# Trinity Tidings



**TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** 

July, 2019

Dear Friends,

Leonard Sweet's book, A Cup of Coffee at the Soul Café, offers light-hearted observations that pack powerful spiritual help. Addressing our occasional hesitancy to live out our Christian faith, his chapter, "Rules For The Road," offers the following tips, to which I add a few Bible verses as commentary.

You can't steer a parked car. Some people are so worried about where they are going and how they will get there, that they never start. Insisting that you have control and security and answers before you ever get going leads to stagnation. If you want to grow, you must take risks and venture out into the world, trusting that God will guide you into an open, dy-namic future, to the mission and station in life God has willed for you. *"I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus"* (Philippians 3:14).

You can't drive forward without a rearview mirror. Though the view ahead through the windshield is brighter and broader than the view behind in the rearview mirror, still you cannot drive without both! In driving or in living, it is useful to remember where you have been, from where you have come. It has been said that living the Christian life is like rowing a boat. You set your sight on where you have been for guidance, then you back into the future. Use your rearview mirror as a guidepost, not as a hitching post.

You can't pass in the slow lane. While "haste makes waste," it is equally true that none of us has time to waste. Our days on earth are numbered, our time is precious. None of us is allotted more than 24 hours a day; people who accomplish more do so by better utilizing their allotted time. "Let is run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith" (Hebrews 12:1). Those who are stuck in low gear get left behind!

You can't repair the car while it's still in motion. When your car needs repair, the worst thing to do is step on the gas. From time to time we all need a spiritual check up, a time to pull off the road for maintenance or repair, maybe even a major overhaul of our life. A car cannot fix itself, nor can we fix our lives by willpower alone. Letting Christ into your life brings the Master's wisdom and correction we lack within. "Come unto me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest," said Jesus (Matthew 11:28). "Be still and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10). Allot yourself time to rest and commune with God.

You can't run on empty. Everyone has to have fuel. What is your passion? What energizes you? What lifts your spirits with joy and vitality? You cannot live without enthusiasm. Give yourself the gift of time to engage those activities and those people that make you happy and recharge your batteries. Especially make time for Jesus, who said, "I have come that you might have life, and have it abundantly" (John 10:10).

Blessings on you this summer!

Hugh Hamilton

#### 2019 LeaderTreks Trip Recap

On June 2<sup>nd</sup> thirteen youth and four chaperones began a weeklong trip of serving, studying, teaching, and building leadership traits in Atlanta. This was our second year to partner with LeaderTreks—a ministry organization based out of Wheaton, Illinois that specializes in trips that help youth develop a servant's heart as Christ's disciples. It would be impossible to capture all that took place during our week, but I want to highlight just a few of the powerful experiences of our trip.

- The Work Site: We spent four days working at Peace Baptist Church; a church that recently purchased 150,000 square feet of space that will not only serve as a place of worship, but the multifaceted space that will serve a variety of community needs. Our youth built a new stage for the youth room, as well as sixteen flower beds for their community garden. One the last day the youth put together the frames for benches that will go in their gym. At the work site, the youth were the leaders. They made decisions, did the work, and worked together to get an impressive amount of work accomplished! It was awesome to see their commitment to excellence and their capacity to overcome problems as a team.
- Vacation Bible School. We spent Tuesday Thursday afternoons leading a Vacation Bible School for children living an apartment complex across the street from Peace Baptist Church. Again, our youth were the leaders. They did an amazing job building relationships with the children, teaching them about the Bible, and showing them a great time. It was evident these children felt loved and valued by our youth.
- Devotionals & Team Time: Each morning we spent 45-minutes in Bible study. In the evenings, at the end of an exhausting day, we gathered for Team Time to review the day and offer encouragement to one another, highlighting how we saw God at work in our group members. We shared lots of laughs, but I was very impressed with how well our group did at supporting one another and showing genuine love and concern for each person.

It was a wonderful week, and I want to thank our youth and chaperones for their service and representing Trinity so well.

Youth Participants: Sarah Beth Wasdin, Jackson Allen, Stephen Hendrix, Zach Peterson, Luke Allen, Alexandra McCreary, Emily Watson, Mallory Lawrence, Abby Self, Lindsey Lawrence, Elizabeth Watson, Connor Kane, and Samantha Peterson.

Chaperones: Keith Wasdin, Laura Lawrence, Scott Peterson, and Brian Yount.

