



The Chimes

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, greetings in the name of Jesus Christ, our LORD and savior. As I write this, it is a cool, crisp October morning. The leaves are bright and pumpkins are everywhere. I sure love the fall, but I can't believe it's almost November already. September marked two years since my family and I arrived in Richland Center. I have gotten to know many of you well in the past two years and have made strong connections. Others of you, however, I have only met once or twice, and some of you maybe not at all. This grieves me. A pastor friend of mine, who has many years of experience, once said to me that the most important thing you can do in a new pastorate, is get to know your congregation. I admit that I have not done very well at that in the past year. I ask that you extend to me some grace, just as God's grace is extended to each and every one of us.

The pastor's life is quite full of many competing interests and obligations. Having responsibility of two congregations while being a father of two small children can be challenging at times. I have also become more involved in several community organizations, including becoming president of the RCMA. However, this is no excuse for letting visitation and pastoral care fall to the wayside in the ministry of the church. This is a key part of the role of pastor.

We have a small but dedicated group of people on our visitation ministry team. This group is led by Tricia Holley, our minister of pastoral care. This ministry is an important priority for the church leadership and for the congregation. We have a very capable and well-trained leader in Tricia Holley. She is theologically trained, more so than many pastors in our state, having a Master of Divinity degree, from Dubuque Theological seminary, with a focus in pastoral care. She works as a spiritual care provider (chaplain) with SSM Health at Home. She is a very capable, well organized, and Spirit filled woman whom God has called into ministry. But I need to stress that she has taken upon this role as a volunteer. She is not paid anything for serving in this role.

You might be thinking that having Tricia serve in this capacity is an effort to take responsibility off myself for doing visitation; Not So! As I said above, visitation is a key part of my responsibilities as pastor, and I do not intend to shirk that responsibility. Tricia will continue to assist me by helping prioritize visitation needs, recruiting folks to serve in the visitation ministry, training volunteers for this ministry and coordinating the visitation team's efforts. She and the visitation team will continue to visit folks and care for them, thereby taking some pressure off of me to see everyone so often. In this way, I can be sure to see the folks I must see in a timely manner. It is important to remember that it is the responsibility of the whole congregation, not just the pastor, to care for members of the congregation.

I want to encourage everyone to take advantage of our connect cards that are in the bulletins on Sunday mornings. Not only is it used for attendance record keeping, but is also a first line of contact with guests to our church. These cards allow us to be able to follow up with guests at worship in a timely manner, thereby increasing the likelihood that they would return. If guests see you not filling them out, then they won't either. If they don't fill it out, then I

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Pastor Wiley's Message Continued.....

have no way of following up with them. If I don't follow up with them after one or two visits with us, they will likely decide to go to another church. So, I want to stress to you the importance of filling out your connect card completely.

We also use the connect card to share prayer concerns and joys; those to be lifted up in worship, as well as those we want the prayer ministry team to be praying for throughout the week. I also want to remind everyone that there is a place on the back side of the connect card for visitation needs and/or requests. If you know of someone who has not been seen by the pastor or visitation team in a while, let us know. If there is someone who is feeling like they have been overlooked and have not been seen in a timely manner, write their name on a connect card in the proper place, and we will see to it they are visited. It does no good to say to us that we are not seeing people like we should, but not give us names. That only causes conflict and hurt feelings.

In Exodus 18:13-26, we read of how Jethro advised Moses to appoint helpers in fulfilling his responsibilities as leader and judge of the people of Israel. By doing this he was "able to stand the strain," and all the people were satisfied. We read in Luke 10 of how Jesus sends out the 72 disciples, two by two, to do the work of the Lord. Jesus says here that "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." Brothers and sisters, the work of the church is much too great for one man, therefore I am grateful that Tricia continues to serve in her capacity as minister of pastoral care. But, the need is great, and the workers are few. If you feel that God is leading you to serve in the visitation ministry, please contact Tricia or myself and let us know. God bless you all and see you soon.

Rev. Wiley Gladney

Sunday School News!



