



# The Trinity Window

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 903 FOREST AVENUE, HENRICO, VA 23229

August 2016



## Pastor's Corner

Last week I taught a class at the University of Richmond's Osher Institute. (Beware: Trinity leader and Osher Institute Director Peggy Watson is tenacious and hard to say "no" to...) I was struck by the large and impressive group of people committed to lifelong learning.

On August 11 a huge Trinity contingent will sit together (we have a reserved section) at Faith Night at the Diamond. It's no secret, our real agenda is just getting to together for fun and fellowship. But, make no mistake, we will faithfully cheer on our Richmond Flying Squirrels. Go Nuts!

*Pub Theology* at Ardent on Aug 9; Westminster-Canterbury Celebration August 23; *Young at Heart* to the Riverside Theatre; Shalom Farm Day on August 20; Richmond Hill's Rev. Ben Campbell speaking to the UMW September 13. Perhaps the pattern is not readily apparent to you. If the church is *to be* the church, i.e. ambassadors of Christ to the world, then we must be *in the world*. We must be *connected* to the community. We cannot hide within the walls of Trinity. I rejoice at all these signs of a church that is very much a part of, and relevant to our community.

Our Lay Leader Teresa Given leads a very committed and energetic team committed to promoting these ties and opportunities under the heading of *Reaching New People*. Literally, we are called on to take the church outside our walls. They invite us to get to know and fall in love with the community around us. Be open and listen to them. They will challenge us in some wonderful ways. In these times of ours it has never been more important for the church of Jesus Christ to be engaged. Some of the ways we serve God are no less important because they are so pleasant. Take me out to the ballgame indeed!

Blessings,



## Faith Night at the Diamond

Come join your Trinity family for a Flying Squirrels baseball game! Come cheer on the Squirrels on **Thursday, August 11**, gates open at 5:30 PM with the game starting at 7:05 PM. Reserved seating tickets are **\$8**, sign up at [Trinityumc.net](http://Trinityumc.net) under Events. **Deadline to sign up is August 1.** Tickets will be picked up from Kim Tingler in the church office or before the game at the Diamond. For more information go to the webpage or call Kim Tingler at 288-6056. There will be fireworks after the game! **HAVE FUN! GO NUTS!**

## Fall Kick Off "Live Boldly"

**Sunday, September 11**

Come join us for a combined worship service at 10:45 AM, with Sunday School at 9:30 –10:30 AM. Our guest preacher for that day will be Dr. Richard Hardel. The service will be followed by a box picnic lunch on the grounds! Bring your signature dessert to share. After lunch there will be an "optional" session with Dr. Hardel in the Sanctuary. Childcare will be provided.

Here is some more information about Dr. Hardel: The Rev. Dr. Dick Hardel of FaithWellMT is an expert in areas of Faith Formation, Wellness, and Discipleship. Dick is an author, editor, publisher, educator, pastor, creative thinker, retreat leader, speaker, columnist, coach, consultant, and clown. After serving as a Lutheran pastor in South Dakota and Florida, he served as assistant to the Bishop in the Nebraska Synod of the ELCA. More recently, Dick served as the Executive Director and Senior Fellow at The Youth & Family Institute. He continues his work by writing/co-writing articles and books, and by speaking, preaching, and leading workshops, retreats, and seminars on faith formation.

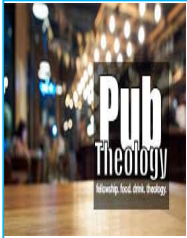


# Trinity Adult Ministries



## Wednesday Walkers

Join us each **Wednesday** at **3:30 PM** to walk around Trinity's beautiful neighborhood. We have developed a 2-mile loop that takes us about an hour to walk. We would love to have you join us!



## Pub Theology

A special thanks to everyone who has been attending Pub Theology sessions. Bowing to public demand, we will not break for the summer as previously announced. Our next gathering will be held on **Tuesday, August 9** from **6:30-8 PM** at **Ardent Brewery** in Scott's Addition (3200 W. Leigh St. Richmond, VA 23230). Pastor Larry will hold forth and field questions. What a great opportunity to invite your unchurched friends!

