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VBS CAMP
JUNE 26-30
9AM-12PM (MUSIC),
2PM-5PM (VBS HEROES),
OR 9AM-5PM
(ALL DAY; LUNCH SERVED)



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...[F]or I will restore
their fortunes, says
the Lord.
Jeremiah 32:44b

Meet Jeremiah Michael Sullivan-Harrington. That is a long name for such a small person (we know) so we have been trying to call him Remi, but Zeke is insistent on calling him Baby Jeremiah so who knows what will stick!

I read through the Biblical book of Jeremiah after Autumn was born and died. Jeremiah is often called the weeping prophet because he, like Ezekiel who Zeke is named for, is telling folks about war and exile. But there are these beautiful moments of hope and comfort throughout the book that spoke to me. Chapters 30-31 are often called the Book of Consolation, but chapter 32 also describes Jeremiah going to buy land in the middle of a siege before exile: he's doing something that makes no sense unless he trusts that one day, maybe long into the future but still, there will be a future with hope. This baby is that hope for us.

He is also our joy- if you know the 3 Dog Night song "Joy to the World," we are singing joy to the fishes in the deep blue sea!

I actually liked the name for previous pregnancies but

Aaron didn't. This time I suggested it again and immediately he said yes, but we were still thinking. We asked Zeke what he thought we should name the baby, and while he did suggest things like Pickle, Boy, Yoda, and Groggu on occasion, he consistently told us the baby's name is Jeremiah after the one time we suggested it to him. He rejected every other name. We have no idea why, and think it's sometimes about what feels

Michael is Aaron's and his father's always wanted to dren Biblical ly names and liked James Ezekiel and chael together.



kinda weird, but naming is just right!

middle name name. We have name our chil- names and fami- the sound of Jeremiah Mi-

We cannot wait for you all to meet our baby in person! You may see us in worship on occasion, but in the meantime, we will be sharing pictures. I will be on maternity leave for nine weeks. I'll be contacting the church through the office to keep you all up to date, but all our focus will be on our little family so if you don't see us enough that is why. Please keep us in prayer, and don't forget me before I come back in June!

VBS Camp

Calling all Heroes!

June 26-30

REGISTRATION INFO

SCHEDULE

- *9-12 Music/Games
- *12-2 Lunch, recess, down time
- *2-5 Hero Hotline

WHO CAN ATTEND

- *Rising K-5th Grade
- *6th grade and up volunteer opportunities available

1. Register online at

www.trinityfrederick.org/childrensministry

2. Select morning, afternoon or all day

3. Pick-up and drop off in the Sanctuary

4. Lunch will be served for those who sign up all day (you can send a packed lunch if you choose)

5. Snacks will be served in the afternoon

6. Deadline June 21

Music Time!

Ms. Denise, a music leader at TUMC and retired FCPS music teacher, will be leading the kids in activities with songs, various music

instruments, movement,

and games! The music portion is from 9am-12pm.

Sign up for the AM or all day!

?s please email dberry24@comcast.net



Graduate Recognition

please send info

If you have a student graduating from high school or college, please send their

name, school they are graduating from, degree earned, and future plans along with their picture to Jenna Cintron:

tumc@trinityfrederick.org

by Sunday, May 28.



Trinity UMC will be participating in our annual Mother's Day donation drive for Heartly House. Heartly House provides a safe haven, hope and healing to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse in our community. The Missions Team is asking the help of the congregation in donating gift cards (grocery stores, clothing stores, gas stations) and placing them in the collection center box

on May 7th and 14th. Please, gift cards only, as Heartly House is presently unable to process in kind donations. Thank you!

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Saturday 3/25/2023 - What a Perfect Day to Distribute 42,000 lbs. of Potatoes!

The Feed the Hungry Potato Drop was a successful event again this year spreading potatoes throughout Washington County, Frederick County and a couple locations in West Virginia and Pennsylvania. We had over thirty different Organizations & Churches come pick up potatoes to feed the hungry. We also had more than fifty volunteers helping throughout the day. The truck load of potatoes came early Saturday

morning and we had about twelve volunteers unload (22) pallets (840 fifty-pound bags of potatoes). We had volunteers outside loading (50) pound bags for organizations arriving for pick up. The volunteers inside the Trinity Multi-Purpose Room were able to break down (50) pound bags of potatoes into smaller (8) pound bags. They created almost twelve hundred of the smaller bags in a little over one hour. That's Amazing!! Those were delivered to (4) Senior Citizen complexes in Hagerstown and Frederick as well as low-income housing developments. We fed over 5,000 families. We finished around noon which included unloading the tractor trailer, organizations coming to pick up potatoes, the creation of smaller bags, deliveries to senior citizens, and clean-up. On top of all of that, we received donations from some of the Organizations totaling \$605.00. The total amount will be sent to the Society of St. Andrews to help keep this ministry alive and to help end hunger throughout the United States.

"God is good all the time!!"
Thank You Trinity United Methodist Church for hosting



this event. We give Thanks for all of the volunteers that came out from the different churches and organizations, as well as the donations, the snacks and drinks, and the companies that allowed us to use their machinery, equipment and trucks for this project. I can't wait to do this again next year!!

May God continue to Bless you all,
Pastor Mark Claiborne, Sr.
Lewistown United Methodist Church



Pastor John is on-call for me during leave.

He will be preaching for me, as will a few other retired clergy including Jim Spiller, David Coakley, and Kathy Kohl. We will also celebrate our high school seniors with a Youth Group-led service, and we'll have a music-themed service in there too! If you have any questions or concerns, please call Pastor John or reach out to the office.

