

Hands & Feet *forward with Christ*

AUGUST 2025 NEWSLETTER

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Church Calendar Events

- 8/10 Children's Venture River Outing
- 8/11 Outreach Meeting
- 8/13 Preschool Board Meeting
- 8/15 KidsThrive BTS Night
- 8/16 Mission u—District UWF
- 8/19 Administrative Board Meeting
- 8/20 PCM Bagging Day
- 8/21 Worship Meeting
- 8/23 Family Kitchen
- 8/26 Communications Meeting

"The hands of the Almighty are often found at the end of our own arms."

*Sister Monica Joan
'Call the Midwife'*



ADULT Sunday School

Fall Small Group Studies

The Fruchtenbaum Series on Acts Continues

Facilitated by Scott Johnston

Participants can still sign up for the class being facilitated by Scott Johnston. All are welcome! Please make your plans to attend! The class continues diving into the Messianic studies by Dr. Arnold D. Fruchtenbaum.

FINANCE NEWS

General Fund Report July 2025

Beginning Balance	\$ 8,771.13
Offerings Received in July:	\$24,017.14
Amount Spent in July:	\$20,948.18
Account Balance Year to Date	\$11,804.09

**Note: The annual conference StayUMC Committee has agreed to continue to support Trinity UMC with \$3,000 per month through the end of the year. This will allow us to continue the good ministries we have begun. However, your financial support is still vital to our ongoing mission. Please give what you can.*

Thank you.

Remember this gal?

She jumped in Mrs. Karen's car last week when she opened her door to remove her from the highway to safety. After visiting several houses, she was not recognized so she came on to church. She was quite a delight!

Update: she's home... and her name is Tinsel!



TRUSTEE MINISTRY

Jerry Schaefer, Chair

MANAGING WHAT GOD HAS ENTRUSTED

There have been lots of behind the scenes activity going on in keeping the campus in fruitful ministry order. Below are just a few.

Kitchen/washroom: Did you see the new/replaced washer/dryer? After some 30 years, a replacement was necessary. Having to mop the entire kitchen floor every time the washer was used became too much for those who utilized it, and prior venting of the dryer had proven to be inefficient, so we're cooking now! Ladies won't have to take kitchen items home anymore, and the preschool can keep the state regulated standards in maintaining the linens on a daily basis. It's a much more efficient appliance with a much larger capacity. Shout out to Lonnie Harpole for proper venting of the dryer, and members of the Admin team who voted to get this done. Thank you, Mrs. Savannah, for finding what was necessary for the needs at Trinity and arranging delivery. The cost was shared by the Preschool budget and Trinity budget.



Preschool parent Jacob Northington worked in triple digit heat indexes to place the large bales of mulch in the playground areas. He, with the help of his mother and Lonnie Harpole, also raked and worked to spread the mulch in preparation for fall ministries. **THANK YOU!**

The trustees extend a hand of thanks TO ALL those who volunteer to work behind the scenes to bring any kind of improvement to the TUMC campus. From inside closet cleaning, to the outside work of trimming bushes, pulling weeds, or hauling off downed limbs, your service to keep our campus ready for on-going ministry is appreciated.





My first full-time appointment as a United Methodist pastor was to the Barlow-Wickliffe charge in Ballard County. The former pastor had not anticipated being moved and just a month before had placed an order for new bulletin stock – with his name printed on the front! (This was back before color photocopiers, when churches had their bulletin covers professionally printed.) It took me three years to use up all the paper he had ordered!

Despite having his name on it as the minister (which I later figured out how to cover up), I used it because 1) I didn't want to waste all that paper, and 2) I liked the poem which was printed under the picture of the respective churches. This is what it said:

I am your church. In a world that needs Christ I live only to make Him and His Way known. And this is my charge to you: I will be as strong as your faith; as dynamic as your prayer; as beautiful as your soul; as compassionate as your love; and as generous as your spirit. I am what you are. I can only do what you make possible. Come then, make of me the kind of instrument God can use in this generation, for... I AM YOUR CHURCH!
[anonymous]

That poem has stuck with me all these years. It is an attitude I have tried to convey to church members at each church where I have served: This is your church! I have been sent here by our Bishop to be your pastor, specifically charged with "Word, Sacrament & Order". That is, I am to proclaim the Word of God, preside at the Sacraments, and make sure that everything we do is in keeping with The United Methodist Book of Discipline.

