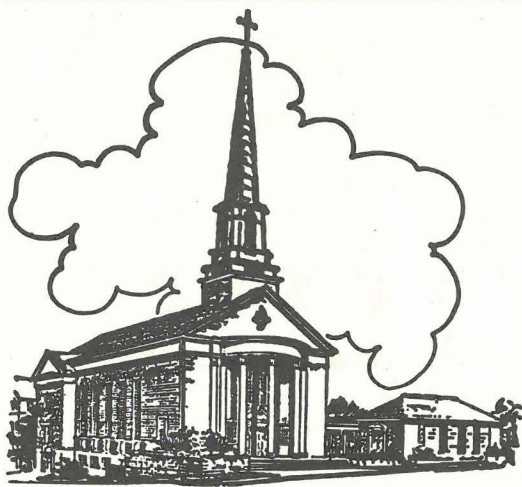




Monthly Tidings

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Frank Roughton, Minister, Actor, To Be Featured

The Rev. Frank Roughton, an ordained Methodist minister and former professional actor, will conduct a special weekend of worship and learning at Trinity November 12-14.

The Work Area of Evangelism has planned with the ministerial staff a series of worship services, a covered-dish supper, a breakfast and a mini-retreat for youth, featuring drama and other unconventional methods of worship.

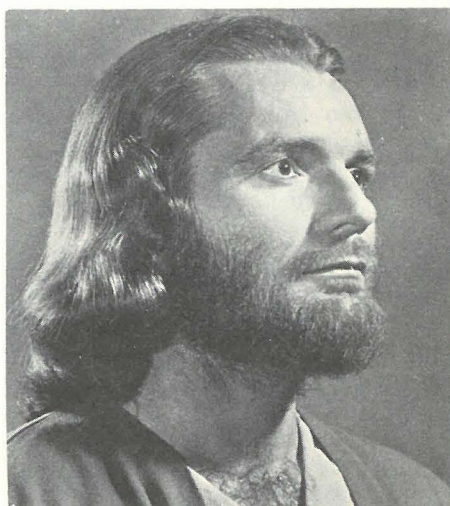
Uncle of the Rev. Phil Roughton, Frank Roughton lives in Cambridge, Ohio, where he portrays the role of Christ in "The Living Word," an outdoor drama on the life of Christ presented each year during July and August. He is sought out throughout the nation and abroad for his unique ministry.

"His diversified study of drama, theology and philosophy, along with his experience as professor of Bible and counselor, are all combined to make his three days at Trinity an exciting, stimulating, inspiring and life-changing experience," Evangelism Chair-

men Vernon and Jamie Parramore said.

Rev. Roughton spent four years in professional theatre, but left to earn a master of divinity degree from Candler School of Theology and a master of fine arts in drama at the University of Georgia. He wrote, produced and directed, "Behold the Man," in Atlanta Stadium before an audience of 50,000.

While at Trinity he will present the "Sermon on the Mount" during 9 and 11 a.m. worship services on Sunday,



Rev. Frank Roughton

November 14. He has presented this dramatization over 3,000 times in churches around the world.

The special weekend of activities begins with a covered dish supper at 6 p.m., Friday, November 12, followed by a worship service at 7:30 p.m. A breakfast will be held for all interested at 8 a.m., Saturday. Another evening worship service is

scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

In addition to the morning worship services on Sunday, the Rev. Roughton will present a monodrama in costume during the Sunday school hour. All youth and adult classes are invited.

From 3 to 6 p.m., Sunday, the youth will hold a mini-retreat with the Rev. Roughton. The weekend will end with "The Lord's Supper," a drama with 13 Trinity members participating, at 6:30 p.m.

All Methodist churches in the Tallahassee District are being invited to participate in the weekend. Reservations for the breakfast should be made with the church office. Child care will be provided at all services.

Trinity Members Asked to Take Step Forward with 1977 Church Program

Trinity members will be asked to take "a step forward" during the next two weeks and pledge increased support for the 1977 church program.

The Administrative Board on October 12 adopted a proposed budget of \$306,000 to conduct the ministry of Trinity United Methodist Church during 1977. The amount reflects an increase of \$26,000 over 1976.

Dr. Eugene Zimmerman, senior minister, said, "My concern is the programs we will be able to accomplish, not just the dollars we will raise. Though we have to deal with figures, my concern is what they will buy and the ministry we perform as a church in the community, state, nation and the world."

