

Christ's Death and Resurrection

Worship Series

No single event in human history has impacted the course of humanity more than the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus of Nazareth. Dr. John Allen will share a series of messages throughout the month of April guiding us through the last 24 hours of Jesus' life... the 24 Hours that Changed the World.

Each service is designed to allow you to experience and understand the significance of Jesus' suffering and death in a new and intensely personal way.

In Jesus' last 24 hours, the disciples failed and betrayed him, the righteous condemned him, the people turned their back on him, the officials tortured and humiliated him. And still, Jesus willingly allowed himself to be crucified – for the sake of those very people. And he willingly sacrificed himself for us, too – even though, 2,000 years later, we still fail and betray him, condemn him, turn our back on him, and humiliate him.

Our series spans the four Sundays in April and the two special services of Holy Week.

April 3 – Betrayed

April 10 – Condemned

April 17 – Sentenced

April 21 – The Last Supper

(Maundy Thursday)

April 22 – Tortured and Crucified

(Good Friday)

April 23/24 – Victory (Easter)

Walk with Jesus on his final day. Sit beside him at the Last Supper. Pray with him Gethsemane. Desert him. Deny him. Follow him to the cross. Experience the 24 hours that forever changed the world.

Palm Sunday

The Sunday preceding Easter Sunday, Palm Sunday, commemorates the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem and begins the series of observances focusing on the events of Holy Week.

On April 17 our 8 a.m. service is a traditional service and the 9:30 and 11 a.m. services will begin with our children helping us remember Jesus' triumphant return to Jerusalem with a traditional palm



processional. All morning worship services feature the Children's Choirs. To have your children participate in the palm processional during worship, please have them to their Sunday school room 10 minutes prior to service time.

Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday celebrates Jesus' Last Supper. On April 21, Trietsch begins our remembrance with an all-church, pot-luck dinner at 6 p.m. Bring a dish to share, and we'll provide drinks and paper goods (don't forget serving spoons). Contact Roma Maslak at romam@tmumc.org.

After the pot-luck dinner, we will move to the sanctuary for a Maundy Thursday worship service at 7 p.m. featuring full kneeling communion and other experiential worship opportunities.

Good Friday

We hope you will join our church family on Good Friday, April 22 from 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. for a Day of Prayer as we pray together.

The sanctuary opens for prayer and nailing a nail to the cross throughout the day and in the Ministry Center experience a Prayer Labyrinth until 9 p.m. Contact Jan Deering at jan.deering@verizon.net.

At 7 p.m., we begin our Good Friday worship, during which we remember the betrayal, suffering and death of Jesus. It was for us that He lived and died. The celebration of Easter Sunday cannot happen without the sacrifice of Good Friday first.

The Good Friday service includes the Chancel Choir and Orchestra and ends with an adaptation from an early 4th Century observance called Tenebrae ("Service of Darkness").

As Jesus' last words on the cross are recounted, attention is centered on candles in the altar area. As each of the last "words" is offered by readers, a candle is extinguished and darkness deepens around us as we recall a darkness of the soul that lasted until Easter morning.

There will also be an opportunity to hammer a nail into the cross.



Easter Eggstravaganza

Join us for the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 23, 10 a.m. for children up to 5th grade. Egg hunts begin promptly at 10:30 a.m.

Enjoy the Easter story, egg hunt and fun activities for kids! All children participating should drop off 2 dozen filled eggs (one for your child, one for visitors) at the church by April 17.

Collection boxes are located at the Faith Voyage and Early Childhood Information Desks and in the church office. Contact Stefani Inskeep at stefanii@tmumc.org or ext. 230.

EASTER SUNDAY

April 23, 5 p.m. and

April 24, 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m.

We are offering a traditional Easter service on Saturday evening,

HOLY WEEK AT A GLANCE

Palm Sunday Worship

April 17 at 8, 9:30 & 11 a.m.

Maundy Thursday Potluck

April 21, 6 p.m.

Maundy Thursday Worship

April 21, 7 p.m.

Good Friday Day of Prayer

April 22, 9 a.m.-7 p.m.

Good Friday Worship

April 22, 7 p.m.

Easter Egg-Stravaganza

April 23, 10 a.m.

Easter Worship

April 23, 5 p.m. Traditional
April 24, 8 a.m. Communion
April 24, 9:30 a.m. Contemporary
April 24, 11 a.m. Traditional

April 3 at 5 p.m. in the Sanctuary. It is an identical service to the 11 a.m. Easter morning service. We encourage you to attend Saturday evening to help make space for all the visitors on Easter morning. Nursery available for 2 and under.

