

THE MESSENGER

Trinity Methodist Church, Lapeer

Summer 2024

THE LOBBSTER TALE

Summertime is great, isn't it? The days are longer and warmer, the trees and lawns have turned green, and more color appears every day in the various plants and flowers. As I write this article, the weather continues to be confused = yesterday was 81 degrees outside with clear blue skies providing beautiful sunshine, while today brings upper 50s and cloudy skies. For those who like variety, this time of year is perfect for them.

It is a wonderful time to be alive and a wonderful time of year to enjoy God's Creative Power!

I only have two main complaints when it comes to summer:

Bugs. Not all bugs, mind you. Just mosquitoes, flies and all of the insects that decide to make a mess of my car windshield by flying into it. Of course, after hitting it once, they will never have the guts to do that again!

(OK, that was lame, but I just couldn't resist.)

Church families who decide to take all of June, July and August "off" when it comes to attending worship and other activities here at the church. I clearly understand that there will be many weekends when we will be gone, but I hope that we can make an effort to attend worship *wherever* we find ourselves this summer --- including Trinity when we are in town!

I want to encourage us all to do our best to not take a vacation from our Savior and Lord this summer. Consider visiting some churches on Sundays near your vacation spot and take a devotional book or Christian novel to keep your heart and mind engaged in positive subject matter. Having a Bible nearby certainly would not hurt!

As we enjoy the beauty of Michigan this summer, let's not forget to praise and worship The One Who created it both for His, and our, pleasure.

Let us all have a safe, enjoyable, warm, spiritually positive summer!

See you in church when you are in town,

Pastor Grant



Thank you to all the volunteers who made the Kid Street program such a success this year, it has been a lot of fun. Hope to see everyone back in the fall.

Thanks to everyone who helped make the spaghetti dinner such a success. We raised around \$2500.00 to help send kid's to camp. See next article to read about Day Camp for kids.

This summer our children's Sunday School schedule will slightly change. Beginning June 16th, our kids, ages 4 through grade 5, will meet in Room 207 for Godly Play. Our nursery will be staffed and available for infants though age 3. We will also return to a "Children's Time" as part of our 10 a.m. summer worship service. As in the past, the children will be released for Godly Play following Children's Time.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 8th! A church-wide Sunday School Rally is being planned for that date and should provide fun for all! This will kick off our fall Sunday School schedule. We hope to see you all there!



Again, this year we at Trinity have the privilege of hosting Bay Shore Camp in conjunction with our VBS. The camp will run July 8-11 from 8:30 until 4:30 each day. Anyone ages 4 through 5th grade is welcome to attend. There is a cost to the camp but Trinity is covering that cost. Please plan on joining us for these 4 days of fun while learning more about Jesus. Applications are available in the lobby or from me—Debbie Muldoon, Christian Education Director



All donations for the Lapeer Pregnancy Center, as well as all baby bottles, need to be turned in to the office by Father's Day on June 9th. Thank you!

TRINITY CHRISTIAN WOMEN

Make plans to volunteer at the upcoming Rummage and Bake Sale, June 6-7.
Set up is June 4-5.

July 8th at 5:30 p.m. we will be having our annual summer picnic at Cora Oxta's home, 3342 Sandy Shore Dr., Metamora.
If you would like a ride, meet at the church at 5:00 p.m. Sign up sheet will be in the Lobby.

August 12th—1:00 in North Parlor.
Jill Courser will be our speaker.

TRINITY CHRISTIAN MEN

**WILL BE MEETING ON MONDAY, JUNE 3RD
AT LEO'S RESTAURANT AT 6:00 P.M.
MEN, COME AND ENJOY GOOD FOOD**



June 2024

Office Hours Monday thru Thursday 9 - 3 p.m.