Each member of the church is being invited to a dinner on Tuesday, November 9, or Wednesday, November 10, at 7 p.m., in the Fellowship

Support for Missions

One step will be in the direction of benevolences and apportionments set by the Florida Annual Conference as Trinity's share for mission work in the state, nation and world. This portion of the budget is increased \$8,467 over last year. Part of the benevolence total of \$69,120 will be spent locally to help support the work of the Terrell House, Salvation Army, transient aid, local emergency aid, Meals on Wheels, Goodwill, Senior Citizens Planning Council, the Wesley Foundation, Tallahassee Urban Ministry, the Leon-Wakulla County Parish, and with other small churches in the Tallahassee District.

State benevolences include Florida Methodist Children's Home, Florida Spanish Ministry, and Florida Migrant

Ministry. World Service and Conference benevolences are budgeted \$19,040.

A Missional Priority Fund of \$3,135 has a threefold thrust to support the major emphasis of this quadrennium of the United Methodist Church: Ethnic Minority Churches, World Hunger and Evangelism.

Local Church Program

Trinity's program budget to minister to children, youth and adults within the church totals \$19,325. It includes \$2,100 for transportation of youth, choirs and others and some limited funds for scholarships in the church weekday nursery.

Trinity will lose its status as one of the few churches in the Florida Conference which does not pay utilities of its ministers with \$3,900 budgeted for parsonage utilities in 1977. Total ministerial support comes to \$46,400 and lay salaries total \$59,700. The amount for office expenses was reduced \$1,500 from last year.

The 1977 program and budget were formulated by work areas and committees of the church which have been meeting and planning over the last three months. Their recommendations were considered by the Council on Ministries, outlined in budget form, and submitted to the Administrative Board last month.

"One of the things that has impressed me about our congregation is the large number of people who enthusiastically give their time and ability to the work of the church," Dr. Zimmerman said in reviewing the work of the program planners. "If the response of the congregation is anything like the response of those who helped plan next year's program, it is going to be a great year!"

Church Women United Announces Program, Invites Participation

Trinity member Elise Lawton, president of Church Women United, invites all women of the church to the annual migrant coffee to be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Friday, December 3, at St. Paul's United Methodist Church.

The coffee is sponsored by Church Women United to raise funds for its Christian migrant ministry in Florida.

The group of women from 29 Tallahassee churches is also selling UNICEF Christmas cards to aid children around the world. Weekend sales will be held in front of Publix at Northwood Mall.

Mrs. Lawton said CWU meets the first Friday of each month to hold a forum on a topic of interest to church women. These begin at 10 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church.

Special events of the CWU year are World Community Day on November 5, World Day of Prayer on March 4, and May Fellowship Luncheon on May 6.

It plans to conduct a clothing drive in January for charitable projects here and around the world. Among projects of the local chapter are Terrell House, Tallahassee Literacy Council, Teenage Parents Program, Christmas

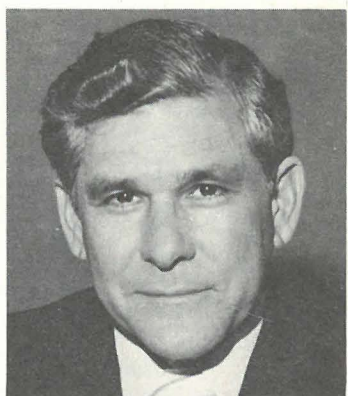
International House, Muscular Dystrophy Summer Camp, Senior Society Planning Council, Voluntary Action Program, Community Action Program, and Christian Migrant Ministry. It also collects used stamps and layettes to be distributed where needed.

Usually its membership comes from women's groups in churches but one need not be a church member to participate. Additional information may be obtained from Mrs. Lawton, or Lucile Shuler, Trinity's Key Woman to CWU.

A STEP FORWARD

COMMENT:

Take a Step Forward



Can we afford it? That's what several people on the Finance Committee asked after we went over the financial requests from the Council on Ministries. And, by the way, that's one reason they are on the Finance Committee, to ask that question.

In case you didn't know how the church makes up its annual budget, the chairpersons from all areas of the church's work — missions, education, evangelism, worship, youth ministry, and many more — are asked what plans they have for the coming year and what is the anticipated cost. The Finance Committee makes a budget from these requests and provides a plan for raising the money. It then presents this program and its cost to the Administrative Board for final approval. All of this has now been done by a number of fine people who have given a lot of time and ability to our church.

