



Monthly Tidings

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Trinity will host community Christmas dinner for 300

Trinity Church is expecting 300 for dinner Christmas Day. They'll come alone or with family members, some dressed in holiday attire, others in the only clothes they own.

Some will come because they did not want to eat at home alone on Christmas Day. And some will come because they have little or no food at home, if indeed they have a home.

The Community Christmas dinner will be served from 1 to 3 p.m. in Moor Hall free of charge to anyone who wants to come.

And while it may be a festive occasion for them, it will be a joyous occasion for their hosts, judging from the many volunteers who gave up their own celebrations the past two or three years Trinity has hosted the dinner.

Turkey and all the trimmings is being prepared by Trinity members Dick and Betty Almarode and a crew of volunteers. Betty Ashlock and other volunteers will decorate and set the tables, Carol Dalton is arranging for musical entertainment, and Duane Clark is coordinating the involvement of other churches in the community.

Also involved with arrangements are the Rev. David Hodges, Trinity associate minister, Bob Schminkey of ECHO, and Judy Gross, who will handle publicity.

The dinner is being funded by individual contributions. Charlie Guyton is arranging for contributions from a group of local lawyers, who contributed to previous community Christmas dinners held at Trinity.

Trinity members wishing to help with food preparation, serve, decorate, drive the van, or contribute greenery and decorations, are asked to contact Rev. Hodges. He said volunteers will be needed to serve for three shifts on Christmas Day. They will work from 10:30 to 12:30, from 12:30 to 2, and from 2 to 4. Roberta Drake is coordinating volunteers.

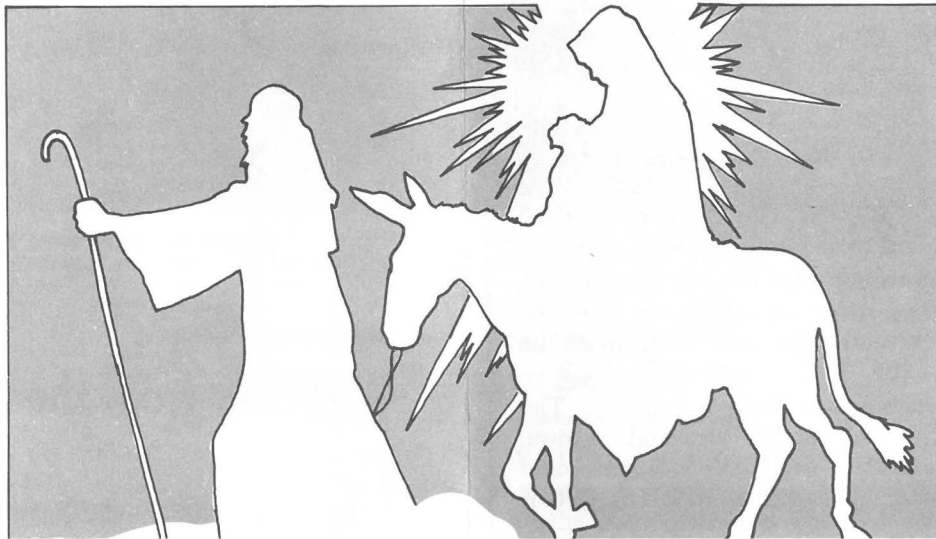
Persons wishing to prepare food and decorate tables will work on December 23 starting at 10:30 a.m.

The first Community Christmas dinner was sponsored by United Way but that organization ceased its involvement because it was not allowed to participate in a direct project. Trinity members and others in Tallahassee who helped the first year found it to be such a joyful event they decided to continue it.

Looking ahead to 1992

Put your church group's plans in the January Monthly Tidings.

Deadline: December 27



And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to be delivered.—Luke 2

Charge Conference elects 1992 leaders, hears annual reports on church's ministry

The Charge Conference on November 18 elected church leaders for 1992, heard reports on programs and ministry during 1991, and acted on other business as directed by District Superintendent Charlene Kammerer.

Joe R. Hughes III was elected to a two-year term as chairman of the Administrative Board, and Greg Phifer was elected vice-chairman. Betty Jane Ebel will continue as secretary.

