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- † **Eloise B.**, rehab following a knee replacement.
- † **Curtis M.**, rehab at Memorial Hospital following surgery.
- † **Diane G.**, tests completed, awaiting treatment.
- † **Nina F.**, recovering at home following hospitalization.
- † **Charlie E.**, home under family care.
- † **Don M.**, rehab at the Timbers, Room #403.
- † **Cozie S.**, under Hospice care.
- † **Pete R.**, living with cancer. Recent scan showed NO new growth.
- † **Roberta H.**, (Phil's mom) undergoing treatments.
- † **Ken H.**, rehab at Good Samaritan Skilled Care Unit.
- ♥ **Those whose hearts are filled with grief and pain, especially those affected by violence or damaging wind, rain and fires.**
- ♥ **Those recovering from illness or surgery.**
- ♥ **Our military men & women and their families.**

Send a card or go visit these folks in Jasper!

- ♥ **Josephine J.** - Good Samaritan Center, 2515 Newton St., Rm. 210
- ♥ **Eileen R.** - The Timbers, 2909 Howard Dr. Room 512-2
- ♥ **Jason S.** - The Timbers, 2909 Howard Dr. Room 316-2
- ♥ **Frances P.** - St. Charles Health Campus, 3150 St. Charles St., Rm. 105
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- ♥ **Marjorie K.** – 5363 N. St. Rd. 545d, Dubois, IN 47527(812-678-2460)
- ♥ **Charlie E.** – 943 W. 6TH Street, Jasper 812-482-1523
- ♥ **Emily P.** – 400 W. Pleasant View Dr., Apt. #11, Jasper (812-634-7932)

Pastoral Care ...

- **Call Pastor Jane if you would like her to be with you during a hospital procedure: 812-631-1147.** Also call if you would like a visit, home communions or a private conversation.
- **Prayer Works!** Let Pastor know if you have a private or public request.

From the Pulpit... 8:00 am & 10:15 am Worship

August 7th Communion Sunday

- Message "By Faith, We Live"
- Bible Lesson Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16
- Bible Readers Gary Frank, Jan Kalb
- Time with Young Disciples Audra Jahn
- Special Music Glory Bound Quartet
- Favorite Songs "Blessed be the Name of the Lord" "Were You There"
- "God's Eye is on the Sparrow" "Come to the Table of Grace"

August 14th Back to School Sunday – Blessing of Backpacks

- Message 8 am Pastor Jane
- 10:15 am Samantha Venderley – Jasper Middle School
- Bible Readers Mary Ann Weisheit, David Hubster
- Council member Heath Astrike
- Time with Young Disciples Pastor Jane
- Favorite Songs "Shine Bright" (VBS favorite) "Shine, Jesus, Shine"
- "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" "Kum Ba Yah" "Ever Be"

August 21st National Youth Event Sunday

- Message NYE Youth & Adults will be sharing the message
- Bible Readers Bill Small, Sydney Peters
- Council member Linda Kahle
- Time with Young Disciples NYE Youth
- Favorite Songs Music from National Youth Event

August 28th

- Message "Open Table"
- Bible Lesson Luke 14: 1, 7-14
- Bible Readers Gary Frank, Lisa Schmidt
- Council member Kurt Vonderheide
- Time with Young Disciples Heather Goodhue
- Favorite Songs "In the Garden" "Help Us Accept Each Other"
- "I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry"

Back to School Celebration – Sunday, August 14th!

Worship 10:15 am

Samantha Venderley – speaking
Jasper Middle School
8th Grade English & Language Arts Teacher

Free Luncheon to follow!

**Please invite your family & friends,
your kid's friends, teachers, and other school staff.**

Children & Youth are invited to bring their back-packs for a special blessing. All those working in our various school systems will be included in our prayers and invited to join us for lunch.

