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2020 ~ A Year of Generous Living

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STEWARDSHIP MINISTRIES

How we talk about money as a church family is not only a practical conversation - it is also a theological conversation. In 2020, we plan to focus on the ministry of Stewardship year-round, giving regular stewardship updates and opportunities, inviting your questions and ideas, asking us all to bring the Holy Spirit into these conversations about the missional funding of Trinity's ministry.

This month you will receive our 2020 draft budget approved by Council & Finance in December. We will also ask you to consider what you may be able to pledge towards this draft budget, **submitting your pledge on January 26**. After keeping close tabs on our 2019 spending, the Finance Team has worked diligently with staff to offer real numbers of anticipated careful spending for our new year. With your help, our church family will be able to meet the anticipated needs of ministry through our Trinity church family. We hope that with the rush of the holidays behind us, we will be enabled to make prayerful commitments based upon the diligent work of our Finance Team.

You'll notice that our "Budget as Mission" is organized in a way to show how our money is used for mission in terms of the following 8 categories (with staff salaries designated in appropriate

ministry areas):

- Our Support of Missions & Outreach
- Our Support of Missions Through UM Connection (apportionments)
- Our Ministry & Mission in Worship
- Our Education, Outreach, & Member Support Ministries
- Our Direct Support of our Pastor (and also shown with cost divided equally among Worship, Member Support & Education)
- Our Care & Maintenance of Our Buildings
- Our Administrative Support Personnel & Administration Costs
- Support for Connectional Administration (apportionments)

Our budget includes some line items that, while not yet funded, show how long-term designated (aka restricted) giving is also working towards our mission (e.g., the UMMen's Fuel Fund via the Warm Morning Breakfast each November). This year, our Finance Team has made a number of traditionally designated ministries a part of our regular budget. They are encouraging us to give directly to the budget instead of multiple designated funds. For example, if you have given special offerings to Pritchard Park in the past, they ask that we please give those monies directly to the General Fund, knowing that we have budgeted

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funds for Pritchard Park for 2020. This will help our accounting process more easily track and report where we stand in terms of both ministry given and needs.

As we asked last year, we ask you to consider giving 1% more than you did last year. If your commitment was \$300/ month, then a 1% increase would be \$303/ month. If you give based on a weekly amount of \$20, a 1% increase would be \$20.20. If each household could increase your pledge by 1%, we would come close to being able to meet our budget. Every small step makes a difference overall. *The Finance Team and Council are committed to approving a balanced budget in February.* If we are not able to meet the draft budget, the Finance Team will go back to each ministry area and ask them to cut their spending by the needed percentage in order to balance the budget. Your pledge allows Trinity to move forward in ministry. We understand that household financial situations may need to adjust during the year. Remember, our pledge is not only about money - we uphold our commitment to include our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. There are many ways to be a good steward of Trinity's ministry to the world. This is simply one way. If you would like to offer additional services as a part of your pledge, we will all have that opportunity at our Ministry Fair on Feb. 2, following worship during the Souper Bowl.

Thanks

Thank You

- All who gave poinsettias for Advent & Christmas!
- All who helped with Stan Kenton Christmas Concert and the Christmas Eve service!
- All who worked so diligently on our 2020 Budget figures!
- Thank you from all the Staff! We are so grateful for all the cards, gifts and expressions of love shown to us this Christmas season. We are grateful to serve such a loving church family!

Church Schedule for the Holidays

The church office will be closed **Wed., Jan. 1** (New Year's Day) and **Thu., Jan. 2**.

Going to College?

WNCCUMW Scholarship Program

Do you know a student that is a member of a WNC United Methodist Church? Will they attend one of our conference institutions (Bennett College, Brevard College, Greensboro College, High Point University, Pfeiffer University) for the fall semester 2020? Then they are eligible to apply for a WNCCUMW scholarship! Applications should be requested by contacting the scholarship committee chairperson:

Cathy McCauley
6835-A Farmingdale Drive
Charlotte, NC 28212
704-965-6566
cathymc855@yahoo.com

Applications are due to the committee by Mar. 1. Interviews will be conducted on Sat., Mar. 28, 2020.

TUMC Educational Scholarships

In case you are not aware, Trinity UMC offers scholarships for advanced education after high school to our young folks who are active in the life of this church. Years ago, the Scholarship Fund was established with a very generous donation. Over the years of helping many Trinity youth, it is in need of replenishing. Please consider helping our youth with the high costs of furthering a degree after high school. You may make a donation to this fund as a memorial, an honorarium, or just as a simple gift to make the path of one of our young folks easier. If you have questions, please contact Ellen Mitchell or Lee Thomas. There is a set of requirement and guidelines available to anyone interested in the program.

Children & Youth News



UMYF

Sun., Jan. 05 5 - 7PM ~ UMYF

Sun., Jan. 12 5 - 7PM ~ UMYF

Sun., Jan. 19 5 - 7PM ~ Family Game Night

Sun., Jan. 26 5 - 7PM ~ UMYF

Children in Worship

Worship takes place in the Sanctuary at **10:45AM** every Sunday morning. Following the Children's Message, children (age 3-3rd Grade) are invited for a time of age-appropriate worship. We begin with worship in the Chapel on the third floor and then have games/activities in the Children's Assembly Room next to the nursery on the second floor, the playroom on the first floor, or the playground. A sign will be posted on the door of the Assembly Room on the second floor.

Children's Choir

The new year brings with it a new opportunity for new friends to join the Children's Choir. We meet most Wednesday nights at 6PM. This open to Elementary age kids with any (or no) musical ability. We play games, explore the church, and occasionally sing. We also perform periodically in worship. See Andrew or Lee for more information.



