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Monthly Tidings

Trinity United Methodist Church
TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA

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Because of God's love for us through Jesus Christ, we exist to worship, grow, and serve.

Holy Week at Trinity

Easter is always a special time at Trinity and there are services for everyone. Listed below is the schedule of activities observed at Trinity during this year's Holy Week:

Easter Fest & Egg Hunt - April 8

Easter Fest is a new activity this year and begins at **8:30 a.m.** Families will travel the path Jesus journeyed. They'll taste the Passover meal, visit Barabbas in his jail cell, hear a Roman soldier's remorse, and join in other powerful experiences. This is an event you won't want to miss (see page 2 for more info)! The annual Easter egg hunt will be held in E. Peck Green Park, near the church after Easter Fest ends around **12 noon**.

Palm Sunday - April 9

Services will be held at the usual times of **8:30, 9:45, and 11 a.m.**

Elementary school-age children may join in the procession carrying palms at the **11 o'clock** service.

Maundy Thursday - April 13

This service of communion is a traditional observance of the Last Supper of Christ. The service begins in Moor Hall at **7:30 p.m.** and moves into the sanctuary.

Good Friday - April 14

Trinity will again be the host for fellow United Methodists throughout the city. The service begins at **12 noon**, followed by lunch and fellowship in Moor Hall.



Easter Services

❖ **SUNRISE SERVICE** ❖

7:00 a.m. - E. Peck Greene Park
Rev. Jonathan Brewster

❖ **TRADITIONAL SERVICES** ❖

8:30 and 11 a.m. - Sanctuary
Dr. Wayne D. Wiatt

❖ **CONTEMPORARY SERVICE** ❖

9:45 a.m. - Moor Hall
Rev. Jonathan Brewster

*Bring a flower for the
flower cross in the courtyard*

Easter Sunday - April 16

Get up early and attend the Sunrise service at **7 a.m.** in E. Peck Greene Park across the street from Trinity (in case of rain, the service will be held in the Chapel).

Or come to one of the other three services at **8:30, 9:45, or 11 a.m.** These services will feature special music including the opportunity to sing Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" with the Chancel Choir and a brass ensemble at the **11 o'clock** service. It's a Trinity tradition that is both fun and inspiring. Come celebrate Easter at Trinity!

Gifts to Trinity

Trinity received the following gifts from
February 15 - March 14:

In memory of **Kirkland O'Steen** from
Joseph and Mary Alderman

It's time for **Vacation Bible School (VBS)** sign-up!



Join us June 12-16 for an unforgettable time at **Maker Fun Factory**. Each day we will explore the rock-solid foundation of Jesus' love through awesome stations:

Dates:

June 12-16, 2017 - 8:45-12 noon

Preschool/Rising Kindergarten (Fall 2017)

- Must be 3 years old by 6-1-17 and potty-trained

Elementary grade 1-5 (Fall 2017)

Registration:

- \$30 registration fee after Apr. 1

Sign up NOW at <http://www.tumct.org/grow/vacation-bible-school-2014/>!

ROAD TO RESURRECTION
THE EASTER EVENT FOR EVERYONE!

SIGN UP NOW!
Easter Fest 2017
Saturday, Apr. 8
8:30 a.m. - 12 Noon
(Staggered start times begin at 8:30)

Families will travel the path Jesus journeyed. They'll taste the Passover meal, visit Barabbas in his jail cell, hear a Roman soldier's remorse, and join in other powerful experiences. This is an event you won't want to miss! Sign up for your start time online at <https://www.tumct.org/grow/easterfest-2017/>

Easter Sights and Sounds

Rev. Dr. Wayne D. Wiatt
Senior Pastor

The Lenten/Easter Season has always been a powerful pilgrimage for me filled with the sights and sounds of change: seasonal change and spiritual change! It is nature's Reminder of new life bursting forth out of winter's death.

One of my favorite childhood memories is singing the Easter Hymn, "Up From the Grave He Arose!" from the old Cokesbury Hymnal. I loved the slow dirge-like beginning of, "Low in the grave he lay" - to the abrupt and exuberant chorus, "Up from the grave he arose!"

It was fun to sing and tell the entire Easter Story in just a few lines of singing! My other memory is the way we learned to share the Easter Greeting from Mary's discovery of the empty tomb on Easter Morning.

