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May and June 2022

Sunday Order of Worship Easter Season 2022
In Person and Facebook Live, 10:30 a.m.
'The Resurrection Shaped Life'

Opening Music and Welcoming Words

Prayer of the Day see Insert for Prayers

Time for Our Young Christians

Sharing the Peace of the Lord with Each Other

Generosity Transformed and Dedication of the Offering

Scripture Readings

April 24 Esther 4: 1 – 18, Acts 5: 27 – 32, John 20: 19 – 23
May 1 1 Sam. 3: 1 - 21, John 21: 1- 13
May 8 Ruth 1: 6 – 22, Acts 9: 36 – 43
May 15 1 Samuel 17: 1 – 13, Rev. 21: 1 – 6
May 22 1 Kings 3: 1-15, John 14:23 – 29
May 29 1 Kings 19:1 – 8, Luke 24: 44 – 53

Proclamation of the Word

April 24 'Resurrection/Spiritual Make Over: Courage'
May 1 'Attention: Paying? Or On Credit?' Communion
May 8 'Loyalty: Where You Go, I Go' Mother's Day
May 15 'Character: God Looks at the Heart'
May 22 'Wisdom: An Understanding Mind' Graduation Sunday
May 29 'Resurrection Life: Shaped by Hope' Ascension Sunday

Music for Reflection

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Benediction and Closing Music

The resurrection of Jesus changed the world and changes each of us in unique and wonderful ways. We all have crosses to bear in this life, but they are not what define us. **It's resurrection that we are promised.** Easter tells us that on the other side of our troubles is the God's gift of new hearts and new life... if we have the courage to live a **Resurrection shaped life.**
Come to worship and be blessed by the Living Words of God for us today.
All are welcome!

Pastor's Ponderings

I'm writing this early in April, more than 10 days before Easter. No, I'm not usually that far ahead of 'deadlines' but our Church Secretary, Sally Verley, will be on medical leave for knee surgery starting Thursday, April 14. She and I are committed to getting May and June information out to you, even if it is a little sketchy, incomplete even. This 'Trinity Times' issue is what we know as of right now. More up-to-date information will be posted on Facebook and the Church website. If it's really important, we'll do a separate mailing.

Some items for you to notice:

- Worship through the month of May is described on the facing page…we will consider what it looks like to 'be' Resurrection people.
- **Sunday, June 12, 11:30:** We are overdue for a Church Family picnic—potluck with everyone bringing a dish to pass. There is always more than enough! This year our friends at Quinnesec UMC, First UMC, Norway Grace UMC, and Faithorn UMC will be joining us as well. Then they will host **Second Sunday picnics on July 10 and August 14.** I hope you can come and enjoy the summer!
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship will begin Sunday, June 19…a little later than usual, but that's to make it easier for more people to stay and enjoy the Second Sunday picnic on June 12.
- June worship will kick off our Pentecost Season with the story of the tongues like flames, the sound of thunder, and the celebration of the Holy Spirit entering into our lives….just like Jesus told us!

So, there may be some gaps in info, but sometimes those empty spaces can help bring new life, fresh activities, and lively hopes into being. I discovered this poem by Judy Brown. It kind of applies to our current situation here at Trinity. Enjoy! *Pastor Geri*

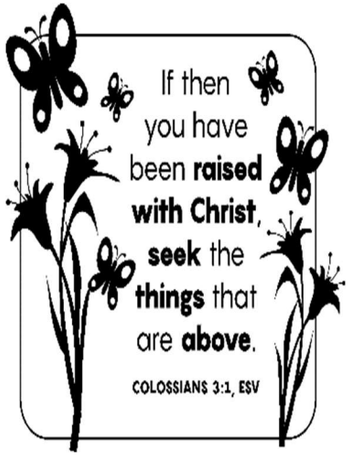
What makes a fire burn
is space between the logs,
a breathing space.
Too much of a good thing,
too many logs
packed in too tight
can douse the flames
almost as surely
as a pail of water would.
So building fires
requires attention
to the spaces in between,
as much as to the wood.

When we are able to build open spaces
in the same way
we have learned to pile on the logs,
then we can come to see how it is fuel,
and absence of the fuel
together, that make fire possible.
We only need to lay a log
lightly from time to time.
A fire grows simply because the space is there,
with openings in which the flame
that knows just how it wants to burn
can find its way.

