



Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World

May 2019 Newsletter of Trinity United Methodist Church

*Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her.
-Proverbs 31:28*

The month of May has so many wonderful things to celebrate; graduations are planned, there are Memorial Day celebrations, and there is Mother's Day. I found this wonderful article on mothers and how to show our love to them. I thought I would share it with you.

5 Incredible Mother's Day Celebration Ideas

Mother's Day is one of the occasions when you can show your gratitude to your lovely mother. The oodles of happiness and bunch of jovial moments she has given you, indeed, need a celebration. She is the one who first showed the world to you, and now, it's your turn to show her the world. A Mother takes every pain simply for her child, without uttering a single word of dissatisfaction. *No one else* can be as caring as a mother. And therefore, she deserves to be celebrated for the way she has made *your* life a celebration with her unspoken prayers and continuous efforts.

Here are a few of the Mother's Day celebration ideas to rely on if you are planning to delight your mother on this Mother's day and show your heartiest feelings of love:

1. Delight your Mother with Breakfast in Bed

Plan something extraordinary for her! Since you were born, you have seen your mother preparing breakfast for everyone in the family. Now that you can do it for her, let this occasion be a special one for her by preparing her favorite, delicious breakfast and delivering to her in bed. Make it a point that she does not have to work, for even a while, during the whole day. A week before Mother's Day, start finding out about your mom's favorite breakfast, so you can plan it out on her special day!

2. Plan for a "Day Out" Together

Make this outing an exclusive day just for your mother, allowing no space for any other plans. Make your mother feel as if she is the queen of the province for that day. Plan a day out together, going to a place where your mother has been planning to go for a while, but could not because of other obligations. You can go to a favorite park, ocean or lake, together with the whole family. What actually counts is spending quality time together. Plan to garden, bike ride, or go for a picnic, anything to spend some quality time together.

3. A Get Together of the Generations

Plan a family gathering, making sure all the generations of the family are present at the party. Gather great-grandparents, grandparents, uncles and aunts, and all other members of your family. If weather is permitting, the most perfect location for the celebration may be a barbeque.

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Sunday Worship: Services @ 8:30am & 11am

Pastor: Rev Dr. Matt Fowler Associate Pastor: Rev Curt Copple Pastor of Congregational Development: Rev Dr. Bob Folkers
Executive Pastor: Rev Dr. Cole Fowler Children /Youth Director: Becky McClanathan Daycare Director: Megan Greise
Choir Director: Dr. David Galant Media Director/Worship Leader: Matthew Hindley Accompanist: Alex Lunardi
Controller: Ashley Vandeloo Facility Coordinator Koy Potthoff Administrative Assistant: Vicky Segers
Building Supervisor: Judy Slavik

Mother's Day Ideas continued...

4. A Whole Day of Rest for Your Mother

A day of rest may be one of the most loved gifts for your mother. You should also encourage everyone around to let their mother rest on their Mother's Day. She has worked non-stop for the family all these years. She deserves a day off from her duty. Let other members of the family prepare dinner and serve your mother her favorite one.

5. Help Other Mothers in Need

Mother's Day came into existence to honor all the mothers out there who sacrifice for their children. And, the effort of every mother is important! This Mother's Day, donate to an organization which helps children and mothers, so you can help a mother in another way.

Grace and Peace
Matt

Mission Notes

An upcoming event for Trinity will be Sunday, May 19th when we welcome Pam and Stan Vaughn back to our sanctuary. In between services Pam and Stan will discuss their work with No Boundaries International, a 501 C3 faith-based ministry based in Amarillo, Texas, that is helping to fight human trafficking. Their challenges include a jail ministry in which Stan is involved, clothing and food pantries, and offering a meal once a week to the homeless. They have a school in Sierra Leone, Africa, and a further base in Oklahoma City.

Our contribution to their ministry is by donating toiletry items as well as new underwear for men, women and children. There are half sheet fliers posted by the boat that list the needed items and you may place your donations in the sacks provided. We will collect until the 19th.

Our next Dining for Women will highlight Razia's Ray of Hope Foundation, an educational program for girls in Afghanistan. We will meet Friday, May 10th at noon.

