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New Kids' Fall Festival Builds on Trunk or Treat

All the kids in the community are invited to dress up in costume and come out to Trietsch's Family Life Center for an awesome Fall Children's Festival on Sunday, October 30, 4-6:30 p.m.

They'll start the fun with trunk or treating, going from car to car to collect treats. Adults can hand out the candy, and decorating your trunk is encouraged! Donation baskets for candy will be at the Faith Voyage and Early Childhood Information Desks leading up to the event.

But this year, trunk or treat is only the beginning of the festivities! Stick around for games, food, fun and a Chili Cook-Off, open to all families, kids, small

groups and individuals wishing to participate. Entry fee for the Chili Cookoff is \$25. Registration deadline is Oct. 16. Register at the Connection Center table on Sundays or in the church office during the week. Contact Ashley O'Rourke at 972-567-0819 or ashley-orourke@tx.rr.com for chili cook-off information.

In addition to collecting treats, please bring a "treat" for those less fortunate as well. A special "trunk" will be set up to collect canned goods for the food pantry at Christian Community Action. Let's see if we can fill an SUV with food!

Volunteers are welcome. Contact Stefani Inskeep at stefanii@tmumc.org.

Bringing Health Info to Women for Free

Each of us is given the gift of mind and body. How we care for both is up to us. Take control of your health and happiness, and create a state of wellness during a fun-filled day that celebrates women at the Trietsch Women's Health Symposium. It's an opportunity to let your inner diva soar! The Symposium seeks to empower women with the knowledge and resources to take charge of their health.



All women are invited to the free Women's Health Symposium on October 22 at 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (registration & refreshments at 8 a.m.) with noted speakers from the health care field. Bring your friends! No registration is required; just show up. Childcare is available with a 48-hour advance reservation to 972-539-8547, ext. 299.

The symposium will be filled with enlightening health perspectives from a panel of experts and giveaways and prizes. Topics and speakers include:

- Women's Heart Health - Tung Cai, MD, Cardiovascular Surgeon
- Skin Cancer Basics – Raising Awareness - Angela Shedd, MD, Dermatologist
- Mental & Emotional Health - Elizabeth Wells, MS, LMFT, Marriage & Family Therapist
- Improving American Eating Habits in a Super Size-Me World - Bernadette Latson, MS, RD, LD, Assistant Professor of Clinical Nutrition at UT Southwestern Medical School

The Women's Health Symposium provides vital health information, inspiring healthy lifestyle choices that lead to healthier women, healthier families and ultimately, healthier communities.

The Women's Health Symposium is sponsored by Trietsch Women in Christ For more information, contact Verna McDonald at vamcdonald@verizon.net or 972-317-4243.

Healing and Communion

A Service of Healing and Holy Communion will be held in the Sanctuary on Sunday, October 23, at 7 p.m. In addition to receiving the sacrament of Holy Communion, you will have the opportunity to be anointed with oil, which signifies

the healing presence of the Holy Spirit. God offers healing, wholeness, balance and harmony of the body, mind, spirit and relationships through confession, forgiveness and reconciliation. The service lifts up and celebrates God's healing power in our lives.

Contact Rev. Joe Shafer at joes@tmumc.org. Childcare is available with a 48-hour advance reservation to 972-539-8547, ext. 299



Concert Benefits Imagine No Malaria

The Imagine Project, a family-friendly concert to benefit Imagine No Malaria, is Oct. 22, 7-9 p.m. Tickets are \$5 at the door.

The concert includes a variety of music and dance, including headliner Taylor Thrash, a teenage singer/songwriter from Dallas. With his EP only out for four months, Taylor was named one of the Top Unsigned Artists of 2010 by purevolume.com. Get a sneak peek at taylorthrash.com.

Five dance studios are slated to appear, including Dance Unending Dance Company, Votum Dance Company, A Time to Dance, Dance Reflections and Footlights Dance Studio.

It's a night you won't want to miss! So bring the kids and support Imagine No Malaria.

Visit tmumc.org for more details.