"The Lord is Risen, He has Risen Indeed!"

It is paraphrased from the Gospel of Matthew's account of the resurrection:

Matthew 28:5-7

The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you."

In my devotional reading this week, I came across a poem by Helen Steiner Rice called **Easter Reflections**. It captures for me, the 'senses of the season' that remind



us of our journey through Lent toward the power of the Resurrection on Easter morning!

With OUR EYES we see
The beauty of Easter
as the earth awakens once more...

With OUR EARS we hear
The birds sing sweetly
to tell us Spring again is here...

With OUR HANDS we pick
the golden daffodils
and the fragrant hyacinths...

But only with OUR HEARTS
can we feel the MIRACLE of GOD'S LOVE
which redeems all men...

And only with OUR SOUL
can we make our 'pilgrimage to God'
and inherit His Easter Gift of Eternal Life!



Music news for April

Mark Repasky
Music Director

Orchestra Sunday

April 2nd is our annual Orchestra Sunday. It is the one time each year a professional orchestra (28 members, including harp and bagpipes) combines with our Chancel Choir for some really special music. This will be at the 11 a.m. service only and the theme is "Amazing Grace." Dr. Wayne Wyatt will be singing with the choir! Rev. Jonathan Brewster's three short meditations will be intertwined with the five choral/orchestra selections. Music Director Mark Repasky has also promised a surprise for the congregation that morning! There will be no communion at the 11 a.m. service. Communion will only be served at the 8:30 and 9:45 a.m. services that day.

Children as Worship Leaders

Since September, 206 children at Trinity have participated in our worship services in special ways. That includes serving as

acolytes, reading scripture, Children's Sabbath services, singing anthems on the occasional Sunday, Hanging of the Greens, Christmas Eve at the 5:30 p.m. families service, and Music Ministry Sunday. Their biggest impact, however is once a year when the NETkids Choirs present their musical at all three worship services. This happens April 30! Over a third of NETkids Choirs' time and effort each school year is committed to this endeavor. The children are now busy memorizing speaking parts, and solos. We practice in the sanctuary so they get used to microphones and knowing where to stand/sit/dance/sing/speak. It is an exciting time for these children, and it shows in their enthusiasm at rehearsals. Want an energy "pick-me-up?" Come to one of our Wednesday afternoon rehearsals!

NETkids Musical

The children present their 30-minute musical, "Acorns to Oaks" written by Celeste and David Clydesdale, on April 30, at all three services. This is the most sophisticated musical by NETkids in 20 years. We are blessed with ten fifth graders this year, which will make this musical really shine! "Acorns to Oaks," is based on a parable by Jesus found in Matthew 13. Jesus presents the parable, then goes on to explain it. Our children will do the same. While this is a children's musical, the message will resonate with adults as well.

We have diverse characters such as Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald, Alfred the wacky inventor, numerous farmhands, rumor weeds, scary crows, and you really must see the Robo-Scarecrows!

Great Children's Programs

Trinity is a great place for young children. They have lots of opportunities to grow in their faith, and our Wednesday afternoon NETkids ministry is one of the best! If you have children who are attending kindergarten through 5th grade who have not tried NETkids, please consider bringing them to one of the services April 30. I encourage the whole congregation to invite friends and neighbors with children to attend with you that day! Everyone will see what a wonderful, vibrant church we have, and that we value our children. Thank you Trinity, for helping our young children learn more about their faith and allowing them to share with the congregation in so many ways.



Trinity youth have embraced the the roles of crucifer and acolytes.



The NETkids are shown here performing "The Sailor's Bible" at Westminster Oaks retirement home.



Music Director, Mark Repasky, directs the orchestra and Chancel Choir at last year's Orchestra Sunday

Local Missions supports Backpack Program

Sabrina Denmark
Local Missions co-chair

Feed His Sheep

"Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as you have done it unto the least of these my brothers, ye have done it unto me."

Matthew 25:40

Second Harvest of the Big Bend and Trinity United Methodist Church are working together to help fill a critical need in our community on a monthly basis, as volunteers from TUMC fill bags of nutritional foodstuffs for families in the Big Bend area that have little or no food over the weekends.

