



**Trinity United Church of Christ**

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Jasper IN 47546

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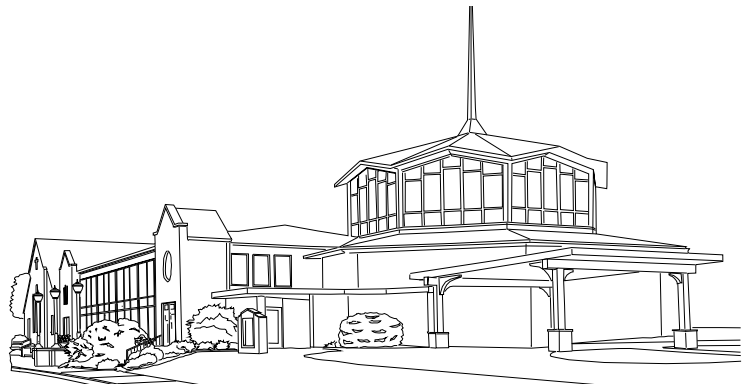
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# Trinity Chimes

**Trinity**  
**United Church of Christ**  
310 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
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## Sunday Calendar

**August 2 - COMMUNION**  
Worship 8 am & 10:15 am  
9:30 am Radio Broadcast

**August 9 - Blessing of the Backpacks**  
Worship 8 am & 10:15 am  
9:30 am Radio Broadcast

**August 16**  
Worship 8 am & 10:15 am  
9:30 am Radio Broadcast

**August 23**  
Worship 8 am & 10:15 am  
9:30 am Radio Broadcast

**August 30**  
Worship 8 am & 10:15 am  
9:30 am Radio Broadcast

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### \*Office Hours

Tu-W-Th 8 am to 3 pm

### Council Packet Info Due

*W August 5*

### Newsletter Info Due

*W August 12*

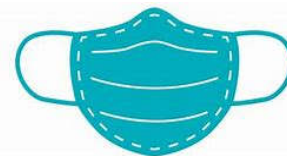
## AUGUST Monthly Calendar

- W 5** Council Packet Information Due  
6:30 pm Holistic Council
- M 10** 7:00 pm Survivors of Suicide  
7:00 pm Church Council
- W 12** Newsletter Articles Due
- Th 30** Newsletter Assemble & Mail

## AUGUST Weekly Calendar

### Weight Watchers

- M 5:30 pm** (Future on-site meetings TBD)



For a safe environment for in-person worship,

**FACEMASKS ARE MANDATORY!**

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**\*NOTE: OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED**

**Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday**

**August 4, 5, 6**

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**Those Who Pray for Me**

Mighty and Merciful God, who blesses us with the gift of prayer, who listens with love when we pray:

- \* Today I offer a prayer of thanksgiving for the people who pray for me, and for the prayers they have offered.
- \* Thank you for family and friends and colleagues at school who include me in their prayers each day.
- \* Thank you for the people of my church when they gather for worship and remember to pray for all the children of our community, and for the parents and teachers and counselors who nurture children's growth and learning.
- \* Thank you for everyone, known and unknown, who lifts to you their prayers for me when I have a special need for guidance or healing or comfort or hope.
- \* Thank you that I am surrounded by people who love me enough to pray for me, people who love you enough to pray for me.
- \* I feel the power of their prayer.
- \* I feel the power of your love working in my life, giving me energy and direction, healing and hope.
- \* I believe that these people are your servants. Their prayers are channels of your love and grace.

Mighty and Merciful God, my life - and my teaching - are blessed by others and the prayers they offer on my behalf. May I be as faithful in my prayers for them as they have been in their prayers for me.

**Amen.**

*By Sharon Harris-Ewing from the book Prayers for School Teacher*

**My thoughts and prayer are with all our children, youth, teachers, staff and adults who will be returning to the school this fall, along with parent and guardians who need to make important decisions regarding the health and safety of those they love.** I pray that all in the educational system sense the prayers that are coming their way. We, in the church, are partners with them as we continue to pray for them and support our educational system here and throughout the country. There are no easy answers these days and every decision has to be flexible for an ever changing world. Let our prayers never cease.

