



The Chimes

Sisters and brothers in Christ,

On Wednesday, April 6th we had to canceled the 6:30 p.m. Bible Study at Peace UMC. The reason for the cancelation was so I could gather with family in Madison. I had been invited to celebrate Daniel's birthday, one of my eight grandchildren. It was an invitation I could not refuse. I couldn't go to the birthday parties for all of my grandchildren, but this time I made an exception. Why? Probably because I am already old and in the near future I will miss many of his birthday parties. The law of nature tells me that this is going to happen.

I have observed that our Lord, Jesus Christ took the time to spend his life with other people. He visited with the Samaritan woman and invited himself to dinner in the house of a tax collector named Zacchaeus. His first miracle was in Canna of Galilee during a wedding celebration. He shared several great moments in the house of Simon, the leper. On several occasions he visited the house of his friend Lazarus. He visited the house of Peter and it was while he was visiting his friend's house that he had the opportunity to serve other people in the name of the Lord. He took advantage on each occasion to help others get closer in their relationship with God and in this way start a new life growing in the grace of the Lord.

The Christian liturgical cycle of the church leads us into the different seasons that move us from celebrating the birth of Jesus and into his public ministry. Then comes the passion week, His death on the cross, and His Resurrection. Later come Pentecost, Advent, and Epiphany. The Christian Calendar is centered on the person of God the Father, the Son Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit. It deals with the entire Bible, honoring God, proclaiming the life of his Son Jesus Christ, and doing everything he did by the power of the Holy Spirit.

We are called to center our lives in the person of Jesus Christ, the one who came to save humanity. We look into the church's mission, the person of Christ, the anointing of the Holy Spirit, the Sanctity of life, the resurrection of the body, the celebration of the Lord's Supper, baptism with water, and the Second Coming of Jesus

There is no doubt that we are living in the end times. Prophecies about the end times tell us that people will be marrying and given in marriage, war and rumors of war, apostasy inside the church, and false teachings about the Word of the Lord, among many other things. It is fulfillment of the Old and New Testament prophecies that point to the conditions of humanity and the way unbelievers and unfaithful people will be living without concern for their salvation and the many ways they are rejecting God.

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This present time is like during the time of Noah when the flood took place and wiped out all who did not pay attention to what God was going to do. All these indications today are showing us crystal clearly that the end is drawing near. Yet we keep living our lives and celebrating birthdays, weddings, graduations, and other occasions...seemingly ignoring the "Signs of the Times". Amos said, "...because I will do this to you, prepare to meet your God..." (Amos 4:12). Are we also living our lives in expectancy of Jesus coming again and preparing to meet our God?

Pastor Rey Díaz

United Methodist Camps

<https://wiumcamps.org>



Wisconsin Conference UMC is pleased to announce that Summer Camp 2022 is open for registration!

This year all camp materials, promotional packets and registration will be available in the narthex, as well as online. The website is filled with lots of great camp photos and FAQs. Also there are so many different and exciting youth camps for all ages ...that there is something for everyone young and old!

Visit www.wiumcamps.org to learn more or to register.



CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!!

Also the Trinity camp fund pays 2/3's of registration for youths, and the WI Conference Scholarships are also available if needed. In addition, you may contact Rosie Steinmetz at 647-4247 for assistance.

WIUM Camps latest COVID-19 protocols and precautions have been posted on the general informational bulletin board, as well as found on their website too.

Special Sunday Offering in May

Native American Ministries Sunday – May 1st

Native American Ministries Sunday celebrates and supports the 157 Native American United Methodist churches that are part of the denomination. Our special officering directly support Native American congregations that minister authentically with their communities and provides scholarships for native American seminary students.

Did you know that more than 20,000 Native American people are part of The United Methodist Church? Through gifts shared on this Special Sunday, United Methodist Native American seminary students and congregations are empowered to develop new ministries that honor creative expression of their culture. They are equipped to form new ministry partnerships and coalitions, encouraging community reconciliation and restoration.

When you give on *Native American Ministries Sunday*.... 50% stays in the annual conference to develop and strengthen local Native American ministries. 25% goes toward scholarships for Native American to attend United Methodist schools and other approve schools of theology. 25% goes toward expansion of the number of target cities in the Native American Urban Initiative.

5.2 M = Population of Native Americans and Alaska Natives
1,698,815 = number of American Indian and Alaska Native family households in 2013

566 = Number of federally recognized Indian tribes
29.2% = Percentage of single race American Indians and Alaska Natives that were in poverty in 2013. Please support native American Ministries Sunday.



