



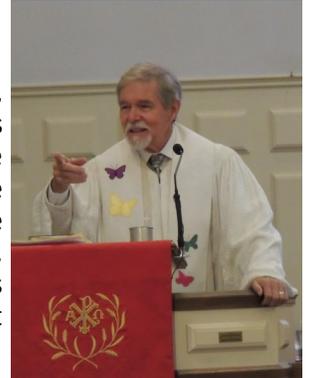
Faith & Fellowship

Trinity United Methodist Church

October 2018

A Note From The Pastor

Let me use this opportunity to share some personal words with you. In these Fall months, I am very much operating under the influence of the Book of Acts. As we share in our Bible Studies of the Book and as I prepare sermons based on Acts, the words of Luke's telling the story of the formation of the Church keep ringing in my ears. What a powerful beginning as the wind and fire of the Holy Spirit turns Disciples into Apostles, witnessing to the Resurrection and watching the church grow by the thousands. What inspiring stories as Stephen preaches in the face of death, Peter discovers how God touches everyone, and Paul travels the world with the Gospel of God's grace in Jesus Christ. All of this keeps asking me: "what shall the wind and fire of the Holy Spirit do among us? How will God ignite us with the power of the Holy Spirit and apostolic fire?"



We will begin the month with Communion around the Table of the Lord as we celebrate "World Communion Sunday". Our Bible Studies of the Book of Acts will continue every Monday evening at 6:30PM at the church building and every Wednesday morning at 10:00 at Panera. There is always room for more. If you haven't yet come out, come and join us as we sail through the adventures of Acts.

On **Saturday, October 6**, we will be at Banneker Park for **Oella Fest from 11:00AM to 5:00PM**. Come and help sell our food, do some face painting, or just meet people and introduce them to Trinity Church.

On **Sunday, October 21 at 2:00 – 4:00PM**, we will again offer a "**Blessing of the Pets**". We will be out in front of the church building (weather permitting), bringing the words of St. Francis and the Blessing of the Lord to those animals with whom we share the world.

I will be away from **October 25 until November 7**, but while I am gone Pastor Bob will bring the word on Sunday, October 28. He will preach on the topic of "Look Out for Good People". Rev. Carroll Gunkel will return to Trinity to preach and lead our Communion Service on November 4, which is All Saints Day. You are reminded to send the names of those in your household who have died in the past year to be commemorated as a part of this Service.

As you can see, there are many ways in which the wind and fire of the Spirit is already at work. Have you noticed the change in the opening of our Worship Service as the Choir processes in as we sing a Hymn of Praise? How else shall our Sunday mornings come alive as our new Choir Director, Mathew Cherian, and Ann Mellinger work together with our Choir to provide inspiring music.

And did you know that there is a new group meeting in our church? It is our Discipleship team formed out of our Planning Retreat held last Spring. That group is working to assure that we have a regular schedule of activities and events that help us grow as Disciples and also reach out to others to invite them to become Disciples of Jesus. They sponsored the "Open House" in September and are developing a Christmas program called "One Starry Night" for Sunday, December 16.

One more thing: Be on the lookout for new things around the church building. New Welcome signs have already appeared and a new attractive digital signboard is on its way to the front of our property. We hope in every way to way to the people around us: Come, and share with us the goodness of the Lord!

Pray with me that the Holy Spirit will continue and increase the blowing of the wind and the lighting of the fires on all of us at Trinity Church that we may care for each other with extraordinary caring and witness to the community in ever more effective ways that declare the goodness and love of God in Jesus Christ.

Leadership's Corner

CHURCH CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 10:00AM

LANSDOWNE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

We will travel to Lansdowne UMC for our Church Conference this year. All are invited to attend this special time together to review the work of our church and look ahead to the coming year. It will begin with a combined Worship Service, including a word from our District Superintendent Dr. Wand Duckett. Following that, we will move into a separate room to conduct the business of our Conference: Receiving reports on our work throughout the year, setting the Pastor's salary, adopting our 2019 Budget, electing leaders for the coming year, and hearing the Pastor's Report.

All are invited to be present for this annual congregational meeting. We will meet at Trinity at 9:30AM to car pool together to Lansdowne. If you would like to go with us, please let Pastor David know.