But Trinity UMC is your church!

And it will be what you make it!

If you choose to participate in worship and church activities, if you choose to be loving and generous, if you choose to invite others to your church, if you choose to be involved in the leadership and decision-making process, if you choose to pray for your church and her leadership daily, your church will reflect that effort and bear much fruit.

On the other hand, if you choose the opposite your church will reflect that neglect and will not bear fruit.

This is your church. What do you want it to be?

Trinity UMC is still in a rebuilding period – rebuilding from COVID-19, rebuilding from the failed disaffiliation attempt. It will take time for us to recover. And as the poem says, "I can only do what you make possible."

Will you join us in making Trinity UMC the strongest, most dynamic, most beautiful, most compassionate, and most generous church in town?

Peace.



I would like to say that "time flies when you're having fun!" But I would only agree with half of that. For me, it's been more of a journey. I have spent much of the summer of 2025 sitting (and sleeping) at one end of

our couch-recliner. As of today, I have a new hip and a new shoulder. The hip is doing great! The shoulder is healing. I have to say that I've been more limited by the shoulder surgery than by the hip replacement.

Scripture says to give thanks in all things, and I have ample reasons to be grateful. First of all, I am profoundly grateful to God for my amazing wife, Nancy. She has literally, figuratively, and metaphorically waited on me hand and foot. I am grateful for Savannah, Sam, and Grandson Mark (who brings sunshine to all our days). I am also grateful to Sam and Steven for leading worship on the Sundays that I missed. I thank Brother Dave and all of the rest of you, our church family, for your prayers, phone calls, and provisions.

I want to personally thank HG Page. HG, you readily stepped into the accompanist position at a crucial time in the life of Trinity United Methodist Church. You didn't follow just any accompanist. You followed someone beloved by this church, and gone so quickly. You did so with a seeming shrug of the shoulders. But you did so with great talent. Thank you! May God bless you with peace, success, and fun as you start a new chapter in your life at UK.

I hope you will join me in welcoming our new accompanist, Jeffrey Clarke. I have worked with Jeff in the past. He is accomplished in many ways. Not to mention, that he was Nancy Page before Nancy Page was at Trinity (hopefully you understand what I'm saying). Jeff, I would say you have some big shoes to fill, but I think your feet are bigger than HG's. So that one won't work.

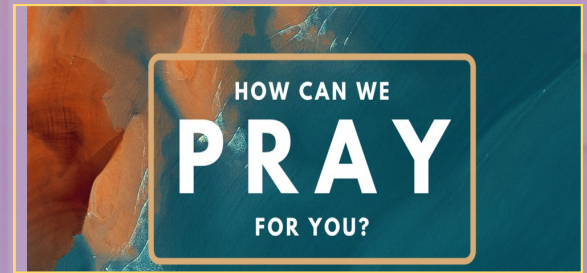
Well, we are knocking on the door of a new school year. I will have to miss several weeks of driving the school bus. It's hard to wrangle a 20 inch steering wheel when you have a new shoulder. Nevertheless, I am excited for what the fall will bring to Trinity Church. The march of time is much the same as a marching band's halftime show. I will also leave that one to your interpretation. It sounded good to me at the time.

I do want to tell you of an upcoming event being sponsored by the music ministry here at Trinity. Family, Fun, and Fellowship Night is scheduled for the evening of Sunday, Sept. 7th. Though this is a regular event of the church organized by the outreach committee, the event will pay tribute to all our grandparents. As part of this night, we will have an Open Mic Night. I encourage, challenge, and cajole any of you to come and be part of the entertainment. You can sing a song, play a kazoo, dance a dance, or read a poem. Just call the church office and let Pam know; or, you can let me know that you're interested.

Last but not least, it's never too early to talk about Christmas music. And we have scheduled the special Christmas music program for Sunday morning, December 21st, during the 11:00 service. You'll be hearing more about that later. Why not plan to be a part of the presentation?

