



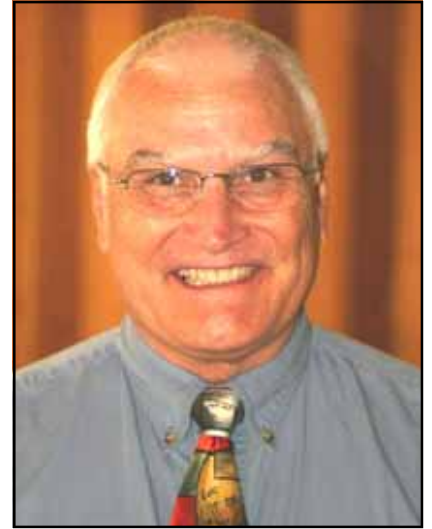
# Time for Remembering, Being Thankful

By Mark Lansberry  
Senior Pastor

As Israel prepared to enter the land of promise and as Moses' leadership began to wane, the prophet/lawgiver/liberator addressed the wilderness sojourners with his wise words. The passage in Deuteronomy 8:7-18 reads like a sermon. Moses preaches about the good that God offers the people and their requisite response — remembrance and deference to the Lord.

*Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth." But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.* Deuteronomy 8:17-18

Pastor David Mosser has a pastor friend who told him of a time when one of his church members, a bank officer, invited him to bless the opening of a new bank. Such a request astounded his pastor friend. He pressed the bank officer as to why he had asked him to bless this new business. The officer replied, "We want our bank to be one that truly honors and glorifies the Lord." Clearly this was to be banking of a different sort. The officer's appeal did, however, imply much that Deuteronomy suggests. Moses tells the people: "Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today." To



Rev. Dr. Mark Lansberry

honor God in this case means first to remember God and then obey God's teachings.

This month we celebrate Thanksgiving, a national holiday that encourages Americans to celebrate what the church celebrates on a weekly basis. We pause and offer our gratitude to God. Stewardship is simply a response of gratitude to God for the gifts and talents God has loaned us. We did not create our talents, nor are they really ours in any substantive sense. Genuine stewards know that they are merely caretakers of God's assets offered to us for the building up and maintaining of God's world.

Moses' sermon begins by cataloguing all the benefits God has poured upon the people. Included are productive lands with "olive trees and honey, a land where you

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**Sunday Worship Schedule**

- 8 a.m. Prayer and Communion
- 9 a.m. Traditional Service
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Service
- 9 a.m. Bible Studies and Classes
- 10:30 a.m. Bible Study and Young Children's Classes

**Childcare is provided all morning.**

may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing." They shall eat their fill — a pretty significant promise in a time when the next meal was always a prevailing concern.

We would do well to follow Moses' example and remind ourselves of the benefits God has poured out upon us. We live in the nation with the highest standard of living in this world. Most of us have plenty to eat and a roof over our head. We enjoy quality entertainment delivered into our living rooms through television and the Internet. We live in climate-controlled homes and drive climate-controlled cars. We live in an abundance beyond the comprehension of

the people listening to Moses. Perhaps Moses' offers a wise word to 21st century people, too.

If nothing else, Thanksgiving offers us an occasion to acknowledge the God from whom all blessings flow. In gratitude we remember who we are and how we arrived where we are. In addition, Thanksgiving Day also provides a moment of reflection about our relationship to God and the obedience we offer the Lord of the universe. Believers know that we should be more than thankful. Believers reflect their heartfelt thanks to God by recalling their blessings and obediently sharing them with others.

Here at Trinity, we have many blessings for which to be thankful. The faithful believers who founded this church and helped it to thrive have blessed us with a wonderful facility in which to worship and serve our God. In two years, we will be celebrating 50 years of ministry to the community of Las Vegas. As we prepare to share our ministries for the next 50 years, we have an opportunity to give thanks to God and honor the believers before us by contributing to a *new* Building Maintenance and Capital Improvement Fund, which will allow us to continue to share God's blessings with our community.