We celebrate Easter morning with three services in the Sanctuary. 8 a.m. is a very traditional service and 9:30 a.m. is a contemporary service featuring the Reign Band. Nursery and childcare is available, and early childhood and Faith Voyage Sunday school will be at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Feed the Homeless

On Easter Sunday, join us at Dallas City Hall to feed the homeless through Big Heart Ministries. This is a great service opportunity for families and small groups.

Get there around 10 a.m. to check in. Clean up will last until about 2:30 p.m. Stay as long as you are available. Contact Diane Presley at dianep@tmumc.org.

Check tmumc.org for details on what to bring and where to meet. If you feel led to donate to this ministry, visit their website at www.bigheartministries.net.

Sundays at Trietsch

8 a.m.

Traditional Worship
8:50 a.m. Sacrament
of Holy Communion

9:30 a.m.

Contemporary Worship

11 a.m.

Blended Worship
Featuring the Trietsch
Orchestra
and Chancel Choir

9:30 and 11 a.m.

Adult Sunday School
Youth Sunday School
Grades 1-5 Faith Voyage
Ages 2-K Sunday School
Infants to 2 years Nursery

Guest and senior parking up front
Butterfly Ministry (Special Needs)
parking near building on north side

Trietsch Trolley is available
at Marcus High School



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Ways of a Lively Church like Trietsch

The late Bill Hinson, pastor of First United Methodist Church in Houston for over two decades and noted author, once defined the “lively church” as the following.

A LIVELY church has parking problems; a dead church doesn't.

A LIVELY church has lots of “noisy” children and young people; a dead church is fairly quiet.

A LIVELY church often changes the way things are done; a dead church doesn't have to.

A LIVELY church often asks for more program and mission money; a dead church has plenty of money for what it does.

A LIVELY church asks people to open up and risk involvement; a dead church plays it safe and never risks.

A LIVELY church seeks challenges and opportunities; a dead church sees problems and dangers.

A LIVELY church apologizes, forgives and seeks forgiveness; a dead church never makes mistakes.

A LIVELY church uses its tradition and facilities to serve people; a dead church uses people to preserve facilities and traditions.

A LIVELY church believes in God's future and “lets go” with faith; a dead church believes in the past and “holds on.”

A LIVELY church is filled with committed givers; a dead church is filled with tippers.

A LIVELY church dares to dream great dreams for God's Kingdom; a dead church has nightmares.



Dr. John Allen
Senior Pastor

The words of Dr. Hinson sound a lot like Trietsch. We are a congregation who believes in the uniqueness of Jesus Christ.

We are a congregation who believes Christ makes the ultimate difference in our lives and in our world.

We are a “Kingdom Church” – living our mission *To know Christ and to make Christ known.*

We are beacon church developing disciples for Jesus Christ through worship, growth and service.

I am so excited about the April series of sermons on the last twenty-four hours of Jesus life called, “24 Hours that Changed the World.”

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And for our sake, too – even though, 2,000 years later, we still fail and betray him, condemn him, turn our back on him, and humiliate him. Jesus willingly was crucified for us, too.

Walk with Jesus on his final day. Sit beside him at the Last Supper. Pray with him Gethsemane. Desert him. Deny him. Follow him to the cross. Experience the 24 hours that forever changed the world.

Sign Up for Prayers and Cares Emails

Dear Church Family,

The other day I was bopping through the halls of church, and someone informed me of the death of one of our member's spouses. I was sad I missed the service, since I wasn't on the list of immediate friends of the family. In that discussion, someone else suggested to me that we should have an email list which is sent out to those members who would like to be informed immediately when a member of our congregation passes away. I thought that was a splendid idea, and so I went to talk to some of the staff members about it!

Trietsch does publish a weekly email of Prayers and Cares, but only 275 people out of the thousands of us who attend Trietsch have actually opted in to receive that email! I was shocked! I hope the reason more people haven't opted in to receive this email is because you are unaware that we publish it!

I am a very firm believer in Corporate Prayer, prayer of a group. Any of you who have closed out the Leadership Training Seminar with me can speak to how powerful it is to have others pray for you. Any of you who have asked for others to pray for you know how uplifting it can be, just to know that other's know your heart and your concerns and ARE praying for you! I don't think many of us will ever forget the Women's Retreat when we all prayed over a special friend who needed some specific healing! Many times God has taught the members of this church how beneficial it is to pray together and over the same cause.