Lay Leader Hubert Helton was elected to serve a third year, and Annual Conference Delegates Miriam Peirce and Myron Blee were re-elected.

Many other officers were approved for a second or third year of leadership, including Tara Boyter, chair of Council on Ministries; Don Mills, Finance Committee chair; Fred Drake, Staff-Parish Relations Committee chair. John Humphress was elected church treasurer.

Work area chairpersons and members, the Administrative Board, Trustees and other committees will be listed in full in the January issue of the *Tidings*.

Chairpersons of major areas will receive leadership training at a Tallahassee District Leadership Training Event on Saturday, January 11, at Killearn United Methodist Church,

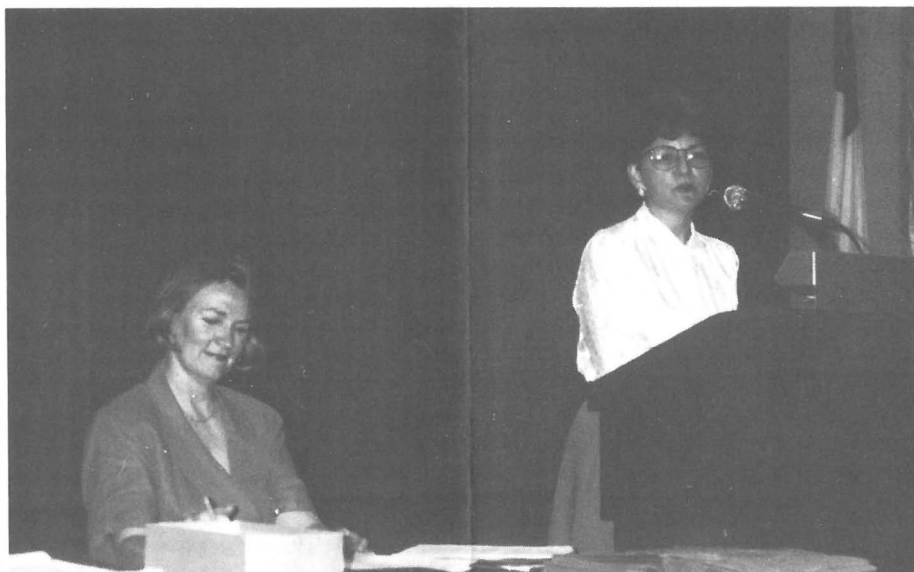
beginning at 8:30 with breakfast.

In other business at the Charge Conference, the salaries of the ministers for 1992 were approved. The senior minister will be paid \$56,293 and a travel allowance of \$2,000, and the associate minister will be paid \$25,200 and \$1,700 in travel.

Council on Ministries Chairperson Tara Boyter reported on programs and ministries of the church during the past year with emphasis on the church's outreach and missions and its growth in youth and children's programs, Lay Academy, Scouting, and Sunday school. She expressed appreciation to the staff for encouraging us in our faith.

In closing, Mrs. Boyter said, "Trinity stands today firmly rooted and handsomely arrayed. She flourishes primarily because she is the bride of Christ, but she needs our careful tending. Every one of us owes her our very best. Each of us is grateful for the opportunity to serve her."

Annual reports were also given by Diaconal Minister Linda Mobley, Associate Minister David Hodges and Senior Minister David Hortin. Reports of the Finance Committee, the Trustees, and Staff/Parish Relations Committee were filed with the District Superintendent.



Council on Ministries Chairperson Tara Boyter (at right) reports to Charge Conference. District Superintendent Charlene Kammerer is seated left.

Three services set for Christmas Eve

Their hearts readied to "let the Christ Child enter in" by a series of special Advent programs and worship services, Trinity members will come together at three services Christmas Eve to celebrate His birth.

The congregation may choose to attend a Christmas Eve service in story and song at 5:30 p.m., a service of lessons and carols at 8 p.m., or a communion service at 11 p.m.

Each service will be preceded by a 30-minute pre-worship recital by Myron Munday at the organ and Margaret Flatt, soprano.