## Holiday Craft Fair



### NOV. 5 HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR TO HONOR AND IN MEMORY OF NANCY WALTER



The time has finally arrived. The Crafters for Christ group will be honoring their late founder, Nancy Walter, by staging the best-ever Holiday Craft Fair at Trinity on Saturday, Nov. 5 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Nancy had a dream of putting on a Holiday Craft Fair to showcase the beautiful angels she and the Crafters for Christ, with support from Earl Pickens, have been creating for the past couple of years.

Plan on attending the church fundraiser and get a jump on your holiday shopping as many one-of-a-kind crafts will be on display. In addition, a beautiful crocheted queen-sized bedspread handcrafted by Maxine Hoselton will be offered in a drawing at the event.

Don't pass up this opportunity to pick up this creation that will dress up any bedroom. Tickets for this special drawing are only \$2 each or 3 for \$5. While the purchase of multiple tickets will not ensure you'll be a big winner, the more tickets you purchase will increase your chances of winning this one-of-a-kind bedspread.



**"WE ARE BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING"**



## Reminder: Daylight Savings Time Ends

Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, Nov. 6. Remember to turn your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, Nov. 5. Don't be the one who is late to Sunday church service because they forgot about the time change.



# UMW's Annual Cookie Walk Coming!

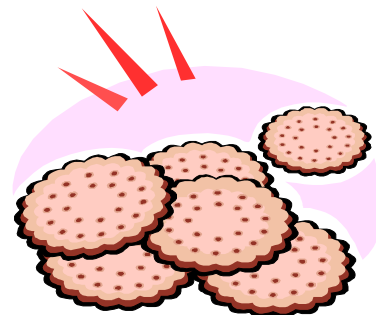
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It's that time of year again when Trinity's United Methodist Women will be planning its annual Cookie Walk on Sunday, Nov. 20, and it is hoped that many of our Trinity friends (both MEN and WOMEN) will bring out their favorite cookie recipes and join the group in baking for UMW's one fundraiser of the year.

All proceeds will go toward supporting UMW's mission projects – local, national, and worldwide with emphasis on improving the lives of women and children.

The Cookie Walk is scheduled to offer fresh, homemade cookies in beautifully decorated containers for sale in the church Library after each worship service that morning.

Signups to bake and/or work the morning of the sale will begin Sunday, Nov. 6, and again on Sunday, Nov. 13. Watch for UMW's signs on campus. Young and old are invited to participate; then discover what wonderful cooks Trinity has.



## Come Share Thanksgiving with Your Church

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We are once again holding the annual Thanksgiving Dinner at Trinity UMC on Thursday, Nov. 24, from noon to 2:30 p.m. in Café Trinity, and this year's event promises to be a moment of fellowship, laughter, tears, and sharing.

Earl and Edie Pickens will be hosts for the event. It will be a chance to spend one last Thanksgiving with Earl and Edie who met at Trinity, were married at Trinity,

and will be leaving the church sometime between January and May 2012, when they move to Iowa.

The main course, turkey, will be provided. Please bring a dish to share, arriving a little early at 11:30 a.m. to setup or to warm up your food in the kitchen adjacent to the dining area. Since oven space is limited, please have your dish thoroughly cooked before arriving so

everyone will have an opportunity of warming up their food.

We are looking forward to sharing the Thanksgiving meal with you, your family, and your friends and breaking bread with the Pickens.

If you're planning on sharing this Thanksgiving meal with us, please call the church office at 870-4747 to ensure there is enough of the main course for everyone.

