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Photos in this issue were taken by Laurel Ankeny, Penny Vorster, Dan Purnell, Jeff (Marlene's son) Harvey Crow, Pastor Tony, and Jill Buhler.

The mission of Trinity United Methodist Church of Port Townsend is to be a welcoming ministry, to nurture spiritual development, fellowship and outreach.

SPOTLIGHT: DON & DALENE EDGAR

By Dalene and Don Edgar

We have been married 49 years; we have two married sons and three grandchildren; and have been blessed to live in the Pacific Northwest most of our lives.

We have always been an active outdoor family. Over the years, we have sailed, climbed mountains, skied, hiked, camped, birded, and kayaked. One of our favorite cruising and camping destinations has always been Port Townsend.

We moved to Port Townsend in 2014 after living on the coast of Washington for 12 years. Our first years in Port Townsend were spent remodeling the home we purchased and making frequent trips to visit Don's ailing father. Don's father passed in 2016 at the age of 97.

We raised our two sons in Woodinville. After the boys were in college, we moved to Ballard and spent several years remodeling a 1940s house just up the hill from Shilshole Marina. Being so close to the Sound and all those sailboats, Don crewed on several competitive sailing teams.

Don spent over forty years in the Sheet Metal trade. He worked on many of the commercial HVAC systems in Seattle. The last ten years of his career, he taught Hazmat, Supervisor, and Air Balancing classes around the country and in Canada.

Dalene worked in various industries in Accounting and Human Resources. She worked with management teams including several corporate mergers and business system installations.



At the coast, we volunteered with the local food bank and several birding nonprofits. Dalene served as the food bank director for eight years and Don was the go-to-guy for maintenance, unloading trucks, picking up food, and assisting food bank clients. Volunteering with Coastal Raptors was a hands-on experience where we assisted with the capture and banding of eagles, peregrines, vultures and ravens. COASST, a citizen science project of the University of Washington provided an excellent excuse to be on the beach counting birds. The Grays Harbor Audubon's Christmas Bird Count and local birding trips were other favorite volunteer activities.

We have volunteered as lighthouse keepers at the New Dungeness Light Station for seven years. We took last year off from keeper duties while Dalene recovered from two hip replace-

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PASTOR'S LOG

By Pastor Tony Brown

One of my favorite canoeing spots in Tennessee was Chilhowee Lake. I liked to follow the lake up into the Smoky Mountains where Abram's Creek pours into it. I was shocked when I went up there one last time before I move to Washington and saw the devastation that an F-4 tornado had done to that area. There was a path about a 1/2 mile wide where the tornado had ripped trees to shreds. You could see the line very clearly because the demolished trees had turned brown and stood out among the green living trees.

As I canoed through that area that day and passed some of the camping spots along the lake, I couldn't help but think what I would have done if I had been out camping in that area when the storm came through. Truly, there was no place to hide. Had anyone been out there that day they would have been counted among the dead from the storms that had ripped through. I wondered how high the water got and if the tornado picked up water by the thousands of gallons sending it high into the sky. I wondered about the waves as the tornado spun through that area. Luckily, as far as I know, only the animals and insects were there to witness the devastation that day. As I coasted along peacefully on the lake that day I began to think about that storm that the disciples found themselves in out on a lake.

"Later that day, when evening came, Jesus said to them, "Let's cross over to the other side of the lake."