The most important part of this whole process is the future plans that we have worked out for our church for 1977! I don't want to minimize the money, for I too asked, "How much will it cost?" But it isn't the budget that is primary; it's the work we want to do as a church. Is it important? Is it worth doing? Is this what God wants us to do?

But back to the question, "Can we afford it?" As a new pastor I couldn't answer that until I studied our record of giving. After doing so, I can answer it clearly: YES, WE CAN AFFORD IT! Our records indicate that a large number of people have no record of giving at all, and many more give very minimal amounts (not by my reckoning, but in terms of their standard of living).

There weren't too many surprises in this picture and we came out where the average church does, showing that a small group of people give the largest amount of the church's income. Incidentally, that small group of people doesn't necessarily represent the most prosperous. They represent the most *generous*. A friend of mine who is a professional fund raiser once told me that giving is not related to what a person possesses, but to the basic attitude of generosity; that is his feelings for the needs of others and the desire to share. My experience bears this out.

Yes, we can afford this program but not with "giving as usual." We must all take A STEP FORWARD. If those who have given nothing would give something; if those who have given a little would give more, and if those who thought they were doing pretty good would do a little better, we'd underwrite this program and more. Better yet, try tithing. It will resolve your questions about how much to give and answer the church's question, "Will there be enough?"

GENE ZIMMERMAN

Youth Ministry—What Does it Cost?

By Phil Roughton

In a success-oriented culture, and a culture which has been enamored with youth for a number of years now, most churches would like to claim a "successful" youth ministry program.

For some, that success means two buses, three vans, a fully-equipped youth lounge with pool tables, TV and quadraphonic sound system, and a full-size gymnasium with heated Olympic pool. For others, it means producing at least one candidate for the ministry every five years. For still others it means a jam-packed schedule of events which keep the kids at the church and out of their parents' hair. In any case, the definition of "success" has much to do with the dollar cost of the program.

A question which needs to be continually raised is "What kind of success do we want in our youth program at Trinity? What do we want to happen?"

As I think about those questions, a number of things come to mind. I want success in relationships. As a result of their experience in the youth program, I would like for the young people of this church to understand more fully the meaning of personal relationship with God and the church; what it means to be a person related to Christ and the Christian Church; what it means to be a person of faith. From their experience here, they should learn what right relationships with other people mean. "What is a friend? What does it mean to trust

someone? How do I resolve conflicts?"

I would like success in terms of significant personal development. Participation in the youth program should allow our young people to take a serious look at who they are, and who they would like to be as they make the shaky transition from childhood to adulthood. It should provide opportunities to develop personal skills which will aid them in leading meaningful adult lives.

Finally, I would like success in having fun. That may sound silly, even irresponsible, but for me it's a serious goal. I would like for the young people to know and experience the exuberant joy of living; what it means to be a free person, a person who doesn't have to spend most of his or her creative energy taking himself/herself too seriously.

Frankly, it's difficult for me to put a dollar value on the kind of success I'm interested in. You can build an Olympic pool with "X" number of dollars. A relationship can't be built with "X" number of dollars — or "X" number of hours of time for that matter. Realistically, however, I know it takes money to do some of the things I'd like to see happen.

For example, there has to be a place to meet. That place has been for the most part the ARK. One look at the ARK is all that is needed to see that it could use some repairs and updating; improvements which would enhance the usefulness of that facility

'A Base from Which to Conduct Ministry' — Property Budget for '77

"What goes on in those buildings" was the concern of Trinity's budget planners when they proposed \$93,150 for property expenditures in 1977, an increase of \$15,900 over 1976.

Trinity's far-sighted Trustees budgeted the largest portion of the increase, \$10,000, as a reserve to make a downpayment on a house or to purchase a building lot for a new parsonage for the senior minister.

Trustees Chairman Ted Steinmeyer said the parsonage on Adams Street, constructed in 1938, was inspected by an architect last year, who estimated renovation to get it into good shape would run from \$40,000 to \$50,000. "The Trustees felt that this would not be wise use of money and that the amount could be better spent toward purchase or construction of a new parsonage in a residential neighborhood," Steinmeyer said.

He is filing an application to have the Adams Street property rezoned for commercial use so that it will bring a better price.

