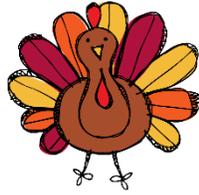


Trinity UMC Preschool Newsletter November 2019



NOVEMBER EVENTS

Nov. 2nd – TUMC Fall Bazaar
Nov. 4th & Nov. 7th – Student Portraits
Nov. 5th – No School – CMS Teacher Workday
Nov. 9th – S' more Time Together
Nov. 11th – No School – CMS Teacher Workday
Nov 16th – TUMC Fish Fry
Nov. 17th – Operation Christmas Child Sunday
Nov. 27th-29th – Thanksgiving Holiday

LOOKING AHEAD

Dec. 4th– Supper with Santa
Dec. 7th – Annual Christmas Tea
Dec. 23rd–Jan. 3rd – Christmas Break

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP

@ 9:00 – Rise Up (Contemporary)
@ 10:00 – Sunday School
@ 11:00 – Traditions



November Birthdays

Four Year Olds

Marissa Anderson November 11



FISH FRY - Saturday, November 16th

We will have flounder, catfish and shrimp with fries, homemade slaw and hushpuppies all for just \$11.00 per plate. There will also be homemade desserts for \$1.00. The doors open at 4:00pm. Come early before we sell out!



S'MORE Time Together!

We **LOVE** our Trinity family and truly enjoy spending time with each of you! In an effort to spend "**S'MORE Time Together,**" we would like to extend the invitation for you to join us for a family friendly event on Saturday, November 9th from 6:30– 8:00pm.

We will provide a S'mores Bar with several options to top your s'mores and the campfire to roast those marshmallows! The playground will be open for the kiddos to enjoy, we'll have live music, corn hole setup, and more! Join us near the playground on our new picnic tables and let's spend S'more Time Together!

THANK YOU!

We want to say THANK YOU for your continued support of Trinity UMC Preschool. This year, through your purchases at our Scholastic Book Fair, totally \$871.24, we earned \$435.62 in Scholastic Dollars!! This money will allow us to put books into our classroom and into your child's hands! As always, thank you for your support!!



Operation Christmas Child Sunday will be November 17th here at Trinity UMC! If you are planning to attend the service, your child will help carry the shoeboxes in and place them at the altar during the service. If you are unable to join us, please plan to bring your filled shoeboxes back by or before Friday, November 15th.

You will find a stack of boxes in the Preschool entryway with a brochure included that will tell you what you can and can not include in your box. Please plan to purchase one WOW item per box and be careful not to include candy or liquids of any kind. You can also include a letter/picture in your box and track the box so you know where it was sent!

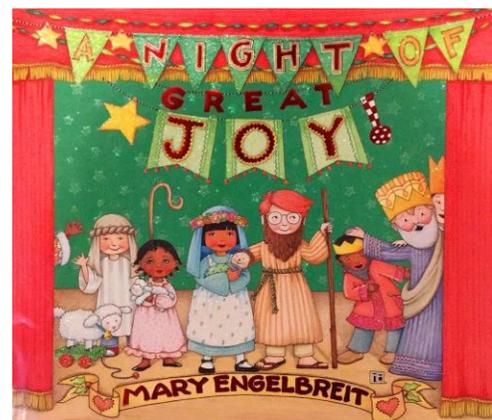
A Night of Great Joy!

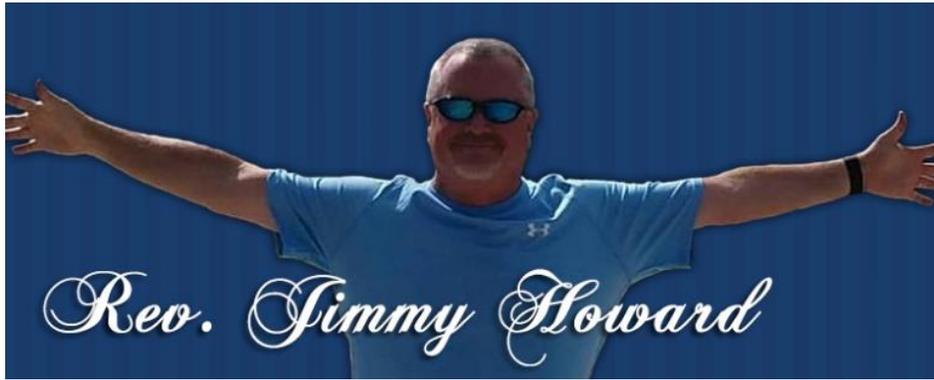
Christmas is just around the corner and the children will be presenting the Children's Christmas program: "A Night of Great Joy" on Sunday, December 22nd at 5:00pm.