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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Have You Prayed Today?

Have you made time to pray today? What is the content of those prayers? When was the last time you prayed with your children? Your spouse? How often do you pray? Do you pray for our church and its ministries?

Prayer is critically important to our life as Christian. In fact, prayer may be the most important aspect of our life as a Christian. We live in difficult times that demand the best of our Christian discipline. I believe that no one can survive as a Christian if they do not pray.

The words "pray" and "prayer" are used over three hundred times in the Bible. We find Jesus in prayer in times of need and distress. We can easily assume that Jesus began and ended each day in prayer. Our Lord Jesus knew the importance of prayer. How can we expect to build a life full of hope and possibility without prayer?

Prayer is the heart beat of every church. Without it we are lost. Prayer keeps us connected to what God would have us do. We



Dr. John Allen
Senior Pastor

want to provide opportunities for learning and growth in prayer. As pastor, I pray that all our members and especially our leaders are prayer led.

As we finish 2011, the next 90 days will be critical for the life and future of this church. We have opened the new Family Life Center and now we begin the task of creating new ministries to bring individuals and families closer to Christ. Many volunteers will be needed for these new ministries. We will be finishing the calendar year with all the stress of paying bills and balancing books. We will plan for 2012 and beyond.

I believe God is leading this church to do great things for Christ. Let us pray for God's leadership and wisdom.

Join me in making prayer the most important part of our lives. Prayer will make a difference.

*"Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."
Thessalonians 5:16-18*

Could We Mother a New Church Plant?

Dear Church Family,

Serving as your Lay Leader, I not only have the opportunity to attending every business meeting held at Trietsch, I also have the opportunity to represent Trietsch at meetings held by The North Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Just this month I attended a meeting on planting new churches held by The North Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church. Since Jim Ozier left Trietsch to become the Director of New Church Development and Congregational Transformation, both Jim and our new District Superintendent, Frank Alegria, also attended this seminar, as they both were speaking!

While Jim did say to tell all of you "Hello!" in his seminar he delivered quite a few good points that really hit home to me! One of the things he talked about was things that attract new people to churches.

Think about what first attracted you to Trietsch? Was it because we were doing something new and different here, or did you hear about a great program that we have (TEC, VBS, Musicals, etc) from somebody in the community, who had experienced some of our wonderful programs?

Young people are the future of the church! They have an entrepreneurial spirit; they like things that are new and different and maybe edgy! If you think about where we live, (the Flower Mound area) EVERYTHING here is practically BRAND new!

Our children don't know about "older areas" but if you lived in an older neighbor and walked past the same old church every day, you would probably never stop in to visit it on your own.

Somebody would have to invite you, or you would have to know about some great program that church offered, before you would decide to stop in and check it out!

Trietsch is fortunate to have one of the youngest median ages of The North Texas Conference, since we have so many youth in our Confirmation Class each year!

Adding 100+ 12-year-olds to our membership roster each year certainly helps us slide down the scale as opposed to congregations that don't have strong youth groups, or any youth at all, but simply have a congregation that is simply growing older each year.

Those churches unfortunately are some of the churches that we as a conference are potentially having to close.

The good news, that because the Conference understands that young people are pulled toward new and exciting things, the Conference is taking steps to plant 15 new churches right here in North Texas! Isn't that amazing?

Jim talked about the six steps that it takes to plant new churches, they are finding the

- 1) Right Place or Mission Field
- 2) Right Planter (Pastor)



Suzanne Sutton
Lay Leader

3) Right Mother Church (and that's little bit about what I want to talk about below!)

- 4) Right Strategy
- 5) Right Funding Plan
- 6) Right Timing

Many of you may remember in June 2002, John McLarty came to join us on the Trietsch Staff, to understand and absorb some of the Trietsch DNA! He spent a little over one year with us, and in September 2003, he left to start the church we planted, Faith United Methodist Church in Corinth!

Over the past few years we have done some things to continue to support Faith, but Jim made it crystal clear to me, that we have not been doing enough!!