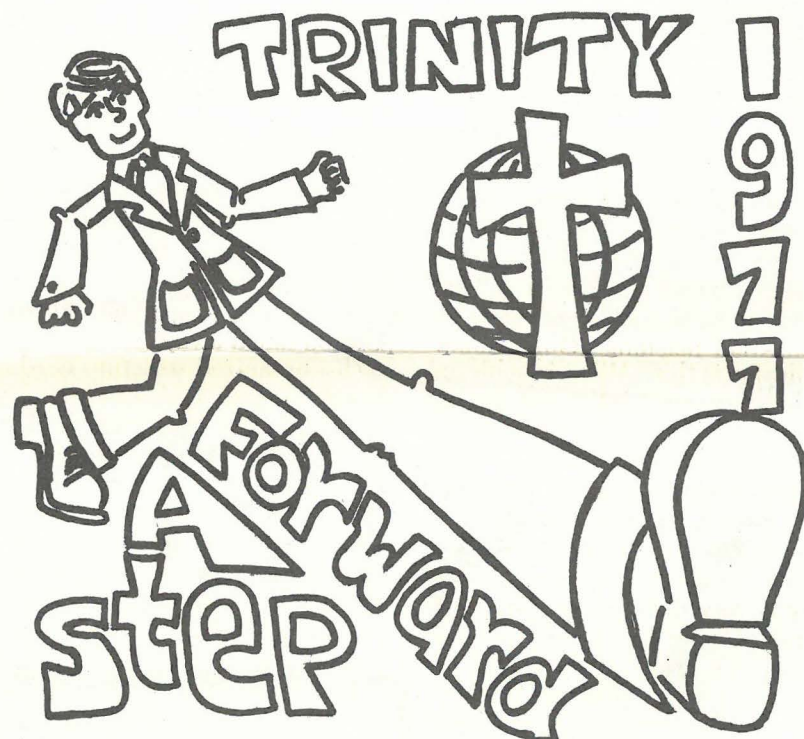
Funds for repairs and improvements total \$13,500 in the 1977 property budget. The ARK in the Education Building will be improved so that it can become a meeting place for

medium-sized groups and so that it will better accommodate youth activities. At the present time, meeting rooms are the Conference Room for small groups or the Fellowship Hall for large groups. The Trustees point out that utilities will be saved if the Fellowship Hall is used only when a large crowd is expected.

Classrooms on a floor of the Education Building will also be improved and other repairs, painting and improvements will be made throughout the physical plant as needed.

Only interest payments were made on the sanctuary mortgage for several months last year so that property money could be spent to pay off the higher interest incurring mortgage on the Lawson Road parsonage. Budgeted for 1977 for the sanctuary and for the Spence Avenue parsonage are \$37,000 and \$5,500 respectively.

Utilities and fuel remain the same in the new budget — \$13,200. Other property budget items include piano and organ maintenance, and insurance, which increased substantially during the past year even though Trustees revised the policies and increased the deductibles.



both for the youth and other groups in the church.

From experience I know one of the best times to build relationships is on a trip — New Life Singer Choir Tour, Appalachia Service Project; weekend retreat at someone's beach cottage. Working and/or playing together, young people learn about their faith and life from each other and their counselors. In order to go on a trip, adequate transportation is a requirement; if for no other reason, for the safety of the people involved. For that reason, a considerable increase in the 1977 budget is being requested for transportation needs.

In order to provide a full youth program on Sunday evenings, it is important to serve a snack meal for the young people, many of whom are at the church from 4:00 to 7:30 p.m. Thanks to the hard work of a great group of volunteers, the cost of those meals has been minimized. However, to assist the volunteers, funds are being requested to pay one of the church custodians overtime to help with the preparation and cleanup of the meals.

Without question, the summer months are the busiest and most important for youth ministry. The youth people have more time and are willing to spend a lot of it at the church if the program interests them. It has been the excellent policy of this church to hire a summer youth work-

er to assist the minister in charge of youth ministry in developing and executing that kind of program. An increase in the scholarship given that person is being requested in order to insure getting the quality people the church has had for that position in the past.

In terms of clear confrontation of the meaning of the Christian gospel on personal lives, and the full implications of that message, the Youth Week held in August this year was the most effective program since my appointment here. Both youth and counselors feel this is an important program and want to plan a similar event for 1977. Again, additional money is needed to cover costs of this kind of special week.