- Approximately 20% i.e., one in five of the children in Tallahassee, are identified as "food insecure."
- Using federal guidelines, the school system identifies students who do not have money to purchase a school lunch. The schools then furnish these children with a free lunch. Oftentimes these students are provided with a free breakfast.
- There are several schools in our community in which 90 to 100% of the students qualify for a free lunch.

Trinity's Local Missions Team — Trinity Cares Spotlight



Usually the families of these children have little or no food over the weekends. Thankfully, the Second Harvest of the Big Bend has been created by committed volunteers to meet this need. (Rick Minor, a TUMC member, is the CEO of Second Harvest).

This is where TUMC can help. We need volunteers to work with Second Harvest personnel to fill bags of food that will be provided to food insecure families. We hope that you will join us.

Our designated workday is the third Thursday of each month and our hours are 10:00-12:00. We carpool from Trinity's parking lot (meet in the parking lot at 9:30 a.m.).

If you prefer to have your own car, meet at 10:00 at:

Second Harvest
4446-Entrepot Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32310

Contact Mary Ann Moore: (mmoore1018@aol.com.) You will be contacted regarding your scheduled volunteer date.



Members of the crew on this session were from left, Duncan Moore, Patti Oakley, Dot Binger, Ann Melder, Linda Phillips, Susan McAlister, Barbara Ware, Dan Drake, Gary Ware, and Turner Barnes, the volunteer coordinator of Second Harvest.

Kids Against Hunger Food Packing

Rev. Barbara Hynes
Associate Pastor of Discipleship

Trinity will be partnering once again with Kids Against Hunger on June 3, 2017, to pack meals to give to Second Harvest for distribution to needy families this

summer. Since its launch, Kids Against Hunger has provided over 1 billion meals for children and their families in more than 60 countries through the efforts of hundreds of thousands of volunteers.

This year, since our meals packs will be used locally, we will be packing something different. This new meal called "Latin Rice" is a recent formulation created by ConAgra for domestic distribution. It contains rice, black beans, soy and seasonings tailored with a flavor profile to appeal to those receiving it. It comes in a new package that is moisture-proof and odor-proof to prevent spoilage as well as insect/rodent problems. The Latin Rice, with its flavor and richer texture, also

provides a nutritionally complex and well balanced meal as does the product which is packed for foreign distribution.

We will be packing 22,000 meals. It is a simple process. A team will gather round a table and assembly line style will fill the bags with the ingredients. The bag will be sealed and added to a carton.

To do this we need you! Teams will be scheduled for one hour shifts, beginning at 8:00 am. You can sign up for just yourself or invite some friends or family and create your own team. After Easter, there will be a "Sign-Up Genius" link to sign up. You may also sign up in the Welcome Center or through an insert in the bulletin.



Wellness Activities for April

Health Wellness Team

Wellness Activities

Experts say that staying fit will increase your life expectancy, not to mention the quality of your life!

Becoming Fit at Church (BFC)

Welcome Back Beth!

We are soooo happy to have Beth Curry back with us. Everyone has missed her and are celebrating her return. Please join Beth, Amy, Elaine, Jaqui or Ruth Ann for one of the five great Becoming Fit at Church exercise classes offered each week!



Stop by any class, any time and give it a try! Come join in one or more of the five BFC Exercise classes every week:

Staying Strong* (9:30 am. Tues./Thurs.)

Jaqui Griffith

(Jaqui_Griffith@comcast.net)

Ruth Ann High (rahigh@tumct.org)

Variety Mix*

(11 am Tues./Thurs.)

Amy Leach

(AmyCleach@hotmail.com)

Please let Amy know in advance if you need childcare.

Power Hour (6:30 p.m. Wednesdays)

Elaine Freni (dafreni@comcast.net)

* Suggested donation \$3/class goes for community service or Health Wellness fund. Please contact the class leader if you have any questions

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This group participates in local races (running and walking), kayak and hiking trips, and many activities for all ages. Join us for fun and fitness with Trinity friends. Look for details of all activities by going on our Facebook page "TUFF": <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1080560685348664/>

Thanks to everyone who came to support TUMC at the Shamrock Scurry on Mar. 4! We had a total of 26 and we congratulate The Wesley foundation at FSU who had a few more participants than we did. It was a lot of fun! Let's try again next year!

For more information, contact Marie Bradley (MBradley1716@comcast.net) or text 850-728-538).