Trunk or Treat

Sunday, October 28th: 2 pm—4 pm

We are planning our Annual Trunk or Treat and we need volunteers to decorate their cars/trunks and load up with some candy to hand out to all the children. This year there

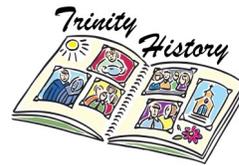
is no specific theme, so get your creative juices flowing and get decorating. We only ask you not to use any violent or scary decorations. Weather permitting, we hope to be outside; but if it does rain, we will be in the Fellowship Hall. We will be judging the best

and most creative car/trunk. There will be a sign-up sheet on the Sunday School bulletin board and an insert in the bulletin. Please sign-up by the 14th of October. More details to follow!



UMW News

The United Methodist Women are taking over as historians of Trinity Church. The first step the women took was to inventory the items we have stored in our curio cabinet. A



list is being compiled of all of the books, picture albums and other records we have on hand. The last date any new information was entered is 2012. The women would like to fill in

the gap. If you have any item like pictures or other material that would be of interest, please let Carolyn Jenkins know. In the future the women plan on displaying the historic documents and books for all to see.

The women are also planning to go to the Veterans Rehabilitation Hospital in Loch Raven and bring them items that help enhance their stay. The items that have been requested are T-shirts and socks. If you are able to donate these items, please place them in the boxes designated as collection boxes under the tables located near the bulletin boards in the hallway.

Blanket Ministry

Gloria Gozik has requested that we start a prayer blanket ministry. She has purchased many skeins of yarn for anyone who would like to knit or crochet a blanket. The women have also purchased several yards of fleece that can be made into blankets. These blankets are not sewn but tied. So if you are able to tie a knot you can make a blanket. At the next meeting scheduled for Monday, October 8th at 11:30 A.M. please come and help us to assemble the blankets. Remember no sewing skills are necessary. The women have lunch and one of the members brings a dessert to share. After the blankets are ready, they will be presented during a future worship service and prayers will be said to bless them. The U.W.M. would like to thank Gloria Gozik and Shirley Case for their generous donation of supplies for this wonderful lap robe project.



The Christmas Bazaar and Craft fair is scheduled for Saturday, November 17th 9 am – 1 pm. We have reservations for all of the available tables at this time. There will be home-made crafts, Christmas items to sell and a quilt will be raffled. Proceeds from this event will go to help with the many outreach programs the U.M.W. supports. The thrift shop is planning on having several tables of Christmas items also. Please come and join us. You might be able to do much of your gift purchases that day!



A Note from The Communications and I.T. Person

Jon Elder

I have donated a device that is plugged into an electrical outlet in the hallway that extends the range of our Wi-Fi signal. Currently it is now possible to receive the Wi-Fi signal in Fellowship Hall. Prior to this the signal was only available in the Secretary’s office and the Pastor’s office. If you want to log into the internet on your cell phone, tablet or personal lap top, please contact me and we will give you the password. I can best be reached by email, jonathanelder@gmail.com or on Sunday morning- I’m the guy with the camera!

August Treasurer’s Report

Income

Non-Designated

General Fund	\$5,948.00
Parsonage Rent	\$1,655.00
Hall Rental	\$ 155.00
Memorials To General Fund	\$ 100.00
Fund Raisers	\$ 52.00
Thrift Shop	\$ 991.00
Total Non-Designated	<u>\$ 8,901.00</u>

Total Designated Income	<u>\$ 243.00</u>
Total All Income	<u>\$9,144.00</u>

Less Expenses \$8,576.42

SURPLUS FOR AUGUST \$ 567.58

OELLA FESTIVAL

October 6, 9:30-4:00

Once again, we are providing food and baked goods for sale at the Oella Fest on Saturday, October 6th at Benjamin Banneker Park on Oella Ave. Donations of 16oz bottled water, 12 oz can sodas, individual size bags of chips/assortments, homemade baked goods, napkins, mustard, ketchup or relish would be helpful. We would like to have a table with information about the church and free giveaways. Please consider if you would be able to give an hour or two to meet and greet the community and tell them about Trinity.

WHAT ABOUT "THE SHACK"?

On Wednesday, October 10 at 6:30PM, we are invited to attend the Gift Circle Meeting for a discussion of the movie "The Shack" which was shown last month. What does it mean that God is portrayed by both female and male actors in the film? Why is it so hard to forgive? Is it difficult for God? And more as we review scenes from the movie and take on the topics raised. All Are Welcome.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

“The Power of a Simple Gift”

An annual outreach project of Trinity Church is our participation in this ministry of gift-filled show boxes bringing the Good News of God’s love to children in desperate situations all over the world. Please be looking for further details on items needed to fill these boxes, featuring small toys and helpful items, as we target to complete them by Sunday, November 17. Each box makes a difference in a child’s life and lets them know of God’s love for them. We look forward to sending many boxes this year.



