

Monthly Tidings

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Advanced Studies Class Lists Summer Schedule

Florida's criminal justice system and the Florida Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church are in the immediate Sunday morning plans for the Betty Phifer Advanced Studies Class.

After an introductory session from the Faith Meets Life curriculum book, scheduled for May 1, a week later Miriam Peirce reviews a book of interviews with those on death row. Critics of Florida's criminal justice system appear before the class May 15. Florida's Attorney General Jim Smith has agreed to discuss criminal justice on June 12 in a free-wheeling question-and-answer format.

On May 22 the class hears a preview of issues to come before our Florida Annual Conference. Linda Yates and Miriam Peirce, both delegates to the conference, will lead this session. They will review what happened, June 5, after the conference is over

Gifford Hale, Trinity's chairman of Church and Society, leads the class's observance of Community Peace Sunday May 29.

Dr. Leo Sandon of the Department of Religion at FSU, and one of Betty Phifer's colleagues during her years with the Department, will continue his series begun earlier this year on Religion in America. His presentations bring together the Advanced Studies and Bob Storey classes during the summer. Exact dates will be announced.

Plans of the class for the fall include a series on Methodism's Jubilee, the 200th anniversary of Methodism in America. Rubie Butterworth has curriculum materials for this observance and will lead or plan six to eight sessions. At a later date, Elise Lawton will report on a seminar she is to attend, one planned by Church Women United.

Brent Byerman Gets Sebring Appointment

Associate Minister Brent Byerman will leave Trinity in June to become minister of Spring Lake United Methodist Church in Sebring. The two-year-old church has a membership of 75.

In his third year as associate minister at Trinity, Rev. Byerman will preach at both worship services at Trinity on June 12, his last day here. The Staff-Parish Relations Committee plans a reception in his and his wife Mary's honor in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the 11 a.m. worship service. All members and friends of the church are invited.

John Quigley, who expects to complete his studies at Chandler School of Theology this month, was interviewed as a prospective associate minister by Trinity's Staff-Parish Relations Committee on April 19. His appointment to the position is expected to be announced during Annual Conference in Lakeland May 23-27.

Trustees To Name Trinity Hall Building Committee in June

Trinity's trustees expect to name a building committee during their next meeting in June to work with the architect, select a builder and oversee renovation of Trinity Hall.

Trustees Chairman Melvin Pope, Jr., at a meeting of the Trustees Sunday afternoon, May 1, asked other board members to recommend potential building committee members to him for consideration. He will verify their availability for an estimated three-year period of service and report final selections at the June meeting.

Modernization Committee Chairman Margaret Everhart presented a final report of the committee, which for the past year and a half has been developing a plan for modernization of the education building, allocating space according to program needs and attempting to provide functional settings for ministries and community services of the church.

Space needs and locations were approved during a final meeting of the Modernization Committee in April.

Several revisions to the preliminary plan by architect Joe Clemons agreed upon by the Modernization Committee have not yet been resolved. These include location and costs of the elevator, locating staff offices on one floor, and an alternate plan for youth activities. Trustees are asking the architect to complete these revisions in order to fulfill phase one of their contract with him. Clemons is to be paid \$7,200 for this preliminary work.

Preliminary plans and cost estimates were prepared by Clemons and presented in a report to the Administrative Board last September. The Board at that time voted to undertake a capital funds crusade to raise money for the building program. That crusade has \$544,000 pledged to date for the renovation.

The Trustees are expected to contract with Clemons to complete the working drawings, prepare specifications and invite construction bids.

Trinity Members Will Take Active Role in Annual Conference May 23-27

Trinity's minister and three of its members are among nominees as delegates from Florida to the 1984 General and Jurisdictional Conferences of the United Methodist Church.

Election of lay delegates and clerical delegates to the quadrennial conferences will take place during the Florida Annual Conference in Lakeland May 23-27.

Among lay nominees, selected by lay delegates to the Annual Conference from the Tallahassee District, are Miriam Peirce, Barbara Mitchell and Pat Crotty. The Rev. Dr. Walter N. Kalaf is one of the clerical nominees from the Tallahassee District.

