



The Chimes

Genesis 1:27-28

Am I My Brother's Keeper?

Since the beginning of creation, God gave clear and specific instructions to Adam and Eve, to multiply, replenish the earth, and subdue the earth. God gave them all kind of plants and their fruits, the birds, all creatures in the sea, and all animals to be under the dominion of humankind. Verse 29 of the book of Genesis says, "...I have given you...", which means that God is the creator and, therefore, the owner of His creation. He gave the first man and the first woman His creation to provide for them through all things produced on this earth. We are not the owners. God is the owner and we need to use all his resources according to his will.

He instructed Adam and Eve to play the role of stewards. They were to use their gifts for reproduction, to multiply, to subdue the land and everything in it for their own good. Male and female were created in the image of God, and since God had been taking good care of His creation, then mankind who is created in His image, must do the same by taking good care of God's creation.

A good steward of all God's properties needs to get their act together and work responsibly to put to good use of all God's resources on earth. There are certain cities in our world today that need to reduce their air pollution that is a result of the fuels used by the cars that we are driving. When I was living in California in the year 1978, the State of California required that each car had to be inspected and pass a test to enforce the law to control the emissions cars were producing. Every car in California must have a device installed in their car's motor to reduce the monoxides produced by the engine.

In other great cities of the world the air people are breathing has so high a level of contamination that it is negatively impacting the health of their residents. There are so many old cars emitting toxic fumes that, in the long run, they will produce a negative impact in the lives of most, if not all people breathing the air of those cities.

As stewards of God resources we have an obligation to improve the lives and health conditions of all the inhabitants on planet earth. The advances we have made in new technology could work in positive ways in determining how to control toxic waste and add more years of quality life to so many individuals. However, we have many diseases that we have not yet found the cure for.

Water contamination, industrial air pollution and the use of certain chemicals for agricultural production needs to be dealt with it. Governments and social institutions need to do more research to avoid shortening the lives of people with bad water, poor food and other sources of contamination. Also, we need to be proactive in preventing the increases in plastic waste and other hazardous materials that are pouring into the seas, lakes and rivers, and are killing whales, fish, birds, and other creatures, who are being affected by water contamination.

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Pastor Rey's Message Continued....

What can we do about the different types of contamination? We need to use more renewable energy. We can learn how to use the advances in technology to reduce world contamination. We need to teach our children how life could be more in agreement with the book of Genesis. We are not the owner of God's creation, but stewards with one administration that changes over the years. In spite of this, we need to do our part, so we can hand the next generation a better world.

In the end, one day we will need to respond to the Owner regarding whether we have used His resources for our own gain or according to His eternal will. A good steward never claims ownership over something it is not his/her own. A good steward always gives the right use and account of the resources received and uses the resources received according to the owner's instruction and design.

Later in Genesis, the Lord said to Cain, *"Where is Abel your brother? And Cain said, I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?"* As you will notice, the Lord asked the right question, but Cain gave the Lord the wrong answer--in the form of a question. Cain knew he wasn't asking the right question. He knew quite well that yes, he was his brother's keeper? Instead, he killed his brother.

In the final analysis we have the freedom to make our own decisions, but at the end of the day, we all know that we are our brother's keeper and sooner or later we will need to answer to God. - Pastor Rey Díaz

Sunday School News!

The Sunday School students have been busy these past few weeks learning about the shield that each disciple has, and the meaning of its symbols. You too can learn about the disciples shields and there meanings. They will be on display in the hallway outside the library.

The 2nd - 5th graders have been working on The Lord's Prayer, Doxology, Apostle's Creed and the Gloria Patri for their memory work. They are doing a fine job and will be moving on to bible verses in the future.

The Jr./Sr. High will be exploring the Outcasts Jesus encountered, and learn that Jesus loves and accepts every type of person who comes to him.

Saturday, November 30th, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, we will be making decorations and decorating the children's tree in the back of the narthex. This will take place during the **"Hanging of the Greens"**. Snacks will be provided. Hope to see you there.

Children's Christmas Program Planned for December 8th!

