



Monthly Tidings

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Several new employees join Trinity's staff

The Staff/Parish Relations Committee announces the employment of a youth director and HEG coordinator replacing Melinda Ensley and Christine Moody, respectively, and a part-time coordinator of adult singles, a new position.

Mike Tamborello of Houston, Texas, will assume the full-time youth position the second week of June. He is a 1994 graduate of Florida State University where he received a BA degree in theatre. He served on the Wesley Foundation Upper Room staff there for two years and coordinated the Wesley drama group, His Majesty's Players.

Last summer he was a youth intern at First United Methodist Church of Clermont where he led Bible studies and programs and helped plan summer events. During his senior year he worked with middle school students at Killlearn UMC and coordinated their drama group. On May 31 he finishes his most recent work with the A.D. Players, a professional Christian theatre company.

Kim Kerce, who served as interim youth director after Melinda Ensley returned to graduate school in February, begins a new part-time position as coordinator of single adults. The position has been included in Trinity's budget for the past four or five years but has never been filled.

A native of Tallahassee who grew up in Trinity, he is the son of Lum and Nancy Kerce. He received a BS degree in secondary education from Toccoa Falls College, Toccoa, GA, in Dec. 1991. He taught two years at North Florida Christian where he also was assistant baseball coach, and one year at Brookwood School in Thomasville where he taught middle school classes, was head baseball coach and assistant football coach.

He is the father of four-year-old twin sons Jamey and Justin.

The new HEO coordinator, Ann G. Miller, became a member of Trinity in June, 1991. On June 1, she will begin ministering

to Trinity's elderly shut-ins, bereaved and others in need that Christine Moody has served for the past four years.

Mrs. Miller was manager and administrative assistant in the Governor's Mansion for three years until Dec. 1994, where she coordinated the mansion staff, planned menus, assisted the Docent program and made appointments for the First Family.

She has a background of volunteer service, including 21 years in the Lakeland Junior League. She has most recently been a volunteer at Tallahassee Museum of Science and History and with the one-year-old Sunday school at Trinity.

Stephen White, a graduate in music education of Michigan State University, with a master of music degree from Northwestern University, recently became associate organist. He is currently enrolled in the Doctor of Philosophy in Music Education program at Florida State University.

He has had public school teaching experience, and was director of music/organist at Maple UMC, Battle Creek, MI, associate organist/director of music at First UMC, Evanston, IL, and associate organist at St. Paul's Episcopal, Flint, MI. He was principal organist for West Michigan Annual Conference UMC from 1989 through 1991.

The Staff/Parish Relations Committee is completing interviews for another part-time new position as communications coordinator. That person will handle promotion and public relations for the church and serve as editor of the *Monthly Tidings*.

These new employees, as well as new Associate Minister John Fletcher, will be welcomed at a reception following 11 a.m. worship on Sunday, June 18, in Moor Hall. Members are urged to come get acquainted with these new staff members.

Dr. Hortin continues as senior minister; Rev. John Fletcher will be associate

Dr. David Hortin is being assigned as senior minister at Trinity for his eighth year June 15, and the Rev. John M. Fletcher, who retired in 1993 as senior minister at Tallahassee's St. Paul's UMC, has agreed to serve as associate minister here for one year.

Associate Minister David Hodges will become minister of First United Methodist Church of Monticello. He has served Trinity since June 1991.

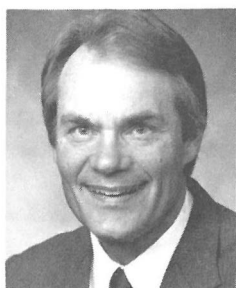
Rev. Fletcher is a graduate of Candler School of Theology and since 1953 has served as minister of Riverview UMC in Jacksonville; St. Andrews, Ft. Lauderdale; Goss Memorial, Orlando; Centenary, Quincy; Lakewood, St. Petersburg; First, West Palm Beach; and St. Paul's Tallahassee.

He and his wife Helen continued to live in Tallahassee after his retirement. They have attended worship at Trinity and are members of the Disciple Sunday School Class that meets in the Congregate Room.

Chairman Jim Ashlock of the Staff/Parish Relations Committee, while announcing these appointments to the congregation during morning worship last month, said a shortage of new ministers and a large number of retiring ministers this year caused the Bishop to ask Rev. Fletcher to come out of retirement one year to serve at Trinity. He expressed appreciation for his willingness to serve as Trinity's associate.