Upcoming Special Events:

- ◆ Communion Sundays – August 7th, September 4th
- ◆ One Service – 10:15 am ... September 4th
- ◆ Strassenfest – August 4th – 7th ... Look for our cobbler booth!
- ◆ Back-to-School Sunday with Blessings of Backpacks & lunch – Aug. 14th
- ◆ Sunday School Orientation - Sunday, August 14th @ 9 am
- ◆ Confirmation Orientation – Sunday, August 28th @ 9 am
- ◆ Jr. & Sr. High Youth – Boating on Beaver Lake– Sun., August. 28th.
- ◆ Fall Wednesday Program begins on – September 7th
- ◆ Sunday School begins – September 11th
- ◆ Christian Education Sunday – September 25th
 - Sunday School & late worship at Riverwalk – Picnic to follow.

Attention College Students!

College Students' Addresses are NEEDED! Please inform the church office of your college address for the coming year. The Outreach Ministry Team plans to send "care" notes and gifts this fall.

Sunday School ... 2016-2017 "Seasons of Faith"



Sunday Morning Schedule:

9:00 am Opening, Music & Bible Lesson in Sanctuary with Pastor Jane
9:25 am Dismissed to Classroom
10:00 am End of Sunday School
(Younger children may be picked up in their classrooms.)

Announcing our Staff...

Preschool - Kindergarten: Adam & Kari Roth, _____
1st – 3rd Heather Goodhue, _____, Judy Hubster (helper)
4th – 6th Denise Schnell & David Hubster
7th -12th Audra Jahn, Greg Schnarr
Superintendent: Alene Frank **Music:** Sarah Sergesketter
We are looking for a few co-teachers! Contact Pastor Jane.

Sunday School Staff Gathering

Sunday, August 14th – 9:00 am

Teachers & helpers will meet in the chapel; Safe Church to follow!

Safe Church Training ... Sunday, August 14th – 9:45 am

Youth and adults who plan to work with kids or youth in the coming year are invited to meet in the Chapel for safe-church training.

Have Church News to Share?

Send Screen Information to: trinityjaspermedia@gmail.com

Send Website Information to: web@trinityjasperucc.org

[Send bulletin information to: trinityucc@psci.net](mailto:trinityucc@psci.net)

Due on Monday of each week by Noon!

[Send newsletter information to: trinityucc@psci.net](mailto:trinityucc@psci.net)

Due on the third Friday of each month!

Confirmation 2016-2017

Orientation for youth, parents & Faith Partners—
9 am on Sunday, August 28th

Introducing Confirmands & Faith Partners:

Tyler Beamon - To Be announced soon!
Jace Goodhue – Greg Schnarr
Maggie Hubster – Donna Mattingly
Ella Hubster – Ellen Vonderheide
Hailey Knebel – Sarah Sergesketter
Amanda Schnell – Pamela Catt

- **First Session** will be on **Wednesday Night – September 7th**
We meet from 5:30 – 6:30 PM

Note: **On Sunday, September 25th** Confirmands, Parents, and Faith Partners will be introduced and sign a covenant at the 10:15 am worship held at the Riverwalk.

Youth to Beaver Lake - Sunday August 28th 11:30am – 7:00 PM

Susan and John McGovren are hosting a day on Beaver Lake. We will leave after the late worship. This event is open to youth in grades 6th -12th. Each youth is welcome to invite one friend to attend.

There is no fee, but a **free-will offering** will be collected to help cover gas for the boats. Adult chaperones are also needed.

Please **RSVP to Audra Jahn at 812-630-3528** or
Susan McGovren at 812-631-2355.

Permission forms may be picked up at the Youth Bulletin Board beginning in August, or Audra can email one upon request.

PJ's Behind the Scenes: *(Here is what is happening!)*

❖ **Lincolnland Council Meeting:**

Trinity will be the host of the Fall Lincolnland Association Meeting on Sunday - October 16th. This will include worship, program and a meal. The youth from all the churches will also be invited to come and enjoy a special youth worship service & activities. The youth will join us for dinner. **MANY** volunteers will be needed for this event... **SO MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

- ❖ **Trinity Tree House still has openings** for 4/5 year olds in our 3 day class. There is room in our morning OR afternoon class! Pass the Word and tell folks to call the church office for registration materials. 812-482-4090

- ❖ **The Narrative Lectionary** will continue to be used for the 2016-2017 school year both in Worship and Sunday School. Remember, we will be on the second year of a four year cycle.