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.....



Sunday, May 8th
A Time to Celebrate!
(See page 8 for ideas!)

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Christine Storer	01-May
Betty Boeing	03-May
Jill (Steiner) Sommer	03-May
Carolyn Freeman	04-May
Barb Shannon	04-May
Eiko Subera	12-May
Chris Shannon	14-May
Nicholas Hodge	16-May
Millie Koehn	17-May
Mandy Brewer	17-May
Hadlee Jo Wilmot	18-May

**NATIONAL
DAY OF
PRAYER**



May 5 th Thursday	Everyone is invited to the Court House lawn at noon. In case of rain, the event will be held at Park Street Christian Church, 148 South Park St.
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SAVE THE DATE! **JUNE ICE CREAM SOCIAL:** **Supports Youth Activities Fund**



Trinity and Peace Churches are looking forward to another cooperative ice cream social to take place on **Wednesday, June 22nd from 5:00-7:00 P.M.** in Schmitt Hall, Trinity UMC. The ice cream social is a fundraiser for the youth activities fund, which assists those from Peace and Trinity who may plan to attend church camps, church trips, and other church activities planned for the year.

Stay tuned for more details coming soon!!

MONTHLY MISSION FOCUS FOR 2022

Special Sundays in Italics

MAY	<i>Native American Ministries Sunday, May 1st #1025</i> <i>Golden Cross Sunday May 22nd #1070</i>
June	ICE CREAM SOCIAL June 22 nd <i>Peace w Justice Sunday June 12th #1035</i>
July	FOOD PANTRY
August	MEMORIAL MINISTRY WISH LIST
September	HEIFER INTERNATIONAL
October	HARVEST AUCTION: (DATE TBD) to fulfill our covenant with David Makobo, Senegal, Africa <i>World Communion Sunday October 2nd #1045</i>
November	VETERANS PROJECT (project TBD) <i>UM Student Day November 27th #1055</i>
December	SALVATION ARMY

May 22nd Sunday	Missions Deadline for INGATHERING "Personal Dignity Kits"	DEADLINE for everyone's help in purchasing all the items to complete 20 Personal Dignity kits, that Trinity will be donating for the WI Conference INGATHERING. See page 10 for details. Can you help us meet our goal?
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Trinity Committee Notes.....



By Jerry Bower, Lay Leader

It has been over two years since I wrote Committee Notes. We'll see if I still know how!

The Church Council met on Monday, 4 April, to take care of three items. These were getting the LIFT back into operation. The lift failed during the huge wedding held at Trinity. The second item was to replace our copier, as we had been notified by Rhyme that, due to the age of the machine, our maintenance contract would be cancelled as of May 6th. Repair parts would likely not be available after that date. The third item was to consider renewing our subscription for Quick Books, which is the program our treasurer uses. I'll describe what happened in the order presented above.

THE LIFT: New batteries will cost about \$3,000.00. They need to be replaced about every five years. We quickly decided to have the new batteries installed. After the batteries were in place, the technician noted that the lift still did not work properly. Analysis indicated that the problem was the traveling cable, which contain all the electronics needed to operate the lift. A new travelling cable has been ordered for \$4,200.00. Hopefully, no additional problems will arise.

THE COPIER: Ben Havlicek, Rhyme district representative, attended our meeting and made an excellent presentation of our options. He noted that Rhyme had a top of the line reconditioned Sharp copier in its inventory. We also could purchase a new machine. Cost of course is very important. The reconditioned machine would cost \$3,295.00 and a new copier between \$6,000.00 and \$7,000.00, depending on which machine we selected. Ben noted that the reconditioned machine had several features absent from our current copier, like the ability to scan two sided documents in one pass. We decided to purchase the reconditioned machine. It will probably be installed before you get this newsletter.

QUICK BOOKS: Once again we were faced with the fact that our current version of Quick Books would not be supported beyond June. So, we quickly authorized Monica, our treasurer, to order what she needs to manage our finances.

The Council suggests that all committees plan to meet in person to begin to return to "normal."



May Memorial Ministry Corner



In Memory of Sylvena S. (Spangler) Mitri December 04, 1921 – March 21, 2022

Sylvena has been a long-time Trinity Professing Member (PM) since April 10, 1938. Complete Obituary Appears at the *Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service, Richland Center, WI*, Website: <https://tinyurl.com/36d83cxj>.