Reception Scheduled

A reception to express appreciation to the Rev. David Hodges and to HEO Coordinator Christine Moody will follow the 11 a.m. worship service Sunday, June 11, in Moor Hall. Mrs. Moody is retiring at the end of May. All members, friends invited.



Bible School

By David G. Hortin

It sounds strange that they had an "old retired preacher" leading the children in singing at Bible School, but he brought the kind of vigor to songleading that Myron Munday brings to leading the Sunday School Choir. He had a style of directing that seemed almost like an aerobics program.

It has been 50 years ago, but I can still see him in my mind's eye there in the chapel of the First Methodist Church of Colorado Springs. However, it is not so much the sight in my mind, but the melody lingers on. Even more memorable than the melody are the words of an old gospel song that have lingered and nurtured me. "Brother Mathis," as we called him, taught us from the Cokesbury Hymnal a song entitled "He Keeps Me Singing" written by L.B. Bridges. You will recognize the words:

"There's within my heart a melody	Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus whispers sweet and low,	Sweetest name I know,
Fear not, I am with thee, peace, be still,	Fills my every longing,
In all of life's ebb and flow.	Keeps me singing as I go."

As you read all of the stanzas, it is obvious that it is not a children's song. But, Brother Mathis knew that we would not be children long and that we would need a faith to sustain us in the trials of life. Across these many years, whenever I have hummed, whistled or sung that song, it has encouraged and uplifted me.

So, as the children of Trinity Church gather this month for Vacation Bible School, we have the opportunity to enrich their minds and spirits with Scripture, song and story that will sustain them all their lives.

Notes from the McKenzie Library

Growing older is part of life's plan for all of us. Although, sadly, some do not live long enough to become an aged person, older people make up a goodly number of our population. Along with aging may come the problem of health and the need for tender, loving care by members of the family.

The Library has a number of books on the subjects of aging and caregiving which could be informative and of interest and help to you if you find yourself in like situations.

Stop by the Library on Sundays or Tuesdays and examine some of these books. You may find one or more which will be of great help to you.

Abernethy, J.B. *Old Is Not a Four-Letter Word!* 1975.

Anderson-Ellis, E. *Aging Parents and You.* 1988.

Bianchi, E.C. *Aging As a Spiritual Journey.* 1982.

Dobson, J.C. *Love Must Be Tough; New Hope for Families in Crisis.* 1983.

Fowler, J.W. *Becoming Adult, Becoming Christian.* 1984.

Freeman, C. B. *The Senior Adult Years.* 1979.

Fritz, D.B. *Growing Old Is a Family Affair.* 1972.

Gager, D. *It's Your Move: Older Adults Choose How to Live.* 1987.

Gillies, J. *Caregiving: When Someone You Love Grows Old.* 1988.

Gillies, J. *A Guide to Caring and Coping With Aging Parents.* 1981.

Gillies, J. *A Guide to Compassionate Care of the Aging.* 1985.

Hallowell, C. *Growing Old, Staying Young.* 1985.

Hayes, H. *Our Best Years.* 1984.

Hulme, W. E. *Vintage Years; Growing Older With Meaning and Hope.* 1986.

Manning, D. *The Nursing Home Dilemma.* 1985.

Maves, P.B. *Understanding Our*

Gifts to Trinity

Through May 15, gifts were given to Trinity in memory or in honor of the following people:

In memory of Jewel Sparks from Mrs. Margaret Witte, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Olson, Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt L. Sumners.

In memory of Helen Pope from Judy Teal, Mr. and Mrs. Theo Proctor, Jr.

In memory of Calvin Johnson from Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Morse, Mr. and Mrs. W.T. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Theo Proctor, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. John S. Olson, Charlotte Midyette, Janie M. Whitehead, Mr. and Mrs. H.W. Smoyer.

In honor of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mims from Sandy and Pete Ballas.

Exercise group on vacation

For the month of June the exercise group at Trinity will be on vacation. They will begin meeting again at 9 a.m. on July 5 in the Gregory Room. This is an excellent time for new persons to join the group.