- ❖ If you **look carefully at our church calendar**, you will see that many people are meeting and making plans for our future together.

- ❖ **Budget 2017** ... Ministry Teams, Staff and Council will be submitting requests by August 12th. These requests will be combined and sent to the Budget Team in August, then to Council in September and to the congregation in the October newsletter! Please keep your church in prayer.

- ❖ **The Nominating Team** chaired by Lisa Schmidt, plus 1 member of each of the five ministry teams, will soon be meeting. We are in need of 3-4 Council members, 2 Association delegates, 1 Conference delegate, and an Edna Joseph Trustee! We also need team members! Please prayerfully consider sharing your leadership skills with your beloved church.

- ❖ Parish Life is seeking **food donations for the Back-to-School Luncheon on August 14th**. Please sign-up in the foyer.

Pastor's Joy Journal... *(This is just a hint of the joys in my heart.)*

- ✝ **Thank you** to John & Susan McGovren, Greg Schnarr, Sabrina Peters, and Denise Schnell for hosting our youth and the Illinois Youth for an evening at Beaver Lake. Thank you to Fred Robberts, Rod & Jan Kalb, and Denise Schnell for helping with the poverty simulation. Also thank you to **ALL** who stepped in to help host our visitors from Illinois.
- ✝ What a joy it was to send **11 Trinity youth and 4 adults off to National Youth Event**. Thank you to ALL who donated to make this trip possible! Mark your calendars for August 17th! The youth will share highlights of their trip and host a reception following the late service.
- ✝ **Thank you** to Janice Sunderman and Mae Metzger who added to our office supplies and fall decorations.
- ✝ **Thank you** to Shirlene Dreher, Judy Hubster, and Heather Goodhue for making lap blankets and prayer shawls.
- ✝ **Thank you** to Dana Schnarr and her VBS crew for a wonderful week of VBS.
- ✝ **Thank you** in advance to ALL who are helping with our Strassenfest cobbler booth. It definitely takes a TEAM! Thanks to our leaders: John, Linda, Dean, and Ellen!
- ✝ **Thank you** to those who fixed the parsonage garage door and all those who worked on the parsonage landscape. It looks great!
- ✝ **Thank you to John & Susan McGovren** who are working with Trinity Tree House staff to spruce up the "reading room".
- ✝ **What glorious music!** Favorite songs & special music have been beautiful!

LINCOLNLAND CONFERENCE

Many of our churches are having good response to e-giving, made possible through the UCC. Visit www.ucc.org/e-giving to learn more. The "Shrimpers of People" of Christ UCC in Evansville invite members of LincolnLand to a Back Bay Shrimp Boil, at Christ Church, 3601 Washington Avenue, August 14, gathering at 5 PM and serving 5:30PM. There will be a freewill offering for Back Bay. To learn more about the mission go to: thebackbaymission.org

We celebrate the ordination anniversary of Rev. Jane Hillman (30th), and the licensure anniversary of Pastor Larry Harwood (40).

We continue our support and prayers for members in discernment: Allen Armstrong, St. John, Boonville; and Garrett Brown, St. Peter, Lamar.

