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TUMC Mission Statement:

"To ignite such a passion for Jesus Christ and His teachings that it sets our world on fire."

May 2025

From the Pastor's Pen..

¹⁹ And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." Matthew 4:19 (NRSV)

I have always held a personal affinity with this verse of scripture from the lips of Jesus as he called two disciples to go with him on his earthly ministry journey. As many of you know, I am a fisherman, and always have been. Therefore, on a personal level this verse speaks to me as a personal call to follow Jesus and live my life as a fisher of men with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

I'd like to think I would catch a fish or two every day, one of them a rockfish in season and in the correct size slot. I certainly expect to work at it. As I am writing this letter, I am taking a few days off to prepare my boat, clean it up, sort out and work on my rods and reels - all the off season stuff that make the season go more smoothly and hopefully more effectively. My crab pots are being power washed as well, getting ready for warmer waters. While I am prepared for good fishing, I also know there will be days of not so many fish or crabs, and at least a few days of turbulent waters. But these facts do not deter me from my quest and therefore my preparations.

In very real ways, my story as a fisherman parallels my life as a pastor and disciple of Jesus Christ. This calling from Jesus is not for me only but is for all of us who would believe in Jesus Christ and become his disciples. The Great Commission from Jesus to us all is this: ¹⁸ **And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."** Matt 28:18-20

I do not 'catch' persons for Jesus Christ every day. Some days I am not sure anyone has even heard an invitation from me, or that my technique has been successful. I recognize that I am more aptly described as the net Jesus uses to draw followers to him, that metaphorically, I am a fisher of persons for the Gospel. However, I do not despair and give up either. I am constantly studying and refining new techniques, striving to find ways to connect to what may some days be referred to as elusive unchurched or nominal Christians. But I persevere and pray every day to be used by God for this very purpose. Then I diligently look for opportunities to act on the calling Jesus has in my life to fish for persons. All kinds of persons created in the image of God, hungering and thirsting for Jesus even though they do not yet know or acknowledge Jesus as their personal savior.

This metaphor of fishing is all of our shared calling from Jesus, not just for me as a pastor. All true disciples of Jesus are called to be fishers of persons. Share your stories of trial and error, nibbles, fine catches, calm seas and rough going, whatever. I pray I see you out there fishing, and that we all catch at least one, and soon! Amen!

Pastor Walter

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Blessings & Prayers

Prayers for Those Who Have Been Hospitalized or Sick Recently...

Donna DeBolt
Tim (Marti Booro's son-in-law)
Lynn Hayden
Lauren Beaudwin
Lori Haydin
Barbara Wood
Cal Cathro



Our Sincerest Sympathies to...

- † To the family of Warren Rice, Jr. (Warren Rice's father) who passed away on Thursday, March 27, 2025. Please keep his wife Winifred Mary Murphy Rice (Winnie), his children Warren and Dawn Rice, Daniel and Dana Rice, Jim and Carole Rice and Wendy Deemer along with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren in your prayers as they grieve his loss.
- † To the family of Page Bowen who passed away on Monday, April 7, 2025. Please keep his wife Barbara, his children Donnie and Vickie, Jimmy and Marje along with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren in your prayers as they grieve his loss.



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News from Christian Education and In-Reach

Sunday School for All Ages

It's incredible how much can be learned from the lessons on Noah's Ark and the Tower of Babel as the children continue their journey through the Gospel Project, studying the Bible from beginning to end.



The class celebrated Easter morning outdoors, enjoying the beautiful weather while learning about Resurrection Eggs and discovering a new song.

It's truly a blessing to have Raneë and Haleigh assisting Mrs. Dottie and Miss Caydee each Sunday.

Our Young Adult Sunday School Class will be meeting through the end of May and will be taking a break over the summer months of June, July, and August. If you have never visited our class before, please feel free to drop in at any time. We have a very special time of sharing joys and concerns followed by prayer. This time is followed by a weekly Bible lesson, and we also help with getting the food ready for the weekly Heartfelt backpack ministry. Ruthie's sister Diane, who visited in June, shared that this class is truly God's church in action!