During the summer months when it is too warm to enjoy exercising out of doors, come on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 9 a.m. for an hour's program of warm-up, low impact aerobics, stretching, and strengthening. A doctor's permission is required, but the program, while effective, is not too strenuous for most persons to handle. Mary K. Barbour is the certified instructor.

Please call Rubie Butterworth in the church office to register or to obtain further information. A small fee is charged for each session.

selves As Adults. 1959.

Morgan, R. L. *No Wrinkles on the Soul; A Book of Readings for Older Adults.* 1990.

Rosemond, P. *Family Survival; Coping With Stress.* 1984.

Rushford, P.H. *The Help, Hope and Cope Book for People With Aging Parents.* 1985.

Tournier, P. *Learn to Grow Old.* 1972.

Welch, E. *Learning to Be 85.* 1991.

Frances M. McAdams,
Church Librarian

Trinity members recognized for community service

A record number of Trinity members were honored at the 1995 Volunteers of the Year Awards Luncheon May 12 at the Civic Center, two winning top awards in their service categories.

Waldie Anderson was tops among three finalists nominated in the Arts category. He was co-founder and director of the Big Bend Community Orchestra, an all-volunteer group of teenagers to retirees who play music for enjoyment. Encouraging participation in music, he invites parents to bring children to the concerts and on stage to witness the performances of the final number.

Donna Legare, co-owner with her husband of Native Nurseries, was top winner in the Business category. She has worked with elementary schools by providing expertise and materials for hands-on opportunities in nature and environmental studies. She helped students at Kate Sullivan to start a butterfly garden and a long-leaf pine reforestation. She also provided consultation to Griffin Middle School and Kate Sullivan Elementary.

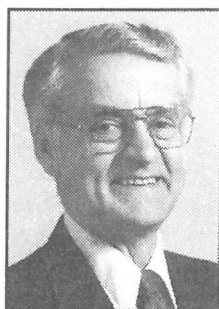
Among finalists was Milt Bauguess, also in the Business category, for volunteer work with an immunization program for children, with ECHO and as a trustee for the Chamber of Commerce.

Robert Lamison, nominated by Trinity Lay Leader Liz Smith, was a finalist in the Religion category. He was recognized for building cabinets for Trinity's music department, for work in refurbishing Centenary Camp near Quincy, and for his work with the Coalition for the Homeless and Habitat for Humanity.

Tallahassee Memorial Regional Medical Center Auxiliary, represented by Trinity member and hospital administrator, Duncan Moore, was a finalist in the Organization category.

Several other Trinity members were nominated for recognition at the awards luncheon, including Grace Fisher, Ruth McDonald, Benson Skelton and Bob Yates in the Civic Services category; Brooks Pettit, Education category; Marti Chumbler, Social Services category; Tallahassee Memorial Regional Medical Center, represented by Duncan Moore, in the Business category.

Two other Trinity members were honored by the Tallahassee Area Chamber of Commerce April 27 at an awards program in the Civic Center. Carrol Dadisman, publisher of the Tallahassee Democrat, received the Distinguished Leader of the Year award



Waldie Anderson



Donna Legare



Robert Lamison



Milt Bauguess



Duncan Moore



Carrol Dadisman



Godfrey Smith



Allie Ferguson

for his many contributions to the city. He spearheaded quality of life seminars, "public agenda" programs, a high school Brain Bowl, a middle-school spelling bee, and the Volunteer of the Year program.

Godfrey Smith, past chairman and current vice chairman of the Capital City Bank Group Inc., received the Chamber's Lifetime Leadership Award. With 58 years of banking in Tallahassee, he has served as chairman or president of the Chamber of Commerce, the Seminole Boosters, the Ex-

change Club, Florida Bankers Association, and is active in Trinity United Methodist Church.

The Florida State College of Human Sciences recently recognized Allie Ferguson, retired state director of home economics, with its outstanding service award.

Trinity members are active on boards and with organizations and schools in the community. Let the *Tidings* know about other awards as they are granted for publication in subsequent issues.

Camp Centenary--a resource for district churches

By Bob Lamison, Missions Work Area

Camp Centenary is a summer camp for use by members of United Methodist churches in the Tallahassee District. The Rev. Rich Wilson is the camp director and welcomes all the help he can get. If anyone is interested in assisting the work at the camp or scheduling its use, Rev. Rich can be reached at his church office telephone number 627-9226, or his home, 875-1904. The camp telephone number is 856-5601.