## New Pastor Sermon Series Begins Nov. 6

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### "The Power of Gratitude"

November 6: "Living Life on the Edge" Leviticus 19:9-13

November 13: "Making the Most of Our Giftedness" 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

November 20: "It's O.K. to be Extravagant" John 12:1-11

*The Advent Season begins on Sunday, Nov. 27*

## Keenagers November Meeting

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The Keenagers, Trinity's social group for adults 50 years and older, will meet at noon on Wednesday, Nov. 9, in Café Trinity. The hostesses will be Vivian Lightfoot and Beverly Laid. For more information, call Mary Sue or Maxine.



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## Making the Most of C-H-A-N-G-E

By Dr. Don Nations, DNA Coaching

It is my privilege to begin working this fall with about 40 churches in the conference (Desert Southwest) for the next three years. The churches will participate in four training events each year and four coaching sessions each year. They will also have access to me, their coach, via email and phone on an as-needed basis. In addition, they will have access to dozens of documents and over 1,000 photographs on the client side of the DNA Coaching web site ([www.dnacoaching.com](http://www.dnacoaching.com)). Each church will also participate in an extensive consultation process which results in a customized consultation report being prepared for each congregation.

I believe that every congregation has the ability to move toward transformation. The journey is not always easy and it often involves sacrifice, but it can be done. Key elements of this journey can be seen using the word "change" as an acronym. C-H-A-N-G-E means the following:

**C** – Clarify the goal. What do you most want to do as a church? If you most want to reach new people, then your decisions will reflect that. If you most want to protect what you have and replicate the past, then your decisions will reflect that.

**H** – Help make it happen. Be the change you want to see. God has given every Christian at least one gift for ministry. Use that gift. Consider it your job to do one thing every day that will move your church toward transformation.

**A** – Align the work of the church. Most churches make the mistake of trying to do too many things. Once you are clear on the overarching goal, then make sure that every decision moves you closer to that goal. Your church may have to stop doing some things in order to start doing even more important things.

**N** – Never settle for poor hospitality and guest followup. Make it outstanding. You never get a second chance to make a first impression so make it a great one. Don't be just a friendly church – be a church in which new people can readily make friends.

**G** – Go invite people to church. Most churches would be well on their way to transformation if they would simply invite people to church. What would it take for your church to receive three or four times as many first-time guests as it currently does? Do what it takes to make this happen.

**E** – Embrace new things. Transformation does not come simply from repeating the past. Instead it often requires new training events, new worship services, new small groups, new advertising plans, new preaching plans and telling the old, old story in new, new ways.

**Editor — Attend the next training session with Rev. Dr. Don Nations on Tuesday, Nov. 1 at Griffith UMC at 7 p.m. Trinity UMC will be one of about 40 churches that have signed up over the next three years to improve revitalization of the United Methodist church. Be a part of your church future.**