Confirmation

Our 2020 Confirmation Class is starting next month! But don't worry, if you are or know a young one in at least the 6th Grade that hasn't gone through Confirmation before, they can still join us when classes start next month. They will have several class sessions and a retreat in early May, with Confirmation Sunday happening on **May 31**. Talk to Andrew for more information.



Thank You (Kids at Christmas Edition)

The Children and Youth of Trinity want to thank everyone who helped set up, take down, rehearse, decorate, serve, perform, make food, or pray for the Christmas Dinner and Play. Special thanks go to Brooks Buddy, Miles Buddy, Anne Capp, Jonathan Capp, Celia Clark, Erin Connors, Amanda Kollar, Darryl Parker, Lindsay Pharr, Maxine Schrader, Lee Thomas, and Nancy Walton for the various ways they each contributed to the success of the evening.

Soup Bowl Fundraiser

Our first fundraiser of the new year for the Youth Fund is on Super Bowl **Sun., Feb. 2**. The Youth are continuing the tradition of the last few years by hosting a Soup Lunch in the Fellowship Hall following worship where our church family can gather together over some delicious soups and contribute to the fund that helps keep our summer mission trip and other retreats (like the Confirmation Retreat) affordable for our youth and children. We are looking for a variety of soups from our congregation, so let Andrew know if you can provide a soup/stew/bisque/chili/chowder for the meal or if you can help with some dessert or bread.



Sign ups at Google Drive spreadsheet:

Children and Youth Google Drive can be found by clicking the link on **TrinityWAVL.org/Youth**.

Andrew's Email Address: **andrewgtripp@gmail.com**

Dementia Support Group

Dementia Support Group

Co-led by TUMC members Vernon & Joyce Robinson, the group will continue to gather at **6PM** in the Church Library on **Mon., Jan. 13**. The **Mon., Jan. 27**. This gathering is for individuals, family members and caregivers as they deal with this disease, providing a supportive environment and basic coping and life skills as



loved ones move through the stages of this disease. This ministry's goal is to provide a social (not clinical) setting to the community through which the group gives witness, shares struggles, and provides support as a means of hope and God's presence through one another. It is open to anyone in the community, not only church members. Please contact Vernon & Joyce if you have any questions [(828)-505-1669].

Church Life

5 Minute Yoga

Happy New 2020! May God richly bless you and your family this year. Before starting our 5 minute yoga stretches, Andrea and Mildred would like to thank our faithful class participants for their continued support of our weekly yoga class, and the Haywood Street Congregation. We donated \$1254 to the Haywood Street Congregation in 2019.

Let's begin...

- Sit straight and tall in your chair. Notice the extension in your spine, from your sacrum to the crown on your head. Take 5 long cleansing breaths.
- Increase circulation in your feet and ankles by making ankle circles. Circle in one direction for a count of 5, then change the direction for a count of 5.
- Keep your heels on the floor and tap your toes/ball of your feet about 10-15 times. You'll notice the shin muscles.
- Now keep your toes/balls of your feet on the floor and tap your heels. You're using your calf muscles. Tap from 10-15 times.
- Hold onto the sides of the seat and lift your right knee. Remember to breathe. Lift and lower this leg 10-15 times, taking the knee up as high as possible. Do this same movement on your left leg.
- Place your left hand on your right knee or thigh. Extend your right arm to the ceiling and stretch the side body. Take 5 breaths. Repeat on the other side.
- Finally, gently do a few neck rolls by dropping your chin toward your chest and sweeping your chin from one shoulder to the other. Remember to breathe while you are moving.

Andrea Davis and Mildred Dixon offer weekly yoga class each Thursday, from 6 to 7PM. We hope you will try our class this year, and experience the benefits of yoga: stretch, breath, balance, focus, and have fun while doing the poses.

United Methodist Women

The January meeting of the UMW will be on **Mon., Jan. 13 at 10:30AM** in the Koinonia Room. Please contact Kay Cooke (828-633-1098) if you are interested in joining the Reach Out Circle.



United Methodist Men

The United Methodist Men will meet on **Sun., Jan. 19 at 8AM** in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast and



fellowship. Please contact Keith Clark (828-484-8950) for the UMM if you would like more information or to get involved with this ministry.



TUMC Book Group

The TUMC Book Group meets **Wednesdays, 11AM, Jan. 8, 15, 22, and 29.** We'll continue reading ***Don't Sweat the Small Stuff - and it's all small stuff*** by Richard Carlson. These are very short chapters that make for great conversation starters and each week is a stand-alone conversation. Join anytime!



Family Game Night

It's time again for one of Mr. Lee's favorite things: Family Game Night! On **Sun., Jan. 19** come between **5 and 7PM** with some favorite games and snacks to share.



Pastoral Care Team

Our Pastoral Care/ Visitation Team meets regularly with Rev. Nancy to discuss visits and issues surrounding our home-bound and skilled nursing resident members. If you'd like to join the team, please speak with Rev. Nancy. Our goal is for each team member to make 2 visits per month. If you know of someone who would like a visit, please let Rev. Nancy know. Our next Pastoral Care meeting will be **Wed., Jan. 15, 10AM.**

On-Going Prayer List

Did you know we have an on-going prayer list? If you would like to add someone or situation or even an unspoken request for prayer, please send them to Julia Gibson, juliahuntergibson@gmail.com.

