

Trinity Times



TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1809 North Main Street

Anderson, South Carolina

Ramblings from Rev. Roy

"Many people were coming and going, so there was no time to eat. He said to the apostles, 'Come by yourselves to a secluded place and rest for a while.' They departed in a boat by themselves for a deserted place." - Mark 6: 31-32

Sometimes you just have to get away, and rest for a while. The other day I laid down on the sofa in the living room. The blinds were slanted so I could look up and see the sky, and the branches and leaves of the large Oak trees and Crape Myrtle outside the window. I remember when I was a young child, I would lay flat on the grass in the shade of a silver maple tree in our yard gazing in awe and wonder. This was a quiet moment, and I noticed the gentle breeze blowing through the limbs, and stirring the leaves ever so slightly. I noticed a large ant climbing up the long, slender branch of the Crape Myrtle. That big, black ant was traveling in a zig zag pattern, which made me curious as to exactly why. About that time, a bird swiftly flew by with such speed I could not tell what kind it even was. The leaves were various hues of green and the sky was nothing but brilliant blue. I lay there appreciating the beauty of the moment and I was at peace.

Overall, I believe the Bible encourages us to find beauty in everything—from the grandeur of the natural world to the unique value of every human being, and even through life's hardships. It reminds us to shift our perspective and see the fingerprints of the Creator in all things.

"He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end." - Ecclesiastes 3: 11

When have you recently found yourself in a secluded place and rested for a while? When was the last time you gazed in awe and wonder like a child?

Make time today to find beauty in everything.

Grace and peace,

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Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday
8:30 am—2:30 pm
Friday—Closed

Summer Worship begins @ 10am in sanctuary May 31 - July 26

May 31 - Trinity Sunday - Rev. Roy Mitchell

Scriptures: Genesis 1:1-2:4a, Matthew 28:16-20

June Series - we will be looking at the story of Abraham and Sarah. A story of family and blessing.

June 7 - "To Be a Blessing" - Rev. Roy Mitchell

Scriptures: Matthew 9: 9-13; Genesis 12:1-9

June 14 - "A Miracle Called Laughter" - Rev. Roy Mitchell

Scriptures: Matthew 9: 35-10:8; Genesis 18:1-15

June 21- "Hearing the Voice" - Rev. Roy Mitchell

Scriptures: Matthew 10: 24-39; Genesis 21: 8-21

June 28 - "God Will Provide" - Rev. Kathryn Bariou

Scriptures: Matthew 10: 40-42; Genesis 22: 1-14



July Series - we will be looking at two chapters (7-8) of the letter to the Romans; Paul's poetic vision of what it means to be a follower of Jesus and a part of the body of Christ.

July 5 - "Delight in the Law" - Rev. Roy Mitchell

Scriptures: Matthew 11: 16-19,25-30; Romans 7: 15-25a

July 12 - "Set Your Mind" - Rev. Roy Mitchell

Scriptures: Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23; Romans 8: 1-11

July 19- "Wait with Eager Longing" - Rev. Roy Mitchell

Scriptures: Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43; Romans 8: 12-25

July 26 - "More Than Conquerors" - Rev. Kathryn Bariou

Scriptures: Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52; Romans 8: 26-39

The service is live streamed so you can join us online from anywhere ...when you can't be here!

Red Shoe Reflections with Rev. Kathryn



I came across an Instagram post the other day that was not only well timed but spoke deeply to me. It talked about Psalm 46:10a, “Be still, and know that I am God! (NRSV). We know it well, many use it as a way to bring calm back to our minds. The post commented that it is a verse we meditate on in our quiet spaces, coffee in hand. I think it is very true, to sit in a quiet space and remind ourselves that God is God and we are not and how wonderful that is. What struck me is that this post pointed out that Psalm 46 is not a Psalm of calm, it is a Psalm about destruction, chaos and turmoil. Verse six says, “Nations roar; kingdoms crumble. God utters his voice; the earth melts.” This is not a Psalm written for a quiet time.

