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The Good News



March/April 2019

...Rule Our Hearts and Guide Our Footsteps.

Lenten Worship Schedule

Ash Wednesday, March 6
Interment of Ashes 7- 10 am
Worship 6 pm

Maundy Thursday Service
Fellowship Hall
April 18, 5:30 pm

Good Friday Service
April 18, 6 pm

EASTER SUNDAY
Sunrise Service 6 am
Followed by breakfast
6:45 to 8 am
Easter Service 9 am



UMWF Soup Supper
The UMWF will be serving a Soup Supper on Saturday, March 9, 5 – 6:30 pm. The menu includes: chicken noodle, chili and vegetable soups, desserts and beverages. They are accepting a free will offering.

Money raised will help toward their 2019 budget which includes Milan Christian Food Pantry, The Place 2B, Rock Island Christian Care and Cops With Kids.

New Member Class **April 6th at 12:30 pm.**

If you are interested in becoming a member of this church, or in transferring membership from another non-Methodist church to this church, there will be a new member class held in the Church Office on Saturday, April 6th at 12:30 pm. Please contact Pastor Jon, or Jody in the Church office if you plan on attending. Pizza and some beverages will be served!

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Ash Wednesday, March 6th – Internment of Ashes

7:00 am – 10:00 am, Worship 6:00 pm.

Maundy Thursday Service – April 18, 2019 - 5:30
pm, Fellowship Hall

Good Friday Service – April 19, 2019 – 6:00 pm,
Sanctuary

Easter Sunrise Service – April 21, 2019 - 6:00 am

Easter Sunday Breakfast – April 21, 2019 – 6:45 to
8:00 am

Easter Sunday Regular Worship – April 21, 2019 –
9:00 am

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Pastor Jon Warren
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Sunday Worship Schedule
8:00 am Sunday School
9:00 am Worship
10:00 am Fellowship
10:30 am Sunday School

Office Hours
Monday – Friday 8:30 – 12:30

Email: milantrinity@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.milantrinity.com



March Birthdays

3/3 Eloise Ingram
3/8 Willy Mallder
3/11 Gary Howe
3/13 Cece Wilson
3/21 Pam Versluys
3/23 Deb Howe
3/29 Betty Blaser

April Birthdays

4/1 Jon Warren
4/11 Emma Ingram
4/17 Kathy Coffman
4/22 Keith Smith

Acolytes

3/3 Jill Mueller & Terry Moore
3/10 Deb & Gary Howe
3/17 Karen Beaupre & Eloise Ingram
3/24 Linda Armstrong & Ruth Smock
3/31 Pam & Bob Gauley

4/7 Deb & Gary Howe
4/14 Kari Nicoletto & Willy Mallder
4/21 Julie Derrer & Kari Nicoletto
4/28 Pam & Bob Gauley

Bell Ringer
John Wilson

Ushers

Willy Mallder
Fred Flickinger
John Wilson
Louise Colby-Dean

Greeters

See bulletin board for list.



Coffee Helpers

3/3 Terry Krueger & Dave Tighe
3/10 Deb & Gary Howe
3/17 Karen, Eloise & Rose
3/24 Linda, Betty L. & Ruth
3/31 Pam & Bob Gauley

4/7 Deb & Gary Howe
4/14 Kari, Sandy & Barb. M.
4/21 Barb Mallder
4/28 Linda, Betty L. & Ruth



The Enchilada Sale Is On!

We are now taking orders for the Enchilada Sale. An order form is on the back page of this newsletter. More forms are available on the bulletin board. The proceeds of the sale will go to the general fund. Please ask your family and friends if they would like to order. All orders must be placed by Sunday, March 24th.

We need volunteers to work on Friday, March 29, to cook. And many helpers on Saturdays, March 30 & April 6 to make the enchiladas. There will be a worker signup sheet on the bulletin board soon. See Linda Armstrong with questions.

The committee is asking for cash donations for the meat, sauce and taco shells. Deb Howe will collect any donations. You may also mark your offering envelope with your donation.

Donations of fully cooked, cut up potatoes would be appreciated. See the potato sign up sheet on the bulletin board soon.