The 5:30 service features the Christmas story as told in the Gospel of Luke. Trinity Troopers and Discovery Club Choirs, a youth ensemble, Trinity Ringers, the Youth Puppets, Discovery Club Drama Class and the Tom Andrews family as the Holy Family will take part.

The traditional Christmas Eve service at 8 p.m. will tell the Christmas story through Scripture, carol and hymn singing and special music by the Chancel Choir.

The Rev. David L. Hodges will preach and Holy Communion will be served at 11 p.m.

Advent observance began with lighting of Advent wreath on December 1, continued on each Sunday thereafter. The Rev. David Hortin's sermons centered on love and gratitude, and special Christmas music was presented at each service.

Organist Myron Munday is giving half-hour musical meditations each Wednesday at 12:15 in the Chapel. Pre-worship recitals have been scheduled each Sunday and on Christmas Eve.

A Christmas covered dish dinner was held in Moor Hall December 7, followed by "The Sounds of Christmas" at 7 p.m.

On December 15, Dr. Hortin will preach on "Mary: Mother of the Messiah," and the Chancel Choir will sing "Sussex Carol."

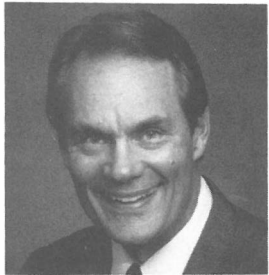
A complete listing of Christmas events was mailed to Trinity members late in November. Check that lavender-colored brochure for details.

Myron Munday will present Christmas music to Adult Fellowship

As has been the custom for several years, Myron Munday will arrange a program of Christmas music and carol singing for the Adult Fellowship to enjoy. The meeting will be held on Friday, December 20, at 11:00 a.m. in Moor Hall. Lunch will be served for \$3.50 per plate following the program.

Homebound persons who are able to come with transportation assistance are especially invited to come. Please call the church office if transportation is needed or to make a luncheon reservation.

AN ENCOURAGING WORD



The Incarnation

By David G. Hortin

The great Danish theologian, Soren Kierkegaard, tells a wonderful Christmas story. It is the account of a prince who fell in love with a fair maiden. It was love at first sight when he saw her while riding through her village.

His problem was that he wanted her to marry him because she loved him, not just because he was a future king. Even a king wants to marry for love. He considered various possibilities. How could he go about winning her love?

Finally, he decided on the approach he would take. He would give up his kingly robe and move into her neighborhood. There he would take work as a carpenter. During the day, he would do his work. In the evenings, he would have time to get acquainted with the people of the village. He could learn their language and their interests and concerns.

In the natural course of events, he would meet the fair maiden and, if good fortune smiled upon him, they would fall in love. Then he could ask for her hand in marriage. When all of this had taken place, he then would tell her who he really was. And, thus, it happened!

So it is, that God speaks to us through a Babe born in a manger. The Babe grows to know our concerns and interests, our joys and sorrows. "The Word is made flesh and dwells among us." God does not come overwhelming us with power and might, but woos us with His gift of love in Jesus of Nazareth.

Can we change from preparation for war to peace with justice?

More world changes affecting peace with justice have taken place during the past three years than during any time since 1945. I have commented on these changes twice each year—on "Peace with Justice Sunday" and at Christmas.

In 1989 I cited the United Methodist Council of Bishops foundation document "In Defense of Creation." The decision to sheathe the nuclear sword now has worldwide acceptance. Everyone realizes that no nation can launch a first-strike or retaliatory missile without risking certain suicide, Nuclear winter, and the end of God's creation. Despite this, however, the people of the world await impatiently the full peace dividend that should follow.

At Christmas 1989 I quoted the scripture that spoke of the Second Coming. The Bible does not provide any precise time, but does raise the question of our readiness of such an event. Should not we behave as though He might return at any moment?

In 1990 I speculated about the reasons for the world changes that were taking place. What were we to make of the fact that our designated enemy had suddenly changed, that events in Russia, Eastern Europe, Central America, and even China demonstrated that the people of those nations would not forever support a Communist conspiracy against us? We had been led to believe that such changes could not occur peacefully. Had our leaders been wrong? I advanced the hypothesis that people power had become a force greater than military threats and that we were on our way to peace at last.

