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TRINITY'S SESSION 2012

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May-Be.....

In my Psychology of Learning class in college, students were given a real live rat to train. We worked with our rat to teach him to navigate a pretty complex maze. Each group used different methods of training, but the goal was the same: to get the rat to follow the maze and get to the cheese. Our rat learned quickly and it appeared that each time he was put into the maze; his mind was on the goal. Off he went. I began to wonder, though, if, after a while, it became less about the goal and more about the routine of it all for our little rat, Mishka (An Eastern European word for rat, suggested by one of our team members who was from that area.) In other words, maybe he wasn't always doing what he really wanted to do. May-be he was just doing what he was *used* to doing or what he thought he was *supposed* to do because he'd been doing it for so long. That way of living can be stressful. Imagine that rat: unfulfilled, stressed, wishing for more, but still grinding away.

Oh, we humans have our version of the old rat maze. For some of us, the maze is fulfilling and the faster we run it, the better! We stand at the door, our little rat fingers tapping together rapidly praying for someone to knock and ask us to do this or that. We gobble down the prize and then start looking for the next one without relishing this one! For others of us, the maze is overwhelming and we tend to hide quietly behind the door with our little rat hands clasped closely to our chests praying that it won't open and we won't HAVE TO navigate the MAZE. The caution is that, at either pace, we watch along the way instead of fixing our eyes on a goal that we no longer really even think about. : A goal that has lost meaning and just become routine. God likely created us to be somewhere in the middle. He *expects* us to do, to be productive, to contribute, to share, to care for, to learn, to grow and much more. But, did He mean for us to move from simplicity for simplicity's sake to complexity for complexity's sake? May-be springtime is a good time to literally stop and smell! To smell something, we must breathe in. May-be this is the time to breathe deeply. The physical act of a deep breath sends additional oxygen to our cells, rejuvenating them. It's the same with our souls. Breathe deep and acknowledge what is all around us. Look down at our feet and put them on a meaningful path, giving thanks for the abundance along the way.

God said in Jeremiah 6:16 (speaking to Israel), "Stand by where the roads cross, and look. Ask for the old paths, where the good way is, and walk in it. And you will find rest for your souls." Now that's what I call a-maz-ing instruction.

Janie Pinkston Sutton

SESSION UPDATE

At the Session meeting on April 16, 2012 the following actions were taken:

- Received a thank you note from General Assembly Mission Council to offer thanks for Christmas Joy Offering of \$251.75.
- Next Presbytery meeting is June 21, 2012 at East Baden High School.
- An audit of the Church financial records was completed on April 4, 2012 by the Finance Committee.
- A request by Monroe Camp and Retreat was approved to transport children, luggage and adult chaperones to camp on June 10th and return on June 15th in support of Lumberton First Presbyterian Church. Bill Robertson will drive bus both days.
- Cécile Villatoro-Orella – Cécile is investigating the possibility of coming to Laurinburg this Christmas or Easter 2013. Trinity Presbyterian Church will offer encouragement and issue an invitation to Cécile to visit Laurinburg in the near future. The motion was duly seconded and approved.
- Regarding replacement of small exterior Cross on brick sign in front of Trinity: We will obtain the services of Spencer Phillips, art student at St. Andrews, who works largely with metal, to construct a replacement cross made from poured aluminum.
- Vacation Bible School will be scheduled for June 25-29 from 9:00AM to 12:00PM. The theme is "Backstage with the Bible".

Carl Orndoff, Clerk

*The next Session meeting will be
Monday, May 21st 7:00 PM.*

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PULPIT SUPPLY FOR MAY

May 6 – Rev. Howard Whitehurst
May 13 – Rev. Jim Bumgardner –
Mother's Day/Father's Day Offering
May 20 – Rev. Howard Whitehurst
May 27 – Rev. Jim Bumgardner –
(Communion) Pentecost Offering

Men's Breakfast...



Sunday, May 6th at 8:00 AM.

Calling All Men of Trinity!

We had a nice crowd at our April meeting, but some of our 'regulars' were missing, therefore there were plenty of seconds for all. We also learned a little about our agricultural industry in Scotland County. Some of us city folks learned a little about the soybean planting seasons. Since May will be our last breakfast till the fall, we should have a large attendance. Last chance to get some eggs and grits and all the trimmings. The fun and fellowship is also in large supply! The cost of the breakfast is still only \$5.00 (First Timers are FREE!). See you on May 6th at 8:00AM.

Final Men's Breakfast of the Season

Thanks again,

Carl Orndoff

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Presbyterian Women's Circles

Circle of Seekers – will meet on **Monday, May 7th** @ 7:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.

Scotia Circle – will meet on **Monday, May 21st** at 10:30 AM, at Scotia Village (room to be announced).

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Join us for our

Saturday of Service

Saturday, May 12th

Be at Church by 8:30AM



Happy Mother's Day

"Somebody said . . ."