WE INVITE FAMILIES TO VISIT THE LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

Trinity Church will host One Starry Night, a Bible-times Christmas event for families, on Sunday, December 16, 2018.

Ready to take your family back in time? Come to One Starry Night and experience Christmas like never before! You'll taste, see, and even smell what life was like when Jesus was born. You'll find stations and activities for all ages—so bring the whole family!

One Starry Night takes place from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm on Sunday, December 16th.

How can you help? Become one of townspeople, help with the scenery, assemble our drawstring bags, most importantly pray for a successful event. See Donna Metcalf or Wanda Rockenbaugh if you can help. Characters will need to see Michele Elder to be fitted with a costume. All are welcome to visit Bethlehem.



Christmas is not very far away. Every year we are looking for gifts for Dads, brothers and Granddads. Please keep the Santa Shop in mind as you see things in your travels or at home that you are not using. Here are a few examples of what types of items that children could purchase for the men in their lives: Key chains, after shave/cologne, wallets, ties, tie tacks, shoe shine kits, pens, pen & pencil sets, shaving accessories, watches, picture frames, gloves, hats, scarfs, ice scrapers, travel mugs, small puzzles, alarm clocks, sports teams items or anything that you think a man would like as a gift.

We are also accepting any kind of gift items for the children to purchase for their family members. Some suggested items might be: Perfume, bubble bath, scarfs, kitchen items, ring holders, jewelry, picture frames, pocket books, change purses, small toys, small games, anything that you want to donate.

All donations to the Secret Santa Shop are greatly appreciated. Mark all donations Secret Santa Shop and leave in the office. Please be sure to stop by to see it before it opens to allow the children to start shopping. Saturday, December 1st will be here before you know it. If you have any questions please see Lee, Bobbie or Diane.

Thrift Shop Coverage

October

- 6 Open
- 13 Open
- 20 - Flea Market (TS Hours 8:am-1:30pm) - Susan Shifflett & Michelle Elder
- 27 Open

If you would like to volunteer please contact Diane Bowman at djbowman@howardcounty.gov

Sunday, October 21, 2018
2:00-4:00 pm



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| 2 Deloris Kohlhepp | 24 Erin (Foxwell) Owens |
| 5 Stacie Kephart | 25 Vivian Wess |
| 14 Preston E. Greene | 30 Wanda Rockenbaugh |
| 16 Jimmy Flutka | |
| 4 Todd & Michelle Sirasky | |
| 13 Earl & Karen Franklin | |

Pork Dinner
Saturday, November 3, 2018
4pm-7pm
\$14 adult or \$6 child ages 3-10

2100 Westchester Ave



October 2018



Thrift Shop Hours: OPENED EVERY SATURDAY 9am - 1pm

(From Jan. 7th to Dec. 22nd)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Bible Study 6:30 pm</i>	2	3 <i>Bible Study 10:00 am- Panera Bread</i>	4	5	6 <i>Oella Festival 11am to 5pm</i>
7 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 World Communion Sunday <i>Crop Walk - 2:00 pm</i>	8 <i>UMW 11:30am</i> <i>Bible Study 6:30 pm</i>	9	10 <i>"The Shack" Conversation 6:30 - 8:30pm</i> <i>Bible Study 10:00 am- Panera Bread</i>	11	12	13 Charge Conference 10:00 am
14 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship "Hearing God's Voice"	15 F&F Articles Due <i>Bible Study 6:30 pm</i>	16	17 <i>Bible Study 10:00 am- Panera Bread</i>	18	19	20 <i>Flea Market 8am - 1pm - G</i> <i>Thrift Shop Hours 8am - 1:30 pm</i>
21 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship "Moving Boldly Forward" Blessing of the Animals 2:00 pm	22 <i>Bible Study 6:30 pm</i>	23	24 <i>Pre-Planning Meeting 7:00pm - Office</i> <i>Bible Study 10:00 am</i>	25	26	27
28 9:00 Sunday School 10:15 Worship Pastor Bob Preaching Trunk or Treat 2pm to 4pm	29	30	31 <i>Halloween</i>	1	2	3 <i>Pork Dinner 4:00-7:00 pm</i>



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“To totally immerse ourselves in the Word of God and share it with others.”



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