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Tidings

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Trinity's Mission: We are a community of Christian disciples building pathways through which God's love is realized.

More on Moor Hall

New everything

Last month, **Tidings** reported the plan of the Trustees to remodel Moor Hall. Also in the March issue, it was learned that Moor Hall was named for Trinity member Frank D. Moor and that Moor Hall is one of the few rooms in Trinity that has never been extensively remodeled since the building was constructed in 1964. This month, **Tidings** will look at what the Trustees have planned for the Moor Hall renovation.

More usable space

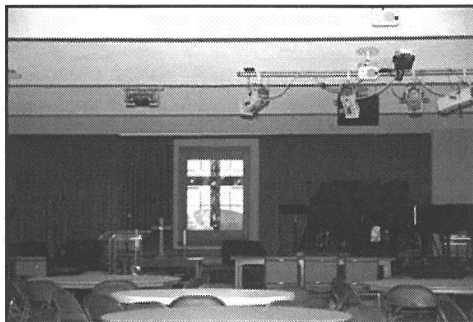
In June, Trinity will proceed with plans to radically change the look of Moor Hall. Originally referred to as the "basement fellowship hall," Moor Hall looks exactly the same as it did the first day it was used by Trinity members.

The proposed plans, which have been approved by both the Trustees and the Church Council, include many new features that will make Moor Hall a more receptive area for its many uses.

New carpeting

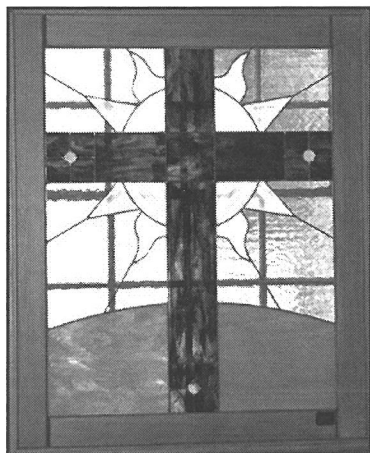
For example, the flooring, which is currently a green marble-like tile, will be covered over by modular carpet tiles.

These new carpet tiles are attractive for use in Moor Hall for several reasons. Should a drink be spilled during one of the Wednesday night dinners or other events where food is served, the wet tiles are



This view, from the back of Moor Hall looking toward the stage, shows some of the lights and the projector hanging down from the ceiling. The new look will be more streamlined without seeing the lights, speakers, and projector

easily replaceable. One just lifts out the soiled one and replaces it with a new one. Then the dirty one can be cleaned and reused as needed.



This beautiful stained glass window was dedicated to the memory of Brittany McKinnell by Trinity's Circle of Friends praise band.

The tiles also create a much better acoustic environment for the SUN Service and other events that value good sound projection.

And, they will just look better. Let's face it, green marble-esque tiles may have been the height of fashion when they were laid in 1964, but to today's eyes, they are just not that attractive. Functional? Yes. Aesthetically pleasing? Uh, no.

Better AV coming

As mentioned in last month's **Tidings**, the sound, video, and lighting in Moor Hall are in really bad shape. Currently, there isn't one individual who can

operate all of the equipment.

How could that happen you may ask? Over the years that Moor Hall has been the fellowship hall, many well-meaning people have recognized a need for a particular piece of equipment or software, and then gone out and bought it.

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Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday, April 1

- Three services at 8:30, 9:45, and 11 a.m.
- Elementary school-age children can join in the procession carrying palms at the 11 a.m. service. See page 4 for more information.

Maundy Thursday, April 5

- Service of communion at 7:30 p.m.
- Special musical oratorio.
- Service preceded by dinner in Moor Hall at 6:30 p.m. Call the church office at 222-1120 for reservation.

Good Friday, April 6

- City-wide United Methodist worship service at 12 noon.
- Lunch after service. \$5 donation is suggested. Make reservation at 222-1120.
- Tenebrae Service at 7 p.m. led by Trinity Youth. Make sure to attend this meaningful service.

