

*Peace and Trinity United  
Methodist Churches  
Reformation Sunday  
October 29, 2023*

**Peace and Trinity Unified  
Mission Statement**

**We the people** of Trinity and Peace United Methodist Churches are compelled by God to build His Kingdom. We are guided by Biblical truth.

**We are committed** to unifying as one church to receive and serve all people with the compassionate and unconditional love of Jesus.

**We are passionate** to assist people to find restoration and hope through the life hanging transformation offered by Jesus!

**We are aware** of the abundant grace God has lavished on our lives which drives our passion to serve in unity.

**As a unified Church** we will be empowered by Jesus to develop a flourishing and thriving Christ centered community.

**With God all things are possible!**  
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*Please silence or quiet your cell phone so we can worship and celebrate God together.*

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

*\*This mark invited those who are able to please stand.*

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Adapted from Psalm 89 (NLT))*

**Leader:** “I will sing of the Lord’s unfailing love forever!  
Young and old will hear of your faithfulness.”

**People:** “Your unfailing love will last forever. Your faithfulness is as enduring as the heavens.”

**Leader:** “‘Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne. Unfailing love and truth walk before you as attendants.’”

**People:** “Happy are those who hear the joyful all to worship, for they will walk in the light of your presence, Lord.”

**All:** “Praise the Lord forever! Amen and Amen!”

**OPENING PRAYER**

**\*HYMN:** *Great is Thy Faithfulness* 140

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**We are not alone, we live in God’s world.**

**We believe in God:**

**who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus,, the word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the church:**

**to celebrate God’s presence,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us.**

**We are not alone.**

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**MINI-MESSAGE for children of all ages**

**WORSHIP IN GIVING**

**A Word About Giving**

**Offertory of our Tithes and Gifts**

**\*Doxology (All Sing)**

**Praise God from who all blessings flow,  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*Dedication**

**WORSHIP IN PRAYER**

**Silent, Individual Prayers**

**Pastor’s Prayer**

**The Lord’s Prayer (All)**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

**HYMN:** *O How I Love Jesus* 170

**WORSHIP IN THE WORD**

**Scripture Reading: Romans 12:9-21;  
13:8-10 (NIV)**

**Scripture Lesson: 1 Corinthians 13 (NIV)**

**Sermon: “The Greatest of These is Love”**

*Guest speaker: Joan Bethke*

**\*HYMN** *They’ll Know We Are  
Christians by Our Love* 2223  
*Faith We Sing Hymnal*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

**Peace:**

**Hymn Leader:** Kathy Schwinefus

**Pianist:** Jennifer Hall

**Scripture Reader:** Pastor Rachel

**Sound Operator:** Joan Wheeler

**Trinity:**

**Pianist:** Jennifer Hall

**Scripture Reader:** Pastor Rachel

*Prayer: Loving and merciful God, I am all in.  
I withhold nothing. Amen*

### **PEACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

#### **This Week's Events:**

- 29 **Seekers Class: 9:30 a.m.**  
**Worship Service: 10:45 a.m.**
- 30 Joint Nominations Mtg: 5:15 p.m. – Trinity Library
- 31 Women's Bible Study: 10:00 a.m. – Trinity Library
- 02 Al Anon: Noon

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- 05 Seeker's Class: 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service / Communion: 10:45 a.m.
- 07 Women's Bible Study: 10:00 a.m. – Trinity Library
- 09 Al Anon: Noon

### **TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

#### **This Week's Events:**

- 29 **Worship Service: 9:30 a.m.**  
**Sunday school: 9:45 a.m.**
- 30 Joint Nominations Mtg: 5:15 p.m. – Library
- 31 Women's Bible Study: 10:00 a.m. – Library
- 01 Dance Class: 4:00 p.m.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- 05 Worship Service / Communion: 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday school: 9:45 a.m.
- 06 PEO: 1:30 p.m. - Library
- 07 Women's Bible Study: 10:00 a.m. – Library  
Missions Meeting: 4:30 p.m. – Library
- 08 Dance Class: 4:00 p.m.
- 09 RAREA Mtg: 10:00 a.m. - Library



TODAY'S COFFEE HOUR HOSPITALITY HOST ....  
Many thanks to the Rosie Steinmetz for  
hosting coffee hour today.

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Custodian: Bill Twining

### **Peace and Trinity United Methodist Churches Reformation Sunday October 29, 2023**



# Love

is patient ♦  
kind ♦ not envious ♦  
not boastful ♦  
not arrogant ♦  
not rude ♦ does not insist  
on its own way ♦  
is not irritable or resentful ♦  
does not rejoice in  
wrongdoing ♦ rejoices in the  
truth ♦ bears all things ♦  
believes all things ♦  
hopes all things ♦  
endures all things ♦  
never ends. ♦

1 Corinthians 13:4-8, NRSV [adapted]



“**Springs of the Valley**” by Dorothy Brice are available at Peace. They can be found on the counter in Peace Plaza or on the table in the North Room by the steps. Please take a copy if you wish. We have plenty of her books in our History Room.



### **A Job Well Done!**

The Missions Committee is proud to announce that this year’s auction brought in a staggering **\$2,200** that will go to the David & Solonge Makobo for their work in Senegal, Africa.

They would like to thank the following people for their hard work that night. Kurt Monson whose skills had us laughing while we emptied our wallets. Our intrepid clerk, Diane Monson, kept the purchases in order and cashier: Chris Storer kept the finances in order. Our energetic auction helpers: Jim Weber and Joan Bethke. They displayed auction items and kept things moving right along. Our energetic young runners: Ellie and Ben Otto, made sure the purchases went to the correct buyers.

A great big THANKS for everyone who came, ate, bid and purchased our items. It was a team effort and we couldn’t have gotten it done without everyone’s help.