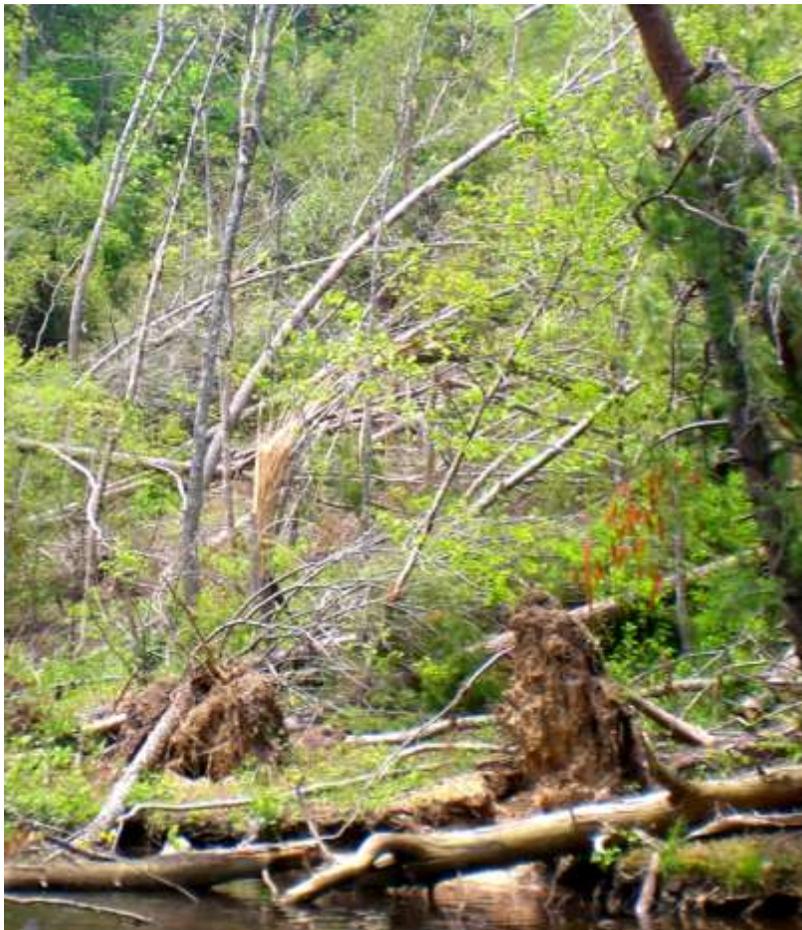
They left the crowd and took him in the boat just as he was. Other boats followed along. Gale-force winds arose, and waves crashed against the boat so that the boat was swamped. But Jesus was in the rear of the boat, sleeping on a pillow. They woke him up and said, "Teacher, don't you care that we're drowning?" He got up and gave orders to the wind, and he said to the lake, "Silence! Be still!" The wind settled down and there was a great calm. Jesus asked them, "Why are

you frightened? Don't you have faith yet?" Overcome with awe, they said to each other, "Who then is this? Even the wind and the sea obey him!" Matthew 4:35-41

I wondered to myself if it might have been a tornado that had come through that night. While tornadoes and water spouts are rare in Israel, they do happen, and for those experienced fishermen to have been frightened it must have been an incredibly severe thunderstorm that threatened to sink them. This story of Jesus teaches us that Jesus

is the Lord of the wind and the sea. It's good to remind ourselves of this because if He can master those forces then certainly he can master the storms in our own lives. My prayer for all of us is that we can trust in Christ during the real storms of our lives and witness the power of God.

In Christ,
Pastor Tony





CANDLELIGHT CONCERT
Thursday, May 25 27, 7:00 PM
By Dan Purnell

“Singers in the Rain!”

Music from ~ Broadway, Opera & Theatre

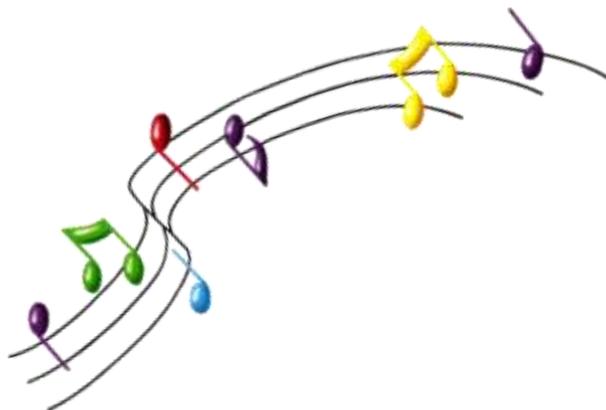
S*ingers in the Rain*, a men's choral group, will be featured in their 7th return engagement at the May Candlelight Concert held at Trinity United Methodist Church on Thursday, May 25th at 7:00 PM. The twelve-member group began as a voice and sight-singing class for men, taught by mezzo-soprano Sydney Keegan and music educator and director Hazel Johnson. They are now the regular May performers in the popular Candlelight series, with Johnson as conductor, and well-known local accompanist Diane Perry Thompson at the piano.