As we continue to face tough times, we need to know we have



Suzanne Sutton
Lay Leader

the love and support of our church family. I believe the reason God brought us together as a church family is so we can support each other in our hours of need. It is when you know someone's heart, that you can offer more of yourself — that is when I often feel called by God to be His hands and feet.

If there are members of our congregation who are feeling the need to have others pray for them in a united way, can't we as their church family take a few minutes out of our uber busy week and spend some quite minutes with God, asking Him in union to help address our Brothers and Sisters needs? Wow! This one seems so simple to me!

Let's really move the needle on this one. Don't you think we can? Let's see if we can't take that 275 number

of caring hearts to more than double! Let's see if when you read this article, now that you know about your ability to help heal other's hearts via prayer, if we can't secure 500 more people who will agree to receive the email and pray over our Brothers' and Sisters' needs.

To sign up, go to tmumc.org and from the list on the left, click on Opt in for Trietsch Emails. You'll be taken to a screen where you can input your email address, then a screen to select which emails you'd like to get. You will then get an email asking for your confirmation; you need to follow those directions to fully opt-in. This is for your privacy and safety!

THANKS!!! Please promise me you will do this today? Together we call all accomplish so much more! Amen?

Much love to you and yours! Suzanne

Endowment Fund Supports Our Future

One of the Leadership Committees at Trietsch is the Endowment Fund Committee. The Trietsch Permanent Endowment Fund provides members and friends the opportunity to make charitable gifts to Trietsch that will become a permanent endowment of financial support and a living memorial.

The committee is still in its infancy, but has made great strides in educating members



on the Endowment Fund giving opportunity. The committee has held a Will Seminar and plans other events in the future to help with estate planning.

Contributions to the Trietsch Permanent Endowment Fund may be in the form of planned gifts as part of a donor's estate plan or outright gifts. As you make plans for the future, consider how you might make a difference through the Endowment Fund. This is an easy way to support future ministry.

If you would like to learn more, contact Andrea Bell at andreab@tmumc.org.

Mozambique Auction Raises Funds

Trietsch's mission work in Mozambique, Africa began in 1998 and has grown over the years. Our annual Mozambique Silent Auction supports the great work we do there.

The fun begins April 3 in the Connection Center, and continues through April 17.

You never know what you'll find at the auction! From a week long Caribbean Cruise on a private yacht, to an original Cowboy Stadium Seat (signed by several Dallas Cowboys), to a Condo in Galveston, to an Ocean-front Condo in Florida – this year's auction has it all. Other items include jewelry, gift baskets, dinners and a dizzying array of products and services.

It's all for a good cause. Proceeds supports our mission work in Africa, like the hospital, hearing testing, scholarships, education and more.

Contact Melva Jones at melvaandbob1@tx.rr.com or 972-317-7152.

Sell, Shop, Eat & Fun — Trade Day

Trietsch Trade Days
April 30, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Sponsored by the Men of Trietsch

Trietsch Trade Day is a community garage sale, an arts & craft show, a food fair plus an entertainment area, all in one fun-filled day!

This is a great outdoor event for any individual or group to sell their spare "stuff" or donate stuff to support the ministries and missions of the Men of Trietsch. There will be lots of fun and shopping for everyone! Plan on stopping by!

How Can I Participate?

There are many ways to participate and help. This is a great opportunity to raise money for your family or your organization!

Sell your "stuff" with a garage sale booth — It is time for all that spring cleaning. What a great opportunity to get rid of all that stuff you don't need. You purchase a booth and you keep all the proceeds.

Donate your "stuff" to the Men of Trietsch Garage Sale — Don't feel like being there all day to sell your stuff, but still want to get rid of it? Donate your stuff to the Men's Garage Sale. The proceeds of the Men's Garage Sale benefit the new Family Life Center, which benefits all minis-



tries of Trietsch and the missions supported by the Men of Trietsch.

Sell Arts & Crafts Items — Do you make and sell special arts & crafts items. You buy a booth and keep all the proceeds.

Purchase a Booth for your Business — If you sell Pampered Chef or something like that, this is a great opportunity to sell your stuff. PLEASE NOTE: Only one vendor of each merchandise/brand type will be allowed. Booth allocation will be made based on the

postmark date of the application.

