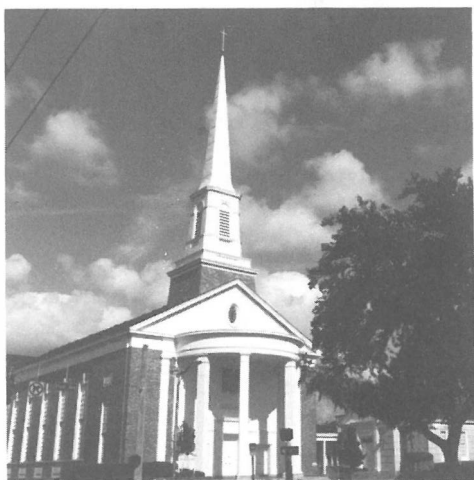




Monthly Tidings

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Trinity volunteers to prepare meals for shelter twice monthly

Trinity members have volunteered to help feed the hungry staying at the emergency shelter on Tennessee St. on the first and fourth Mondays of each month. The Genesis Sunday school class of young adults has been involved with feeding clients at the shelter the first Mondays since Jan.

Shelter officials made an appeal to Trinity's Church and Society Work Area to help on additional days. The work area in turn appealed to Trinity members.

"The response to helping homeless clients at the shelter has been very gratifying, with 18 individuals signed up so far," reports Dolores Jackson, Co-chair.

This new hunger ministry is seeking donations to purchase the food for each serving. An estimate has determined from \$50 to \$60 is needed for each meal, serving approximately 75 clients, each fourth Monday.

The Council on Ministries has recommended that the Communion offering placed on the altar each first Sunday be used for the Monday hunger ministry. With those funds, along with designated gifts, food will be purchased to feed hungry homeless persons, stated Mary Ann Moore, a committee volunteer.

Summer children's classes study creation

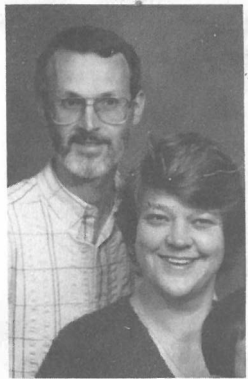
Summer is an exciting time to attend Sunday school—especially if you are a child! The elementary children's classes are organized around learning centers and there are so many activities to choose from.

Children

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth . . . and it was good . . . Then God said, 'Let us make humans in our image, in our likeness . . .'" (Genesis 1:1, 26) so begins the Judeo-Christian story. This summer we are learning about God the Creator and what God created.

Summer is the time to enjoy God's gift of creation. It is a time for painting, dancing, listening to and making music, reading books, writing poetry, cooking new foods, sewing, gardening, hearing and telling stories. Summer is a good time for spiritual growth for God's children, a time to enjoy God's gifts, to run and play and sing and be with all that God has made. That's what's happening in the children's summer Sunday school classrooms. Sometimes Sunday school will be outdoors, sometimes in the children's library, sometimes in the kitchen or planting flowers in the corner of the playground.

This summer Judy Levy (and her assistants) will stay with the One-Year Old class and Leslie Peebles will stay with the Twos. Robert Willshire and Kathleen Stinson will have the Threes and Fours, and Cynthia Browning will take the Kindergarten class. On the elementary floor parents will be taking charge of learning centers for two weeks in order to give our regular teachers the summer off.



Marc and Sharon Cramer



Gloria Guimaraes

Three from Trinity to join Volunteers in Mission

Gloria Guimaraes, Sharon Cramer and Marc Cramer will join other Tallahassee District United Methodist Volunteers in Mission on a trip to Pittorel, Chihuahua, Mexico, August 1-15.

These Trinity members and others will have an opportunity to build a clinic, teach sewing, help with Bible school or serve people in need of

medical or dental help. They look forward to sharing their trip experiences on Sunday evening, August 30, in Moor Hall.

"Please remember them in your prayers as they represent our church in the mission fields," Linda Haggard, staff liaison to the Mission Work Area, said.

'Wonderful Wednesdays' provide fun

This summer the preschool and elementary children will be involved in a Wednesday morning/early afternoon program. The children will gather at 8:30 a.m. and be dismissed at 1:00 p.m., after lunch.