If you'd like to join the Young Adults Class, please reach out to Ruthie Lewis at ruthielws@gmail.com.

The New Covenant Class is currently studying 2 Corinthians, continuing their discussions on the Letters of Paul and their relevance to churches today. They meet in the Parlor, and the class is open to anyone interested in joining.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Wes White at wjwhite58@yahoo.com.

Bible Studies

Open Bible Study offers two sessions: 10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., both held in the Fellowship Hall and accessible via a weekly Zoom link. A new study on the Book of Romans began on April 30 and will continue through the summer. These sessions will be led by John Godfrey and Wes White.

The **Women's Bible Study** meets every Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the library. Their class is growing and welcomes all ladies to drop in. It's a great time of fun and fellowship.



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2025 Vacation Bible School - True North



Something
grrrrreat is
coming!



The countdown continues – only **80 days** left until VBS begins! Please share this exciting news with your friends, neighbors, and family. It's sure to be a fantastic week. VBS will take place from July 20 to 24, 2025, starting at 5:00 p.m. with dinner. Ms. Jenn and Ms. Donna are preparing some fantastic adventure meals. The Station Leaders are also getting ready and are excited to welcome campers on July 20. There will be a display soon in the Gathering Room with opportunities to donate items and/or volunteer. All will be appreciated. Please contact Ruthie Lewis and/or Darlene White if you have any questions.

Summer Camp 2025

Discover Your Adventure and Join the FUN! Registration is still open for the following:

2025 Day Camp Programs - [Day Camp - West River Center](#)

Campers will have an opportunity to try many different activities including swimming, boating, nature studies, hikes, arts and crafts, giant swing, bible study, climbing wall, archery, songs, sports, games and more. Each week will be exciting, new, and fun to keep campers active the entire summer.

- Based on grade entering this Fall, Grades 1-8
- Day Camps are Monday – Friday
- Daily 9am-5pm – No extended hours available

2025 Overnight Programs- [Overnight Camp - West River Center](#)

Get a week away and enjoy all that West River offers: swimming, boating, climbing, music, games, and much more! One-week residential camps are offered for entering third-graders to adults. Half week offerings are for first time campers while Grandparents Camp is a multi-generational unique event.

- Full week for 3rd-12th grades
- Specialty camps for Adults
- Mini week for 2nd – 4th grades
- most programs run Sunday afternoon – Friday evening

If you have a child or grandchild, or know of someone who may interested, please contact the Church Office at 410-535-1782. The links to the website has also been provided.

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The Shannon Library

Don't forget to explore the resources available in The Shannon Library located in Room 218 on the main level, across from the Choir Room. We encourage you to stop by and see what's on offer. More information will be shared in upcoming newsletters or bulletins. If you have any questions, please contact Darlene White.



Special Events News

The Journey to the Cross and Easter Egg Hunt Event was a hit, enjoyed by attendees of all ages. Participants heard and experienced the Easter Story from Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday. Before the last activity of the event, the Easter Egg Hunt, the children helped place flowers on the cross and the release of bubbles representing the Holy Spirit.

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated, donated filled eggs, and helped with the set-up and hiding of nearly 1,000 eggs.

Journey to the Cross Stations – The Sin Room, Jerusalem, the Cross and Washing of Sins, and the Tomb.



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Navajo Mission Trip 2025



Brother Anthony Tsosie 11/68-9/24



A mission team is planning to attend Light in the Mountain Church's Revival In Memory Of Anthony Tsosie July 16-21, 2025. Our christian siblings in the Navajo Nation ask for our prayers as they plan this time for people to come together and remember Anthony (the former evangelist of the congregation) and help to share the Word with those on the reservation.

Anthony made an impact on many people that travelled to RoughSide of the Mountain on Mission teams in past years. He was the leader of the team that came to Trinity when they drove across the country to be with us for a visit in 2012. His presence is greatly missed in the RoughSide of the Mountain community.