***Blessings – Pastor Jane***



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

- † Thank you to all who continue to make it possible for us to gather safely for in-person worship.
- † It will be a joy to welcome our children and youth back for **the Blessing of the Backpacks on August 9; I have my bubble wand ready to bless you.**
- † My thanks to **John Schnarr** for carting away my holly tree trimmings; I also want to thank **Ellen & Dean Vonderheide and John Kahle** for taking care of the parsonage flower box in the back yard.
- † Thank you to **Mark Blackgrave & Jeff Berg** for installing the hand sanitizer units.
- † It is joy to have **the ceiling fixed**; I will not have to buy a hard hat. Looking forward to the arrival of the roof people that plan to fix the leaks.
- † It was a joy to sit outside on a beautiful Sunday morning with the **Christian Education Team** talking about ways to safely have Sunday School, Confirmation and other events.



**Please give these folks a call or send them a note!**

- Jack Astrike:** *Northwood Retirement Community, Assisted Living  
400 W. Pleasant View, Apt. # 1, Jasper, IN 47546 (812-634-7920)*
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- Norma Blackgrave:** *St. Charles Health Campus, Rm. # 112, 3150 St. Charles Street,  
Jasper, IN 47546*
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- Eloise Breidenbaugh:** *Northwood Retirement Community, Rm. # 506, 2515 Newton Street,  
Jasper, IN 47546*
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- Mariemma Huebner:** *Northwood Retirement Community, Assisted Living  
400 W. Pleasant View, Apt. # 23, Jasper, IN 47546 (812-634-7945)*
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- Marge Kalb:** *Scenic Hills at the Monastery, Rm. # 306-A 710 Sunrise Drive,  
Ferdinand, IN 47532*
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- Carrie Loveall:** *855 Missouri Street, Apt. # 17, Ferdinand, IN 47532 (812-998-2010)*
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- Sherry Malone:** *660 Rumbach Ave. Apt. # 322, Jasper, IN 47546 (812-582-2721)*
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- Violet Ruckriegel:** *1308 Vine Street, Apt. #1 18, Jasper, IN 47546 (812-827-6986)*
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- Marge Schneider:** *Life's Journey of Avon, 10241 E County Road 100 N,  
Indianapolis, IN 46234 (Hospice)*
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- Carolyn Snyder:** *St. Charles Health Campus, Rm. # 105, 3150 St. Charles Street,  
Jasper, IN 47546*
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- Jason Stockburger:** *The Timbers, Rm. # 316-2, 2909 Howard Drive, Jasper, IN 47546*
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**Pastoral Care update:** Please call Pastor Jane with other information and updates.

Let us pray for **our kids, youth, teachers, staff and parents as we seek ways to return safely to school.**

Let us pray for **those who are recovering from out-patient surgery or are hospitalized.**

Let us pray for **those who are having tests or continue to receive treatments.**

Let us pray for **family members coping with cancer.**

**Living with cancer:** Pete Rasche, Alene Frank

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**Why not share a Joy or Concern with Pastor Jane!** Pastor can be reached on her cell phone @ **812-631-1147.**

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## Prayers continue to be needed!

Let us pray for those battling a surge of COVID-19; may God grant wisdom and courage.  
Let us pray for the heroes in the health care system; may God grant them strength.  
Let us pray for all those who continue to stay at a distance for the sake of their health.  
Let us pray for all those who are struggling to find jobs, re-open businesses and pay the bills.  
Let us pray for those dealing with extreme weather throughout our country.  
Let us give thanks for all those who are reaching out to help clean-up and rebuild around the globe.  
Let us pray for those who lost loved ones through senseless violence and injustice.  
Let us pray for the peace-makers including those in uniform. Let us pray for lasting change.