Then before Christmas and the New Year 1990-91 we discovered a new enemy. Fortunately our old enemy joined our new coalition, and it seemed that the world was with us this time. In the war which followed we took comfort in the fact that the U.N. and the U.S. Congress, by democratic decision, sanctioned it. But we were uncomfortable in the realization that it was a very deadly war, that we never found out if a united world could achieve justice through peace rather than war, and that the enemy

and the problems remained. There is some hope in the fact that we continue to seek peace in that Holy Land.

So we have switched enemies and we hope for peace. The burden of war is, however, still upon us. We are scrapping old weapons, but we are developing new ones. The 450 Minuteman II missiles that are scheduled for elimination under the START agreement are to be replaced by 500 Midgetman missiles (cost — 30.8 billion). The administration wants 65 billion more for 75 B-2 bombers originally to be used against Russia. All this, and Star Wars! When will these 95 billion dollars and more be used, for example, to develop a health care program for all Americans? The war is really now on the home front. When will we pay attention to peace with justice at home?

If the people of Russia and Eastern Europe, in lands that were undemocratic, could peacefully change direction, cannot we, in a democratic nation, change from preparation for war to Peace with Justice? We have a tough act to follow. Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin at home.

GIFFORD G. HALE

Peace with Justice Advocate

— Memorial gifts —

Trinity has received gifts during the past month in memory of the following:

John Price, by Carolyn Wilharm.

Bessie Jones, by Mr. & Mrs. Myron Blee, Mr. & Mrs. Donald Tolle.

Anna Dalton, by Mr. & Mrs. Bill Smith.

Jack Walthall, by Mrs. Charles R. Barnes.

Robert C. Parker, by Mr. & Mrs. R. Spencer Burrell, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Menendez, Mr. & Mrs. Myron Blee, Mary Leslie Henderson, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Koelliker, Mr. & Mrs. J. L. McDaniel, Dr. & Mrs. James B. Shuler, W. P. Shelley, Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Russell McCaughan, Mrs. Mabel T. Kilmer, Annie Mary Moriarty, Esther K. Brahaney.



"...GOLD, FRANKINCENSE AND MYRRH?...I BET HE REALLY WANTED A PUPPY."

Notes from the McKenzie Library

An interesting series recently purchased for the Library is "The Making of Modern Theology." The series consists of seven volumes, each one on the work of a different, well-known theologian and each one edited by a different university professor. Each volume contains a short biography, substantial edited selections from the theologian's writings, and a select bibliography.

The set is a reliable guide to the great figures of modern theology and could be invaluable for the teacher or the general reader. Those who were enrolled in the Lay Academy class, *An Introduction to Theology*, especially may be interested in these as a follow-up.

Rudolf Bultmann: Interpreting Faith

for the Modern Era, edited by Roger Johnson

Reinhold Niebuhr: Theologian of Public Life, edited by Larry Rasmussen

Paul Tillich: Theologian of the Boundaries, edited by Mark Kline Taylor

Karl Barth: Theologian of Freedom, edited by Clifford Green

Friedrich Schleiermacher: Pioneer of Modern Theology, edited by Keith Clements

Adolf von Harnack: Liberal Theology at Its Height, edited by H. Martin Rumscheidt

Dietrich Bonhoeffer: Witness to Jesus Christ, edited by John de Gruchy

FRANCES MCADAMS
Church Librarian



Trinity Travelers Notes

Brochures are available now for the Trinity Travelers' next trip scheduled for April 22-29, 1992, to Washington, D.C.

The group will be leaving Tallahassee by motor coach traveling through Savannah on the way to Fayetteville, NC, for an overnight stop. Following lunch and a brief tour of Richmond, VA, the group will continue to Washington for a four-night stay. Tours of the city will include the White House, Capitol, Library of Congress, State Department, Florida House, Methodist Building, Kennedy Center, Arlington National Cemetery and Alexandria. Time will be set aside for visiting museums and attending church services on Sunday. Entertainment is planned for each evening at the Ford Theatre, National Theater and either the Kennedy Center or a dinner theater.

