

UPCOMING SERMONS FOR AUGUST 2019

First off (if anyone noticed), my apologies for sharing an incorrect order of messages for the worship series we're currently in—"40 Days with Jesus: A Spiritual Adventure." We've been through the 'High Cost of Following Jesus,' 'Jesus on Problems,' 'Jesus on Success,' and 'Jesus on Justice.' This month, here's how we'll wrap up this series:

August 4 – JESUS ON COMPASSION – Matthew 5:7

August 11 – JESUS ON PURITY – Matthew 5:8

August 18 – JESUS ON PEACE – Matthew 5:9

August 25 – LIVING LIFE WITH JESUS – Matthew 5:10-16

Don't miss out on digging deeper into our faith together this summer! Again, not for the casual pew-warmer! We'll be discovering more about *the real Jesus*—the Jesus of the Bible—together... *Pastor Rom*



GOING TO CHURCH...

"And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near."

Hebrew 10:25 (NLT)

Dear Trinity family,

From the SEVEN PROMISES we make when we come into membership, let's continue to look at the 6th—what we actually *do* in the local church as a member. It reads: To faithfully participate in its ministries by our prayers, *our presence*, our gifts, our service, and our witness. While we touched on the topic of 'our presence' back in June, let's revisit it once more as we go through the list of promises made.

The writer of Hebrews, once again, reminds us to 'not neglect our meeting together' (see above). But, why go to church? That's a question I'm often confronted with and have to wrestle with myself. The fact is, I know Christians who attend church regularly and I know those who don't. And while church attendance may not affect your salvation, it was God's great hope for his people and the absence of it can hinder spiritual growth (discipleship). And that's the point. As United Methodists, we're not just to make believers; we're to make disciples of Jesus Christ (our mission), which assumes some disciplines to help us grow in our faith. So, why go to church—as one of those disciplines? Let me offer some thoughts on this—since it's one of the promises we make in joining the United Methodist Church.

To begin, we have to start with an understanding of the definition of 'church.' For some, it's *a building*; for those who define church biblically, however, it's *people*. The #1 definition from the Bible would be ... *the Body of Christ*—a local assembly of a group of believers. In 1 Corinthians 1:2, the Apostle Paul greets the church there with these words: "I am writing to God's church in Corinth, to you who have been called by God to be his own holy people...." So, the church is a group of people or assembly who are 'set apart for God's purposes' (i.e. holy).

Next, biblically speaking, the church is sometimes called *a body of living, individual believers*. When Paul preaches the Gospel early on, he talks about how he persecuted the church and attempted to destroy it (Galatians 1:13; 1 Corinthians 15:9). In both these cases, the church is being defined as *a body of living people*.

Finally, the church is defined as a universal group of all people who have trusted Christ through the ages—something done collectively. In Jesus own words (Matthew 16:18), he told Peter: "Now I say to you that you are Peter (which means 'rock'), and upon this rock I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it." From these examples, we can see church is not something we do individually; it is something we do collectively. It's a very important aspect of Christian life that's not just something you do by yourself; it's something we do together with other people. Biblically, the church is the 'family of God.' And it's where we learn (and grow) to be disciples together.

Since our job as United Methodist Churches is to 'make disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world,' it's important we teach about what that looks like. To be a disciple of Jesus Christ means you gather with the church—the Body of Christ, a body of living, individual believers, and

a group who's trusted Christ through the ages. When we become a member of a local church, this is what we're agreeing to be a part of. 'Meeting together', as the writer of Galatians calls it, is what we Christ-followers do! That's the way we grow ... together. And I'm telling you right now, God has and will do some amazing things as we 'meet together.' We don't want anyone to miss out on what God's going to do when we gather. We care that much! Won't you join us?

Working together to make this Body stronger,

Pastor Rom

UPCOMING MEMBERSHIP CLASS

We will be offering a membership class this fall, either for those desiring to officially join Trinity United Methodist Church as their local congregation or for anyone wanting to brush up on the privileges/responsibilities of their own membership, or to just explore membership in general. There will be a sign-up sheet in August in the Narthex for this upcoming class. This will be a 6-week class with the pastor, beginning in October. We'll be meeting **Sundays at 4 PM** in order to accommodate those now interested. The dates will be as follows:

October 6, 13, 20 & 27 November 10 & 17

(Only the first class might interfere with a Packer game!) Please do sign up if interested in exploring the topic or if you have a desire to be a member of Trinity UMC in particular. And please feel free to talk to me with any questions you might have. I look forward to spending this quality time with you!

Pastor Rom

Note: Trinity UMC suggests a \$10 donation to cover the materials used in this membership class.