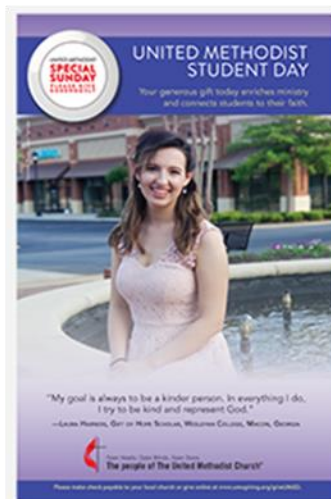
It is that time of year again when we will begin working on the children's Christmas program. Rehearsals will be held during Sunday school on November 10th, November 17th, November 24th, and December 1st. There will also be a brief practice held at 10:00 on Saturday, December 7th. The program will be held on Sunday, December 8th during the church service.

Since there are only five rehearsals, we ask that your children are there as often as possible. Parts will be assigned on November 10th, and children who are in attendance will be considered for the part first.

Our plans for the program are simple, but it will reflect the true meaning of Christmas. We are looking forward to working with your children again this year. If you are interested in helping with the program or have any questions, please feel free to contact either of us.

Sincerely, Allison Ewing (649-3575) and Stephanie Worthington (604-8888)

Missions' Highlights



Special Sunday Offering *United Methodist Student Day* Sunday, November 24th

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.

The funds received from the offering **Advance #1055**, go in the Student Loan Fund to underwrite scholarships for United Methodist students.

HARVEST AUCTION GOAL REACHED

October 15th was a crisp autumn evening, perfect for a time of fun and fellowship. Attendees at the annual Harvest Auction raised **\$1,385.00**, which more than fulfilled our covenant with missionary David Makobo, who is based in Senegal, Africa.

Those attending enjoyed a variety of potluck finger foods, followed by competitive but friendly bidding. Auctioneer Kurt Monson kept things moving along with his special brand of humor and awesome auctioneering skills, assisted by energetic helpers, Jim Weber and Rhonda Sutton. Clerk Corrina Mott kept the bids in order, and cashier Chris Storer kept the finances in order. Our fleet-footed runner, McKenna Monson, made sure the purchases went to the correct buyers.

As always, the Missions' Committee depends upon the kindness and generosity of those who participate to make this event successful. A hearty thank you to those who donated items to the auction, brought food to share, and/or purchased auctioned items. Special thanks to Shirley Wanless and the Missions' Committee for setting up the food and beverage tables. Pat Leonard made and displayed the creative and very helpful signage and table cards, and Bill Twining did the heavy work of set-up and take-down. We thank God for your cooperative efforts as we are in mission together.

Missions Highlights To Celebrate!

A Year to Celebrate: Our church is commemorating 200 years of Methodist Missions this year!

New GBGM Website: Global Ministries and UMCOR have launched a new website – www.umcmision.org. Here you will find information on mission projects, the Advance, missionaries and how to make online donations.

Rainbow Covenant: At the 2019 Annual Conference, six South West District churches were recognized as Rainbow Covenant Churches.....and Trinity UMC was one of them!

The UM Mission Program: Include 300 missionaries; a multitude of mission projects in 60 countries; many institutions: including universities, hospitals and clinics; and by UMCOR.

Celebrations and More.....

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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS	
Marilyn Creasey	11/3
Clara Shannon	11/4
Declan Aaron Storer	11/6
Laurie Stephens Vance	11/10
Julieanna Shannon	11/15
Frances Cooper	11/18
Kurt Monson	11/18
Kynli Dawn Ludwig	11/23
Patty (Wheelock) Hill	11/24
Corrina Mott	11/25
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



LITTLE KNOWN FACT ABOUT THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER:

Actually a "Misnumbered" Month.....

The name 'November' derived from the Latin word *novem* means nine. It should have been the ninth month of the year. However, thanks to January and February which were added to the calendar some 2700 years ago, November is now the 11th guy in the 12 member team.



"HANGING OF THE GREENS" SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH

Come decorate the church for Advent. Snacks will be provided. Contact Barb Shannon at 647-6522 for more details.



Points of Interest

Date	Event	Description
November 3rd 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 24 th Sunday	UM Student Day – Special Sunday Offering 	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.
November 28th Thursday	Thanksgiving Day 	Wishing many blessings and joys to be shared and celebrated with your family and friends.
November 30th Saturday MARK YOUR CALENDARS!	"Hanging Of The Greens" 	10 am – noon. Inviting everyone to 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!