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Health Wellness Calendar

Drop in any time!

Classes in the Parlor

BFC Series

Exercise Classes

Tuesdays and Thursdays

- 9:15 - Staying Strong
- 11:00 - Variety Mix**

*\$3 suggested donation **Nursery by reservation only

— Wednesdays —

(During Lay Academy)

6:30 p.m. - Power Hour

Upcoming Events

- **Mats for the Homeless** will meet in the Conference Room Apr. 13 at 10:30.
- **Hats for Friends** will not be meeting until September.
- **Apr. 1** - Springtime Tallahassee

For more information about the Health Wellness ministry contact: Jaqui Griffith (Jaqui_Griffith@comcast.net), Ruth Ann High (rahigh@tumct.org) or Amy Leach (AmyCleach@hotmail.com)

Helping Others

Community Garden – Shari Hubbard (TallyShari@gmail.com)



Trinity's Community garden is a wonderful resource for fresh and healthy greens, vegetables and herbs—all available free to Trinity members and the Tallahassee community. No experience is needed to volunteer with the Community Garden crew. If you would like to volunteer to help, contact Shari Hubbard (TallyShari@gmail.com).

Hats for Friends (formerly Hats for the Homeless) – Judy Levy (judithtlevy@embarqmail.com)

This group creates hats and scarves for those in need. There will be no meeting until September. Please work at home. Notify Judy Levy if you would like to learn to make hats and scarves or learn more about the group.

Mats for the Homeless – Rose Glenn (BudsThorn@comcast.net)

These mats provide comfortable, moisture-resistant sleeping mats for those in need. The Homeless Mats group will meet **April 13 10:30-noon** in the Conference Room. We are in need of plastic bags again. Please bring grocery type bags only. Please just fold the bags and do not wad them. We cannot use newspaper bags, dry cleaning bags, dress bags, or any heavy plastic bags.

Please come and learn how to fold, cut the strips to make the plans (plastic yarn).

When rolling the balls of plastic strips, make the knots as small and tight as possible, and make the balls about the size of a large softball.

Thank you for all your help.

UMW A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial

Nancy Bedford
Communications Officer

The next meeting of UMW in Ministry will be Tuesday, April 4th in Moor Hall at 11:45 a.m. The program will be, "A Call to Prayer and Self-Denial 2017." Everyone is invited to attend, even if you aren't a member of UMW. Monthly meetings are an opportunity to enjoy fellowship, informative

- In the Spotlight - Oberley Brown

When Oberley was a college student in Tallahassee in the 1940's, she walked to Trinity early each Sunday morning to hear "the wonderful sermons of Pastor Jack Anderson."

Now 73 years later she is still attending Trinity on Sunday mornings! With her friendly demeanor, soft southern drawl, keen mind and sense of humor, she is well known to church members.

Oberley grew up in a small town in Georgia during the time of the Great Depression and World War II. During those years, many young women were likely to become homemakers after high school and those would could afford college usually entered "female" professions of teaching or nursing. Oberley's grandfather believed in the importance of higher education for his family. Oberley attended the Florida State College for Women (now FSU) where she graduated in 1944 with a degree in "chemistry"...one of the many ways she has been exceptional!

After college graduation, she received job offers from several oil companies and accepted a position with the Texas Oil Company (later known as Texaco). She moved to their office in

programs and a delicious lunch! Please call Nancy Kerce at 877-6546 for reservations. Standing reservations are

preferred. Hope to see you there! *Executive Committee will meet in the library at 10:30 a.m.

UMW Circle Meetings

Alpha Circle: Mon. Apr. 10, 10 a.m. 2219 Demeron Rd. Margie Mixson, hostess, Cynthia Smith, chair.

Dorcas Foster Circle: Tues. Apr. 4, at 1 p.m. in the church library, Nancy Waugh, chair.

Mary Martha Circle: Mon. Apr. 10, at 6 p.m. 2104 W. Randolph Cir., Julie Pararo, hostess & chair.

Sojourners Circle: Wed. Apr. 5, at noon, Café at St. Johns. Marti Chumbler, chair.

Susanna Wesley Circle: Tues. Apr. 18 at 10 a.m. 2370 Carefree Cove, Westminster Oaks, Mary Ann Braswell, hostess, Liz Smith, chair.

