

The Trinity Window

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Pastor's Corner



As we move through this Easter Season, there are signs of new life all around us. In my garden the parade of spring flowers marches on: Daffodils, tulips and narcissus are past. The creeping phlox has peaked. The azaleas and irises are doing their thing right now. The dogwood is in bloom The Japanese maples and crape myrtles have budded. The hostas are coming up! There is new life everywhere!

As exciting as that is, even more exciting to me are the signs of new life at Trinity. In our **Kid's Ministry**, under the leadership of Jen Williams, March saw our Springfest with much of the church, and a good bit of the neighborhood enjoying the warmer weather. On Palm Sunday 13 families joined in on the Amazing Race: Holy Week edition. What a fun way to learn about the events of Holy Week and the passion of Jesus. This summer's Kid Camp will feature Marketplace Jerusalem and promises to be just creative and fun.

Our **Student Ministry** features Youth Café at 10 AM on Sunday mornings and Youth Group on Sunday evenings. But you will also find students in the Praise Band and on the livestream computer in the balcony. And this spring it has been my privilege to help teach the Confirmation Class alongside Jenna Bush. What a joy! This summer will include a week of local missions as well as a weeklong MFuge Mission Trip in Philadelphia.

These are only two of the ministries here at the church. But Trinity (like every other church in the country, and the world) has just come out of two very difficult years when it seemed as if the pandemic not only took lives, but also stifled life together. But as surely as Easter Sunday follows Good Friday so too is resurrection a present reality in our church life. As I prepare to "hand the bridge" over to Brian Siegle (and you are going to love him!) I find joy and satisfaction in the signs of new life all around us.

Easter blessings,



Coffee Connections a Time to Re-engage!

Trinity invites YOU to a church-wide gathering during the 10 AM Discipleship hour. Coffee Connections is a casual time to enjoy fellowship. We encourage church guests to visit the Welcome Desk so a member of the Connect Team can introduce you to others. Don't miss this exciting opportunity to connect and reconnect!

When: Sunday, May 1, 10-11 AM
Where: Welcome Center
What: Coffee, donuts, and fellowship time

Save The Dates



Staff Parish invites you to hold on your calendar Sunday, June 12 and Sunday, July 10.

On **Sunday, June 12**, we will honor, thank, and say goodbye to Amy and Larry Lenow for their nine years of service at Trinity.

That morning, we will hold one worship service starting at 10:00 AM in the Sanctuary. Following this service, a catered lunch will be held on the grounds of the church. To assist with the lunch plans, we request that you make a reservation for you and your family.

Reservations for lunch can be made on-line at: www.trinityumc.net/news/celebrating-larry-amy or by calling the church office. ***We need reservations completed by Tuesday, May 31.***

Then on **Sunday, July 10**, we will welcome Brian and Holly Siegle to Trinity. A reception will be held in the Welcome Center at 10:00 AM. We hope you will join us in this welcoming. If you have questions about either event, please contact Teresa Given: tdagiven@gmail.com

community CONVERSATIONS



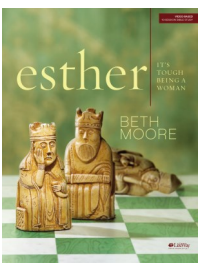
In September of 2021, we held our first Community Conversation. These monthly gatherings have simply focused on having a conversation with a leader from the greater Richmond community. The goal has been to get to know our guest as a person while also learning about his/her impact in our community. We've learned a lot, and we've had some fun along the way.

Our last Community Conversation will be held on **Thursday, May 5**. Our guest will be Art Utley, a Trinity member, and retired sports writer and editor from the Richmond Times-Dispatch. We have a long list of questions for Art related to sports, golf, and his heritage in the Methodist church.

Community Conversations start at **7 PM** in the Sanctuary. Members from our congregation can watch live in the Sanctuary or watch the livestream feed in your home.

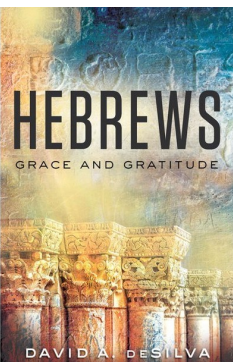
We appreciate your support, and we look forward to having you with us in May.

Any questions, email Bill Pike: bpike@trinityumc.net.



3M to Study Esther

Our 3M group began Beth Moore's study of Esther on Wednesday, April 20: this study will conclude on Wednesday, June 1. Persons may join us anytime, we meet by Zoom, 6 – 7:30 PM. Contact Judy Oguich for the Zoom link.



Dillard Bible Study Group

"Hebrews: Grace and Gratitude" by David A. DeSilva will be the next study of the Dillard Bible Study Group. This six-week study started on April 18 via Zoom and will end on May 23. Our meetings are on Monday nights from 7-8:30 PM. If anyone is interested in joining us, please contact Dianne Moore (diannemoore710@msn.com).