The camp is about five miles beyond Gretna off Route 90 and consists of 38 acres. The camp opens June 11 and runs through the end of July. A "Love at Work" Mission Camp is scheduled each week end for a month after the camp closes.

There are two dormitories, one for men and one for women, accommodating a

total of 60 to 70 people. Last year Trinity volunteers remodeled the kitchen and painted the exterior. Trinity also donated \$3,000 for new mattresses and the Missions Work Area is recruiting volunteers to work Saturdays before the camp opens.

A central air-conditioned commons building includes the kitchen and a multi-purpose center for dining, recreation, religious services and meetings. It also has a swimming pool with a new bath house. Future plans include a dorm to accommodate couples, to be built by Volunteers in Missions from another UMC church.

The Tallahassee North Side Rotary Club has adopted the camp as a service project and Killearn UMC youth used the camp while working on homes in Gretna. Trinity youth are planning a similar project.

A special thank-you to Trinity's Sunday school teachers

By Diane Flagg, Education Work Area Chairperson

A special dinner for special people...

Can you imagine Moor Hall transformed into an elegant, restaurant setting? Well, if you can't, then you would have been surprised on Friday evening, April 21, at 7 p.m. Moor Hall was alight with the soft glow of candles, tables were adorned with beautiful long-stem roses, and a cello and flute trio entertained the guests with selected classical pieces.

All provided a perfect backdrop to a dinner for some very special people. Those special people were, of course, our own Sunday school teachers and their guests. After a year of loyal dedication to teaching the word of God, about 50 people attended the special dinner and were invited to sit back, relax, enjoy a great meal with great music and let others serve them.

The dinner was planned by the Education Work Area as a way of showing our Sunday school teachers some well deserved appreciation and thanks for all their hard work. It was the committee's hope that they would remember this as a very special night. A special thanks goes to Jan James for planning and cooking the meal and to the church custodial staff for helping to set up the "restaurant."

The Sunday school teachers for the children and youth classes will be taking a much needed break from teaching for the past 42 weeks. If you would be interested in teaching for a week or two over the summer, there will be a sign-up list circulating around the adult Sunday school classes for the next few weeks.

Thank these people ...

Trinity is fortunate to have so many talented and committed individuals willing to give of their free time to spread the word

of God. The next time you see your Sunday school teacher, let him or her know how much you appreciate all the hard work. Below is a list of these very special people.

Richard Almarode, Michelle Anchors, Laura L. Andrews, Calvin Bender, Kaye Bender, Edna Bennett, Barry Bevis, Shelley Boone, Dale and Marie Bradley, Donna J. Bryan, Lora Chapman, Marti Chumbler, Elva Clark, LeLove Felter, Allie Ferguson, Bill Fritchman, Walter and Kitty Funderburk, Kittie Mae Grant, Ruth Ann High, Barbara Hodges, Dolores Jackson, Jan James, Alfred Johnson, Jr., Virginia Johnson, Shirley Kirwin, Albert Leathers, Louise Leathers, Judy Levy, Ann Lumsden, Jill May, Lynn McLarty.

Rebecca McLellan, Frances Nell Melton, Ernest Menendez, Sr., Julie Mickler, Ann K. Miller, Michael and Elaine Morgan, Tom O'Steen, Lisa K. O'Steen, Patti Oakley, J. V. Parramore, Sr., Beth Pattillo, Leslie Peebles, Miriam Peirce, Hollis Pemberton, Jr., Beth Perry, Gregg Phifer.

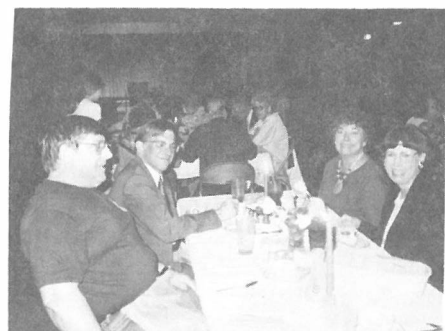
Griffith T. Pugh, Sr., Burke Scisson, Paula D. Smith, Godfrey Smith, LuAnn Snider, Susan G. Snowden, Terry Straub, Victoria Tettey, Kathy Trapp, Leslie Williams, Robert Willshire, Bob and Linda Yates, Rubie Butterworth, David Hortin, David Hodges and Christine Moody.



