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Trinity Women



Service Day Projects



Tuesday, April 11 at 10:00 am, Mastin Room

Gathering & Sending Prayer: Rev. Judy Oguich

Trinity United Methodist Women will participate in various projects during the April meeting; some within the walls of Trinity and others beyond our facility into the community. You can choose from creating bead bracelets for UMFS prom participants; writing notes to homebound members and Crossover Staff; assembling snack bags for students and health and toiletry bags for Mattaponi Clinic; cleaning, dusting, and vacuuming specific areas of our church; visiting the Hermitage; and possibly making deliveries for the Trinity Stitchers group.

Everyone is encouraged to attend and help with the various projects listed above. This is a great opportunity to create items for others, make deliveries, and freshen the worship spaces throughout the church. **We will gather at 10 am in the Mastin Room. Bring a friend! Can we count you IN? There will be a Board meeting at 9 am in the Mastin Room.**

Mission Donations: (Collection containers will be in the Mastin Room)

- **For UMFS Plant Sale 5/10 (9am -3pm):** clear glass containers for succulent terrariums or colorful ceramic ones for dish gardens, 10-12 inch terra cotta pots, lined floral baskets
- **Sherbourne Food Pantry:** canned goods and fresh produce, snacks (cheese, fruit, veggies) for pantry staff
- **UMFS Birthday Bags:** deck of cards, pocket calculator, pen, pencils, erasers, tissues, highlighters, small games, note pads 5"x8", small Word Find pads, and small puzzles

Circle 4

Circle 4 hosted a brunch for the church staff and collected donations for the UMFS backpack program. The Rev. McGhee spoke about the significance of prayer beads and how to use the beads during our times of prayer. We assembled a set to take home.

Circle 5

Circle 5 will take part in the UMW Service Day on April 11.

Circle 9

Circle 9 met on March 13 at Trinity. Betty Allen gave a Lenten program on the cross. After the meeting several members went to lunch and visited those at the Hermitage.

Circle 10

In March, Circle 10 had 22 members present to hear Bryce Miller talk about his life, faith journey, and exciting plans for Trinity's youth. We will meet on April 6, at Susie Hildebrand's at 7 pm. Kika Husejnovic from Church World Services will be the guest speaker.



Trinity United Methodist Women

For more information about the UMW, contact Mary Hetzel at 282-5872 or hetzelmary@comcast.net.

You can also visit: www.trinityumc.net/umw

Treasurer Tidbits

The Trinity UMW Call to Prayer Service on March 14 was both informative and inspirational, addressing issues related to abundant health for women and children. UMW members generously contributed to the offering and we collected over \$1,000 to be used for the direct health benefit of women and children in need. However, if the weather prevented you from attending the service, there is still time to donate. You may mail a check to Shari Adams, UMW Treasurer, or leave a check in her mailbox in the church office.

Also, Shari is still accepting pledges from circle members, and we hope to reach our goal of \$3,426 which was budgeted for 2017. Please let Shari or me know, if you have any questions.

Pat Satterfield
Assistant Treasurer



LET'S GET GOING!!



1 book, 2 books
Read a new, exciting book!
3 books, 4 books
Read a book and learn to cook!
5 books, 6 books
Do your reading on a Nook!
7 books, 8 books
See how little time it took!
9 books, 10 books
YEAH! Turn in your progress and get a reward for reading books!

Don't forget to start working on your reading goal this winter. The colder weather makes it nice to sit by the fire and start reading about others around the world. Choose a book about **Social Action** and learn how you can affect others around the world by your choices. Or choose a book from the **Nurturing for Community** category and see how you can help others right around you. **Education for Mission** books can help you grow closer to the church and its outreach missions. **Leadership Development** might show you strengths you never knew you had and help you to grow as a Methodist Woman. And **Spiritual Growth** might strengthen you in time of tribulation. There is something for everyone in these categories. Be sure to read the Response and New World Outlook magazines also to complete your reading goal this year. Let us acquire at least one new reader from every church in our district this year. And why not let it be YOU?
Copied from Spring Word UMW publication.

There are many books available in the church library, so visit it soon and check-out a book! After you complete reading, please take time to complete one of the questionnaire sheets located on the UMW shelf. Contact Jean Duke or Sandy Cain with questions or suggestions.

Special Mission Recognition

It's time once again to submit nominees for the Special Mission Recognition. Please take a moment to look at your Circle and UMW friends and remember all of the wonderful things they do to bless our church family with Christian service. You need not write a formal letter. Notes and bullet points are most acceptable. Notes of recommendation need to be emailed or mailed to Stacy Campbell at stacy.campbell20@verizon.net by May 31.



Donations for Oak Grove Camp

The YMCA is collecting swimsuits, goggles, and swim caps for youth in the YMCA's Oak-Grove summer day camps. Over the years, they have found the need is significant. Donations can be given to Bob Argabright.

Gifts in Memory

A gift to the UMW National Mission Institutions was given in memory of Carolyn Foster (Circle 3) and Tina Owen (Circle 2). Each of their families received a card notifying them of this donation in their loved ones' memory.



Creative Hands Working to Provide Comfort to Many!