What does youth ministry cost? The proposed dollar cost is \$4,350, plus a \$1,500 addition to the transportation budget. The cost in terms of personal involvement of the church staff, counselors, volunteers, and the support of the total membership cannot be measured.

All of this is a rather long way of saying that our goal in youth ministry is to be much more than a babysitting service or competition for the recreation department, and I am confident you will continue to support us on that basis.

ARK To Be Improved for Use by Youth and as Medium Size Meeting Room

At the recommendation of church staff members, the Board of Trustees is proposing \$3,000 in the 1977 budget for improvements in the ARK.

For a number of years, the large room on the first floor of the education building has been used primarily by the youth of the church. Formerly known as "Trinity Hall," it has served as a coffeehouse and general purpose room for Sunday evening meetings, parties and other youth related functions.

The suggestion was made to the Board of Trustees that with some improvements this facility could serve the youth and the membership as a whole in a better way.

Proposed improvements include brightening the room through the use of a lighter color paint on the walls and increased overhead lighting. Also suggested are two or three furniture groupings which could be rearranged in various ways according to the type of function being held, number of people in the group, and the atmosphere desired. Area rugs could also be incorporated to create family room or living room settings for some occasions.

While the room will remain the main facility for youth meetings and activities, with the improvements outlined it could be used by various other groups in the church which might be

too small to economically use the Fellowship Hall, or too informal to use the church parlor.

The room has a very good self-contained heating and cooling unit and joins the old church kitchen, which is adequate for food preparation for small-to-moderate-size groups.

Financial Program Committee Tells Why They Support Budget

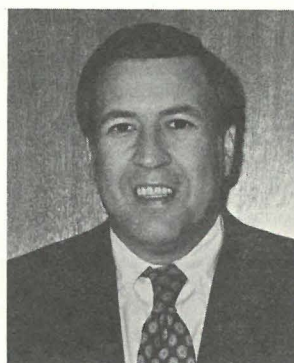
Kay Ellison, Telephone Chairman

As a new member of Trinity, I am happy to have the opportunity to serve and support the church in this financial campaign.

I hope that each one of you will make a personal effort to attend the loyalty dinners on Nov. 9 and 10. As a united group, we can do great things, in our church, in our community and throughout the world.

Miriam Peirce, Dinners Chairman

I have not been a United Methodist all of my life, but the more I become involved, the more I realize the effectiveness of our organization. I am very pleased to be a part of this educational campaign, because I know how far a Methodist dollar can go, and how much good it does.



Jack Mowell
General Chairman



Kay Ellison
Telephone



Jim Blackburn
Hosts

John S. Olson, Canvass Chairman

I am delighted to be able to make this contribution of my time and effort to the church in an area that I feel I am qualified to assist. It gives me a great deal of satisfaction and inner warmth to be able to make a contribution to my church. Trinity Methodist Church has meant a great

deal to my family and has been a cornerstone of continuous reinforcement of my belief in Jesus Christ.

Being able to make a contribution of this nature has allowed me to return back to Trinity a small amount of what I have received, along with my family, from Trinity Methodist Church throughout the years.

Trinity's Financial Program Committee has a noonday planning meeting with the church staff. From left are the Rev. Phil Roughton, John S. Olson, Jack Mowell, Dr. Gene Zimmerman, Kay Ellison, Miriam Peirce, and Helen Price.



Christian Education Comments

The Molding of a Christian Education Program — Part III

In the perspective of what has been written in Parts I and II, it is now appropriate to state future goals of our Christian teaching. Our assumption thus far is this: What is achieved in the educational program of Trinity United Methodist Church today should be an organized and systematic approach of what was done with Jesus and the Early Church. Certainly there will be differences in details and approaches because our situation at Trinity is very different from the first century! However, our purpose in Christian education can be the same. Of course, this proposal could have radical changes and implications. This purpose could be a definite and positive step forward, and followed to the absolute point, be influential in the structure and concepts of our programs in Christian education of the future.

Jesus had a planned strategy, so why can't we have one? Jesus' approach was that He would invade the lives of people and because He lived in them, God would be alive and through the power of His Spirit would continue to invade the life of the world through people. The Church is people and a part of that plan. Christian education is teaching these people of Jesus' plan and that goal is a part of our responsibility. We owe it to our children and our children's children to offer them a place to stand, or we might say, a faith to turn to and live by in a world which offers so many ideas and concepts that are not redemptive, not satisfying and not acceptable to the sensitivity of loving people.

