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THE TRINITY MESSENGER

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF OWOSSO

PASTOR'S NOTES

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Janet Keesler

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Next Deadline

June 20th

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Bible Study 10:15

Worship Service 11:30

Hearing Assist units are available at each service, please see any usher. Recorded services are on <https://www.facebook.com/TrinityUMCOWosso> go to Posts and scroll down.

Greetings! We made it to June! The month of last days of school (for some), graduation celebrations, the beginning of summer vacation travels, mission trips are happening, and Father's Day is celebrated.

In my family, Father's Day became a day when we all tried to celebrate with my dad, but after he retired, June started parade season (he drove a little car with the Shriners), and most Father's day he was off some place participating in a parade. It really made him happy that his children and grandchildren understood that he found great joy in those parades. So we didn't plan a Father's Day gathering, we generally spent time with him during the weekend when he was home, helping in his garden, purchasing a round of golf that he generally used during the week, or watching the Tigers with him. My dad's best day was any day that his children and grandchildren would spend with him, even if he had to drive a distance to attend an event one of us might be involved in. The one time we didn't bother him was Sunday evening, after my sister moved to Oregon she would call dad at 6:00 every Sunday.

I know that not everyone has had a relationship with their dad, like we did, and that saddens me. One of my favorite authors, Roberta Bondi was one of those people. Her dad treated her as if she was a nuisance. He ignored her and never really showed her any sign that he loved her. It truly inhibited her relationship with God. She found it extremely difficult to pray the Lord's Prayer and say "Our Father". It was when she began to study history and she focused on the Desert Fathers of the faith that she found that her father was human and imperfect, and God was perfect. That's when God worked a great thing in her spirit and she found that God was the perfect Father, and that no other father could be equal. Her father had died, but she found that she could forgive him, she understood him better. She also found that the relationship she had with her Heavenly Father had grown deeper and wider.

Whatever our relationship is/was with our human fathers, have we learned that our Heavenly Father is perfect, especially when our earthly father is not? Have we learned that the love God has for us far exceeds the love that anyone including our human father. 1John tells us, **"See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are"** (1 John 3:1). Jesus says that, **"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name."** (John 15:13-16).

Our Heavenly Father loves us so much that he sent his son into the world, for our sins to be forgiven. Not only that, but we are "chosen". Chosen to be friends of Jesus and because we are friends, Jesus lays down his life for us...all because God's love for us is so great that he wants not only to spend this life with us, but all of eternity with us! All we have to do is accept the gift of love given to us. I know that my human dad would have laid down his life for his children if he had to. Thankfully he did not. I have never doubted his love for any of his children or grandchildren. I also know that he was pleased that my relationship with my Heavenly Father who can give me so much more than he could was formed and continuing to be formed.

May you feel the great love of your Heavenly Father with you each and every day. And may you answer the call to be His love to a world that needs to know it has been chosen by Jesus as well and know that God's best day is when we chose to spend time with him.

Shalom, Pastor Mona

Update on Our Father's Cupboard

The food pantry at Trinity, Our Father's Cupboard, served a total of 514 people in the month of April. A total of 152 families sought free food and personal care items during our regularly scheduled drive-through food pantry at our church during the month of April. We run through the food quickly, and we need to place more orders with the Greater Lansing Food Bank. We also need personal care items and plastic grocery bags to be donated.

Jan Moberg

Mission for June

The mission for June is our own Our Father's Cupboard food pantry. The volunteers, that work the food pantry, pack boxes of food and help to distribute the necessary food that people in our area need. The food pantry serves 18-46 families each Wednesday evening, and we provide frozen and canned meat, milk, eggs, cheese, fruit, vegetables, nuts, frozen bakery items, pasta and sauce, canned meals like chili and beef stew, and boxed macaroni and cheese dinners, if available. We also distribute personal care items, when available.