Easter Sunday, April 8

- Easter services begin at 7 a.m. with the traditional Sunrise Service held in E. Peck Greene Park, which is located across the street and east of Trinity. Reverend Wayne P. Cook will lead this service that will see the Easter sunrise. A hot breakfast served after the service in Moor Hall. Make reservations at 222-1120.
- Three regular services at 8:30, 9:45, and 11 a.m. Services will feature special music and Reverend Willis' sermon will be "Famous First Words." Don't miss this special Easter.

Gifts to Trinity

Trinity received the following memorial gifts from February 10, 2007 through March 10, 2007:

In memory of W. Paul Shelley, Jr. by Glenn S. Rankin.

In memory of Roberta McElroy Sparks by Neddy and DeWitt Sumners (for H.E.O.), and John and Mary Leslie Olson.

In memory of McKenzie Ellen Conn by Mary Cruickshank and Rex Adams, Cynthia and Bill Smith, and John and Mary Leslie Olson.

In memory of Brent Hultgren by Bill and Marylee Peebles (for Organ Fund).

In memory of Dale Carmen by Beth Butcher (for UMCOR).



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Of course, the net effect has been that now Trinity has unmatched, incompatible, and outdated components and software that may work well individually, but don't work well as a group. What is the answer then? The answer comes from something Reverend Willis recently read to the Church Council: "For the first time since it was built in 1964, it (Moor Hall) will have coordinated, energy-efficient, state-of-the-art audio-visual technology, which will be simple, dependable and easy to operate."

One of the other improvements will be with the projection screen. Now, the ceiling in front of the projector curves down and cuts off part of the projected image. The answer is to reposition the projector and put up two screens so that all in Moor Hall may see what is on the screen.

Stage area enlarged

As part of the renovation, Moor Hall's stage area will be getting a facelift too. Current plans call for a larger stage with a new backstage area. One of the more interesting new features for the stage is a removable raised pulpit for the SUN Service and other events that involve public speaking. The raised pulpit can be removed and replaced with an insert that levels the stage when used for other events.

New drapes

The architects have also suggested an interesting solution for the noise and light

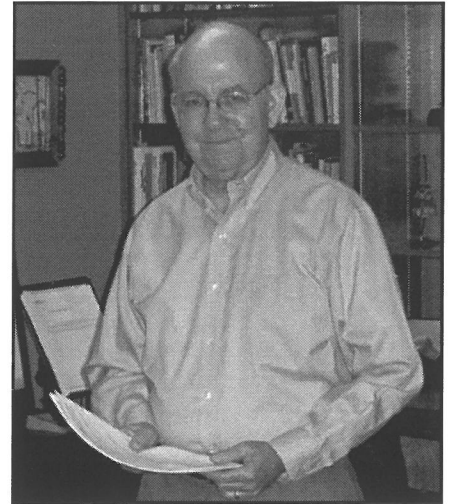
What's the Big Deal?

*By John G. Willis, Jr.
Senior Pastor*

Why do we have more people on Easter Sunday morning than any other day? Well, I realize that for many people it is simply a time of rabbits and eggs, candy and dress up. It is strictly a cultural event for some people. But for those who are Christians, it is so much more.

For us, it is a celebration like no other. It is a signal that there is more to life than just what we see, touch, or feel. It is that pivotal moment in all of history for us. It changes everything.

Easter shows us that no matter how bad things may get here on earth, no matter what people may do or say to us—there is more. There is hope. That hope makes life worth living. Hope is the energy that propels us forward. It can get us through the dark times and pulls us out of the depths of despair.



Easter- Resurrection Sunday- is the greatest day of the year! Truly- "you don't want to miss it!"

See you there!



problems in Moor Hall. The new design will feature sound and light absorbing draperies which will wrap around the interior of Moor Hall. This will decrease the amount of sound and light that now penetrates the worship area during the SUN Service and other events to make a more quiet and intimate space.

New doors to Prayer Garden

The sliding doors that lead into the Sewell Prayer Garden are old and not very energy efficient. The plans call for new french doors and energy efficient double pane windows that will incorporate and feature the beautiful McKinnell stained-glass memorial as the centerpiece of the design.

Kitchen noise

Anyone who has ever had dinner in Moor Hall and then tried to hear a speaker knows

that kitchen noise is a problem. The architects have come up with a remedy that will allow the kitchen staff to function normally while a speaker is speaking. The solution is to wall off that area of Moor Hall and have swinging doors for entering and exiting the kitchen area.