*** Monthly Meetings ***

***The Nurture Committee** meets Thursdays, March 7 & April 11 at 5:30 pm.

***Men's Club** will meet Mondays, March 18 and April 15 at 6:30 pm.

***The Methodist Women** will meet Tuesdays, March 26 & April 23 at 6 pm.

***The Finance Committee** will meet Wednesday, April 17 at 5:00 pm.

***The Church Council** will meet Wednesday, April 17 at 6 pm.

Knitters, crocheters, quilters and crafters!

Come and join our Wednesday Morning Craft Ministry team. We have folks who are making the prayer blankets and shawls, but we want to encourage you to come and join them for an hour of fellowship and service at 9:00 am.

We want you as a Church Prayer Warrior

The Trinity and Green River UMCs have a team of folks who are willing to pray for those in need as the need arises. If you would like to be a member of this Prayer Team, please contact Jody or Pastor Jon so we can add you to the Prayer Team Call-Em-All list. Please let us know if you are willing to pray for any concerns that come in, no matter the source, or if you would prefer to just be a part of those prayer requests for the Trinity UMC church family and friends.

New Ushers and Liturgists

As part of our worship service each week, we have opportunities for additional ushers, liturgists and assistants for communion. We have a great group of people who are serving in those positions now, but I would like to invite more people to share in these services to the church. If you're interested in the possibility of serving in this way, please drop a note in the offering, drop by the office or give Pastor Jon a call at 309 337-1988.



**Birthday Party for
Betty Blaser**

Everyone is invited to help Betty celebrate her 90th birthday on Sunday, March 24, 2-5 pm in the Fellowship Hall here at church. Cards and memories only please.

Attendance & Offerings

January 6	60	\$2,282
January 13	33	\$1,402
January 20	37	\$1,291
January 27	44	\$1,762
February 3	47	\$2,306
February 10	49	\$2,765
February 17	40	\$1,959
February 24	53	\$1,244

**Daily Church Prayer
Warrior Team News**

We have a group of individuals who are part of a daily prayer team to support the church, the pastor, the congregation, and the community. In March and April, I'm asking that the members pray for our country and its leaders, our greater United Methodist Church, the Trinity United Methodist Church and our community, asking for ways and ideas for us to reach out into the community and help bring people to God for the first time, or to bring back those who have gone astray.

Let your voice be heard!

Want to be a part of what's going on in the church? Have suggestions or comments about ways we might be able to improve things? Have a concern you'd like to see addressed? I would like to invite you to come and be a part of the committee meetings (**We won't make you become a member! Honest!**) or give us some written comments we can discuss at those meetings if you cannot attend. We do want your voice to be heard. All committee meetings are listed in the newsletter and in the bulletins a week or two before each meeting. You can also send in comments to the Pastor or to Jody and they will make sure they are received by the appropriate people.

Liturgists

March 3 Katie Gillispie
 March 10 Moore/Mueller
 March 17 Julie Derrer
 March 24 Karen Beaupre
 March 31 Kari Nicoletto

April 7 Barbara Warren
 April 14 Pam Versluys
 April 21 Mueller/Moore
 April 28 Katie Gillispie

**Call-Em-All Telephone
Information System**

We use the Call-Em-All telephone information system to notify church members with information on events, prayer requests, funerals and other activities. If you are not on the roster to receive these calls at your home or cell phone and would like to be, please call us at the church office at (309) 787-1362 and we'll add you to the list!



Tuesday Night Bible Study on Hope Continues in March

Due to all the cold weather and inability to drive so many Tuesdays in January and early February, we started our six-week study in the end of February. The bible study is at 5:30 pm and we'll close with a social evening on the 7th week before we start our next study. Everyone is welcome to attend and join a great group of people as we seek to learn more about the Bible and God. We had some great bible studies during the course of 2018 and we look forward to continuing that trend in the coming year!

Mission Outreach Opportunities – Have any ideas? Want to volunteer?