Preschoolers—Creation Fun Time

To follow the theme for the summer, the little ones will continue to discuss and experience creation and God as creator. July 1 the children will deal with plants and travel to Maclay Gardens. On July 8, they will deal with water and fish. On this day they will travel to the home of a parent for fun with the slip 'n slide. On July 15 they will talk about the air and birds. Then on July 22 they will deal with animals and visit the Junior Museum. Finally on July 29, they will discuss people and how God made us alike and different at the same time. *Elementary — Wonderful Summer Wednesdays*

This program will deal with "Five Days in the Life of Jesus." Each day carries its own theme. On July 1 the birth of Jesus will be replayed as they

journey to "Bethlehem"—a farm where they will not only celebrate Jesus' birthday but go on a hayride. On July 8: The Boy Jesus At Home includes some of the typical household activities that occurred during Bible times. This day will include a trip to Myers Park for some games. On July 15: The Sermon on the Mount brings another journey—this time meeting some disciples and being among those who heard Jesus's words. July 22: The Last Supper takes the children to an upper room (305) for foot washing and the breaking of the bread. In addition there will be a trip to McDonalds to the back of the store to see how everyday food is created. July 29: Easter and discipleship. On this day the children will experience the Easter story as disciples, participate in a Poloroid scavenger hunt to places where Christians serve, and provide a short singing program for those in a nursing home.

Again, the day begins at 8:30, ends at 1:00. Each day costs \$1 and each child needs to bring a sack lunch.

Here's what cooking in Country Kitchen

The 1992 Trinity Bazaar and Florida Festival offers many opportunities for congregation members to share their talents with others to raise money for the work of the church. If your area of expertise is cooking, baking, canning, or just a love of good food, the Country Kitchen needs you, Alison Mattice says.

"There will be the usual solicitation for baked items of all kinds. As you plan what to prepare, however, keep in mind our theme, 'A Florida Festival.' Perhaps you have a favorite lemon bar, orange marmalade, or other citrus-flavored goody to contribute. How about a trail mix containing tropical coconut and banana chips? Perhaps a zesty salsa or relish made with Florida tomatoes and other vegetables would be a good choice for home canners. Any item which suggests the beauty, bounty, or cultures of our fair state would be welcome," she said.

You could measure out bags of delicious, Cuban-inspired black bean soup mix, with preparation instructions included. In an area where the beach and major tourist attractions beckon, you might choose to bake items which would pack easily for a family vacation trip or would freeze well until out-of-town guests come here for a visit.

"It's still a few months until the Florida Festival, but please start thinking soon about what you can contribute to the Country Kitchen . . . some things (jellies, pickles, etc.) may have to be done during the summer, when fresh produce is at its peak. We can offer some suggestions to stimulate your creative juices, but we welcome anything you have to offer," Mrs. Mattice said.

More details will follow during the summer and fall in the *Tidings*, but if you can volunteer at this time, please call Alison Matice at 668-3945.

Youth Week July 6-11 focuses on careers, music and missions

July 6-11 has been set aside as a special week of activities, program, recreation and fellowship for Trinity youth and their friends. The theme for the week will be "Getting to Know Yourself and Your Relationship with God."

All Trinity youth and their friends of rising 6th grade through 12th grade are invited to participate. The schedule will be as follows:

Monday, July 6—Career Day—4:30-7:30 p.m. with recreation following. Several Trinity members will conduct workshops on different careers which the youth can sign up to take. Teachers, lawyers, Christian educators, ministers, doctors, nurses, computer experts, secretaries, construction workers are just a few of the people who will be offering classes.

Tuesday, July 7 — Missions Day — 9:00-5:00 p.m. Trinity youth will be helping shut-ins and disabled Trinity members with yard work and light household chores. Others will be working around the church helping with different projects and needs.

Wednesday, July 8 — Music Day — 4:30-7:30 p.m. with recreation following. Youth will be able to choose choral singing, conducting, bell choir, piano and other music classes which will be taught by our own music staff and others from FSU.

Thursday-Saturday, July 9-11—Retreat at Panama City Beach which includes a visit to Miracle Strip Amusement Park and Shipwreck Island Waterpark. We encourage all youth to participate. For further information or questions please contact Linda Haggard, 222-1120.

Youth mission trip takes 28 to Appalachia

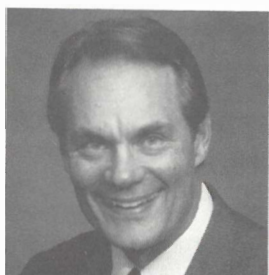
Twenty-eight Trinity youth and adults will travel to Iaeger County, West Virginia, July 18 to volunteer one week of home repair service with the Appalachia Service Project.

This group has been raising money all year to ensure the trip budget of \$10,000 is met. They will divide into four workteams upon arrival and go about the business of making homes warmer, safer and drier.

The volunteers are Stacey Legel, Joe Bailey, Courtney Price, Meg Gardner, Alison James, Angie Owens, Mike Ruff, Carissa Bennett, Harley Huggins, Ben Boyter, Mike Harrell, Cameron Williams, Stefan Pedler, Tricia Perdue, Sutton Webb, Andrew Moore, Chad Gardner, Beau Thomas, Andy Harrison, Chip Huggins, Eddie Long, Bill Fritchman, Cathy Herman-son, Judy Levy, Tom James, Bill and Linda Haggard.