Better for everyone

As Reverend Willis has said, these improvements will "enable us to more faithfully worship, make fellowship, reach out to others, study, eat and celebrate in the way we need to as a church."

In next month's **Tidings**, the focus will be on how Trinity will finance this much needed project. The construction schedule and where groups will meet during construction will also be addressed.

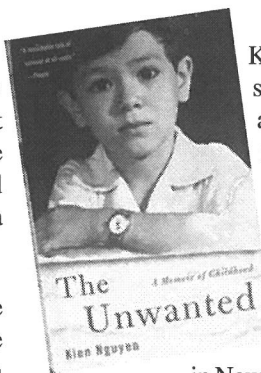
Recommended selections for UMW reading

Margie Mixon

A reading program sponsored by United Methodist Women features books intended to expand our understanding of God's mission, encourage critical thinking about issues facing humanity today, and increase our sensitivity to all human beings. The goal of the program is for the reader to become a knowledgeable caring Christian.

A selection of the recommended books can be found in our library on shelves marked UMW, located to the left of the entrance. Among them are these:

A Song Flung Up To Heaven by celebrated African-American writer Maya Angelou, a testimony of hope, faith, and courage, a New York Times best seller.



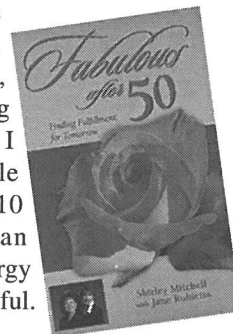
The Unwanted by Kien Nguyen, a true story about a boy who at age 8 watched the fall of Saigon, suffered in refugee camps in the Philippines, finally making it to the U.S. He fulfilled the American dream, becoming a dentist in New York.

An Hour Before Daylight by Jimmy Carter, the former president's memories of his Depression Era boyhood on a Georgia farm, days that shaped the man he became.

Breaking Through by Francisco Jimenez. He came to the U.S. as a poor Mexican immigrant, eventually earning a PhD at Columbia University and teaching at a college. This book, which has won a

dozen awards, tells of his almost miraculous rise from obscurity to success

Fabulous After 50 by Shirley Mitchell and Jane Ribetta. The authors challenge the readers to relish the future. One reviewer wrote, "As I finished reading **Fabulous After 50** I had the unmistakable feeling that I was 10 years younger than when I started. Its energy is contagious. Be careful. You might catch it."



Other recommended books are listed in the catalog on the shelf and can be ordered. Methodist women are encouraged to read at least four of these books during the year. Contact Nancy Waugh, local UMW reading program coordinator, for more information.

Good News and Bad News

Kelly Rains,
HEO coordinator

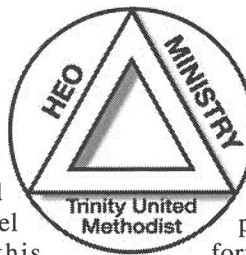
Don't you just hate it when someone says, "I've got good news and bad news"? Do they really have good news when there is bad news to be told? Are you the type of person that wants the bad news first or the good news first? What does that say about us and how we look at life if we always want the bad news first? Do we not trust that the good news will outweigh the bad news? What if we don't even listen to the good news after the bad news has been told? Should we have heard the good news first then? Or maybe it's more important to hear both sides of the story before we really dwell on the bad news or get excited about the good news. Either way, I encourage you to hear both *my* good news and bad news before you make up your mind.

First the bad news: As of April 1, I will no longer be the HEO Coordinator here at Trinity. After much prayer and consideration, I have decided to take another ministry position full-time. This decision was a hard one for me to

It will be a very different kind of ministry, and yet I will be serving the same great church and the same great God!

make because I have absolutely loved my job as HEO Coordinator and I absolutely love all the people I have cared for during my 3 years here. I feel so blessed to have had this opportunity to serve Trinity in this capacity and I have learned a great deal about how this church really wants to reach out to those in need. I can't tell you how many times I was the one truly being blessed as I did my job and we helped each other. Making the decision to leave this position was not an easy one for me, and I will miss it greatly.