## Summer Forum



## Outreach Summer Forum

Please join us on Sunday, August 28 at 9:30 AM for the Outreach Summer Forum in Trinity Hall. Bob Sommerville and the McClure Bible Study Class will introduce us to Anjum Ali and Malik Kahn who will speak about the Muslim religion. Today's news is full of what other people have to say about Muslims and the religion of Islam, but many of us have a limited understanding of Islam. Ms. Anjum Ali and Mr. Malik Kahn, active members of RVA's Muslim community, will help us separate some of the facts from the fiction about the religion of Islam and Muslims. Malik is a past President of the Islamic Center of Virginia and Anjum works with Initiatives For Change - Hope In The Cities. A reminder that all adult Sunday school classes are asked to contribute a snack for the social gathering before the Forum starts. Any questions please contact Bill Pike: [bpike@trinityumc.net](mailto:bpike@trinityumc.net).

## Trinity Moms and More

Moms and More is a great way to connect to Trinity! Moms and More is a group that provides support and fellowship for mothers and caregivers in all stages of parenthood. We will meet on **Tuesday, August 9**, from **9:15 – 11:15 AM**. We hope you will join us! We provide free childcare and there is no commitment or fee to join. Contact Krystal Hawke or Natalie Russell for more information ([trinitymomsandmore@gmail.com](mailto:trinitymomsandmore@gmail.com)).



## August & September Events

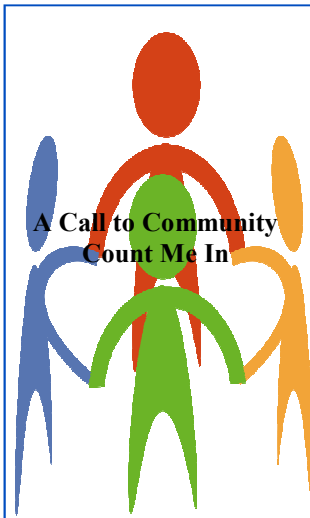


On **August 24** Young at Heart will take to the road to see "Oklahoma!" at the Riverside Center in Fredericksburg. Lunch, tax, gratuity and the play is \$60 per person. We will leave Trinity around 10 AM and return around 6 PM. Registration will take place on Sunday, July 31 and August 7 in Connection Alley at church, or anytime with Judy Oguich.

**September 22 – 12:30 PM** lunch by Kelly Kindle, sharing "Your Favorite Vacation".

## Westminster Canterbury Celebration

Trinity will go to Westminster Canterbury on **Tuesday, August 23** from **3:30-4:30 PM** to visit and worship with our members in residence there. Join us in the Jaquelyn Room to share fellowship and then for Holy Communion in their lovely chapel. The residents there look forward to having our members come for this time together and hear of the activities at Trinity and reconnect with members there. To volunteer, or to provide refreshments, contact Nancy Owen at 740-7615 or [neowen1@verizon.net](mailto:neowen1@verizon.net).



## Racial Justice In Richmond

**Rev. Ben Campbell,**  
guest speaker

**Tuesday, September 13**  
**10:15 AM, Trinity Hall**

Bring a salad/brunch item to share following program.

Everyone Welcome.  
Sponsored by *Trinity United Methodist Women*  
Board meeting at 9:00 AM in Mastin Room.

## Trinity Wants all Rising 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Graders For **S. W. A. G.**

Summer Week of Awesome Games  
August 15-18

6:30 - 9:00 PM at Trinity in Eaton Hall

It's all FUN, it's FREE and it's all about youth  
Fellowship

EACH YEAR MIDDLE SCHOOLERS LEARN TO  
DRIVE AT SWAG!