Participate in the Food Fair — If you own or work at a restaurant, purchase a booth. We hope this will be like a "Taste of our Community" type of area.

Entertainment Area — If you own or work where Children or Youth perform, schedule your group in our Performance/Entertainment Area. Please print off mail the completed application. NOTE: No booth fee applies for entertainment.

Come Shop and Enjoy all the Deals and Entertainment —

This is a great way to go to many garage sales and an Arts and Crafts Fair all at once. Enjoy the entertainment and Food Fair with local restaurants and vendors. Admission is free.

Volunteer — Help is needed on the day of the event as well as with prior planning. Contact Jim Bronaugh at jim@bronaugh.net.

Getting a Booth

Download application at tmumc.org.

One Booth - \$30

Two Booths - \$50

Three Booths - \$75

Four Booths - \$100

Vendor Booth Size - Booth size is 9x18 ft. (The size of a parking space). If you use a canopy, the size cannot exceed the booth size. A 10ft. canopy is too large for one booth. Registration form must be completed and submitted with payment in order for the request to be processed. No cash is accepted. Application must be mailed; no hand deliveries accepted (spaces are assigned by postmark).

Space is limited and reserved on a first-come, first-serve basis, when form and payment is received. Contact Jim Bronaugh at jim@bronaugh.net.

Shake it Up at Trietsch VBS — Sign up April 17

At Shake It Up Café Vacation Bible School, June 27-July 1, our kids will explore the Bible as a cookbook filled with recipes for living out God's word.

Through theme related lessons and activities, they will celebrate biblical festivals that reveal the secret ingredient for being a follower of God (Be ready for God; Give happily to God; Believe fully in Jesus; Remember Jesus often; and Celebrate God forever.)

Our kids will enjoy heaping helpings of God's word, create a lasting relationship with God through Jesus Christ, celebrate the life-changing love of Jesus; and take God's recipe into the world.

Three sessions — Morning (9-noon), afternoon (1-4 p.m.) & evening (6-9 p.m.)

Ages 2 through upcoming 5th Graders (nursery care provided, free of charge, for volunteer's infants and toddlers)

Incoming 6th graders attend VBS Mission Camp. (Morning and afternoon sessions.) There is a separate registration form, but you can pay for both together.

Registration begins for volunteer's children on April 17 at tables outside the Connection Center. You can also register online at tmumc.org or in the church office during the week. (There's no live registration on Easter or Mother's Day.)



Registration opens up to everyone on May 29.

Fee is \$20 per child before June 12. (\$25 per child beginning June 13, unless an adult volunteer, then the rate remains \$20.)

Registration includes t-shirt for child registrant (while supplies last) and all VBS

supplies and snacks. Scholarships are available if needed. Contact a VBS director for confidential information. Adult and youth volunteer t-shirts are \$10 each. Music CDs are \$7 each.

According to church policy, parents with children age 4 and under must remain on-

site as a VBS volunteer.

All Adult Volunteers must attend one of the VBS training sessions (May 22 or June 12, 2-4 p.m.) All adult volunteers must complete the safe sanctuary training and background check. Safe Sanctuary training is now available online at tmumc.org.

Youth Helpers are students going into 7th grade and above. They fill out a separate Youth Volunteer Form. Youth may serve in one or two sessions per day. They will find out their assignments on the Monday of VBS week. They must attend the VBS Youth Training session on Saturday, June 25, 11 a.m.

Paint & Create (VBS Decorations Build Days) — Everyone is invited to help paint and create the astonishing VBS decorations every Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. from May 31 through VBS. Two Saturday build days are May 14 and June 4 (time TBD).

It'll be all-hands in the kitchen on June 25 and 26, when everyone's help is needed to decorate the church. Contact Emily Evans at emilye@tmumc.org for more information. Childcare is available with advance reservations to ext. 299.

VBS Family Fun Night, July 1, 5:30 p.m. Fun, games, food & a very special worship rally!

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— Spring Break Youth Mission Trips



eat youth at Trietsch! They spent their spring break being the hands and feet of Christ. The Junior High were in South Dallas working with C2K doing work for the homeless who are unable to help themselves. They repaired and painted two houses and worked through service, fellowship and worship. Their theme during their mission trip was TEAM - Together Everyone Achieves More. Their hard work and great service lived up to that theme.