● In the light of these comments, where do we begin in molding our Christian education program at Trinity? First of all, we must have a well-organized structure for Sunday school and other church school activities. This means our present structure may need some changes. For example, Trinity needs a strong and dedicated Sunday school superintendent. This was part of our structure some years ago but was dropped in the 60's. A

superintendent of study was to be a replacement over the past years but no real responsibility was given to this person or position and, by no fault of the persons who held it, the position faded away.

This organized structure needs continued support and emphasis by all lay people and ministers. A detailed model of this structure is now being planned as we evaluate the needs of our Christian education program. At a later time this model will be presented to the congregation as a matter of information on what the structure consists of and who is involved in the model.

● A second goal in the molding of our Christian education program is developing a systematic approach to keeping the organization functioning. This involves scheduled meeting times with administrative people, teachers, and parents interested in our program. A regular time must be set aside for training these people who lead us in Christian education responsibilities. Programs on regular weeks or months involving many or all Sunday school classes would also help keep our education endeavors functioning at a peak. This second goal involves people who give a specific time and special efforts to make programs not only "work" but also be effective in reaching and teaching a Christian faith grounded in principles and teachings of the life of Jesus. In this aspect of Christian education, parental cooperation is a necessity.

● A third goal involves curriculum. We must be willing to allow for major differences in the curriculum of adult classes. We must have mutual respect for what others believe and wish to express in their religious beliefs. At the same time we must set standards for our youth, elementary and younger children's classes. The curriculum for the younger minds must consist of Bible, Church History, Church Doctrines and Beliefs, and the place of these Christian education items in a contemporary world which is made of good and bad, fun and sorrow, wealthy and poor, physically and mentally well and the physically and

mentally handicapped and a lot of shades of gray. The Christian education program and curriculum have the responsibility to show the necessary merger of personal and social concerns. Curriculum input is welcomed and in the near future opportunities will be provided for parents and others concerned to give their input to the Christian education program and curriculum.

● A fourth goal concerns adequate money to not only sustain, but to take a step forward in improving our Christian education programs. We are presently involved in a financial program of major consideration. A portion of Trinity's '77 budget is dedicated to Christian education. We on the Work Area of Christian Education have labored to present a reasonable financial goal for 1977. In fact it is an effort to return to the 1975 Christian education budget which had been cut drastically in 1976 because of a crisis in the economic situation in all areas of life. This financial goal needs the support of the whole church. It is one of those areas in which the whole church is given the opportunity to provide Christian education.

The Educational Budget

Included in our educational budget is the money needed for church school supplies used mainly during the Sunday school hour. Due to inflation, the cost of supplies has doubled over the past four years. Money is needed for audio-visual equipment and repair. Particularly in repairs, do we find expenses escalating. Money is needed for leadership training. Workshops are provided across the state and nation for teachers, administrators, and ministers but travel costs alone keep us from having our people benefit from these learning sessions. We try to provide, in our Christian education budget, a means to supply opportunities for recreation of our young people in well-organized city leagues. Uniforms costs and entry fees have also doubled over the past four years.

Money is needed for college ministry for retreats and for precollege students who need Christian education programs geared to prepare them for tests of the mind from other sources of disciplines they will encounter in college courses.

The youth ministry is a primary part of the Christian Education budget. We have more youth participating now in our church than for some time. Because of these increased numbers more money is necessary. Studies have shown there is a direct correlation to increased youth ministry and increased Sunday school attendance.

Other areas of financial concern include a significant Scout program, which involves more Trinity children than in previous years, library expansion and new books, and special ministries for children. This year the Administrative Board placed the preschool nursery program under the Work Area on Education. In order to maintain high quality, money is needed to support this super program. If we could get the money needed we could even offer scholarships for those who need the preschool program but cannot afford the opportunity.

A final phase of our goals of molding a Christian education program at Trinity and taking a giant step forward is the necessity to evaluate and re-evaluate where we are and where we are going in Christian education. No program is ever so well organized or well funded that it can't improve. A real spirit of cooperation and evaluation is desperately needed. Parental cooperation is a real weakness at Trinity. We need the parents to help us. In the final analysis, it is the whole church that educates and if we are to invade the world with the gospel we must first cast our talents, time, and dollars at the door of the local House of God. We need to take a step forward for Christian education. Will you help provide the resources to achieve our goals in molding a Christian education program?

