

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH BULLETIN
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THE GOOD NEWS

*Sharing the Compassion, Hope and Unconditional Love of Jesus Christ with
The University of Alabama and the greater Tuscaloosa community.*

There are so many activities going on at Trinity this month! Our bulletins and newsletter are filled with announcements, and it can be difficult to sort through them all. I am most excited about our upcoming worship services. The past two weeks we have had such a large number of visitors and students in worship! It is good to see the students return. Many of our visiting students are from out of state and several have commented about the friendliness of our congregation. On September 9th we will "officially" welcome them with a pot-luck lunch after worship. The African American Gospel Choir will be joining us for worship, and hopefully for lunch. All church members are encouraged to bring something to share!

On September 16th, we will welcome Barrett Jones as our guest speaker. Barrett is a graduate student at Alabama who has a deep faith and a story to tell. He is also on the Alabama football team and is the 2011 Outland Trophy winner. I imagine it is not easy for a local football celebrity to stay grounded and focused. I am looking forward to hearing Barrett, especially right after the Arkansas game!

On September 23rd we welcome Creighton Alexander of the Wesley Foundation as our guest speaker. That Sunday we will also match our host families and adoptive students at a reception immediately following the service. If you would like to "adopt" a student, please fill out a form in the Narthex after worship.

October 7th is World Communion Sunday. We hope to add an international flavor to the service. The theme is "God is known in the breaking of the bread." Susan Page is busy finding volunteers to bake 145 small loaves of bread to hand out as people leave the service with an invitation for us to share it with someone. You can share the bread with a friend, stranger or co-worker, inviting them to join us in worship! Or better yet, break the bread with them and share what God has done for you.

I hope that over the next few weeks you will invite someone to church, knowing that God is moving in powerful ways through our shared worship.

Another opportunity to reach out to others will be a Monday brown bag lunch beginning September 10th. Rev. Kelvin Croom, former Alabama football player, is helping to line up speakers every week who are associated with the football program, and who have a faith story to share. A guest speaker will share for 10-15 minutes, then we'll throw out a question for folks to discuss at their table. I hope all students and anyone working at or near the university will join us and bring a friend!

I am excited about what God is doing at Trinity UMC!

Penny Ford
Pastor



Trinity News and Notes



REGULAR MINISTRIES AT TRINITY

SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. Sanctuary Prayer Time
8:45 a.m. Chapel Communion
9:00 a.m. Coffee Time
9:00 a.m. Archives Room Open
9:15 a.m. Library Open
9:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study
9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School
9:30 a.m. Youth Sunday School
9:30 a.m. Choir Warm Up
10:30 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP
5:30 p.m. Youth Ministry (BOB)
5:30 p.m. Elevate Bible Study (College Students)

TUESDAY

5:30 p.m. AA Meeting
6:00 p.m. Depression/Bipolar Support
WEDNESDAY Supper (5:15), Classes (6:00), Choir (6:00)

THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. Survivors of Suicide meet on 3rd Thursdays

SATURDAY

9:30 a.m. AA Meeting

Special ministries and announcements follow

TRINITY'S FALL KICK-OFF POOL PARTY WAS A SUCCESS!

The lazy river, water-basketball net, kid's pool, and waterslide were very popular at the Trinity pool party on Tuesday, August 14th, but the most talked about part of the party had to be the delicious chocolate and graham cracker covered marshmallows made by Lynette Versace! Watching children try to devour those in one bite (unsuccessfully) was one of the highlights of my night! We had a great turnout of new and familiar faces. Along with church members' family and friends, we sent personalized invitations to all of the new faculty members at UA, the parent support groups, and the student members of the Capstone Music Therapy Association. We would like to thank everyone for attending the party and helping us start the year off with a bang!

Ashley Frazier, Trinity Intern

UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

TRUSTEES MEETING - Thursday, Sept. 13, 5:15 p.m.
SPRC MEETING - Sunday, Sept. 30, 5:00 p.m

For pastoral emergencies, please contact
Rev. Penny Ford at 205.515.7229.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER & ACTIVITIES

DINNER, 5:15 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall (student price \$4) - Students eat FREE their first time! (Please make a reservation for dinner. Sign-up sheets are located in the blue attendance pads or you may email the church office at office@trinityumc.info.)

ACTIVITIES from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 pm.

1.) GOD AND FOOTBALL by Chad Gibbs. Love football? This is the group for you! Why is it so much easier to talk about football than faith? Gibbs a fanatical football fan and Christian who visited each of the SEC schools during the 2009 Season writes about the teams, the people he met and his journey of football and faith. Each week we'll be studying a different chapter (school) for 12 weeks.

