

TRINITY TRIUMPH

TRINITY UNITED PRESBYTERIAN February 2014

From The Minister Of Word And Sacrament:

To think of "mission," Christian mission, synonyms include *calling, lifework, and vocation*. Christian calling, lifework, has often been Scripturally summed up with two passages from Matthew, the first from Matthew 25 having to do with "the kingdom of heaven will be like":

"... 'And when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty ... And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing?' ... And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family you did it to me.'"

And in this you should receive, for your part, the words from Christ's Table, on 6th Street in Zanesville":

... A very special thank you to you for helping us serve 113,982 meals in 2013: this could not have been accomplished without your support! ... Thank you for making us part of your 2013 and helping us make a difference in the lives of others. We want you to feel good about what you are doing to help fight "poverty" right here in your hometown. ... Thank you for your donation of \$657.09. ... **Mission Statement: "To feed the hungry Children of God."**

Also from Eastside Community Ministry:

... With your kindness and support, we are able to help those who don't have the resources to fill their cupboards, heat their homes, or bundle up against the winter wind. ... For more information on how your donation is helping to make a difference in the lives of so many in our community, we invite you to visit our Web site www.eastsideministry.org

From Transitions, Inc., Domestic Violence Shelter:

We have received your generous donation of \$300.00 ... and want to extend our most gracious appreciation. It is through gifts such as yours that help us to continue in ***Our Mission to successfully intervene in the cycle of family violence, child abuse and sexual abuse by providing a safe harbor, personal legal advocacy and other related assistance to victims and their families*** Thank you ... we are humbled at your trust and are honored to do this work.

And a thank-you note from Rushing Wind Biker Church for a \$300.00 donation.

These in part represent appreciation for what we are doing to try to make positive, constructive, and fully human and for that matter fully Divine physical differences in the lives of people in our immediate vicinity. *In part* representative, for not everyone responds with notes such as the above, and these aren't all the notes we receive throughout the year. And I don't care about notes, but I care about outcomes. And through these, and through other funding we've contributed to the Presbyterian Church USA, we pray that the end result will be a Matthew 25 reach into the lives of all who might be among "*the least of these, members of my family*".

Trinity United Presbyterian Church
830 Military Road
Zanesville, OH 43701
Unicameral Session Minutes
For December 15th, 2013

On Sunday, December 15, 2013, at 11:50AM we met in the Chapel for devotions led by Elder Floyd Sours. At the conclusion of the devotions and prayer, we moved to the High School classroom for the business portion of the meeting. Our Moderator Rev. Dennis Allison called us to order and service. A quorum was declared with 12 Elders present:

P-Jim Ardrey 13
E-Ray Mennega 13
P-Lew Sidwell 13
P-Floyd Sours 13
P-Nancy Thompson 13

P-Arlene Crooks 14
P-Anna Johnson 14
P-Richard Patterson 14
P-Frank Walburg 14

E-Chad Foster 15
P-David Frick 15
P-Nancy Killian 15
P-Jan Jenkins 15
E-Dale Vandenberg 15

P-Rev. Dennis Allison Moderator
P-Tim Patterson, Clerk of Session 14

Clerk's Report: The agenda for December 15, 2013 was approved along with the minutes from the November 17, 2013 meeting. The minutes from the December 1, 2013 special congregational meeting were also approved. Publications received have been placed in the library.

Communications Received:

- a. A letter and host agreement document from the Alzheimer's Association. I will sign and return the agreement.
- b. A mailing from the Princeton Theological Seminary.

Moderators Report: Rev. Allison reported he has been making telephone contact and visiting members of the church. This is being done to get to know the members of the congregation.

Deacon Report: No report

Presbytery: At the December meeting Dr. Schumacher was recognized for his Pastor Emeritus status.

Old Business: None

Worship and Music Report: The committee presented the following motions:
That the proposed 2014 Communion schedule be approved (see the attached schedule) –
Approved;
That the Christian Copyright Licensing International (CCLT) not be renewed (the fee for a church our size is \$266). Approved.

On Sunday, December 1, 2013, 99 received Holy Communion.
The Christmas Eve service will begin with the Music program at 7pm; the Worship service will begin at 7:30 pm.

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The committee has decided to table a request by Kaylan Patterson to invite a Christian group, 'Active Christians Today' to lead a church service for our congregation. The request has been tabled until late 2014.

Outreach: Reported with no action items. Reviewed committee description and goals.

Christian Education: No report. Elder Tim Patterson raised a question about the Superman movie for Sunday School, which was presented at the previous session meeting. The movie will not be shown to the younger children. It was decided to inform parents of the children 4th grade and above know that this is a PG-13 movie and a permission form will be provided.