The post goes on to explain verse 10 a bit more. Now, I don’t blindly accept things I read on the internet, I did a little research of my own. While we commonly read verse 10 as “Be still”, a more correct translation would be “Stop!” or “Throw down your weapon!” Being still and remembering that God is God is a wonderful thing, but this is not God telling us to stay calm when all is well. In the midst of chaos and destruction, when it feels like the world is falling apart, God is telling us to stop. Stop fighting, stop trying to make things happen, just stop. Drop our weapons and release control. God is in control, we do not need to fight. We need to surrender.

For me, to fully surrender is hard. I grip tight to what I have control over and I don’t want to let go. I need to remember that God is fighting for me, so I don’t have to. I can drop my weapon and let God do what God does. Psalm 46:10b ends with, “I am exalted among the nations; I am exalted in the earth.” If I let go, God will fight and I can step back and offer my praise and thanksgiving knowing that God is God and that God is in control. Be still, and know that God is God!
“Unfold The Scripture (@unfoldthescripture) • Instagram Photos and Videos.” n.d.
Accessed May 21, 2026. <https://www.instagram.com/unfoldthescripture>.

Kathryn

Online Giving

You may give online at www.trinityanderson.org/giving-2/. Create your own account by visiting the website and clicking on give and following the instructions there. Creating your own account lets you monitor your giving at any time during the year. For those who wish to give one-time gifts, you may also do that by clicking on “click here to give now.” You do not have to create an account to give one time. **There is an option to contribute an additional 3% to help cover fees for your online transaction.**

Certain funds are already listed. If you do not see a fund to which you wish to give or make a payment, choose one that is closely related and make a note in the comment section or send an email to trinityadm1809@gmail.com with the details of the transaction. Thank you!

Thank You for Your Gifts!

Ways to Give:

Sunday offering—designated offering boxes

In Person—drop off at the church office

Online—trinityanderson.org/giving-2/

Choose the fund to which you wish to give (please include 3% fee)

Mail - Trinity United
Methodist Church
1809 N. Main Street
Anderson, SC 29621



Interested in Joining Trinity United Methodist Church?

You may join by baptism and profession of faith, or by transfer from another United Methodist Church or another denomination if previously baptized. If you would like to learn more or discuss with a pastor, please contact Rev. Roy or Rev. Kathryn at the church office.

As members of this congregation (Trinity United Methodist Church - Anderson), we vow to faithfully participate in its ministries by our **prayers**, our **presence**, our **gifts**, our **service** and our **witness**

Trinity Financial Update

The General Fund is our non-designated fund from which our operational expenses are paid.

<u>General Fund (Budget)</u>	April
Beginning Balance	\$ 3.92
Income	\$ 38,191.79
Transfers	\$ 9,365.24
Expenses	
Personnel	\$ 39,185.39
Administration, Building, Maintenance	\$ 7,330.13
Programs/Ministries	\$ 1,043.92
Ending Balance	\$ 1.51
Monthly Mission - April	\$ 920.00
Monthly Mission - March (add'l)	\$ 115.00
2026 Apportionments Due	\$ 61,755.00
Apportionments Received to Date	\$ 1,310.00

Fortson Community Partnership

We will begin our Summer Program, Fun Fridays, at Fortson on May 22. Each Friday from 12-2 we will enjoy lunch, games, crafts and fun with the children and teens until the end of July. We are thankful to all who have provided snacks, school supplies throughout the year as well as the help in tutoring and, most of all, for your prayers.

Every Tuesday and Thursday after school, the Fortson Community Partnership team has provided tutoring services for the children at Fortson Homes Community Center. Over the 2025-26 school year we have seen approximately 30 students each day. In addition to tutoring, the students engage in educational games, arts & crafts, basketball, and other activities. Over 1400 snacks were passed out just in the last three months. It is rewarding not only to see the children's educational growth, but also their growth as a community and the relationships we build with parents, the community at large, and school staff at Nevitt Forest Elementary School.

If you have any questions about this partnership, please contact Michelle Lynch or Johnette Sherwood. If you would like to help this summer, you may sign up using this link - <https://forms.gle/8Gfks2wARZ3ZqXSJ6>



Monthly Mission

News June

We will be collecting water and gatorade for the South Main Chapel & Mercy Center. A cart will be located by the nursery door on Sundays for you to drop off your donations. As we enter the hottest season of the year, let us help those served by the Mercy Center to stay hydrated during these hot months.