Now the good news: My new job will still be here at Trinity, the church I call home and the church I love to serve. I have been hired full-time to be the new Youth Director and I am very excited about this opportunity. I am looking forward to helping the youth of our church grow in their faith and in their relationships with one another. It will be a very different kind of ministry, and yet



I will be serving the same great church and the same great God! This church is filled with wonderful, caring people and I am looking forward to what lies ahead.

So with both my good news and bad news please understand that I am only here to serve and am doing what I feel God has called me to do. I have enjoyed my HEO job and all the people I have worked with. I have been continually amazed by all of my volunteers and their willingness to serve and help our members in need. As hard as it may be for me to leave this position, I am confident Trinity will find an excellent new HEO Coordinator and the ministry will continue as it has for years. I am also excited about my new job and getting to know the youth and their parents better. I am certain God has great things in store for us and I feel as though our youth have a lot to offer this church as well as others out in the community. So for me, it all seems related. It all makes sense. I hope you can understand and appreciate my heart for serving this church. Thank you for that opportunity!

April Youth news

Ryan Frack,
Interim Youth Director

Welcome new Youth Director!

We are pleased to announce that our search for a Youth Director has come to an



Kelly Rains

end! Kelly Rains, the current HEO coordinator, will officially start as our Youth Director on April 1.

She will be able to more fully introduce herself as the Youth Director in next month's **Tidings**. We look forward to the incredible ways in which God will use her to lead the youth group, and we also ask that you lift Kelly and her family up in your prayers as they make this transition together.

This is a very happy time for all of us, and we can't wait to see what awesome things God has in store for this youth group!

Don't miss Springtime Spaghetti lunch!

Friday and Saturday, March 30 and

31: Springtime Tallahassee

Lock-In at church (you will be working!) and Spaghetti Lunch for Springtime Tallahassee!!

(All those going on the Senior High Mission

Trip are required to work!)

Spaghetti Lunch tickets are on sale in

the welcome center on Sunday mornings,

and in the church office

Monday through

Friday, 8 a.m. - 5

p.m. PLEASE

support our Senior

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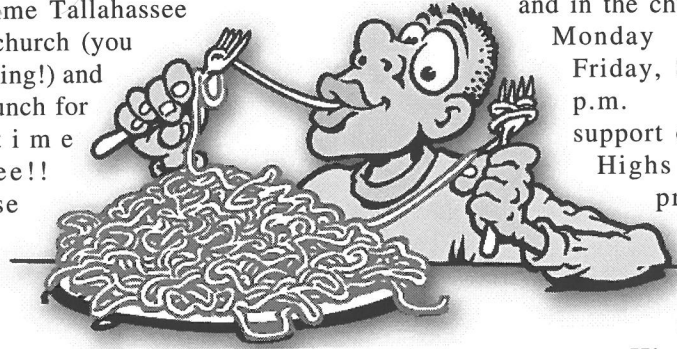
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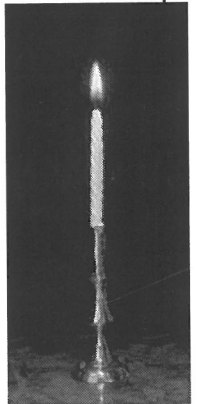
Upcoming Youth events in April

- April 1** Leesburg Scholarship applications are due - SALT meeting at 12 noon in the Gregory Room
- April 6** (Good Friday): Service of Shadows in Moor Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- April 8** (Easter): NO UMYF
- April 13** MercyMe, Audio Adrenaline concert (starts at 7 p.m.). We'll meet at the church at 6 p.m.
- April 15** Youth Council Meeting, 4:30 p.m. in the Sr. High room

Tenebrae Service Friday, April 6

Friday, April 6 - 7:30 p.m.

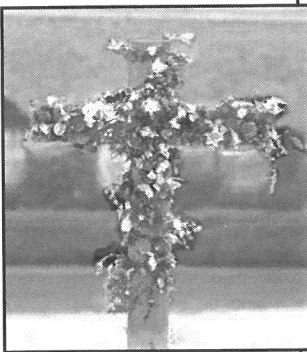
This wonderful Good Friday worship experience is led by Trinity youth. This is a contemplative service offering music and worship. Please join us for this meaningful experience as you prepare your heart for Easter Sunday.



