



TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
Summer 2012 (June, July, August & September)

# The WORD

*Quarterly Newsletter*

## Letter from the Senior Pastor

Dear Trinity,

Welcome to Summer issue of *The Word*. If you're traveling for part or all of the summer, this is a great way to feel and be connected.

JUNE - a month of Transitions. We say farewell to Beth Haines, DJ Head and Rev. Monique McBride as they transition to the next chapters in their lives. We welcome Kim Lewerenz who will be doing some of Beth's duties with adult ministries, Donna City who has already been leading worship at the 9:40 service (and she appreciates your feedback) and will go on tour with Sonlight for the first leg of the tour. She is looking forward to a great start up for Sonlight in the Fall - help spread the word that it's going to be great! Rev. Monique will be relocating to the Ft. Lauderdale area where she can be in ministry and Ryan can return to his love of chartering boats.

JULY - a month of Mission Trips: ASP (Appalachian Service Projects - for almost 30 years Trinity has been a leader in this important work, and has hugely impacted the lives of our young people in the process. In addition, we welcome two outstanding Preachers to Trinity. On July 8, Trinity's own Rev. Jan Richardson, and her husband, Garrison Doles, will be here to preach and provide music, respectively. If you saw Jan when she was here for one of the Wed nights in Lent, you witnessed the most impressive, inspiring, artistic portrayal of the liturgy of Holy Communion ever, as Jan signed the liturgy so beautifully. If at all

possible, you will want to be in worship on July 8. On July 15, Trinity member for his four years at UF, Rev/Dr. Darren McClellan, husband of the incomparable Kristi Kish of Trinity, will be preaching. Darren preached here on Christmas Day this past year and many of you asked if he could return. We're delighted that he will be back with us. And our own Troy Holloway will preach on July 22.

AUGUST - a month of Start Up, when things really begin to crank back up at Trinity. We have set our theme for the 2012-2013 year as "First Things First," based on Matthew 6:33 - "Seek God's Kingdom First." In August, we will begin our Fall focus: Loving Like Jesus - "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength, and your neighbor as yourself" with a special focus on healthy living with a holistic approach of our heart (emotions), soul, mind and strength (bodies). Our Wednesday night programs, several Sunday School classes and other small groups will be centering their studies around this as well.

Oh, and one more thing, August also marks Jan and my 40th wedding anniversary, and we'll be taking a little trip away for a few days in there.

Thanks for all you do to make Trinity such a welcoming, special place. Christ is counting on you, and I'm so glad for your many expressions of faithfulness.

Love and Prayers, Dan



**Missions** - Andrew Pridgen, 416-3043 or  
([Missions@TrinityGnv.org](mailto:Missions@TrinityGnv.org))

**HELP THE HOMELESS:** If you're interested in helping the local homeless population, an easy way to start is with the next Sunday cookout. We'll be cooking, serving and cleaning up for an afternoon cookout meal for the homeless population downtown. For more information, contact Susan Horne 416-3037 or ([SHorne@TrinityGnv.org](mailto:SHorne@TrinityGnv.org)) or sign up here: ([signupgenius.com/go/8050B48A8AC229-first2](http://signupgenius.com/go/8050B48A8AC229-first2)).

**FLORIDA UNITED METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME:** Plans are underway for the expansion of the FUMCH to a north FL location. Trinity is excited to be involved with the outreach/awareness and building aspects of the new venture. In addition to the services offered at the Enterprise location, the new site will have the ability to offer activities such as equine (horse) assisted psychotherapy, canoeing, archery and more. If you would like more information about the FUMCH Madison Youth Ranch please contact Andrew Pridgen or Susan Horne 416-3037 or ([SHorne@TrinityGnv.org](mailto:SHorne@TrinityGnv.org)).

**LIVING WATER INTERNATIONAL:** We've scheduled LWI mission trips through 2015. Consider going or sponsoring another to go on one of these life changing trip. Check out the Trinity website ([www.TrinityGnv.org](http://www.TrinityGnv.org)) for details.

**SUMMER SERVICE DAY:** Summer is a time of travel and rest but we encourage your family to stay involved. Why not start a new family tradition? Contact the Missions Department for more information. The following groups can use assistance as you're available:

- KIDS COUNT- Wednesdays, 2:00-4:00 pm literacy program
- ST. FRANCIS HOUSE - serve breakfast or lunch
- HELPING HANDS CLINIC - medical/social worker/college & high school students - Mondays, 5:00-7:00 pm and Thursdays, 3:00-7:00 pm
- CATHOLIC CHARITIES - Wednesday mornings sort/bag food for outlying counties
- HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - has construction on-going projects.

**Stewardship** - Troy Holloway, 416-3001 or  
([THolloway@TrinityGnv.org](mailto:THolloway@TrinityGnv.org))

**FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY:** The next 13-week session will begin Thursday night, September 6, at 6:00 pm. Cost for the course is \$100 per household. Upon request, some funds are available for partial scholarships. Look for more details in early August.