Judy Brown, from *The Sea Accepts All Rivers*

May Birthdays & Anniversaries *(Please pray for them on their special day.)*

May 1 Keagan Aman, Robert Paupore, Lea Varda
2 Larry Trevillian
3 Kay Carlson, Renee Grunewald, Lori Sorensen
6 Joella Lindlbauer, Josh Thoney
7 Jill Volmering
8 Kirk Fortner, Lois Langsford
9 Gail Croci, Katelynn Grenier, Luke Ruble, William Uren
10 Sara Phillips
11 Roxanne Hudson, Gino Santoni, Rick & Ann Musgrove
12 Brock Grenier
13 Mary Ann Harding, Marcus Harry, Wendy Mulka
14 Adam Smart
15 Adam Hayes
16 Lindsey Sorensen
17 Debby Cavalieri
18 Greg Hunt
20 Carol Trevillian
21 Kevin Freeman, Addilynn Grenier
22 Cherie Winters
23 Heather Hayes, Gino Mariucci, Lucas Reddinger
24 Robert Cowling
25 Betsy Trumbell
26 Sophie Bancroft, Ashley Phillips, Jo Ann Richer
27 Steve Blagec
28 Karen Fortner, Sandy Mutsch, Jayce Paupore, Sue Youngberg
28 Jon & Suzanne Harry
30 Neil Annear, Terry Barnes
31 Steve & Debby Cavalieri, Bryan & Jenny Rietveld



Hospitalized since our last issue: Gary Davidson, Deb Saul

Congratulations to Lori and Greg Sorensen, who have a new granddaughter. Dorothy Jane Hermanson was born March 23 to Holly and Thor Hermanson of Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.

Committee Information

Staff Parish Relations Committee, Wednesday, May 4, 4:00 p.m., ZOOM
Trustees, Monday, May 9, 6:00 p.m., in person
Engaged Ministry Team, Tuesday, May 10, 5:00 p.m., ZOOM
Finance Committee, Thursday, May 12, 6:30 p.m., ZOOM
Church Council, Monday, May 16, 6:30 p.m., ZOOM

June Birthdays & Anniversaries *(Please pray for them on their special day.)*

June 1 Beth Clark, Pauline Hill, Pryor Mattson
2 Koni Lindholm
4 Chris Cavalieri, Matthew Mattson
5 Kathryn Bilgreen, Michelle Yuhasey, Mario & Brynn Santoni
6 Kane Driscoll, Brynlee Summerfield
7 Karen Gaffney, Matthew Gauthier, Diana Hunt
8 Francis & Sarah Marshall, Tim & Michelle Yuhasey
9 Keith & Kim Mashak
10 Barbara Clemo, Rick Musgrove, Barbie Slagle
11 Clara Ryan
12 Jean Larson, Tami Slagle, Terry & Joanne Barnes
13 John Hyrkas, Paul & Renee Grenier
14 Greg & Diana Hunt
16 Bruce Clark
17 Ellsworth & Rosemary Carlson
18 Eleanor Edlebeck
20 Bruce A. Bilgreen, Cole Grenier, Charlene Hunt, Dick & Shirley Allen
Larry & Carol Trevillian
21 Tony & Elise Cavalieri, Adam & Heather Hayes
22 Moriah Hostettler
23 Matthew Mulka, Mika Yuhasey, Cole & Katelynn Grenier
24 Jon Forsberg, Kyle Shemanski, Tim & Colleen Driscoll, Dan & Devon Rushford
25 Gabriella Summerfield, Scott & Cindie Trevillian
27 Carol Annear, Bruce W. Bilgreen, Vera Santoni, Stephen & Dayna Hodgins
28 Stephen & Hope Ann Blagec
29 Paul Mulka, Don Richards
30 Weston Trevillian, Noah Wilcox

Committee Information

Staff Parish Relations Committee, Tuesday, May 31, 4:00 p.m., ZOOM
Finance Committee, Thursday, June 9, 6:30 p.m., ZOOM
Trustees, Monday, June 13, 6:00 p.m., in person
Engaged Ministry Team, Tuesday, June 14, 5:00 p.m., ZOOM
Church Council, Monday, June 20, 6:30 p.m., ZOOM

Facebook Live Worship on Sundays at 10:30 a.m.
Go to https://www.facebook.com/imtrinityumc
9:30 Worship will start on Sunday, June 19.