Barb Shannon
Education Chair
647-6522

The Sunday School is up and running with many energetic and enthusiastic children attending. We continue with the theme of families studying the stories of Jacob and his sons, Joseph and his brothers, Moses and his sister and Sisters Mary and Martha. Our scripture verse is from Psalm 133:1 Look at how good and pleasing it is when families live together as one.

Our confirmation students will be attending church services as well as spending some time in Sunday School. Taking charge of their health, habits, emotions, attitudes, and by their example is the theme of their material this fall quarter.

Allison Ewing and Stephanie Worthington have graciously volunteered to head up the Christmas Program this year. The date is December 16th during the worship service. If you are interested in helping with the program get in touch with Allison or Stephanie.

Also save the date of November 24th for the making of decoration for the Children's tree. We will meet in the room behind the balcony at 10:30am. Snacks will be provided. Decorating the tree will take place on December 1st during the Hanging of the Greens.

Missions' Committee November Highlights

United Methodist Student Day is November 25

Gifts to the United Methodist Student Day offering help deserving United Methodist College, university, and graduate students continue their education and their faith journeys as they strive to make a difference in the world and discern what God has called them to do.



UMC GIVING TUESDAY IS NOVEMBER 27TH

On Giving Tuesday, join with thousands of United Methodists in giving to the work of Global Ministries missionaries and Advance projects. **The Advance** is the official designated giving arm of the UM Church that ensures 100% of your gift reaches its designated project, missionary, or ministry. All Advance projects are screened by Global Ministries and authorized by the Advance Committee. **SEE THE "HOW TO GIVE" SECTION BELOW FOR SPECIFIC DIRECTIONS ON HOW TO DONATE.**

If you have not chosen a specific project to receive your donation, the Missions' Committee recommends any of the following:

1. **UMCOR U.S. Disaster Response, Advance #901670**
2. **UMCOR International Disaster Response, Advance #982450**
3. **Sierra Leone Water Development and Ministry, Advance #181000 (Lee Weaver's ministry)**

If you prefer to choose your own project, you can find a listing of more than 600 UMC-related projects and more than 300 UM missionaries: visit UMCmission.org/give.

HOW TO GIVE

Choose a way to give from the list below:

1. **By Church Offering: Make check payable to Trinity UMC.** Write the name of the ministry and the **Advance code number** on the memo line of the check AND on your offering envelope. Drop your gift in the offering plate, or give the check to the church secretary, who will make sure your gift will be given to the counters on Sunday. That way Trinity and our annual conference will get Advance credit.
2. **Give Online:** UMCmission.org/give. There is a link for online giving.
3. **By Phone:** Credit card gifts can be made by phone **toll free: 888-252-6174**

THANK YOU for your gift to support the ministries and projects of the UM Church on Giving Tuesday.

Greetings Trinity UMC, I just want to thank you for the opportunity to share the ministry with you and your church family. Trinity UMC certainly planned an enjoyable weekend for me and the fellowship and the food was great. Trust all was well from your end? I arrived home Monday morning around 5 am. Thank You for the love offering it did help with the expenses. I look forward to a long relationship as we all continue to serve our heavenly Father. God Bless You and your ministry, as you live work and play in your part of Gods' great vineyard.

As together we serve him, Lee Weaver/Project Manager, Sierra Leone Water and Development Project

By asking you to support Trinity Missions' Projects, we also ask that you first consider your support of the general fund, which is what keeps our church doors open. Then please prayerfully consider your support of this month's Mission Focus. Thank you.

Celebrations and More.....