Preaching Schedule: 2, 9, 16, 23, 30—Rev. Grant Lobb

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 10:00a Worship	3 10:00a Pantry Activities 3:30p Food for Families 6:00p TCM Dinner @ Leo's	4 9:00a Rummage Sale Set Up 9:30a Tuesday Quilters 6:30p Trustees Meeting	5 9:00a Rummage Sale Set Up 1:00p TCW Card Recycling 6:00p Youth Group	6 RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE 7:00p Revelations Bible Study	7 RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE 10:00a In Stitches 10:00a Praise Moves	1
9 GRADUATION SUNDAY 10:00a Worship	10 10:00a Pantry Activities 3:30p Food for Families	11 9:30a Tuesday Quilters	12 1:00p TCW Card Recycling 6:00p Youth Group	13 7:00p Revelations Bible Study	14 10:00a In Stitches	15
16 10:00a Worship	17 10:00a Pantry Activities 3:30p Food for Families	18 9:30a Tuesday Quilters	19 1:00p TCW Card Recycling	20 7:00p Revelations Bible Study	21 10:00a In Stitches	22
23/30 10:00a Worship	24 10:00a Pantry Activities 3:30p Food for Families 7:00p Administrative Council	25 9:30a Tuesday Quilters	26 1:00p TCW Card Recycling	27 7:00p Revelations Bible Study	28 10:00a In Stitches	29

Great Reads @ Trinity

By Jean Best



As I did last year in June, I am encouraging you to grab a book or two from the church library and do some fun reading over the summer. To get you started, here is a list of the eight books reviewed in *The Messenger* since last June along with the author's name and a brief synopsis of each book.

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society - Shaffer (fiction) Loveable characters in a historical setting in WWII German-occupied Guernsey Island

It's Not Supposed To Be This Way - Terkeurst (nonfiction) A Christian book about finding unexpected strength when life is hard

A Journey of Faith - Grinnan (nonfiction) The author writes of his mother's struggle with Alzheimer's and her death.

Bridge to Haven - Rivers (fiction) A wonderful family story with lessons to be learned about living God's way

Joy of Falling - Harrel (fiction) Two young women widowed by brothers do an ultra marathon in Australia

Fragile Designs - (fiction) A crime story, full of suspense and danger, involves a valuable Faberge egg

Same Kind of Different as Me - Hall & Moore (nonfiction) a Black man overcomes prejudices and is given a second chance at life with a purpose

The Jerusalem Chronicles - Thoene (fiction) A three-book series about the life of Jesus from Palm Sunday through His resurrection.

Circle a title on this list, and look for your choice on the big round table in the library. While you are there, look around to see what else might bring joy to your summer days. The library is open on Sundays from 9:00 - 11:30, and directions for checking out materials are on the top of the small file box on the desk.

SUMMER CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS!



July 1st—Trinity Christian Men at Leo's @ 6:00

July 4—OFFICE CLOSED

July 4 and 11—No Bible Study

July 8-11 VBS Bay Shore Camp on the Road 8:30-4:30

July 8—Trinity Christian Women's Picnic at Cora Oxta's

July 9—Trustees Meeting 6:00 p.m.

July 15th—Finance Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

July 15th—Worship at 7:00 p.m.

July 19-28—Simpson Park Camp

July 27-August 2—Bay Shore Family Camp



August 5—Trinity Christian Women's Ex. Board 9:00 a.m.

August 5—UMM Dinner 6:00 at Leo's

August 6—Trustees Meeting 6:30 p.m.

August 12—Trinity Christian Women's Meeting at 1:00

Jill Courser with Trade Hope will be our speaker.

August 29—No Bible Study




MOM Co News (formerly MOPS, Mothers of Preschoolers)

The Mom Co at Trinity had our last meeting on May 21st. We are excited to let you know that we held a fun and VERY competitive game of Penny Wars this semester. During which we were able to raise \$1,000 for the Trinity personal needs pantry. A few of our leadership members then went to Sam's Club to buy a lot of items in bulk like toilet paper, tissues, paper towel, deodorant, laundry soap, feminine products and toothpaste. The large mountain of items was on display at our last

meeting to see the positive impact our game will have benefitting the community. We are planning some fun park play dates to keep our group connected throughout the summer. There will likely be some open spots for new moms in the fall, if you know anyone possibly interested in joining our mom community please call / text Erin Sawgle at (248) 224-7343. We start up our regular meetings again in September.

Thank you to these mommas for supporting our Personal Needs Pantry! The needs are high this year for supplies and these gifts will be benefiting many in our community. Thanks for being in ministry with us!



We are looking for special music each week this summer! Do you sing? Play an instrument? A sign up sheet is available on the table in the Lobby with dates for special music. Please, sign up and bless us with your talent and enhance our worship services!

Watch out—Pastor Grant might be calling you on open Sundays.

TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH

LASER ENGRAVED 4X8 MEMORIAL BRICK ORDER FORM—\$50.00 each brick

Purchasers Name: _____ Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____ Phone: _____
Email: _____ **Deadline to order: June 16th**

INFORMATION TO BE ENGRAVED ON 4X8 BRICK

Please allow 20 characters per line, up to 3 lines of text. Characters, spaces, and punctuation count as one space.