Noisy Offerings are collected the second Sunday of each month. Your coins are welcome and go toward the Mission of the Month. Thanks for your generosity!

May's Mission of the Month is the Michigan Annual Conference Offering and Michigan Disaster Relief. This offering is given each year at the first worship service during the Michigan Annual Conference.

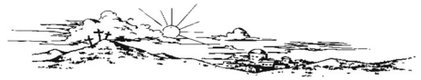
This money goes to such programs as Michigan Disaster Relief, Grace Children's Hospital and Pediatric Clinic and a Christian home for homeless children in Haiti, and the Bishop Judith Craig Children's Village, a rescue center, and Ganta United Methodist Hospital. Your support is greatly appreciated. Please consider supporting these projects.

June's Mission of the Month is Justice for Our Neighbors

Justice for Our Neighbors provides free or low-cost services to low-income immigrants living in Michigan communities. Offices are located in Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Metro Detroit, and Traverse City. In 2021, JFON staff handled 945 cases for clients from 80 countries and served 253 new clients. Many clients—including a large number of children and youth—are escaping dire situations such as ethnic cleansing, religious or LGBT persecution, gang violence, or war. Some are trying to reunite family members or stay in this country with American-born children. JFON is the only provider of these services north of Grand Rapids.

Even with experienced representation, US immigration laws are difficult to navigate. Many clients have multiple cases that take years to resolve. Because they have three experienced asylum attorneys, NFON-MI has started taking more complex cases for Afghan evacuees settling in Michigan. Please consider giving generously to this mission. You may submit your donation to the church or place it in the offering plate. Please be sure to indicate donations are designated for the June mission of the Month. Thank you in advance. –Your TUMC Mission Team

Second Sunday Church Picnics, Sunday, June 12 at 11:30 a.m. here at Trinity. Please bring a dish to share. The people of First UMC of Iron Mountain and Grace UMC of Norway will be joining us. We will picnic with the other churches again on July 10 and August 14. Come and enjoy the warmer weather and the fun of sharing time and food with our brothers and sisters who follow Jesus.



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Facebook: facebook.com/imtrinityumc **Pastor Geri Hamlen** **Secretary: Sally Verley**

Marguerite Reiten is our featured Trinity member this month. Marguerite is known as one of the 'Peterson girls.' Her mother, Marguerite Peterson, became a devoted member of Trinity in 1935 until her passing in 1988. Maryhill Manor in Niagara is home to Marguerite now, and she is very happy there. She enjoys going out a couple of times a week to dinner with her daughter Janice and son-in-law Al.

Marguerite loves music and plays the piano by ear. She could be heard in the Trinity Sanctuary on Wednesday nights sometimes when she and her sister Dorothy came for spaghetti Community Meals. She remembers the Trinity choir with great fondness and, if she could read music, she would have offered to be their accompanist. We give thanks for her loving faithfulness to God and to Trinity UMC. God's peace to you, Marguerite!

Prayers of the Day

April 24 Christ of the cross and the empty tomb, strengthen us to bear the burdens of this day even as we come to you with praise and thanksgiving. Grant us the courage to live the resurrection shaped life that you offer us so graciously. Amen.

May 1 Christ, you have made yourself known to us in your suffering on the cross and in your glory beyond the empty tomb. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may notice and attend to your resurrected presence among us. May our lives reflect our understanding of your great love and teachings. Amen.

May 8 Christ, son of Mary and brother to us all, we come with thanksgiving for this day. We come seeking the resurrection shaped life that you have shown us. Do not let us fall away from the path that draws us onward in your memory, in your shadow, in your mercy and love. Amen.

May 15 Christ, joy of the world, Prince of Peace, we know that you have prepared for those who love you such good things beyond our human understanding. Search our hearts and may you find there…our willingness to accept the freedom and the power you offer us, so that our lives my reflect your resurrection of grace and hope and love. Amen.

May 22 Christ, you came to the world as a baby boy in a far away place and time. Still, you are with us, here and now. Receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that we may know and understand what you would have us do. We give thanks for your grace and power to learn and grow and accomplish your will in this world. Amen.

May 29 Christ of the cross and empty tomb, your resurrection is the source of our hope. The miracle that led you beyond death is the inspiration for our lives. We seek the new life that you offer us. May our thoughts, words, deeds truly reflect the shape of our hope, our courage, our loyalty, and our attention. Amen.