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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS	
Marilyn Creasey	11/3
Clara Shannon	11/4
Laurie Stephens Vance	11/10
Liam Gladney	11/11
Julieanna Shannon	11/15
Frances Cooper	11/18
Kurt Monson	11/18
Nyman Olson	11/22
Patty Hill	11/24
Corrina Mott	11/25
Ronan Gladney	11/27
Lucas Turgasen	11/27

"Family isn't always about the people in your life who are blood relations. It's about the people in your life who want you to be in theirs. It's about the people in your life who accept you for who you are, support you in the things you choose to do and no matter what, are there for you. It's the people in your life who love you, respect you and who you can depend on. Now that's family!" - Anonymous



NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Leonard & Sandra McNamer	11/15
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PASSAGES - November Mission Focus

The **November 25th** last Sunday offering for missions will support **Passages**, a local non-profit service agency that provides services to all survivors of domestic violence and/or sexual assault. Some of Passages' services, provided free of charge, include the following: a shelter for victims of abuse and their children, a low-income housing apartment complex; a state-licensed childcare service, a crisis hotline, counseling, victim advocacy, and transportation.

The Missions' Committee is also planning a special project to support users of Passages' services. Please watch for further information about this project.

SAVE THE DATE – DECEMBER 1ST **"HANGING OF THE GREENS"**

10 AM to Noon come decorate the church for Advent. Snacks will be provided. Contact Barb Shannon at 647-6522 for more details.

NURSERY ATTENDANT NEEDED: Trinity seeks to employ a nursery attendant. The hours are 9:00-11:00 each Sunday. Payment is \$20.00 per Sunday. Having a Child Care certificate would be a plus. Anyone interested may secure an employment application from the church office. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

Points of Interest

Date	Event	Description
November 1st Thursday	Church/Charge Conference	6:30 PM at Trinity UMC downstairs in the Schmitt Fellowship Hall. DS, Scott Carlson officiating
November 3rd Saturday	General Conference 19 – Listening Session	10 a.m. at the Dodgeville UMC 327 North Iowa Street, Dodgeville, WI
November 4 th Sunday	All Saint's Day 	Special Worship Service at 9:30 AM sponsored by the Memorial Ministry. A remembrance for our member and friend saints. Plan to join us for this very important day in the life of our church.
November 22 nd Thursday	Thanksgiving Day 	Wishing many blessings and joys to be shared and celebrated with your family and friends.
November 25 th Sunday	UM Student Day – <i>Special Sunday Offering</i> 	Your offering today empowers United Methodist students to pursue a future that is currently out of reach. On United Methodist Student Day, we come alongside students by supporting a scholarship fund. Together, we invest in the leaders of tomorrow.
December 1st Saturday SAVE THE DATE!	“Hanging Of The Greens” 	10 AM – Noon come decorate the church for Advent. The children will be making decorations for their tree in the back of the sanctuary and decorating it. Adults are needed to help decorate the sanctuary, narthex, and balcony. Snacks will be provided for lunch. Any questions please call Barb Shannon 647-6522
Ongoing	Kwik-Trip Gift Cards for Sale on Sundays! 	Most Sunday worship services when Nancy McCauley is present....she will be selling \$25 Kwik-Trip gift cards. These make great gifts for any occasion, for anyone, for any time or any reason ☺ You also will be helping the Missions group with their ongoing ministry too!
Ongoing	Visitation Ministry Team	If you feel called to assist with making contact and personal visits to those who are homebound, hospitalized, or in a convalescent center, please contact Tricia Holley at rctapvisitation@gmail.com



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November Memorial Ministry Corner



**“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted”
-- Matthew 5:4**

In Memory of Ruth Goings (Elkader, Iowa)
October 5, 1946 – September 2, 2018

Complete Obituary Appears at Leonard-Grau Funeral & Cremation Service Website:
<https://tinyurl.com/yb86vyhy>

Visitation & Services were held in Elkader, Iowa, on Thursday & Friday,
September 6 – 7, 2018.