On Monday, April 27, the group will leave Washington, stopping for a tour of Fredericksburg, VA, before spending the night in Roanoke. Holy Trinity and St. Mary's Episcopal Churches, close to the Blue Ridge Parkway, house unusual frescoes of the life of Christ. Following a visit to these churches and a picnic lunch, the tour will continue to Asheville, NC, for an overnight stay before returning to Tallahassee on Wednesday, April 29.

Reservations may be made by sending a deposit of \$200 to Rubie Butterworth in the church office. Checks should be made out to Trinity Adult Fellowship. Total cost of the trip is \$780 per person, twin accommodations, and includes motor coach transportation, seven nights lodging, baggage handling, entertainment, 15 meals, gratuities, guides and admissions to all attractions listed.

Plan now to be a part of this delightful spring trip.

Trinity researches older adults needs for future

Trinity Church has been asked by the Southeastern Association of Older Adults to participate in a study of older adult ministries to aid in planning for the dramatic increase in the percentage of older adults expected in United Methodist congregations by the year 2000 and beyond.

As the Baby Boom generation begins to reach retirement age in 2010 the majority of United Methodist Church members is projected to be older persons. To be ready to meet congregational needs by that time this study was authorized.

Each annual conference in the Jurisdiction was asked to name three

churches—one under 200 members, one over 200 members and an ethnic minority church—plus others in each of the districts of these churches, to find out how churches are responding to the needs of older adults.

As Trinity's information is compiled the results will be given to the congregation and future planning committees for study and implementation. Persons comprising Trinity's research committee are Ernest Menendez, Older Adult coordinator; Christine Moody, HEO coordinator; Allie Ferguson, Bobbie Weatherly, Kathie Pope, Nancy Duncan, Lucile Shuler, and Rubie Butterworth, director of Older Adult Ministries.

Germain Fritchman will serve as UMW 1992-93 president

Germain Fritchman was installed as president of Trinity's United Methodist Women at the Unit meeting in Moor Hall on December 3. She will serve during 1992 and 1993, replacing out-going President Dot Walker.

Other UMW officers, elected in November and installed this month, are Vice Presidents Liz Smith and Mary Ann Moore, Secretary Sue Humphress, Treasurer Rose Howe, Assistant Treasurer Lois Fletcher, Historian Georgianna Wollschlager, Membership Chair Linda Yates, and new Nominating Committee members Ann Lumsden, Leslie Peebles and Pam Reed.

Other officers are: Christian Personhood, Broun Parmenter; Supportive Community, Mary Draper; Christian Social Involvement, Bonnie Mannheimer and Kitty Jones; Global Concerns, Kathy Guilday; Local Church Responsibility, Lucile Shuler; Program Resources, Nancy Waugh; Courtesy and Concerns, Mable Walters; Church Women United, Lavinia Short, HEO President, Nancy Kerce; and Publicity and Public Relations, Mary Ann Helton.

Leaders of UMW circles will be announced in the next *Tidings*.

Special activities set for December 22

On December 22, Christmas Sunday, there will be a number of special classes and activities going on during Sunday school at 9:45 a.m.

CHILDREN'S CLASSES — From 9:45-10:15, the preschool children will gather in Room 105 and the elementary children will gather in 205 for special worship experiences. They will sing Christmas carols, gather together to listen and talk to Mary and Joseph about their experience in Bethlehem with the shepherds and wise men, and bring birthday gifts to the baby Jesus (based on Matthew 25:34-40). After the worship experience, the children will be dismissed to their classrooms for Christmas parties until 10:45.

COLLEGE CLASS RECEPTION—College students returning home or staying in town for Christmas are invited to Room 306 for a reception and fellowship with friends they have not seen in a while. The reception will be held from 9:45-10:45.

THIRD FLOOR ADULT CLASSES—The Betty Phifer class has invited all the adult classes on the third floor to join them in Room 305 for a continental breakfast and a program on "The Carols of Christmas." Rae and Walter James will present 16 Christmas carols, their histories, and give everyone a chance to sing the carols together.

Church has 2,218 members

Trinity has a total membership of 2,218 members, the Rev. David Hortin reported to the Charge Conference on November 18, a net increase of 16 between October 31, 1990 and October 31, 1991.