The Voice Circle: Thurs. Apr. 20 at 1515 Paul Russell Rd. Apt. 61. Lynette Halter, hostess, Patti Oakley, chair.

Watch the bulletin and website, www.tumct.org/connect/ (then select UMW in Ministry & Action Teams) for details as they become available.



New York state. As a young woman from a small Southern town, the opportunity to live near New York City and visit there on weekends was a new and exciting experience.

A few years afterwards, while taking a physics class at Emory University, she met fellow student Led Brown. They fell in love, married and moved to his hometown of Tallahassee. She then "joined" Trinity, the church that he had always attended. During the following years, he practiced dentistry and they raised a family of five children. Oberley taught Sunday School and served on the Altar Guild. During their sixty-nine years of marriage, until his death in 2016, she and Led participated together in many church activities. They volunteered their gardening skills to keep the Trinity grounds beautiful with the help of Native Nursery owners Jody Walthall and Donna Lagare. They served Meals on Wheels and traveled together

on two mission trips to Guatemala.

Still involved in church activities, she is an HEO Trinity Chef or "cook" according to Oberley. Meals are prepared once a month, frozen and ready to be given as needed. As a longtime UMW member, she has been a Circle Chairperson, regular attendee at the monthly unit meetings and a big supporter of pecan sales.

Gardening has always been Oberley's passion. She served as a volunteer gardener at Goodwood for many years and enjoys spending time working in her lovely, spacious yard.

On Tuesday and Thursday mornings, you will find Oberley at Trinity's "Staying Strong" Exercise class. You will also find her participating two times a week in Tai Chi classes at the Tallahassee Senior Center (TSC). She's a participant in TSC's "2017 Senior Games" in both walking and swimming. At 93 years, Oberley continues to be amazing.

A note of thanks from Colorado

Editor's note: Trinity member, Rose Glenn, recently received this email from former Trinity member, Veronica Kampf. During her time at Trinity, Veronica was a huge help to HEO Coordinator, Ruth Ann High, by handing out snack packs to the homeless. Here is Veronica's thank you email to Rose.

Hello Mrs. Rose!

I hope all is well in Tallahassee. My family and I are really enjoying winter in Colorado.

I wanted to share the good news with you and Trinity's "Mats for the Homeless" group, that Montrose United Methodist Church has started a "Mats for the Homeless" group!

It started with the instructions you sent

with me, and after I presented the idea, the Mary Olive UMW group was very interested in the project. We had our first "Mats" meeting yesterday with meetings scheduled for first Tuesdays of every month. We have two complete mats so far and more are in progress.

It is very cold on the western slope of Colorado but we do have a rather startling amount of homelessness. Our plan for after taking care of the immediate surrounding homeless is to then pass mats on to the homeless in the Denver area where Hunter's youth group went for a mission trip last August to help the homeless.

Mrs. Rose, I wanted so share with you



just how far your teaching has traveled and how much good it is doing.

Everyone thinks this is such a great idea and many are excited to help. We are having a blessing of the mats this Sunday during service. Thank you so much.

Prayers, blessings, and lots of love,
Veronica Kampf

Youth Happenings in April

Lisa Prasse Youth Director
Tanner Johnson Youth Ministry Assistant

A Note from Lisa ...



The Youth Praise Band led worship in the evening at SIFAT.

Everything "youth" is moving right along and we want to thank everyone in advance who will be joining us for our annual **Springtime Tallahassee Spaghetti Lunch**. We will be serving lunch from **11 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday, April 1** and as always, with every lunch ticket purchased you also receive a parking spot (as they are available) in the Trinity parking lot. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children. We hope to see you out there! These earnings

about how fortunate we really are. They worked hard and dug deep to strengthen their relationships with one another and with God.

We began and will continue our Lenten studies together right up until Easter Sunday. Between now and then, and in addition to our Spaghetti Fundraiser at Springtime Tallahassee, we will participate in the upcoming Easter Fest and our annual 30-Hour Famine. Both events are excellent precursors to Easter and help remind us what Easter is all about. If you'd like more information regarding either of these or any upcoming events, please just email Lisa (lprasse@tumct.org).



Sorry if you missed this life-changing trip to SIFAT.

Sign Up **NOW** for Camp!