Sympathy

The Trinity Congregation expresses Christian love and sympathy to

- The family of Sara Gibson
- Anne Williams upon the death of her brother, Richard Merritt

Notes to Trinity

Thank you so much for your generous gift to Safe Harbor. Your support enables us to continue providing critical and life-changing services to survivors of domestic abuse in the Upstate.

With gratitude,
Nancy Shepard, Director of Development and Communications

We wanted to thank you for your donation. Every act of your generosity helps us further our mission

With gratitude,
Rose M. Davis, Community Engagement Director, Rebuild Upstate

Thank you so much for your generous donation of wipes! We were low on these and your donation came right in time! Because of your generous obedience to Christ we're able to love and serve our clients with excellence. Thank you!

Anderson Pregnancy Care

Bad Girls of the Bible Study **June 10—July 29**

Oh no, you just realized that you are not perfect! That's okay, neither were the disciples. Many of the women in the Bible can be labeled as kinda bad girls, bad girls or even very bad girls. If you would like to learn about these women, join us for our study this summer. We will be meeting Wednesday afternoons from 5-6:30 in Asbury Hall. Class will start June 10 and continue through July 29. No book is needed for this study. For more information, contact Marcia Whaley at marciaw54@yahoo.com.

Gifts

Endowment Fund

In memory of Sara Gibson by
Margie Yarbrough

General Fund

In memory of Glen Mitchell by
Larry & Janet Greene



New Summer Schedule **Sunday School @ 9am; Worship @ 10am** **Beginning May 31 - July 26**

The Discipleship Committee, which includes worship, discussed and recommended going to one worship service during the summer. The proposal was made to the Church Council, who approved by unanimous consensus.

Thus, we will have only one worship service at 10am during the summer in the sanctuary, beginning May 31 - July. In August, we will return to our two services at 9am and 11am.

We are asking that Sunday School classes move to 9am for the summer schedule.

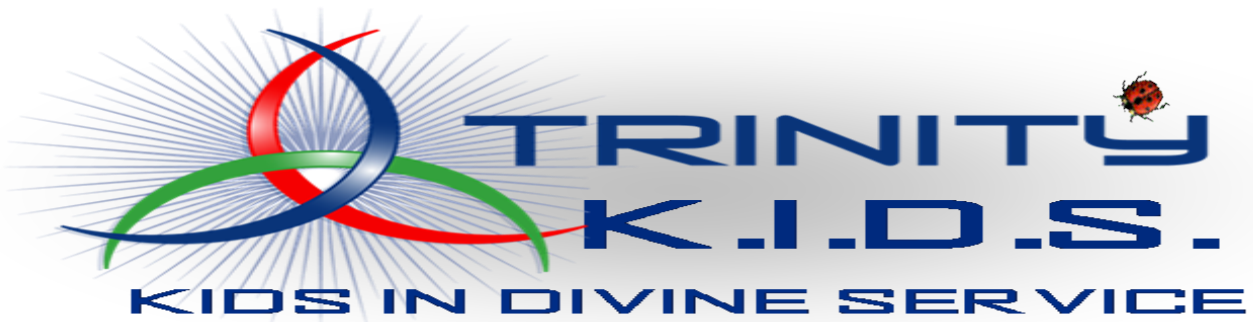
Keep in mind, we already had scheduled one service for Memorial Day Weekend at 11am with a fellowship meal following the service. That worship will take place in the Fellowship Hall, with the luncheon in the gym.

The rationale behind this decision:

- Volunteer relief - need less volunteers
- Lower attendance reality
- Greater critical mass for one service looks and feels better for guests and members
- Choir already takes that time off because of people traveling
- Special music can provide opportunity for band to have a couple weeks off as well
- Build unity and develop relationships with others

We look forward to worshipping all together during this summertime. Mark your calendars and plan to worship at 10am this summer.