We're Back !! Trinity's Young at Heart Announces Kick-off and Future Events

It's been a long two years – but we are ready to gather again – to enjoy fellowship, learning and fun!! The Young at Heart Steering Committee recently met to begin planning for the remainder of 2022! We hope to see you at one (or more) of our upcoming events!! (and bring a friend or two !!)

Young at Heart Kick-Off - Tuesday, May 17, 2 – 3:30 PM

Our program will be "The Boys of Mayberry" by our own Bill Pike! Refreshments! A look back at our previous activities and trips – and then a look forward to see what's in the works!

Wednesday, June 29 - Day trip to Riverside Theater

We will see "Nunsense", starring Sally Struthers (a musical comedy) **deadline to register is Wednesday, June 8.

* 10:30 AM – 5 PM

* \$75 all inclusive

(*transportation, lunch, beverage, dessert, tax, tip and show*)

Day Trips in the works for 2022:

- Carter's Mountain and lunch at Michie Tavern
- Holocaust Museum and lunch
- Tour of Maymont Mansion and lunch

The Steering Committee will meet again on May 10 at 3:30 PM. All are welcome to help us coordinate and plan this ministry!

Wayne Bullis, Chair, and The YAH Steering Committee:
Nancy Owen, Terri Royster, Hildie Bottom, Betty Allen, Ann Jones, Callie Stuart, Dan Nichols, Lola Jean Nichols, Jim Crowder and Judy Oguich



Cedarfield Celebration

Our Celebration Lay Ministry Team is pleased to announce that we will begin our quarterly gatherings on **Tuesday, June 28 at 3:30 PM (John Wesley's birthday)**. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at Cedarfield, right off the main lobby. A brief worship service including communion, and an update on Trinity happenings will be offered. And being good Methodists we will have refreshments! We look forward to meeting with our Trinity members who reside at Cedarfield, but all Trinity members are welcome to attend!

Carol Wampler, John Taylor and Judy Oguich

Trinity's Lay Visitation Care Team Needs to Hear from You!

Our Lay Visitation Care Team recently met, and we discovered we have a problem - we need people to visit! Our teams are made up of two individuals that keep in touch with a Trinity member, calling them, sending cards and visiting them monthly. We realize persons may not be up to receive a personal visit yet, so if you know someone who wants a phone call to get that contact going, please let us know! Our teams can also bring communion when they visit. Please let us know if you would like to be contacted, or if you know someone who needs to be included in this ministry. We are anxious to bring Trinity's care ministry to you!

Lola Jean Nichols, Chair (ljsnichols@comcast.net) and Judy Oguich (joguich@trinityumc.net)

A Special Thanks

Many thanks to Mike and Teresa Cross for weeding, trimming, and mulching the Veterans Memorial Garden on the front grounds of Trinity. Also, a thank you to David Priest, Keith Reynolds, and Jim Scott for their power washing skills. The Trinity staff and congregation are appreciative of the time and energy these individuals gave to our church.

Lenten Easter Mission Offering

Thanks to everyone who made a donation to the Lenten Easter Mission Offering. To apply for a grant, please complete an application on-line at <https://www.trinityumc.net/news/lenten-easter-mission-offering/> or bring a completed application to the church office. Deadline for turning in the application is **Sunday, June 12**. If you have questions, please contact Bill Pike by e-mail: bpike@TrinityUMC.net or phone 804-288-6056 Ext 211.



Update from Trustees

In the fall of 2021, a leak in one of our HVAC units damaged the ceiling in the Parlor. The Trustees used this intrusion to chart a course of improvement for the parlor. A new ceiling, lighting, flooring, and painting are in the process of being initiated and completed. Additionally, the Trustees want to improve the functionality of the room. Yes, the room will still be used to assist families for funerals and weddings, but it will also be available for meetings and small receptions. This means the furniture in the room will depart from its traditional look.

If over the years, your family donated a couch, two wing chairs, an assortment of lamps and tables, chandelier, corner cabinet, and a grandfather clock, the Trustees want to give you the opportunity to reclaim these items for your family. Pictures of the pieces are on the next page. Those pieces will be on display in the Chapel for pickup until May 15. After this date, the remaining pieces will be donated to a local nonprofit. Any questions, please contact the Trustees chair, Jim Crowder, or Bill Pike.

You're Invited for a UMFS Campus Tour

Visit United Methodist Family Services (UMFS) for a free tour of the Richmond campus. You'll learn a bit about UMFS' 122-year history and hear stories about the high-risk children, teens, and families they serve in Richmond and across Virginia.