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WITH A GRATEFUL
HEART 1 Thessalonians 5:18



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November Memorial Ministry Corner



Dear Friends at Trinity United Methodist Church. I am writing to thank you for your kind thoughts these past two months. Debbie & I have been surrounded by friends - - near and far - - who have made us feel connected to the goodness in the world, at a time when life seemed pretty dark. Sam touched a lot of people, so while we miss him terribly, we are comforted by all the positive things he accomplished. And, thank you for your thoughtful card of sympathy and your ongoing prayers. - - *David & Debbie (Anderson) Spear*

Note: Samuel (Sam) Edward Spear (October 6, 1986 – July 23, 2019) was David & Debbie's son.

NEW Priority Item. Memorial Ministry has moved the purchase of one Automated External Defibrillator (AED) up on our "Wish List." As a public building, we are long overdue for this piece of onsite medical equipment. The estimated cost for one AED will be **\$1,343**. Medical equipment is expensive! If interested in making a special "wish list" contribution for this purchase, please note your check and envelope with "AED." Memorial Ministry will designate your honor gift for this AED purchase.

All Saints' Day 2019



Sunday Nov. 3rd

All Saints' Day 2019. A complete *thank you* will appear in our December Chimes; however, in addition to our 2019 Saints (see October Chimes), the complete list of memorial and honor gifts that were consecrated/dedicated on Sunday, November 3, 2019, were as follows:

Consecrating/Dedicating Our Gifts

Memorial Gifts

Scholarship Fund

Ralph & Helen Monteith 2018 Trust Interest
... Alberta Chellevoid-Couey Memorial
..... Marilyn Joan Anderson Memorial

Confirmation/Baptism Sunday Gifts

Ruth Ghastin Memorial
..... Madaline Olson Memorial
..... Steven Whetstone Memorial
..... Myra Creasey Memorial
..... George Wold Memorial
..... Don Goplin Memorial



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2019 Trinity Scholarship Recipient	Morgan Goodyear Crotsenberg
Bulletin Board Upgrade/Replacements	2019 "Trinity Wish" List Fund Paul & Louise Murphey (In-Kind Labor/Classroom Boards)
2019 ASD Table Candlesticks/Cross	Paul & Louise Murphey
Schmitt Hall & Kitchen (Flags, Podium, Coffee Pots, Pitchers, Candlesticks, Banner)	Paul & Louise Murphey
Years of Service/Resignation/Relocation	Pastor G. Wiley Gladney & Family
Years of Service/Staff Resignation	Tricia Holley
Years of Service/Membership Transfer	Nyman Olson
Notary Public Service (Membership)	Chris Storer
ASD/Special Event Photographer	Anya Drone

Invitation From the Visitation Ministry Team!



Do You Want to be a Servant?

Jesus wants us to serve Him! We all know that, but knowing how to do that is sometimes difficult. Sometimes we are asked to serve in a way that takes us out of our comfort zone and challenges our talents.

If you are hearing the call to serve consider joining the Trinity & Peace Visitation Committee. The members of this committee go to the local nursing homes to visit the parishioners, of Trinity & Peace churches, that are no longer physically able to attend church. The committee also goes into private homes to visit those that are home-bound.

The committee meets every couple of months to receive visitation assignments. They will be assigned about 4-5 people a month to visit. The comments about the visits and cards the committee sends is always positive.

Members of the committee always comments on the blessings they receive from their visits. It really is true that it is more blessed to give than receive!

Please prayerfully consider joining this committee. You can contact the church office (647-3203) if you would like to serve on this committee.



October Committee Notes – by Jerry Bower, Lay Leader



CHURCH COUNCIL: *The Council was the only administrative committee to meet in October, so this set of Notes will be short.*

Present: John Storer, Pastor Rey, Russ Shannon, Jerry Bower.

Russ opened our meeting with a prayer. We noted that Rey is suffering from Fall allergies and that he will have knee surgery on 25 October.

We approved the Council Minutes for 16 September 2019.

OLD BUSINESS:

Russ announced that our Charge Conference is scheduled for 29 October at the Avoca United Methodist Church, at 6:30 PM. This will again be a district-wide Charge Conference, a format that many do not like. Our committee chairs have been busy filling out annual reports to be included in Trinity's Charge Conference booklet.

Community Social Profile: Due to members' busy schedules, the members have decided to delay until January this ten-week project.

NEW BUSINESS:

Shopper Ad: Trinity presently does not advertise our service times in the Shopper. An ad would be published only one a month, in the fourth week of each month, would cost \$22.75 per month. After a brief discussion, we decided not to advertise in the Shopper.

