



Monthly Tidings

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Music Will Fill The Air During Advent Chancel Choir Will Perform Vivaldi

The Chancel Choir will be featured in a performance of Antonio Vivaldi's *Magnificat* in G minor on Sunday, December 9 at the 11 a.m. worship service. There will be no 8:30 service that day.

The choir will be joined by a small chamber orchestra under the baton of Mark H. Boehmer.

Vivaldi composed an original version of this work in 1739. Later, having been introduced to and impressed by several accomplished voices, he wrote a second version utilizing several movements as arias to show off these same singers. The Trinity family will hear this second version.

Soloists will be Joan Jordan, soprano, and Gail Smith, mezzo-soprano. Both are studying at Florida State

University. Also featured will be Carole Dalton, a member of the Trinity Chancel Choir.

Trinity Choirs To Present Service Of Lessons And Carols

The choirs of Trinity will present their annual service of lessons and carols in a vesper service at 5 p.m., December 16. The service will be held in the sanctuary.

A variety of types of carols will be sung. The Trinity Ringers, Sandra Greenwood conducting, will open the service with bells. The Trinity Boys' Choir will chant the antiphon *Hodie Christus Natus Est* (Today Christ Is Born) from the narthex.

The Wesleyan Singers will sing the legendary carol, "I Saw Three Ships." The Jubilation Singers will offer two traditional carols, "Bring a Torch Jeanette, Isabella" and "Away in the Manger." The Carol Choir under the direction of Scott Buchanan will sing another setting of "Away in the Manger."

The Chancel Choir will fill out the service with settings of nontraditional carols by Peter Cornelius, Ralph Vaughan Williams and John Joubert.

This service, interspersed with readings from the Old and New Testaments, "promises to be a rich musical and inspirational service," says Mark H. Boehmer, choirmaster.

The public is cordially invited to attend. A nursery will be provided.

\$15,000-\$20,000 Special Christmas Offerings Needed to Pay Apportionments, Benevolences

Members and friends of Trinity are being asked to respond to a need of double significance with their Christmas offering this December.

For the first time in recent history, Trinity will not be able to pay all of her conference apportionments and benevolences unless from \$15,000 to \$20,000 is contributed in the special Christmas offering.

Income is expected to be close to what was anticipated in the 1984 budget but the unexpected sharp increase in utility rates this year added approximately \$20,000 to operating costs, thus creating a shortfall.

Of the \$63,163 apportioned to the church by the Florida Annual Conference for World Service and other missionary outreach of the United Methodist Church, Trinity had been able to pay only \$43,552 by the end of October. At a time of worldwide need, local churches have been urged to pay 100% of their apportionments.

Church World Service, relief arm of the National Council of Churches, with a recent check of \$100,000 from the United Methodist Committee on Relief, is providing a month-long airlift to transport food to the starving in Ethiopia. Church World Service



Adult Fellowship Will Have Christmas Music

Mark Boehmer, music director at Trinity, will present a program of Christmas music for the Adult Fellowship meeting on December 21.

All retired adults are invited to come at 11 o'clock for a period of fellowship before the program. Following the program and carol singing, lunch will be served.

Reservations for the luncheon should be made in the church office by Wednesday, December 19. Cost is \$2.50 per plate. All are welcome to this special time of Christmas celebration.

Emory Glee Club, Women's Chorale Bring Christmas Festival

Trinity will host the Emory Glee Club and Women's Chorale in a concert of their 22nd Annual Christmas Tour. The 60-voice choir, under the direction of Dr. William Lemonds, will present their Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols at 8 p.m., December 16 in the sanctuary.

This year marks the 60th anniversary of the festival, which is based on the traditional service at King's College, Cambridge. The festival will include motets, spirituals, Gregorian chant, as well as other works by William Billings, "Me Thinks I See a Heavenly Host," and a "Choral Fantasy on Old Carols" by Gustave Holst.

The public is cordially invited to attend. A free-will offering will be received.

HEO REPORTS

The HEO Committee acknowledges with gratitude the generous support received from the proceeds of the church-wide bazaar. These funds will enable the HEO ministry to go forward during the year ahead and, it is hoped, to expand activities to reach even more of the congregation.

Although more and more Good Neighbors are becoming active in their neighborhoods, HEO is still looking for volunteers to visit some of our homebound people. Perhaps there are members who would "nominate" or suggest persons who might be willing to serve if invited by the HEO committee to do so. These names would be welcomed eagerly.

The December luncheon for people who come to church alone will be at Lucy Ho's Bamboo Garden on the Apalachee Parkway on December 9. Anyone who would like to join the group is invited to meet in the parking lot at the close of the 11:00 o'clock service.