JOHN H. GREEN

Junior High Will Hold Retreat at Camp Weed

"Growing Closer" is the theme of the junior high retreat, December 3-5, at Camp Weed on St. Teresa Beach. Emphasis the first half of the weekend will be placed on growing closer to one another; emphasis the second half, on growing closer to God. This theme will be explored in planned programs, worship services, singing, and recreation. A bonfire on the beach will be the setting for a Saturday night communion service.

Both free and structured recreational time is planned. Friday afternoon everyone will be divided into two teams for the weekend. The two teams will then compete throughout the weekend in both individual and group sports. Some of these events will be patterned after the television show, "Almost Anything Goes." Something special is in store for the winning team at the end of the retreat.

Other highlights of the weekend include: sailing, volleyball, tennis, hiking, gathering around the fireplace, somores, guitars, banjo. . .

The tentative schedule is as follows:

- Friday
- 4:00—Leave Trinity
 - 5-6:00—Arrive at Camp Weed and "move-in"
 - 6:00—Dinner (all meals prepared by Camp Weed staff)
 - 7:00—Planned games and recreation
 - 8:00—Planned program
 - 9-10:30—Free time
 - 10:30-11—Small devotional and rap groups
 - 12:00—Lights out
- Saturday
- 7:30—Breakfast
 - 9-11—Planned programs
 - 12:00—Lunch
 - 1-3:30—Free time
 - 3:30-5:30—Planned recreation
 - 6:00—Dinner
 - 8:00—Bonfire and communion service on beach
 - 9:30-10:30—Free time
 - 10:30-11—Small devotional and rap groups
 - 12:00—Lights out
- Sunday
- 7:30—Breakfast
 - 9:30—Planned program
 - 11:00—Worship Service
 - 12:00—Lunch
 - 2:00—Leave for Trinity

Final plans and details will be made available at MYF during November; so come join MYF Sundays at 6:30 in the Ark.

Greetings!

Christmas Cards, that is, featuring an ink drawing of Trinity United Methodist Church on blue textured paper.

For Sale by the Youth
To raise funds for Appalachia Service Project

Package of 25 Cards, \$2.75
Delivery by November 15

To order see any youth member of the church or mail the form below to the church office, P.O. Box 1086, Tallahassee 32302.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Number of Packages Desired _____

ROUGHTON'S RAPPINGS

Ya'll are richer than I thought you were! I heard the other day that the average young person in the United States between the ages of 14 and 17 has between seven and ten dollars a week free money—that is, money beyond that which is spent on school lunches, clothes, etc. It sure is good to know you; to have you for my friends! What are you doing this weekend?—Excuse me! I just got all excited thinking about all that money I didn't know you had!

Maybe you're not average; maybe you don't have that much you can call your own. The problem with statistics is that they don't always fit. In any case, most of you are beginning now to take increasing responsibility for your physical needs; a process which continues until a time several years from now when you no longer depend on your parents, and become financially independent. During the years of that process you will make decisions about how you intend to use your money and form basic attitudes about the value of your resources—financial and otherwise.

What part should the church play in the formation of those attitudes and values? For you, people who have demonstrated a desire to be closely related to Christ and His church, it should play an important part. And you're in luck! One of the things the Bible talks about a lot is the use and abuse of resources—including money. Stewardship of all of life was central to the teaching of Christ. The Bible won't tell you a certain amount to give if you make a certain amount each year. It won't tell you what percentage of your hours each week should be spent working for the church or helping other people.

It will give you principles for the use of your time, your talents, your money. And the neat thing about the principles is that they're not based on some arbitrary ruling or law. They're based instead on the logic of relationships, what makes sense in light of the way we feel about other people, the way we feel about God.

This month in our Sunday evening meeting we're looking at Christian stewardship, examining some of those principles in light of the way we live now. I trust it will be an interesting learning time for us all.

And as any good savings and loan or bank person would tell you, you've got to have the principle [sic] in order to maintain the interest! Boo!

Peace, PHIL.



Younger Children's Coordinator Introduces Workers with Infants to Six-Year-Olds

By Ann Lumsden

Do you know Trinity's Sunday morning workers? Well, let's meet them.

The nursery during early church, Sunday school, and 11 o'clock church is kept by Marie Touchton. We are blessed at Trinity to have such a loving, Christian person to care for our treasured nursery-age children. At 11 o'clock, Marie has had Sharon Walters to help her. She not only has a beautiful voice, but also a way with the babies. This year Pam Touchton will help her.

