

THE MESSENGER

Trinity Methodist Church, Lapeer

Summer 2025

THE LOBBSTER TALE

This messenger newsletter is for the three months of summer – if it ever begins! It is as if the weather was teasing us with a couple of very warm days, followed by quite chilly days. In Michigan, we never know what a day will bring, weatherwise.

We never know what a day will bring in many areas of our lives = family, finances, health, housing, food, technology, gas prices, wars and threats of war... and so many people seem angry all the time. All of these categories I just mentioned can change in a minute.

There is one thing (person) that we can count on being the same. As the book of Hebrews 13:8 declares: "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever." In the midst of a world when so many things seem to be constantly changing, we know that we have an anchor for our soul in Jesus. We know that we can call upon His help and comfort and clarity in the many circumstances in life.

Summer is wonderfully different in many ways. Let us do our best to walk in step with the Lord as we enjoy a warm Michigan season – whenever it starts!

I hope to see you in church whenever you are in town.

Pastor Grant



CHURCH SECURITY AND SAFETY WORKSHOP

On Wednesday, June 18, we will be hosting a training for anyone connected to Trinity Church from 6:30-8:00 p.m. This is especially critical for leaders of committees, small groups/Bible studies and those working with children and youth. Please put this important date in your calendar! This workshop will be led by members of the Lapeer Police Department.



Again, this year we at Trinity have the privilege of hosting Bay Shore Camp in conjunction with our VBS. The camp will run July 7-10 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 15th. Thank you!

TRINITY CHRISTIAN WOMEN

Make plans to volunteer at the upcoming
Rummage and Bake Sale, June 5-6
Set up is June 3-4.

July 14th 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.

TRINITY CHRISTIAN MEN

**WILL BE MEETING ON MONDAY, JUNE 2nd
AT LEO'S RESTAURANT AT 6:00 P.M.
MEN, COME AND ENJOY GOOD FOOD
AND FELLOWSHIP!**

**MEN'S
MINISTRY**




Plan to join us for food, fun and fellowship at our Church Picnic following the service on Sunday, July 20th in the Fellowship Hall. There will be lots of great food, games for the entire family and time for fellowship with your Trinity friends. Please plan to bring a dish to pass. Table service and beverages will be provided. There will be a sign-up sheet in the lobby so we can get a count of how many will be attending. Also, please sign-up for the dish you plan to bring. We look forward to seeing you on July 20th.

June 2025

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

Preaching Schedule: June 1, 15, 22, 29—Rev. Grant Lobb

June 8 — Ron Hutchinson

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 GRADUATION SUNDAY 10:00a Worship	2 10:00a Pantry Activities 3:30p Food for Families 6:00p TCM @ Leo's	3 RUMMAGE SALE SET UP 9:30a Tuesday Quilters 6:30p Trustees	4 RUMMAGE SALE SET UP 1:00p TCW Card Recycling 6:00p Youth Group	5 TCW RUMMAGE SALE 9AM—5PM 10:00a In Stitches	6 TCW RUMMAGE SALE 9AM—1PM 10:00a In Stitches	7 TCW RUMMAGE SALE 9AM—1PM 10:00a In Stitches
8 10:00a Worship	9 10:00a Pantry Activities 3:30p Food for Families	10 9:30a Tuesday Quilters	11 1:00p TCW Card Recycling 6:00p Youth Group	12 10:00a In Stitches	13 10:00a In Stitches	4 10:00a In Stitches
<div> GREAT LAKES GMC ANNUAL CONFERENCE AT SPRING ARBOR UNIVERSITY Rev. Grant and Debi and Mike and Deanne Schlusler attending </div>						
15 10:00a Worship	16 10:00a Congregational Ministries Meeting 10:00a Pantry Activities 3:30p Food for Families	17 9:30a Tuesday Quilters	18 6:30p Church Safety Training FELLOWSHIP HALL	19 10:00a In Stitches	20 10:00a In Stitches	21 10:00a In Stitches
22 10:00a Worship	23 10:00a Pantry Activities 3:30p Food for Families	24 9:30a Tuesday Quilters 10:00a Blankie Sewing	25	26	27 10:00a In Stitches	28 11:00a Memorial Service for Norma Jean Vincent
29 10:00a Worship	30 10:00a Pantry Activities 3:30p Food for Families					


Great Reads @ Trinity

By Jean Best



This Far By Faith is a memoir by Reverend Faith Fowler, the pastor of Cass Community United Methodist Church. I first heard of her and later met her, through our Trinity Christian Women's group. She spoke at Trinity, and the women's group supported the program set up in the Cass Corridor area of inner city Detroit called Cass Community.