Don't forget your flower on Easter

Trinity has a tradition of placing a flower brought from home into the cross in the courtyard. Families then take pictures in front of the cross on Easter morning.

So, make sure to bring your contribution to share with everyone at Trinity.



Children to carry palms for Palm Sunday

Mark your calendars now for Palm Sunday, April 1. Children in Sunday School classes from grades 1-5 will carry palm branches in the processional at the beginning of the 11 a.m. service. They will also present a special song that they have been practicing.

This has been a tradition at Trinity for many years now. Children should go to their regular Sunday School classroom. Once in class, they will practice their special song in the sanctuary.

After Sunday School, they will meet in

the Narthex (the lobby of the Sanctuary) at 10:50 a.m. Please remember that the children will not be wearing robes, so please have them dress accordingly.

Children in preschool and kindergarten Sunday School classes are also invited to carry palms. Since they don't know the song, they will not sing with the other children. Parents of these children are responsible for taking these children out of their

Sunday School classes and getting them to the Narthex by 10:50 a.m.



Busy April planned

Mark Repasky
Director of Music

April is a busy month for a number of the music groups at the church. It is the culmination of months-long preparation as we fulfill our primary calling: Leading our congregation in worship.

Chancel Choir

The April 5 Maundy Thursday service at 7:30 p.m. will of course include holy communion and stripping of the church. Unique to this service is the choir's presentation of "The Seven Last Words of Christ on the Cross" by Theodore DuBois.

This oratorio is quite evocative and involves continuous interplay of soloists, chorus and organ. Early on, DuBois really makes the angry crowd demanding Christ's death come alive. The interplay between Christ and the repentant thief on the cross touches the heart. The bass solo on the text "God, my Father, why hast Thou forsaken me?" truly conveys Christ's sense of abandonment. We are swept up in a cauldron of searing emotions as we contemplate Christ's final hours on the cross. Certainly this will prepare us for the joyous celebration of Easter just a few days hence!

Youth Choir and Handbells

Sunday, April 22 is Youth Music Sunday. Reverend Willis is preparing a special sermon on "Healing Hurting Hearts." The music will be mixed in with



Members of the Trinity orchestra performed on Music Ministry Sunday and were directed by Jack Crews.

the sermon that morning ... something different for our church! The 35 minutes of music from the Youth Choir and Youth

Handbells will include four choral numbers, congregational singing, a men's ensemble selection, and several duets. A



The Orff instrumentalists are a serious musical group who are very talented and extensively trained. They are, from left, Justice Merlau, April Bradley, Ella Smith, Ben Bryan, Alex Ingram, and Kathryn Crotty.



Members of one of the two Youth Praise Bands, "Faithful Sheep," prepare for Music Ministry Sunday that was held on February 18. From left, Vanessa Carey, Brittany Wood, Sara Beth Miller, Band Leader, Linzee Long, Mary Beth Wadill, John Cook, and Bob High.

variety of musical instruments will be featured including piano, flute, recorder, viola, Orff instruments, handbells, handchimes and rhythm instruments.

NETkids Choirs

Sunday April 29 is the day for our NETkids Musical "Heroes of the Faith." The children with their teacher visit a special museum where they learn about heroes of our faith. Five of the children carry most of the dialogue as they visit exhibits of prominent biblical characters: Moses, Deborah, Elijah and David. From each they learn key aspects of their (and our) faith. It's serious stuff, but with a humorous twist!

Easter egg hunt at Tom Brown Park

Tami Chandler
Children's Ministry Chair

The Children's Ministry Group is organizing a Trinity Easter Egg Hunt to be held on Saturday, April 7 from 10:00 a.m. - til at Tom Brown Park in the old playground area - look for the signs.

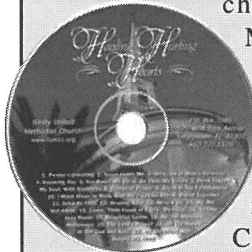
We would like to ask everyone



interested in attending to bring a dozen plastic Easter Egg's to be hidden for the children. Also, we will have a "picnic" potluck lunch. So, everyone will need to bring their own lunch goodies including drinks. Trinity will

Healing Hurting Hearts CD

Make sure to pick up your copy of the Healing Hurting Hearts CD at the church office

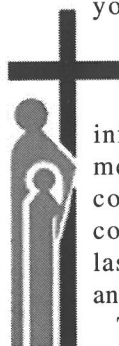


Monday-Friday from 8-5, at the Wednesday night dinner check-in table, or in the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings. If you can't pick one up, call the church office at 222-1120 and a staff member will be happy to mail one to you.

provide papergoods and ice. We hope to have a large turnout and make this an annual event! If there are any questions, please feel free to contact either Barbara Hynes at Trinity or me at 766-2643.