**GOOD PLANNING:** As adults we are never too young to begin our estate planning. Many people when doing their planning will include their church or other favorite charities as one of the beneficiaries of their estate. Some very generous and thoughtful people have put Trinity in their will or living trust helping assure a great future for the church. These gifts can be designated for specific ministries or can be left undesignated so the church can use the funds where they are most needed. If you would like to explore leaving Trinity in your will or any other type of planned gift, contact Troy Holloway.

**FALL WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMS:** Beginning September 5 the dinners will be served from 5:30 until 6:15 and the program will start at 6:30 pm. The series will last five weeks and will be centered on holistic health, a subject we all should be interested in. We will explore ways to be healthy in body, mind and spirit. Be sure to make reservations for the meals and programs as we get closer to time for them to begin.

**THINK SMALL - FIND YOUR SMALL GROUP AT TRINITY:** Have you found a Sunday School class to participate in? We offer classes at 9:40 and 11:00 am each Sunday. New classes will be starting this fall if you would like to join one of these classes or you can attend one of the many classes already offered. You can find the *Think Small* booklets at the Information Center in the Sanctuary or literature racks throughout the Education Building.

**ONLINE GIVING:** It is now possible for you to donate to Trinity online or on your smartphone. For more information, visit ([www.trinitygnv.org/giving](http://www.trinitygnv.org/giving)).

**Evangelism & Membership** - David Allen Jr., 416-3009 or ([DAllen@TrinityGnv.org](mailto:DAllen@TrinityGnv.org))

**MEMBERSHIP:** If you aren't a member yet, we invite you to prayerfully consider becoming a member today. If you need more information about Trinity UMC in making this decision, there is a perfect class just for you, which is called Intro To Trinity. This is our orientation class, we offer three weeks out of each month to prepare individuals for membership. The 3-part orientation is offered each Sunday at 9:40 am and 11:00 am, rm. 212 and introduces newcomers and refreshes current members by addressing core tenets of our faith. For registration or more information, call Carmen Nelson at 416-3004 or email her at ([CNelson@TrinityGnv.org](mailto:CNelson@TrinityGnv.org)).

**INTRO TO TRINITY INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:**

**WEEK ONE:** John Wesley/ Founder of Methodism, Theology of Grace, Prevenient Grace, Justification, Sanctification, Salvation

**WEEK TWO:** The Church as Mission, Discipleship/ What does it mean to be a disciple today? Baptism, Holy Trinity

**WEEK THREE:** Spiritual Gifts, Gifts Inventory, Trinity Ministries, Mission Opportunities

**OUR NEXT JOINING DATES ARE:** July 8, August 19, September 16, October 14 & November 11.  
\*Please note that dates are subject to change

Please be sure to sign up for one of the dates to become a member today. We would love to say to you "Welcome Home!"



**THE ALPHA COURSE:** You are welcome & invited to enjoy dinner and a movie. The course lasts for eleven consecutive, Thursday evenings (August 30 – November 15) in the Trinity UMC, Banquet Hall. ALPHA PREVIEW is August 30, week one thru ten is September 6 – November 8, ALPHA WEEKEND AWAY is October 26 & 27 and the ALPHA DINNER PARTY is November 15. Register online at ([TrinityGnv.org](http://TrinityGnv.org)), email ([Alpha@TrinityGnv.org](mailto:Alpha@TrinityGnv.org)) or call Church Office (352) 376-6615. Adult Meal: \$6.00 suggested donation. Children's Meal: Free for kids 6 years and younger. Child Care provided.

**Stepping Stones** - Jan Banks, 416-3073 or ([JBanks@TrinityGnv.org](mailto:JBanks@TrinityGnv.org))

**PRESCHOOL:** Thursday, August 30 is the open house and school begins on Tuesday, September 4 & Wednesday, September 5. For more information, contact Jan Banks.

**TrinityKids** - Monique McBride, 416-3045 or ([MMcbride@TrinityGnv.org](mailto:MMcbride@TrinityGnv.org))

**SUMMERTIME FUN SUMMER CAMP:** June 25– August 9, Mondays-Thursdays, 9:00 am–1:00 pm, \$375 per child

**BAPTISM ORIENTATIONS:** Second Sunday of every month at 11:30 am



Youth - Julie Mishoe, 416-3011 or  
(JMishoe@TrinityGnv.org)

## JUNE

- **June 12-14** – Sonlight Bootcampz
- **Friday, June 15** – High School 5Q (rising 9th graders are invited!), 8:00 pm to Midnight
- **Sunday, June 17** – Sonlight Send-off Concert, 6:30 pm in the Worship Center
- **June 18 – 27** – Sonlight Tour
- **Wednesday, June 20** – Lunch Bunch/ GSP, 12:00 to 4:00 pm
- **Wednesday, June 27** – Lunch Bunch/ GSP, 12:00 to 4:00 pm