The youth also traveled to Globe, Arizona on the San Carlos Apache Reservation. The San Carlos Apache Reservation is one of the poorest Native American communities in the United States. The Trietsch team joined forces with AMOR Ministries and built homes for families who had no residence whatsoever. What a joy to have their own homes! During one of their daily devotionals the youth learned about selflessness and working long hours on spring break for some of the poorest people in our country is truly selfless.

Thank you to all the youth for such an awesome job and the adult leaders for their support. What an amazing group of youth serving Christ! If you would like to know more about the Re-Ignite Youth Ministry, contact Denise for Senior High at deniser@tmumc.org or Leann White for Junior High at leannw@tmumc.org.



Re-Ignite Youth

For info about Re-Ignite Youth, visit the info stands outside the Ministry Center, follow us on Twitter @reigniteyouth; or contact —
 Kris Melvin, director of youth ministries, krism@tmumc.org.
 Denise Robinson, senior high coordinator, deniser@tmumc.org
 Leann White, junior high and confirmation, at leannw@tmumc.org

No Youth Activities on Easter

There will be no youth activities on Easter Sunday.

Pray for Confirmands on Retreat

Please pray for our Confirmation youth and adult and youth leaders! April 15-17 is the Confirmation Retreat. This is the culmination of all that has been learned over the Confirmation year. Youth will be making life changing decisions to follow Christ as their Lord and Savior! Your prayers are needed AND appreciated.

Confirmation Worship Service

Join us in welcoming the new Confirmations into the church family at our annual Confirmation Worship Service, Saturday, May 7, 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Each confirmand will publicly make their decision to follow Christ and be confirmed.

Confirmands will be recognized at both the 9:30 and 11 a.m. worship services on Sunday, May 8, and will officially join the Re-Ignite youth ministry family Sunday evening, 5-7 p.m.

Rosa's Fundraiser

On the 4th Thursday each month, Rosa's Tortilla Factory on FM407 will donate 15% of Trietsch diner's tickets to Re-Ignite. You can dine there anytime on that day, and just tell them you're with Trietsch..

Senior High Weekly Schedule

- Re-Ignite Youth Group — Sundays, 5 -7 p.m., Ministry Center
- Prayer Breakfast — Tuesdays, 7-8 a.m., room 292
- Re-Ignite Wednesdays — Wednesdays, 6 -8 p.m., Ministry Center
Dinner included 6-7 p.m. (donations accepted); Worship, 7-8 p.m.

Junior High Weekly Schedule

- Confirmation — Sundays, 3-5 p.m., Ministry Center
- Re-Ignite Youth Group — Sundays, 5 -7 p.m., Ministry Center
- Re-Ignite Wednesdays — Wednesdays, 6 -8 p.m., Ministry Center
Dinner included 6-7 p.m. (donations accepted); Worship, 7-8 p.m.

Youth Sunday School

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

6-8th Grade - - - Room 315
 9th-12th Grade - Room 182

11 a.m. Sunday School

6th Grade - - - Room 204
 7th Grade - - - Room 304
 8th Grade - - - Room 211
 9th Grade - - - Room 150
 10th Grade - - - Room 170
 11th Grade - - - Room 106
 12th Grade - - - Room 136



All Sunday School Kids to Enjoy Children's Choir's Spring Jonah Musical

The Children's Choirs will present their spring musical, *Go, Go Jonah!* on May 1 at 9:30 and 11 a.m. in the Ministry Center. All children's Sunday schools will attend the performance (ages 3 and up). *Go, Go Jonah!*, a musical written by Kathie Hill, is the story of Jonah (a whale of a tale.) Mission. Obedience, Unconditional Love. The Truth of Scripture. The Sovereignty of God. All lessons Jonah learned but are still as applicable to us today. Contact Tanya Allen at tanyaa@tmumc.org.



The Uth Kwior performs in worship after their 2010 Summer Choir Tour

Uth Kwior Targets New Orleans for Summer Choir Tour & Missions

Members of the Treitsch Uth Kwior met in the Ministry Center over lunch February 6th to hear Director Amanda Evans announce that New Orleans will be the destination for their annual summer tour from June 12-18. While in the NO area, they will do mission work focusing on rebuilding the area post Katrina. The Kwior will also sing at selected venues around New Orleans and hit some of the more interesting tourist spots in this unique American city.

The Uth Kwior is composed of young people from 6th through 12th grades. They regularly perform in the Sunday morning worship services as well as in the Connection Center between services. They do a lot more than just sing, though. They fellowship as a group through socials of all kinds, as well as their weekly rehearsals.