Fifth Sunday offering to The Florida UMC Children's Home

When you provide financially for the Children's Home, the interests and well-being of deserving children, youth and families are addressed in vital Christian ministry.



Through this Home, the influences of God's tender mercies and noble human compassion powerfully combine and intervene to lasting benefit, preserving and transforming life.

The Children's Home has many attractive giving plans.

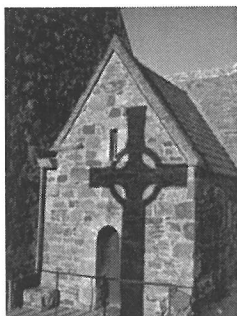
For more information, please call (386) 668-4774 or visit their website at www.fumch.org.

Rev. Hynes to speak at UMW luncheon

Linda Yates

Rev. Barbara Hynes will speak at the April 3 meeting of United Methodist

Women about her recent spiritual retreat to Iona, an island of the Inner Hebrides, Scotland, site of a monastery established by St. Columba in 563. The program will also feature the annual observance of prayer and self denial.

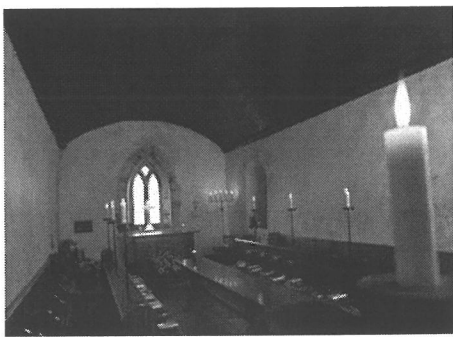


This is a shrine to Iona monastery founder, St. Columba.

The luncheon meeting will begin at 11:45 a.m.

in Moor Hall and is expected to end before 1 p.m. in time for working women to return to their offices after lunch. All women of the church are invited.

Reservations should be made by Friday, March 30, by calling the church office at 222-1120.



Candlelight and solitude describe the Michael Chapel on Iona.

UMW Executive Committee will meet at 10:45 that morning in the conference room.

UMW circles set meetings

Circle 1 will meet Monday, April 9, at 10 a.m., at the home of Carol Moore, 3871 W. Millers Bridge Road.

Circle 2 will meet at 12:45 p.m., Tuesday, April 3, in the church parlor.

Circle 3, the Martha Circle, will meet at 10 a.m., Tuesday, April 17, at the home of Virginia Cook, 9709 Moccasin Gap Road.

Circle 4, the Aultie Foster Circle, will meet at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, April 10, in the church library.

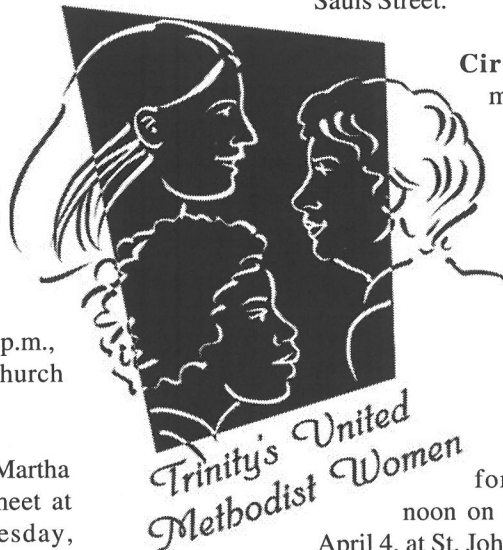
Circle 5 will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 12, at the home of Christy Crotty, 1503 Sauls Street.

Circle 6 will meet at 6 p.m., Monday, April 9, at the home of Julie Pararo, 2104 Randolph Circle.