You'll also get a peek inside the new UMFS residential treatment building. This brand new healing space serves youth ages 11 – 17 who are working to overcome trauma and significant mental health challenges.

Visit [UMFS.org/campus-tour](https://umfs.org/campus-tour) to learn more and sign up. Groups are also welcome. Contact Jill Gaynor with any questions: jgaynor@umfs.org or 804-254-9463.





Trinity UMC Serve Ministry

2022 Lenten Easter Mission Offering Mission Grant Application

Completed applications are due by June 12 to Bill Pike, Director of Operations, (you can submit the completed application by e-mail, mail, or bringing a printed copy to the church office).

E-mail: bpike@trinityumc.net Phone: 804-288-6057 ext. 211

Mailing address: Bill Pike, Director of Operations, Trinity UMC, 903 Forest Ave., Henrico, VA 23229

Contact Information

Ministry name	
Contact person	
E-mail	
Phone number	

Please describe the ministry.

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Please describe the impact the ministry has on individuals and/or the community it serves.

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How does this ministry align with the mission of Trinity United Methodist Church? (*“To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world – Connect to God, Grow in Faith, Serve the World.”*)

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Will Trinity UMC members have an opportunity to serve with this ministry? If so, please describe available opportunities.

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What amount of LEMO funds you are requesting for this ministry? Please provide a detailed explanation of your request.

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If this ministry received a LEMO mission grant last year, please provide a detailed explanation of how the funds were used.

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Is there anything else you would like to share with the Serve Committee to help us with our decision?

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Submitted By:

Name (printed)	
Date	



What's Happening in Trinity KIDS Ministry?



Family Discipleship Event

May 22 at 10:00 AM

Trinity Kids Families – Join us on Sunday, May 22nd at 10:00am for our Pick Your Path family event! Pick Your Path is the ultimate DIY adventure. Families will blaze their own path through an Island Paradise, completing tasks and collecting points along the way! Families need to register in order to participate. Please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050849A9AB2EA4FB6-pick>

Volunteers are needed to run each station; if you are interested in volunteering; please contact Jen.



Trinity Kids is excited to announce Kids Camp this summer on July 25th-29th from 9am – noon! Kids Camp is for rising kindergarteners through rising 5th graders!

Campers: Sign up here!

<https://tinyurl.com/54yb79tf>

Registration closes June 1st so register today!

Kids Camp is a major outreach event for our church and we need many volunteers to make this event happen!!

Volunteers: please register here

<https://tinyurl.com/54yb79tf> or reach out for more information!

Childcare is available for younger children when the parent/guardian volunteers for at least 3 days.

Questions? Contact:

Ashley Marshall (awpeelee@gmail.com)

Kids Camp Director

Katie Zimmerman

(katie.zimmerman515@gmail.com)

Kids Camp Director

Jen Williams (jwilliams@trinityumc.net)

Kids Ministry Director

TRINITY STUDENTS SUMMER 2022

MAY

- 1 Youth Group 5-7pm
- 8 Mother's Day (No Youth Group, No Youth Cafe)
- 15 Rising 6th grade Breakfast 10am
Last Youth Group of the School Year
5-7pm
- 22 Graduation Sunday

JUNE

- 4 Confirmation Celebration Dinner and Rehearsal
- 5 Confirmation Sunday
- 13 Larry's Celebration
- 19 Father's Day (No Youth Cafe)
- 26 Kings Dominion Noon-10:30pm

JULY

- 3 No Youth Cafe
- 5-9 MFUGE Missions in Philadelphia
- 17 Recording Day from MFUGE 10am
- 25-29 KidsCamp/Youth Local Serve Week
- 31 Church Wide Breakfast 10am hosted by Kids & Youth

AUGUST

- 7 SWAG Counselor Training 10am
- 8-11 SWAG (Summer Worship and Games)
6-9PM daily
- 14 Recording Day 10am (Local Serve and SWAG)
- 29 First Day of School (HCPS)

SUMMER WEEKLY

YOUTH CAFE/SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAYS 10:00 AM-10:50 AM
IN THE STUDENT CENTER

ON SUNDAYS WE ALSO INVITE OUR YOUTH SERVE IN KIDS MINISTRY, NURSERY, ACOLYTING, A/V AND GREETING.

SAVE THE DATE

- September 11 Kick-off Sunday
- September 17 Lock-in
- September 18 Youth Sunday





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From Trinity UMW President

Dear Trinity Sisters,

We enjoyed a great time of fellowship around the tables as we completed our projects and kits on Spring Service Day April 12.

We now extend a warm welcome to all Trinity women and friends to come enjoy the morning with us on May 10. This program has been in the works for 2 years and we can present it at last! Come, learn about the history of the Hermitage and our own Trinity ties to it. My own mom and dad were residents there. I'm looking forward to a great program and some delicious food.