Visitation and services were held on Saturday, March 26, 2022, at the Pratt Memorial Chapel with Pastor Rey Díaz officiating.

Cards of Condolence May be Sent to Sylvena's Sister-in-Law at the Following:

[Lila Spangler](#)

Schmitt Woodland Hills Retirement Community
1400 West Seminary Street
Richland Center, WI 53581
608.647.4169

In Memory of Carol J. Edwards April 12, 1933 – March 30, 2022

Carol was a devoted Trinity Professing Member (PM) until her membership transfer to Appleton on November 03, 2003.

Complete Obituary Appears at the *Cornerstone Funeral and Cremation Service, Markesan, WI*, Website: <https://tinyurl.com/9ry677wy>.

Visitation and services were held on Saturday, April 23, 2022, at the Emmanuel United Methodist Church, Appleton, WI.

Cards of Condolence May be Sent to Carol's Church at the Following:

[Emmanuel United Methodist Church](#)

740 East College Avenue
Appleton, WI 54911
920.731.3288 (or) <http://www.emmanuel-umc.org/> (or)
emmanuelumc.appleton@gmail.com



**"Blessed are those who mourn, for
they shall be comforted."
(Matthew 5:4)**

Memorial Ministry May 10, 2022, Meeting Notice

The Trinity UMC Church Council has requested that all church committees start to meet again in person. Therefore, Memorial Ministry will have its first in-person meeting for Quarter 02 on Tuesday, May 10, 2022, at 1:30 p.m. in the Church Library.

PLEASE RSVP Memorial Committee Chair Paul Murphey at 608.647.6439 (or) pmurphey@mwt.net if you are **UNABLE** to attend.



Church Membership Notes



Praying for Helen Nelson

Helen is a Long-Time Trinity Member.

Helen is currently recovering at UW-Hospital (or may be home at the time of May Chimes publication) after surgery for a brain aneurysm, which happened on Wednesday, April 06, 2022.

Cards can be sent to Helen through her home address at the following:

Helen Nelson
26997 Crestview Drive
Richland Center, WI 53581-8790
608.647.8145

Our Prayers Are With You!



Mother's Day is a time to celebrate our mothers and how important they are in our lives. Breakfast in bed, making dinner for mom, and a spa day are all great gifts for a mother. This year, make Mother's Day a unique and unforgettable celebration. Making a memory jar, taking your mother to afternoon tea, planting a tree, taking mom for a picnic, and volunteering at her favorite charity are unique ways to celebrate motherhood.

Memory Jar

Paint and decorate a mason jar. Write favorite memories of your mom on slips of paper. Encourage the other members of your family to write their memories down as well. Fill the mason jar with the paper slips. On Mother's Day, sit with your mom while she reads all of the memories you have written down.

Afternoon Tea

Book an afternoon tea at a local teahouse or restaurant. Invite the people who are most important to your mom. Use the time to talk about how much you appreciate your mom.

Planting a Tree

Pick your mom's favorite tree from your local garden center. Together with your mom, plant the tree in a visible place in your yard. Visit the tree each mother's day to remember the love and appreciation you have for your mother.

Picnic in the Park

Pack a picnic lunch of your mom's favorite things. Pick a quiet local park to have the picnic. Spend the time talking and laughing about the things going on in her life.

Local Charity

This year, schedule a time with your mother to volunteer at one of her favorite charities. Some ideas are a local nursing home, taking items to a women's shelter, or a soup kitchen. Let your mom know how much you appreciate her efforts with you and admire her giving spirit.



A MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER....

We thank you God for the love of the mothers you have given us, whose love is so precious that it can never be measured.

May we see your loving hand behind them and guiding them. We pray for those mothers who fear they will run out of love or time, or patience.

We ask you to bless them with your own special love.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, our brother.

Amen.

Missions' Upcoming Special Sundays

Golden Cross Sunday – May 22th

May 22th Golden Cross Sunday



By making a contribution to the **Golden Cross Sunday**, you are making a difference in the lives of our senior neighbors through our connection as United Methodist but more importantly through our connection as Christians. We need your help in making life better for our great generation.

Annual conferences now use the funds in a variety of ways:

1. Emergency medical assistance for individuals
2. Support for church-related health institutions.
3. Support for after school care for children.
4. Purchase of equipment for youth ministry.
5. Scholarships for students purchasing health related careers.
6. Support of a residence for alcohol rehabilitation.
7. Advocacy education programs for emerging critical health concerns.