Grace & Peace,

Bing +

Brian



#### Spiritual Seekers Becoming Transformed Believers

The SMALL GROUP TEAM would like to invite you to come WITH us on a yearlong spiritual journey by participating in our new series of small group offerings. We hear God's call to connect people WITH opportunities to study God's word, experience the life of Christ, and to live like Christ WITH one another. Our first CHURCH-WIDE opportunity, *Purpose Driven Life-* the expanded edition by Rick Warren, will begin in September. If you would love to facilitate a group in your home, church, or other location please let us know! We are looking for twomember teams to help develop meaningful small group experiences

for everyone at Trinity. We will put out the series information at a later date which will include more church wide studies and suggested offerings for continual learning and growth throughout the year. Journey WITH us, grow WITH us, fellowship WITH us, and be transformed WITH us.

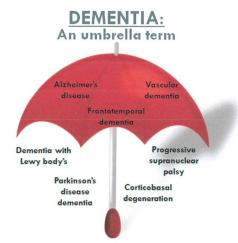
#### Ann Copenhaver, Sandy Hamilton and Greg Landsgaard



Together with the Homebuilders, the children and youth Sunday school classes are taking a break this summer. See you on August 25th for Rally Day.



**THE RISE AGAINST HUN-GER** Loose Coin Offering will be received Sunday, June 7. Thank you!



#### ALZHEIMER AND DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP

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**WHO NEEDS A VISIT?** If you know someone in our church family going through a difficult time and who might appreciate a visit, phone call, note, meal, flowers, prayer card or help with a simple home chore, please call the office at 432-3505, in confidence.

### Thank you!

#### Dear Trinity Family,

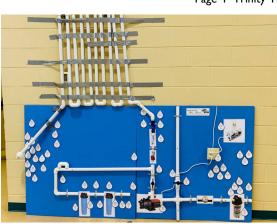
Thank you for your love and support to both Robert and myself during my surgery and recovery. Your prayers have been felt and we <u>know</u> God listened. Thank you for your visits, phone calls, plants, cards, food, and prayers. All were truly appreciated. We thank God for being blessed to have you as friends and family. **Gail Childs** 

Dear Trinity Family,

I want to thank those who visited, sent cards, flowers, food, and supporting prayers during my surgery and ongoing treatments.

I truly know what it is to have a loving, supportive, and caring church family. Your response to my problem is overwhelming and I feel the presence and support of God with such an army of prayer warriors behind me. (my grandson, Andrew, described it that way.)

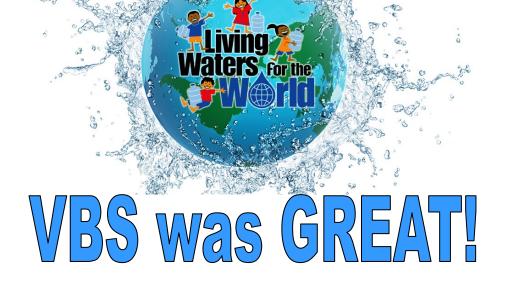
My caregiver, who is also my wife of 61 years, Mary Catherine, also sends her love and appreciation for the support you gave and are giving her. **Andrew Hinton** 







## Thank you, Volunteers!



### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

#### TRINITY MEMBERS

**Doug Boyd Betty Burrows Patty Davidson** Pat Drlicka **Dilver Fellers** Jeanne Franz **Carol Gilrov** Anne Green **Tom Gross Melanie Haupt Earl Hawthorne Kenny Heffner Andrew Hinton** Mary Kennedy **Don Kilpatrick Joyce Pate Richard Peden** Melba Powell **Beverly Prewitt Dave Sanders** 

#### **TRINITY FRIENDS & FAMILY**

Eric Allen (request of Marge Shimmin) Rose Baber (mother of Barb Martensen) Lucius Thomas Ball (nephew of Mallory Sherrill) Gretchen Barron (daughter of Jon & Karen Nagel) Jeannine Bartlett (sister of **Faye Groves**) Judy Benton (request of **Dan Prettyman**) Glen Bishop (brother-in-law of **Andrew Hinton**) Teresa Bradley (request of friends of Trinity) Bill Briggs (request of Joe & Mary Black) Terri Carroll (sister of **Dan Prettyman**) Lynn Carter (request of **Joe & Mary Black**) Patricia Chappell (request of **Sharon Day**) Irene Christian (request of Freddie Prettyman) Noeline Clark (request of Sharon Oakes) Charles Couch (father of Tim Couch) Brad Daugherty (nephew of Sandra Buck) Joey Davidson (son of Patty & Gary Davidson) Bill & Ann Delavan (request of Laura Lawrence) Vicky Depew (friend of Lori Skelton) Leslie Dobie (niece of Mary Ruth Dobie) Ethel Edwards (grandmother of **Leah Harrison**)