Cards of Condolence May be Sent to Ruth’s Daughter, Son-in-Law, & Grandchildren
at the Following:

Tim, Mary, Ben, & Ellie Otto
693 North Church Street
Richland Center, WI 53581
608.647.5719

Thank You! The cards and expressions of sympathy after Bruce’s death by so many of you at Trinity have been so lovely. We really appreciate you thinking of the boys and me during this difficult time. Knowing God’s love and purpose for our lives is especially important to hold onto and those reminders from such a faith-filled congregation is so loving. **Thank you, Janell (Joseph), Adam, & Scott Siegfried**

All Saints’ Day 2018

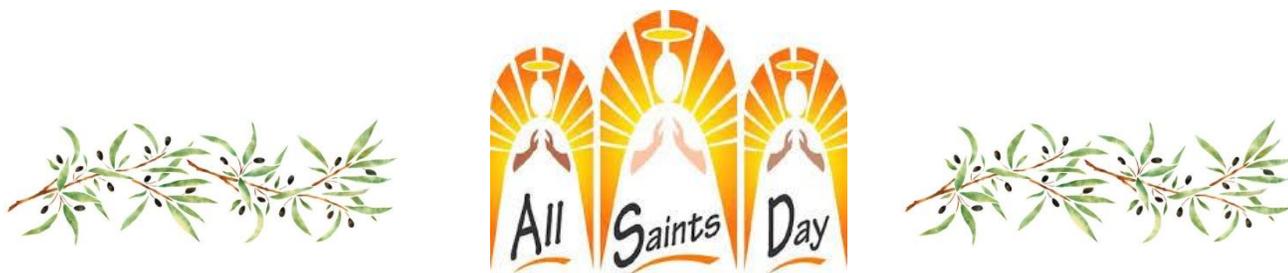


Sunday Nov. 4th

A complete **thank you** will appear in our December Chimes; however, in addition to our 2018 Saints (see October Chimes), the complete list of memorial and honor gifts that were consecrated/dedicated on Sunday, November 4, 2018, were as follows:

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All Saints' Day 2018 – November 4th



Consecrating/Dedicating Our Gifts

Memorial Gifts

- Scholarship Fund
 - Ralph & Helen Monteith Trust Interest
 - Ruth Moser Memorial
 - Dean Jewell Memorial
 - Schmitt Hall Chairs/Dollies
 - James & Lucille Johnston Memorial
 - Ruth Moser Estate Bequest (Trustees)
 - Ruth Moser Memorial
 - Methodist Youth Fund (Camping)
 - Judy Andresen Memorial
 - Don Goplin Memorial
 - Dean Jewell Memorial
 - Ruth Goings Memorial
 - Youth Room Rug
 - Don Goplin Memorial
 - Lyle C. Spangler Memorial
 - Peace/Trinity Pastoral Care Team (Tricia Holley) Barbara Jane Schweitzer Memorial
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Honor Gifts

- All Saints' Day 2017 Coffee Hour (Cross Cookies)
 - Becky & Chloe Wise
 - Claudia Berres
- All Saints' Day 2017 Bell
 - Pam Kintz, Peace United Methodist Church
- 2018 Scholarship Fund
 - Janice D. Roberts
 - Trinity Members & Friends
 - Trinity Missions' Committee (February 2018)
- 2018 "Wish List" Fund
 - RCBS National Honor Society
 - Trinity Members & Friends
 - Reed & Jeanne Horton

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All Saints' Day 2018 Continued.....



Honor Gifts Continued.....

- 2018 "Wish List" Fund (contd.)
 - Carolyn Freeman
 - Dr. Jeffrey Vodak
 - Larry & Sherry Quamme
 - Trinity Missions' Committee (August 2018)
 - A.D. German Warehouse Conservancy
 - 2017 ASD Coffee Hour Donations
- 2017 Apportionments (Paid in Full)
 - Trinity Members & Friends
 - Trinity Finance Committee
- Schmitt Hall Chairs/Dollies
 - 2017 Folding Chair Fund (Members & Friends)
 - RCHS National Honor Society
- Stairwell Repaint/Plaster Repair
 - Jim Weber (In-Kind Labor/Materials)
- Methodist Youth Fund (Camping)
 - 2018 Pie & Ice Cream Social Profits (Missions)
- Lee Weaver Covenant
 - 2018 Harvest Auction Proceeds (Missions)
- Received into Membership
 - Marjorie Craig (Associate)
 - Tricia Holley (Affiliate)
 - Bob & Linda Kesting (Affiliate)
- Weddings
 - Emily Rachelle Frank & Joshua Wayne Girton
 - Tammy Ann Goodyear & Terry Allen Fritz
 - Kami Jo Klossowski & Mitchell Ricco
- Years of Service/Membership Transfer
 - Ron & Kathleen Corey-Pittman
- Years of Service/Membership Withdrawal
 - Roland (Cal) & Eleanor Wise
- Notary Public Service (Membership)
 - Chris Storer
- Minister of Pastoral Care
 - Tricia Holley
 - Pastoral Care Team Members
- Tabletop Podium (Communion)
 - Paul & Louise Murphey
- Church Windows Software (Membership)
 - Trustees & Finance Committee
- Carbonite Computer Backup Software (Office)
 - Trustees & Finance Committee
- ASD/Special Event Photographer
 - Anya Drone