Finance: The monthly finance report was presented. The balance figure for November was negative. The Stewardship letter was sent out. More information will be coming in January. Sunday Dec. 22, 2013 will be a sermon about stewardship. Report was accepted.

Personnel: No Report

Nominating & Membership: The elders and deacons have been elected. There remains one vacant spot on the Nominating committee.

Building and Grounds: Reported with no action items. Expecting expenses (utilities) to go up approx 3%.

Missions: No Report.

Youth Committee: Reported with no action items.

The Angel tree \$425 collected from cookie sales. The youth were able to provide \$200 in gifts each for 3 children. Elder Nancy Thompson will be going off of session so will not be chairperson for Youth, but plans to remain on the committee to work with our wonderful youth.

New Business:

List of members to transfer to inactive. Motion to transfer 25 names to Inactive. The motion was seconded and discussed. Approved. The list will be included as a part of this record.

Time of Sharing Joys and Challenges: Thanks to God for all the blessings at Trinity. Thanks to Elder Frank Walburg for his work on the office copier and duplicator situation. We are thankful for the friendship, fellowship, and laughter of our session members. Discussion about how Pastor Allison's attire for the Children's Program and Caroling was well received.

The meeting was adjourned and closed with prayer at 1:15PM by Rev. Dennis Allison, Moderator.

Next scheduled Session meeting is January 19, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,



Tim Patterson, Clerk of Session



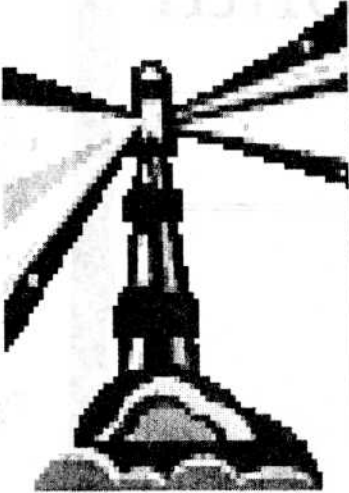
FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- Feb. 1 **Jack Hampson**
- 7 Nancy Killian, Ed Bay
- 8 Bernie Baldwin
- 10 Becky Welch, Jan Jenkins
- 11 Kasey MacLaine
- 17 Carol Sours, **Merle Taylor**
- 18 **Bob Arter**, Lori Meadows, Clayton Foster
- 19 George Ware III
- 20 **Rita Gains**
- 21 **Richard Krebs**, Dave Foster, Kori Sidwell
- 22 **Gretchen Bennett**
- 24 **William Fisk**
- 26 Kelly Garber

Bill & Joan Miska Feb. 23, 1963

Reminder that Valentine Day is Feb. 14th. Let us send our home bound friends a card.

The Pastor
The Pastor, Clerk of the Church



DEACONS BEACON

The first Deacon meeting of the new year was held on January 14th and we had a very good turn out. Marsha Mortimer serving as Vice-Moderator conducted the meeting due to Helen's illness. Our next Cookie Coffee is scheduled for Feb. 16th.

Deacons on duty for Feb. are: Charlene Noland, Marsha Mortimer and Dorothy Allison.

fore the next meeting.

The February meeting date is Feb. 11th at 6:00 p.m.

There are important papers in each Deacons box from the January meeting. Please be sure to check your boxes be-

ORDINATION AND INSTALLING OF OFFICERS

Please join us on February 9th for the installation and ordination of the new elected officers.

Our new Elders are: Marshall Hightower, Maggie Nussbaum, Kris Hawk.

Our new Deacons are: Mary Flanagan, Emily Sheets, Katie Sidwell.

This is a very special service and we hope that you can join us.

Following the service the Girl Scouts will be hosting a spaghetti luncheon to raise money for the girls to go to camp this summer.



What's happening this month

Girl Scout Sunday February 9th

Please welcome the Girl Scouts from troop 1862 this Sunday as they hand out bulletins and help during the service. Troop 1862 is sponsored by the church and meets on the first and third Thursday of each month. If you know anyone girls from Kindergarten to third grade interested in joining they are welcome to attend! Meetings run from 6:00 to 7:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

Girl Scout Spaghetti Lunch February 9th

There will be a spaghetti lunch after church on February 9th. The cost is a donation and all the money raised will be used to send the girls to summer camp. Please come and eat even if you can't donate! There are 26 girls in the troop and they are eager to earn their etiquette badge! We've already gotten lots of spaghetti so we won't run out and you are helping just by being present. Troop 1862 thanks you for your continued support!

Acolyte Schedule

February 2nd
Aaron Johnson
Miranda Geis
Sub: Mark Patterson

February 9th
Katherine Allison
Carolyn Geis
Sub: Aaron Johnson

February 16th
Jonathan Patterson
Mark Patterson
Sub: Connor Allison

February 23rd
Kenzie Vandembark
Emily Founds
Sub: Emily and Taylor Ferry