I recently got around to reading Faith Fowler's when I found it in a box of books donated to the library by the TCW. Published in 2014, the book is full of true stories about filling the needs of people who are poor, homeless, hungry, mentally ill, developmentally disabled, or all of the above. Faith is well-known for coming up with really creative solutions for problems that seem insurmountable. A book that might be unbearably sad, isn't. The writer's dry sense of humor and quirky ideas make it a hopeful, triumphant and sometimes even funny read that is well worth your time.



Psalm 150:6 proclaims, *"Let everything that has breath praise the Lord."* While our choir is on summer break from June through August, I would like to invite interested individuals, ensembles, and/or families to sign-up to share a message through music, vocal or instrumental, for worship. To share your musical gifts for one of our summer worship services sign up on the pink sign-up sheet on the Welcome Table.

SUMMER CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS!



July 1st —Trustees Meeting 6:30 p.m.

July 3rd—OFFICE CLOSED

July 7-10 VBS Bay Shore Camp on the Road 8:30-4:30

July 7th—Trinity Christian Men at Leo's @ 6:00

July 14th—Trinity Christian Women's Picnic

July 18th—-27th—Simpson Park Camp

July 20th—CHURCH PICNIC

July 28th—7:00 p.m. Administrative Council

July 26th—August 1st—Bay Shore Family Camp



August 4th -Trinity Christian Women's Ex. Bd. 9:00 a.m.

August 4th—UMM Dinner 6:00 at Leo's

August 5th—Trustees Meeting 6:30 p.m.

August 11th—Trinity Christian Women's
Thrift Store Adventure—Stay tuned!!

MomCo Summer Update: Big Impact, New Leadership & Looking Ahead

As we wrap up another wonderful year, we're excited to share some amazing updates from our MomCo group!

1. Supporting Our Community: Thanks to the generosity and heart of our members, we raised **\$717 for the Trinity Personal Needs Pantry** this year! On top of that, an **anonymous donor blessed us with a \$1,000 contribution**, allowing us to purchase essential items in bulk from Sam's Club—things like toilet paper, laundry detergent, feminine products, and more. We're so thankful to be able to serve our community in such a practical and meaningful way.

2. Welcoming New Leadership: We're also excited to announce that **Brandy Nowak** will be stepping into the role of MomCo Coordinator this fall! Brandy is an incredible woman with a heart for Jesus, and we are confident she will lead the group with love and wisdom. Our current coordinator, **Erin Sawgle**, will continue to support Brandy throughout the 2025–2026 school year as she transitions out of leadership.

3. Now Accepting New Moms for Fall: Do you know a mom who could use community, encouragement, and friendship? We'll be **accepting new moms** into our group for the upcoming year, and we'd love to welcome them in! Please have them reach out to **Erin at 248-224-7343** to learn more and apply.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support—God is doing big things in and through MomCo!" From, Katie Burd

MOMCO has had a busy year made possible by all our wonderful caregivers. It is a joy to see little ones learning about Jesus in a safe loving environment. Asking that you continue to lift this program up to God in your prayers that families will have Jesus brought into their homes. We always need extra caregivers but next year there are a couple special needs. We need someone to share the gift of music by leading the kiddos in songs. Any questions ask Shirley Terbruggen who has filled that role joyfully for several years. We have expanded classrooms and have a room for kids 6-12, these are children that are homeschooled. We need to find two caregivers for that room, curriculum will be provided. Be in prayer and if you are called to help let me know. Thanks for your prayers and support of this program, God Bless, Barb Coon

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 15th**

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 call/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 5—9:00 to 5:00

June 6—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
06/18 Shelley Lee
06/19 Carri Ormiston
06/19 Crystal Wilson
06/22 Jim Ruehl
06/24 Jeanne McCorkle
06/26 Diane June
06/29 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 Mary Parsons
07/07 Bob Wilcox
07/08 Lana Jo Chase
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 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 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
06/23 Mike & Jean Best
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
08/30 Steve & Sarah Shelton
08/31 Gordon & Mary Lou Archer



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