Carl Enck (brother in law of **Jim & Nancy Lemke**) Marianne Fortuna (request of Jonathan Fortuna) Karen Galloway (request of Gail & Robert Childs) Lance Gill (son of Elizabeth & Cam Massengill) Olivia Goodman (friend of the Lawrence Family) Kristen Gottschalk (niece of Barb & Allen Martensen) Dan Grace (request of **Sharon Day**) Sara Gulick (request of Susan Clark) Fred & Jana Hole (request of Leah Franko) Chris & Jenni Jennings (niece of **Pat Drlicka**) Kristen Laughlin (niece of **Jim Patteson**) Jerry Lolli (father of Ginnette Lolli) Lisa MacKendrick (request of Mary Ann Meier) André J. Marceau (friend of **Charlie Gilroy**) Billie Martz (request of Jean Nickinson) Michael Olson (son of Judy & Bruce Olson) Deb Patterson (request of Lori & Jody Skelton) Keith Pearcy (request of Joe & Mary Black) Jack Pipa (request of Lori & Jody Skelton) Samantha Rine (request of Mary Ruth Dobie) Abe Ruiz (request of **Pat Patterson**) Roger Satterfield (request of **Carl Williams**) Shirley Sawyer (request of **Joni & Gary Moore**) Helen Simmons (reuest of **Ona Gilbert**) Angelia Smith (request of **Dan Prettyman**) The Family of Kathi Smith (request of Mary Ruth Dobie) The Family of Porter Sparkman (cousin of Freddie Prettyman) Barbara & Gerald Spriggins (request of Marge Shimmin) Bettie Stout (sister of Carl Williams) Capt. Brandon Summersell (deployed son of Brenda Summersell) Richard & Diane Swalin (request of Mary Ruth Dobie) Keith Sylvest (request of Kathy Franz) Mary Lou Thayer (former Trinity employee) Jeffrey Turner (nephew of Judy & Bruce Olson) Dr. Riley Walker (friend of **Dan Prettyman**) Cricket Ward (request of Susan Clark) Diane Ward (request of Karen Nagel) Ruth Ann Ward (request of Jody & Lori Skelton) Miriam Westberry (granddaughter of Cindy & John Westberry) Don Williams (father of Allison Jones)

When you make a prayer request, please include an address of the individual being prayed for and your name, too. Thank you, Prayer Group. **Please stop by to say a prayer and sign cards in the Prayer Room from Monday 3:00 pm to Thursday 9:00 am.** 



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Thank you for your role in the Great Commission! This testimony is also because of your dedication to sow into the harvest through your giving and prayers. Together we will reach the unreached!



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# Happy July Birthdays!

Jenny	Hamilton	1
Gary	Moore	1
Kevin	Stage	1
Jimmy	Clark	3
Leah	Hayes	5
Ed	Shehee	5
Sharon	Gensemer	6
Caroline	Huff	6
Elaine	Longuet	6
Lucas	Wooten	6
Diane	Millas	8
Greg	Nesvik	9
Jason	Jones	10
Martha	Ridlehoover	10
Lucy	Trawick	10
Preston	Obray	11
Jean	Norman	12
David	Sanders	12
Pete	Clark	13
Sue	Davis	13
Pat	Skaggs	13
Brandon	Alumbaugh	14
Matt	Harrison	14
Ruth	Kiedinger	14
Miriam	Urquhart	14
Laura	Koontz Sharon	15
Terry	Scruggs	15
Annie	Hartsfield	17
Dylan	Pelt	17
Ann	Copenhaver	18
Karen	Hall	18
Anna Lura	Queen	19
Connor	Queen	19
Brian	Anderson	20
Susan	Ragan	22
Julie	Reeves	22
Paul	Young	22
Scott	Lawrence	23
Scott	Peterson Pulford	23 23
Kevin	Slorahn	23 23
Kelly Will	White	23 23
Sylvia	Beall	23 24
Richard	Jackson	24 26
Billie	Bailey	20
John	Green	27
Bob	Day	27
Ramona	Crosby	28 30
Dave	Blodgett	31
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