Another aspect of the Kwior is that they reach out to our community through participating in opportunities to serve whether serving food at the Salvation

army kitchen or helping at the Denton State School. They annually lead a Vacation Bible School at a church in a community that isn't able to provide it on their own.

Fundraisers are held throughout the year. Some of these efforts you may already be aware of by noticing their Singing Valentine table or maybe one of their Bake Sales going on in the Connection Center. The proceeds from all of their fundraisers help to defray the costs associated with their summer tour.

Their motto is "Seeking to echo Christ's glory through musical expression".

Kwior Director Amanda Evans is actively seeking young people to join in the service, fellowship and fun of being a member of the Treitsch Uth Kwior.

If you know of someone who wants to get in on the action, and be able to experience the summer tour this year, please contact Amanda at 972-400-9997 or evanshouse5@verizon.net.

Socks for Bless My Sole

Bring socks for "Bless My Sole," Faith Voyage's April mission project. Every Friday, volunteers from Centenary UMC in Richmond, Vir., go out and "wash the feet of their friends on the street," along with providing them with a good meal. Please help our children support this ministry by bringing socks (new, good quality, white cotton socks for men and women) to the Faith Voyage desk by Palm Sunday. Contact Stefani Inskeep at stefanii@tmumc.org.

TEC Openings for Fall

Open registration is underway for Trietsch Enrichment Center (TEC) as long as positions are available. For more information, contact 972-549-6491.

Trietsch Summer Camps

In addition to VBS & VBS Mission Camp, enjoy:
 ● **Summer Music Camp** — July 11-15. Contact Tanya Allen, children's music coordinator, tanyaa@tmumc.org.

● **Sports Camps** — July 18 - 25. This year, Trietsch will host two exciting sports camps the same week. In the morning camp, kids will get to choose between soccer, cheerleading and "Team 4/5" (for 4- and 5-year-olds). Afternoon camp offers the choices of basketball, football and cheerleading. Contact Beth Lutz at bethl@tmumc.org.

Baptizing your Child?



A one-hour informational seminar is offered every other month to acquaint parents with the significance and meaning of baptism for their infant or child. Attending this seminar brings added understanding and appreciation to the sacrament of baptism made available to our families.

The next seminar will be held at 7 p.m., April 7. To register, contact the church office. Childcare is available with a 24-hour advance reservation to ext. 299. To arrange for a baptism, contact Peggy Zapavigna at ext. 208. Contact Joe Shafer, associate pastor, at ext. 203, or joes@tmumc.org.

Security Training Now Available Online

Trietsch has made security training more convenient for anyone who wants to work with children or youth. The Safe Sanctuary training is now available online. Go through the presentation about protecting our young and correctly answer the questions at the end. Background check forms are also now available online. Contact Kellie Sanford at kellies@tmumc.org.

Amigos Days Connects Homeowners & Helpers

Amigos Days, the popular North Texas Conference outreach program, connects churches throughout the Metroplex to work in service to homeowners unable to repair and paint their own home exteriors. Work dates for 2011 will be April 1-2 and 8-9.



The joyful noise Amigos volunteers make to the Lord is filled with the sounds of power tools, paint scrapers, hammering and happy banter among the workers. In its first 13 years, Amigos Days completed over 314 home projects in Dallas, while 14 urban UM churches have participated as host locations, providing support and offering hospitality to workers. Amigos Days projects have also included extensive repairs and improvements to the host churches, adding to the success of the program.

The People Helping People Department of the City of Dallas serves as an invaluable partner by locating eligible homes, qualifying owners and supplying the majority of the building materials and paint needed to transform the structures. To learn more, stop by the Connection Center in March or contact Rev. Diane Presley at ext. 302 or dianep@tmumc.org.

CLASS — Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage

Starting April 10, Gail and Phil Goodrich will lead this marriage enrichment class, *Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage*, based on Mark Gungor's book and seminar. We will explore the underlying dynamics of male/female relationships, combining striking clarity and practical solutions to common relationship woes.

Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage isn't your typical marriage class. Mark's entertaining illustrations are so hilarious and original, you'll be sharing them with all your friends. His humor makes his teaching enjoyable, effective and memorable, helping husbands and wives remember these insights and immediately put them to work. It will be a great follow-up to the Marriage Tune-Up Seminar.

Join us for six weeks from April 10 - May 15 from 6 - 7:30 p.m. Register online at tmumc.org.