October Committee Notes – by Jerry Bower, Lay Leader



TRUSTEES: Russ opened our meeting with a prayer.

Minutes of 6 August 2018 were unanimously approved.

Financial Reports: Because our meeting was on the first of October, there was no report available on our investments. Jerry reported that the lawyer who was consulting us on whether we should pursue an alteration to the Carl Barnes Trust had called and recommended that it would not be fiscally wise to pursue a case. We would have had to hire a trust lawyer who was licensed to practice in Illinois and file a case in a Chicago court. This is the end of the line on this inquiry.

Parsonage Report: There were no problems reported! Evidently the work we had done to solve the water leaking into the basement has been effective. Certainly, there has been enough rain to test the work!!

Church Report: The bulbs for the alter area are being ordered by Strang's. D&P has not yet provided a bid on our parking lot project. John has called and an estimate was again promised. In any case, this work will have to be done next spring. We decided to put off, to next spring, getting covers for the window wells on the west side of the church. John will get an estimate for plexiglass, to be used for the covers, so that light will be able to get into the basement. John and Russ will assess what size safe we need to purchase to store vital records. They will also review our Rental Agreement and propose amendments to the Trustees. As reported previously, the wireless door bell has proven unreliable. John is going to "hot wire" bell to solve the problem. The sign in front of the church is in bad shape. John had replaced the posts after the sign was blown over in a storm. This is another project for next spring.

Roof Saga Continues: Our contractor, Edge, was unable to come to an agreement with Church Mutual about repairing/replacing the copper on our steeple. The dispute is going into mediation. Both Edge and Church Mutual will select an appraiser to consider the issue. If these two cannot reach an agreement, a third appraiser, agreed to by both sides, will make the final decision. Edge continues to tell us that the roofs will be replaced before winter.

NEXT MEETING OF TRUSTEES: 3 DECEMBER 2018, 6:00 PM., IN THE LIBRARY.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Jerry opened the meeting with a prayer.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Review of Spreadsheets—all bills are paid up to the end of September. The checkbook balance, after deducting the designated funds was \$3,613.58. We have this healthy balance primarily due to periodic transfers from the Capital Improvement Fund into the general fund. This year, so far, those transfers total \$10,000.00. As we move into the holidays, please consider if you can help with our general budget. Recipients of Special Thanksgiving & Christmas Offerings: The Thanksgiving offering will be shared by the Richland Community Food Pantry and the Free Clinic; the Christmas offering by Passages and Lydia's House Ministries for the homeless. Prepare Proposed 2019 Budget: This was our last item of business. We completed the proposed budget except for a few items that are dependent upon information from the Conference, like the amount of our apportionments for 2019. The proposed budget will be presented to the Council on 15 October for reference to the Charge Conference, scheduled for 1 November.

NEXT MEETING: 7 NOVEMBER 2018, 6:30 PM. IN THE LIBRARY.

October Committee Notes Continued.....

CHURCH COUNCIL: Pastor Wiley opened our meeting with a prayer.

The Minutes of 17 September 2018 were unanimously approved.

During our Joys & Concerns, we noted several individuals and families that need our prayers for healing and support.