We had an active mission outreach program over the Christmas holidays, and we will continue to reach out and support both local programs like the Milan Christian Food Pantry and Pregnancy Resources, regional ministries like Chaddock's Children's home and international efforts through UMCOR. We want to expand our outreach ministries and we'd like your inputs on possible other programs or organizations to reach out to, or opportunities where our members can provide hands and feet as well.



Church improvements we've completed!

Yikes! In January and early February, we had intermittent water leaks in the women's bathroom. We finally tracked the culprit to some broken pipes in the wall between the janitor's closet and the bathrooms and the repairs took place on March 1st. Hopefully that's the end of our water problems. We do have some potential projects we are looking at for 2019 – painting of the Fellowship Hall and replacing the tile in the Church Kitchen.

Thanks to all the folks who have supported our past activities, we appreciate your efforts in helping to keep our church looking good and working well!

Milan Christian Food Pantry News Donations from Trinity December \$450 January \$327

In December we served 303 families, helping 987 people including 377 children. In January we served 233 families, helping 755 people including 291 children.

An announcement will be coming soon with the items Trinity will be collecting for the Easter boxes.

Church Women United

Church Women United World Day of Prayer is Friday, March 1st at First Presbyterian Church, Milan.

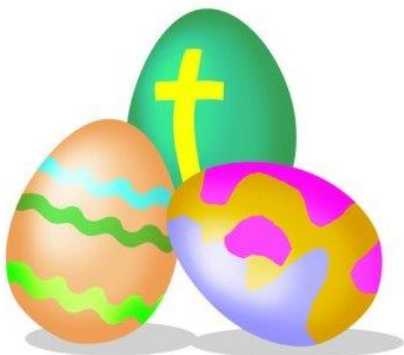
The April Breakfast meeting is Friday, April 5th at Trinity UMC. Registration is at 9 am with a \$6 brunch. Reservations are due to Barb Mallder (309-798-7959) by Monday, April 1.



Virginia Horton
May 2, 1925 – January 30, 2019

Tithing in 2019 – An Opportunity to put God First

We'd like to challenge everyone this year to consider their tithes and gifts to the Church in the coming year and look at the possibility of increasing giving by 1% of your income if you're not currently tithing 10%. God called on the Israelites to give of their first fruits of the harvest, and I am asking you to consider doing the same thing. Our tithes and gifts, and I include myself as a part of this church and community of faith, make it possible for us to reach out and do more for our community in spreading God's work and serving those less fortunate than ourselves. For those whose financial situations preclude tithing, consider other ways in which you might help both your church and those around you. For those already tithing 10% or beyond, I thank you for your faithfulness and ask for your continued support and generosity.



Pastors Hours

Tuesdays 8:30 – 12:00

Wednesdays 1st & 3rd 10:30 – 2:30

2nd & 4th 8:30 – 12:00

Thursdays 8:30 – 12:00

Fridays 8:30 – 12:00

Other hours are available by appointment.

If the church office is closed, please leave a message and Pastor Jon or Jody will return your call. If you have an urgent issue, you may call or text Pastor Jon on his cell phone at 309-337-1988.

Fellowship Hall Rentals are available!

Do you have a special occasion like a wedding reception, birthday, anniversary or other gathering coming up and wonder how you'll be able to fit everyone in one place? The Trinity UMC Fellowship Hall is available for rent at reasonable rates, and church members get the first 2 hours free! Use of the Fellowship Hall also includes use of the kitchen facilities as well, if needed.

Contact Jody in the church office if you're interested and book your event today!



Giving through Estate Planning – Bequests and Memorials

During the course of 2017 Trinity UMC was the recipient of several generous bequests from past members or people who had been associated with the church. It is heartwarming to know that the church had made such a difference in someone's life that they wanted to remember the church as part of their estate. In the last few months alone, these bequests have made possible the purchase of a new heating and air conditioning system for much of the church, new flooring in the walkways and narthex, added giving for mission activities and other improvements for the church are being planned and implemented as the New Year begins.



We'd like to ask you to consider remembering the Milan Trinity UMC as part of your own estate or memorial planning, to help this church continue to do God's work in the Milan and surrounding communities in the future. If you have any questions, please contact the church office, Pastor Jon Warren, or we can connect you with the estate planning folks at the conference offices.