They have requested prayer from our church family for the planning of this revival that 'everything will be taken care of and that the revival will touch the lives of people that attend this summer'.

If you have memories of Anthony you would like to share please send an email with them to Lojowillis@gmail.com as we plan to make a memory book for his family. Notes of condolence or blessings to the family and Light in the Mountain community can also be included. It would mean a lot to make them aware that we care and are continuing to pray for them. Our contingent will represent Trinity and the many mission teams that have gone to the Navajo Nation over the past 20 years. Providing food & helping prepare some meals to be served nightly after revival will be how we support the Light in the Mountain community on this trip.

If you feel led to make a donation to help with purchase of food and other needs of this trip or as a love offering In Memory of Anthony please memo on your donation that it is for 'Navajo mission 2025' and submit by May 31, 2025. All donations will be greatly appreciated, thank you for your prayerful consideration of this request.



CAMP HOPE 2025

Trinity UMC is sponsoring a CAMP HOPE team this year **July 6-12** led by Jim VanDuzer and Jaime Drenning. Jim has been a CAMP HOPE team leader for many years and brings much experience to the team. Jaime was a CAMP HOPE staff member for many years and looks forward to leading a team this summer. Lori Willis is providing administrative support to the team.

Three Trinity associated youth and 3 Pasadena youth will make up the 2025 team.

Trinity UMC has a long history with CAMP HOPE and many lives have been touched by previous teams. Please support our team and CAMP HOPE with your prayers and consider making a donation to support CAMP HOPE 2025. Due to a larger team cancelling their commitment to attend this year, there is an unanticipated funding need for CAMP HOPE 2025. Any size donation will be helpful and much appreciated.



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Worship Team Message



What a wonderful Easter season it has been at Trinity. The Bible Study “24 Hours that Changed the World” by Adam Hamilton helped us to see Jesus’ trip to the cross with new depth and understanding. The sacrifice and suffering our Savior did for us had seemed to be glossed over in previous Easters. We went from Jesus’ triumphant entry into Jerusalem, straight to the Resurrection without stopping to consider the price our sin put on Jesus. Examining the suffering of Jesus helps us to appreciate how much he loves us. The fact that Jesus died for all of humanity escapes us sometimes. He didn’t care about an individual’s human condition; he loved the person. This is the example he sets for each of us, to love without condition. He wants us to care for the oppressed, the hungry, the homeless, the downtrodden, those who seem different than us. If we love like Jesus, and witness to the hope we have in Jesus, it may make the person we are ministering to want to seek Jesus. It is only by Jesus that people are changed. Look at the Apostle Paul and the 180-degree change in his life when Jesus came into it. Speak of your love for Jesus to everyone you meet. Seek the way that Jesus wants you to serve. Thanks to each of you for making this Easter season the one where we truly say, “Thank you, Jesus.” (continued on next page)



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2 Corinthians 4:8,9 tells us of how hope in Jesus makes all the difference in our lives; ***We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted but not abandoned; struck down but not destroyed.***

May the peace of God, which transcends our understanding be evident in you and me!

Wes White



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Trinity SPRC News

Our SPRC team has been busy reviewing Trinity UMC documents that pertain to our work as the Staff Pastor Parish Relations Committee. We are working on finalizing updates to the Trinity Personnel Policy and will be starting the review of the Staff Job Position descriptions over the coming months, and will be engaging the Trinity staff in this process. We are also working on updating the funeral and wedding documents, as they pertain to our Trinity staff. Please feel free to contact Ruthie Lewis if you have any questions, or if you would like to provide input into these important documents.



Dear Friends of Trinity United Methodist Church,

This is just a short note to say thanks for all that you do for Project ECHO. We appreciate you and hope you have a blessed and happy Easter!