The church received 31 new members upon confession of faith, 37 transfers from other United Methodist churches and 28 from other denominations. During the same period, the church deducted 17 from the roll by action of the Charge Conference, 26 transferred to other UM churches, 12 transferred to other denominations and 25 died. Six more died in late November.



Installed at the Unit meeting on December 3, these women will lead United Methodist Women next year. President Germain Fritchman is second from left, first row.



The Advent Season is a good time to come to Sunday school to learn the lessons of Christmas. There are a wide varieties of classes and topics from which you may choose:

ADULT BIBLE STUDY (Room 301): On December 15, 29, and January 8, Linda Mobley will present a three-week study on The Trinity. On December 22, the class will attend the congregational class on "The Carols of Christmas" in Room 305.

ALDERSGATE (Room 302): In December the class will continue the Bible study entitled *Changed: Reflecting Your Love for God*. Boyd Yarbrough will lead the class. December 8—"Renewed" (Ephesians 4:17-32); December 15—"Loving" (I Corinthians 13); December 22—"Humble" (Philippians 2:1-11); December 29—Brunch with a devotion given by Nancy Duncan. The class will also have a Christmas bunch on December 14 at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Marti Hall.

FAMILY LIFE (Room 303): The class will continue its study of the unit from the Growing Christian Series, "Family Pressures." The class will address such issues as materialism, discipline, divorce, money problems and death.

Charlie Brown needs you!

December 15 and 16 auditions for the youth production of "You're A Good Man Charlie Brown" will be held in Moor Hall from 7:00-9:00 p.m. All interested youth grades 6-12 should plan to attend.

Fourteen roles need to be cast, all are speaking, some are singing and a few require dancing. Cathy Herman, director, hopes for a large turnout. There will be something for everyone to do. The production will require everyone's input and help.

If you have any further questions please contact Linda Haggard at 222-1120.

Youth to sell Super subs

The Youth Choir will have their second annual Super Bowl Sub Sale on Sunday, January 26. The proceeds from this fundraiser will go to help sponsor the Youth Choir trip in the spring.

The sub sandwiches are prepared fresh on that Sunday morning and can be picked up in Moor Hall immediately following the services. To order a sub, you may use the order form in the bulletin on January 5 or 19 or place your order with a Youth Choir member in the elevator lobby on those Sundays.

BETTY PHIFER (Room 304): December 8 and 15, Steve Rody will lead the class through a study of the unit from the Growing Christian Series entitled "Your Faith and Your Flag." The class will deal with such issues as nationalism, Jesus' teachings on government, the relationship between church and state, and faithful disobedience. On December 22, the class has invited the third floor classes to a special congregational class in Room 305 on "The Carols of Christmas."

BIBLE 101 (Room 305)—This class continues to be an introduction to Bible study currently dealing with the themes and stories of the Old Testament. December 15—"The Times of the Judges"; December 29—"Israel Demands a King." On December 22 the class will attend the special congregational class on "The Carols of Christmas."

THE COLLEGE CLASS (Room 218)—The class continues its study of the Life of Jesus through a study of the Gospel of Mark. On December 22, members of the class will join other college students returning home for the Christmas holidays for a reception given in their honor in Room 306.

THE WESLEY FELLOWSHIP CLASS (Moor Hall); **THE WESLEY BROTHERHOOD CLASS** (Room 219); **THE STEINMEYER - CLEMONS CLASS** (Room 220): The Winter unit is entitled "Songs and Prayers of the Bible." The theme for this study invites students to consider the meaning and significance of these songs and prayers. The first unit is "Songs from Ancient Israel" and looks at poems and songs from Israel's earliest days: December 8 "Songs of Triumph" (Judges 4:4-5:31); December 15 "Songs of Sorrow" (II Samuel 1); December 22 "Songs of Joy" (I Samuel 2:1-10, Luke 1:26-56); December 29 "Songs of Praise" (Psalm 8).