Each year Hazel and Sydney choose a musical theme and a study focus for the group. This year's theme is “Music from Opera, Theater, and Film.” Full-chorus numbers from those sources include “Va, pensiero” (Chorus of the Hebrew Slaves) from Verdi's grand opera *Nabucco*, a four-part setting of the tenor aria “*Nessun dorma*” from Puccini's *Turandot*, Gershwin's delightful “*Embraceable You*” and the James Bond theme “*For Your Eyes Only*.” The study focus of greater individual mastery of performance skills is carried out in selections for small ensembles and soloists, ranging from Gilbert & Sullivan to vintage operetta and favorites from early movie musicals.

The choristers have brought a wide range of abilities and backgrounds to the group. Experienced musicians like composer-actor-singer Dave Schroeder

work side by side with men who admit to singing only in the shower, which includes our own Scott Rosekrans! They come together to sing, learn and improve, have fun, and enjoy connecting with other men in an atmosphere of playful creativity. Each Monday evening meeting includes a minimum of 30 minutes of intensive vocal skills practice. The singers also receive training in sight-singing, and their monthly tuition entitles them to as much one-on-one work that a singer feels that he needs.

Doors open at 6:30 PM. Admission is by a suggested \$10 donation (children admitted free) to benefit local Port Townsend charitable organizations and Trinity's music and historic Victorian Restoration programs.





INAUGURAL WALKING GROUP

By Penny Vorster

Neither rain nor wind kept this happy group from its appointed rounds! Well I know we're not mailmen, but you get the idea.

For our first walking group we were 12 strong—these **10 smiling faces plus Marlene's son Jeff (who took the picture)** and his wife Kay visiting from Alaska—a little rain couldn't keep them away! We left from the parking lot at North Beach and walked up the path into Fort Worden and looped back for our 3.4 mile trek lasting about an hour and a half. A great way to have one-on-one conversations with several people over the **course of the walk and that's what makes 3 miles go by easily.** We decided it will be a regular thing on Friday mornings, so please come join us. It was great fun! Pictured are Marlene, Penny, Kelly, Margaret, Jan, Kathryn, Alan, Wendy, Sheila, and Nancy.



WEEK TWO WALK:

Fort Townsend 3.5 miles with 13 people and 2 dogs! Jeff, Rebecca, Alan, Nancy with Lucy, Donna, Penny, Jen, Scott, Jan with Duke, Teresa, Judy, Wendy, and Harvey was the photographer. Six of us went to eat afterwards at the Airport Cafe, so a really nice outing and lots of enthusiasm for more. A huge thank you to Nancy for organizing this activity.



FINANCE COMMITTEE

By Sally Helman

March 2017 Financial Report (annual budget is \$170,000. \$14,150 *average* needed per month)

Income	\$12,138.10 (4 Sundays)	85.79% of income budget
<i>(March income also includes parsonage rent, building rental, Candlelight Concert income.)</i>		
Expenses	\$17,229.09	120.98% of expense budget
Difference	-\$5090.99	

You may want to check to see if you are one of several folks who have inadvertently gotten behind in their monthly giving.

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ment surgeries. We are already booked for a week as keepers this year. Don volunteers as a transfer driver taking the new keepers and their supplies to the Light Station and driving the returning keepers back to reality. A week as a lighthouse keeper provides time to pause, reflect and renew both body and spirit.

Don is a talented woodworker. He has built furniture and various projects for **our home, our son's families** and the grandchildren. So, when we moved to Port Townsend, finding a house with a large enough wood-working shop was key. Don's current project is building a **15' gaff rigged sailboat**. It fills the shop. Don hopes to launch the sailboat this summer.

Dalene is an amateur photographer and genealogist. Birds and grandchildren are favorite photo subjects. Researching family history is a wonderful pastime for a data junkie. Connecting with cousins, we did not know existed, is exciting and a fun way to learn about family.