April Date Night

The Marriage Enrichment Ministries understand how important time alone with your spouse is, and so they've scheduled four quarterly Date Nights, during which we'll open up the church nursery and watch your kids while you have some time with your significant other.

The next Date Night will be held April 9, 5-9 p.m. Childcare is available on a first-come, first-served basis with a 24-hour advance reservation to ext. 299. Contact Carol Cone at carolc@tmumc.org.

Women's Fashion Show

Save the Date! The women's ministry's annual Spring Fashion Show and Luncheon is May 21, 11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Ticket information to be available soon.

Contact Peggy Zappavigna at peggyz@tmumc.org to be part of this great day!



Stephen Ministers in Training!

Four Trietsch members are currently undergoing 50 hours of training to become Stephen Ministers. They began this journey in January and will finish training in May.

Modules include, The Art of Listening, Distinctively Christian Caregiving, and what to expect when a person

is Grieving. These persons will join our fine group of qualified Stephen Ministers already serving.

If you need care, or you know someone who does, please contact Joe Shafer at joes@tmumc.org or 972-539-8547, ext. 203, or signing one of the confidential cards offered in the pew pockets in the sanctuary.

A Memorable Meeting

Join JOY – Just Older Youth – on April 19 for a memorable day! Become a Brain Athlete: Enhancing Memory through Accelerated Learning is the topic of JOY's luncheon meeting on Tuesday, April 19, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Ministry Center. The event is free, and lunch is provided. Patrick Dougher is the keynote speaker. He hosts radio and television shows and presents nationwide, and partners with Ron White, Superhuman on the Discovery Channel about memory. You will also hear a testimonial from a local family battling Alzheimers, as well as have the opportunity to pick up information about dementia prevention and detection. Register with Candy Wade at 972-571-1953, at candywade@verizon.net or in the Connection Center on April 10 & 17.

Men's Monthly Breakfast

Please join the Men of Trietsch on Saturday morning, April 17 at 8 a.m. for our Men's Monthly Breakfast with speaker Alan Lowe, Director for the George W. Bush Presidential Library that is being built at SMU, and the current archives are all in Lewisville until the library's completion. Contact men@tmumc.org.

Coping With Loss Seminar

Our five-week grief seminar, "Coping with Loss," will begin April 28.

Led by trained grief facilitators, this seminar provides participants with the opportunity to understand the emotional, physical and spiritual dynamics of grief; share personal experiences within a safe, caring and understanding environment; and develop healthy coping skills and activities.

To register, call the church office at 972-539-8547. For questions, contact Joe Shafer, associate pastor, at ext. 203 or joes@tmumc.org.



Scholarship Deadline April 30

Each year, Trietsch Women's Fellowship awards three scholarships to graduating high school seniors that are members at Trietsch. Two \$500 and one \$1000 scholarship will be awarded. Graduating seniors can pick up the application in the church office; school signatures are required. Deadline to complete and return the application to the office is April 30. Late applications can not be accepted. Contact Diane Kelly at dianeobpl@hotmail.com.

Art Display for Easter

An art display of Interpretations of the Cross will be on display outside the Sanctuary doors from April 1 to May 3. All pieces will be for sale, with a portion of proceeds going to Trietsch ministries. For more information, contact Mary Ellen Wehrli at 972-966-8777 or mewehrli@verizon.net.

All-Church Talent Show

Come out for an awesome evening's entertainment at the church-wide Talent Show, sponsored by the Uth Kwior, April 17, 6 p.m. in the Sanctuary. All proceeds benefit the Uth Kwior Summer Tour. Contact Amanda Evans at 972-400-9997 or evanshouse5@tmumc.org.

FLC Open House

Trietsch is planning an Open House of the new Family Life Center on Sunday, May 22, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. (Alternate date 6/5).

Dodge Ball for Malaria

Have a blast over Memorial Day weekend at Trietsch's first-ever Dodge Ball Tournament on May 28, to benefit Imagine No Malaria. Sign up soon, as the field is limited to the first 30 teams! Play is 6-on-6 in the new Family Life Center gym, with teams being allowed between 6 and 12 members. The double-elimination tournament will teams by pool draw. Register in the Connection Center beginning May 8 for \$10 per person. Proceeds go to Imagine No Malaria, the United Methodist effort to eradicate malaria in Africa and worldwide. Contact Jackie Watkins at 214-534-2150 or jmwatkins51@gmail.com.

Caring for Aging Adults?