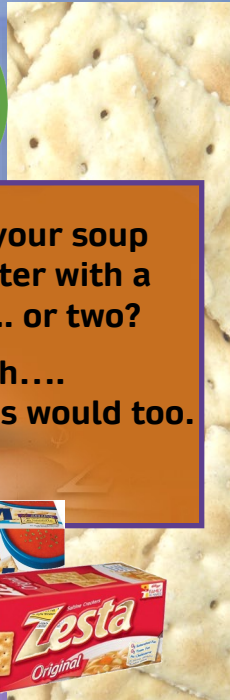
And with all of that, I remind you that until we see each other again in church or online, I pray God's grace and peace to you.

Jim



You may leave your prayer concerns in the office for Brother Dave, or contact the Prayer Ladies Group through Susan @ 270-816-5104. Please note if you would like your request to be shared with the congregation or kept confidential. You are always welcome to join the ladies prayer group every Wednesday at 11:00 in the library.

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| Natural Disaster Victims | Family of Chuck Himes |
| Countries at War | Family of Janet Williams |
| Trinity Ministries | Family of Velda Phillips |
| Larry & Cecila Crews | Mandy Minton |
| Davis Kirk | Marie Pace |
| Gracie Goode | Jim Smith |
| Christie Boulton | Richard Dalton |
| Amber Blankenship | Jerry Seagrave |
| Patsy Smith | Cindy Schaefer |



Doesn't your soup taste better with a cracker... or two?

Yeah.... his would too.



PCM is unable to fill many food orders that are coming in due to the low participation of churches in our area. We (Trinity) are a part of that network. Can we do better? Will you prayerfully consider being a part of this ministry and donate what you can.



Trinity's mission:

"To love and obey God, to grow disciples of Jesus Christ, and to love and serve the community."

Phase 2 of the "Hats Off to Reading - Toddler to Teen Book Drive"

Our book collection is **now ONGOING**, and here's how you can help.

- ✋ Continue bringing in book donations and placing them in the train's "caboose" at Trinity's Donation Station.
- ✋ Assist in getting our books out in the community. "Free Little Libraries" are in several places around Paducah; addresses are on the little white bookshelf. As these libraries empty, we hope to replenish them with our books. Please grab some books to have on hand. If you're in the vicinity of one of the little libraries, add those books if needed. If you have no books with you, pick up some the following Sunday and then go back to replenish.

Community Library locations:

(in addition to Kids Thrive & Scholar House)

**Keiler Park—Coleman Park—
Rotary Park—Market House Apts.—
Wallace Lane—Heath Elementary
Fresh Start Village (inside only)**

If you happen to discover any other "little libraries" around the community, please let Nancy Smith know of those locations.



Phase 2 of Trinity's "Scholar House Summer Snacks"

"Scholar House Summer Snacks" was a big success! Thank you for the plentiful donations this past six weeks. Trinity folks are the best! We received the following thank you note:

"Thank you so much, I cannot express how much we appreciate your continued generosity towards us! The snack table is a hit in my opinion, and I will have to take my kids to look at the books today!"

*Adriana Haley, Scholar House Vice President
& Residents Council*

NOW... Phase 2: What's the first thing kids want when they get home from a long day at school? You guessed it... something to eat! Let's face it; don't most of us, adults included, want something to eat or drink when we get home from work? Nowadays kids may get both breakfast and lunch at school; however, after-school snacks are a must. Thus, the beginning of:

Trinity's "Scholar House After-School Snacks."

As you are able, please continue donating snacks & drinks for this project. If you would like to be a "delivery" person, see Nancy Smith or Trena Tucker.

The student mothers and their kids are so appreciative.

No breakfast foods necessary, though. Snacks will be delivered to Scholar House every 1 or 2 weeks as needed. Place donated items on the "Action Alley" table.



Trinity hosting at Family Kitchen again.



May's hamburgers and all the summer fixin's were a big hit with folks at Family Kitchen!! August 23rd Trinity will be serving again. The menu: fried chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, onion & cucumber salad,

rolls, and desserts. As Brother Dave says, "Many hands make light work." **So, how can you "lend a hand?"**

- ✋ Donate a dessert.
- ✋ Work a shift that Saturday; servers, greeters, cleanup and helpers needed.