Should the Need Arise...

The loss of a loved one often happens at the least expected moment, giving rise to the need of making unplanned arrangements in a time of sorrow. Planning ahead for this inevitable event is recommended and will ease the burden at this stressful time of need.

The selection of the final resting place should be given careful consideration with respect to the final wishes of the family and the loved one. Location, accessibility, maintenance, and family tradition are important qualities that should be thought of well in advance of the demand.

Trinity United Methodist Cemetery Association sponsors three well developed, beautifully landscaped, perpetually maintained final resting places. Located in quiet, rural surroundings, choice parcels are available on the sites of the former Emanuel and Ebenezer churches. The Salem grounds in the Village of Lomira offers more urban surroundings. These sites represent historic family resting places dating back to before the Civil War. Many sites are available at each of these locations. More detailed information may be obtained at our church website. www.trinitylomira.org

Greetings from your Bell choir director,

Hello everyone, as I sat in the church one Sunday morning and looked around, I noticed a few things that caught my attention. There were many people scattered about the church in the pews. Many different hair styles, heights, clothes, glasses, and shoes. Many different backgrounds with some working, some retired, and some too young to work for a wage yet. We all have many different life experiences and families, history that we can't change. Yet we all come together on Sunday to listen to the words of the Bible being taught by Pastor Rom. I really enjoy the fill in the blank parts, especially since my memory is so bad from chemotherapy "Chemo Brain" as it is called. We are so fortunate to live in a country where we are free to worship and praise the Lord. "God bless the USA"

I would like to give a big thank you to everyone who has sent me a get well card and also for the gifts. The bell choir actually surprised me one night after practice with a beautiful bouquet of flowers, a garden stone and a healing bracelet. They know me well and gave it to me after practice because they knew I would be crying happy tears. I am so grateful for all that they do. We really have a lot of fun during practice and spend at least a little bit of time laughing and chatting with each other. After our final performance in April, which John Muentner recorded for us and put on a cd, I printed the words to "Hymn of Promise" and sent the cd, words, and an extra cd that I had from the Russian Trio to Diana. I hope she enjoyed the gifts that we sent her. We pray that she has progress every day.

At our last performance Aaliyah informed me that she would not be able to play in the bell choir next season so we do have at least one opening available. We are always looking for anyone who wants to come to a practice to try it out. We will be practicing at 6 o'clock pm on the Wednesday following Labor Day, September 4th. I try to pick easy songs and maybe one or 2 that may be a little more challenging for the season. Please let me know if you are interested- just send me a text or call me-920-539-8993. Hope to hear from you soon.

And lastly, an update of my treatment and health. My doctor says that I have responded very well to the 4 treatments I have had so far. He initially wanted me to have 6 and I only wanted 3, so on July 29th we meet and decide if there will be any more chemo treatments. It has been very humbling and I try to stay strong, but my stamina and strength are just not there. I have faith that I will get my regular strength back but it will take time and I have had to learn to be patient through all of this. I really do appreciate all of the prayers and well wishes from this congregation, it has been a great comfort to have so many people praying for me.

Take care and God Bless, Sandy Collier

one year 2019 Bible Challenge

August

1. Proverbs 19-2	21 17. Job 39-32
2. Proverbs 22-2	23 18. Song of Solomon
3. Proverbs 24-2	26 19. Ruth
4. Proverbs 27-2	29 20. Lamentations 1-2
5. Proverbs 30-3	21. Lamentations 3-5
6. Job 1-4	22. Ecclesiastes 1-3
7. Job 5-7	23. Ecclesiastes 4-6
8. Job 8-10	24. Ecclesiastes 7-9
9. Job 11-13	25. Ecclesiastes 10-12
10. Job 14-16	26. Esther 1-5
11. Job 17-20	27. Esther 6-10
12. Job 21-23	28. Daniel 1-2
13. Job 24-28	29. Daniel 3-4
14. Job 29-31	30. Daniel 5-6
15. Job 32-34	31. Daniel 7-8
16. Job 35-38	



Heritage & Archives Retreat:
The Ministry of Memory
September 6-7, 2019, Rader Retreat Center
Pine Lake Camp
Westfield WI
Interested? Contact:
archives@wisconsinumc.org or 608-837-7328

Food Pantry Now Accepting Vegetables

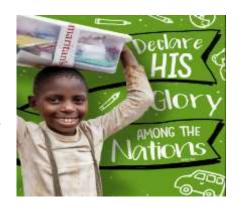
Fresh vegetables should be coming soon from our gardens. Please consider sharing with our Food Pantry.