- Somebody said that it takes about six weeks to get back to normal after you've had a baby . . . somebody doesn't know that once you're a mother, "normal" is history.
- Somebody said you can't love the second child as much as you love the first . . . somebody doesn't have two or more children.
- Somebody said the hardest part of being a mother is labor and delivery . . . somebody never watched her baby get on the bus for the first day of kindergarten or on a plane headed for military boot camp.
- Somebody said a mother can stop worrying after her child gets married . . . somebody doesn't know that marriage adds a new son or daughter-in-law to a mother's heartstrings.
- Somebody said that a mother's job is done when her last child leaves home . . . somebody never had grandchildren.
- Somebody said your mother knows you love her so you don't need to tell her . . . somebody isn't a mother.

To all of our mothers, we can't thank you enough for all that you do for us, both known and behind the scenes. Your tireless efforts and constant love and support make our days easier and brighter. Thank you for being you and for loving us. May your special day be filled with all of your favorites. Thanks be to God for our mothers!

In the precious name of Jesus, Amen.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS BOXES

In **MAY** we are collecting
30 Wash Cloths



Join Us at Trinity for Worship On Mother's Day Sunday, May 13th for Mother's Day Recognition



*"You shall each revere
your mother and father...."*

Leviticus 19:3, NRSV

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**CAMP SEASON IS JUST
AROUND THE CORNER!!!**

MONROE CAMP & RETREAT CENTER NEWS

Please check the Narthex for new information
and application forms for 2012. Also visit

www.monroecamp.org

for pictures and current updates and information
on OUR CHURCH CHALLENGE.

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Save the Date!!!!

VBS week has been set:

June 25 – 29, 2012

"Backstage with the
Bible"

Please call Shannon
Hamilton if you can
help out. Thanks



Marriage Mints:

Characteristics of a Healthy Marriage

(continued from last month)

4. *Healthy marriages* have individual goals and meaning in life that is separate from the other. *Dysfunctional marriages* depend too much on each other for meaning and overtax the relationship.
5. *Healthy marriages* have people who understand each other and see each other as they really are. *Dysfunctional marriages* do not help people feel that they are known for who they are by their partner. Instead, people feel misunderstood.
6. *Healthy marriages* are non-controlling, non-manipulative, non-critical and non-threatening. *Dysfunctional marriages* are characterized by manipulation, domination, criticism and control.

Source Unknown – handouts from Marriage class

Parenting Pearls:

"A Good Neighbor"

Getting to know his neighbors is not only good manners for your child, but also contributes to his safety and sense of well-being. Interacting with neighbors helps your child learn to relate to others, deal with differences and help out when others are in need. The inevitable broken window and trampled shrub provide opportunities to apologize and make restitution.

Neighborhood picnics and bicycle parades are delightful enrichments for summer days. And the child who's lucky enough to play under the kind and watchful eye of neighbors enjoys an extra amount of security. Help your child understand that good relations in a neighborhood require the effort of everyone; even the very young can share some of the responsibility.

Source: 365 Manners Kids Should Know, by Sheryl Eberly

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WANTED

Trinity Presbyterian Church member to be a representative to the Scotland County Chamber of Commerce. Responsible for attending a monthly meeting and reporting on county activities and needs. Please let Barbara Barnas know if you are interested. Thank you.

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NOTICE TO TPC VEHICLE DRIVERS



All Trinity Presbyterian Church vehicle drivers need to get a copy of their drivers license to Sharon in the office as soon as possible. Many on our current list do not have a valid license on file (some have expired.)



**We are collecting
Paper Products & All Soaps
(laundry, dish, personal)
for Church Community Services for
the month of May. Our goal is 170 !**

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Church History!

Just a reminder to let me know of events or special moments that you would like to have considered for inclusion in our next annual history! Please do this by putting a note in my box or sending an email to jsutton@ncdoj.gov.

Thank-you!
Janie Pinkston Sutton

GIRL SCOUT NEWS

Troop #609 will meet the first and third Friday of every month at Trinity from 6:00 - 7:00PM.

Troop 1441 will meet from 6:00 - 7:30 PM at Trinity the second & fourth Friday of each month.

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ATTENTION GRADUATES (and Parents of Graduates)

We will Honor our Graduates on a Sunday in May during the Worship Service.



If you are graduating this year from High School or College, please give us your name and date of graduation, where you will graduate from and the degree you will receive. You may call the office at 276-7616 to give us your information or e-mail me at trinity@trinity4u.org

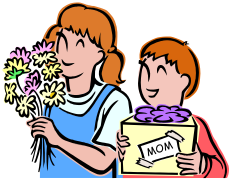
HELP WANTED

A "Painting and Clean-up" Committee is being formed to clean up and paint the Pastor's Office and Choir Room. Holes need to be patched and sanded and baseboards cleaned and walls painted. We are considering this project for the month of July (as many teachers are available in the summer).