Trietsch is partnering with the Area Agency on Aging to offer monthly programs for those in our congregation and community who are caring for older adults. Whether you are just beginning to help out a loved one, are concerned about one's aging situation, or find yourself overwhelmed with caregiving responsibilities, this group will help you find solutions, resources, and connect with others who are going through similar circumstances.

The group, led by Pam Brandon, Caregiver Coach for Family Caregiver Education and Support Programs, will meet the 3rd Monday of each month, 7:00-8:30 p.m., in Room 110.

Contact Pam Brandon, 817-528-9399 or Rev. Joe Shafer, 972-539-8547, ext. 203 or joes@tmumc.org.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 5/1 - Children's Choir Spring Performance ● 5/21 - Women's Fashion Show & Luncheon ● 5/22 - Family Life Center Open House ● 5/28 - Dodgeball Tournament ● 6/27-7/1 - Vacation Bible School & 6th Grade Mission Camp 						
<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 8, 9:30, 11 a.m. Worship "24 Hours" ● Mozambique Auction Begins ● 9:30 a.m. Connections Class ● 12:15 p.m. Confirmation Sponsor Luncheon ● 3 p.m. Confirmation & Short Course ● 5 p.m. Re-Ignite 	<p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 6:30 p.m. Basic Yoga 	<p>5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 7 a.m. Sr. High Prayer Breakfast 	<p>6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 12 p.m. Life Journal ● 6 p.m. Re-Ignite ● 6:10 p.m. Pioneer Club ● 7 p.m. Chancel Choir ● 7:30 p.m. Orchestra 	<p>7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 7 p.m. Baptism Seminar 	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Amigos Days ● 6 a.m. Quest Men's Study ● 11 a.m. First Friday Feast ● 6 p.m. Single Souls Support Group 	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Amigos Days
<p>10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 8, 9:30, 11 a.m. Worship "24 Hours" ● 9:30 a.m. Connections Class ● 3 p.m. Confirmation ● 5 p.m. Re-Ignite ● 6 p.m. Laugh Your Way to a Better Marriage Begins 	<p>11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 6:30 p.m. Basic Yoga 	<p>12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 7 a.m. Sr. High Prayer Breakfast 	<p>13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 12 p.m. Life Journal ● 6 p.m. Re-Ignite ● 6:10 p.m. Pioneer Club ● 7 p.m. Chancel Choir ● 7:30 p.m. Orchestra 	<p>14</p>	<p>8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 6 a.m. Quest Men's Study ● Amigos Days 	<p>9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Amigos Days ● 5-9 p.m. Date Night
<p>17 <i>Palm Sunday</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 8, 9:30, 11 a.m. Worship "24 Hours" ● Mozambique Auction Ends ● 9:30 a.m. Connections Class ● 3 p.m. Confirmation & Short Course ● 5 p.m. Re-Ignite ● 6 p.m. All-Church Talent Show 	<p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 6:30 p.m. Basic Yoga 	<p>19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 7 a.m. Sr. High Prayer Breakfast ● 11 a.m. JOY Lunch - Alzheimer's Speakers 	<p>20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 12 p.m. Life Journal ● 6 p.m. Re-Ignite ● 6:10 p.m. Pioneer Club ● 7 p.m. Chancel Choir ● 7:30 p.m. Orchestra 	<p>21 <i>Maundy Thursday</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 6 p.m. All-Church Pot Luck ● 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship ● 7 p.m. Caregiver Support 	<p>Confirmation Retreat 4/15-17</p>	
<p>24 <i>Happy Easter</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 8, 9:30, 11 a.m. Worship "24 Hours" ● Feed the Homeless for Easter ● 9:30 or 11 a.m. Connections Class - Membership Sunday ● No Confirmation ● No Re-Ignite 	<p>25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 6:30 p.m. Basic Yoga 	<p>26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 7 a.m. Sr. High Prayer Breakfast 	<p>27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 12 p.m. Life Journal ● 6 p.m. Re-Ignite ● 6:10 p.m. Pioneer Club ● 7 p.m. Chancel Choir ● 7:30 p.m. Orchestra 	<p>28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Re-Ignite Rosa's Day - Eat at Rosa's and help Re-Ignite 	<p>22 <i>Good Friday</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 6 a.m. Quest Men's Study ● 9 a.m.-7 p.m. - Day of Prayer ● 7 p.m. Good Friday Worship 	<p>23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 10 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt ● 5 p.m. Saturday Easter Service

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