Attending the Annual Conference at Florida Southern College in Lakeland as lay delegates from Trinity will be Linda Yates and Allie Ferguson. Besides the ministers, another member of the professional staff planning to attend is Gayle Jordan, director of Christian education.

Mrs. Peirce will be attending as a delegate from the Tallahassee District and Pat Crotty is expected to attend as a diaconal minister, also representing the district. Other district delegates include members Barbara Mitchell, May Hamilton, Elise Lawton and Myron Blee.

The Annual Conference will concern itself with details of the program and ministry of the United Methodist Church in Florida, beginning at 10 a.m., Monday, May 23, and ending

Trinity's Mac Steinmeyer Wins Preaching Award

Mac Steinmeyer, who was an active worker with his wife Lori in Trinity's youth program two years ago, has received word he has been recommended for ordination by the Florida Conference Board of Ordained Ministry

Now completing his second year at Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Mac was also nominated for the Bishop's Award for excellence in preaching. Following ordination he will complete his senior year at Candler.

Lori Steinmeyer is a nutritionist in the Public Health Department in Atlanta.

with a final business assembly Friday night, May 27.

District Superintendent Thomas G. Mitchell will lead an orientation session for all lay delegates, pastors and reserve delegates to the Annual Conference in Trinity's Fellowship Hall Sunday afternoon, May 15 from 4 to 5:30. Using the Conference Workbook which was received by delegates the last week of April, the delegates will discuss some of the issues to be brought before the conference and preview the Council of Ministries' proposed program for 1984.

John Kay Quigley, who is expected to be named associate minister at Trinity, is one of 29 candidates who are slated to receive Deacon's Orders during an ordination service Tuesday evening, May 24. Henry McCall (Mac) Steinmeyer, whose home church is Trinity, is also a candidate for Deacon's Orders during the Annual Conference.

Pentecost Sunday, May 22

This day Trinity members will have an opportunity to bring their gifts to the altar to share their abundance with the hungry people of the world. The Easter to Pentecost Hunger Emphasis, sponsored by the Commission on Missions, has provided daily meditation and sacrificial giving. The offering is being collected in special containers with wrappers provided by the commission and may be brought in the container or converted into a check.

COMING UP

Sunday, May 15, 3:00 to 5:30 p.m.—District orientation meeting for lay delegates to Annual Conference, Fellowship Hall.

Sunday, May 22, 8:45 and 11:00 a.m.—Presentation of Easter to Pentecost Hunger Emphasis offerings at each service.

Monday-Friday, May 23-27—Florida Annual Conference, Branscomb Memorial Auditorium, Lakeland.

Friday, May 27, 11:00 a.m.—Adult Fellowship May luncheon and program.

Sunday, May 29, 8:45 and 11:00 a.m.—Trinity observance of Peace Sabbath. Dr. George A. Foster will preach at both services.

Sunday, May 29, 7:30 p.m.—Inter-faith Peace Sabbath Service, St. John's Episcopal Church.

Sunday, June 5, 8:45 and 11:00 a.m.—Dr. Kalaf's topic: "A Lover's Quarrel With the World," a baccalaurate sermon in honor of Trinity young people who are members of the high school class of 1983. They will be recognized at the 11:00 a.m. service. New members will be received at the 11:00 a.m. service.

Sunday, June 5, 9:45 a.m.—Brunch honoring Trinity young people who are members of the high school class of 1983 and their parents, Parlor.

Monday, June 6, 6:00 p.m.—Supper for commission members and spouses followed by meetings of each of the commissions.

Sunday, June 12, 8:45 and 11:00 a.m.—The Sacrament of Holy Communion. The Rev. Brent Byerman will preach at both services. A reception in honor of Brent and Mary Byerman will be held in Fellowship Hall immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service.

Circle Meetings Scheduled for May by UMW

Circle 1—Meets Tuesday, May 10 at 10:30 a.m. at home of Kathy Pope, 824 Lakeshore Drive. The circle is hosting a brunch honoring all members of Circle 8.

Circle 2—Meets Monday, May 9 at 9:30 a.m. in the church parking lot to go for the day at Myrtle Rehwinkle's cottage in Carrabelle.