Trinity Stitchers had 10 members present on our workday, on Thursday, March 16. There was a lot of sewing, cutting, sorting, and of course conversation. Our talented group of women amazingly take pieces of fabric and create one-of-a-kind items that we share with others that need encouragement and joy in their lives.

Last month, we received two rolling carts for our sewing closet and organized our space more efficiently. The carts provide extra storage and easier access to items stored on the closet shelves. The arrangement definitely helped our workday go smoother and makes it much easier to get to items needed.

Donations continue to come our way and keep the group energized. In addition to the lap quilts and prayer shawls, we create tote bags for UMCOR, baby slings for the Honduras mission trip each year, special tote bags for individuals, pillows, plus provide sewing skills to other groups in the church that need assistance.

We need others who enjoy knitting or crocheting to help create some prayer shawls. We have patterns available and encourage you to consider helping in this ministry.

This active group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month in Room 323 from 9:00 am until 2:30-3:00 pm. (Often we get involved in a project and stay longer.) We encourage you to join us for whatever time you can. We bring our lunch and share a devotion and business related to the group's activities at that time. Even if you don't sew, we can use your hands to help with ironing, sorting, selecting fabrics or designing a quilt top. Once you attend one of our workdays, you will be looking forward to the next one to be engaged with women of great faith and creative energy. We hope to see you soon – we need YOU!

Janet Hill (Granhill4@aol.com or 741-4394)



A special "designer" bag was created for Rev. Judy Oguich for all the encouragement and assistance she provides our group. Thanks, Judy!

Interfaith Council of Greater Richmond (ICGR) News



The ICGR 50th annual banquet and awards ceremony were held on February 16, 2017, to celebrate the winners from over 50 Richmond-area high schools of the Brotherhood/Sisterhood Youth Awards. The first-place winner of the essay contest is . . . Arayana Harris, a senior at Varina High School. Arayana and the other contestants responded to the essay prompt, "How can a community reflect and sustain understanding, respect, cooperation and love? Provide examples." Arayana's essay and those of several runners-up were posted in late February on ICGR's Facebook page by Sharon Coley Clayton. You are invited to visit the FB page and read these inspiring essays.

Trinity UMW was represented at the Brotherhood/Sisterhood ceremony by Wendy Floyd and Carol Wampler, who delivered dinner from Chick-fil-A to the high-school choir members performing at the ceremony, and then ushered attendees to their seats in River Road Church Baptist's sanctuary. Lynn Johnson, who was one of the leaders of the ICGR event, spotted Carol's Trinity nametag and remarked that she has participated in our Honduras medical mission trip.

ICGR appreciated our UMW's financial contribution in support of the award's dinner and ceremony. Thank you for your support of ICGR and its mission of interfaith respect and cooperation.

Thank You Notes

Oak-Grove Elementary School:

I understand your last basketball game has been played for this year's Upward Basketball Program. We are humbled to have been a part of your ministry and outreach this season! Please know that the items you have collected have benefited Oak Grove-Bellemeade Elementary and our community so much. Such a significant donation of hats, gloves, and socks means that over 400 students received at least one item this winter season. The collection of toothbrushes and toothpaste were shared at an evening Literacy event for our Kindergarten students and families and again with our 5th graders as part of their Moving On Graduation activities. The remaining toiletry items will be shared as needed throughout the school year. The belts and school supplies are a constant need here and are distributed each day. On behalf of our staff, students, families and this entire community, thank you so much for including us in your ministry this year! We are so grateful for your partnership and support. - Mary W. Valenza, Site Coordinator, Oak-Grove ES, Communities in Schools of Richmond

McCabe Family:

Thank you so very much for the gift in honor of Dad to the mission work of the UMC. Trinity has been such a loving and supportive community to my family. We will forever be thankful. - Allison McCabe O'Brien for the McCabe Family

Trinity's Children Ministry:

Thank you so much for remembering Children's Ministry with your most generous \$250 gift. We will thankfully put the funds to good use for Trinity's Mission Kids and Vacation Bible School. We appreciate so much that the United Methodist Women have been great supports of Trinity's Children's Ministry. Trinity UMW and other supporters make it possible for Trinity's children to learn of God's great love, to grow in their faith and to broaden their understanding of mission and service. It is amazing to witness the wonder, energy and capability of the children and a great joy to be working in Children's Ministry. - Leila Denton

Honduras Mission Team:

On behalf of Friends of Barnabas Foundation, our sincere thanks to the UMW's gift of \$250 to the Trinity Mountain Medical Team. Your support is much appreciated. - Kirk Spitzer, FOBF Board

Patsy Hallett:

Thank you so much for your contribution to the Massey Cancer Center in memory of Bruce. He was very impressed with the work at the Center and wanted it to grow and prosper. It was an ideal way to remember him. Many thanks also for all of your support during this sad time. Bruce's family has been so pleased with the interaction involving Trinity. I have been both proud and grateful. All of you have made things much easier. - Patsy Hallett

Call to Prayer Service

A Call to Prayer and Self Denial service was held in the Chapel on March 14. The guest speaker was Rev. Kendra Grimes.