Volunteers needed—Nickolas Hutto, the 19-month-old son of Kelley and Mike Hutto, is in need of some volunteers to help Nickolas with a special kind of therapy called "Pat-terning." This will help him explore God's beautiful world on his own. All that volunteers need is a loving heart, willing hands and two hours a week of time. Flyers are in the Sunday School rooms and on the hall bulletin boards or call Kelley at 562-0590 for further information.

AN ENCOURAGING WORD



A sustaining faith

By David G. Hortin

At Northwestern University, my mother, Dorothy Nelson Hortin, studied to be a director of religious education. She also studied the pipe organ. She used her training in Christian education to be the volunteer coordinator of the largest church school adult division in the Florida Conference.

However, she was never able to use her training in piano and organ except for her own entertainment. Neurosurgery in 1940 made her left hand too uncooperative to play publicly.

After her death in 1982, my father told me about the last time she had played the piano. It was March 24, 1982, the anniversary of her mother's birth in 1876. While awaiting the arrival of my sister, Miriam, from Canada, she sat down at the piano. She played a hymn from the previous Methodist Hymnal written by the blind poet, Fanny J. Crosby. The stanzas affirm:

"All the way my Savior leads me;
What have I to ask beside?
Can I doubt his tender mercy,
Who through life has been my guide?
Heavenly peace, divinest comfort,
Here by faith in him to dwell!
For I know what'er befall me,
Jesus doeth all things well.

Though my weary steps may falter,
And my soul athirst may be,
Gushing from the rock before me,
Lo! a spring of joy I see.

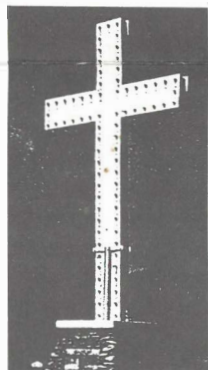
"All the way my Savior leads me;
O the fulness of his love!
Perfect rest to me is promised
In my Father's house above!
When my spirit, clothed immortal,
Wings its flight to realms of day,
This my song through endless ages;
Jesus led me all the way.

"All the way my Savior leads me,
Cheers each winding path I tread,
Gives me grace for every trial,
Feeds me with the living bread.

Fourteen months before, her doctor had told her that she had three months to live. As life was closing in upon her, she was calling upon a lifetime of faith in the goodness and guidance of God to sustain her in the ebbing of life. She was looking to her faith to give her courage to go from the familiar things of earth to the unfamiliar things of eternity.

Our calling is to be growing in our trust of God for things of this world and the world to come.

Lake Junaluska Assembly offers variety



Will you be visiting in the North Carolina mountains this summer or looking for a place to spend a meaningful vacation? Perhaps you would like to attend a church service or special program at Lake Junaluska. The Lake Junaluska Assembly is owned and operated by the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the United Methodist Church and is located at the eastern end of Maggie Valley on the outskirts of Waynesville. Below is a listing of programs for July and August which may interest you.

July

- 3- 4: Junaluska Singers Independence Day Concerts (tickets required)
- 3- 5: 4th of July Youth Jubilee
- 3- 5: United Methodists Volunteers in Mission Rally
- 3- 5: Sunday School Teacher Training IV—International Lessons for fall quarter
- 5: Rev. William W. Watty, Dr. Reginald Mallett, preaching
- 6: Bishop Robert C. Morgan, Mississippi, morning preacher
- 6- 9: 8:00 p.m., Bishop Robert Spain, Louisville, preaching
- 6-10: Leader Development Center
- 9: One day retreat for women
- 10-12: Junaluska Christian Ashram
- 12: Dr. Gordon Hunter, preaching
- 14-18: Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference
- 18: North Carolina Symphony Concert (tickets required)
- 19: Dr. George E. Morris, preaching, Candler School of Theology, Emory, World Methodist Sunday
- 19-23: Prayer, Bible and Evangelism Conference
- 20-22: 7:00 p.m., Chaplain Matthew A. Zimmerman, preaching
- 23-26: Southeastern Jurisdiction Laity Conference
- 26: Dr. William H. Willimon, Duke University, preaching
- 26-30: Youth Week II

August

- 2: Dr. Hal Brady, preaching
- 2: Folkmoot (tickets required), International folk festival
- 3- 7: Southeastern Jurisdiction Youth Convocation
- 9: The Rev. Rosemary Brown, preaching
- 9: Junaluska Singers Concert (tickets required)
- 10-13: Conference on Older Adult Ministries
- 10: 7:30 p.m., Bishop Thomas Stocton, Virginia, preaching
- 11-13: 8:45 a.m., Bible study, Drs. Nell and Ralph Mahney
- 16: Dr. William K. Quick, preaching
- 24-26: Growing a Giving Church, Dr. Ernest R. Porter, leader

For detailed information and/or tickets for these programs please contact the Lake Junaluska Assembly, P.O. Box 67, Lake Junaluska, NC 28745, phone (704) 452-2881 or toll free 1-800-222-4930. The church office has a complete listing of programs for September through December as well, which includes Elderhostels, Bible studies with Dr. Evelyn Laycock, retreats, Junaluska Singers concerts and Christmas programs.