Signup sheet on the "Action Alley" table. If you have any questions, see Ben Boone.

Trinity Volunteers Pack PCM Senior Commodities

Each month PCM distributes to seniors over 400 of bags of groceries, which have been prepared by many community volunteers. Trinity volunteers are always needed to sack these bags each month. To find out more about participating in this opportunity, see Trena Tucker. The next two dates to serve are **August 20th and September 17th at 9:00 a.m.**

- ✋ Be blessed by being a blessing.



In addition to donating and volunteering, there are other ways to support Trinity's mission and outreach. One of the easiest yet most important ways is not only to attend special Trinity events but also invite your friends and neighbors. As we attempt to make connections and form relationships beyond the Trinity walls, we must remember that a personal invitation goes a long way. There will be many, many opportunities to invite others to events this fall, some of which include

- UWF Mission u: Practicing Hope**
- Grandparents' Day: Open Mic Night,**
- "Back to Church Sunday,"**
- Children's Fall Festival**
- Trunk or Treat.**

Let's be intentional about going out and bringing in.

If you have a heart for planning and organizing community outreach, join us. Our next monthly meeting is Monday, August 11 at 10 a.m. However you can always contact Nancy Smith at 270-519-6103 for more information.



There was a great turnout for the Back to School Backpack Blessing service! Over 50 students, staff and support personnel left cards at the altar to be prayed for, and ALL were picked up by our congregation. If you know someone who didn't make it to the service and would like to know someone is lifting them up in prayer, please take a card for them to fill out and we'll make sure a prayer warrior is assigned.



Kids and staff received some great Trinity swag to love, grow and serve our community.

VBS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

A great group of volunteers under the leadership of Mrs. Gail came together to present the Bible story of the four friends who lowered their paralyzed friend through a roof into a room to see Jesus. The kids learned that a friend loves at all times...heard the story daily and reiterated it through hands-on crafts, songs, games and conversation. Living through faith, believing in the power of Jesus, and enjoying the yummy lunches provided by the St. Mary School System made for a great VBS.



Obeying God-Making Disciples-Loving the Community



KIDS Ministry

WELCOME BACK

BIG! LOUD!
AWESOME!
SPIRITUAL!
THING!

BLAST

KICK OFF

Kiddos ages PreK through 5th grade
Sept. 3rd

Wednesday evening kids ministry begins

5:30 until 7:00 p.m.

We are asking for volunteers to provide a meals for these kids on Wednesday nights. If this is a ministry you can be a part of please let Gail McNichols or Gina Adams know regarding quantity.

28
September

SAVE the DATE!

Fall Festival

Plans for our annual Fall Festival are underway...

3:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 28. There will be 13 games where volunteers will be needed. There will be a hayride to the pumpkin patch, so we'll need a couple of tractor drivers, and folks to distribute pumpkins. Snacks will be cookies & chips, water, and the KidsThrive teams will provide popcorn, pretzels and apple nachos. One bounce house has been donated, and we'll be asking for a volunteers to donate another. Sheets will be coming to sign up for your availability. Remember, we're not just serving the community, we're building disciples! Here's an opportunity.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

FALL 2025



Bro. Dave will offer a Confirmation Class for all youth entering 6th grade and higher who have not yet been baptized/confirmed in the faith. The class will be offered during the Sunday School hour (9:45-10:45 a.m.) beginning September 14th. There will be ten sessions in all, covering everything one needs to know about Christianity and The United Methodist Church in preparation for church membership and a life of faith. Please let the church office know by August 25th if your child will participate. Thank you.