He talked about the role of the "Mother Church" —

that's Trietsch for Faith. What does a mother do?

We invest our time in our children! We spend time with them! We teach them as they grow! We make them part of our culture wherever we are! We carry pictures of our children and tell everybody we know every little thing they are doing!

Even after they have left home, we write them cards and notes and tell them how much we love them and how we are supporting them! As mothers, we care for our children!!

I found myself thinking, "Ugh, what have we done for our child named Faith lately?" I was thrilled later that same week to receive a Facebook invitation from John McLarty, to be a part of the Faith foundation pouring "Sign the Slab Party."

Unfortunately I spent most of that day, right here at Trietsch, worshiping, attending a finance meeting and then accompanying my daughter to the Youth Open House! I was able to send John McLarty a Bible verse to have inscribed in the slab but I want to encourage us as a congregation to think about how Trietsch can help the 15 new churches that are being planted right now!

NONE of the above "Mothering" activities require us to invest money, they all just need a little time investment!

Do you have 15 minutes a month you could spend writing an encouragement letter to a start up church planter or pastor?

Could you create a little news blurb to place in our newspaper or email newsletter to keep us all ever mindful that others are trying to bring people to Christ outside the walls of our specific church?

Could you include these new churches in your prayers AND remind us that we need to be supporting them with prayer too?

There are so many ways we can help grow "the church!" Are we really doing all that we can with the resources that we have? I find myself pondering that question!

If you think this is a place where you would like to get involved, can you please send me a quick email! Suzanne_sutton@verizon.net! Thanks so much!

Blessings Abound! Suzanne

"He Calls Them All By Name"

"He counts the number of the stars;
He calls them all by name." Psalm: 147:4

When people visit conventions, or large meetings, name tags are part of the routine so people can greet one another by name. When social clubs get together where there are potential new faces, name tags help break the ice.

In a church this size, calling one another by name can be a challenge. To help us meet that challenge, we encourage wearing nametags to worship and other church activities. Wearing a nametag builds community and helps others, especially our visitors and newcomers feel at home and it is a welcoming invitation for people to be sociable.

It would be great if we could greet everyone by name if we see them in the hall (not just our friends we know well).

We can also welcome those that are not wearing nametags, which would help us identify visitors. Everyone likes to be noticed and it feels welcoming. It is hard to remember everyone's name you meet, so this helps everyone know



that their presence means something.

If you have lost your nametag or need one, Trietsch offers permanent nametags for anyone who would like one. You do not have to be a member. You can request a nametag at the Sanctuary Information Desk on Sundays or in the church office anytime.

Nametags are usually ready to pick up by the next Sunday at the Information Desk.

In the meantime, temporary nametags are available at the Information Desk.

If we all wear our nametags, think of how many relationships we can build.

Thank You and Good-Bye: Serenity to Move to New Site in January

By John Featherston
Pastor, Serenity Church

"I was a stranger and you invited me in..." (Matt. 25:35)

Almost exactly four years ago, Serenity Church was struggling to get on our feet. We were a brand new movement of God's people, a true "mission church," committed to taking Christ to drug addicts, alcoholics, and an incredible variety of profoundly "broken" folks in the 12-Step recovery community. Over the previous year, God had planted the seeds and began assembling the people that He would use to do this new thing for Him. What we desperately needed was a place to meet, welcome them, and worship.



Featherston leads Serenity in prayer before announcing their move to a dedicated space

I had a long, deep, relationship with Trietsch — rooted in many years of involvement in the Emmaus Community. Many of the sweetest relationships in my life are part of the Trietsch family. I knew you. I knew who you are. I knew that God had built Trietsch deeply rooted in serving the community around you and meeting people's needs. Based on all of that, I came and asked for a place to build this new thing. Your response was exactly what I knew it would be. You threw open your doors to us and made us much more than welcome!