2.) THE BOOK OF REVELATION - Led by Becky Reamey Have you seen "Left Behind", "The Apocalypse", "2012", "I am Legend", "The Day After Tomorrow"? What do you think the end of times will look like? Do you think there WILL be an end? The book of Revelation is both complex and controversial. Join us for an interactive study on the Book of Revelation. We'll look at the book in historical context, look at questions it may raise, and ponder what it might mean for us today. We'll also look at the Mayan calendar and other predictions.

Nov. 21 - No Wednesday Activities - Happy Thanksgiving!

Nov. 28: Church Wide Activity: Making Advent Wreaths (for people of all ages!)

Dec. 5: Church Wide Service Project (TBA- also for people of all ages!)

Dec. 12: Church Wide Christmas Party! Bring an ornament to share. Singing, Stories, Santa and more!

NO WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES on Dec. 19, 26 and Jan. 2

ANGEL DOVES collecting school supplies for TUSCALOOSA'S ONE PLACE!

The Angel Doves will be collecting school supplies for Tuscaloosa's One Place throughout the next month. Please place your donated school supplies in the designated boxes located in the Education Building. As always, thank you for supporting our community outreach projects!

CHURCH WIDE POT LUCK LUNCH to welcome students back! Sunday, September 9th

Want some good home cooked food? Then join us on September 9th, after the service, as we gather to welcome the students back to Tuscaloosa. Also, for an added treat, the University's Afro-American Gospel Choir will be joining us for services and contributing to our wonderful music program on this day! Church members please bring something to share at lunch.

STUDENT NEWS!

WESLEY FOUNDATION
CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP
& SMALL GROUP MEETINGS!
TUESDAYS, 8:00 p.m.

"ELEVATE" COLLEGE MINISTRY
Sundays at 5:30pm at Trinity UMC
* Laugh * Learn * Share * Serve

Come join other college students for a time of fellowship. ELEVATE is a mix of interactive activities, Bible study, worship and prayer, service, games, and more!

Student Pool Party!
Marc and Kim Robert's House
September 16th at 5:30 p.m.
We'll meet at the church and share rides.

STUDENT LUNCHEON
SUNDAY, SEPT. 9th after church

We want to welcome you to Tuscaloosa and to Trinity UMC! Please join us for a potluck lunch in your honor! You don't have to bring anything but yourself. Please come and enjoy lots of yummy home-cooked food! Also, for an added treat, the University's Afro-American Gospel Choir will be joining us for services and contributing to our wonderful music program on this day.

ADOPT-A-STUDENT PROGRAM

Sign up to be "ADOPTED" by a Trinity Family! The Adopt-A-Student Program is a great way to get to know Trinity members and the Tuscaloosa Community. If you would like to be adopted, just fill out a form that can be found in the foyer as you leave the church. You will meet your New Family at a short RECEPTION on SUNDAY, SEPT. 23rd after church.

BARRETT JONES will be our guest speaker
at worship service on September 16th.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

On the narthex table located in the back of the sanctuary you will find copies of reports from several committees. Please take a copy with you and find out what God is doing at Trinity UMC!

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Call the church office (759-4206) if you would like to place flowers in honor or memory of someone. The cost now for two medium arrangements will be \$40. And remember that the sanctuary flowers are divided and delivered to our nursing home and shut-in members on Monday mornings!

Christian Sympathy

Let us remember and be in prayer for the
Family of Louise McGraw
who passed away on July 29th, 2012.

MEMORIALS

In Memory of Louise McGraw
Given by
Chuck & Carol Taylor, Joyce Daniel
and Signa Morgan

In Memory of Louise McGraw.
Given by Orie Buford to the
Malone World Service Fund.

In Memory of
Mr. Clarence A. Adair, Jr.
& Mrs. Ruby Louise McGraw
Given by Mrs. Guy Edward Moman
to the Malone World Service Fund.

SAYING GOODBYE to LARYNE WILLIFORD and WELCOMING WESLEY HYDE

For two years we have been blessed by the music of LARYNE WILLIFORD as our wonderful organist. Laryne has moved to Kalamazoo, MI where she will be attending Western Michigan University in order to complete a Masters in Piano Performance! Trinity thanks Laryne for her service to the church and wishes her much success and happiness!

Trinity welcomes WESLEY HYDE as its our new organist intern! Wesley comes to us highly recommended for his enthusiasm and his musical talents! Wesley is from Montgomery and is a senior at UA majoring in Music Therapy. He will live at the church this year, so we will all have the opportunity to get to know him as he shares his abilities with us in worship and around the church!

HAVE PRAYER REQUESTS?

Healing is a long process that begins with prayer and faith. If you have prayer requests, please call Joyce Daniel (345-6986) or Billie Gleisberg (553-8078) and the prayer chain will begin!

Trinity UMC (Tuscaloosa, AL) FACEBOOK Page

Go to Trinity's page and become a "Friend". Everyone is invited to post church news/information, events, praises and prayer requests.