The Mission Team has determined our projects for the year including: collecting used books for a shelter, serving a meal at Hope Lodge, Santa in September, donating baked good to a shelter, and writing Christmas cards for shut ins. We want to be more creative in the way we serve our community.

It was certainly a pleasure for the Mission Team to host the "thank you" reception for the congregation. We heard many positive comments which gladdened our hearts.

Judy Dappen
Chairperson

Single Service

On Sunday, May 26th, there will be a single worship service at 10am.

Office Closed

The church office will be closed on Monday, May 27th in observance of Memorial Day.

Education Notes

The youth fundraiser in March, Red Wheel Food and Treats, earned us **\$566.48 profit**.



Youth BAKE SALE will be Sunday, May 5th. Find these goodies in Fellowship Hall.

Our Easter egg hunt was a success! We had good weather, lots of eggs and many families! Story time was started at 10am in Fellowship Hall and then the hunt outside began. Following the egg hunt, families enjoyed their time in the gym playing games, creating crafts and meeting our four furry friends, the baby chicks.



Palm Sunday services were beautiful. The Easter Cantata was fantastic and palms were waved.

Youth participated in the UNO Maverick 5K run on April 20th. Beautiful Saturday morning for this!



Meet your 2019 confirmands (pictured with Pastor Matt).
From left to right: Hayley Tripp, Sarah Tripp, Sam Bolinger, Samantha Lanam and Hannah Tripp



Sunday, May 5th is very busy! Youth bake sale at church and Teacher Appreciation Day!!

Wednesday, May 8th is our last Wednesday night Kids For Christ (KFC) kids class.

Sunday, May 12th is Mother's Day! We will also be **honoring graduates** in both services. It's our **last Sunday School class for kids** AND... shhhhhh it's our favorite Pastor's birthday.

Sunday, May 26th: reminder that we have only one church service at 10am. Happy Memorial Day!

May Birthdays

- 5/1 Delaney Richardson
Todd Zeller
- 5/5 Jim Birkel
- 5/6 Jaxson Babel
- 5/8 Ron Siske
- 5/10 Charlie Lindner
Noelle Lindner
- 5/12 Matt Fowler
Asher Gonzalez
- 5/15 Carol Jack
- 5/17 Jerry Faller
- 5/18 Kiri Berray
Marge O'Reilly
- 5/20 Sharrie Craven
Kolten Evers
- 5/21 Declan Evers
Debra Groesser
- 5/22 Harlow Gonzalez
- 5/23 Emersyn Jasman
- 5/24 Kelsey Battson-Jacobson
- 5/25 Kylie Conley
Theresa Zitterkopf
- 5/26 Becky McClanathan
Diane Rutherford
- 5/27 Conner Monzu
- 5/29 Olivia Lott
- 5/30 Kody Evers

UMW Notes

Thurs, May 2nd	Naomi Ruth Circle @ The Garden Cafe	10am
Tues, May 7th	Mary Circle @ The Farmhouse Cafe	6pm
Sat, May 18th	UMW Sunday Planning Meeting	11am
Tues, Jun 4th	UMW Executive Board Meeting	6:30pm
Sun, Jun 9th	UMW Sunday	

Saturday Book Club

For May, Saturday Sisters will be reading *Educated: A Memoir* by Tara Westover. You are welcome to join us for fellowship and our discussion of this book on Saturday, May 18th, at 9am in room 205.

Birthday Party

Marge O'Reilly's family invites all her friends to join in celebration of Marge's 90th birthday on Saturday, May 18th. There will be a reception/open house from 1-4pm at Trinity. No invitations are being sent. Your presence is your gift.

Graduation Party

Payton Lott invites you to a graduation open house on Sunday, May 19th from 3-6pm. The address is 805 Tara Road, Papillion.

Trinity Methodist Men

The Trinity Men's Group will meet on Saturday, May 25th at 8am for coffee and fellowship. If you are interested in learning more about this group, then contact Steve Gage.



Don & Millie's Sunday

Eat at Don & Millie's on Sunday, May 26^h from 11am – 5pm and the church receives 20% of your purchase.

Calendar insert

You will find inserted in this month's Beacon a copy of the current calendar for May. Please check the website (trinityalston.org) for the most up-to-date calendar available. Call the church office at 402-331-4054 for more information, or to schedule your event today.