



Trinity Tidings

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News From Pastor Kyle

One of the greatest baseball games I have ever watched took place on August 5th, 2001 between the Cleveland Indians and Seattle Mariners.

Most Indians' fans will probably remember the story, but I'm wondering how many actually watched it.

A sell-out crowd to start the game, but only a few thousand remained in the seats for the finale. A live broadcast on television, but I'm sure many television channels had been turned before what eventually became the greatest comeback in over 75 years of Major League Baseball.

The Mariners, perhaps the best team in baseball that year, held a commanding 14-2 lead after five innings.

Then, Cleveland put together a three run seventh, a four run eighth, and then an unthinkable ninth inning with five runs to tie the score. The Indians would go on to win the game in the 11th inning.

How many fans truly watched the game after the Indians were down 14-2? While that really doesn't matter, the question makes me wonder how many people think their lives are over, or they have nothing left in the tank because they are being defeated by life, or age.

Disbelief sinks in and you start to just say, "what good is it anymore," or "I'm no longer able to be used by God," or "I'm unlovable."

Think back to the cross. Jesus was down 14-2, but in the 9th inning. The opposition continued to abuse Him over and over and it seemed like everyone had left the stadium, shut down their televisions, and gone away.

There Jesus was, left with just a few friends and family members and the end was in site.

Things changed drastically over the next few days! The tomb that He was placed in couldn't keep Him inside, and more importantly, the power of death couldn't keep Him down.

His death gives us NEW life. Where is your new life? Think life has won? It hasn't.

Think you can no longer be loved? NOT TRUE.

Think you are too old to be used by God? Not a chance.

Step up to the plate and use your new life to drive one out of the park.

Pastor Kyle

Hot Beverages

Starting at 9:00am, the Mission's Team will be providing hot beverages before church.

HOLY HOT DOGS & TACOS

Trinity United Church of Christ in Elliston, Ohio (17955 W. 3rd Street) will be offering a Wednesday Night Holy Hot Dog & Taco dinner. Dinners are open to the public to come and socialize on Wednesdays (6/14, 6/21, 6/28, 7/12, 7/19, 7/26, 8/2, 8/9 and 8/16) from 5 to 7:30 pm. Other goodies may also be available. For more information, please contact the church office at 419-862-3417. See the flyer on the bulletin boards.

Church Council Minutes

The Trinity United Church of Christ, Elliston Church Council met on Monday April 10, 2017 at 7:00 pm. Ed Gahler, President called meeting to order and Kyle Timmons opened with prayer. Those in attendance were as follows:

President Ed Gahler, Vice President Robin Hansen, John Bast, Ann Diekman, Nyla Denman, Dan Gahler, Connie Gahler, Steve Turnow, Jim Buhro, Marty Hoeft, and Church Secretary Rhonda Mahaney. Absent were Dan Mathews and Veronica McMonigle

Reports:

Recording Secretary: Meeting minutes from the March council meeting were read prior to the meeting by all members present & revisions made. Motion to accept the minutes for the past meeting was made by John B, 2nd Robin H. MC. The minutes from the Special Congregational Meeting were read and a motion to approve was made by Steve T, 2nd by Nyla D. MC

Secretary Report: Finishing up Men's Banquet Summary. Working on getting things ready for Women's Banquet and the Chicken BBQ. Rhonda reported that she has completed closing one of the checking accounts and merged it with the other checking account, leaving us with one checking account. All funds remain as they were.

Financial Report: Financial Report was reviewed. Contingent fund remains in the negative. Motion to accept the March financial report was made by Dan G. 2nd Marty H. MC.

Pastor Report: PK reported on visitations that were made this month. We donated \$889.00 to the Shellhammer/Meinke Memorial fund to go to the children (per their request). Lent services were briefly discussed.

Committee Reports:

Worship

- Have not met and the next meeting not currently scheduled

EFY

- Still looking for volunteers for the nursery
- Youth Missions Trip planned for June 4th -9th at Camp Washington UCC in Cincinnati, at this time there are 10 youth and 3 chaperones. We are hoping to cover all the costs of the travel for everyone. There will be 2 vans driving down. We will need to look into what paperwork all needs to be filled prior to leaving with the youth.