I will be taking about 9 weeks off. I am grateful that The United Methodist Church in general and Trinity in particular is supportive of new parents in this way. We get 8 weeks paid leave by the Book of Discipline, and then I have vacation time- though I want to be back in time for Vacation Bible School because I love it!

Maternity leave for me will not mean no contact whatsoever, but it will mean you shouldn't expect to see me on Sundays, I won't be leading programs or officiating funerals or weddings, and I won't be answering email. Instead, Aaron, Zekie, and I will be juggling our new responsibilities and spending time with our extended families.

I will want to introduce you to the baby as soon as possible, but please remember that even though flu season is over, there are plenty of other germs flying about (thanks COVID), we want to be smart about bringing the baby out in public. There will be pictures shared to tide you over though! We will have a welcome party for the baby after worship on my first Sunday back, which I plan on being Sunday June 25.

Your prayers have been such a blessing to our family, as this whole pregnancy has been so scary given our last pregnancy. Even people who are in the hospital have shared prayers for me when I visit intending to pray for them! I am hopeful to celebrate new life with you soon!

-Rev. Shannon Sullivan



Stephen Ministry

CHRIST CARING FOR PEOPLE THROUGH PEOPLE

One to one confidential
emotional care

Contact Pastor Shannon or Pastor John,
or Stephen Leaders Nancy Boyd or
Heather Throckmorton to learn more
301.662.2895

8 Weeks Starting May 3 Wednesdays 9:30 & 7pm

STUDY GUIDE

NOTHING TO PROVE

A STUDY IN
THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

JENNIE
ALLEN

EIGHT SESSIONS

*Please order your book from your favorite online
or brick and mortar vendor*

Women's Ministries

WHO AM I IN CHRIST? An Evening of Boards: Vision & Charcuterie

Plan now for Friday, June 9
@ 6:30 - 8:30pm

Watch for registration and details

***"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you,
you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."*** John 15:5

Growing at Trinity...

Sun. at 8:45am | Grow Time: Open Door Adult Class*

Sun. at 11:30am | Youth Grow Time

Tues. at 8:30am | Men's Bible Study – via Zoom*

Wed. at 9:30am & 7pm | Women's Bible Study*

****Want to join via zoom?***

***Go to www.trinityfrederick.org, click on Studies+
then click on the corresponding zoom link.***

Questions? Contact Heather Throckmorton at 301.662.2895 or heatherthrockmorton@trinityfrederick.org

(MT=Ministry Team) May 2023 TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH						
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
	1 7:00 pm Church Council	2 8:30 am Men's Bible Study	3 9:30 am Women's Bible Study 6:00 pm Chancel Choir 6:30 pm Praise Team 7:00 pm Women's Bible Study	4 6:00 pm Mission's MT	5	6
7 4:30 pm Youth Choir 6:30 pm Youth Group	8	9 8:30 am Men's Bible Study	10 9:30 am Women's Bible Study 6:00 pm Chancel Choir 6:30 pm Praise Team 7:00 pm Women's Bible Study	11 6:30 pm Stephen Ministry	12	13
14 Happy Mother's Day! 5:00 pm Youth Choir	15	16 8:30 am Men's Bible Study	17 9:30 am Women's Bible Study 6:00 pm Chancel Choir 6:30 pm Praise Team 7:00 pm Women's Bible Study	18 7:00 pm Stewardship & Finance MT	19 5:30 pm Yard Sale Drop Off	20 8:00 am Spring Yard Sale
21 6:30 pm Youth Group	22 11:30 am JOY Club Luncheon	23 8:30 am Men's Bible Study 7:00 pm Trustees MT	24 9:30 am Women's Bible Study 6:00 pm Chancel Choir 6:30 pm Praise Team 7:00 pm Women's Bible Study	25 4:00 pm Community Living Spring Party 6:00 pm Prayer Service 6:30 pm Stephen Ministry	26	27
28	29 Memorial Day	30 8:30 am Men's Bible Study	31 9:30 am Women's Bible Study 6:00 pm Chancel Choir 6:30 pm Praise Team 7:00 pm Women's Bible Study	<div> SUNDAY SCHEDULE 8:45 am - Grow Time "Open Door" 10:00 am - Worship Service 11:30 am - Youth Grow Time </div> <div> SUNDAY MUSIC SCHEDULE 5:00 pm - Trinity Brass 6:30 pm - Joyful Ringers Handbell Choir </div>		



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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

Yard Sale to Benefit ASP Youth Mission Trip!

Saturday, May 20, 2023 8:00am - 1:00pm *Rain or shine!*



We're Back!! It's that time of year again! Let us help you clean out those closets!

To rent a space, please complete the form below (Note: No selling of food, drinks or guns in spaces)

Donations for the sale may be dropped off Friday, May 19 between 5:30 pm and 7:00pm

No donations of clothing or computer equipment please.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Each space will be approximately 15' X 15'. There are a limited number of tables available for rent at \$5 each.

of Spaces _____ x \$25 = \$ _____

of Tables _____ x \$ 5 = \$ _____

Total amount Due:

\$ _____

*Payment must be received
within 48 hours of us receiving
your registration to confirm
your spot*

Questions? Please contact Wendy Huff at yardsale@trinityfrederick.org

Trinity United Methodist Church, 705 West Patrick Street, Frederick, MD 21701

Please mark if you are including your payment by: ☐ CASH ☐ CHECK # _____ please memo "yard sale"