# November 2

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
		<p><b>1</b> 10 am "Tuesday Morning Transformers", Library 1 pm Staff Meeting, Lib. 7 pm Don Nations Training, Griffith UMC</p>	<p><b>2</b> 5:45 pm Heart &amp; Soul Potluck, Café T 6:45 pm Worship, Sanctuary, All are invited 7:30 pm Hay Una Solucion Estudio Biblico, #6 7:30 pm Bible Stdy. - Esther, Rm. 5 8:30 am Don Nations</p>
<p><b>6</b> Sermon Series: "The Power of Gratitude: Living Life on the Edge" 12 Noon Luncheon, Café T 1 pm Charge/Church Conf., S 6 pm Vietnamese Language Ministry, Sanctuary, Café Worship Schedule see page 1</p>	<p><b>7</b> 4 pm Staff Grp, Sanct. 5 pm, Nurses, Café T 6:30 pm, O.A., Café T 6:30 pm Friends LTP, Rehearsal, Sanctuary</p>	<p><b>8</b> 10 am "Tuesday Morning Transformers", Library 1 pm Staff Meeting, Lib. 4 pm School Board, Lib. 7 pm Trustees, Café T 7 pm HeartStrings Cantata Rehearsal, Music Rm. <b>DEADLINE FOR DECEMBER NEWSLETTER</b></p>	<p><b>9</b> 12 N Keenagers, Café 5:45 pm Heart and Soul Potluck, Café Trinity 6:45 pm Worship, Sanctuary, All are invited 7:30 pm Hay Una Solucion Estudio Biblico, Rm. 6 7:30 pm Bible Stdy. - Esther, Rm. 5</p>
<p><b>13</b> Sermon Series: "The Power of Gratitude: Making the Most of Our Giftedness" 10 am UMW Exec. Brd., Rm. 6 10:30 am Youth Group, Rm. 5 12 Noon, Caring Ministries, Lib 6 pm Vietnamese Language Ministry, Sanctuary, Café</p>	<p><b>14</b> 4 pm Staff Grp, Sanct. 4 pm School Brd., Lib. 5 pm Nurses, Café T 6 pm Education Team, Rm. 6 6:30 pm, O.A., Café T 6:30 pm Friends LTP, Rehearsal, Sanctuary</p>	<p><b>15</b> 10 am "Tuesday Morning Transformers", Library 12:30 pm Lydia Fellowship, Café Trinity 1 pm Staff Meeting, Lib. 7 pm SPRC, Rm. 6 7 pm Rachel Fellowship, Café Trinity 7 pm HeartStrings Cantata Rehearsal, Music Rm.</p>	<p><b>16</b> 5:45 pm Heart and Soul Potluck, Café Trinity 6:45 pm Worship, Sanctuary, All are invited 7:30 pm Hay Una Solucion Estudio Biblico, Rm. 6 7:30 pm Bible Stdy. - Esther, Rm. 5</p>
<p><b>20</b> Sermon Series: "The Power of Gratitude: It's O.K. to be Extravagant" UMW Annual Cookie Walk, Lib. 6 pm Vietnamese Language Ministry, Sanctuary, Café</p>	<p><b>21</b> 4:00 pm Staff Grp, Sntct. 5 pm Finance Team, Lib 5 pm, Nurses, Café T 6:30 pm, O.A., Café T 6:30 pm Friends LTP, Rehearsal, Sanctuary</p>	<p><b>22</b> 10 am "Tuesday Morning Transformers", Library 1 pm Staff Meeting, Lib 4 pm School Brd., Library 7 pm HeartStrings Cantata Rehearsal, Sanctuary</p>	<p><b>23</b> 5:45 pm Heart and Soul Potluck, Café Trinity 6:45 pm Worship, Sanctuary, All are invited 7:30 pm Hay Una Solucion Estudio Biblico, Rm. 6 7:30 pm Bible Stdy. - Esther, Rm. 5</p>
<p><b>27</b> <b>First Sunday of Advent</b> Sermon: "Getting Ready" 10:30 am Youth, Rm. 5 6 pm Vietnamese Language Ministry, Sanctuary, Café</p>	<p><b>28</b> 4 pm Staff Grp, Sanct. 5 pm, Nurses, Music Rm. 6:30 pm, O.A., Music Rm. 6:30 pm Friends LTP, Rehearsal, Sanctuary</p>	<p><b>29</b> 10 am "Tuesday Morning Transformers", Library 1 pm Staff Meeting, Lib 4 pm School Brd., Lib 7 pm HeartStrings Cantata Rehearsal, Music Rm.</p>	<p><b>30</b> 5:45 pm Heart and Soul Potluck, Café 6:45 pm Worship, S 7:30 pm Hay Una Solucion Estudio Biblico, Rm. 6 7:30 pm Bible Stdy. - Esther, Rm. 5</p>