Transformation Journey Discovery

Our Transformation Journey Discovery Weekend has been postponed. Please stay tuned for more information about a new date. AND, would you be willing to set your alarm for 3:33PM each day to lift up a prayer for Trinity and our new year? (Yes, 3:33 as a reminder of our name, **Trinity!**)



Christian Formation & Worship

Christian Formation on Sundays aka "Sunday School"

Small groups are our main opportunity for growth and support along our faith journey. It's the way we invite the Holy Spirit into our lives to continue to shape and form us more into God's image. Trinity has lively offerings for Christian Formation for all ages on Sunday mornings:

Children's Sunday School

Led by James and Lindsay Pharr (meets in room next to Nursery).

Youth Sunday School

Led by Andrew Tripp (meets in room next to Nursery and then goes to Youth Rooms on 3rd floor)

Koinonia Class:

The class has found riches in the study of I Timothy. We should remember:

1. Our lives are a gift from God.
2. We are made for sharing with others.
3. Lives should be lived with gratitude.



They meet in the classroom just across from the Fellowship Hall.

Mary Mann Class

The **Mary Mann Class** (also meets on the 1st floor, opposite end of the Fellowship Hall) follows Cokebury's Adult Bible Study Series. The WINTER Theme is **PROMISE**. The four January lessons in this unit focus on covenants and the promises they include. God's covenant with Abram (Jan 5), Ruth's covenant with Naomi (Jan 12), God's covenant with David (Jan 19), and God's new covenant announced through Jeremiah (Jan 26) and extended to us remind us of God's faithfulness in keeping promises.



Faith Class

They meet at **10 AM** in the Library and will be utilizing Adam Hamilton's **Making Sense of the Bible**. Join us for this thought provoking study and conversation.



Worship

Epiphany is one of the most joyous and oldest feast days in the church year as we celebrate the visit of the

Magi and Jesus' coming as Savior of all people, 12 days after Christmas (thus, the origin of the 12th Night Party).

The Season after the Epiphany is a season of Ordinary Time, which includes four to nine Sundays, depending on the date of Easter. It is called "ordinary" because its Sundays are given ordinal numbers (first, second, third, etc.) after the Feast of Epiphany (January 6). It stands between the two great Christological cycles of Advent-Christmas- Epiphany and Lent-Easter-Pentecost. Its central theme is the calling of disciples and the early ministry of Jesus. The First Sunday focuses on the Baptism of Christ and the Last Sunday on the Transfiguration. (from the *UM Book of Worship*)

Jan. Worship Schedule:

- ♦ Jan. 5/ Epiphany Sunday Celebration (Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14; Matthew 2:1-12) (Help needed removing decorations after worship!)
- ♦ Jan. 12/ Baptism of Jesus - Kick off of series "The Gospel According to Mr. Rogers: It's You I Like" (Gen 1:26; Matthew 3:13-17)
- ♦ Jan. 19/ Human Relations Sunday - "The Gospel According to Mr. Rogers: Sometimes People are Good" (Isaiah 49:1-7; I Corinthians 1:1-9)
- ♦ Jan. 26/ "The Gospel According to Mr. Rogers: Won't You Be My Neighbor?" (Luke 10:25-37) Guest preacher, Gareth Higgins

Lay Readers Needed!

Would you like to assist in leading parts of our Sunday morning worship? We are looking for lay readers. This role could be as short as: as leading the Prayer for Illumination (right after the opening hymn) and the first reading and/ or Responsive Reading, or as broad as leading the Call to Worship, the Prayer for Illumination, offering the Children Sermon, leading the Prayers of the People, helping with the Offering (Prayer and handling the offering plates) or some in-between combo of the above. If you would be interested, please see Rev. Nancy for more info and to sign up.

Will You Answer the Call?

If you would like to **volunteer** as an usher/greeter, serve communion, drive the van, be on the mailing team or any other volunteer position during the 2020 calendar year, please see Lee in the church office or check out many opportunities at the Feb. 2 Ministry Fair after worship.



Condolences



Sybil Duckett Gamble
(2 Jan 1917 – 29 Nov 2019)

In 1917, the United States entered WW I, the National Hockey League was founded, Woodrow Wilson was inaugurated for his second term, the US mail rate increased to 3 cents, the first woman member of the US House of

Representatives was elected in Montana, and New York State gave women the right to vote in state elections.

In Oriental, NC, a more significant event occurred with the birth on January 2, 1917, of Sybil Louise Silverthorn to the late Samuel L. and Hattie Dowty Silverthorn. After almost 103 years, Sybil peacefully passed during the night of November 29, 2019, in Asheville.

Sybil finished high school at the age of 15 and earned her Bachelor's degree from East Carolina Teacher's College (ECTC; currently East Carolina University) and her Master's in Mathematics from Western Carolina University.

She began teaching math and science in 1936 at Barnardsville High School. Over the next 43 years she educated middle and high school students at Flat Creek, Fort Myers, FL, Hall Fletcher, West Buncombe, and Erwin High School. During her summer breaks, she served as a demonstration teacher at WCU's lab schools in Cullowhee and later taught math extension courses for WCU.

Sybil was married to fellow educator, Randall Duckett, for 48 years until his death in 1988. For the 1955-56 academic year, they each were awarded a Ford Fellowship to study secondary and college education in five states in four regions of the U.S. and to visit national parks and other historic sites. They received additional funding so that their children could be included in their fellowship travels. Sybil's top honor was being selected the North Carolina Educator of the Year in 1972. She officially retired January 31, 1979, after serving five years as the math coordinator for the Buncombe County School System.

She later married Malcolm Gamble and they spent 30 years together until his death October 19, 2019.