~ Stephanie Weiner, Associate Conference Minister

SENIOR UNLIMITED RETREAT . . .September 20-24, 2016

Seniors Unlimited is a week-long camp geared for working and retired adults. This camp includes Bible study, faith and society discussions, work projects, and craft time. Fellowship time is important, and we take time throughout the week to enjoy one another's company, play, sing and worship together. Friday night includes the Historical Banquet and speaker. **Merom Conference Center, Indiana-Kentucky Conference, UCC**
Website: www.merom.org - Toll Free: 800-318-4511 **(A brochure is in the foyer with additional information.)**



IKC WOMEN'S RETREAT 2016

The 2016 IKC Women's Retreat will take place **Sept. 16-18 at the Merom Conference Center**. The theme this year is "Planting Seeds," with Susan Fowler as the presenter. The cost to attend the retreat is \$125 for the whole retreat or \$90 for those only attending Friday and Saturday. The deadline to register is Sept. 9th. Please contact Val Ruess if you have a question about the event or how to register. [Indiana-Kentucky Conference, United Church of Christ - ikc@ikcucc.org - 317-924-1395.]
(A brochure is in the foyer with additional information.)

Marriage enrichment weekend at Merom (Oct 7-9)

What: Marriage Enrichment Weekend.

When: October 7-9, Merom Conference Center

Who: Led by Rev. Dr. Vennard Walter

Cost: \$235 for a couple

Contact: Rev. John Sterrett sterrett2@yahoo.com or (812) 678-2271

“Two shall become one...” We heard that phrase when we took wedding vows, and probably didn’t think much of it. We did become one couple, but we never lost the two individuals. Me, you and us. When we ignore any of the three, we aren’t making the best of ourselves.

In this retreat, we will explore good ways of nurturing and enriching the “us” to become fulfilling and satisfying to all three. Come and spend time at Merom in the Fall, enjoying the season and each others’ company.

Rev. Dr. Walter is a practicing psychotherapist and spiritual director from New Albany, IN.

ONLY ONE

Mentors for Youth invites you to be part of something very special: Only One. Only One is a moment when Dubois County will come together to care for its kids.

Currently there are 25 kids who are on our waiting list for a mentor. 25 kids in Dubois County who are waiting for a positive adult influence in their lives. We know that our county can do better. We can be better. We can be the difference, the change and the good in these children’s lives.



Will you put the name of your church on the list of those who provided Only One?

During the month of July, we’re asking every church in Dubois County to volunteer one mentor. Just one. Only One. If every church can volunteer Only One mentor, we will have volunteers waiting - instead of the kids!

We’re excited to see what you can do and to watch how Only One can change the lives of so many.



MENTORS
FOR YOUTH

be the difference. be the change. be the good.

A NEW YOUTH MINISTRY LEADER!

Your Church Council announces the appointment of our new Youth Ministry Leader.... our very own Audra Jahn. As a reminder, Andrea Hulsman is transitioning into other roles in her life, and we wish her well on her future endeavors. A Search Team, comprised of Heather Goodhue, Fred Robberts, Emma Emmons, Laurel Hubster, and Adam Roth (Council Liaison) has recommended to the Council to appoint Audra to the position. We thank them for their work during the search and interview process, and prayerful consideration. The Council has joyfully accepted their recommendation. **Audra will start as the Youth Ministry Leader effective August 1.** This will leave an open position on our Church Council, as Audra is currently serving. **If you are interested in serving in this important role, please contact a Council member or Pastor.**

MISSION TRIP TO TRINITY UCC, JASPER, IN . . .

I had the honor and privilege of spending a fair amount of time with the adult and youth from the Community United Church of Christ, from Champaign/Urbana, IL, where my daughter, Leah, is the senior pastor.

This visit was one of service to Trinity by the youth group. They were a very dedicated group of young people and adults, saving our staff many hours of preparation for the coming year at Trinity Tree House.

Many hands did make for light work so there was ample time for them to enjoy their time here by doing other activities as well, such as waterskiing on Beaver Lake, visiting West Baden, and nightly trips to Libby's Ice Cream on the square. All this was sandwiched in between making a couple of trips to Evansville to serve meals at the soup kitchen. They also served at the Community Meal here in Jasper.

They played a simulation game, Poverty, and went to the Arts Center to see Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat. Their trip to Holiday World was rained out, but they handled the disappointment well and shifted gears easily to engage in a different activity.