Mission

- April will need help with Chicken BBQ and Rummage Sale

Church & Ministry

- Need to set a meeting
- Need to have a 30 day evaluation on new employee, Amy Mathews, custodian

Trustee Report

- Trustees reported that the stairwell project is complete.
- Township is re-black topping the road around the church, would like to know if we would like our parking lot black topped at the same time, unsure on the price
- Steve is getting the mower ready to go for the season. Nyla volunteered to mow several weeks this summer.

Old Business:

- Father/Son Banquet was a success and everyone had a great time.
- Chicken BBQ scheduled for April 23rd. New Date signs were ordered, haven't received them yet.
- Rummage Sale April 27th -April 29th, Jackie Timmons will need volunteers. Discussed options for new signs for the ends of the roads.

We need to set up the tables in the hall after the BBQ so it's ready to go for Monday set-up.

- SGW Project. – We haven't received the last 2 pieces to complete the project. We will be in contact with them to find out when we can expect to have the project complete.
- We will work on receiving at least 2 more quotes for AC units for the hall and sanctuary.

New Business:

- We are looking for quotes for the roof to the hall and steeple.
- We are looking into purchasing oil filled candles for the sanctuary with some memorial money.

Ann D moved and Nyla D 2nd to adjourn meeting.
 Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm by Ed Gahler
 Respectfully submitted, Rhonda Mahaney,
 Administrative Assistant

\$5 Offerings - The Missions' Team has generated a new schedule of \$5 offerings for the year. They include:

- 1st Sunday of Month - Supporting Church Camp
- 2nd Sunday of Month - Supporting Youth Mission's Trip (June 4-9)
- 3rd Sunday of Month - Supporting a local mission/need
- 4th Sunday of Month - Supporting an outward mission/need
- 5th Sunday of Month - As needed

If you have suggestions for where our 3rd or 4th week offerings could go, please let Pastor Kyle or Amy Mathews know.

Treasurer's Report (approved)

General Operating Fun	
Balance as of 4/1/17	\$7,223.89
Offerings/Income	\$10,857.71
Expenses	\$11,048.54
Balance as of 4/30/17	\$7,033.06

Contingent Fund

Do you know what the Continent Fund is used for? This is the fund that ALL building and maintenance items are paid out of. So when something breaks, we pay for it out of this fund. An idea of other items that are paid out of the Contingent Fund include:

- Maintenance work on the boilers
- Light bulbs and new lights
- Batteries
- Paint
- Parts to fix & repair things in the church
- Carpet Cleaning
- Snow Removal
- Elevator Repair

Just to name a few

Please remember to contribute to our Contingent Fund. We are still in a negative balance from the Elevator repair from last year, and as you see this is an important fund to maintain funds in.



Happy Memorial Day to everyone. Just a reminder the office is closed 5/29/17.

Contingent Fund

As we ended the year, we are still running a negative balance of -\$800.00 from the elevator repair. If you are looking for a place to make a donation, please consider our Contingent Fund. Thank you for everyone's continued donations to this fund.

WF Treasurer's Report	
Balance on Hand as of April 1 st	\$232.15
Offering	\$8.00
Knives	12.00
Total Income & Balance	\$252.15
Total Expenses	\$20.00
To Savings	\$20.00
Balance on Hand April 30th	\$232.15
Savings Account	\$1,320.98

Women's Fellowship

Trinity Women's Fellowship met on Thurs. May 11, 2017 at 1:00 pm. There were eleven present. We were happy to have V. Pres. Norma back with us after her back surgery. She began with prayer and a table blessing.

Hostess was Ina D. serving a delicious strawberry cream cheese dessert with snacks and candies. Kelly also shared some desert with us.

The program was led by Suzanne B. This one ends our series of programs on "The Special Loves of "Women". We have learned we have been given a special love to share with others. To grow in the capacity to love is one of life's most rewarding opportunities. Love comes from God and is offered by us for God.

A Business meeting was held. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report was given accepted and will be filed.

Correspondence – a thank you note was received from Melvin & Norma Reif for the many expressions of get-well wishes.

Ina D. gave the Sunshine report. New chairman will be Norma R.

Prayer partners were revealed and new names drawn.

Remember to bring donation to the O.H. Food Pantry.

Next month we will start our summer outings. We will meet at church at 11:30 am and go to Frisch's Big Boy on Woodville Road for lunch at noon.

Sue W. had a couple readings to share and Norma closed with some

Meeting Adjourned.