If you feel painting is not "your thing" you could contribute to buying the paint and supplies and lunch for our workers. You can call the office for more information or to put your name on the list.

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MAY FLOWERS

- 06 Greenery
- 13 In Honor of Mothers
- 20, 27 Greenery

GREETERS

- 06 Peggy Anderson
- 13 Dan & Shannon Hamilton
- 20 Peggy Anderson
- 27 Sandra Barber

AFTER WORSHIP HOSTS

- 06 Barbara Barnas
- 13 Dan & Shannon Hamilton
- 20 Catherine Pinkston
- 27 Sandra Barber

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY!



FEED THE HUNGRY

BIRTHDAYS

- 03 Emma Dendy
- 08 Denise Cummings
- 10 Erin Balduf
- 11 Aubrey McDonald
- 13 Kristina Caughill
- 15 William McRacken
- 18 Charlie Mullins
- 20 Joy Rolland
- 20 Jeff English
- 23 Leigh Ann Cooley
- 25 Pat Murray
- 27 Austin McInnis
- 29 Archie McRimmon
- 30 Cameron Tobin
- 31 Kelli Bland

ANNIVERSARIES

- 01 Duglas & Kay Dison
- 13 Doug & Jodee Bert
- 19 Rick & Shaunna Tobin
- 20 Dan & Shannon Hamilton
- 21 Mark & Becky Cooley

USHERS

- *Mike Ashley
- Jackie Lankford
- Jim Lankford
- Aubrey McDonald

LITURGISTS

- 06 Shaunna Tobin
- 13 TBA
- 20 Denise Cummings
- 27 Jodie Bert

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

- 06 Barbara Barnas
- 13 Shannon Hamilton
- 20 Sarah Stout
- 27 Bill Robertson



BABY NURSERY ATTENDANTS

- 06 Stacey Bowman
- 13 Denise Cummings
- 20 Sandra Barber
- 27 Shelly & Janie Sutton

TODDLER NURSERY ATTENDANTS

- 06 Jodee Bert
- 13 Jacob Glenn
- 20 Sandra Barber
- 27 Shelly & Janie Sutton

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**Join US @
Trinity!**

Sunday Schedule:

**Church School
9:45 AM
(Bring the Family!)
Worship 11:00 AM**

**Infant and preschool nursery
provided during Sunday
School and worship service.*

**LISTEN TO AM 1300
WLNC
TO HEAR OUR BIRTHDAYS
& ANNIVERSARIES!**

We are collecting 170 items

Paper Products & All Soaps (laundry, dish, personal)

For Church Community Services during the month of May

Please bring these items to share each Sunday this month!

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Devices are Available!

Thanks

FOR YOUR EXAMPLE

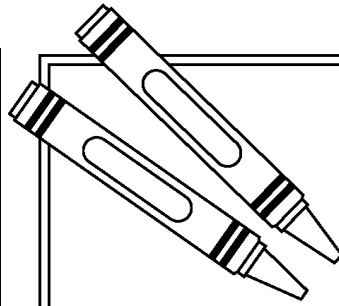
Mother's Day is a great opportunity to thank your mother, grandmother or any other woman who has been a wonderful example in your life. Make and give this craft to show how much you appreciate these special women.

What you need:

- An empty, glass, wide-mouthed jar (no lid needed)
- Acrylic craft paints (several different spring colors)
- Votive candle (optional)
- Flowers (optional)
- Small candies (optional)

What you do:

1. Make sure your glass jar is clean and dry.
2. Dip your pointer finger into one of the paint colors.
3. Using your finger as a stamp, make about five prints in a circle on the outside of your jar. These will be your flower petals. (Hint: Hold your jar by placing your hand inside it. Then you can turn the jar easily without messing up the wet paint.)
4. Dip your finger into another color and make a fingerprint in the center of your petals.
5. Make as many flowers as you want, using different fingers or your thumb to make different-sized petals.
6. Present this beautiful gift to a special woman this Mother's Day. There are many ways to use it:
 - Place a votive candle inside to make a candleholder.
 - Fill it with water and place flowers inside to make a vase.
 - Fill it with small candies to make a candy jar.



Just for KIDS

A legacy of faith

You're blessed when you have a mother, a grandmother or any relative or friend who passes down a strong faith to you. In the Bible, Timothy was influenced by his grandmother and mother.

Complete 2 Timothy 1:5 (NIV) below by filling in the blanks with the correct vowel.

VOWELS: 1 = a 2 = e 3 = i 4 = o 5 = u

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 n _ w l _ v _ s _ n y _ _ _ ls _ .”
 4 3 2 3 4 5 1 4

2 TIMOTHY 1:5 (NIV)

Answer: “I have been reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also.”



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!