In all the activities there were Trinity members present to lend a hand and help in many ways. The Illinois group felt an extravagant welcome and felt at home. They were simply a great group to join our Trinity Family for a few days, and I hope they will return.



~Fred Robberts

MISSION ALIVE AT TRINITY UCC**FROM YOUR OUTREACH TEAM . . .**

Christmas in July... As of this printing, we have collected **\$500** for our Christmas in July project to help our Adopted Family meet daily/monthly expenses.

You can continue to help our **Adopted Family** by placing donations in the **Adopt-A-Family Jar!** Your pocket change can help "change" someone's life. Please, keep it coming!

AUGUST 7th IS FOOD BANK SUNDAY!

On Food Bank Sunday, your donation will be placed by the altar and dedicated. Throughout the month, please place your donations of cereal in the plastic tubs in the foyer. All contributions will go to the Jasper Community Food Bank.

As of this printing, we have collected 58 cans of fruit.

Looking ahead: In September, we will be collecting beans.

BLOOD DRIVE . . .**GIVING SO THAT OTHERS MAY HAVE LIFE!**

On Monday, June 20th Trinity Church again hosted an **American Red Cross Blood Drive with 61 units being collected.** (A special thank you to the five Trinity members who were donors.)

All year long, in our community and across the nation, approximately 3,000 hospitals and their patients rely on the Red Cross to meet their needs for blood products.

I would like to thank the following people for their help with this year's drive:

Jenny LaGrange	Carol Mundy	Connie Schmitt
Carol Ellis	Denise Schnell	John McGovren
Harland Witttwer	Lani Witttwer	

~Blood Drive Chairperson, Susan McGovren

Happy Anniversary

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

8/6	Rebecca & Eddie Armstrong	16th
8/12	Denise & Larry Schnell	27th
8/23	Jenny & Larry LaGrange	47th
8/29	Janet & Brian Meyer	35th
8/29	Sheila & Terry Oeding	7th
8/31	June & Jack Astrike	64th
8/31	Bridget & Curt Brinkman	20th

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



8/5	Lyle Schaus	8/17	Victor Danford
8/6	Gary Frank	8/18	Sarah Mauck
8/7	Linda Troxler	8/18	Jeff Steffen
8/9	Kim Schroeder	8/21	Pamela Catt
8/10	Leesa Beyke	8/21	Cindy Denu
8/10	Mary Klingel	8/21	Rita Harsha
8/11	Mark Blackgrave	8/22	Jon Blackgrave
8/11	Debie Stockburger	8/24	Sydney Berger
8/12	Kelsey Blackgrave	8/25	Kelsey Heise
8/12	Lucas Hobson	8/25	Mary Ann Schroeder
8/13	Brittany Beyke	8/26	Mary Beth Brozman
8/13	Sheila Oeding	8/27	Ruth Brinkman
8/14	Nina French	8/28	Pete Rasche
8/14	Jason Hulsman	8/29	Carmen Wuchner
8/14	Caroline Kahle-Mattingly		

AUGUST 2016 - WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Ushers\Greeters</u>	<u>Media Technicians</u>
8/7	8am	Linda Troxler, Rita Harsha	Heath Astrike
	10:15am	Kevin & Melissa Blackgrave, Nina French, Greg Schnarr	Brian Meyer
		Media Producer	Kurt Vonderheide
8/14	8am	Alene & Gary Frank	Kurt Vonderheide
	10:15am	Laurel Hubster, Emma Emmons Sydney Peters, Jack Goodhue	John Kahle
		Media Producer	John Kahle
8/21	8am	Bret Astrike, Heath Astrike Bill Small	Heath Astrike
	10:15am	Susan & John McGovren Rick Meyer, Larry LaGrange	Adam Roth
		Media Producer	John Kahle
8/28	8am	Angie & Rick Hobson	Kurt Vonderheide
	10:15am	Lisa & Phil Schmidt Fred Robberts, Andrea Hulsman	Brian Meyer
		Media Producer	Kurt Vonderheide