We had been looking for a church that was actively involved with the community, caring and welcoming. When we were invited to Trinity UMC, we knew we had found our new church home.

Prayer request: Late last year, our son Nick was diagnosed with stage 4 colon cancer. We ask for your healing and supportive prayers for Nick, Wendy, Laura (15) and Katherine (12). We pray for a miracle and God's grace to accept the future.



IN OUR PRAYERS



Please remember these people and their families in your prayers: Mike Abercrombie, Wendell Ankeny, Tonya Brinkley, Juanita Campbell, Tom Carter, Martha Crow, Karin Davis, Nick Edgar, Stephanie Hillman, Phil Johnson, Rachel Munoz, Lorraine Newman, Phyllis Nielsen (**Beth Mackey's** sister), Hope Dawn Smith, and Carla Williams. Please pray for healing and support for our Trinity family, friends, family members and all those who are lonely, grieving, in need, homeless or looking for work and for peace in our world.

Also, remember in our prayers all those in the military and pray **for all in harm's way and for their families** and all those who have lost loved ones to war.

Please pray for those innocents who have died and those affected by war and violence throughout the world.





TRUSTEES' REPORT

By Penny Vorster

Thank you for your patience in getting around the steeple painting equipment. By the time you are reading this, the job should be done and we have a glorious steeple and cross. A Big THANKS to George Williams for all his work on this project.

The organs! Oh my! What wonderful music we've had the last few weeks with both organs and the piano played together. Thanks to Stan Goddard for his undying support and work on our two beautiful organs and then to Terry Reitz, Diane Thompson and Mary Weeding for their outstanding music. Terrific!

So the trees were trimmed last month and then along came Jeff Krida to mow the lawns and tidy up those areas to get us all spruced up just in time for Easter. Thanks Jeff. Also thanks to Jeff and Rebecca for donating their electric lawn mower to replace the non-working one we had. We are lucky that Jeff will soon be joining the Trustees!



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

By Betty Prentice

UMW will meet on May 11 beginning at 11:30 with social time. Lunch of chicken salad, corn pudding for vegetarians and gluten free folks, rolls, and homemade pie will be served at noon. Our program, led by Shirley Williams, will be about common medical emergencies, how to manage them, and preparedness in an emergency. She will also talk about the importance of keeping fit and being prepared for emergency issues such as fainting, unconsciousness, breathing problems, and choking. There will be time for a brief instruction on CPR. All ladies of the church are welcome to join us.

Shirley will also be showing us photos from her disaster work from the Japanese earthquake and tsunami. Pictured below is the remains of an Episcopal church



MUSIC & FELLOWSHIP

FRIDAY POTLUCK & SING-ALONG AT CARLYN'S

Potlucks are at 6 PM on the last Friday of (almost) every month, at Carlyn Stark's House, 1237 Clay St. (Sept-May)

WAFFLES WITH WENDELL

MONDAYS at 8:30 AM-ish - Waffles with Wendell at the Courtyard Café



TRINITY CHOIR

The Trinity Choir provides WONDERFUL music for our church family. Wednesday rehearsals are 5:30 - 6:30. Come sing and be a part of this fun ministry!



WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

We have a weekly Church dinner served from 5-6 pm for anyone who would like to fellowship during the week. Come and have dinner with us. A small donation to help with costs is appreciated. Thanks!

If you'd like to help with the dinners or TNT (teen mentoring program) please contact Pastor Tony.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SWAZILAND DINNER

Our Swaziland Dinner and Silent Auction is happening on Friday, May 5 at 6PM at **St. Mary's Star of the Sea Church.**

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

- ◆ 0-3ish in the Nursery
- ◆ 3ish-7ish downstairs in the Fellowship Hall
- ◆ 7ish and up in the Office
- ◆ They will be studying what the pastor's message is in a fun age appropriate learning environment.

THE OFFICE & BIBLE STUDY

The office will be closed and there will be no Bible Study on Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOC. SUPPORT GROUPS

A free information and support group for unpaid care partners, family members, and friends is held the 2nd Monday of each month 10:30 am-12 pm at Tri-Area "Community Center, 10 W Valley Rd, Chimacum. For more information, please contact our group facilitator Linda Whiteside at (206) 529-3875 or 1-800-848-7097.