Many know her as Mrs. Duckett or Sybil, others as, Mrs. Gamble. Her grandchildren and great-grandchildren call her Mamaw Sybil, and her two children proudly call her Mom. She is survived by her daughter, Laura Duckett (Jim Kangas), Laura's two children, Kris Newton (Chris Klein), their two sons and Randy Newton (Amber

Newton) and their daughter and son; her son, Tom Duckett (Paula Duckett), their two children, Amy Corcell (Mike Corcell) and their two sons and daughter, and Zac Duckett (Annie Duckett) and their son and daughter.

Also surviving her are Mr. Gamble's children, H.M. "Mickey" Gamble, Jr., Robert Thomas Gamble, and Sue Ellen Gamble Cannon, and eight step-grandchildren.

Mrs. Gamble spent her last five years with an additional and important family, the wonderful, remarkable, professional and caring staff at Arbor Terrace Assisted Living in Asheville. They cannot be thanked enough.

A memorial service to celebrate Sybil's life was held on Sat., Dec. 14, at 4PM in the Patton Avenue chapel of Groce Funeral Home with the Rev. Nancy Dixon Walton officiating.

The family received friends from 2:30 to 4PM, prior to the service.

Because of how much Sybil and her first husband valued education, The Randall and Sybil Duckett Endowed Scholarship, was created at Western Carolina University in 2017 to benefit both education students and teachers from Buncombe County Schools. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be directed to the Randall and Sybil Duckett Endowed Scholarship at the Western Carolina University Foundation, 1 University Dr., 201 HF Robinson Administration Building, Cullowhee, NC, 28723.



John Marvin Crook
(23 Sep 1939 – 8 Dec 2019)

John Marvin Crook, 80, passed away peacefully on Sunday, December 8, 2019 at the John F. Keever Solace Center.

John was a native of Buncombe County and a son of the late Thomas A. Crook and Mazie W. Crook. He attended Buncombe

County schools and was a graduate of North Carolina State University. John was founder and president of PASCO, a fiber textile engineering company, which he led for 32 years.

John was an active member of the community. He served as Past Master of the Hominy Valley Masonic Lodge and Past Officer of the Land of the Sky Shriner's Club. John's primary hobby was trap shooting. He was a member of the American Trap Shooting Association and traveled throughout the United States to participate in tournaments.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>Weekly Sunday Schedule</u> 9:45 AM Sunday School (Various Locations) 10:45 AM Worship (Sanctuary)	<u>1st Floor</u> FH-Fellowship Hall/ Kitchen K-Koinonia P-Parlor MM-Mary Mann Class CG - Church Grounds OC-Off Campus	<u>Main (2nd) Floor</u> S-Sanctuary O-Office L-Library AR-Annex Room CR-Children's Room N-Nursery MR-Choir Room	<u>1</u> Church Office Closed	<u>2</u> Church Office Closed 6 PM Yoga (YR)	<u>3</u> 7 PM AA (FH)	<u>4</u>
<u>5</u> Communion Sunday 9 AM Pritchard Park Breakfast (OC) 5 PM UMYF (FH/Y)	<u>6</u> 9 AM Counters (O) 7 PM AA (FH)	<u>7</u> 10 AM Staff Meeting (O)	<u>8</u> 11 AM Book Group (L) 6 PM Children Choir (MM)	<u>9</u> 6 PM Yoga (YR)	<u>10</u> 7 PM AA (FH)	<u>11</u>
<u>12</u> 5 PM Trustees (L) 5 PM UMYF (FH/Y)	<u>13</u> 9 AM Counters (O) 10:30 AM Reach Out Circle (OC) 6 PM Dementia Support Group (OC) 7 PM AA (FH)	<u>14</u> 10 AM Staff Meeting (O)	<u>15</u> 10 AM Pastoral Care Team (L) 11 AM Book Group (L) 6 PM Children Choir (MM) 7 PM Adult Choir (MR)	<u>16</u> 6 PM Yoga (YR)	<u>17</u> 7 PM AA (FH)	<u>18</u>
<u>19</u> Red Wagon Sunday 8 AM UMM Breakfast (FH) 5 PM Game Night (FH)	<u>20</u> 7 PM AA (SR)	<u>21</u> 9 AM Counters (O) 11 AM Staff Meeting (O) 6 PM Finance Committee (L)	<u>22</u> 11 AM Book Group (L) 6 PM Children Choir (MM) 7 PM Adult Choir (MR)	<u>23</u> 6 PM Yoga (YR)	<u>24</u> 7 PM AA (FH)	<u>25</u>
<u>26</u> Pledge Card Sunday 5 PM UMYF (FH/Y) 5 PM Church Council (L)	<u>27</u> 9 AM Counters (O) 6 PM Dementia Support Group (L) 7 PM AA (FH)	<u>28</u> 10 AM Staff Meeting (O)	<u>29</u> 11 AM Book Group (L) 6 PM Children Choir (MM) 7 PM Adult Choir (MR)	<u>30</u> 9:30 AM Newsletter Mailing Team (O) 6 PM Yoga (YR)	<u>31</u> 7 PM AA (FH)	<u>3rd Floor</u> YR-Yoga C-Chapel Y-Youth Room <u>Education</u> <u>Bldg</u> SR-Scout Room

Serving in January 2020

Acolytes

Coordinators: Celia & Sean Clark

The following children will be serving our congregation this month:

Jan. 05: Hazel & Theo Pharr
 Jan. 12: Emory Capp & Faith Locklear
 Jan. 19: Ellie & Gram Klingel
 Jan. 26: Cora Richmond & Caroline Pruett

Van Drivers

Do you need a VAN RIDE on a Sunday morning? Here's what you do. The driver rotation and contact information is on page 7. Please be sure and call the driver by **4 PM** on the **Saturday** before the Sunday you need a ride.