Grace and peace,
Roy



TRINITY K.I.D.S. KIDS IN DIVINE SERVICE



June Edition

What's Happening in a Glance



Hello, friends. This month, our KIDS ministry will be looking at the story of the Prodigal Son and the Disney movie: Finding Nemo. At some point, we all choose our own path but we do not always choose the best path. In our Bible story this month, a son takes a path that leads him to a not so great place - a pig pen. Alone with his thoughts and a reality check, the prodigal son decides anything is better than where he is and he makes a choice to return home to his father. In our Disney story, Nemo gets lost not listening to the advice of his father. He desperately wants to go home but his path has gotten complicated. We can choose whatever path we want in life, but we then must accept the consequences of the choices that we made. In both stories, the father is just so happy to be back with his son. Oh how our heavenly Father is so happy when any of His children return home to Him. We can have the best intentions and still wander down the wrong road. God is anxiously waiting for us to choose the road that leads us home. Our words to ponder comes from an old proverb—the sun at home warms better than the sun elsewhere. I truly believe that the Son at home is warmed better, too.

Words to Ponder:

“The sun at home warms better than the sun elsewhere.”

- Albanian proverb

Lessons for June

Sunday School

9:00 AM - 9:55 AM

Prodigal Son
Finding Nemo

Week One - Story

Week Two - Science

Week Three - Craft

Week Four - Snack

AIM Service date is June 25th from 1:00 - 3:00 PM. We will meet at Trinity at 12:45 pm to bus over to AIM. A snack will be provided but not a meal. We will leave AIM to return to Trinity when we get done to hang out in the gym until parents pick up around 3:00.



June 12th Paint Night!

5:30 - 7:30 PM @
TUMC

Paint Night! Dinner will be served. Families, youth, couples and individuals are invited to attend our paint night, too. This is put on by the Children's Ministry, but we are all God's children. Jesus said to come to Him as a child, so... All are welcome to come out and see what masterpiece is waiting to be washed up on the canvas, you are invited, too! Invite a friend or three... but, please RSVP for this one for supplies and food count.



He Sees Me and You.

Dinner
Served 5:30 to 6:00 PM

Crafts

TUMC

July 20-23, 2026

6:00 PM to 8:45 PM

Vacation Bible School

Recreation

GAMES

STORY

Just keep swimming!

JAM Session

3rd - 5th Grade JAMS
Paused for June and July
Join us June 12th for TGIF.

Key Passage:

“This son of mine was dead. And now he is alive again. He was lost. And now he is found. So they began to celebrate.”

-Luke 15:24 NIV

Final VBS Meeting:
June 25, 2026

Midweek Meals and Lessons: Paused until August 19, 2026.

The Well Youth Ministry

JUNE 2026

(Wednesday Night Meals and Midweek Well: Paused until August 19, 2026)

6/5—12-2 pm Fortson Friday
 6/7—Our rising 6th Graders will join our youth group. Come join us at Boulevard Lanes to strike up some friendships and knock down the school year stresses. We are excited for our newest youth to join us.
 6/12—12-2 pm Fortson Friday/5:30 pm—7:30 pm TGIF Our KIDS Ministry will be hosting a paint night. Any youth who want to attend or help with this one, contact Dawn.
 6/13-6/20—Salkehatchie week (Pray for a productive week of service)
 6/19—12-2 pm Fortson Friday
 6/21—Happy Father's Day
 6/22—AIM Service and Arnolds for lunch. We will meet at Trinity at 8:45 am to bus over to AIM and then head over on the bus for lunch after. Bring money for lunch. We will return to the gym around 1:30 pm.
 6/23—Movie (Toy Story 5) {Time TBA}
 6/26—12-2 pm Fortson Friday

The Well Summer Activities Calendar

MAY 2026

5/2 - 8-12 Spring Fest
 5/3 - The Well
 5/6 - Midweek in May 5:30-7 pm (Dinner Served)
 5/10 - NO Well - Happy Mother's Day!
 5/13 - Blood Drive 3:30-7:30 pm
 Midweek in May 5:30-7 pm (Dinner, too)
 5/14 - VBS Meeting 5:30-7 pm (Dinner Served)
 5/16 - 8:30 am - 12 pm Church Work Day and 10 am Tour of Homes for Salkehatchie
 5/17 - The Well
 5/20 - Midweek in May 5:30-7 pm (Dinner Served)
 5/21 & 5/22 - Last Day of School/Graduations
 5/22 - Fortson Fridays Begins 12-2 pm
 5/28 - AIM 1:00-3:00 pm (Children and Youth)
 5/29 - Fortson Friday 12-2 pm/TGIF KIDS 4:30 -7:30 pm