The toddlers during Sunday school attend a class all by themselves. Mrs. Virginia Cook is a favorite of all of Trinity's one-year-old children.

The two-year-olds learn songs and stories and how to share. Mrs. Frances Nell Melton is a favorite among this group. This year these young church-goers are going to have two of Trinity's young couples work with them once a month: Gene and Evelyn Harper and Marilyn and Bob Dean.

The three-year-olds have two new teachers—Mary Gristina and Mica Roughton. These two outstanding ladies have things well under control along with their faithful assistant, Mr. Robert Willshire. Thank you, Pat Weil, who taught the three-year-olds right up until her new baby daughter was born.

The four-year-olds are under the capable leadership of Mrs. Alice Warren and Mrs. Carter and their lovely and talented daughters. This class is filled with activities and stories and songs for four-year-old interests. Also at 10:20, this group get to go to Mrs. Suzanne Gifford's "Music Room" upstairs and sing.

The five-year-olds have a new couple guiding them as they learn about Jesus and how He grew as a child. Sue and Walter Parramore are a very loving and caring couple to guide these young lives in a Christian way. The five-year-olds also march up to Mrs. Gifford's "Music Room" at 10:20.

Last year the five-year-olds enjoyed the leadership of Carol and Dave Woolverson, and a big thank you goes to them for a year of loving and caring.

This is the preschool group at Trinity. Oh! Except for the 11:00 nursery kept by Catherine Causseaux, Andy Blackburn and Joyce Daniels. And also during this hour (11:30) the 4-, 5-, and 6-year-olds go to Mrs. Gifford's choir for children.

Our children love Trinity, and the reason they do is because of each one of these loving and caring people who touch their lives as they grow up here. Thank you each and every one for your time with Trinity's preschool children.

Altar Guild Plans Flower Workshop

The Altar Guild Flower Committee will meet Saturday, November 20, at 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall for their fall business meeting. At 10 o'clock, Mrs. Emmie Phillips will conduct a workshop on arranging flowers for the altar.

Mrs. Phillips worked in a florist shop in Atlanta with previous experience in Moultrie, Ga., before moving to Tallahassee in 1965. She is now purchasing agent at Barnett Bank of Tallahassee, but has found time to be

Senior High Program Plans Announced

Andy Blackburn and Gamble Morse, program cochairpersons, met with the senior high counselors and Phil Roughton October 10 and planned senior high MYF programs through February 13. The schedule of topics is as follows:

- October —
- 24: Stewardship of Time
 - 31: Stewardship of Talents
- November —
- 7: Stewardship of Money
 - 14: Frank Roughton—Mini-retreat
 - 28: WorldHunger/Lifestyle
 - 21: WorldHunger/Lifestyle
- December —
- 5: WorldHunger/Lifestyle
 - 12: Family Christmas Night
 - 19: Church Christmas Program
 - 25: No MYF — Merry Christmas!
- January —
- 2: New Beginnings
 - 9: Christian Faith and the Human Body
 - 16: Alcohol/Smoking/Drugs
 - 23: Alcohol/Smoking/Drugs
 - 30: Human Sexuality and the Christian Young Person
- February —
- 13: Human Sexuality and the Christian Young Person
 - 6: Human Sexuality and the Christian Young Person

Youth Council Meets With New Officers

The Council on Youth Ministries held its first meeting since the September election of new officers and members on October 13.

Doug Smith, Council on Youth Ministries president, outlined procedure for the operation of the council and discussed its function as a coordinating body for the various youth programs.

A number of new projects were discussed, including participation in the Tallahassee Toys for Tots program, the sale of Christmas cards with a drawing of the sanctuary on the front as a fund-raising project, making theme posters for the Trinity financial campaign, and setting up a workday for youth to improve the appearance of the landscaping of the church parking lot.

The need for chairpersons for the Youth in Trinity and Youth in Missions Committees was discussed. Doug Smith asked for suggestions of names of people to fill these positions and said that he would work with Phil Roughton in appointing the chairpersons.

an active member of the Altar Guild for several years. Flowers are her first love, both growing and arranging them.

The workshop will also include participation by those attending in making arrangements suitable for shut-ins, a tour of the sacristy and practice in changing the candles for the sanctuary. All members of the Altar Guild Flower Committee are urged to attend as well as other interested church members.

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