Shelter needs list

Gas/gift cards for: Wal-Mart, Meijer, Gas, etc. \$10, \$20
SATA Bus Passes

Personal needs

Lotion	Body wash	Shampoo
Conditioner	Pregnancy Tests	Brushes
Diapers size 4 and up	Pull-ups/Overnights	
Razors	Male hygiene items	

Household

Plastic Totes	Plastic drawer sets	Brooms/mops/dustpans
Laundry baskets	Spray disinfectant	Disinfecting wipes
Bleach	Floor cleaners	Toilet tissue
Paper towels	Dishwasher detergent	Dish soap
White vinegar	Fabric softener	Laundry detergent
Twin bedding	Bath towels	Dryer sheets
Kitchen towels	Rubbing alcohol-91%	Trash Bags
Wash cloths	Kitchen sponges	

Clothing

Adult Women & Men – (All sizes S – 5X)

-Gently Used: sweatpants, sweatshirts,
-New: bras, socks, undergarments

Children:

-Sweatpants, sweatshirts, slippers, pajamas, shoes & boots

Miscellaneous

Address labels	Stamps	Pocket folders
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Shiawassee County * 1300 N. Hickory Street, Owosso, MI 48867
989.723.9716/877.952.7283 * Fax: 989.723.3822

Clinton County * 323 N. Clinton Avenue, St. Johns, MI 48879
989.723.9716/877.952.7283 * Fax: 989.224.6947

www.thesafecenter.org/Facebook: TheSafeCenter

UMW News

The Methodist Women met on Tuesday the 12th of May, and 8 ladies were in attendance. It was a joy to have lunch and dessert together. The subject was "Memories of our lives with our Mothers." It appears we all had picked up some of the good traits that were our favorites or likes in cooking, and ways Mothers taught kids at home.

The ladies have a tasty plan for Father's Day to entertain our wonderful men who help with many things throughout the church. We deeply want to extend our gratefulness to them. There will be a "Church Potluck," being held on Sunday June 11th. This is for the entire church family. Bring a passing dish, and your families' own table setting. Dessert and drink will be furnished, and at the end of dinner, there will be "Highlight Dedication" to the Fathers. Come join us with an appetite, joy, love, and fellowship. God Bless this Celebration. Thank God for each Father!!!!

The ladies will meet again on the second Tuesday, June 13th to plan summer activities.

Praise the Lord!

Margaret



June 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Annual Conference	2 Annual Conference	3 Annual Conference
						No UMM Meeting
4 Annual Conference	5	6	Food Pantry 5:00pm-6:00pm	8	9	10
Janet Doing Service						
Singalong						
11 Pastor Mona Back	12	13 UMW Meeting 12:00pm	Flag Day	15	16	17
Communion			Food Pantry 5:00pm-6:00pm			
Noisy Coin						
Church Potluck						
18 Father's Day	19 Juneteenth	20 Newsletter Articles Due	21 First Day of Summer	22 Leadership Team Meeting 6:15pm	23	24
Mission Offering			Food Pantry 5:00pm-6:00pm			
25	26	27	28 John Wesley's Birth- day (1703)	29	30	
Coffee Hour			Food Pantry 5:00pm-6:00pm			

Serving Our Military

- Kimberly Swenor (Granddaughter of Bobbie Bennett)
- We do not have any other addresses at this time. If you know of one, please let the church office know.



May God's love and protection surround our loved ones serving in our Military.

Please Pray for our Sick or Homebound:

Allison Anderson, Jean Anderson,
Shirley Badgero, Alice Braid,
Vivian Breining, Gladys Davis,
Dorothy Davis-Drurey,
Jim & Joyce Floate, Diann Gibbons,

Take a treat... Send a card... Make a Call... Plan a visit

June Helvie, Waneta Malkaski, Dawn Marsh,
Violet Splan, Faye Wood, & Birdie Wright.

Our Church Family:

Information for this page is provided by you!

Please contact the office if you know any members who need to be included here.

Please contact Pastor Mona if someone you know is hospitalized so that she can make a pastoral call or visit.

We have no way of knowing unless we are specifically notified.



GOT PRAYER NEEDS?