Enjoying the appreciation dinner April 21 were (from left to right) Rubie Butterworth, Shelley Boone, Walter and Kitty Funderburk, Allie Ferguson and Fancheon Boone.



Among other teachers and guests at the dinner were (from left) Dale and Marie Bradley, a guest, Frances Nell Melton and Beth Perry.



Bill Fritchman, Mike Morgan, Elaine Morgan, and Germain Fritchman enjoy the dinner served by members of the Education Work Area.

Trinity Travelers



Places are still available for the two trips planned for August by the Trinity Travelers.

The Conference on Older Adult Ministries will be at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina, August 14 to 17. A group from Trinity will be going and as of this writing, there are still places available for more to join the group. Bishop Robert Spain of Tennessee will be the excellent conference speaker. Dr. James Warren will be the Bible study leader each morning. An outstanding group of workshop leaders will conduct discussions on topics of timely interest to older adults.

From August 23 to August 31 the Trinity Travelers will be in New England enjoying Cape Cod and the Berkshire Mountains. Excellent summer stock theatre and a Boston Pops Concert are included if people register early enough to acquire tickets.

For complete information about these trips and to reserve space for either of these programs call Rubie Butterworth in the church office.

Teamwork consultant will

At a dinner meeting open to all members and friends of the church, United Methodist Women will hear a talk on "Teamwork--Make It a Christian Concept."

The dinner starts at 6 p.m., Tuesday, June 6, in Moor Hall, with the program following at 7 o'clock.

Speaker will be Mary Zychowski Ashlock of Columbia, S. C., a consultant in developing human resources. She is the daughter-in-law of Trinity members Betty and Jim Ashlock.

The topic should be of special interest to persons involved in business, working with volunteers in organizations, and in the family.

This will be the last program meeting of UMW before the summer break. Most UMW circles have already cease meeting until fall, except for three.

Circle 5 will meet at 7:30 p.m., June 8, at the Ronald McDonald House, 712 East Seventh Avenue. Kathy Trapp will be hostess and in charge of the program.



Trinity welcomes the above new members and their families who joined the church in April. From left to right are Dan and Kathy Drake with daughter Annalee and son Alex; Richard and Linda Lewis; Reggie and Lisa Garcia with baby Michael; Rebecca Knowles; Susan Reese; Hazel Bradley; and two members of the Confirmation Class, Terri Perdue and Ryan McLellan.

Meet Trinity's newest members

Hazel Bradley, 1712 Canterbury St., joined the church on confession of faith. She is the mother of Trinity member Dale Bradley, and is employed by the City of Tallahassee.

Kathryn and Robert (Dan) Drake, 6428 Kingman Trail, transferred from Bells UMC, Clinton, MD. He works for Executive Suite Motor Inn.

Lisa and Reggie Garcia live at 908

Hill Roost Rd, and he is employed with Melendi, Gibbons & Garcia. She was a member of First Presbyterian of Searcy, AR, and he was baptised in St. Joseph's Catholic in Tampa.

Rebecca Knowles, 1369 Manor House Dr., works for Tallahassee Orthopedic Clinic and formerly was a member of Germantown UMC, Memphis, TENN.

Linda and Richard Todd Lewis, 1833 Halstead Blvd., are employed by Florida State Hospital and Southwestern State Hospital, respectively. She was formerly a member of Parkway Heights UMC of Hattisburg, MS.

Scott Lindsay, 5649 Rustic Dr., is employed by Wang Labs and transferred from Trinity UMC, Birmingham, AL.

Susan Reese, 1215 Brafforton Court, a student, joined on confession of faith.

Hearing clinics to be here

Trinity members will receive preference in scheduling an appointment to test their hearing at clinics to be held at Trinity the morning of June 26 and June 30.

Offered by the Better Hearing Program for Senior Citizens by the L.L. Schendel Speech and Hearing Clinic, the testing will be without fee. Persons may sign up by calling Wyomia at 644-4101.

This service is designed to assist senior citizens who believe they have a hearing problem. FSU students and faculty will provide the tests and conduct follow-up seminars as needed.

speak at UMW dinner

Circle 7 will meet for lunch at noon June 20 at the Holiday Inn Capitol Plaza.