—Mallie Slater

Pledge Increases Reported; Stewardship Crusade Nears End

By mid-November Trinity members had pledged \$270,597 toward the proposed budget of \$499,000 that will underwrite the church's program and ministry in 1985.

Stewardship Chairman John Olson hopes those members who have not yet turned in their pledges will soon do so so that the report he makes to the congregation on December 2 will guarantee full and adequate support for "a Trinity on the move."

The 389 pledges received as of November 15 are 14 more than the number received by the same date in last year's crusade. The amount pledged toward the 1985 budget by November 15 is \$35,300 more than the amount pledged by November 15, 1983.

Fifty percent of the 1985 pledges—196—show an increase in the amount pledged. Forty new pledges from new members and members who had not pledged previously were received.

Twelve of the pledges for 1985 are for an amount exceeding \$2,500; 80 are over \$1,000; 98 are over \$500; and 199 are below \$500.

Church Family Night To Feature Our Young

The Wesleyan Singers (grades 3-5) have been busy since September preparing their Christmas musical, "The Little Shepherds." They will give their performance on Sunday evening, December 16, at the family night Christmas dinner, which begins at 6 p.m.

Also to be featured on this program is a short concert by the Jubilation Singers. They will perform music of the Christmas season. The Jubilation Singers, heard frequently in worship services this fall, will appear in a concert setting.

The Emory Men's Glee Club and Women's Chorale will join the Trinity family for the meal as they will be performing their concert later in the evening. Church members are asked to prepare a little extra in their carry-in dish.

Read more about the Emory concert in another article in this issue.

Thank You From Youth Council

On behalf of the youth of Trinity, I would like to thank you for your support and for all the work each of you did for the Church Bazaar. We appreciate the work you did and we are grateful for the money that was earned for Youth Center furnishings. Each of you did a marvelous job and we are very lucky to have people like you here at Trinity.

Once again, thank you very much for all that you have done for us. We greatly appreciate it! Sally Nash

UMYF Youth Council President

Busy Bee Bazaar Nets \$10,500 for HEO, Youth Center

By Jim Nash

By all accounts, Trinity's fourth annual Busy Bee Bazaar was an unqualified success. The November 3 fund-raiser netted at least \$10,500 for the Help Each Other program and the Youth Center.

The next day, in a report to the congregation, Bazaar Co-chairman Chuck Jackson likened the event to gridiron successes that same day.

"For those of you who follow college football, yesterday was a winning day for the Seminoles, Gators, Hurricanes and Rattlers, and you can add the Trinity United Methodist Church Bazaar to that list of winners," Jackson said.

HEO will receive \$4,000 with the remainder, at least \$6,500, going to purchase furniture and equipment for the Youth Center in the renovated Gregory Room.

"You will see the results of your efforts to make the Youth Center the kind of center you want it to be and make this a church for all age groups," Jackson added.

"It was just super," Co-chairman Dolores Jackson said. "I felt really good about the response from church members and the public. It was a very positive response."

The most successful booth, thanks in large measure to the popular Trinity Guardian Angels, was the one operated by the Busy Bees. This booth raised \$3,863.

The silent and live auctions brought in \$3,645.

Luncheon receipts totaled \$723, followed by foliage, \$598; Country Kitchen, \$576; stationery, \$419; furniture, \$400; trinkets and treasures, \$399; and crafts, \$323.

Sausage and biscuit receipts were \$203; children's crafts, \$153; youth activities, \$136; and children's toys, \$116.

In addition, Trinity members and bazaar visitors bought 1,000 pounds of pecans.

The crowd estimate was placed at between 300 and 400 persons.



Chuck Jackson, co-chair of the Trinity Bazaar with his wife Dolores, announces another item for sale as auctioneer John Stiles waits to start the bidding.



While some ate a lunch of briswick stew (background) others at the bazaar placed bids on several thousand dollars worth of merchandise gathered by Peggy McCollum and her committee.

Going Once...Going Twice...

By Peggy McCollum

It's hard to explain the magic of an auction. Certainly, there is the satisfaction of nailing a really great bargain, but that, somehow, is secondary to the thrill of winning a hard-fought bidding war. Trinity's Bazaar and Auction provided just that kind of magic on November 3 when auctioneer John Stiles used his considerable skills to bring his bidding audience to a fevered pitch.

Local merchants had generously donated a wealth of merchandise and the competition for these items was fierce, indeed. By the time the gavel fell on the last item, Trinity had added several thousand dollars toward its Help Each Other Program and Youth Center furnishings.