There's no need to sign up, just come when you can  
Contact Ann Marie Blackmon with questions

[Annmarie\\_blackmon@yahoo.com](mailto:Annmarie_blackmon@yahoo.com)

Note: Parents, please sign kids in the first night



## Trinity Website: Did You Know?

Did you know that Trinity's new website is now **six months old**?! We gave the entire site a makeover last fall and launched the new [trinityumc.net](http://trinityumc.net) in December. We hope that you have been using the new site, and want to hear your feedback so that we can continue to improve. We've created a quick survey to help us do just that. Please visit: [bit.ly/TUMC-Web-Survey](http://bit.ly/TUMC-Web-Survey) to take the survey. Thanks for your help!



## Mission FootPrint 5K

The sixth annual Mission FootPrint 5K will take place on Saturday, September 10. This event is being coordinated with River Road Church, Baptist, and Third Church. The Kids Fun run/walk will start at 7:30 a.m. followed by the 5K at 8:00 a.m. The cost will be \$5.00 for the Kids Fun run/walk, \$25.00 per individual for the 5K run/walk, \$60.00 per family for the 5K run/walk, and the cost for the 5K will jump to \$30.00 per individual starting Tuesday, September 6. Details for on-line registration can be found on the church website. If you would like to volunteer, commit as a corporate sponsor, or be a part of the 5K committee, please contact Bill Pike or Sheila Norfleet. And don't forget the Golden Shoe trophy will be awarded to the church who registers the most participants. More runners and walkers participating means a better distribution of proceeds for CARITAS, and the Micah Initiative. See you September 10!

## Six Great Dates

Join us for six Friday nights, beginning Friday, September 16! (The other dates are October 7, November 4, December 2, January 6, February TBA). Join our own Allison Sprinkle for six great dates! Couples will come and prepare a delicious meal together, followed by conversation starters to help couples continue to strengthen their relationship. Interaction with the other couples will be an added bonus! Childcare will be provided at no cost for those who need it. Attendance at all six dates is encouraged, as the conversation starters will build on one another. Allison will welcome topics for discussion at future dates as well.

Register with Judy Oguich – [joguich@trinityumc.net](mailto:joguich@trinityumc.net). We will be in the Welcome Center August 28, September 4 and September 11 to greet folks and answer any questions.

## Career Prospectors

Are you in-between jobs, or looking to change careers? Come to Trinity Hall on Tuesday, August 9 to meet with the Career Prospectors group beginning at 7:30 AM until 10 AM. Meet with professionals who have networked and will present information to assist in job searching. For more information, contact Charlie Wood at 804-512-0325, or [charliewood@attributesforsuccess.com](mailto:charliewood@attributesforsuccess.com).



## Cans for Flowers

Volunteers deliver the altar flowers from our Worship services each Sunday to those who are recovering from surgery, dealing with illness, or are homebound and unable to attend Worship. The flower arrangements are delivered in cans that are covered with decorative paper. We usually get our cans from our caterer, Kelly Kindle, but since she's not cooking over the summer we are running short. Can you help? We use the 46 ounce juice cans (*tomato juice, pineapple juice*) and they are the perfect size needed! Just rinse them out and bring them to the office for Paula Cadden. Thanks!



## Gifts to Trinity

Gifts were received at Trinity for:

In memory of **Mr. Phil Kester** to **Trinity Foundation Memorial Fund**

In memory of **Mrs. Ella Ruth Blanton** to **Trinity Foundation Memorial Fund**

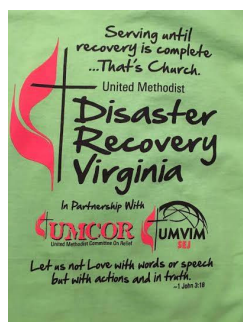
In Honor of **Mr. & Mrs. Jesse Peele** to **Trinity UMC Challenge Appeal**

# Children At Trinity

## Summer Mission Kids - Supporting the Tornado Relief Effort – August 18

The Virginia United Methodist Volunteers in Mission (UMVIM) is starting the long term recovery disaster relief effort to address the devastation left behind after the tornados hit Waverly, Appomattox and Tappahannock in February of this year.

**Day of Mission** is for kids and parents interested in making & delivering lunch in Waverly and learning more about the VA Conference Tornado Relief Effort. We are scheduled for **August 18**. We will meet at 9 AM. Contact Leila Denton [ldenton@trinityumc.net](mailto:ldenton@trinityumc.net) if interested or for more information.