All my best,

Teressa Mullen

Development Director, Project ECHO

ECHOdevelopment@comcast.net

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Dear Trinity United Methodist,
Thank you for your
February donation of \$340⁰⁰.
We appreciate your faithful
support of the food pantry.
As you know, many families
in need are served by your
kindness.
Blessings,
CCCFP

New Card Ministry

The Evangelism Team is starting a card ministry. They will be creating handmade cards for birthdays, sympathy, get well, praying for you, etc. The first meeting of this group will be on Saturday, May 17, 2025, from 9 AM to 2 PM in Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to join us.

If you have any questions contact Norma Jean Welch (443-771-7127) or Connie Cosgrove (443-404-3444).

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MAY 2025

May 1: Oliver B. Cox
May 1: Chistopher Aaron Holt
May 2: Amanda Curran
May 2: Karli Hawxhurst
May 2: Christopher Varnell
May 3: Robert Carter
May 4: Eric Curran
May 6: Carly McCarthy
May 7: Rhonda Buckler
May 7: Aaron Saberan
May 8: Patricia Bowen
May 8: Michelle Morris Vieley
May 9: Angela Denton
May 9: Ellie Ford
May 9: Charles Joseph
May 10: Ashleigh Harms
May 10: Kimberly Lusby
May 10: Amanda Ocker

May 10: Cheryl Quesenberry
May 11: Charles DeBolt
May 12: Megan Williams
May 13: Luke Bylan
May 13: Brandi Catherine Hutchins
May 13: Ethan Matteson
May 13: Kimberly Darnell Rallo
May 14: Katie Stephens
May 14: Lawson Grace Vieley
May 15: Joshua Bush
May 15: John Godfrey
May 17: Nicole Curran
May 17: Tenley Draheim
May 17: Fred Lange, Jr.
May 17: Caryn Migliaccio
May 19: Miranda Haire
May 19: Kendra Johnson
May 19: Joy McCarthy

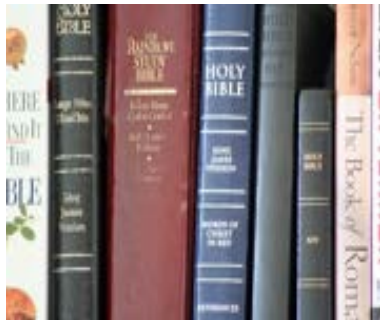
May 19: Crystal Willson
May 20: Noah James Thomas
May 21: Winston Warner
May 22: Jeffrey Lewis Besse
May 22: Renee Stadelman
May 23: Steven Houchin
May 25: Michael Latham
May 26: James Hall
May 27: Hayden Haller
May 28: Kaitlyn Jones
May 28: Jack Taylor MacMillan
May 28: Addison Shaulis
May 29: Janet Hyde
May 30: William Bradley
May 31: Andrew Mason
May 31: Lincoln Migliaccio



Contact the church office (410-535-1782) to have your birthday added to the list or to let us know of any name changes.

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Open Bible Study

Wednesday's at 10 AM and 6:30 PM In Person and Zoom
Fellowship Hall

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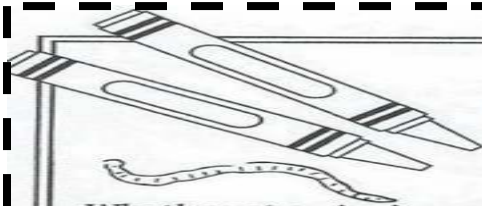
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Just for KIDS

Bugs in the Bible

Whether at a picnic, on the beach or playing outdoors, it seems like we're always joined by uninvited guests – bugs! Bugs and other little creatures are mentioned in the Bible.

Fill in the blanks with the little creatures mentioned in each verse. Circle them in the puzzle below.