Each long term healthcare ministry receives 50% of the offerings received from our district (*Schmitt Woodland Hills*). The remainder is distributed to the Conference for their various related programs.

Your donations help make ends meet in emergency situations and help to bring the extra activities to the communities. Make a contribution or volunteer today! One of those ways is through **Golden Cross Sunday on May 22th**.

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Trinity Hosting “Greg Zelek” Concert – SAVE THE DATE!!



TRINITY UNITED METHODIST HOSTING
A CONCERT EVENT
FOR THE RICHLAND CONCERT ASSOCIATION

PERFORMANCE TIME: 2 PM
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2022

Greg Zelek

*Principal Organist of the Madison
Symphony Orchestra returns!*

April Mission Focus: Ingathering Kits **DEADLINE MAY 22nd**



Ingathering is a way that United Methodists gather goods, supplies, food, and more and deliver them to people who are in need. We collect for this worthy cause every year at our Annual Conference. These items are then sent to one of the United Methodist Church supply depots, where volunteers assemble, verify, and pack the kits so that they can be sent where they're needed most.

The Mission of the Month for April will be collecting items for the 2022 Annual Conference in early June. This year we have chosen to make "Personal Dignity Kits" for the **Ingathering**. Listed below are the items contained in a kit. The estimated cost of a kit is about \$15.00. We prefer you purchase a whole kit or you may make a financial donation and the Missions Committee will purchase the needed items and package them for the Ingathering.

We have set a goal of collecting 20 kits this year.

THE DEADLINE to donate either kits or funds for the committee to purchase items for the kits is SUNDAY, MAY 22.

THE MISSIONS' COMMITTEE IS SUPPLYING 1 GALLON PLASTIC BAGS WITH AN ENCLOSED LIST OF ITEMS NEEDED TO COMPLETE ONE KIT. (Value \$15) BAGS ARE LOCATED ON A TABLE IN THE NARTHEX.

NOTE: ITEMS MUST BE NEW. Please follow the guidelines on the enclosed list to ensure proper size of the items.

Personal Dignity Kit

- 1 Bath Hand Towel - No kitchen towels
- 1 Bath Washcloth - No dishcloths
- 1 Adult Toothbrush - No multipacks
- 1 Bar Soap - 3-4 ozs.
- 1 Shampoo - 15-18 ozs.
- 1 Deodorant - 2-3 ozs. - stick, roll-on, or pump
- + Add \$2.00 for toothpaste and razor.

All items must be NEW and place all items in a 1-gallon resealable plastic bag (these will be supplied in the narthex)



Thank you for your continued support of Missions and the work that is being done around the world to share the Gospel and help those in need.

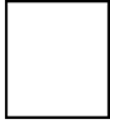


MAY MINISTRY 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School	2 PEO Meeting 1:30 PM	3 Tuesday Morning Group 10:00 AM @ Peace	4 Youth Dance @ 4:00 PM	5 National Day of Prayer Noon - Court House Lawn	6 Pastor's Day Off	7
8 <i>Mother's Day</i> 9:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School	9	10 Tuesday Morning Group 10:00 AM @ Peace Memorial Ministry Committee Mtg @ 1:30 pm Missions Committee Mtg @ 4:30pm	11 Youth Dance @ 4:00 PM RCMA Mtg - Noon - 1 PM Library	12	13 Pastor's Day Off	14
15 9:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School	16 Joint Confirmation Classes 6:30pm at Peace	17 Tuesday Morning Group 10:00 AM @ Peace	18 Youth Dance @ 4:00 PM CHIMES 	19 RAREA Board Mtg @ 10 AM - Library	20 Pastor's Day Off	21
22 9:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School	23 Joint Confirmation Classes 6:30pm at Peace	24 Tuesday Morning Group 10:00 AM @ Peace	25 Youth Dance @ 4:00 PM	26	27 Pastor's Day Off	28
29 9:30 AM Worship 9:45 AM Sunday School	30 OFFICE CLOSED Joint Confirmation Classes 6:30pm at Peace	31 Tuesday Morning Group 10:00 AM @ Peace	 <div> <i>Mother's Day Sunday May 8th</i> <i>(See page 8 for some special gift ideas)</i> </div>			

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Monday, May 30th
OFFICE CLOSED