Jan. 05: Darryl Parker (215-6914)
 Jan. 12: Jim Helms (253-0180)
 Jan. 19: Ted Meadows (254-8496)
 Jan. 26: Ted Meadows (254-8496)

Could you give one Sunday a month to help with our Van/ Transportation Ministry? We need additional van drivers for our Sunday morning Transportation Ministry. If you are willing and able to serve in this way, please see Nancy Walton, Lee Thomas, or Darryl Parker.

Communion Servers

If you would be interested in being a part of the communion serving team, please contact the church office.

Ushers

If you would be interested in being a part of the usher rotation, please contact the church office.

Jan. 05: Jill Clark & Darryl Parker
 Jan. 12: Charlie Weaver & Keith Clark
 Jan. 19: Terry Levi & Darryl Parker
 Jan. 26: Ted Meadows & Mark Locklear

Monday Counters

Jan. 06: Kay Cooke & TBD
 Jan. 13: Laszlo Bujdoso & Caroline Levi
Jan. 21: Betty Mull & Norma Scholtz
This is a Tuesday
 Jan. 27: Glenn Parham & Fred Cooke

Celebrations

Happy Birthday to:

Jan. 01 Caroline May
 Jan. 03 Larry Sands
 Jan. 03 Scott Eller
 Jan. 03 Tyler Silvers
 Jan. 04 Beth Kinney
 Jan. 05 Bob Mull
 Jan. 05 Jeremy Walton
 Jan. 07 Becky Gummesson
 Jan. 07 Neal Hutchins
 Jan. 08 Mike Pruett
 Jan. 09 Norma Scholtz
 Jan. 10 Larry Cooper
 Jan. 13 Mary West
 Jan. 13 Glenn May
 Jan. 13 Bill Gummesson
 Jan. 16 Paul Mann
 Jan. 22 Nancy D Walton
 Jan. 23 Scott Williams

Jan. 23 Mia Davis
 Jan. 24 Doris Cooper
 Jan. 24 David Guthrie
 Jan. 25 Nina Reinhart
 Jan. 26 Judy Waycaster
 Jan. 28 Barbara Smith
 Jan. 28 Jody Grose
 Jan. 29 David Ellis

Happy Anniversary to:

Jan. 22 Glenn & Carolyn May
 Jan. 26 Carlos & Fran Kennedy

Are we missing your birthday or anniversary? If so, contact the office.



2020 Altar Flowers

Remember a loved one, honor someone living, or just place flowers on the altar on any open Sunday. The \$55 cost covers the two standard arrangements. Any special flower requests may cost more. Contact the office to sign up for a date. We'll order the flowers. Tell us what you want stated in the bulletin. Submit payment and note on the memo line - "Altar Flowers."
Available dates:
all Sundays of
2020 are OPEN.



Condolences

In addition to his parents, John was preceded in death by his wife, Joy Cook Crook; brother, Melvin Crook.

Surviving family include children, Donna Walters, Lake James, NC, Tommy Crook, Hendersonville, TN, Julie Howell, Indian Trail, NC and Scott Howell, Durham, NC; grandchildren, Amanda Carroll and John Thomas Crook.

A memorial service was held 11AM Thu., Dec. 12, Trinity United Methodist Church. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Land of the Sky Shriner's Club, 39 Spring Cove Rd, Swannanoa, NC 28778.



William Edward Milholen
(15 Dec 1928 ~ 9 Dec 2019)

William E. Milholen, 90, was called home to Jesus on Monday, December 9, 2019.

William, or Hammy as his friends and family called him, was born in 1928 in Hendersonville to his loving parents, Oscar F. and Willie Jordan Milholen. He and his brother, Oscar Jr., were typical mischievous boys who loved comics, playing outside, movies and their Momma's fried chicken. As a teenager, when World War II began, Ham stepped up to help his family run the family market, stocking, delivering and running the register. At the age of 12, he began driving the Dana School bus since the older men were all away in service. These two milestones would shape his future love of both grocery stores and transportation.

He was called into service in the U.S. Navy in 1951, and served on the island of Guam for 18 months before transferring to the Pacific Reserve Fleet stationed in Long Beach, California. Upon his discharge from the service in 1954, he returned to his Hendersonville home.

As a veteran, Ham reconnected with his grocery store roots, becoming the manager of the local Winn Dixie store. All of his friends were glad he was home, and one set him up with a blind date with a co-worker from Asheville, Sylvia Moody. They met and went to a football game. That night, he told his brother Oscie that he had met the woman he was going to marry. They were married on May 14, 1955, and soon welcomed three children, who, along with their spouses, loved him dearly. Carol Anne Milholen of Asheville, Diane Milholen Smith and her husband Harrison of Fletcher, NC, and William E. Milholen, II and his wife Kristen of Carrollton, Virginia.

Not long after the wedding, Bill learned of the expansion of the Southern Railway service to the area, and became a local train dispatcher. He was later

promoted to Assistant Superintendent of the Asheville District, where he remained until his retirement in 1988.

Following retirement from the railroad, Hammy was active in the community. He worked at the local Ingles Market, he volunteered at St. Joseph's Hospital, he served on numerous committees at his home church, Trinity United Methodist, and was a member of the Mary Mann Sunday school class. He traveled on several building missions for the conference to Costa Rico, Panama and Honduras. His recipe for iced tea is still a staple for all church functions.