AUGUST 7th - COMMUNION SUNDAY

Altar Communion Servers: 8am Audra Jahn, Alene Frank

10:15am Audra Jahn, Pamela Catt, Jan & Rod Kalb

Communion Preparation: Kurt & Treva Heise



AUGUST 2016 - CHILD CARE & ACOLYTES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Child Care(10:15)</u>	<u>Acolyte (10:15)</u>
8/7	Melissa Hafele	Maggie Hubster
8/14	Heather Goodhue	Amanda Schnell
8/21	Kari Roth	Jace Goodhue
8/28	Vickie Campbell	Ella Hubster



Attendance at Trinity UCC

<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Total</u>
6/26	8am	25	110
	10:15am	85	
7/3	10:15am	66	66
7/10	8am	26	82
	10:15am	56	
7/17	8am	23	91
	10:15am	68	



TRINITY TREE HOUSE NEWS . . .

Open House 3-Day August 22nd 6:30 – 8PM

Open House 2-Day August 23rd 6:30 – 8PM

3-Day Classes begin August 29th

2-Day Classes begin August 30th

~Terri Keusch, Director

STEWARDSHIP AT TRINITY...

With the first half of the year complete, it is a good opportunity to review Stewardship at Trinity so far in 2016 with you, the Trinity Family.

First we will discuss the **income by quarter**:

- Our income receipts for the **1st quarter of 2016** (January – March over 12 Sundays) **decreased 5.09%** from the total received in the 1st quarter of 2015.
- During the **2nd quarter of 2016** (April – June over 13 Sundays) our **income receipts increased 1.35%** over the income receipts during the 2nd quarter of 2015.

After it was reported that giving was down considerably in the first quarter, the council appreciates the response in the giving of our church family to turn the situation around and actually provide an increase in giving in the second quarter 2016 over giving in second quarter of 2015. The majority of the income receipts are made up of “Envelope Contributions”, which after the significant decrease of 5% in first quarter giving, showed an overall decrease of only 2% total in 2016 at the close of second quarter. **However, this decrease, coupled with a decrease in other income areas, such as Building Use, account for a decrease in overall receipts of 7.7%.**

Unfortunately while giving has decreased, as presented in the budget, our expenses have increased in 2016. We approved a balanced budget for 2016 of our income and expenses. **At the completion of 6 months of 2016, our regular income is nearly \$7,000 or 7.7% short of our budget projections.** Please know Council does not feel these numbers are alarming, as we have faith in you, our Trinity Family; that you will continue to support our needs by sharing your time, offerings and talents. Please take this opportunity to review your current giving and to make important decisions about what you are willing and able to share to support Trinity and bring our budget into balance for this year.

As stated above, stewardship includes Time and Talents of each and every one of us. **We are excited to see what God-given talents you will choose to bless Trinity with as we distribute and collect the annual Time and Talent sheets this year. There are many tasks involved with being a strong and faithful Church, and Council is confident that, just as in all of the years past, you will come forward with you talents to support the Church family.** We appreciate each and every task that you have completed so far this year with generosity. **Thanks be to God.**

~ Melissa Hafele, Financial Secretary

STEWARDSHIP REMINDERS...

- ❖ Have YOU used your **initial envelope?** In each envelope packet was an Initial Offering Envelope that asked for a donation to offset the cost of printing and purchasing the envelopes. **We are about \$148.00 short of our budgeted amount of \$415 to pay that cost.** If you have not already, please consider utilizing this envelope with your donation.
- ❖ **One dollar** in the loose offering each week **DOES** make a difference!
- ❖ **Maintenance dollars** are used to fund non-budget repair costs. **(Monthly Maintenance Envelope is included in your set.)** Every dollar you have given makes a difference! The Property Team is presently working on a repair and improvement list. **“Thanks for your continued support.”**
- ❖ **Thank you to all who send their offerings** even when they are unable to be with us in worship on Sunday Morning. We appreciate you remembering your T.O.T. this summer!
- ❖ **Remember - Your gift of Time and Talents is equal to any offering!**