Circle 3—Meets Tuesday, May 10 at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Eunice Rhodes, 811 Laurel. The circle will continue the study of the Book of Romans.

Circle 4-Meets Tuesday, May 10 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 210 at Trinity.

Circle 5—Meets Tuesday, May 10 at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Blanche Stockton, 814 Governor's Drive.

Circle 6—Meets Tuesday, May 10 at 10:00 a.m. at home of Allie Mae Dunaway, 908 Pine Street. Margaret Harper and Evelyn Burns are co-hostesses.

Circle 7—Meets Tuesday, May 10 at the church parking lot at 9:00 a.m. to go to Bert Oliver's home at St. Theresa. Bring a bag lunch.

Circle 8—Meets Tuesday, May 10 at 10:30 a.m. at the home of Kathy Pope, 824 Lakeshore Dr. for a brunch. The nursery at the church will be open at 9:30 a.m.

Circle 9—Meets Tuesday, May 10 at 10:00 a.m. at home of Myrtle Ferguson, 1316 Dillard St.

Circle 10—Meets Monday, May 9 at 3:30 p.m. at the Tallahassee Convalescent Home, 2510 Miccosukee Rd.

Circle 11—Meets weekly, each Thursday at 7:00 p.m. Contact Peggy Moon, chairman, for meeting place. Her telephone number is 386-1389.

Circle 12—Meets Thursday, May 12 at 2:30 p.m. at the church.

Circle 13—Meets Tuesday, May 17 at 7:30 p.m. at home of Louise Leathers, 2128 Danshire Dr. Co-hostess is Madalyn Rolland. Gwen Roberts will review the book, Christ and Violence.

Overflow Crowd Sees 'If You Love This Planet'

On April 19 a capacity audience of more than 800 viewed the Academy Award film, "If You Love This Planet," in Trinity's Fellowship Hall.

When Common Cause, the Tallahassee Peace Coalition, and the A.C.L.U. arranged to obtain the film at their expense, Trinity was asked to provide the place where it could be shown. At the time, little was known about the film except that it was from Canada, had been labelled "political propaganda" by the U. S. Justice Department, and was nominated for an Academy Award. When previewed, it was found to be thought-provoking and of high technical quality.

In Memoriam

The following memorial gifts were recently given to Trinity in memory of members and friends:

In memory of Walter Bevis given by his neice, Inez Davis Giese of Lake Zurich, Illinois.

In memory of Elizabeth Anderson given by Circle 6.

In memory of Walter Price Bevis given by Barbara Johnston Miller of Boynton Beach, Florida.

In memory of Walter Price Bevis given by Mr. & Mrs. E. M. Menendez. In memory of Walter Price Bevis given by Mr. & Mrs. Frank D. Moor.

In memory of Larry Lee Causseaux given by Mr. & Mrs. Dan Sharkey and Mrs. H. J. Sharkey.

In Memory of J. Edwin White given by Mrs. Ralph H. Morrison of Pensacola, Florida

In memory of J. Edwin White given by Mr. & Mrs. Frank Wollschlager. In memory of H. O. Pemberton given by Mr. & Mrs. Frank Wollsch-

In memory of Larry Lee Causseaux given by Mr. & Mrs. Frank Wollschlager.

In memory of J. Edwin White given by his sister, Annie Laurie White.

In memory of Mabel F. Teague given by Mr. & Mrs. George R. Glegg.
In memory of Mabel F. Teague given by Margaret M. Mosco.

In memory of Mabel F. Teague given by Mrs. Mary L. Graves.

In memory of Mabel F. Teague given by Mrs. J. H. Pound.

In memory of Mabel F. Teague given by Mr. & Mrs. R. Spencer Burress.

In memory of Mabel F. Teague given by Beth and Frank Moor.

In memory of Walter Price Bevis given by Mr. & Mrs. W. J. Williamson.

The Commission on Church and Society felt that Trinity and the public should have the opportunity to view it since the Justice Department statement had been publicized and a discussion was to follow the viewing.

Peter Butzin, spokesman for Common Cause, said that his organization appreciated the willingness of Trinity to give the citizens of Tallahassee the opportunity to see the film.