Bill was a true foodie, and his love for food ran the gambit. Fried chicken, macaroni and cheese, pizza and especially ice cream! Sports were also very important to him. If he was watching television, there was a game on: Atlanta Braves, Carolina Tar Heels, NC State Wolfpack, Duke Blue Devils. He was a fanatic.

Hammy was a very loving man. He loved his family mightily. In addition to his wife and children, he is survived by his sisters-in-law, Margaret Milholen of Hendersonville, Shelby and Calvin Davis of New Market, Alabama, Peggy White of Fletcher, Debbie and Don Ferguson of Asheville and Cathy and Bobby Thompson of Bonita Springs, Florida. His dear brother, Oscar, and his sister and brother-in-law, Nancy and Terry Michael welcomed him home. He was also blessed with numerous nieces and nephews, great nieces, great-great nephews and cousins.

The family would like to thank Dr. Thomas Rennard, Dr. Gregory Pollack and Mary Tolle, Dr. William McLean, Dr. Virginia Barnhardt, Macon Thoma and the CarePartners Hospice staff, and the wonderful nursing staff of Deerfield Retirement Community, especially the Assisted Living staff who loved us all with their whole hearts. Nurses are God's angels on earth.

A memorial service to celebrate Bill's life was held at 11AM on Sat., Dec. 14 in the chapel of Groce Funeral Home at Lake Julian. The Rev. Nancy Walton led the celebration.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Danny Boone Scholarship Fund, c/o Deerfield Retirement Community, 1617 Hendersonville Road, Asheville NC 28803, or the charity of your choosing.

Condolences may be sent to:

Milholen Family
PO Box 1099
Skyland, NC 28776

Outreach News

Pritchard Park Breakfast

TUMC will feed the homeless at Pritchard Park on **Sun., Jan. 5 at 9AM**. If you would like to donate food, money to buy food, and/or serve breakfast the day of the event, contact Keith Clark at 484-8950. Food purchased for the breakfast must be delivered to the church by **1:30PM Fri., Jan. 3**.



Red Wagon

For the month of **January**, we will collect paper products for Trinity Place Shelter for Homeless Youth. This is the only shelter of its type in Western North Carolina. They are always in need of **toilet paper** and **paper towels**. Remember you can bring donations to the church anytime during the week. However on the third Sunday (**Red Wagon Sunday, Jan. 19**), please keep them with you at your pew and place them in the wagon when the children come around during the opening hymn.

THANKS to all who helped with the Angel Tree and Red Wagon in December.

ABCCM

Did you know that Trinity has been a part of ABCCM since its beginnings 50 years ago? If you would like to volunteer with ABCCM, please email volunteer@abccm.org to start your volunteer experience! See Kay Cooke, a regular volunteer at their Hominy Valley site, if you'd like to know more.



Haywood Street

If you have not seen the new fresco at Haywood Street, you are in for a treat! If you'd like to go as a group from Trinity to visit Haywood Street for worship and the Welcome Table in January, please let Rev Nancy know.



Ongoing Ways to Support/Serve at Haywood St

- **NON-PRESCRIPTIVE READING GLASSES**, regular size bottles of shampoo and body wash, deodorant.

- Clothing donations intended for **God's Outfitters** can be taken directly to the closet on Tuesdays or Thursdays between 10-12, or dropped in one of our off-site clothing donation bins. (Bins located at Biltmore United Methodist Church, 376 Hendersonville Rd. 28803 and Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, 789 Merrimon Ave. 28804).
- **RESPITE MEALS** - Haywood Street Respite is a safe place for eight homeless adults at a time to rest, get three meals a day, and be helped in other ways to "get back on their feet" following discharge from the hospital. It is short-term care in a home-like setting for folks who are too ill or frail to recover on the streets after surgery or acute illness. Provide an evening meal for our friends in Respite. We invite you to stay and eat and be in relationship with the Respite community. If you'd like to offer meals for this program, please contact Julie Ruch, 828-450-9081, julietherook@gmail.com.

12 Baskets

12 Baskets is a lunch cafe located across from Trinity, serving Monday - Friday, 11 am - 1 pm. Located at 610 Haywood Rd, their entrance is off of State Street. Simply by sitting and eating with someone you might otherwise never bump into: stereotypes are dismantled, fear is reduced, and hope is empowered.



Folks from all walks of life are invited: those whose hunger is physical, those who hunger to belong, as well as those who hunger to help. They share this feast of food and good company cafe style. Folks are greeted and invited to the table. We welcome donations to help cover the cost of rent and materials.

12 Baskets Cafe receives donations of already prepared food from local business and food service industry, leftover food that would otherwise be thrown away. This quality food is pulled from nightly hot bars, buffets, displays in grocery stores, etc., and is picked up by an API companion and delivered to our Cafe to be repurposed and shared. Rev. Nancy is always looking for someone to introduce to this great ministry right on our block! Meet her and walk over for a great experience.

To find out how YOU can be a part of our Outreach Ministry, contact John McCullough at 254-8485 or John Nelson at 254-4894. It takes all of us!!

Single Board Leadership Model

Church Council News

Our Church Council voted in December to explore a Single Board Leadership Team Model. This structure makes it possible for a church to better focus on leadership equipping, missional alignment, and our next steps in ministry. It is a streamlined model of leadership that seeks to increase mission, focus, communications and accountability as congregations strive to make disciples for Jesus Christ! By consolidating administrative functions into a single leadership board, disciples can focus on using their spiritual gifts and passions for ministry to contribute to the vitality of the congregation as it seeks to reach the mission field. This method of simplifying our church's administrative leadership and governance is allowed by ¶247.2 of the 2016 Discipline of the United Methodist Church. Many churches of varying sizes in our WNC Conference and other Conferences across the US are finding this model a more effective way of organizing for ministry.