WOMEN’S GUILD

The 2016-17 Trinity Women’s Guild Program is included as an insert with this newsletter. The first meeting this year will be held on September 2nd at 6:30 PM in the Chapel Room. Childcare can be arranged by contacting a Guild officer 2-3 days prior to the meeting. The officers for 2016-17 are Heather Goodhuea and Judy Hubster as Co-President, Jan Kalb and Susan McGovren as Co-Secretary, and Sylvia Adams as Treasurer. Hope to see you at the meeting.

~Heather Goodhue and Judy Hubster

BACK TO SCHOOL LUNCHEON – AUGUST 14TH

The Parish Life Team is sponsoring a **“Back to School Luncheon”** on **August 14th, following the 10:15 service.**

There are sign-up sheets in the foyer to contributing menu items. Thank you for your support.

~ Dan Sergesketter - Council Liaison

JULY 12, 2016 WORSHIP TEAM HIGHLIGHTS

- † **Communion-** Agreed that altar communion will be used on Sept. 4 and on Christmas Day (one service at 10:15).
- † **Ritual of Friendship Pad** Will continue practice. Sarah will refill the folders that need new pads. Mark suggested using memorial funds to purchase new folders. Linda will inform the council representatives that they need to remind congregation to sign the pads during announcements each Sunday.
- † **Church Visitors-** Send notes if they leave name with address in guest book. Suggestions were made to offer guests a small token with the church information. (Mason jar with cake/cookie ingredients in it).
- † **Youth bulletins:** 6 bulletins as of June 12 are printed weekly. We need to make sure ushers pass out the bulletins. Addressed issue of too much time devoted to finding youth bulletins. Mark to research.
- † **Advent room:** Extra tree needs to be disposed of. Room needs reorganization. As Worship team will be responsible for putting up the foyer Christmas tree it was suggested it be included in 'hanging of the greens' with more congregational help.
- † **Music:** Postponed discussion to next meeting. (August 9).
- † **Lenten Services:** Pastor Jane shared the Seasons of Faith draft copy. Discussed Lenten services (2017). Wednesday services to be held in foyer, tables and bowl meal every Wednesday. Good Friday community service in Parish Hall? Leave Maundy Thursday service display up for event?
- † **Pulpit supply update:** Will need speaker and worship coordinator for October 30.
- † **Budget:** Finished budget rationale. Finalize at next meeting.
- † **Capital Campaign:** Worship team feels updates are needed for sanctuary. Recommendations include blinds for windows to shade the sun, circle drive updates, automatic door for those who unable to open the door.

Next meeting is Tuesday, August 9 at 6:30



Thank you to Jack Goodhue, Jace Goodhue, Connie Schmitt, and Melissa Blackgrave for providing special music in July.

~Sarah Sergesketter

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS – JULY 2016

- Council accepted the Search Team's recommendation for Youth Ministry Leader - Audra Jahn. Audra will begin her role August 1ST. The Nominating Team will be looking for a replacement on Council immediately.
- Council accepted Mark Hopster to the Pastoral Relations Team.
- The 2017 Budget process was reviewed and dates have been set to present the proposed budget to the congregation on November 6th followed by the congregational meeting on November 13th for action on the budget, Council nominee and Edna Joseph Trustee.
- Recognized Dana Schnarr and her volunteers for the great job with the 2016 VBS.
- The 2017 Annual Congregational Meeting date has been set for January 22, 2017.
- Noted that financial contribution is down slightly from 2015 and well behind budget by 7.7%.



LETTERS TO TRINITY

(Excerpts from the letters shown below) . . .

To Trinity Church,

Thank you for the prayers, cards & well wishes.
~Charles Eichmiller

Dear Trinity UCC,

Thank you so much for everything you guys have done! I'm really grateful.
~Emily Schnell