See you on the 10. Shalom, dear ones.

Love,
Jo

May Banquet and Program The Hermitage Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow

May 10 at 10:00 AM

Everyone is invited to hear Amy Chapman, executive director of the Hermitage Richmond, present a program on its history and Trinity's ties to it, which go back to its founding over 70 years ago. We will have a covered dish luncheon after the program. Bring your dish before 10:00 AM.



Circle 3 visits the Hermitage – 1966

If you cannot attend in person, you can still join us for the program on Zoom: meeting ID 883 1244 2806
Passcode: 402458.

SPRING Service Day

Thank you to everyone who helped make our Service Day a success! We completed a number of projects that will be of help to the church and the community.



Circle members assembled 122 hygiene kits and 41 school kits for UMCOR.



With the guidance of the Trinity Stitchers, we created 124 felt flower tray favors for the Hermitage Healthcare, Doorways, Spring Arbor of Richmond and Concordia Lutheran Ministries in Cabot, PA as well as 20 stuffed animal bunnies for Doorways and Crossover.



Our members assembled children's worship bags for the Easter services.

Special thanks to Jen Williams for her participation with us!

Circle 10 completed 28 Feel Better Bags for teenagers as a project for Childsavers.

Show How You Value God's Creation Act Today!

1. **DITCH THE GLITTER:** Glitter is fun, but it is still plastic that goes down the drain and out into our waterways. In 2018 scientists found the highest concentration ever of microplastics on the ocean floor. Check your make-up (added sparkle may come from microplastics) as well as greeting cards and wrap which often sparkle with glitter.

2. **BE FOOD SMART:** In the USA we throw away 30-40% of our food supply each year—219 pounds per person every year. Think about what people really eat in your house and buy only enough fresh products for a few days. If there is old fruit with seeds, throw it outside for the birds and squirrels. Start composting on a small scale and then expand over time.

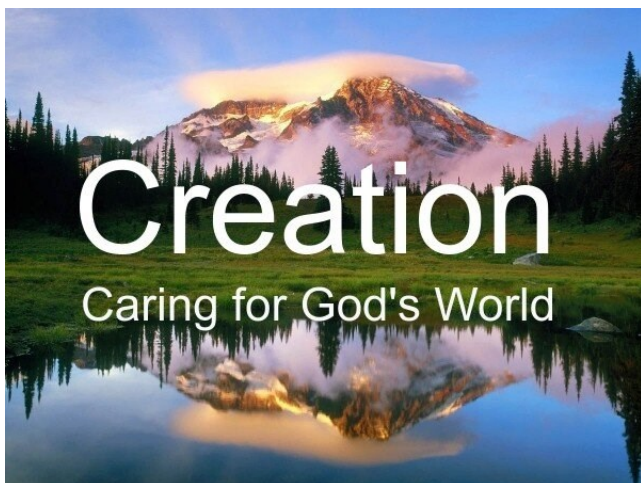
3. **EMBRACE EARTH-FRIENDLY FASHION:** In 1918 1.3 million tons of textiles ended up in landfills. More manufacturers are offering products made with reused or earth friendly materials. Try these products or simply recycle your family's own clothing or household textiles to use them longer.

4. **TRY COMPOSTING:** Food and yard waste make up more than 30% of what we throw away. Use a small composting container in the kitchen for table scraps and fabric refuse. Dump the refuse in your yard in a small space where it can decompose and then be added to flower beds to enrich the soil.

5. **QUIT THE PLASTIC HABIT:** Americans breathe or eat about 2000 particles of plastic a week, about the weight of a credit card. Work to eliminate a few plastic containers in your house. Buy products in reusable glass or meal containers rather than plastic ones. Eliminate single use plastic items such as plastic bags. Scientists estimate that the amount of plastic in the oceans will triple within 20 years if things don't change.

Source: PARADE magazine April 11, 2021

CELEBRATE CREATION CARE SUNDAY MAY 1



Joys and Concerns

Our sympathies to...

*The family of Sharon Soldan who died April 17
The family of Dr. Charles "Dick" Burch who died
April 13*

Gifts were received at Trinity.....

In memory of **Colleen Berninger** for **Trinity Foundation Memorial Fund**

In memory of **Colleen Berninger** for **Trinity Bereavement Fund**

In memory of **Charlotte Forrester** for **Trinity Foundation Memorial Fund**

In memory of **Betty Hodnett** for **Trinity Foundation Memorial Fund**

Newsletter
DEADLINE

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the next Window is **Monday, May 16 at 4 PM for events taking place in June/July**. Articles may be submitted prior to the deadline, and we encourage early submissions. Articles must be submitted in writing to Kim Tingler, ktingler@trinityumc.net.