### **From the Pulpit – July 2020 ... 8:00 am & 10:15 am**

Just to be clear, God's Church has not been closed, so it does not need to be re-opened. We have simply stopped worshipping in our building for a time to protect the health and well-being of our people and our communities. **God's Church does not require a building in order to be the Church. What is required is love, compassion and the presence of God. The Church is God's hands and feet whether gathered or scattered.**

<b>August 2</b>	Matthew 14: 13-21	"Enough for Everyone"	<b>Communion Sunday</b>
<b>August 9</b>	Ephesians 6: 14-18	"God's All-Stars "	<b>Blessing of Backpacks!</b>
<b>August 16</b>	Psalms 133, Matthew 15: 21-28	"Living Together in Unity"	
<b>August 23</b>	Romans 12: 1-8	"Be Transformed"	
<b>August 30</b>	Romans 12: 9-21	"Spirit-led Living"	

**The mandatory wearing of a mask & social distancing is required in order to keep us healthy & safe.**

**Communion:** Please pick up your communion wafer & cup as you enter the sanctuary.

### **A Worship note to Parents and Children:**

When you come to worship, please stay together as a family.

Everyone is encouraged to **bring your own water bottles**, as the drinking fountain will not be available. Also, please **bring your own crayons, pencils and paper** as these will not be available. **Time with Young Disciples** will still be a part of worship; however, **children will stay seated** for this conversation.

**August Radio Message:** Pastor Jane will continue to bring a message at **9:30 am** on **WITZ 104.7 FM**.

**If you are unable to hear the radio message and would like a printed copy, call Pastor Jane!**

<b>August 2</b>	Amos 7: 7-15	"Setting the Plumb Line"
<b>August 9</b>	II Corinthians 5: 16-21	"Ambassadors for Christ"
<b>August 16</b>	Jonah	"But I Don't Want To!"
<b>August 23</b>	II Corinthians 9: 6-15	"Generous Giving"
<b>August 30</b>	Acts 16: 9-15	"Friendships – Gifts from God"



## Back to School Celebration—Sunday, August 9 Worship 8:00 & 10:15 am

Children & Youth are invited to bring their back-packs for a special “Bubble Blessing.”  
All those working in our various school systems will be included in our prayers.



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### COMING THIS FALL...



† Sunday School begins September 13 ... 9:15-10:00 am (Sanctuary & Rm. # 203)

† Confirmation begins September 16 ... Wednesdays - 5:30-6:15 PM (Rm. # 201 & 202)

Social distancing will be practiced and the **wearing of a mask is mandatory.**

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### MUSIC . . .

If any keyboard or stringed instrumentalist would like to play special music, please let Sarah Sergesketter know. You may also be getting a call from her for **September MUSIC!**

Email: [ssergesketter@gmail.com](mailto:ssergesketter@gmail.com)

Telephone: 812-482-5578

*Thank you!*

*Sarah Sergesketter*



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### TRINITY TREE HOUSE . . . .



As I write this note, I hope all are safe and having a somewhat enjoyable summer.

**At this time, both the 3-day class and the 2-day class are full,** with a waiting list for the 2-day class.

Trinity Tree House is **tentatively planning to start classes in late August.** This is all subject to CDC and state guidelines for reopening.

Stay Safe! Stay healthy!

*Kate Buchta, Director, Trinity Tree House*

## OUTREACH . . . SEPTEMBER MISSION

### SUPPORT OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS

The Outreach Team will be supporting our college students with help from all of you. We will be accepting monetary donations that will be used to purchase gift cards for the students to use.

We will mail the gift cards in October. Because of Covid-19, there will not be envelopes in the pews for your donations. Please put your donation in your regular giving envelope with a notation that it is for College Care.

*Thank you for supporting our youth!*



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## A message from the Outreach Ministry Team . . .