The churches of the Southeast, including Trinity, support the work of the Southeastern Jurisdiction Administrative Council which operates the facilities and develops the program offerings.

Annual Conference report

Trinity well-represented in Lakeland

By Miriam Peirce

Florida Annual Conference held May 25-28 in Lakeland was well-attended by Trinity members. Voting members from our congregation were David Hortin, David Hodges, Myron Blee and Miriam Peirce. Delegates at-large from the District were Dolores Jackson, Gwen Roberts and Linda Mobley. Others from the congregation were also in attendance, including Barbara Hodges, Cinda Hortin and Charlotte Blee.

Trinity had many reasons to be proud. Acting chair of the Conference Council on Ministries, Dolores Jackson, presented the Council program (over a period of two days) with confidence and grace. Our former pastor, Ed Norman, was the Bible study leader and gave us some fresh perspectives.

The Wednesday night worship session emphasizing education was the highlight of the week for many, not just Trinity members. The Trinity Bell Choir, under the direction of Bill Haggard, was featured. Dr. Myron Munday accompanied the choir and the Lakeland Civic Center rang out with joyous music. The arena was already decorated with Cinda Hortin's creativity, banners designed and made by her, and the choir processing in the golden robes was a beautiful touch. A parade of other banners followed.

Linda Mobley was the speaker for the education emphasis and told the gathering how much the church has meant to her over the years and how her childhood distress has become overshadowed by the good she has found in the church and its people. All were moved by her simple eloquence.

The Conference honored retiring pastors, and so also on Wednesday

night, Linda Haggard was present when her father and mother were so honored.

In other business, resolutions were passed concerning gambling, (opposing casino gambling on Native American lands, and also opposing legalized gambling on professional sports). The environment, health care, racism and political involvement were also subjects of resolutions. The body voted to participate in the national plan for Hispanic ministries, as adopted by General Conference, to oppose the continued embargo of Haiti, to study abortion and the church, and to help those in crisis through unplanned pregnancies.

The Conference is now in sound financial shape and the Claim the Flame projects are well started at the children's camp. As United Methodists in Florida, we have many things to be proud of, as well as many challenges to meet. One of these challenges will be the "Vision 2000" program which will be an effort to bring the church into a vital, exciting, and growing rebirth in the coming century.

Gifts to Trinity

Trinity has received the following gifts during the past month. Gifts were given in memory of:

Mildred Yates, by Martelle & Marvin Wheeler, Mr. & Mrs. R. Spencer Burrell, Wesley Fellowship Class, Mr. & Mrs. Samuel L. Meyer, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Nelson, Mr. & Mrs. Francis J. Black, Mrs. Ben C. Willis, Mrs. Charles R. Barnes, Mr. & Mrs. George M. Swain, Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Morelock, Mrs. Nancy Bayles.

Wilbour A. Teasley, by Mr. & Mrs. Sam Draper.

Trinity Travelers notes



Forty-nine persons from the Tallahassee area will be travelling to Lake Junaluska in August to attend the Conference on Older Adult Ministries. This has been such a popular conference in recent years that all accommodations have been reserved on the grounds. Rubie Butterworth now has a waiting list of persons wanting to go should openings become available. Trinity Church for several years has sponsored the large group from the Florida Conference.

Reservations are continuing to be received for the fall trip to Arizona and New Mexico. The group will be flying to Tucson on Monday, September 28, to begin the tour which will include visits to Phoenix, Sedona, Oak Creek Canyon, Grand Canyon, Petrified Forest, Window Rock, Canyon de Chelly, Santa Fe and Albuquerque. They will fly home on Thursday, October 8. Persons who are interested

in this tour are urged to contact Rubie Butterworth right away in order to secure reservations. The deadline for final payments is August 17.

Lunch Bunch invites you

The "Lunch Bunch" who want to get together for further fellowship after the 11:00 service will be going to the following restaurants on the designated second Sunday:

July 12 Angelo's Seafood
August 9 Wakulla Springs Lodge

September 13 Radisson

Meet at the parking lot gate near the Duval Street Library bicycle rack after church for transportation. Arrangements can be made to take you home after lunch or a token will be given so you can get your car out of the parking lot upon our return around 3 p.m. The after church lunch group is open to anyone male, female, young or old who wants to join the group and get together for further fellowship. Come join us!

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