Circle 8 will meet for lunch at noon on Wednesday, April 4, at St. John's Cafe.

Circle 9 will meet Tuesday, April 17, at 10 a.m. at the home of Ann Booth, 902 Blackwood Avenue.

Recently organized **Circle 10** is now meeting monthly. Call Dawn Long at 539-4889 for time and place.



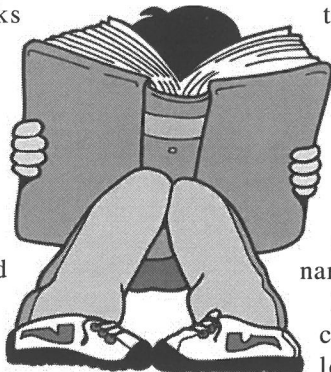
Kate Sullivan book drive

Jane Olson

Kate Sullivan Reading Mentor Coordinator

As the new **Kate Sullivan Library Media Center** nears completion, we at Trinity have a unique opportunity to contribute to our partner school's students' education by expanding the number of books available to them. We are asking you to donate any amount toward the purchase of new library books. Your contribution will cover the cost of a library quality book and the Accelerated Reader (AR) test which accompanies the text. The average cost of a library bound book, the AR test, and cataloging is between \$20 and \$25.

Any amount will be greatly appreciated and our church's name will be placed on a permanent bookplate inside the cover. What a lasting gift to these hard working students and this outstanding school!



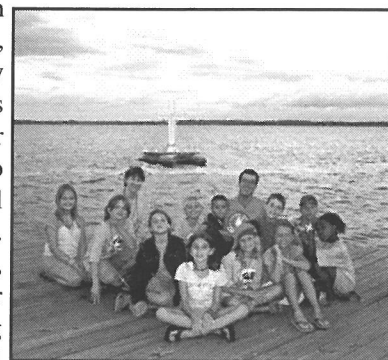
Checks may be made payable to **KSE PTA - books** and put in an envelope marked for **Kate Sullivan books**. You can then place the designated envelope in with the Sunday offering or simply mail to the church office at: Trinity United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1086, Tallahassee, FL 32302. We will collect throughout the months of February/March and keep you apprised of the number of books procured in Trinity's name.

Let's help expand the children's opportunities to learn and consider inviting others to donate as well.

Contribution forms and further details about how to designate books are available at www.sullivan.leon.fl.us or at the front office of the school. Additional information can be obtained by contacting Hal and Roxi Beardall at 422-3352 or by emailing them at nelhal2@yahoo.com.

Easter offering goes to camp scholarships

Each year, Trinity donates its Easter offering to a special purpose. This year, after gaining approval



from the Church Council, that purpose will be Leesburg camp scholarships for our children and youth.

These scholarships give our children and youth an opportunity to experience the power of faith in a safe and nurturing environment. The camp has been the catalyst for spiritual growth for many of Trinity's children and youth.

The campers are led by team members and adults who are dedicated to sharing their own faith journey. Please give generously to this wonderful cause.

Lay Academy has something for everyone

Another session of Lay Academy is about to start. This session will begin April 25 and conclude on

May 9. There

will be two different meeting times at 4:15 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with dinner between sessions at

5:30 p.m. Don't miss this opportunity to learn something new and meet some new people in your church.

Women's Bible Study 4:15 & 6:30
"What Happens When Women Walk in Faith"

Leader: Pat Willis

Travel Series 4:15 & 6:30 p.m.

Coordinator: Lora Chapman

April 18 Hiking adventures

6:30-7:00 **Slovenia** with Cherie Rowland
7:00-7:30 **Loire Valley** with Lora Chapman

April 25 Visiting Vietnam
6:30-7:30 with Jim Ashlock

May 2 Post-Glasnost Russia
6:30-7:30 with Carroll Dadisman

May 9 Central American Travel and Missions
6:30-7:00 **Guatemalan Mission Trip** with FSU Wesley Foundation
7:00-7:30 **A Mexican Christmas** with Kitty and Jim Ball

In the Beginning: 6:30 p.m. "Exploring ideas about how we and our earth came to be."
Coordinator: Liz Smith

April 18 "Charles Darwin's Origin of Species: Aged 148 years old, is it on life support?"