Dear Trinity Family,

Thank you for your many kindnesses and abundant prayers and love. From the fabulous Bee Swarm poster with an amazing quantity of bee puns to all our Trinity friends who have come forth to help with our 3 days per week transportation for Wendell to kidney dialysis in Poulsbo, we are humbled and grateful!

A special shout out to Ray Grier for his creativity. You are the Prince of Puns, Ray! We will bring in the finished poster one **Sunday so that you may all marvel at what a "pun-ny" church family we are.**

*Much Aloha Love,
Wendell and Laurel*



MAY HOLIDAYS

By Molly Jacobson

May Day is May 1st and dates back to the days of the Romans and their rituals and ancient customs. Some people still dance around a decorated Maypole!

Cinco de Mayo, meaning the 5th of May, has come to represent a celebration of the contributions that Mexican Americans and all Hispanics have made to America.

Mother's Day is Sunday May 14, a day when most people celebrate Mothers. They deserve recognition for all they do!

May 20, Armed Forces Day, and Memorial Day, May 29, are days recognizing members of the Armed Forces past and present. They raise our awareness about the Nation's freedom and the price for this freedom.



LENTEN BIBLE STUDY & SEDER

By Dale Kelley

The Lenten Bible Study—“**Women Who Followed Jesus to the Cross**”—was enjoyed by about 22 women over a 6 week period, led by Dale Kelley and Nancy Stevens, as together we walked alongside those precious women whose lives had been dramatically healed and transformed forever by Jesus.

We heard the deeply powerful words of the Samaritan woman at the well, listened to the stories of the woman with the flow of blood for 12 years, and the bent over woman, crippled for 18 years—both treated as outcasts by their communities—until Jesus called them forth and set them free. We trembled in fear with the woman caught in adultery as she faced certain death until Jesus challenged anyone without sin to cast the first stone...and we knelt in front of Jesus with the woman who anointed his feet with her tears as she caressed them with fine perfume.

Then, of course there were those two indomitable sisters, Mary and Martha! We were welcomed into their home several times, sat with Mary at Jesus’ feet, scurried about the kitchen with Martha, heard the

anguish in their voices when their brother, Lazarus, died, and rejoiced with them when Jesus brought him forth from the grave!

Then there was Joanna, the wife of the Chuza, the **Chief Steward who oversaw Herod’s entire household**, became a faithful follower of Jesus, and was a close friend of Salome, mother of James and John, and wife of Zebedee. These two wealthy women risked much to support Jesus and the Disciples and their ministry, from town to town, along with Mary Magdalene and many other women. Mary Magdalene was the leader among all the women who became Disciples of Jesus. She was the first one to whom Jesus revealed himself after the Resurrection and the first to proclaim his Resurrection to the 11 Disciples !

We concluded our six weeks together with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, learning how very strong and faith-filled she was all her life, and the role she played in the early church. We concluded our Study on **Maundy Thursday with a “modified Seder” celebration** meal with our UMW Group.





Trinity TNT youth participated in the Dove House "Art for Consent" event—cultivating awareness about sexual consent during April, Sexual Assault Awareness Month.







THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS — YOU KEEP TRINITY VIBRANT!



VISIT OUR VOLUNTEER SIGNUP CORNER!

If you walk down the stairs you'll see signup clipboards on the wall. You can sign up there for Fellowship Friends, Childcare, Wednesday Night Dinners, and Worship Service. Thank YOU for all you do!

SUNDAY SERVICE

MAY 7

Liturgist: Ron Rivas

Greeters: Cindi & Henry Jones

Ushers: Vicki Tallerico and Betty Prentice

Money Counters: George Williams & Marlene Colvin

MAY 14

Ushers: Henry & Cindi Jones

Money Counters: Betty Prentice

MAY 21

Liturgist: Bill Metzger

Money Counters: Marlene Colvin & Harvey Crow

MAY 28

Liturgist: Carlyn Stark

Money Counters: Donna Abbott & Marlene Colvin

FELLOWSHIP FRIENDS

All May dates are in need of Fellowship Friends.