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<p>3</p> <p>10:30 am "Sisters in Christ", Library 6 pm "Gifted for Life", Members Homes 7 pm Choir Rehearsal, S</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Trinity Church Office closed on Fridays 9 am Craft Fair Set-up, Café &amp; Sanctuary 7 pm HeartStrings Cantata Rehearsal, Music Rm</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9 am Craft Fair, Sanct. 4:30 pm Disciples Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary Daylight Savings Ends— Clocks back 1 hour</p>
<p>10 Office Closed for Veterans Day</p> <p>10:30 am "Sisters in Christ", Library 6 pm "Gifted for Life", Members Homes 7 pm Choir Rehearsal, S</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>7:30 am "Worship Space Design" Sml. Grp., S 7:30 am Sat. Morning Prayer Service, Sanct 4:30 pm Disciples Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary 5 pm Young Adults, Blessley Home</p>
<p>17</p> <p>10:30 am "Sisters in Christ", Library 6 pm "Gifted for Life", Members Homes 7 pm Choir Rehearsal, S</p>	<p>18</p> <p>7 pm HeartStrings Cantata Rhearsal, Music Rm. 7 pm Passion Night Concert presented by Jelin Mazo, Sanctuary</p>	<p>19</p> <p>9 am Charge Conference, University UMC 7:30 am "Worship Space Design" Sml. Grp., Sanct. 7:30 am Sat. Morning Prayer Service, Sanct 4:30 pm Disciples Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary</p>
<p>24</p> <p>HAPPY THANKSGIVING Church Office and School Closed 12 Noon Thanksgiving Dinner, Café Trinity All are Welcome!</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Hanging of the Greens, Sanctuary, Time TBD</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Hanging of the Greens, TBD 7:30 am "Worship Space Design" Sml. Grp., Sanct. 7:30 am Sat. Morning Prayer Service, Sanct 4:30 pm Disciples Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary</p>
<p>5 pm TOPS, Rm. 6, Every Wed. 6 pm TOPS, Café Trinity, Every Thur</p>		

NOVEMBER SPECIAL  
EVENTS

HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR  
HAND-MADE BOUTIQUE ITEMS  
GIFTS GALORE  
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5  
9 AM-4 PM SANCTUARY

PASSION NIGHT  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18  
A NIGHT OF GOSPEL MUSIC  
WRITTEN AND PERFORMED BY  
JELIN MAZO  
SANCTUARY  
ALL WELCOME!

UMW ANNUAL COOKIE WALK  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20  
BETWEEN SERVICES  
LIBRARY

THANKSGIVING DINNER  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24  
AT 12 NOON - 2 PM  
MAIN DISH PROVIDED  
BRING YOUR FAVORITE THANKSGIVING SIDE DISH TO SHARE

MINI SERMON SERIES  
"THE POWER OF GRATITUDE:  
  
*LIVING ON THE EDGE",  
LEVITICUS 19:9-13*  
  
*MAKING THE MOST OF OUR  
GIFTEDNESS", 1 CORINTHIANS 1:1-9*  
  
*IT'S O.K. TO BE EXTRAVAGANT",  
JOHN 12:1-11*

North District Newsletter - [desertsouthwestconference.org/churchmembers/districtchurches/northdistrict/newsnotes/](http://desertsouthwestconference.org/churchmembers/districtchurches/northdistrict/newsnotes/)  
The Desert Southwest Conference Calendar and Journal  
[desertsouthwestconference.org](http://desertsouthwestconference.org)

# Young People's Convention Planned

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All youth from grades 9 to 12 are invited to attend the Young People's Convention scheduled for Nov. 11-13 at the Chapel Rock recreation area in Prescott, Ariz. Young People's Convention is an annual event sponsored by the United Methodist Church and the Conference Council on Youth Ministries.

Every year YPC attracts high school-age teenagers from all walks of life. You will get the chance to interact with everyone through an exciting keynote speaker, Pastor Beth Rambikur from Green Valley UMC, workshops, meeting new friends and hearing awesome music.

YPC is the place to be! It will offer the teaching of God along with tons of exciting activities. We will have a great dance along with some great food. The YPC weekend includes workshops that everyone will attend on a rotation basis throughout the weekend. These workshops, centered around this year's theme of "God's Blueprint,

Your Design," will strengthen your relationship with God, learning how to move forward in life, and making positive



choices with God's help.