JUNE 2026

6/5 - Fortson Friday 12-2 pm
 6/7 - 6th Grade Welcome Party
 6/12 - Fortson Friday 12-2 pm
 5:30 - 7:30 pm TGIF Paint Night
 6/13-6/20 - Salkahatchie
 6/19 - Fortson Friday 12-2 pm
 6/22 - AIM/Arnolds for Lunch 8:30-1:30 pm
 6/23 - Lights, Camera, Action! Movie?
 6/26 - Fortson Friday 12-2 pm

JULY 2026

7/3 - Fortson Friday 12-2 pm
 7/6 - AIM/Arnolds for Lunch 8:30-1:30 pm
 7/10 - Fortson Friday 12-2 pm
 5:30 - 7:30 TGIF KIDS Lake Lesson
 7/13 - 7/17 - Beach Retreat
 7/17 - Fortson Friday 12-2 pm
 7/20 - 7/23 - VBS
 7/24 - Fortson Friday 12-2 pm

BIRTHDAYS:

5/11 Ben C.
 5/12 Dawn
 6/14 Denzel
 6/15 Ndu
 6/23 Lilli
 7/16 Noelle
 7/18 Ellie



Retreat/Service News

Salkehatchie will be the week of June 13th - 20th. Any youth or youth families interested in being a part of this powerful ministry, please contact Dawn McLin. Pray for a great week of Fellowship and Service.

SURVIVOR: July 13th-17th is our summer retreat. We will be heading to the beach.

Please let me know if your youth is able to attend either event and pray that the Lord will be noticeably present with us in big ways during both trips.

Fortson Fun Fridays began on May 22nd. Each Friday is an opportunity for youth to serve and connect through our outreach ministry. Youth can help serve lunch and lead activities each Friday from 12:00 - 2:00 pm. Summer activities include art days, games and water day. We hope that you can join in for a Friday Fun Day this summer. Questions about Fortson? Contact Michelle Lynch, happymommy3g@gmail.com or Dawn McLin.

Our regular weekly youth (The Well) that meets on Sunday from 5:30 pm—7:30 pm will take a pause over the summer to allow for other ways of connecting through retreats, service projects and fun fellowship. Check out our Instagram, Facebook and website for details. We have our youth Sunday school class from 9:00 am—9:55 am in our youth room above the gym. If you are a youth or have a youth interested in plugging in this summer, email thewell.tumc@gmail.com or contact Dawn McLin for any information.



2026 SOUTH CAROLINA UNITED METHODIST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

See The Possibilities: What do you see? Can you see anything? Mark 8:22-26

June 7-10, 2026 at the Greenville Convention Center



Hey South Carolina!

Are you ready to

Rise?

AGAINST HUNGER



WHAT WE ARE DOING

On June 9, during Annual Conference in Greenville, we are packing 125,000 meals for Rise Against Hunger.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Get your church to **donate \$100** by May 31
- **Give directly** to our meals project
- Register now to **volunteer** at AC2026 in June
- **Scan the code** above to give or volunteer

Bishop Leonard Fairley invites South Carolina United Methodists to join him as we "Rise Against Hunger," packing 125,000 meals and raising enough money to make this mission possible at AC2026 in June.

DISCIPLE

BECOMING DISCIPLES THROUGH BIBLE STUDY

Disciple I

Beginning in the Fall, we will be offering the Disciple Bible Study again. Disciple I is a 24-week overview of the entire Bible, from Genesis to Revelation. The first 12 weeks focus on the Old Testament and the second 12 weeks focus on the New Testament.

This will be facilitated by Linda Peterson and Jim Brookshire.