Trinity needs pledge payments to meet obligations, expenses

The country's economic downturn has filtered down to Trinity and to the entire Florida Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Going into the last month of the year with \$129,171 still to be received in pledge contributions, Trinity owes \$10,382 in apportionments to the Annual Conference. Just as Financial Secretary Ida Burgin made those calculations, the church received a letter from Florida Bishop H. Hasbrouck Hughes, Jr., asking for help in meeting a critical financial situation the Conference faces.

The Conference Council on Finance and Administration reported income projections at 80 percent of the total budget for this year. Unless UM churches pay their apportionments some fixed costs of the Conference cannot be paid and programs will have to be curtailed. The Bishop and Council urged churches to make every possible effort to pay World Service and Conference Benevolence and Conference Service and Administration Fund apportionments by the end of the year, and more if possible.

To help Trinity meet some of its obligations, the Christmas offering has been designated for two apportionments—the District Church Fund and the Ministerial Education Fund.

Trinity members were reminded in recent financial statements of the amount they still owe on their 1991 pledges.

Latest figures on the 1992 pledge program show support for \$676,000 of the \$681,000 pledge goal.

Harvest Gathering nets \$3,540 for HEO ministry

United Methodist Women's Harvest Gathering November 17 raised \$3,540.50 to support Trinity's Help Each Other (HEO) ministry during 1992.

UMW Treasurer Rose Howe announced at a meeting of UMW on December 3 that proceeds for the dinner and country kitchen on November 17, when added to \$1,200 in the UMW budget, comes close to meeting the amount HEO needs.

Church Trustees also offered UMW some oak chairs, formerly used in Sunday school rooms and the choir room until replaced, to sell for \$10 each. Sales money will be used to complete HEO funding. Orders for the chairs can be placed with HEO Coordinator Christine Moody at the church office.

Thanks, UMW

Every year I note with respect and appreciation the efforts of the United Methodist Women to assist in raising funds for H.E.O. This year is no different, for the women in the United Methodist organization have helped raise funds so that H.E.O. can continue to function at Trinity Methodist Church.

It gives us cause to be very grateful to all the women in the U.M.W. who have contributed their time and effort in making the Harvest Gathering for H.E.O. such a success.

All the members of the H.E.O. Committee join me in thanking each person most heartily for her thought of the H.E.O. ministry. It is a good feeling to know that we do not have to struggle alone—for God empowers us to support each other.

CHRISTINE MOODY
H.E.O. Coordinator

Trinity Older Adults will prepare, deliver Meals on Wheels

By Ernest Menendez

The Older Adult Ministries of Trinity United Methodist Church has accepted the invitation of the Elder Care Services of Leon County to provide "Meals-on-Wheels" on January 20, 1992, the day observed in celebration of the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. The staff of "Meals-on-Wheels" is given a holiday on that day.

Some Tallahassee church fills in on each legal holiday. Trinity's help will keep the recipients of "Meals-on-Wheels" from not receiving meals on that day.

These recipients are carefully screened to qualify for being eligible to receive "Meals-on-Wheels." Persons must be more than 60 years of age and unable, because of physical ailments, to prepare meals themselves. The recipients are mostly very old, disabled, and homebound. Delivering meals to these persons is a real Christian service and well worth the effort required.

In order to fulfill the requirements of this responsibility the Older Adult Ministry will need the help of approximately 36 volunteers, able to drive and provide a motor vehicle. They will need to report to the "Meals-on-Wheels" headquarters at 2518 W. Tennessee St., at about 10:00 a.m., load the meals in insulated containers and deliver the meals to the recipients.

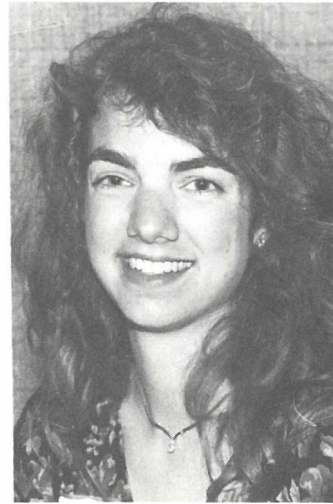
It requires about one hour, or less, to deliver a route. Each route is located in a specific area. A map of the



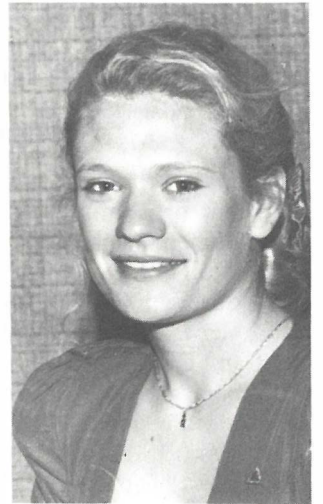
Emilie Morlock, 1608 Sauls St., works with the Honors and Scholars Program at FSU. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church, Starkville, MS.