### ADOPTED FAMILY - CHRISTMAS IN JULY



Just a reminder that the Christmas in July fund-raiser for our adopted family is underway. To date, we have received **\$365 toward this year's goal of \$500.**

Please consider sending either a donation by check or in the form of a Walmart gift card to the church office so that we can give the "Christmas gifts" to our family (a grandmother and her two grandsons) **by mid-August.**

Thanks again for your generous support!

*The Outreach Team*

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## COMMUNITY FOOD BANK . . .

Since we have no monthly collections of food items at this time, the Outreach Team is encouraging you to please send a donation directly to the Food Bank. The address is shown below.

**Community Food Bank  
1404 S. Meridian Road  
Jasper, IN 47546**

If you would rather give food items that are on our list, you can save those until you are physically back in church and put them in the foyer. **Another option** would be taking items to the door on the backside of the food bank during the hours it is open:

**Monday 1:00 - 3:00 PM, Wednesday 6:00 - 8:00 PM and Saturday 10:00 AM - Noon**

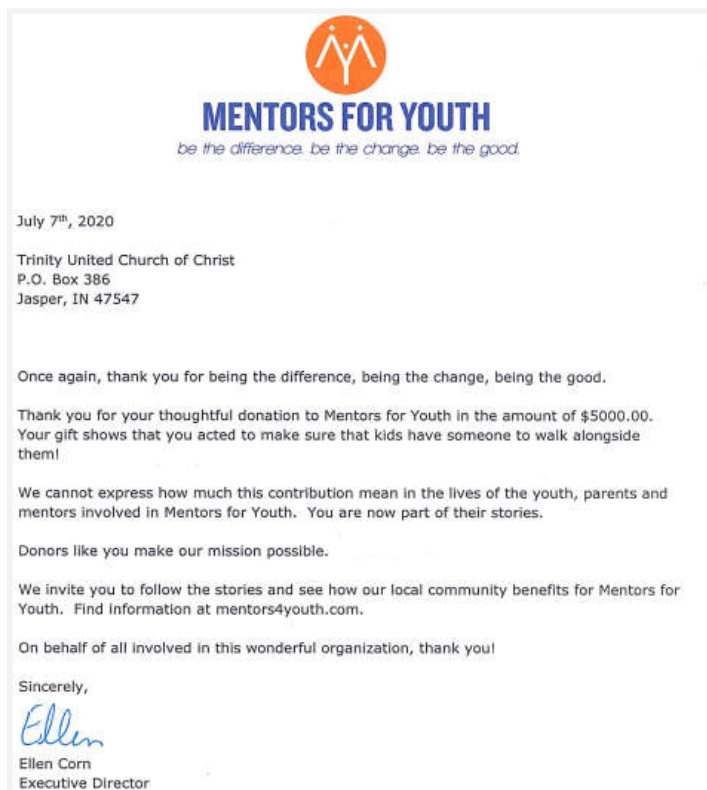
They are especially in need of paper products (toilet paper, diapers, tissues, feminine hygiene products), etc. Unlike food items, these cannot be purchased by people using WIC or food stamps. You could give a little or a lot, weekly, monthly or one time. Thank you for anything you do to help!