Here are some frequently asked questions about this model:

1. *Which positions can combined for one person on the Board to hold?* Most all positions can be combined as long as the minimum number are elected. The Lay Leader, Lay Delegate, PPR Chair and Trustee Chair must be designated, but could all be the same person.
2. *Is there an absolute minimum number for the Board?* Nine
3. *Does the pastor have a vote?* No
4. *Can family members serve together on the Board?* Per the Discipline, family members cannot serve on the Board together. If it cannot be avoided, the family members may need to excuse themselves from the room or not vote on issues with potential conflict of interest. Staff and family of staff cannot serve on the Board.
5. *Should staff (paid and unpaid) serve on the Board?* No
6. *Who should take notes at the meeting?* Someone can be assigned or elected to take notes that is not on the Board. That person could be elected from the existing members of the Board, a person recruited outside the Board to take notes (needs to be excluded from PPR conversations) or person who is an addition to the Board with the sole responsibility of taking notes.
7. *Are the Financial Secretary and Treasurer required to be on the Board?* No, but they can be. A best practice is for them not to be on the Board. Additionally, a



congregational attorney or chancellor cannot be on the board as a voting member due to legal ethics.

8. *Which position on the Board serves as the liaison to the D.S. for PPR purposes?* It is recommended that the Board Chair serves as the PPR liaison to the DS.
9. *Are there still three-year terms and classes?* Yes. One third of the Board will roll off each year.
10. *Is the Board self-nominating?* No. There is still a requirement that there be a separate Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development to nominate the Board Members to the Charge Conference each year.
11. *How long can a person serve on the Board? Can they roll from three years as Trustee specialist to three years as a Finance specialist?* Board members serve a three-year term. Since all specialists are also serving as PPR, Trustees and Finance, it is recommended they roll off after each three-year term. The Lay Leader and Lay Delegate are exempt from the three-year term. After being off the Board for a year, the person can roll back onto the Board if elected.
12. *Are UMM, UMW, and UMYF representatives required to be on the Board?* If the church has these chartered groups, a member of that group can serve on the Board as elected by their chartering group. It is not a requirement if the group decides not to elect a representative.
13. *How many have to be present to take an official vote? What requires an official vote?* A quorum is described as whoever is present. Simple majority of those attending rules.
14. *How is the Trustee Chair elected or appointed as required by the corporate Resolution?* At the first meeting at the beginning of each new year, the Board will elect a Trustee Chair to satisfy the corporate resolution requirement. It is recommended the Board Chair serve as the Trustee Chair.
15. *If a church moves to the simplified structure (aka single board), how does ministry happen?* Even though the restructuring occurs, ministry teams are still needed and in place. Fewer people on the Board means more people are available to do ministry. Simplifying structure is the combining of the four administrative teams of the Council, Trustees, Finance and PPR Committees.
16. *Do I need approval from my DS to move to the simplified structure?* Yes. A letter from the pastor requesting to move to simplified structure to the DS is the first step. In the letter, state the missional purpose of moving to this structure.

Reports

Trustees

The Trustees continue to seek funds for our Capital Campaign to build a Memorial Garden along the Martin Street side of the Sanctuary. The garden will contain a communal urn for the final resting place of ashes of loved ones. This custom design was approved the Trustees in late 2018. We are grateful for the \$1400+ that has already come in!

The “communal urn” design is intended to be a significant beginning of the Memorial Garden in which cremains would be secure inside a hand-hewn rock design that would be locked and sealed, thereby avoiding the expense of a fence and keeping the garden area open to the public for meditation. Here is a rendering of the design (all hand-hewn stone and a circular stone with a

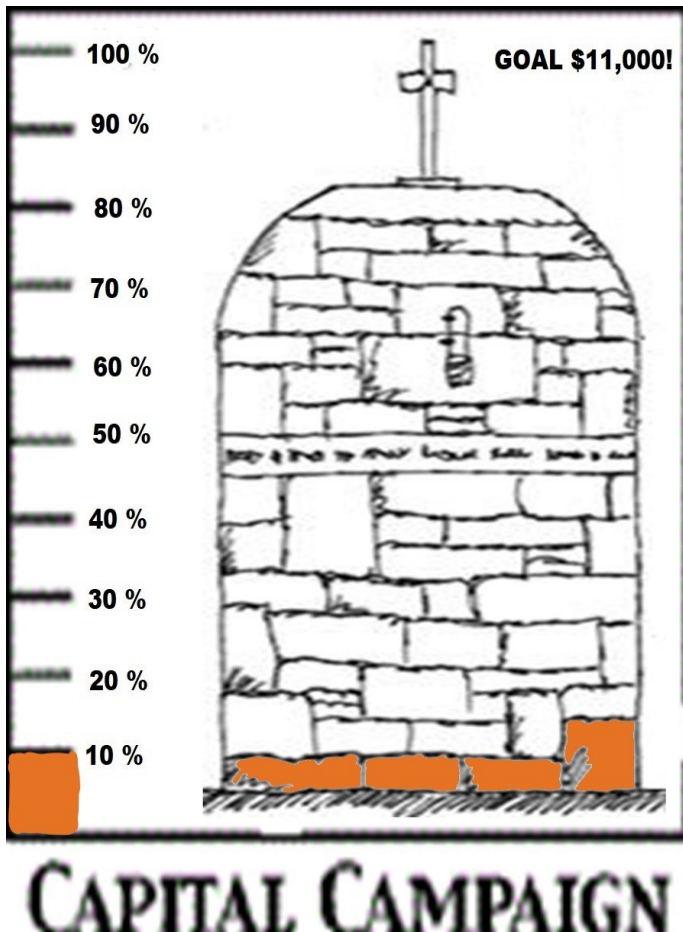
scripture) from local stone artist Marc Archambault of Hammerhead Stoneworks: (the person drawn is 6' to offer perspective). The proposed cost is \$5500 for the urn and \$5500 for traditional styled bronze signs that will both name the space and hold name plates (~\$150 per name) for those who want to have their loved ones name placed in the garden.