Engraved text will be centered appropriately.

***PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY* (Upper- & Lower-case text will be engraved as written)**

Bricks will be placed in an available space in the Memorial Garden. If you would like to request a specific location along the pathway, please visit us during office hours.

Return form and payment to: Trinity Methodist Church Office.

Make checks payable to Trinity Methodist Church and on the memo line put Memorial Brick.

Trinity Methodist Church
1310 N. Main Street, Lapeer
(Money raised for Missions)

RUMMAGE SALE

June 6—9:00 to 5:00

June 7—9:00 to 1:00

Housewares, dishes, tools, books,
games, small appliances, furniture,
puzzles, lots of miscellaneous!!



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

06/01 Noah Pike
06/02 Kay Morris
06/03 Creg June
06/04 Brian Urbach
06/05 Vivian DeRiemaker
06/09 Jack Hable
06/09 Mark Louwaert
06/10 Willie Behm
06/15 Bruce Cox
06/15 Noah June
06/15 Bill Miller
06/16 Mychelle Flachsmann
06/17 Scotty McRorie III
06/18 Shelley Lee
06/19 Carri Ormiston
06/19 Crystal Wilson
06/22 Jim Ruehl
06/24 Jeanne McCorkle
06/26 Diane June
06/29 Jim Flynn
06/29 Darlene Wolfe
06/30 Chrissie Harris
06/30 Aaron June
06/30 Alex June

JULY BIRTHDAYS

07/02 Larry Lamphere
07/02 Tom Muldoon
07/07 Randy Currey
07/07 Mary Parsons
07/07 Bob Wilcox
07/08 Lana Jo Chase
07/08 Erin King
07/08 Colleen Miller
07/09 Alex Wolfe
07/11 Bob Noel Jr.
07/13 Barb Coon
07/15 Matt Hess
07/18 Fred Coe
07/18 Kathy Ruhlman
07/19 Jan Bechtel
07/22 Debbie Muldoon
07/23 Allan Flachsmann
07/25 Oanh Thu Henning
07/25 Stephanie Slater
07/27 Makenzie King
07/27 Brian Matheny
07/28 Milissa Louwaert
07/28 Carol Ruehl
07/29 Linda McCoy
07/30 Shari Flachsmann



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

08/03 Jacob Pike
08/04 Joshua June
08/06 Jody Baldrige
08/07 Dick Dye
08/08 Sally Crawford
08/10 Libby Kress
08/10 Kate Wadsworth
08/12 Ron Barnard
08/12 Alexis Smith
08/13 Zach Louwaert
08/14 Wesley Butterfield
08/16 Angie Hardesty
08/17 Bob Alt
08/17 Mackenzie Huntley
08/17 Connie June
08/18 Laurie Urbach
08/20 Hazel Little
08/20 Bob Rapson
08/21 Peggy Wenzel
08/22 Ledger Muldoon
08/23 Ree Arn-Rapley
08/24 Alice Bonanno
08/25 Lucy Rasnick
08/26 Jennifer Nolan
08/26 Ryan Vangel
08/27 Marilyn Arrington
08/28 McKenzie Jo Baldrige
08/28 Peyton Ward
08/29 Bill Miller
08/31 Nancy Birkenhauer
08/31 Murray Hable

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

06/14 Grant & Debi Lobb
06/16 Tim & Cathy Zeeman
06/17 Dick & Janet Dye
06/23 Mike & Jean Best
06/29 Paula & Bob Alt
06/29 Jim & Carol Ruehl



JULY ANNIVERSARIES

07/02 Dennis & Christine Perry
07/11 Carl & Pam Siivola
07/12 Tim & Kathy Ruhlman
07/12 Ryan & Crystal Wilson
07/14 Cheri & John McCreedy
07/27 Sue & Bill Miller
07/27 Bob & Sandy Noel Jr.
07/28 Allan & Shari Flachsmann
07/30 Mark & Jan Bechtel

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

08/06 Ron & Laura Barnard
08/06 Bob & Sherry Wilcox
08/07 Mark & Jody Baldrige Sr
08/09 Matt & Linda Hess
08/12 Marty & Darlene Wolfe
08/23 Adam & Sheila Smith
08/28 Kathy & Jerry Dawley
08/28 Jim & Gail Orris
08/30 Steve & Sarah Shelton
08/31 Gordon & Mary Lou Archer



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