The Food Pantry is open the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month, and we would appreciate your donations dropped off on the Thursday before those Saturdays, between 9:00AM to 1:00 PM.

A box will be placed in the hallway by the back entrance. Thanks for your help!

School Supplies: I mportant Shoebox I tems!

Six-year-old Moises couldn't do his schoolwork because he didn't have a pencil. His parents, like many families in the Dominican Republic, didn't have enough money to buy school supplies. But when Moises received an **Operation Christmas Child shoebox** that contained 2 pencils, 2 pens, a notebook, and a backpack, he was overjoyed! He can now attend classes and complete his assignments knowing he has what he needs.



In many countries children are not allowed to go to school if they are unable to provide their own school supplies. Stories are plentiful where papers are erased to be reused and pencils are broken into pieces so several children will have a pencil of their own.

God can even use school supplies to draw children like Moises to Himself! Back-to-school sales are currently going on, which makes now a great time to get quality items at low prices for shoebox gifts. School supplies can be life changing for a child in poverty.



Our OCC Team has been diligently seeking deals on school supplies they have targeted for each age level. Through networking with other OCC Teams and national resources, they have been able to find several discounts on items bought in bulk from online retailers. Our team also shops locally, even at times finding shoebox items FREE after rebate at Menards.

How can I help? Financial donations of any size are greatly appreciated to help cover the costs of school supplies and other items for our shoeboxes. Thank you!

Declare His glory among the nations! Psalm 96:3

Seeking <u>Men's Size</u> Shoeboxes in Like-New Condition

'My cup runneth over'... Along with the hygiene and school supply items we are committed to send, the life skills kits we've assembled for the older youth — including reusable menstrual pads & tool kits - are spilling over the OCC boxes we've acquired. Please consider donating your like-new men's size shoeboxes that we can decorate and fill to the brim with wonderful gifts.



Meet Justin Marschie... This fall Justin will be entering 8th grade in the Oakfield school district. He has been umping baseball this summer in his community. Justin's generous heart has led him to give back some of the money he earned. Several of our featured shoebox items have caught his attention. Justin has sponsored both the fidget spinners (\$28) and cap pencil erasers (\$18). Thank you Justin! We are truly blessed! Be inspired.



Trinity United Methodist Church continues to offer access to a ministry out of Richardson, Texas, called "Grace Ministries: Home of the 101 Back to the Basic Resources". This is a ministry Pastor Rom has been familiar with for some time now and has used their resources in the past—a very-trusted resource. We maintain a special package deal with Trinity UMC, this digital library is available to all from Trinity UMC ... and even more. This library of digital resources will also be made available to our community. In other words, if you're a part of Trinity UMC and you know of someone who might benefit from one Grace Ministries' resources on this site, please share it with them so they can receive Godly guidance for their lives as well (username/password below). Following is a sampling of areas you may want to tap into:

Fathering 101: Be the Dad!

Marriage 101: (Voted #1 premarital resource 4 years in a row)

Always Near (10 ways to cultivate the blessings of god and grow closer to him)

Family 101 (applying the 'one another' principles in the home)

Lessons from the Tacklebox (carrying men to the next level in their relationship with God)

And much more... Please check out this new resource that is available online (grace101.org) or through our website (trinitylomira.org)! Here's how you gain access:

Username: tumclomira **Password**: lovegrowserve





Coming soon, we'll have an all new interactive Church database. With the new database you'll be able to update your own personal information, use it as a directory, make contributions and be able to receive church news and much more, all on your phone. This new tool will be for EVERYONE. Stay tuned!

TUMC Prayer Concerns

- Jerry Stark fall with head injury. Currently at Theda Clark, Neenah 7-28
- Family of Betty Olsen (Ron K's Aunt) 7-25
- **Dian** (Hake's sister-in-law) aorta problems 7-21
- Bill Balthazor (Michelle Large's Brother) doing immune therapy, improving 7-21
- Richard Haefs home, doing heart testing (pray for Janice too!) 7-21
- Lee Lerch hospice care 7-14
- Rachel Stuebs being deployed to South Korea for 1 year 7-7
- Diana Jewson stroke, moved to rehab facility in Clinton, walking with 4 point cane 6-30
- Ivan Reetz (Jewson's neighbor) blood loss, doing better 6-30
- Monica Brown's baby granddaughter (Tina Rawlin's friend) respiratory issues, at Children's Milwaukee 6-30
- Cal Voight suffering from various health issues, at hope 6-18
- Eugene Balson chemo for bone cancer 6-3
- Kim Wetzel health complications 5/5
- Brenna Slavic (Friend of Mitch Wroblewski) 9 year old had brain surgery 4-21
- Robert Rambousek (Tina's Uncle) Prostate cancer 12-30
- Vickie Mulder (Mary Kiehnau's sister) Heart condition 12-2
- Sandy Collier Chronic lymphocytic leukemia 11-15-18

Our Prayer list covers for 6-8 months. If you feel someone needs to continue or be placed back on the list, please let the office know.