DR. MICHAEL RUSE

Professor of Philosophy - FSU

April 25 "Evolution and Design: The Real (and Imagined) Challenges to Darwinian Evolution"

DR. JOSEPH TRAVIS

Dean, Dept. Biological Sciences - FSU

May 2 "The Creation of the World according to the Hebrew Bible"

DR. MATTHEW GOSS

Assistant Professor

Dept. of Religion - FSU

May 9 "From 'Apemen' to 'Hobbits': The Fossil Record of Human Evolution"

DR. DEAN FALK

Professor and Chair

Dept. of Anthropology - FSU

Men's Group 6:30 p.m.

Coordinator: Chip Huggins

Vacation Bible School

Preparation 6:30 p.m.

Coordinator: Barbara Hynes

Coffee House 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Coffee and tea are available in Moor Hall. You are welcome to gather in the parlor or interior courtyard for fellowship.



New members join in March

A very large group of new members joined Trinity in March. The newest members joined on March 18 at the 11 o'clock service. Please make sure to welcome them when you see them at church.

Breck and Lauren Brannen have a 10 month-old daughter, Anna Britton. Lauren's parents, Phil and Barbara Brown, are members of Trinity. Breck and Lauren met at Auburn University. Breck is an attorney and partner in the law firm of Pennington, Moore, Wilkinson, Bell & Dunbar, P.A. Lauren enjoys horseback riding, gardening, and spending time with family.

Sherrie Clark moved to Tallahassee from College Station, Texas where she attended Texas A&M. She is employed by SYSCO Food Services - Jacksonville, Inc.

Michael and Allison Corrigan. Michael is employed by Dodson and Sons Construction. Allison is a teacher at Springwood Elementary School. Michael joined from another denomination and Allison joined by certificate of transfer from Kendall UMC in Miami.

Hillary Grimes has lived in Tallahassee since 2003. She is currently an FSU Law student and hopes to graduate this Spring. Her goal is to pursue a career in criminal litigation. She, along with fiancé, Eric Ryan, volunteer with **ComForT**.

Scott Maphis' wife, Jennifer, and his mother-in-law, Jan Sheffield, are Trinity members. He works as an Assistant Grocery Manager for Publix. Scott enjoys duck hunting, training dogs, and playing harmonica.

Ray and Nancy Pond moved to Tallahassee 2 years ago after retiring from the family

business, a Benjamin Moore Paint store in Delray Beach. Ray likes to travel and Nancy enjoys traveling and family history. They have two daughters who also joined. **Laura Pond** works for Suntrust and **Kerry Pond** works for the Florida Department of State.

Dan and Jennifer Rackley have a daughter, Rae, who is 2. They have just recently moved to Tallahassee from Winston-Salem. Dan is a urologist at Southeastern Urology Center.

Jennifer is a part-time physical therapist at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital and also cares for their daughter Rae.

Eric Ryan is a graduate of FSU and currently works for Florida Department of Education. He is

engaged to be married in April to new Trinity member, Hillary Grimes. He has lived in Tallahassee for 11 years and volunteers for **ComForT (Companions For Therapy)**, a pet therapy group with his trained therapy dog, Buell.

Richard Wise owns **wiseOutlook** an IT staffing, management consulting, project management and application development company. He heard about Trinity from a friend.



April's "Change" goes to the Shelter

Ron Hock
Church and Society Ministry Co-Chair

Hopefully the "Change the City" program has become a fixture here at Trinity. However, there may be a few members who may be unfamiliar with the program so please excuse this brief explanation.

The "Change the City" program was created to provide a vehicle whereby the membership could contribute that loose pocket "change" to a worthwhile organization. Collection receptacles are

located by the front door of the church in the Narthex, in Moor Hall, and in the altar area exit of the sanctuary. Trinity's Church and Society ministries team is responsible for monitoring this program and selecting the recipients of the monthly collection.

The recipient of April's change will be Meals for the Shelter. A small dedicated group of Trinity members prepare, provide, and serve food on two Monday nights a month and on a fifth Monday night for those certain months.

Participating in this "Change the City" program is just an easy way for Trinity members to further demonstrate that Trinity is a church that has a "Heart for the City" and will assist in "Healing Hurting Hearts."

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