## To Trinity Servants

Thanks to all who have signed up. **We still need many more servants to help with our nursery and children's Sunday school classes for this coming year.**

- At 8:15 AM** Nursery – 1 person for 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays  
**At 9:30 AM:** Toddler – 2 people each for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays  
Nursery 3 - 2 people each for 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter (Dec – Feb) and 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter (Mar – May)  
Nursery 4 – 1 helper each for 1<sup>st</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays  
Kindergarten - 2 people for 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter (Mar – May)  
**At 10:45 AM:** Crib & Toddler – 1 person for 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays  
3 – 4 Year Olds - 2 people each for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays

This is 22 different slots where people are needed. If you have questions or wish to reserve a servant position, contact the Carrie Jared, Jenny Murphy or Ann Vaughan at [trinityumceducation@gmail.com](mailto:trinityumceducation@gmail.com).

## 2016/17 Teacher and Nursery Volunteer Orientation and Training

This year we want to make the Teacher Orientation and Training session a priority; it is so important that we all be on the same page and make this the best year ever for our children. Also, this year we are trying to help you by covering the Annual Child Protection Training requirement in the same meeting. So, by coming you will not need to do the annual online training.

1<sup>st</sup> quarter Teachers (September, October, November) and all Nursery Volunteers please join us for one of the Orientation/Training sessions:

- **10:45 AM on Sunday, August 14 in the Mastin Room**
- OR
- **10:45 AM on Sunday, August 21 in the Mastin Room**

If you are *not* teaching the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter, you may wish to come to the Orientations which will be scheduled in November (for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter) and February (for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter).

## VBS 2016

What a great Surf Shack Vacation Bible School!! It was a fantastic week of Bible Stories, sharing God's love, singing, playing, creating, building and learning! A huge amount of items for OakGrove/Bellemeade schools, Sherbourne UMC Food Pantry, Honduras, and Richmond Animal League were brought in by the children. The 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> graders built and delivered Blue Bird Houses to Oak Grove Elementary.



# Serve Opportunities



## Shalom Farms

Trinity Volunteers will be heading to Shalom Farms in Western Goochland County on **Saturday, August 20**. We will meet in the Stuart Hall Parking lot at 8 AM and return around 12:30 PM. This is a wonderful opportunity for those of all ages who love the outdoors to help with Shalom's mission of raising and providing produce to families who do not have access to fresh fruits and vegetables. Contact Teresa Given at [tdagiven@gmail.com](mailto:tdagiven@gmail.com) for more information or to sign up to attend.

## Summer Sunshine

Would your small group like to share "Summer Sunshine" with a local organization? As we continue our effort to get Trinity outside the walls of our building and into the community, we invite groups to take baked goods, snacks or light lunches to different organizations serving our area. "Summer Sunshine" will continue all summer long, so you can choose a time that is convenient for your group.

"Summer Sunshine" is modeled after the "Lenten Love Project." During the six weeks of Lent, small groups in our church visited Fire Station 8, the Tuckahoe YMCA, the Tuckahoe Library, the Tuckahoe Volunteer Rescue Squad, Henrico Doctors Hospital ER, CrossOver Ministries, and the Forest Hill Rescue Squad and Fire Department. The reception and interaction was amazing, and brought much joy to those who participated.

If your group would like to participate, please let us know if you have an organization you would like to visit or if you would like a suggestion, so that we can avoid duplicate efforts. We can provide a Trinity note card on which to write a message to the recipients of your "Sunshine." If your group would like to participate, or if you have questions, please contact Teresa Given, [tdagiven@gmail.com](mailto:tdagiven@gmail.com).