## JULY

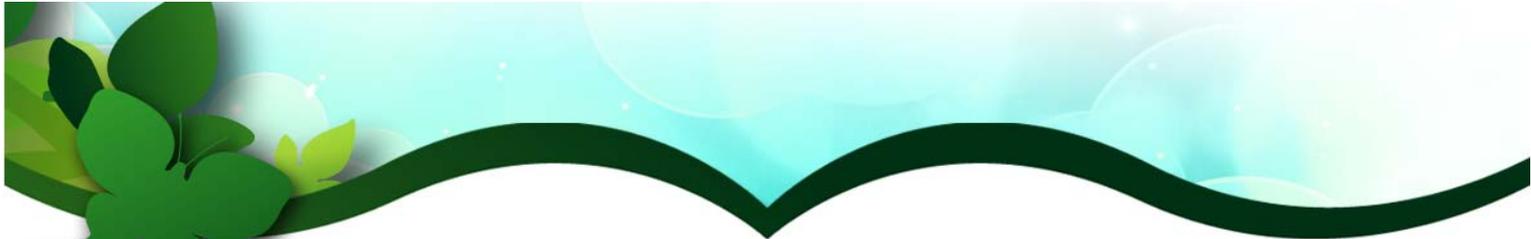
- **July 3** – Sonlight Listening Party, 4:00 pm – All youth are invited to help pick Sonlight songs for the coming year. Dinner will be provided at 6:00 pm.
- **July 5-7** – Y'all Retreat
- **Sunday, July 8** – Mission Trip T-shirt Decorating Party, 5:30 to 7:30 pm in the YB, Bring a shirt and \$5 for dinner and supplies | 7:30 pm – Last ASP/Team Effort Meeting
- **Wednesday, July 11** – Lunch Bunch/ GSP, 12:00 to 4:00pm | Spaghetti Dinner, 5:30 pm in the Worship Center, Benefits Youth Summer Missions (Drive Thru starts at 5:00 pm)
- **Friday, July 13** – ASP Packing Party, 5:00 to 7:00 pm
- **July 14 to 21** – ASP (High School Mission Trip)
- **July 15 to 21** – TEAM Effort (Middle School Mission Trip)
- **Sunday, July 22** – Church-wide Missions Potluck, 12:00 pm in the Worship Center
- **Wednesday, July 25** – Lunch Bunch/ GSP, 12:00 to 4:00 pm | ASP/Team Effort Ice Cream Social, 6:00 pm in the YB
- **Saturday, July 28** – Hawthorne Trail Biking
- **Sunday, July 29** – Sonlight Music Listening Night, 5:30 to 7:30 pm in the YB, \$2 – All youth are invited to help Sonlight pick songs for next year.

PROMOTION SUNDAY: July 1 on this Sunday, all kids move up a grade!

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL: Water themed Summer Sunday School, 9:40 am & 11:00 am throughout the Summer!

### LIST OF EVENTS:

- **June 17** VBS Setup Day
- **June 18-22** VBS
- **June 24** VBS Kids singing
- **June 25** Summertime Fun Begins
- **June 25** Crosstrainers Begins
- **July 1** Promotion Sunday
- **July 30** Dance Camp Begins
- **August 26** Fall Kickoff
- **August 29** Rejoice! & CHEERS Begin



## General Announcements

TRINITY BOOKSTORE is located in the Atrium on the first floor of the Education Building, This is a place to pick up your favorite book, enjoy a cup of coffee and relax in our Atrium. The Bookstore is staffed by a group of wonderful volunteers who are here to serve you. Hours are Sundays 9:00 am-1:00 pm and Wednesdays 9:00 am-7:00 pm (hours are subject to change based on Wednesday activities). Would you like to visit our Bookstore on other days? Contact Kim Lewerenz, 416-3074 or ([KLewerenz@TrinityGnv.org](mailto:KLewerenz@TrinityGnv.org)).

PRAYER & CHAPEL: The Chapel is a wonderful place, a quiet place. A place for prayer and meditation. It is open each Sunday as well as during the week. For more information, contact Jim Cook at 416-3036 or ([JCook@TrinityGnv.org](mailto:JCook@TrinityGnv.org)).

If you would like to begin receiving the weekly electronic newsletter, THE TUESDAY WORD, or Dr. Johnson's weekday Bible study, THE DAILY SCRIPTURE EMAIL, contact Nancy Jordan at 416-3005 or ([NJordan@TrinityGnv.org](mailto:NJordan@TrinityGnv.org)).

If you are interested in learning more about interment at TRINITY'S MEMORIAL GARDEN, contact Nancy Jordan at 416-3005 or ([NJordan@TrinityGnv.org](mailto:NJordan@TrinityGnv.org)).

IN JULY, THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED EVERY FRIDAY.

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