Ann Schildt, 1804 Aaron Dr., is employed by Leon County Schools and has one son.



Amy Hahnert, 346 Hayden Rd., is a student who transferred from Sanlando UMC.



Sarabeth Thomas, 503 W. Park Ave., is a student at FSU and former member Pensacola Episcopal Church.

Meet Trinity's new members

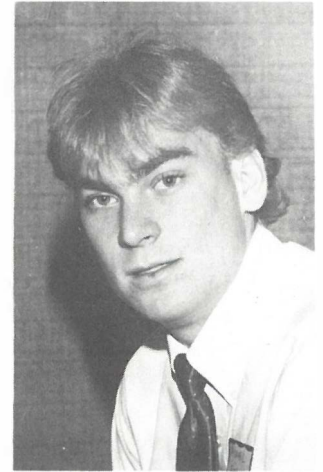
area and directions to reach recipients will be furnished. A training session will take place to provide detailed instructions and to answer questions.

Cash donations are also solicited to help pay for the food and to pay the cooks who will prepare the meals. Other volunteers will be needed to package the meals for delivery.

An urgent request is made to members of Trinity to volunteer for this very worthwhile effort. If you are interested please call Rubie Butterworth at 222-1120, Ernest Menendez at 893-1461 or Dick Almarode at 893-3384. Several Trinity members currently deliver "Meals-on-Wheels" one day each week and they all say it is a very worthwhile and rewarding activity.



Martha and Ben Thompson, 5205 Village Way, transferred from Sanlando UMC, Longwood. He is employed by Watkins Engineers and Constructors. They have two children.



Michael Crew, 2002 Seminole Dr., is employed by Rainbow Distributors and transferred from Christ UMC, St. Petersburg.

Information needed from Trinity's young adults

Information is requested from young adults between the ages of 20 to 40 so that Trinity can provide programs to meet their specialized needs.

Director of Christian Education Linda K. Mobley and lay coordinator Mary Bevis have prepared a questionnaire to obtain information in order to expand Trinity's single/young adult

ministry. They request all Trinity members, whether single, divorced or married without children, between 20 and 40 to respond.

The questionnaire printed below may be returned to the church office or dropped in the offering plate on Sunday. The church's address is P.O. Box 1086, Tallahassee, FL 32302.

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR YOUNG ADULTS

- (1) I am _____ married w/o children _____ single _____ divorced
- (2) I am not interested in Young Adult fellowship activities. _____
- (3) I am presently involved in a Sunday School Class. Name of class _____
- (4) I am interested in a Sunday School Class. _____
- (5) I am interested in participating in a Bible Study on a weekday evening _____.
What night? _____ Coed _____ Men's _____ Women's _____
- (6) I would be interested in the following activities:
_____ volleyball _____ pot-luck suppers _____ bowling _____ beach trips
_____ bicycling _____ canoe trips _____ walking _____ jogging _____ board games
_____ other: (Please list.) _____
- (7) I would be interested in hosting one activity in my home. _____
- (8) I would be willing to serve on a committee to plan activities. _____
- (9) Please put me on the mailing/phone list for all scheduled activities. _____
Name, address, work & home phone _____
- (10) Comments/Suggestions: _____



Robert Lamison (at left) and Liz and Jim Smith (below) were among Trinity members and dozens of others from the community who took part in the Thanksgiving Week Blitz Build for Habitat for Humanity. With contributions of labor and money to buy building materials, six houses will be provided at low cost to families who otherwise could not afford a home of their own.

(Photos by Dan Stainer)



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