Disciple II

Disciple I grads! It's time to move on to Disciple II! To anyone who has finished Disciple I any time anywhere, we hope you will join us for Disciple Fast Track II (Into the Word, Into the World), a 24-week, accelerated adaptation of the original DISCIPLE II Bible study. Designed for busy schedules, it covers four foundational books of the Bible: Genesis, Exodus, Luke, and Acts.

This will be facilitated by Anne Tavenner and Marcia Whaley.

We will have an information meeting in August with the classes to begin in September. Date, Time, and Place to follow soon.

Digital Sunscreen: Guarding Attention and Mood in a Wired World

Dr. Susan Thurber, LPCS Epworth Center for Counseling

As a counselor, I encourage using the slower rhythm of summer and vacations as an intentional opportunity for technology breaks—because the science supports real benefit. Research shows that constant digital interruptions keep the brain's stress systems elevated and fragment attention; the prefrontal cortex, which governs executive function and emotional regulation, performs better after periods without multitasking. Alerts, notifications, and alarms are a significant part of this disruption. Each buzz or chime pulls the brain out of its train of thought, creating attentional residue that makes it harder to refocus even if the notification is ignored. Sudden alerts also activate the brain's threat-detection system, subtly triggering a fight-or-flight response that elevates cortisol and increases irritability over time. Short, regular tech-free windows—during a picnic, a beach walk, or the first hour after waking—give neural networks space to consolidate memories and recover from cognitive load, improving focus, decision-making, and mood stability.

Clinically, I see how unplugging strengthens relationships and reduces mood symptoms. When devices are set aside—and especially when alerts are silenced—during shared summer activities, people engage in deeper, more empathic conversations. This sustained interpersonal presence lowers perceived stress and increases relationship satisfaction. In contrast, ongoing exposure to notifications, social media, and news can fuel rumination, anxiety, and sleep disruption, all of which research links to poorer mood and higher depressive symptoms. Time away from screens and alerts often correlates with reduced anxiety, improved sleep quality, and a steadier emotional baseline.

From a therapeutic and spiritual standpoint, summer's unhurried moments support mindfulness and meaning-making. Contemplative walks, sunset prayer, or simple breath-centered pauses activate the parasympathetic nervous system, helping the body shift out of constant vigilance and into rest. Framing digital pauses as self-care and spiritual renewal—lighting a candle before family devotions, silencing alerts during meals, or taking three grounding breaths before a lakeside picnic—transforms unplugging from a deprivation into a restorative ritual.

Practically, I recommend concrete, evidence-aligned steps: commit to one tech-free block each day on vacation (meals, hikes, or the first or last hour of the day), disable nonessential notifications and alarms, use auto-replies to set communication expectations, and create small rituals to mark transitions away from screens. If reducing screen time uncovers persistent anxiety, depressive symptoms, or relationship strain, please consider reaching out to a mental health professional, counselor, or trusted pastoral caregiver. Seeking support is a proactive, compassionate step toward both seasonal relief and lasting well-being.

Psalm 46:10; Mark 6:31; Kushlev et al., 2016; Kim et al., 2016; Menon & D'Esposito, 2022; National Sleep Foundation, 2024



What is a Stephen Minister?

A **Stephen Minister** is a trained lay congregation member who provides confidential, emotional, and spiritual support to individuals ("care receivers") facing a crisis or life transition. They are often described as "the after people"—those who walk alongside someone *after* the funeral, *after* the divorce, *after* a job loss, or *after* a life changing event.

If you need a **Stephen Minister** to walk alongside you, please contact, Reverend Kathryn Bariou, at kmbariou@umcsc.org or Reverend Roy Mitchell at rmitchell@umcsc.org. They will assist you with the next steps of connecting with a member of the **Stephen Ministry** team.

\$75k for 75 Years

The 75th anniversary committee, along with the Trustees, Finance, and Church Council has collectively decided to launch a capital improvement campaign - \$75,000 for Trinity's 75th anniversary.

This campaign will be for "gym renovations" including the areas and classrooms around the gym. Our gym was built in the 1970's and it shows. The roof was replaced in 2019, and lighting was upgraded to LED. Now we need to bring new life to the old walls and floor too, and find the best way to make it more usable during summer months.