I know, it seems early, right? But if you want to be part of the great fun at **Warren Willis Summer Camp** in Leesburg, you better sign up - **NOW!**

Just go to <http://www.tumct.org/grow/warren-willis-summer-camp/> and follow the

directions that are listed there. Our sign-up week is July 10-15.



go toward our summer mission trips, so again we thank you for your support!

Your support helped us make our amazing high school mission trip to **SIFAT** in March (photos on this page). Throughout their spring break, our youth learned so much



Working together to get each other over the wall.

Don't miss these events!

- 4/1: Spaghetti Dinner during Springtime Tallahassee (11a-2p)
- 4/8: Easter Fest!
- 4/14-15: 30-Hour Famine
- 4/16: EASTER! (No UMYF tonight)
- 5/6: Confirmation Banquet and Rehearsal
- 5/7: Confirmation Sunday; youth choir sings at 11:00
- 5/13: Acolyte/Youth Choir Appreciation trip to Wild Adventures!!



Part of going on mission is making new friends.

What's new at FSU Wesley

Rev. Jonathan Brewster
Associate Pastor

In my opinion, one of the greatest feelings in the world, is the sense of completion. It is the moment where you can finally say, "done or finished!" It is like when God said, "very good," when He finished building, weaving, and breathing life and creation into existence. To be sure, it was a time of celebration as well

and heavy doses of prayer, persistence, and grace. It all seems worth it now that they have moved in and are beginning to take advantage of this amazing new facility!

The building is multi-purpose and it will serve in many different capacities. It can seat up to 600 in worship; it will host small groups, Wednesday night dinners, Bible-studies, prayer stations, and a coffee bar. In addition, the kitchen, staff offices, and library are all updated and accessible to students. Without a doubt, there will be many other events and ministry opportunities, which will help fulfill the mission of creating community, maturity, and impact on both campuses.


I know the local missions team at Trinity is proud of our connection with the TCC/FSU Wesley Foundation and their accomplishments. We will continue to support and give financially to this vital ministry as they continue to dream about their own future and the ways that they can share the gospel with college students. If you are



Lunch is a time for staff and students to gather in the large common area

as adoration towards the completion of life-giving work.

I am sure this is the feeling of the students, staff, and pastor at the TCC/FSU Wesley Foundation, as their new building is finally complete! It has been a long and tedious process, which involved many years of planning, tireless conversations,



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Rex Adams, Director of Communications

interested in learning more about this ministry, visit their website at <https://www.fsuwesley.com>. This is an amazing ministry, and one that will continue to remain fruitful in the years ahead.

New members welcomed in February

Trinity welcomed six new members to our membership in late February. Please read their bios to learn more about them.

Danny and Nicole Blanco have a daughter, Addison, who will be two on the 14th of April. Nicole was born and raised in Jacksonville, but has lived in Tallahassee since 2008. She holds a Master's degree in Education and teaches second grade at Conley Elementary. She has taught for



Danny, Nicole, and Addison Blanco

10 years. Danny is a Financial Examiner with the Florida Office of Insurance Regulation. He is also a Certified Level 1 Crossfit trainer. They are sponsored at Trinity by Brian and Morgan Durham.

John and Betty Crowe have been married 47 years and have two grown sons, John

Jr., and David Ryan. Before his retirement, John was CEO of Buckeye Technologies, is a Vietnam veteran (retired Lt. Col. and pilot in the USAF) and played football for FSU in the late '60s. Betty graduated



John and Betty Crowe

from FSU with a degree in Home Economics (now called Human Services). She has done a number of things including, Extension Home Economist, taught Food Service, and was a banker. John and Betty are sponsored by Bill and Paula Smith.

Chris and Kellie Kraft were married here at Trinity in

1984. Chris is an auto dealer and Kellie is a homemaker. They have four grown children and 2 grandchildren. Their daughter, Katie is getting married here to fiance, Charlie Peterson in July. They are



Chris and Kellie Kraft

sponsored by Candy Coates.

Brian and Betsy Smith transferred their membership from another United Methodist Church in Georgia. They have two children, Kerrington (7) and Hays (4). Brian is a Senior Project Manager with Brasfield & Gorrie and Betsy is volunteering at the church with the NETkids on Wednesday afternoons.



Brian, Betsy, Kerrington, and Hays Smith