There will be full detailed report in the December Chimes.

Please check out the colorful picture display found at Trinity in the Narthex. At Peace: on the bulletin board in Peace Plaza.



### **SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

Peace has decided to help the area schools with school supplies this year as part of our mission project for September and October. Peace Plaza waiting for school supplies to be brought in. We will be sending bags of school supplies to Elementary School (K-2<sup>nd</sup>), St. Mary’s, the Intermediary School (3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>). Would you like to help give to those children who cannot afford to purchase the needed supplies

Below is a specific list of supplies needed for all grades.

- ◆ spiral notebooks (wide lined)
- ◆ pencils #2 (no mechanical pencils)
- ◆ crayons – 24 count only
- ◆ colored pencils
- ◆ dry erase markers
- ◆ markers
- ◆ glue sticks only
- ◆ folders
- ◆ ruler
- ◆ scissors – blunt end
- ◆ large eraser
- ◆ Kleenex
- ◆ pencil box or pouch
- ◆ hand sanitizer

Quite a few of our teachers end up buying school items for the children that cannot afford them. Hardships arise from all sorts of things: no job or very little money coming in, perhaps quite a few school age children for one family to buy for. Whatever the reason, Richland Center schools face the same shortage problems. Let’s help out if you can and purchase some school supplies. The best places to go are the dollar stores and perhaps Wal-Mart still has school items on sale.

Please bring in your **NEW** items and place on the table or in the basket provided. We will deliver these items in November. **Last Sunday to bring in school items.**

### **Pastor Appreciation Month**



Pastor, you are always there  
To help us when we fall.  
We just want to thank you

For answering the Master’s call.

To thank you for caring  
When things can seem so bad.  
To thank you for your humor  
That helps us up when sad.

To thank you for the prayers  
That you pray for us each day.  
You’re more concerned with others’ needs,  
Then the trouble you must face.

To thank you for the sermons.  
You always seem to know  
The problems we are facing,  
And the ways we need to grow.

We must also thank the Lord  
For this pastor strong in Christ.  
His example and his humbleness  
Inspire all our lives.

A pastor that relies on God  
Through happy times and tears.  
You’re such a special blessing  
And we thank God – He sent you here.

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Please feel free to give Pastor Rachel cards and/or gift cards for her to use. There is a box in Peace Plaza and in the Narthex at Trinity for the cards if you wish to give her one. They will be presented to her on Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, as part of October’s Pastor Appreciation Month.



United Methodist Student Day – November 26th



United Methodist Student Day was originally Special Sunday founded by United Methodist Church Sunday schools who collected offerings to help advance education for their children. The fund was originally established in 1872 as the Children’s Fund. Today, United Methodist Student Day Sunday has the same purpose, calling upon the denomination to support their students as they prepare for life by adding knowledge to their faith.

Every year, General Board of Higher Education and Ministry awards an average of \$5.5 million in financial aid to United Methodist students. The offering taken on United Methodist Student Day is one opportunity to support these scholarships. Every dollar – yes 100% – received goes towards supporting and educating a new generation of principled Christian leaders for the church and the world. Supporting this Special Sunday is truly an investment in our future.

Currently, there are over 70 scholarships available for undergraduate, graduate, or doctoral United Methodist students. Financial support for all General Board of Higher Education and Ministry scholarships come from five primary sources: 63% from endowments; 22% from wills and annuities; 13% from United Methodist Special Sundays and 1% from online gifts and fiduciary income. All donations received empower and encourage our students that we are investing in them and our future.

We are blessed to support thousands of students through scholarships, but we would like to do more. Our funds are limited, and every awards cycle we end up with a large pool of qualified candidates who we are unable to help because there was no money left to give. You can help us change that! Donate now and help more students answer God’s call to higher education.



Peace

October Birthday	
Connie Dunn	10/29

October Anniversaries	
Dave & Jennifer Foley	10/30

November Birthdays			
Gavin Gochenaur	11/2	Landen Moore	11/15
Tyler Woodman	11/4	Joan Wheeler	11/22
Claudia Berres	11/11	Laverne Gulsrus	11/29
Mark Dunn	11/12	Cheryl Winger	11/30

November Anniversaries	
Mark & Connie Dunn	11/15
Terry & Barb Nimocks	11/27

Trinity

November Birthdays			
Clara Shannon	11/4	Kurt Monson	11/18
Declan Bee	11/6	Joan Wheeler	11/22
Laurie Stephens-Vance	11/10	Sandy Brice	11/23
Kathy Cianci	11/14	Kynli Ludwig	11/23
Julianna Shannon	11/15	Patty Hill	11/24
Frances R. Cooper	11/18	Corrina Mott	11/25
Monica Eernisse	11/18	Jarred Schenider	11/27
		Lucas Turgasen	11/27

Announcements

ASD Memorial Tablecloth Returns!

Starting Sunday, October 01, 2023, our traditional memorial tablecloth will return in the narthex area in preparation for our 2023 All Saints’ Day service.

Please add any names you wish to remember as personal saints you may have lost this year or from years past by using the fabric markers, or simply write the name on the slip of paper. Leave the paper on the table, and we will transfer the name for you.

The fabric markers are permanent!

Our Trinity 2023 saints will automatically be added.

This is now a Trinity tradition, as the tablecloth will be used in a place of honor during our Sunday, November 05, 2023, service.

Deadline to add a name will be Tuesday, October 31, 2023

*Paul Murphey, Memorial Ministry Chair*



It’s that time again. We need to fall back on November 4<sup>th</sup> or we’ll be either late for everything on Sunday morning or an hour early. Please make sure to set your clocks **BACK ONE HOUR BEFORE GOING TO BED** on Saturday night (4<sup>th</sup>).