## Phones Needed

Please donate your old cell phones (**with chargers, without service contracts, and with personal information removed**) to the YWCA's Women's Advocacy Program to be given to survivors of abuse to call 911. Bring them to Mission Central, the room down the hall from the church office toward the sanctuary, and leave them in the designated receptacle there. This is a great way to recycle and could save someone's life! If you have questions contact Anne Burch at 270-1661,

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## Mattaponi Healing Eagle Clinic

Thank you, Trinity, for your faithful generosity for the Mattaponi Healing Eagle Clinic. For our June 11, 2016 Clinic Day, we collected 12 boxes of assorted OTC medicines and supplies and \$1,435 to help pay for their prescription medicines. They wouldn't have the resources to continue their Clinic without our help. Know that our donations have made a difference in the lives of Native Americans in Virginia through the Clinic. A special thank you goes to Don Pierce for annually coordinating with the Friends of Barnabas which share some of their OTC medicines and supplies with the Clinic. Trinity is truly a community of faithful believers and disciples of Christ.



## Our Stewardship

*"We will be loyal to the United Methodist Church and uphold it by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness."*

## Our Presence:

Day	7/3	7/10	7/17	7/24
Worship Service	389	417	431	436
Sunday School	171	246	228	198

## Our Gifts as of June 30:

Projected income to date:	\$1,640,000
Actual income year to date:	<u>\$1,631,832</u>
Excess (-shortfall)	-\$ 8,168



## Joys and Concerns

### Birth

*Theodore O'Callaghan Smith born on June 29 to Catherine and John-Scott Smith. His grandmother is Dale Miller*

### Baptisms

*Colt Utley, Luke Helms*

### Wedding

*Congratulations to the following couple who were recently married:  
Jenny Walsh and Evan Lankford who were married on June 25*

### Our sympathies to...

*Cheryl Walsh whose husband Bill Walsh died July 5  
The family of Phillip Kester who died June 24*



## Sanctuary Pews

On Sunday mornings when you sit in a pew, do you wonder who takes the time to sharpen the pencils, or to make sure there are blank sheets in the Guest

Books, or who has straightened the hymnals and removed the previous week's bulletins from the hymnal rack? We have dedicated teams of volunteers who give their time each week to straighten the pew racks, but we are in need of a new team (*one person can do this, but it's more fun to have a buddy!*) for one week every month – to prepare for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month. If you would like additional information or to volunteer, contact Paula Cadden in the Church office at [pcadden@trinityumc.net](mailto:pcadden@trinityumc.net) or 288-6057 ext. 201.

## **NewsLetter DEADLINE** NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the next Window is **Monday, August 22, at 4 PM for events taking place in September.** Articles may be submitted prior to the deadline, and we encourage early submissions. Articles must be submitted in writing with the contact person's name and phone number to Kim Tingler, [ktingler@trinityumc.net](mailto:ktingler@trinityumc.net).



## Thank You Notes

### Food Truck Thanks

Despite the summer heat, we appreciate everyone who came out on July 13 for our annual Food Truck night. The food, fellowship, music, and a special appearance by Nutzy made for a nice evening. Additionally, we would like to thank the Trinity staff for all of the prep work for staging this event, and for everyone who helped with the set up and clean up.

## Health & Well-Being Ministry

### Blood Pressure Screening

Blood pressure screening is a good monitoring tool and is highly recommended, especially if you are taking high blood pressure medicine. Blood pressure screenings are held in the Parlor on the second Sunday of each month after each service.

The hours on each Sunday are **9:00 – 9:30 AM, 10:30 - 11:00 AM and 12:00 – 12:30 PM.** For questions contact Kathy Barksdale at 288-0239.

### Blood Drive

A big thank you to each of the **32 people** who attended our summer VBS Drive. Chef Ronnie's **Breakfast Bistro** opened to great acclaim and sold out! **We met our goal of 36 units.**

Please mark your calendar for **October 9.**

Sincerely,

**Mary Hetzel, Kathy Barksdale, and Sidney Buford**

Thank you blood donors,

For a number of years I have been a Trinity United Methodist Church blood donor and recently learned the value of blood donations.

Approximately three months ago, I was hospitalized for four days and had to receive three units of whole blood. I had never received blood before and had only donated blood. This experience really showed me the value of our blood donations and I commend anyone able to donate blood.

It really does save lives!

**Tom Rockhold**