While the gym doesn't get the use it did during the heyday of church league basketball, it is still the most used space in our building day after day, and week after week. Approximately 150 persons a week (during the school year) use our gym from the preschool (Monday - Friday), children and youth groups (Wednesdays and Sundays), WyldLife (Tuesdays), and pickleball (Saturdays). It is used every single day of the week during the school year, and it is also a space for lots of special events, lunches and dinners.

One of our priorities people most talked about from our dream sessions was the gym. How to better utilize the space to reach out to the community, and the need to do some upgrades and renovations.

The good news is that we already have a donation of \$75,000, and we hope to match it with another \$75,000. This will make a huge difference in the most used space in our facility, and we hope folks will enjoy the gym for years to come.

For more information, you may contact:

Church Council Chair, Mike Ross

Finance Chair, David House

Trustees Chair, Julia Bolen

Facilities and Business Manager, David Ford

Campus/Business Report for June 2026

June officially kicks off the summer season with vacations, Father's Day, Summer Solstice, SCUMC Annual Conference, Youth Camps & Retreats, just to name a few. During summer months, Facilities Management will adjust the cleaning and maintenance schedules while Preschool is closed to allow the opportunity to service equipment, address floor cleaning practices, and service areas without daily foot traffic around our campus. Please notify the Business & Facilities Manager with any room request, cancellation of scheduled rooms or changes as we best navigate our summer facility schedule to accommodate your ministry needs.

On May 16th we held our annual Spring Church Workday with breakfast items provided by members of the Board of Trustees. With much appreciation our service tasks were handled by a small group of very dedicated senior church members on a very hot day. As many of you are aware Dr. Eldon Zehr has planted and cared for several flower beds around our office area the past couple of years. Sadly he was in an auto accident that will require a period of recovery time. We are blessed to have Pat Lemons and Laurie Miller step in to care for the flower beds while Eldon continues to recover.

We will be upgrading the dated sound system in the sanctuary over the next few months. Funding was provided by our Endowment Fund. Please be patient as we address these concerns and replace our aging sanctuary sound equipment with new modern quality devices. Your financial support allows us to provide these upgrades...thank you!

Sunday Safety Teams for June 2026

June 7th David Ford

June 14th David Miller

June 21st Marvin McLin

June 28th Steve Compton

Peace,

David Ford, Business & Facilities Manager

Casting Purls Ministry at Trinity UMC

Casting Purls is a yarn ministry that meets at Trinity in Asbury Hall, on Thursday afternoons from 1:00 - 3:00pm; generally the first, third, and fourth Thursday of each month. This crafting community of women meets for the common goals of fellowship; sharing conversations about life, family, joys, and concerns, plus the added benefit of crafting with a purpose. Casting Purls aims to create knitted and crocheted items to help meet the needs of several ministries we support locally and beyond.

The needs and requests from each ministry determines what Casting Purls participants create. The group has made donations to: Cancer Association of Anderson + Chemo Center, Anderson's homeless through Clean Start, Calvary Home for Children, AnMed NICU, Mercy Center at South Main Chapel, Trinity's Pumpkin Patch, Mission Development + Appalachian Children's Home in Barbourville, KY, God's Love from a Diaper Bag Baby Shower in partnership with Anderson University, Samaritan's Purse - Operation Christmas Child, and others. Ladies also create items for family & friends. The variety of items includes: prayer shawls, scarves, gloves, blankets, afghans, lap throws, hats, slippers, socks, baby/infant blankets, hats, cocoons, sweaters, and booties. Items are tagged and prayed over before being sent on their way.

Crafters like helping other crafters, so as participants encourage and support one another we also welcome ladies of all skill levels. We can help anyone get started with the yarn, needles, hooks, and notions, and teach the basics. Even experienced knitters and crocheters can find inspiration in their skills as there are always new techniques, stitches, and patterns to learn.

We will continue to meet during the summer months, so if you, or someone you know, would like to connect with this ministry please seek us out. Contact Pamela Miller or Cynthia Keesler through the church office.