Please talk with Trustees if you have any questions about this project and campaign. The project will begin once we have raised the \$11,000 needed to fund the project. Their goal is to have all monies raised before the end of 2019.

If you would like to donate to this campaign, please memo donations “TUMC Memorial Garden.”

Complete Minutes

Finance, Trustees and Council meeting minutes are available in respective notebooks in the Church Office. If you would like to read them at the church or get a copy of these or any minutes, please contact the Church.



Monthly Meetings

Trustees ~ Next meeting is **Sun., Jan. 12, 5 PM**, in the Library.

Finance ~ Next meeting is **Tue., Jan. 21, 6PM**, in the Library.

Church Council ~ Next meeting is **Sun., Jan. 26, 5PM** in the Library.

These meetings are open to ALL and YOU are welcome to attend!

The Ministry of Generosity

Finance News

- Remember, copies of the **2020 Draft Budget as Mission** and current Financial reports are available on the hall table next to the elevator.
- Copies of all Committee minutes are available in the Church Office.
- Pledge Cards will be available Jan 12.

Want to use other resources as a part of your pledge?

How does it work for stock gifts?

Donating* appreciated stock held for at least one year can help a donor avoid costly capital gains taxes while supporting your church!

The United Methodist Foundation of Western North Carolina, Inc. will liquidate gifts of stock on the church's behalf **at no cost**, sending a check directly to the church in the full amount of the stock gift.

For more information and assistance on making a stock gift to your church, contact Suzanne Matthews Atkins at the Foundation at (704)817-3990 or smatthews@umfwnc.org.

How does it work for IRA gifts?

Donors who are:

- Age 70 1/2 or older
- Required to take a minimum distribution (RMD) from an IRA
- Not dependent on their IRA for income
- Desiring a reduction in their taxable income

Can instruct their IRA administrator to direct all or some of their required minimum distribution to your church.*

The donor reduces their taxable income dollar-for-dollar of the contribution (up to \$100,000) that goes directly to the church. It's a win-win!

If the proceeds from the sale of stock or a distribution from an IRA pass through the donor's hands, no matter how briefly, a taxable event will be triggered for them. Be sure the plan administrator (IRA) or broker (stock) sends the gift directly to the church.

DECEMBER GIVING REPORT

Budgeted Collections	\$36,548
Actual Collections	\$32,458
DEF.	\$4,090

2019 YEAR-TO-DATE GIVING REPORT

YTD Budgeted Collections	\$438,580
YTD Actual Collections	\$372,122
DEF.	\$66,458

2019 DECEMBER INCOME & EXPENSES

DEC. Income	\$32,458
DEC. Expenses	\$38,369
DEF.	\$5,911

2019 YEAR-TO-DATE INCOME & EXPENSES

YTD Income	\$372,122
YTD Expenses	\$382,023
DEF.	\$9,901

Ways to Give

- BILL PAY VIA YOUR BANK (FREE IN MOST CASES)**
 - Most banks offer online banking with Bill Pay. If your bank does, you can set up an account to pay "Trinity UMC" via an electronic check. When you set-up Bill Pay, make sure that the check Trinity UMC receives will include YOUR name on it so that we may credit your giving record.
- ON SUNDAYS** - Place a check or cash in the offering plate during worship. If you are making a cash offering and would like to receive contribution credit for tax purposes, please use an offering envelope and include

your name and address on it.

- MAIL IN** - If you prefer, you can drop a contribution by the Church Office, 9AM-2 PM, or mail to: 587 Haywood Rd., Asheville, NC, 28806.
- ON-LINE** - You are able to make a secure, one-time or recurring contribution with your debit card, credit card or ACH using a checking or savings account. On our website, trinitywavl.org, click on the upper right-hand link that says "♥ OnLine Giving." There are fees incurred with the online gifts.



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**DEADLINE FOR
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FRI., JAN. 24.**

**Morning Prayer Chapel at 9:30AM
Sunday School at 9:45AM
Sunday Morning Worship at 10:45AM**

Nursery ~ 2nd floor (10AM)

**Children & Youth Sunday School ~ 2nd floor
(Age 3 - 12th Grade) (10AM)**

Adult Classes

Faith Class ~ 2nd floor Library (10AM)

Koinonia Class ~ 1st floor (9:45AM)

Mary Mann Class ~ 1st floor (9:45AM)

See page 5 for more information.

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Trinity Adult Chancel Choir

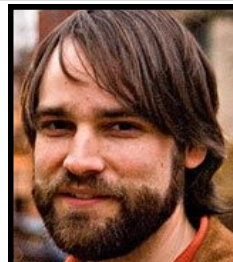
Start the NEW YEAR off with a resolution to SING! Join the CHOIR. We rehearse every **Wednesday** at our regular time of **7 - 8:30 PM**. We hope that you will consider being a part of the church worship and join the choir. We have seats available in every section. There is not an audition, I only ask that you let me know so I can have a folder and music ready for YOU! So if you have questions about the choir or any other music idea, please contact **Lee Thomas** at (828-253-5471, ext. 101).



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Youth



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