Old Business:

Ministry Task Force: We are waiting for DS Scott Carlson to provide us with dates so that we can schedule another meeting.

Annual Church Conference: Is scheduled for Thursday, 1 November, at Trinity. A total of 10 churches will participate. Start time in Schmitt Fellowship Hall is 6:30. The Trinity delegates will be meeting at 5:30 in the Library to review the Conference reports and vote on a few necessary items. All are invited to attend one or both sessions. Many thanks to Pat for creating our Church Conference booklet and for submitting our reports to the Conference Office.

Roof Replacement: The issue with Church Mutual is in arbitration.

The Harvest Auction is scheduled for Tues., 16 October, 6:00 to 9:00 PM. It will be over by the time you read this. I hope you attended and bid!

Trunk or Treat is a Halloween event sponsored by Peace. If you wish to participate, please contact Sharon Zales or Jennifer Hall for details. The event will occur in the Community Center parking lot on 31 October.

New Business:

Nursery Attendant: The SPRC has started to advertise, in the bulletin & the Chimes, for an attendant. The hours are 9:00 to 11:00 Sunday mornings. The compensation is \$20.00 per Sunday. Rosie announced that child care would be provided during the Harvest Auction.

Hanging of the Greens: is scheduled for Saturday, 1 December. Watch the bulletin for the time. Please set aside the day and plan to assist in decorating the church for Christmas. Advent begins on 2 December.

Committee Reports:

Finance, no report.

Trustees: water has mysteriously appeared in the kitchen. Apparently it is the result of hydrostatic pressure from the saturated ground. John is trying to find the source and correct the problem.

Memorial Ministry: is preparing for an All Saints Day service on Sunday, 4 November. Paul has sent personal invitations to individuals and families who have donated or had a loved one die in the past year. This is always a meaningful service.

Missions Committee: Kathy noted that Trinity has been holding \$3,259.27 in a Mission Trip Fund for over a year. Much of the money was raised while Pastor Busch was still here. The Missions Committee proposed that \$2,000 be kept as a mission trip fund, to be used if a future trip occurs. The remainder, \$1,259.27 would be placed in a new fund, The Missions Special Project Fund, to be used as the Committee decides. This motion was passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING: 19 NOVEMBER 2018, 7:00 PM., IN THE LIBRARY

NOVEMBER MINISTRY 2018

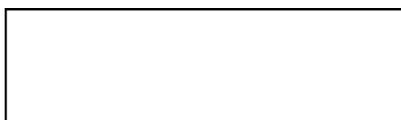


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>HAPPY THANKSGIVING</p> <p>Church Office Hours 9am – Noon Monday thru Friday</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED Nov. 22nd</p>				<p>1</p> <p>MOPS 9 – 11 AM Charge Conference Trinity UMC / 6:30 PM</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Pastor's Day Off</p>
<p>4</p> <p>ALL SAINTS' DAY 9:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School Confirmation Class 7 PM @ Trinity</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Trustee Committee 6:00 PM Visitation Team 5 PM Peace</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Missions Committee 4:30 PM</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Wed. Morning Group 9:30 AM Firm Foundation 6:30 PM Peace</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Finance Committee 6:00 PM</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Pastor's Day Off</p>
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<p>18</p> <p>9:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School Confirmation Class 7 PM @ Trinity</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Church Council 7:00 PM</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Wed. Morning Group 9:30 AM</p> <p>CHIMES DEADLINE</p>	<p>22</p> <p>THANKSGIVING DAY</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Pastor's Day Off</p>
<p>25</p> <p>9:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Wed. Morning Group 9:30 AM</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	

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Sunday Nov. 4th

Trinity United Methodist Church

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.

Pastor: Wiley Gladney

Pastor's Cell Phone: 1-920-509-2630

Pastor's email: revgladney@gmail.com

Pastor's Office Hours: Thursday 9-12 PM and by appointment M - F

Saturday: Pastor's day off

Youth Leader: Heather Gladney

Minister of Pastoral Care: Tricia Holley

Trinity Church Office

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