GET BACK IN THE GAME WITH A BIG SPLASH AT

THE BRABOY POOL

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20 5:30-7:00

Parent Rotation Schedule	8/20	Braboy/Owens/Johnston
	8/27	Page/Garrett
There MUST BE two	9/3	Johnston
volunteers from Trinity at	9/10	Diebold
the Wednesday evening	9/17	Braboy/Owens
youth gatherings at Concord	9/24	Guyette
this fall at all times. Listed is	10/1	Hardin
the current schedule. Please	10/15	Page/Garrett
make arrangements with	10/22	Guyette
someone to switch dates if	10/29	Diebold
you cannot make your date.	11/5	Johnston
Contacts:	11/12	Braboy
	11/19	Hardin
Celia Owens	11/26	(Open)-Lambert's Trip
Lori Johnston		

Welcome back to school

We are looking forward to a new school year full of learning and making memories. We look forward to growing and developing a relationship with our families and, as always, transforming lives academically, socially, spiritually, and making disciples of Christ. We have many fun activities planned for this year and cannot wait to see the kiddos grow. We will have two new staff members on our team and we hope you make them feel welcome.



Back to School Night

The Back-to-School night will be on August 15th, at 6:00 p.m. Students meet their teacher, visit the classroom and have all their questions answered.

This is a great time for our Trinity congregation to get

acquainted with these parents in the community who are sending their children to be a part of our growing ministry. If you would like to set up an area for Trinity outreach or ministry promotions please see Mrs. Savannah.

the giving garden

The preschool giving garden is once again in bloom, offering you a chance to provide a blessing to the preschool in the way of a donation of various materials, scholarship help, or gift cards. You are invited to pick a flower from the garden, and return the item that's listed with the flower attached.... In its place, another 'needed' flower will bloom.



Reminder...

Deadline for smoked meat sales for Labor Day is August 22.*
 Money due at time of order. See order form on front page
 *There is a limited number of pieces of meat we can cook so get your orders for friends and family into the office now.



If you see two beautiful faces at Trinity from time to time, please take a moment to make them feel welcome.



Anna and Eci have joined Mrs. Savannah's family to experience living in the USA while attending McCracken County High School.

Anna from Belgium. She is 18 years old and enjoys tennis track and field – and loves to cook!



Eci is from Turkey. She is 18 years old and enjoys tennis - and loves to cook!

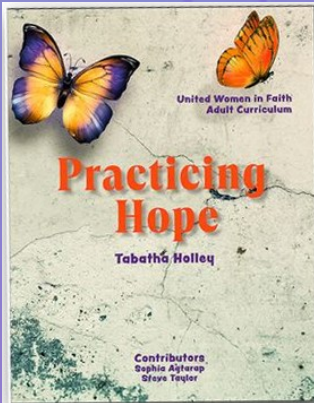




United Women in Faith

Each year, United Women in Faith members prepare for faithful living and action by engaging in transformative educational experiences at Mission u events. These are designed to motivate, inform, and enrich our commitment to ministry.

Submitted by Susan Wagner



Our ladies will provide a sandwich/salad/pasta lunch as well as some breakfast nibbles. Only a \$5 donation is requested. You **DO NOT** have to attend meetings or be a unit member of Trinity's Women in Faith. You may even want to contribute a side dish or dessert. We want to give the ladies an idea of how many to prepare for, so please let Connie Bachuss (270-559-6325) know now.

We are thrilled that Trinity UMC ladies will have an opportunity to put radical hospitality in action! The Women in Faith group will sponsor this year's event on the "Practicing Hope Together" studies - exploring what it means to practice hope in God even when things seem to be falling apart.

Come! Let's explore together the heart of Jesus' good news and what fresh vision it offers us as we seek to keep practicing hope and be in mission today.

Mission u 2025 EVENT: August 16 - 10 a.m-2:00p.m. Registration 9:30

About the presenter

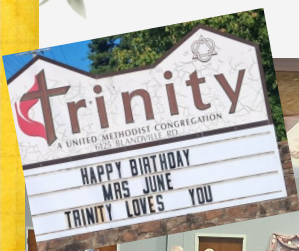
Vanessa Lawson, grandmother and great-grandmother, holds a degree in Christian Ministry and minor in psychology.

Reared by a grandparent who set the example of being about the fellowship of Christ's people, she, along with Vanessa's great-grandmother, encouraged others within the church life to meet the needs of the small community they were a part of.

Vanessa believes in the ministry of people, just as Jesus did...feed the hungry, provide for needs whether it's food, a roof, mental health, or spiritual; maybe not everything, but we can always do better. "We should always be working to be the hands and feet of Jesus."