*Jenny LaGrange, The Outreach Team*

## Lenten Mission Final Update . . .

**Mentors for Youth** was given a \$5,000 donation from Trinity United Church of Christ.

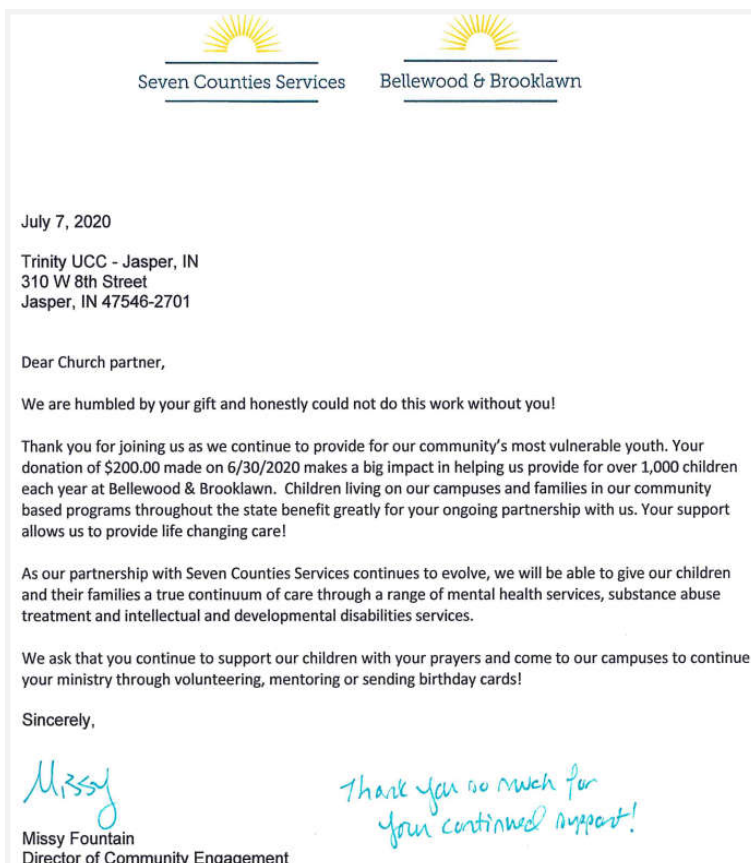


*Dear Trinity Family,*

*We are truly grateful for your continued generosity!*

*The Outreach Team*

**Bellwood & Brooklawn** was given a \$200 donation from Trinity United Church of Christ.







Community events held at Trinity Church Building  
(Dates are tentative.)

<b>Holistic Council</b>	Monday, August 10 @ 6:30 PM
<b>Music Together</b>	Will resume in October
<b>Sunset Extension</b>	Tuesday, September 15 @ 7 PM
<b>Survivors of Suicide</b>	Monday, August 10 @ 7 PM.
<b>The Lounge Series</b>	Cancelled until Spring 2021
<b>Weight Watchers</b>	No in-person meetings until further notice

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**Rural King is sponsoring Church Week from August 2 to August 15.**

During this time Rural King will **donate 10% of each valid receipt total after sales tax.** Customers need to go to [www.ruralking.com/churchweek](http://www.ruralking.com/churchweek). Once there, **scan and upload receipts and designate Trinity as your recipient.**

Receipts must be **dated between August 2 and August 15** to qualify for this donation to Trinity.



## Council Highlights from July 13, 2020

- Approved by 5 to 1 consensus to resume in person worship on July 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Approved consolidating the funds known as the Klamer CD into the EJ Money Market Account.
- Approved by consensus that the entire Outreach Assistance will be done by the Office Administrator.

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### IN-PERSON WORSHIP

8 AM – Sanctuary – please sit in pews marked for 8 AM worship

10:15 AM – Sanctuary – please sit in the pews marked for 10:15 AM worship

### Extravagant Welcome with Extravagant Care!

A lot of thought and care has brought about the decision to open the church to worship. We want to ensure you feel comfortable and safe in this crazy time of living within a pandemic.

#### *Just a few reminders:*

- \* **Ushers will be in place to direct you;** they have been instructed **not to shake your hand or to hug you** (so please don't be offended).
- \* **Do not linger in the common areas.** As soon as you arrive, find a pew and be seated.
- \* **On communion Sundays,** please pick up your communion before going into the sanctuary.
- \* An offering tray or box will be at each entrance to the sanctuary. We will **not be passing the offering plates.**
- \* **There are no bulletins** so make sure you can see one of the monitors. The monitors will contain all the information you need for worship.
- \* **During the passing of peace,** please put your hand on your heart and as you move your arm out whisper these words: "May the peace in me Greet the peace in You."
- \* **No Singing.** We ask that you quietly read the words from the songs displayed on the monitors - sing from your heart!
- \* When service is over, please **wait for the usher to direct you to leave and take any trash with you.** For your convenience, **a trash container will be at each exit.**
- \* **Please exit the building promptly** as this helps reduce your contact with others.