Gifford Hale, spokesman for Trinity's Commission on Church and Society, said that it was in the best tradition of the church and the U. S. Constitution that citizens should see such controversial films and make up their own minds about the issues raised.

In an editorial, the Tallahassee Democrat said, "It is appalling that efforts are being made to discredit the films and intimidate groups into not showing them when the subjects in question are so important to all nations, regardless of political persuasion. But it is doubly appalling that the United States somehow sees Canada, which is also a democratic nation, as a potential enemy of those things a democracy stands for—including, presumably, free speech."

The film was shown at Trinity just a week after it was named the best documentary short subject film of the year by an Academy Award on April 11. Overflow crowds required two showings of the film.

HEO Reports

By Mallie Slater

Do you have any simple repairs that need doing around your house?. A loose screen? A leaky faucet? A broken light fixture? Need a new bulb in the porch light?

Remember our handyman, Roger Keen, and give us a call. Roger teaches industrial arts at Nims Middle School. He and his wife and three children are active laypeople in the Covenant Presbyterian Church, and he does work for HEO after school and on Saturdays.

We pay Roger \$7.50 per hour and we want to emphasize that his services are free to Trinity people. Some people like to make a donation to the fund, but this is not necessary. If you want to donate something, however, it need not be the full amount. So please forget about the money and call the HEO office. Now what better offer could you get?



Trinity's Intermediate Baskbetball Team is winner of the 1983 Church League basketball season. The team won 13 games during the regular season and lost one. Then it went on to win the city championship. Players and coaches on Trinity's team are front row, left to right: Jim Foos, Kim Kerce, Bryan Ellison and Derek Johnson; back row, from left: Ron Miller, Mike Muley, Hal Lewis, Assistant Coach Donny Dye, Coach Daryle Ellison and Lance Ashdown. Team member Ken Johnson, Jr., is not pictured.

Jobs, Employees Wanted; Employment Service Begins At Trinity

An employment service is now available to friends and members of Trinity United Methodist Church.

Result of a suggestion that came up in the senior high class a few weeks ago, the employment service will list job seekers of all ages and backgrounds.

A file of job seekers is now being assembled in the church office. Anyone wishing to be included may fill out a form at the office. Persons knowing of vacant positions within their occupational settings are encouraged to provide that information to the church office.

This new service of the church came about as the result of a discussion of the senior high class. The young people were talking about the difficulties of finding jobs for after school and for the summer. They discussed problems in job seeking methods and application writing. One major problem was how to announce one's interest and availability to as many prospective employers as possible in a more direct way than newspaper classified ads.

Gradually an idea evolved. There might be a way to announce availability through the church. When the idea was mentioned to the church's board members, they responded with enthusiasm.

Contributions for
June **Tidings**should be submitted
to church office
by May 20

Summer Book List

By Louise Leathers

Summer is approaching! Many of your regular activities will be suspended for vacation periods. This will be an opportune time to do some profitable reading of recently published books. Each year the Reading Program Committee, a part of the Women's Division of the General Board of Global Ministries, designates approximately 70 recommended books which have been chosen from a list of 300 after detailed evaluations have been made by men and women from across the United States.

The books are listed under four categories — "Christian Personhood," "Supportive Community," Christian Social Involvement," and "Christian Global Concerns"—and a number of them are available for borrowing from the UMW bookshelves located in the HEO office, Room 210.

You may examine and sign out these books on any weekday or Sunday morning; instructions are posted near the books. Complete lists of recommended books for the past few years, together with descriptions and prices of each book, are also on the bookshelves. If you should wish to purchase any of these, you may call Liz Smith (576-1533) for details.

Many of the listed books are available for loan from the Leon County Public Library or from individual UMW members; call Louise Leathers (386-1905) for information about these.

Sample titles from the 1983 list: Becoming Human by Letty M. Russell (Trinity HEO Office)

Wellness: Your Inivitation to a Full Life by John J. Pilch (Trinity HEO Office)

Crossroads by Leon Jaworski & Dick Schneider (Leon County Library) New Immigrants by Thomas Bentz (Trinity HEO Office or Leon County Library).

A Shepherd Looks at Psalm 23 by Phillip Keller (Trinity HEO Office)

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