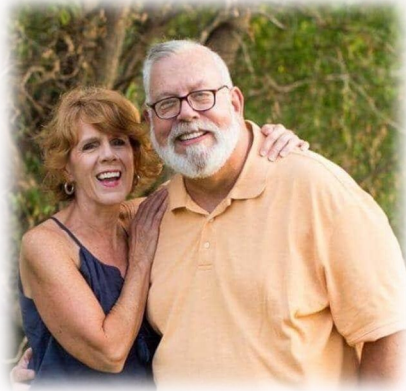
...a note of thanks...
"Thank you to all that came to my wonderful 95th birthday party and for your flowers, cards and gifts."
June Garrett



95 Years Loved!

Welcome Jeff & Rachael

Meet our new pianist, Jeff Clarke, and his lovely wife, Rachael Baar. Jeff began his piano career at the age of 3 sitting on his mammie's knee. He began officially taking lessons at 5. Graduating from Livingston Central, he headed to Murray



State where he achieved a Master in Music Education, with a major in bass trombone and minor in voice and piano. He'll tell you the three loves in his life are the Holy Trinity, his family, and his music. His desire is to serve God and give back to Him through his music and the gifts God has given him. Experienced in all types of music from



classical to jazz, he's taught extensively many bands and choirs, been an accompanist for soloists and large and small ensembles, plus an arranger/composer for all genres of music.

Rachael is the curator of the National Quilt Museum in Paducah, as well as Associate Director.

Music is a powerful tool for praise and connecting with God, and it's exciting to have Jeff contribute to this vital part of our worship. His musical gifts will be a blessing to our worship team and we're looking forward to these gifts enriching our worship services.



That's the smile of a girl who just returned from an incredible experience at the Governor's School for the Arts, then came home, got her driver's license and has been named captain of the Color Guard with the McCracken County Mustang Band.

You go! Dagny Marie!



Teachers needed for Sunday morning children's church. It's never too early to start making disciples. Can you volunteer just one Sunday a month? Lessons and activities are already prepared. Please contact Gail McNichols if you are led to work in this ministry..



Do we even recognize these Trinity kids? They made a big splash this summer on the Market House stage in the production of "Beetlejuice!"

That's Lucas Hardin & Anna Johnston



Ms. Aily Diebold seemed to have found her passion this summer by attending numerous musical camps, each with a finale in front of an audience. With talented grandparents, Pam & Barry Diebold, it's not a surprise.



Why does Susan stay so long when she goes to Idaho?

Because she's hanging out with this guy... Elliot grows a pretty good crop of cherries right in his front yard.



How the Words of John Wesley Influenced the Restoration of St. Patrick's Cathedral in Dublin, Ireland.

The Guinness tale is not primarily about beer. It is not even primarily about the Guinneses. It is about what God can do with a person who is willing and with a corporation committed to something noble and good in the world.

Arthur Guinness was a man of faith. Born in 1724, his father was an archbishop who established a motto in his family... 'My hope is in God'. Arthur, the founder of the Guinness brewery, was significantly fueled by John Wesley to use his God-given talents in entrepreneurship as a vehicle to follow the footsteps of Jesus Christ. He adopted the well known mantra as a foundation to *his perspective* on life and wealth.... "make all you can, save all you can, give all you can." This deeply influenced Guinness's approach to business and social responsibility. Wesley advocated for social reform and emphasized the importance of using one's wealth for good. Arthur and the succeeding Guinness generations believed in a principle. One of the Guinness heads of the brewery articulated it this way. He said, "You cannot make money from people unless you are willing for people to make money from you." This is different from the typical corporate thinking, which is, "We want to take the worker and get as much out of him as possible and then discard him."

Guinness adopted these principles, paying higher wages than other brewers, supporting charities, and contributing to housing for the poor. He invested in initiatives to address poverty in Dublin.