Proverbs 6:6 _____	Exodus 16:20 _____
Psalms 78:45 _____	1 Sam. 24:14 _____
Matt. 23:24 _____	Isaiah 50:9 _____
Judges 14:8 _____	Isaiah 59:5 _____
Acts 12:23 _____	Leviticus 11:22 _____
Leviticus 11:22 _____	Leviticus 11:22 _____
Deuteronomy 7:20 _____	



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G	F	C	R	I	C	K	E	T	S	N
O	L	S	P	I	D	E	R	S	B	E
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S	A	E	F	K	A	T	Y	D	I	D
G	F	L	I	E	S	W	O	R	M	S

Answer: ant, flies, gnat, bees, worms, locust, grasshopper, hornet, maggots, flea, moths, spider, katydid, cricket

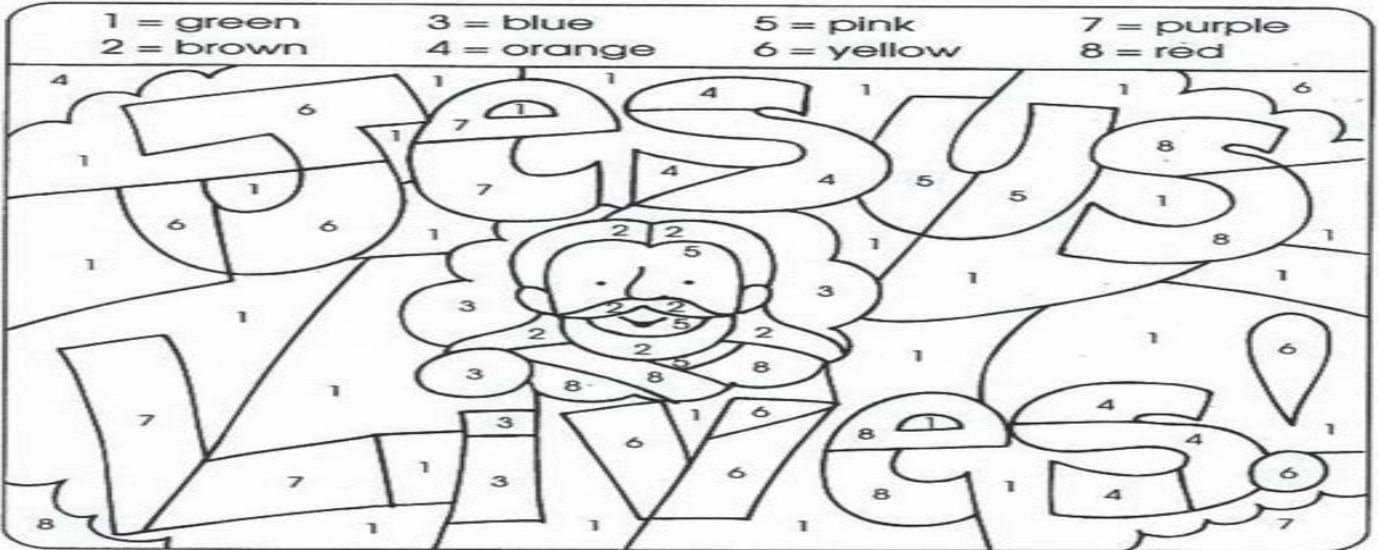
Jesus Is Alive!

(John 20)

At the empty tomb, Mary Magdalene talked to a man. She thought he was a gardener. But then she saw that the man was really Jesus! He had risen from the dead and was alive again!

Color the picture using the code. Cut it out and tape it up so you can be reminded of this wonderful truth!

1 = green	3 = blue	5 = pink	7 = purple
2 = brown	4 = orange	6 = yellow	8 = red



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New Testament



Across

- Letter name and Paul's representative, in two parts
- Letter name for the Rock
- Letter name and Paul's other associate
- Letter to a church in a city destroyed in an earthquake in 60s CE
- Beatles' song
- Letter name and Jesus' brother
- "Love is patient."
- Acts of the -----
- There is no "s"
- Comes after Acts

Down

- Original language of the Old Testament, with an "s"
- Particularly friendly letter
- Often used as scriptural support for slavery and wifely obedience
- Among the earliest letters, in 2 parts
- Letter to free a slave
- Fourth gospel
- Starts with a genealogy
- Fast-paced gospel
- Thought to have been written by the author of Acts