% today from 25% ten years ago. We invite you to visit their display tables and view some of the finest handcrafts available from the Holy Land. You can also view these beautiful items online <http://www.bethlehem-art.com/>

TGIWSummer Dinner Out

Wednesday, May 30th begins the TGIW Summer Dinner Schedule. During the summer months, we gather together for Dutch-treat meals at nearby restaurants between 5:45* - 6:45 pm. Each week will be a different restaurant. Please sign up before noon the Tuesday before, so we can let the restaurant know how many will be attending. The sign-up sheet is on the ticket table in Haley Hall or call church office. We'll have a reserved area and a Trinity host will greet you and direct you to the Trinity table. Everyone orders and pays for their own meal. *Earlier time so that those wanting to attend Trinity TGIW small groups at 7 pm on Campus, will have time to do so.



Children & Youth Ministry

June 11-16 Summer Camp
warrenwilliscamp.org for more info

YOUTH SUMMER SCHEDULE

July 11

Late Night Sardines & Ice Cream party
7:00-10:00pm Meet in the Youth Room at
7:00pm Free!

July 25

Movie Matinee & Arcade Afternoon
11:11am-3:33pm
Meet in the Food Court at Sarasota Square
Mall. Bring \$10 to cover movie, lunch, & arcade

August 1

Ninja Warrior Night at Evo Athletics
6:00-9:00pm
Meet in the Youth Room at 6:00pm
(transportation provided)
Bring \$6 for admission

August 4

Day 4 Hope
itrinity.org or hope4c.us for more info

August 8

End of Summer Siesta Morning
7:00am-12:30pm
Morning at the beach including breakfast, beach
games, free time, and a brunch picnic
Meet in the Youth Room at 7:00am
Free!

September 5

Fall Kickoff for YOUTH GROUP
6:00-7:30pm
Meet in the Youth Room at 6:00pm

Pray for Me

Our commitment is to pray for our children and youth for one school year, allowing us to read through the guide three times before school is out. As we draw near the end and approach the home stretch, be encouraged to finish strong! Take time this final round to not only include your young person's name and the names of the other prayer champions on your team, but also include your name in your prayers, being open and honest before a God who is mighty to save!

Family Fun Week



FAMILY FUN WEEK

June 26-29

Psalm 91: God the Great Protector!

Tuesday – Friday 3:00-7:00pm

(all ages welcome; nursery provided for those 5 and under)

3:00pm Choose between Martial Arts Class, Painting Class, or Reading Program

4:00pm Inflatable Games and Obstacle Courses (water slides on Wednesday & Friday)

5:30pm Open Youth Room (air hockey, ping pong, foosball, basketball)

6:00pm Family Dinner (bring the whole family!)
Free! RSVP and questions: (941) 924-7756 ext.158

Opportunities to help with Family Fun Week:

- **Greeter/Hall Monitor**

Friendly welcome when children and youth arrive and ensure everyone is in the right place during program.

2:45-6:00pm Tuesday-Friday

- **Greeter/Dinner Server**

Friendly welcome when families arrive for dinner and serving food and drinks during the meal.

5:45-7:00pm Tuesday-Friday

- **Reading Program Supervisor/Librarian Leadership role for summer reading portion of program.**

2:45-4:00pm Tuesday-Friday

- **Reading Program Tutor**

Tutoring and reading with children of different educational backgrounds and levels.

3:00-4:00pm Tuesday-Friday

- **Psalm 91 Prayer Warriors**

Praying for the power of God's love to reach young families and impact our neighborhood during Family Fun Week (June 26-29). Pray without ceasing.

**Speak with Russ in person,
or call 924-7756 ext. 158 with questions.**



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Check out the new Facebook page for **Trinity Preschool**, too.

Head to the church website, www.iTrinity.org, for recordings of the Sunday messages and other great info.

Church Staff

Pastor: Rev. Lisa Ann Moss Degrenia
Traditional Worship Director: LaTerry Butler
Contemporary Worship Director: Trevor Pike
Congregational Care Director: Tee Ormiston
Director of Children/Youth Ministry: Russell Towery
Nursery Coordinator: Gennie Gyurica

Preschool Director: Pam Rader
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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
Monday thru Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Closed Friday