Glen Simpson will be leading the "Empowering Leadership" workshop, Laurina Hendrickson will be heading the "How Full is Your Glass?" workshop and Scott Richie will be leading the "Accepting all Blueprints" workshop.

Every participant will also have the opportunity to try out the ropes challenge course at Chapel Rock! Exchange stress, traffic, and school for fresh clean air, mountain views

and relaxing days and nights. At Chapel Rock, attendees will be housed in lodges with beds and showers.

Bring your own linens, towels, and toiletries. Chapel Rock offers a high quality, professional food service, so expect great meals! Weather will be cool so pack and dress accordingly. Join us in the morning at Chapel Rock Perk for your favorite cup of "joe" or hot chocolate, a "delicious delight." These "perks" don't come free, so bring extra money!

Proceeds will support Youth Service Fund, which provides money for youth mission and service projects.

All youth must register as a part of an attending church. For on-line registration and further information, contact co-chair Ashley Rynearson at 702-883-8372 or see the Desert Southwest Conference web site at [http://desertsouthwestconference.org/churchmembers/young\\_peoples\\_ministries/youth/ypc\\_2011/](http://desertsouthwestconference.org/churchmembers/young_peoples_ministries/youth/ypc_2011/)

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## Special Charge Meeting to Discuss Funds Reallocation

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The next step in deciding the future of the church will be finalized at a special Charge Conference meeting on Sunday, Nov. 6 at 1 p.m. in Café Trinity. What is being proposed is a plan to reallocate funds that had been designated by the congregation over the last 20 years for a new "Trinity Sanctuary or additional buildings."

The church has made an effort to reach current and former members by mail to receive their wishes regarding the proposal.

Due to unexpected expenses needed to maintain nearly 50-year-old buildings on campus, the Finance team will be asking for the approval by the congregation to move these funds to a new Building Maintenance and Capital Improvement Fund. The plan is to receive approval and then use about half of the nearly \$80,000 to upgrade the Trinity UMC facility. Already this year, the church has incurred over \$9,000 in unexpected maintenance costs such as broken piping. The appearance of the campus has been a priority since Trinity will be celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2013 and continues to reach out to increase membership.

Following any action decided at the Nov. 6 meeting, the Trinity Church Council will meet immediately to discuss goals and strategies for 2012. If you want to help determine the shape of the church, please stay around to attend this meeting.

The Church Council will be presenting these goals and strategies for Trinity in 2012 at the Annual Cluster Charge Council meeting at University United Methodist Church on Saturday, Nov. 19 at 9 a.m.

# All-Church Picnic Example of Love and Outreach

In the All-Church Picnic held on the Trinity campus in October, the congregation and the Las Vegas community were invited to a barbecue lunch, games, and fellowship on a beautiful warm Sunday afternoon.

An amazing time was had by all who attended. If you were not able to be there, you really missed a fine event as 210 people were fed throughout the afternoon, including a large group of volunteers from the Centennial High School Naval Junior Officers ROTC, led by instructor Gail Johnson.

Joe Holden, Roger Unger, Tony Gaines, and Mike Petty were very talented cooks, working hard at the grill to keep up with all of the hungry people.



Many ate at tables set up under the carport shade in the parking lot. What a great idea! Thanks to all who provided the yummy food.

Music was provided by the Disciples Band (thank you to Ginnie Barnson and the band members) while youth played games on the lawn, including volleyball and in the always popular Bounce House. A darling clown performed magic tricks and did face painting. There were all kinds of activities available. Many folks caught up on conversation with people they don't see very often.

It was energizing to see younger and older adults, young adults, youth and children all enjoying the time together. Several people were heard to make comments like, "How come we don't do this more often?" or "Do you remember when we..." and more.