Please mark your calendars and watch upcoming newsletters for dates and times for practice. All children are invited!

Walk for Wishes

Our Walk for Wishes event was a huge success again this year! Thank you all so much for coming out and supporting this ministry that is so near and dear to our hearts. Isaiah's grandmother was in attendance this year and many of you had the opportunity to stand with her as you put money in those cups. Because of YOU, we were able to raise \$267.90 to send to the Make A Wish Foundation. We also received a variety of foreign currency, too! Canadian, Indian, Jamaican, Adventure Landing, etc. We always love seeing what we find at the bottom of your change jars. Thank you all for your support of this amazing organization!





Raising Kids is NOT for Sissies!

By Jimmy Howard

Hello Trinity Preschool,

I think today is a good day to talk about grace! But then again, every day is a good day to talk about grace!

So, what in the world is grace, to begin with? Well, for me it is extending undeserved kindness. And, a whole bunch of undeserved kindnesses have been extended to me throughout my whole life!

For example, when I was a boy, I was brought up with the notion that if I made a mistake, I was then required to go and make it right!

This was a great lesson to be taught! I remember one such lesson very well, in that I was horsing around in a grocery store; and, I accidentally knocked a glass jar of coffee off the shelf; and, it broke into a million pieces. Yes indeed, coffee went everywhere. The magnitude of my sin was increased exponentially because the store was owned by my Uncle James.

So, my mother marched me into Uncle James' office where I was required to tell him what I had done; and, then pledge to him that I would *make it right*.

I thought Uncle James would hand me a broom and dustpan, then stand over me while I cleaned it up; and, he would later pilfer my piggy bank for the money to cover the cost of the coffee. That would have *made things right!*

But this is not what happened. Uncle James extended grace! He told my mother not to worry about it! He ordered a bagger to go clean up that mess on aisle #3. He then said to me, "Be careful and don't do this again!"

I was shocked! I had been let off the hook. Uncle James covered the loss.

Needless to say, I was very grateful. This was a perfect case scenario! And, I remembered it the rest of my life! Grace was extended to me and it taught my how important it is in life to extend it to others as well.

So, what if...what if we taught our children and grandchildren this grace lesson early in life? Isn't it possible that this could be a gift that would keep right on giving?

Children are like clay in the hands of a potter. They can be formed and smoothed, often times with the least amount of effort. And, each lesson taught can be considered as a life-lesson in the healing of the soul. Jesus is calling us into holy living. What does this mean? It means that Jesus is calling us into a state of unbrokenness, a state in which we are not piled up in pieces over in a corner somewhere.

And, imagine teaching a child about Christ through the modeling of his love! Imagine a child growing up never *not* knowing the state of grace that Christ extends to each of us.

Kids may forget what we say but they will never forget how we made them feel. Sure, infinite patience is often required but what a payoff in the end!

Jesus was right when he said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these (Matthew 19:14 NIV)."

Remember, let's all hold hands and stick together. This raising kids business is not for sissies!

In His Love,
Jimmy Howard



Trinity UMC - Fall Bazaar - Fun, Fellowship, Food, Crafts, Gifts, and Great Finds!

This is a great time to start thinking about Christmas gifts too!
Please plan to come out and enjoy fellowship, shopping and FUN!

Check out these great vendors:

LuLaRoe, Mary & Martha, Pampered Chef, Mary Kay, and Plexus!

Plus, many more vendors with handmade crafts and more such as:

Wooden Crafts by Brenda Raynor, Crafts by Ellana Deen, Jeree Current, Jeff Reid, and more!

Our Very Own Trinity UMC Preschool will be hosting the Penny Book & Toy Sale! Stop by and grab some deals on used books and toys in excellent condition for just a penny!!

Trinity United Methodist Women will be selling cookbooks with samples provided!

Questions?

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Trinity United Methodist Church
Annual Christmas Tea
Saturday, December 7, 2019
3:00 pm

Tickets are \$10
and are on sale
now in the church
office.



Please join us for the
Christmas Tea

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