Please contact either
Margaret Duntley, 989-723-4514,
Mcduntley@charter.net

or

Janet Keesler, 989-277-0959,
jmkeesler1970@gmail.com

and unleash the power of God through our prayer warriors. You may also call or email the church office at 989-723-2664 or trinityumc@michonline.net

Church Office Hours

The Trinity UMC office hours have changed. These are the times when Janet Keesler is in the church office, minus days with doctor's appointments, etc.

Monday-Thursday 11:00am-4:00pm

You can call the church office at 989-723-2664. if no answer on the phone, please leave a message.

Pastor Mona is usually in the Trinity UMC office on Tuesdays and sometimes Thursday afternoons. The times may vary. If you need to get ahold of Pastor Mona any other time, please call First UMC at 989-725-2201.

Pastor Mona's cell number is 269-484-4060.

June Anniversaries

05 - Laurie & Merwin Boughfman
17 - Scott & Melissa Clark
24 - Jim & Joyce Floate
25 - Al & Kaye Newton

June Birthdays

01 - Paul Whitehead
04 - Lydia Wood
06 - Marcia Eickholt
09 - Vivian Breining
15 - Kaitie Novak
19 - Jean Holzheuer
21 - Pam Giffei
22 - June Helvie
27 - Jim Beckwith
27 - Rev. Susan Kingsley



But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with perseverance.

Romans 8:25



Pictured here is a new banner for the church made by Janet Keesler.

Serving the Congregation in June

If you cannot make your commitment for any reason, please find your replacement. Thank you.

	6/4	6/11	6/18	6/25	
NURSERY					
LITURGIST	Carol	Terry	Carol	Terry	
JR. CHURCH	Jasmine	Jasmine	Jasmine	Jasmine	
SOUND/CAMERA	Sandy & Mark	Sandy & Mark	Sandy & Mark	Sandy & Mark	
ELEVATOR	Tom	Leo	Rick	Leo	
COUNTERS	Sandy & Peggy	Tom & Jan	Sandy & Peggy	Tom & Jan	
USHERS	Jasmine Leo Mark Rick	Leo Tom Rick Jasmine	Jasmine Leo Mark Rick	Leo Tom Rick Jasmine	
GREETERS	Rick	Rick	Rick	Rick	



Mail donations to:

Respite Volunteers of Shiawassee
P.O. box 1777
Owosso, MI 48867
989-725-1127



Pictured above is the bulletin board for Mother's Day.





Pictured above is the bulletin board for Memorial Day

"Let the beloved of the Lord rest secure in Him, for He shields him all day long, and the one the Lord loves rests between His shoulders."

Deuteronomy 32:12





Mission Statement

Trinity United Methodist Church invites all people to a transforming faith: by knowing and worshipping God through Jesus Christ; claiming and living God's promises; growing and sharing the good news; and serving together in love.

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Events for June

- **Wednesdays - Our Father's Cupboard Food Pantry at 5:00pm-6:00pm**
- **Thursday, June 1-4, 2023 - Annual Conference**
- **Saturday, June 3, 2023 - No UMM Meeting**
- **Sunday, June 4, 2023 - Janet Doing Service & Singalong**
- **Sunday, June 11, 2023 - Pastor Mona is Back, Communion, Noisy Coin Offering, & Church Potluck**
- **Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 12:00pm - UMW Meeting**
- **Wednesday, June 14, 2023 - Flag Day**
- **Sunday, June 18, 2023 - Father's Day & Mission Offering**
- **Monday, June 19, 2023 - Juneteenth**
- **Tuesday, June 20, 2023 - Newsletter Articles Due**
- **Wednesday, June 21, 2023 - First Day of Summer**
- **Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 6:15pm- Leadership Team Meeting**
- **Sunday, June 25, 2023 - Coffee Hour Hosted by Finance**
- **Wednesday, June 28, 2023 - John Wesley's Birthday (1703)**

Scripture Readings

June 4	Genesis 1:1-2:4a
June 11	Genesis 12:1-9
June 18	Genesis 18:1-15, (21:1-7)
June 25	Romans 6:1b-11

The Coffee Hour 2023/2024 schedule is as follows for the last Sunday of the month:

June: Finance

July and August: None at this time

September: Liturgists

October: Food Pantry

November: Hanging of the Greens & Potluck

December: None