For Prayer Requests please contact Jessica in the church office by email, our website (www.trinitylomira.org) or by phone.

TUMC Budget Totals

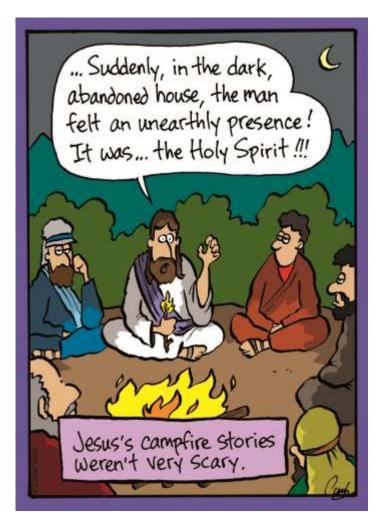
Year to date needed to meet budget: \$122, 119.00

Received through

7-28-2019: \$99,337.60

Budget Shortfall: \$22,781.40

Diana's New Address Alden Meadow Park Rehab & Nursing Center 709 Meadow Park Drive Clinton, WI 53525





August Anniversaries

- 4 Ryan & Sarah Faris
- 6 Jim & Kasey Todl
- 7 Pete & Kathy Drexler Jeff & Elaine Unferth
- 10 Bob & Janet Hesprich Chris & Nicole Winiecki
- 13 Luke & Cherie Reitz Brian & Katie Stoffel
- 14 Roger Clark & Jackie Scharfenberg
- 16 David & Carol Luedtke
- 21 Brian & Michelle Neill
- 26 Harold & Janis Johnson

August Bir thdays

- Kim Emmer
 Sandra Porter
- 3 Brent Guell
- 4 Mary Rhein
- 5 Helen Koene
- 6 Craig Collier
- 7 Ruth Batterman
- 8 Jane Pegram
- Lexus Raue
- 9 Ben Lehner10 Steve Cull
 - Steve Cull Lisa Lehner
- 14 Bridget Thorn
- 15 John Buske Ella Winiecki
- 16 Steve Luedtke
- 18 Patti Cobb
 Elias Dittberner
 Bailey Hinz
 Elaine Unferth
- 19 Lisa Luedtke Larry Schraufnagel
- 20 Mary Muehlius Mike Amerling
- 21 Reese Todl
- 25 Amy Bloch Andy Luedtke
- 26 Richard Doemel
 Pat Emmer
 Nancy Vegetabile
- 27 Layla Rambousek
- 28 Steve Unferth Vickie Unferth
- 29 Randy Haefs
- 30 Tyler Faris
 Layne Fester
 Chad Menzer
 Christopher
 Rawlins
- 31 Michelle Kuehl Jaye Zingsheim

The September Newsletter Deadline is Aug. 27th. Please have all of your articles into the church office by noon that day.

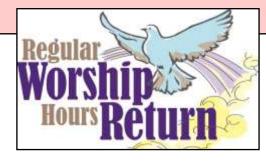
Thank you!

Starting September 8th Trinity will return to our two worship services at 8 AM and 10 AM.

Sunday School and Youth Group 9 AM

Coffee Connection 9 AM

See you there!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR
SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS

SEPTEMBER 8TH, 9AM

August 2019 TUMC-Lomira Worship Service 9:00 AM

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 12:00 pm Jane Klein Funeral
4	5	6	7 6:00 pm Sunday School Prep Meeting 6:30 pm AA & Al-Anon	8	9	10 10:00 am Food Pantry
11 10:00 am Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm Boy Scouts 740	12	13 8:00 am UM Men's Group 3:00 pm Hope Nursing Home Service 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting	14 11:00 am Staff Meeting 6:30 pm AA & Al-Anon	15	16	17 7:00 am Women's Ministry Breakfast
18	19	20	21 6:30 pm AA & Al-Anon	22	23	24 10:00 am Food Pantry
25 10:00 am Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm Boy Scouts 740	26	27 Newsletter Deadline	28 6:30 pm AA & Al-Anon	29	30	31

Rom Pegram, Pastor

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SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES 9:00 AM

> Church Office Hours: Tues-Thur 9AM-1PM

> > Trinity United Methodist Church 300 Church Street Lomira, WI 53048
> > Return Service Requested