Thanks to everyone who helped! Thank you to Gail Johnson and the NJROTC for ALL of their assistance setting up and cleaning up and in-between. Sherri French, small group leaders and other helpers put together the booths – great job! Ann Copeland organized the food – kudos, Ann. Thank you also goes to Susan Holden for the clown and organizing the games and other fun! A job well done, Susan!

A very special THANK YOU to Carol Munroe who birthed the idea and "ran with it" despite several challenges along the way! This picnic was a blessing to our congregation, Carol! Thank you for all of the time and energy you spent following through on your original concept.

All of the helpers are too numerous to mention by name. God bless each person who helped to make this experience so awesome! So what's the next event? Drop by the regular Church Council meetings to have your voice heard or talk about your ideas with church staff.



Centennial High School NJROTC students "invaded" the Trinity campus to supplement the St. Stephen ministry with foodstuffs that will ultimately reach the less fortunate in the Las Vegas community. The students, led by instructor Gail Johnson, were also on hand at the Trinity All-Church Picnic to help with setting up and cleanup following the community event.



Trinity UMC Pastor Rev. Dr. Mark Lansberry (second from left) and Joe Holden (right) accept check from NVEnergy executives as part of three grants the church used in "going green." A solar panel project installed atop campus buildings and in the parking lot that will serve as "carports" will enable TUMC to use more of the sun and less electricity to power the campus. The project was completed in March and already the church is experiencing a reduction in power bills from the utility company.

# Your UMSM Outreach Ministry in 2011

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Did you know that United Methodist Social Ministries (UMSM) is an independent 501C(3) nonprofit corporation which is overseen by a volunteer board of directors and achieves unqualified, audited financial statements each year?

As the outreach ministry of the United Methodist Church in the North District of the Desert Southwest Annual Conference, USMC operates the longest running weekend emergency food pantry in southern Nevada and is an accredited agency of the United Way of Southern Nevada. The organization is pleased that the food inventory has improved as a multi-year recipient of the U.S. Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) and as a partner with the state of Nevada USDA distribution program.

In addition to supporting UMSM with monthly food donations, please remember that they are in need of regular weekend volunteers, data entry personnel, fundraising facilitators, and cash donations to support the Weekend Emergency Assistance Program, Fostering in Faith, Hats and Hands, and other UMSM programs.

To lead a monthly volunteer team, become a certified HMIS data entry volunteer, or participate in fundraising activities, please call their office at 733-0053.

## SUGGESTED MONTHLY FOOD DONATIONS:

### NOVEMBER

Does it feel like SOUP weather again? UMSM thinks so. (Remember, when donating remember canned and dried; chunky or creamy.)

### DECEMBER

Silent Night! SPAGHETTI Night! (What a nice way to take a break from sweets.)

## Prayers for Our Churches

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The Conference Laity Team and District Superintendents are requesting that the Trinity congregation commit to praying for other churches in our district during the year 2011. Several churches will be listed each month for your prayer concerns.

It is important to know that other churches are praying with

and for each other. Please pray for the pastors, congregation and the community.

### NOVEMBER

Page Community UMC, Page AZ  
Pahrump UMC, Pahrump, NV  
Parker UMC, Parker, AZ  
Community UMC of Williams, AZ

## Do You Remember?

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Do you remember (way back when!) a special Sunday School teacher or youth group leader who made a difference in your life? Many of us do, and oh how we wish we could go back and thank those adults who helped us during our growing up years!

Most of those folks are gone now, so we can't really go back and thank them. BUT, what we can do is PASS IT ON! We can be that adult who helps the shy child feel more comfortable, or be the one to encourage the tall gangling youth to grow into their size, or befriend the heavysset child and keep pointing out their special talents (I was that child...). **We can be that adult that helps lead a child to Christ.**

If God touches your heart using these childhood memories, please prayerfully consider teaching part-time a Sunday School class, working with our youth group, or just being available to help out a youth program or project, when needed.