### FOR EVERYONE'S SAFETY, WEARING A FACEMASK IS MANDATORY!

For your convenience, facemasks are available. If you cannot locate one, please ask an usher for assistance.



## August 2020

### Happy Birthday

Gary Frank	6
Linda Troxler	7
Brooklyn Whitecotton	8
Kim Schroeder	9
Leesa Beyke	10
Mary Klingel	10
Mark Blackgrave	11
Debie Stockburger	11
Kelsey Blackgrave	12
Lucas Hobson	12
Brittany Beyke	13
Brian Ferrell	13
Sheila Oeding	13
Jason Hulsman	14
Caroline Kahle-Mattingly	14
Sarah Mauck	18
Jeff Steffen	18
Pamela Catt	21
Cindy Denu	21
Jon Blackgrave	22
Cortney Seng	24
Sydney Berger	24
Mary Ann Schroeder	25
Mary Beth Brozman	26
Pete Rasche	28
Kurt Uebelhor	28

### Happy Anniversary

	Years
Rebecca & Eddie Armstrong	6 20
Sherri & Kurt Uebelhor	9 10
Denise & Larry Schnell	12 31
Melissa & Phil Hafele	19 13
Jenny & Larry LaGrange	23 51
Janet & Brian Meyer	29 39
Sheila & Terry Oeding	29 11



#### CONGRATULATIONS ...

**Heath & Katie Astrike** on the birth of their son, **Zachariah Matthias Astrike**, born Sunday, July 12th!



Also congratulations to Grandfather Bret Astrike and Great Grandfather Jack Astrike.

*Blessings,  
Your Church Family*

***Please join the Trinity Faith Family in 2020***

**Sunday Morning at Trinity UCC - Jasper — Worship Services Resume July 19**

8:00 am **Morning Worship** (*1<sup>st</sup> Sunday – Communion*)

9:00 am **Sunday School - *Begins September 13, 9:15 - 10:00 am***

10:15 am **Morning Worship**

**Music Ministry :**

Until further notice, Soloists and Instrumentalists only

**Children’s Ministry:** No activities at this time.

**Jr. & Sr. High Youth Ministry:**

Confirmation: Two year program of Bible study and Faith development – begins at 6<sup>th</sup> grade  
New class begins Wednesday, **September 16.**

Sunday morning Youth Breakfast & Conversation - **Cancelled until further notice**

**Circle of Concern:** Friday mornings at 6:45 am. **Cancelled until further notice**

**Mission Outreach:** Support of local, national, and global missions and disaster relief.

**Women’s Guild:** No meetings until 2021.

**Men’s Fellowship:** No meeting until 2021.

**Trinity Tree House Preschool:** 2 day class for 3 year olds; 3 day class for 4 year olds.

**Christian Service & Fellowship at home, at church and in the community.**

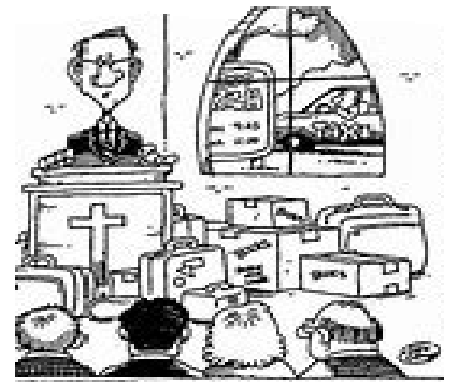
**FOR YOUR AMUSEMENT . . . .**



Welcome to our church -  
**even though** you're  
sitting in **our** family pew . . .



After we close with prayer,  
there will be a brief meeting in  
the parking lot to determine  
what, if anything, was actually  
decided in this meeting.



“Today’s sermon is one  
I’ve wanted to preach for  
sometime now.”