~Suzanne Buhro, Secretary

Rummage Sale

Thank you to everyone that helped to set up, serve food, and work at the rummage sale. This is a great community outreach ministry that our church hosts. Thru all your efforts, we were able to make \$162.90 for the youth fund from the concession stand and also \$1029.41 towards our mission fund thru the sales. We donated a lot of left over items to Easter Seals and will be receiving a check for \$340 from them for our donation. Thank you again for everyone's help to make this a great event again this year.

Community Markets

Please bring in your receipts and place them in the box located on the table between the North glass doors. Every little bit helps!

Welcome

We welcomed Ashley Ann Hansen and Kolt Warren Hansen to our church family thru Holy Baptism on May 7th, 2017.

Kolt is the son of Brock and Ashley Hansen.



Thank You

“Thank you to all our Trinity Church family for all the prayers and donations for Hope. We are very blessed to have each and every one of you. Thank you very much.”

~Tina Bowman

“Thank you to all the church members that helped with the bereavement luncheons this month. All of your efforts are appreciated.”

~TUCC Church Family

“We wish to say a special thank you for the many expressions of get well wishes. We certainly appreciated the many prayers, get-well concerns, cards, phone calls, visits, and delicious food. Thank you everyone.”

~Melvin & Norma

“Thank you to everyone for the cards and warm wishes for our 50th Wedding Anniversary! Also thank you to Myron & Sara for our delicious desserts when we joined you for lunch!!!”

~Doug & Karen Lick

“Thank you to the Women’s Fellowship and everyone for the cards and prayers when I had by cataract surgeries!”

~Karen Lick

Lost and Found

The Lost and Found Table (located in the coat room by the north entrance) will be emptied at the end of each month. It will be donated or put in garbage.” Thanks Amy

Table and Chair Sign-Out

Just a reminder, with parties and outside family gathering season upon us, that the sign out sheet for the tables and chairs is located in the *closet across from the office*. Please contact the office to make sure you are on the list for the date you would like the tables and chairs. The **ONLY** tables that are to leave the building are the older wooden style tables. The **ONLY** chairs that are to leave the building are the wooden chairs.



Coupons

Thank you to everyone for collecting the coupon pages.

This month we delivered 5 boxes of food, personal items, diapers and 30 rolls of toilet paper to the Jerusalem Township food bank. Everyone is so appreciative for anything they receive.

Thank you so much with helping me with this project. I couldn’t do this without all of your help.

Thank you so much! ~~Karen Lick

Adult Sunday School: Come and join us in some great discussions. Kathy Giesler leads a class that will meet on Sundays at 8:00am. All are welcome to join!

Heartbeat of Ottawa County

The Baby Bottle Campaign is back! The campaign runs from Mother’s Day, May 14th through Father’s Day, June 18th. You can pick up your baby bottle at church on Mother’s day, fill it and bring it back prior to Father’s day. Heartbeat of Ottawa County has been standing firm for the sanctity of human life for over 25 years. The funds we collect stay in our area helping young women and men to more fully embrace the life God has given them, and to help them embrace the roles they hold in their families.

Mark your 2017 Calendars

Youth Mission’s Trip (June 4-9)

Water Blast & Picnic (July)

Turnow’s Pond Weekend (August)

Fall Festival & Boo Festival (October 29th)



*Stay informed about additions and changes in our calendar by viewing our facebook page (*Trinity United Church of Christ Elliston*), newsletters, and bulletins.

Christian Sympathy

Hope Marie Bowman

ELMORE: Hope Marie Bowman, 20 months, died Wednesday, May 3, 2017 at Mercy- St. Charles Hospital, Oregon, OH due to complications of a heart defect which she was born with. She was born August 25, 2015 at the Toledo Hospital to Dennis and Kristina (Tabbert). Hope was baptized May 22, 2016 at Trinity United Church of Christ, Elliston. Hope was the strongest, happiest, and most of all loving little girl. Hope loved to be outside, she found out early that the world had so much to discover. Hope had the appropriate face to go with every situation, and Hope knew just how to use them to brighten everyone's day.

Survivors also include her maternal grandparents Don & Shelly Tabbert of Graytown, OH; maternal great-grandparents Don & Hazel Tabbert of Graytown and Bob & Karol Beaugard of Arcadia, FL; paternal grandparents Tom & JoAnn Bowman of Elmore; uncles: Donnie (Sara) Tabbert of Genoa, OH, Tommy Tabbert of Graytown, Tom (Nichole) Bowman of Mogadore, OH; and aunt Stefany Bowman of Elmore.