Can you help?

Signup sheet is in the Fellowship Hall.

Thanks!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS

May 3—Charlie & Marlene

May 10—Dale, Betty, Vicki and Joan

CANDLELIGHT CONCERT

Master of Ceremonies: Dan Purnell

Money Counters: Marlene Colvin & George Williams

BIBLE READINGS

May 7

4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:42-47

Psalm 23 (UMH 754 or 137)

1 Peter 2:19-25

John 10:1-10

May 21

6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 17:22-31

Psalm 66:8-20 (UMH 790)

1 Peter 3:13-22

John 14:15-21

May 14

5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 7:55-60

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 (UMH 764)

1 Peter 2:2-10

John 14:1-14

May 28

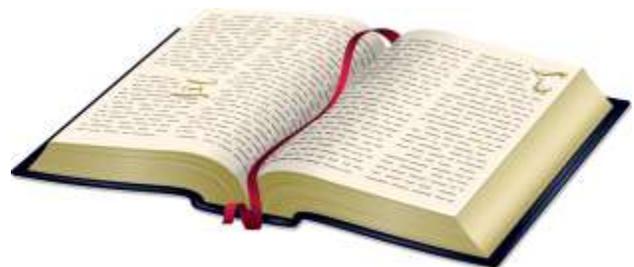
7th Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:6-14

Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35 (UMH 790)

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

John 17:1-11



May 2017

Trinity Event Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 8:30 Waffles w/Wendell 9-12 Office Open 12 Bible Study	2 9-12 Office Open	3 9-12 Office Open 9AM Wednesday Workers 5 Teen Night & Dinner 5:30-6:30 Choir Practice 7:30 2 NA Meetings	4 8AM Community Prayer Breakfast Star of the Sea church	5 6 Swazil and Dinner & Silent Auction at Star of the Sea Church	6
7 10 Worship Service 11 Fellowship Time	8 8:30 Waffles w/Wendell 9-12 Office Open 12 Bible Study 5PM Cornerstone Mtg	9 9-12 Office Open 12 Finance 12 Coupeville UMW Luncheon 1:30 Trustees	10 9-12 Office Open 9AM Wednesday Workers 5 Teen Night & Dinner final dinner/int till September 7:30 2 NA Meetings	11 11:30 UMW Luncheon	12	13 7PM Rainshadow Chorale concert
14 10 Worship Service 11 Fellowship Time Blood Pressure Check	15 8:30 Waffles w/Wendell 9-12 Office Open 12 Bible Study	16 9-12 Office Open	17 9-12 Office Open 9AM Wednesday Workers 7:30 2 NA Meetings	18	19	20
21 10 Worship Service 11 Fellowship Time	22 8:30 Waffles w/Wendell 9-12 Office Open 12 Bible Study	23 9-12 Office Open 12-Newsletter Deadline	24 9-12 Office Open 9AM Wednesday Workers 7:30 2 NA Meetings	25 7PM Cand. Concert Singers in the Rain Broadway, opera & theatre music	26	27 6PM Potluck & Sing-along 1237 Clay St.
28 10 Worship Service 11 Fellowship Time Potluck!	29 office closed no bible study	30 9-12 Office Open	31 9-12 Office Open 9AM Wednesday Workers 7:30 2 NA Meetings			

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Office Hours: 9 — noon
Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday

Celebrations!

May Birthdays

- 1 Rosalie Lindquist
- 3 Sabrina Hill
- 4 Warren Walvatne
- 5 Gwen Howard
- 6 James Caldwell
- 7 George Williams
- 8 Annie Givens
- 9 Laurel Ankeny
- 9 Jim Nyby
- 10 Rane Maxwell
- 14 Sally Helman
- 24 Judy Olsen
- 28 Carolyn Stillwell
- 31 Ed Davis

Anniversaries

- 14 Will and Sandy Litzler
- 25 Henry and Cindi Jones



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*Pray for Love, Peace, Justice
and Rebirth in the world.*