Hanging of the Greens: This celebration marks the beginning of advent. This year it will occur on either Saturday 30 November or Saturday 7 December. Watch the bulletin for the announcement of the date and, please, plan to volunteer to decorate the Sanctuary. Russ volunteered to secure a tree.

Proposed 2020 Budget: We concurred with the Finance Committee's recommendation that the proposed budget be forwarded to the Charge Conference for approval.

Council Meeting Schedule: We decided to join the Trustees and the Finance Committee in meeting every other month, unless an issue arises that needs immediate attention. Then, Russ will call a meeting. Beginning in January, the Council and the Finance Committee will meet in the odd numbered months and the Trustees will meet in the even numbered months.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Missions Committee: Kathy Bastian reported via email. The Harvest Auction generated \$1,383 to fulfill our pledge to David Makobo's ministry. The November Mission focus will be advance #7265, UM Children's Services. November 24th will be UM Student Day.

Memorial Ministry & Membership: Paul Murphey also reported by email. The plans for our 3 November All Saints Day are almost complete. The membership report for the Charge Conference has been completed.

PASTOR'S REPORT : Rey reported that he will schedule a Joint SPRC meeting after the Charge Conference.

NEXT MEETING: 18 NOVEMBER 2019, 7:00 PM., IN THE LIBRARY.

Missions' Committee November Project

United Methodist Children's Services

3940 West Lisbon Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53208
Phone: 414-344-1818
Web: www.umcs-wi.org



Conference Advance #7265

History

United Methodist Children's Services was organized in 1962, and has been serving men, women, children, and families for 50 years.

Mission

Based upon its fundamental belief in God's love, United Methodist Children's Services values the dignity, potential, and worth of each individual; and creates a nurturing environment and sense of community in which miracles happen.

Services

Located in the Washington Park area of Milwaukee, United Methodist Children's Services (UMCS) serves women, children, and families with low-income and affordable housing, childcare, food, household items, and neighborhood organizing, specifically:

- The Growing Tree Children's Center serves children in the UMCS housing program, as well as those in the surrounding community. Many children are from families who participate in the W-2 Welfare to Work Program.
- The Family Resource Center is one of the largest emergency food pantry sites in Milwaukee County, based on the number of people it serves. Through this invaluable resource, United Methodist Children's Services is able to distribute emergency food supplies, and clothing to low-income families, as well as provide other important community services.
- Seventy units of low-income and affordable housing provide safe, quality residences for families, who also receive additional support services to ensure their needs are met.
- A sustainable community initiative works within the Washington Park Neighborhood to ensure it's a safe place for residents to live, work and play.

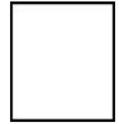
By asking you to support Trinity Missions' Projects, we also ask that you first consider your support of the general fund, which is what keeps our church doors open. Then please prayerfully consider your support of this month's Mission Focus. Thank you.

NOVEMBER MINISTRY 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p>Church Office Hours 9am – Noon Monday thru Friday</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED Nov. 29th</p>					1 Pastor's Day Off	2
3 ALL SAINTS' DAY 9:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School	4 PEO 1:30pm Trustee Committee 6:00 PM Visitation Team 5 PM Peace	5 Tues. Morning Group 9:30 AM Missions Committee 4:30 PM PEO 4:30 PM	6 Finance Committee 6:00 PM	7 MOPS 9 – 11 AM	8 Pastor's Day Off	9
10 9:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School	11 <i>Veterans Day</i>	12 Tues. Morning Group 9:30 AM Memorial Ministry 1:30 PM	13 Dance Group 4 – 5 PM	14	15 Pastor's Day Off	16
17 9:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School	18 19 Church Council 7:00 PM	19 Tues. Morning Group 9:30 AM	20 Dance Group 4 – 5 PM CHIMES DEADLINE 	21	22 Pastor's Day Off	23
24 9:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School	25	26 Tues. Morning Group 9:30 AM	27 Dance Group 4 – 5 PM	28 THANKSGIVING DAY 	29 OFFICE CLOSED	30

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Office Closed Nov. 28th & 29th



Sunday Nov. 3rd

Trinity United Methodist Church

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.

Pastor: Rey Díaz

Pastor's Cell Phone: 608-633-7513

Pastor's email: zoolaar@live.com

Pastor's Office Hours: Wednesday and Thursday 9-12 PM

and by appointment M - F

Saturday: Pastor's day off

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