Guinness believed that they had to invest in their workers and improve their lives so that, in turn, Guinness would benefit from these workers. If you had worked for Guinness in 1928, a year before the Great Depression, you would have had 24-hour medical care, 24-hour dental care, on-site massage therapy. You would have had a savings and loan to help you own a house. Your funeral expenses would have been paid. Your pension would have been paid without you having to make any contributions. The education of your children would have been paid for, perhaps your education as well. Your wife would have been given courses and training and benefits of every kind to make a better home.

There were libraries, reading rooms, athletic facilities. Guinness paid every family every year to have a day in the country, and they paid for everything: the food, the entertainment, the train ride.

Some of the most inspiring stories are those whose lives have been transformed because Guinness intervened and sent the father off to college. The son of a father who had gone to college has turned into a college professor, and a taxi driver who tells, "My grandfather almost lost his arm when it got caught between two train cars," but Guinness had taught the workers first aid and they were able to save his life. Guinness believed it was what a righteous people would do, what God wanted them to do.

Although Guinness now is owned by an international alcoholic beverage company, the Guinness culture lives so large that Guinness is unique among all their companies. Their workers are largely Irish, and they take great pride in what Guinness has done. They are absorbing, to the extent they can in our corporate world, that heritage. It's the Irish workers doing it on their own because they love the company and what it has meant to their country. It's testimony to what culture can do regardless of what the

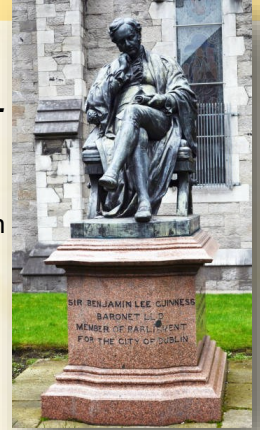
larger corporate environment is.

Perhaps, though, the greatest lesson to be learned from the Guinness tale of faith is found in a truth that one of the Guinneses borrowed from Prince Albert of England. "**Gentlemen,**" he instructed, "**find out the will of God for your day and generation, and then, as quickly as possible, get into line.**" This is what Arthur Guinness did when he claimed the highest purpose for his wealth and his beer. It is what Guinness heirs did as they built on their legacy of good and achieved astonishing prosperity through their craft while also doing massive good through their generosity. And it is what is possible today for those who are willing to go outside the four walls of the church and apply a fiery Christian faith to the needs of their times.

Growing up Methodist, the "Do all the good you can...", by all the means you can," John Wesley quote was familiar to me. However on a recent journey to Ireland, I had an opportunity to observe how it came into fruition.

Submitted by Rhonda Ash with excerpts from

'The Search for God and Guinness'
by Stephen Mansfield



The main statue at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Benjamin Guinness, grandson of Arthur, was erected to commemorate his significant contributions to the restoration in the 1800s, which saved the cathedral from demolition. The statue stands as a testament to his generosity and his family's impact on Dublin's cultural heritage.

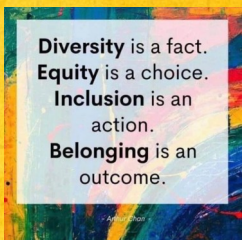
Before Arthur's birth, the English parliament prohibited the import of liquor and encouraged production of English and Irish gin. This led to excessive drunkenness resulting in a poverty-ridden, crime-infested time. Gin houses sprang up throughout Ireland and England to the point that every sixth house in England was a gin house! Gin and whiskey became the primary beverage for an overwhelmingly large number of people thanks also to the micro-organism and disease-ridden water supply of the day. Arthur Guinness was infuriated with this drunkenness. He constantly prayed to God to do something with the alcoholism on the streets of Ireland. In fact, he felt God calling him to "make a drink that men will drink that will be good for them." He then developed a dark stout beer called Guinness. Guinness contained so much iron that people felt full before they could drink more pints. During its creation, the alcohol level was lower than gin and whiskey.

Guinness truly was doing business as a mission instead of business for mission. With the preserving influence of the salt and penetrating influence of light, his life truly exemplified the Lord's mandate to be the salt and light of the world.

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Positions Open at Trinity

We are currently seeking to fill 2 staff positions:

Administrative Assistant

Nursery Attendant

If you have input or suggestions, please contact Bro. Dave or Chris Ash.

OFFICE HOURS Monday through Thursday
8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