Visitation will be from 2-8pm Sunday at the Crosser Funeral Home & Cremation Service, Elmore- Genoa Chapel. Funeral Services will begin at 11am Monday, May 8, 2017 at the Funeral Home with the family to receive friends beginning at 10am. Private burial will take place at the Harris- Elmore Union Cemetery, Elmore. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the family for a charity to be named later in the cardiac research field. Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.crosserfuneralhome.com.

Memorial Thank You

We would like to extend our thanks to the following people that donated to the Hope Bowman Memorial Fund.

Fay Bolander; Melvin & Norma Reif; Trinity Women's Fellowship; Lauren & Faye Milbrodt; Jackie Pelton; Suzanne Buhro; Myron & Sarah Zibble; Eloise Hellwig

Memorial Thank You

We would like to extend our thanks to the following people that donated to the Cliff Munger Memorial Fund.

Eloise Hellwig; Trinity Women's Fellowship; Myron & Sarah Zibel; Faye & Lauren Milbrodt; Doug & Karen Lick

Copies

If you would like color copies made, you don't need to travel all the way to the store anymore! With the new copier we have, we can print very nice color copies for you! We will charge \$0.50 per color copy, which is less than you would spend at the store, and \$0.05 per black & white copy. Just stop during office hours and we will help you out.

Birth Announcement



Trinity family,

We would like to take a minute and thank everyone for their cards, gifts and prayers in welcoming baby Ryan into our family. Ryan James Gahler was born 3/30/17 and weighed 7 lbs 15 oz. He was welcomed by big brother Bennett and his whole extended family. Everyone is doing great! Thanks again.

Eric, Ashley, Bennett, and Ryan Gahler

Trinity Youth News

Children's Choir at Trinity

The choir will no longer be meeting the first Sunday at 9am to practice.

Please come prepared knowing the music the first Sunday of the month so we can continue to enjoy the little ones sharing their musical talents with us. If you have any questions, please contact Jackie Timmons at 419 898 2045 or text at 567 249 5141.

Branching Out (Preschool - 1st Grade)

Branching Out (2nd - 5th Grade)

We are looking for a few teachers (men and women) to rotate teaching our Branching Out classes. Material and training will be available. Our children our vital to health of this congregation, both presently and in the future. Please prayerfully consider signing up to help Branching Out grow.

Several people have already stepped up to teach this fall, but we could still use 2 or 3 more individuals. This will allow teachers to attend worship the other three Sundays. If you are willing to teach, please let Pastor Kyle, Amy Mathews, or Janene Lattimore know as soon as possible.

Youth Mission's Trip (June 4-9) - Several students will be traveling to Cincinnati to participate in our summer mission's trip in June. If you have a student interested in going and haven't said anything yet to PK, please let him know right away.

While we will be receiving \$5 offerings to help pay for our students to attend, if you would like to help sponsor our youth to go, please see PK or Rhonda in the church office. Each student costs \$200 and we have around 12 youth to cover the costs for (including chaperones).

Greeters

<u>June 2017</u>		
4 th	North	Darrell Opfer
	South	Jackie Pelton
11 th	North	Ed Gahler
	South	Jane Gahler
18 th	North	Dan Gahler
	South	Connie Gahler
25 th	North	Kelsey Gahler
	South	Krista Hellwig
<u>July 2017</u>		
2 nd	North	Jay Hellwig
	South	Joanne Hellwig
9 th	North	Dwayne Hoeft
	South	Eva Hoeft
16 th	North	Marty Hoeft
	South	Kristi Hoeft
23 rd	North	Doug Lick
	South	Karen Lick
30 th	North	Jared Lattimore
	South	Janene Lattimore
<u>August 2017</u>		
6 th		TURNOW POND
13 th	North	Dan Mathews
	South	Amy Mathews
20 th	North	Brianne Perry
	South	Matt Perry
27 th	North	Evelynn Schimming
	South	Nyla Denman

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Mission

Promote Faith, Family, and Fellowship through the Father,
Son, & Holy Spirit!

Check out our website at:

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Message from the Office

By Rhonda Mahaney

JUNE TIDINGS DEADLINE:

Due to the office closing from June 19-23,
the deadline for June tidings will be June
15th.

Thank you in advance.

Office Closed: June 5, 19-23

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