Circle 9 will also meet for lunch June 20 at 11:30 a.m. at Julie's on North Monroe St.

Boys invited to join Cub Scouts

Parents who would like for their sons to be members of Trinity's Cub Scout program have a choice of two short informational meetings about the program on June 4.

The meetings will be in the church library at 9:35 and again at 12:10 p.m. Parents of boys who are interested in joining the Tiger Cub (1st grade), Wolf (2nd grade), Bear (3rd grade), Webelos I (4th grade) or Webelos II (5th grade) dens should attend one of these meetings.

Pack 107 has rechartered for the '95-96 year and encourages all its present Cubs and Webelos to be a part of the pack in the fall. If you cannot attend a meeting, call Jill May, Scout coordinator, 385-0649.

Charge Conference votes to sell parsonage

A specially called Charge Conference on May 15 approved a recommendation of Trinity's Trustees that the parsonage at 1960 Lawson Road be sold. The home of Trinity's associate minister, the parsonage is small and needs a great deal of work to bring it up to acceptable standards, Parsonage Committee Chair Ruth Bass said.

Mrs. Bass, Mart Hill of the Trustees, Gary Cherry, Trustees chair, Jimmy

Petrandis and a member of the Staff/Parish Relations Committee will meet with a Realtor to determine a selling price.

The Charge Conference agreed that the proceeds would be put in reserve until it decides whether to purchase a new parsonage for a future associate minister. Incoming Associate Minister John Fletcher, who is coming out of retirement to serve one year, already is living in a new home.

The house was first occupied as a parsonage August 10, 1974. Trinity had paid \$33,500 and traded a \$4000 lot for it.

Register your child for VBS

Have you registered your child for Vacation Bible School? A form is enclosed with this issue of the Tidings for you to sign up for the June 19-23 event.

A final word. . .

During a midweek Bible study class one night in the fall of 1973, the Rev. Edward Norman, senior pastor at Trinity, was telling the group about all the activities planned leading up to Trinity's 150th birthday celebration on April 21, 1974. He said there was so much historical information and news about the celebration that the church was having difficulty finding space in the weekly bulletin.

"We need a newspaper," I said. The idea was quickly accepted, and developing a paper to communicate with Trinity's then 2500 members became a goal of the Administrative Board for 1974.

Vol. 1, No. 1 of the *Monthly Tidings* was published in January 1974. At first, Gene Morse assisted me as associate editor until he moved away. Then in September 1980, Dean Bunch, already a busy lawyer, began serving as editor, continuing through the July 1981 issue. I have continued as editor since then.

With this June issue, I complete 20 years as the church's volunteer editor. Trinity is adding a communications coordinator as a member of the staff, who will give the editorship new energy and direction. The coordinator will also publicize the church's program and ministry in the community so that newcomers will be attracted to Trinity. You can help by enthusiastically supporting and assisting the new editor's efforts.

I have been blessed to have had an opportunity to "publish the glad tidings" of Christ's church. Thank you, Trinity members, for affording me that privilege.

Linda H. Yates, Editor

Last call for time and talent forms

About 175 Trinity members filled out the stewardship of time and talent form recently distributed during morning worship and mailed with the church bulletin, Stewardship Chair Nancy Waugh said.

Even so, that leaves hundreds of Trinity members who did not fill out the form, indicating what skills and how much time they are willing to contribute to the church.

Mail the completed form to the church office, address below, or drop it in the collection plate. Additional forms may be obtained by calling the church office.

Singles plan bike trip

Trinity's young singles will go on a bike trip along the St. Marks Trail on Saturday, June 10, starting at 9:30 a.m. The group will meet at the Bike Rental Shop at the north end of the trail, located on Woodville Highway just south of Capital Circle.

All young singles are also encouraged to join the group for volleyball at the church at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 14. Plans are also underway to attend the Watermelon Festival in Monticello June 24. For more information, call Barbara Potter at the church.



Barbara and George Potter cook hamburgers for a young singles outing last month at the park on Old Bainbridge Road.



The newly formed young singles fellowship discovered a liking for playing volleyball during the picnic. Coordinator Karen Mathis says more such activities are planned to provide fellowship for Trinity's young adults.

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