

After many years of faithful service to our community meal program, Karen Fortner has turned in her apron. Karen is an original member of the meal program & has been preparing meals at Trinity for almost 20 years! That's a lot of spaghetti!! Everyone at the meal on both sides of the counter is so grateful to Karen & her team for all those delicious dinners. Trinity family, you know what this means! If you've been thinking about being part of our meal program, now is your time. Please call the church office at 774-2545 or Cindi at 221-1094.

Healthy Congregations Workshop Tidbits: We received a lot of information, insight, & laughs a couple of weekends ago. Here's a mini-list of valuable insights as written by people who attended.

*Being taught that anxiety, although it may be a part of a person's general response system, is just that—a system. And systems can change!

*Succinct, meaningful, practical, fast-moving, kept prayer & Christ in the presentation.

*Learning that I can stay calm during conflict is powerful knowledge—now to practice it!

*Applying Scripture to help our church grow & to unify us.

*Left me with personal goals to work towards...like looking at issues/concerns differently...less personally as an attack.

*Got to have some well-needed prayer time with God.

*Focus on strengths & appreciating those that we conflict with.

Day of 'Cross' Training will be held Saturday, October 6, 12:45-5:00 p.m. Eastern Time at Memorial United Methodist Church in Gladstone. Speakers are Rev. Faith Fowler, David Dobbs, Don Emmert, and Dist. Superintendent Rev. Scott Harmon. Cost is \$5 per person. See Pastor Geri if you want to attend this event.

Websites to explore: www.imtrinity.org
www.umnews.org
www.michiganumc.org
www.imtrinity.org

Boiler Repairs Needed! Please support our \$5,000 repair bill needed for our boilers. Our "Turn Up the Heat" project needs to be funded by the end of September.

Thank you to Dorothy Manko & Marguerite Reiten for preparing the Tower for mailing last week.

Bulletin insert for Sunday, September 30, 2018

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Welcome to our worship service.

If you do not have a church home, we invite you to become a part of Trinity. Please write your name, address, & phone number on the Who's Who pad, so we can greet you.

Attendance last Sunday: 8:00—22; 10:30—73. Wednesday: 8

Hospitalized since last Sunday: Pat Barbeau

Those in nursing homes and assisted living facilities:

Evergreen: Beverly Wright

Freeman's: Allen Alleva, Beverly Carollo, Joyce Maas

Iron County Medical Care Facility: Shirley Allen, Judy Thompson

Safe Haven: Vanessa Frahm

Victorian Pines: Louise Roberts

Congratulations to Tony & Megan Flaminio on the birth of a son, Leo Peter, on September 11. Grandmother is Lisa Piatti. Great-grandparents are Bill & Marie Uren.

"A special thank you to all our Church family who prepared food, sent cards, & attended the services for our Dad & Mom."

—The family of Don & Elaine Yuhasey

"Thank you for the messages of condolence upon my mother's death. Your kindness & support were uplifting during a difficult time."

—Sincerely, Jill Noyce

Making soup? In the freezer downstairs we have several packages of chicken gizzards, hearts, & neck bones that were given to us on the Feeding America truck, but none of the meal teams plan to use them. If you would like them for making soup, or whatever, please feel free to take as many as you want so we can free up the freezer room. Contact Sally, 774-2545, or Cindi, 221-1094, to find out what freezer they're in.

Calling musicians of all ages & levels! Praise Band rehearsals are Tuesdays at 5:00 p.m. Please join us. Our goal is to accompany the congregation during worship one Sunday per month. Contact Jerry Harwell, (231)649-1179. Come in the single door by the office, & walk back to the choir room. See you there!



THIS WEEK

Today: Cinnamon roll sale to benefit the 2019 ND mission team.

8:00 a.m. Worship service.

9:00 a.m. Sunday school classes for age 3 to adult.

9:15 a.m. Bible study.

10:30 a.m. Worship service.

4:00 p.m. Confirmation class.

Monday, October 1

8:30 a.m. Walk the Walk exercise.

9:30 a.m. Joy Crafters.

7:00 p.m. Men of Prayer meet here.

Tuesday, October 2: UMW Dist. Meeting at Zeba Indian Mission

8:30 a.m. Walk the Walk exercise.

12:30 p.m. Bridge Club.

5:00 p.m. Praise band rehearsal.

8:00 p.m. A.A.

Wednesday, October 3

5:00 p.m. Community meal.

5:45 p.m. Community prayer meeting.

6:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

Thursday, October 4

8:30 a.m. Walk the Walk exercise.

9:00 a.m. Martha Circle making ravioli here.

5:30 p.m. A.A.

Friday, October 5

8:30 a.m. Walk the Walk exercise.

Noon Bible study.

Saturday, October 6

8:30 a.m. O.A.

12:45 Eastern 'Cross Training' in Marquette.

Sunday, October 7: World Communion Sunday

8:00 a.m. Worship service.

9:00 a.m. Sunday school classes for age 3 to adult.

9:15 a.m. Bible study.

10:30 a.m. Worship service.

4:00 p.m. Confirmation class.

Looking Ahead

Monday, October 8: Columbus Day

6:00 p.m. Trustees meeting.

Thursday, October 11

1:00 p.m. Lydia Circle meets in the Fellowship Hall.

5:00 p.m. Finance Committee meeting.

September's Mission of the Month is Our Camp Michigamme

Scholarship Fund: For many years, our church has used the fund to pay half of the camp fees for members of our congregation. The money collected this month will be used for next year's campers.

We want to make sure that Trinity people who want to attend camp can. Please keep Camp Michigamme and its campers in your prayers. Thank you for your generosity.

Reading through the Bible in a Year: The Old Testament reading for this last part of September is from the book of Isaiah. It is an extensive writing by the prophet who writes like no other. This book reflects the Bible in several distinct ways. It contains 66 chapters, as the Bible contains 66 books. The first 39 chapters (& books) reflect the teachings of the law & judgement, as does the Old Testament. The second section of 27 chapters (& books) reflect the message of comfort & salvation through Christ, as does the New Testament. The first section is about the coming judgement on both Israel & the Gentiles, & the restoration of Israel under the Messiah. The second section theme is one of mercy, comfort, & eternal restoration under Christ.

The New Testament readings are from the letters to the Galatians & Ephesians. The Galatians needed reminders about where their faith was & how they had fallen away from it. The victory of Christ over the law & the old covenants was Paul's message to the Galatians. The Ephesians received the second (after Romans) doctrinal letter containing the truth about the church & the relation of the believer to Christ in the heavenly realm.

We are three-fourths through our reading the Bible in a year. There is a lot remaining, but we have accomplished much. Keep up the good work.

Naomi García Autobiography:

- *Mesmerized, reminded, and centered by shores of the Gulf of Mexico, lakes called Rathbun, Great, Clear, Townline, Thumb; the rivers named Rio Grande, San Gabriel, Colorado, Grand River, Cumberland, Lake, Grand, Dowagiac, Hersey.*
- *Aspiring disciple rarely satisfied with the latest take on how The Holy One calls, moves, shapes, beckons, equips, comforts, and companions; shuttling between the discipline of mind and the art of soul.*
- *Facilitator intrigued and longing for inclusive inclusion.*
- *Consultant negotiating the wide spaces between meddling and staying home.*
- *Mediator stirred by the courage of truth-telling and re-discovering the edges of compassion.*
- *Coach channeling Curious George and Hiccup.*
- *Signs her emails:*
b the blessing ur blessed 2 b.
Naomi
change, systems, conflict...4 good.