Call June Deley or call the church office weekdays at 870-4747 for more information.

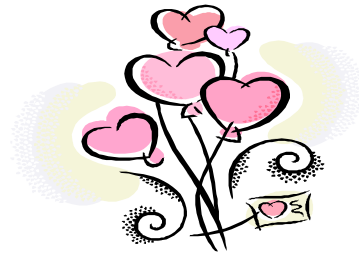
**YOU WILL BE BLESSED!**

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## November Birthdays

Robert Beasley	11/01	Kimberly Trollier	11/15
Michael Haber	11/04	Julian Huehl	11/20
Nita Russell-Latham	11/04	Gary McCallister	11/21
Belle Sunderland	11/06	Loren Kirby	11/22
Eddie Contner	11/07	Jason Carter	11/23
Lori Woods	11/07	Hazel Stone	11/24
Natalie Emerson	11/07	John McInerney Jr	11/25
Benjamin Carter	11/09	Leatha Hill	11/26
Megan McInerney	11/09	Leora Potter	11/26
Judy Ogren	11/10	Natalie Wood	11/27
Kim Jacky	11/11	Noelle Wood	11/27
Louise Blake	11/13	Ceili Blessley	11/28
Janice Greever	11/15	Ed McConne	11/29
Jade Eccles	11/15	David Contner	11/29
Autumn Phelps	11/15	Keri Thacker	11/30

## November Anniversaries



Douglas & Greta Medberry	11/08/1957
Richard & Jean McClannahan	11/11/1981
James & Glenda Wright	11/13/1976
Bryon & Melissa Snell	11/25/2006
Chris & Sara Sumpter	11/26/2005

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## Be Part of The Blessing!

*One survived the Holocaust, the other became Pope – the inspiring story of two boys and a friendship which changed the course of history*

MARK YOUR CALENDARS to visit the acclaimed multimedia touring exhibit, "A Blessing to One Another: Pope John Paul II and the Jewish People," coming this fall to historic George Washington Carver Museum and Cultural Center in downtown Phoenix, from Oct. 26 to Dec. 11.

The exhibit, which has been seen by more than 500,000 people across the U.S., immerses visitors in the

life and times of Pope John Paul II and his lifelong Jewish friend Jerzy Kluger. Together they shattered the chain of 2,000 years of painful history between Christians and Jews. With Jerzy Kluger laying the groundwork, Pope John Paul II became the first pontiff to visit a synagogue, to officially visit and recognize the State of Israel, and to formally apologize for the Catholic Church's historical treatment of Jews.

PUT YOUR FAITH IN ACTION: Help in sharing the exhibit's inspiring message of openness, re-

spect and reconciliation through your prayers and visit of the museum in Arizona.

For more information on helping to host the Exhibit at the Carver Museum as docent or greeter, for other volunteer opportunities and to provide financial support, please visit the Blessings Project AZ web site at

[www.blessingprojectaz.org](http://www.blessingprojectaz.org)

You can also contact the organization at [info@blessingprojectaz.org](mailto:info@blessingprojectaz.org) or by calling 602-274-1113. You can also visit them on Facebook: The Blessing Project AZ.

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## ESL Ministry Needs Your Help

Trinity is looking for another person to become part of the English as a Second Language (ESL) ministry. The program has attracted individuals eager to learn English to better communicate and for some to become a citizen after five years of residency.

This is an opportunity to share a life skill and to help people become better part of the Las Vegas community. You may even develop a lifelong friendship along the way.

If you are interested in this ministry, please call Phyllis Galbreath or Martha Trollier.

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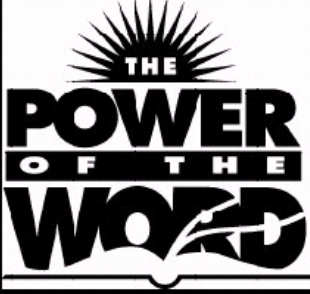
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