We are very grateful to the many volunteers whose labor made this event a reality and to the following merchants for their overwhelming generosity in donating items for the auction or for other contributions:

The Art House
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UMW Circles Announce December Meetings

Circle #1 will meet on Monday, December 10, at 10:00 a.m., at the home of Mart Hill, 513 Plantation Rd. Beth Moor will be co-hostess.

Circle #2 will meet on Monday, December 10, at 2:30 p.m. at the home of Mary Lee Hurt, 2102 Old Fort Drive. Cora Morse will be co-hostess and Liz Smith will be the speaker.

Circle #3 will meet on Tuesday, December 11, at 10:00 a.m., at the home of Ollie Reese Whittle, 2227 Woodlawn.

Circle #4 will meet on Tuesday, December 11, in the Chapel for a special Christmas program.

Circle #5 will meet on Tuesday, December 11, at 10:00 a.m., at the home of Willa Mae Couch, at 709 Piedmont Drive.

Circle #6 will meet on Tuesday, December 11, at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Margaret Harper, 823 Pine Street. Lillian McManama and Evelyn Burns will be co-hostesses. Mary Eleanor Daniel will present the devotional and Jeanette Humphress will have the program.

Circle #7 will meet on Tuesday, December 11, at 12:00, at the home of Oberly Brown, 1407 Randolph Circle. Members will be entertained by the Melodears.

Circle #8 will meet Tuesday, December 11, at the home of Gail Harris, 1742 Armistead Place. The nursery will open at 12:00, at the church and

the luncheon will begin at 12:30. Members should bring gifts for the Refuge House.

Circle #9 will meet Tuesday, December 11, at the home of Isabel Hay, 1105 Lasswade Drive. A salad luncheon will follow the meeting.

Circle #10 will meet Monday, December 10, at 3:30 p.m., at the Tallahassee Convalescent Home.

Circle #11 will meet Thursday, December 20, at 6:00 p.m., at the home of Nancy Duncan, 1415 Claude Pichard. Families are invited for a covered-dish dinner.

Circle #12 will meet Thursday, December 13, at 2:30 p.m., in the Chapel.

Circle #13 will meet Tuesday, December 11, at 7:30 p.m., at the home of Mary Ann Helton, 1143 Circle Drive.

UMW Briefs

The regular luncheon meeting of United Methodist Women will be held on December 3, at 12:00, in the Fellowship Hall. Myrtle Ferguson will present a Christmas program of music and drama.

All UMW members are urged to attend what is expected to be a wonderful time of fellowship. The executive committee will meet at 10:30 a.m., in the Conference Room. A nursery will be provided for the board meeting and the unit meeting.

Several UMW members recently attended the Florida Conference Annual Meeting of United Methodist Women in Lakeland. They were privileged to hear Theresa Hoover and Peggy Billings, and they all came back enthused and excited about the direction in which UMW is headed.

Miriam Peirce attended the Woman's Division Training for Conference Committee on Nominations in Chicago, on Nov. 16-18.

Allie Ferguson recently met with the Committee on Programs to make plans for the coming year. Anyone who has any suggestions for programs should contact Miss Ferguson at 562-2464.

—By Claire Nash

25 Youths, Adults Plan Ski Trip

All is set for Trinity UMYF's winter retreat December 26-29. Twenty-five youths and adults will enjoy an adventure of skiing, fellowship and spiritual challenge in Banner Elk, N.C.

The group will stay in two rented condominiums complete with fireplaces near the base of Sugar Mountain. The Rev. Jay Kowalski of Lake Jackson UMC will be leading evening discussion groups. He has had extensive experience in youth ministry and presently serves as District youth coordinator.

The group will have two days of skiing on Sugar Mountain. Adults going on the trip as counselors include Mr. and Mrs. Reinard Harkema, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Kerce, Mr. Kowalski and Rev. John Quigley.

Church To Publish New Pictorial Directory

Trinity will publish a new hard-cover pictorial membership directory similar to the one published three years ago. The first directory was well received and has been in much demand since its publication.

Because the supply of copies has been exhausted and many changes in the membership have occurred, the new directory is planned.

A photographer is scheduled to be at Trinity for two weeks beginning February 26. Portraits should be ready for those who would like to purchase them before Easter; however, no purchase is necessary to have a picture made for the directory.

All families or individuals having pictures made will receive a copy of the directory free of charge. In addition to family pictures, the directory will include a complete listing of names, addresses and telephone numbers of all church members.

"We hope that all church families will make plans to have pictures made so that this will be as complete a directory of Trinity's membership as possible," Rubie Butterworth, assistant to the minister, said. "Many volunteers will be needed to schedule appointments, type, make phone calls, and serve as receptionists," she added. If you are willing to help please give Mrs. Butterworth a call at the church office.

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