As a result, God has done more than we could ask for or imagine since we came to your home. We've added several ministries to our outreach that have all exploded. The number of people who are a faithful part of us has much more than doubled. We now regularly minister, feed, and clothe hundreds of homeless folks in the name of Christ. We had three teenagers when we came to you. This summer, over 30 went on our youth group mission trip. There are people who had no hope who have Christ today. There are people who were dying who are alive today. All of that was



possible because you threw open your doors to us and gave them a place to find all of that.

We have reached a point in this movement of God where we need a permanent place to minister all week. It takes us 4-5 hours every Saturday to set up, take down, and store away the equipment that we need in the Ministry Center. We desperately need offices and a permanent location where we can meet, be reached, and minister all week. We've had a strong relationship with a

church in The Colony that will be moving into wonderful new facilities by the end of the year. They have offered to permanently install our equipment in their new worship center so we can just show up, plug in, and concentrate on the people around us. They will provide a suite of offices for us to settle into, and minister from, throughout the week. Those opportunities will make it possible for us to move into a whole new level of ministering in our next chapter. We have accepted their offer.

It's so important to us that our family at Trietsch understand how deeply we love you, how grateful we are to you, and that your place in our hearts will not change at all with a few miles of distance between us. You will always be beloved family to us. If we can ever bless you — all you need to do is call, and we'll come running. If we need you, you have proven to us over and over that all we need to do is ask. We'll still be right down the hall every Saturday night for the next few months. Please drop in, worship with us, and give us a chance to love on you! May God richly bless you...as you so richly bless us.

Two Ways to Connect to the Trietsch Family

Lunch with the Pastor

Are you new to Trietsch? Are you considering membership here? Have you recently joined the Trietsch family of faith?

If so, we invite you to Lunch with the Pastor on October 23, 12:15-2 p.m. in the Ministry Center.

Lunch with the Pastor is an opportunity for you to meet other visitors and new members and to ask questions of the staff and senior pastor.

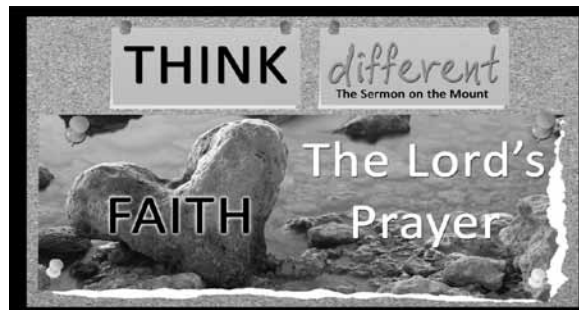
Connections Class

To learn more about Trietsch and meet new people, join our bi-monthly Connections Class. Find out how to get connected to our family of faith. This is our preferred path to membership because it's a great way to get to know the church you're considering joining.

Classes are held the first three Sundays of a month at 9:30 a.m. in room 160. Classes are held during November, January, March, May, August and October. (Note that it begins the second Sunday in January because of the holiday.) The three classes cover how Trietsch aims to complete our mission to know Christ and to make Christ known through Come, Grow and Serve ministries.

RSVP

RSVP to either event to Emily Evans, connections coordinator, at emilve@tmumc.org or 972-539-8547, ext. 204.



Sermons on the Lord's Prayer

Have you ever had the experience of driving down the same road so often that you get to a point where you don't notice your surroundings? This may be the case with the Lord's Prayer. We say it so often that we're often on "auto pilot" as we go through the verses. Zoom, we cruise past "thy kingdom come" and "give us this day our daily bread," and we hardly take in the words we said. Starting Oct. 2, for six weeks, we start a new sermon series focusing on the Lord's Prayer and what it means for us today.



Brownies Collect Food

Each Brownie from Troop 2812, which meets at Trietsch, brought 10 pounds of food for CCA in learning about world hunger.

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

Re-Ignite Weekly Events

Sunday School — All youth classes are located in the Family Life Center. At the 9:30 hour, Junior High meets in room FL231, and Senior High meets in FL240. At 11, grades meet in the following classrooms -- 6th grade -- FL140; 7th grade -- FL141; 8th grade -- FL 142; 9th grade -- FL230; 10th grade -- FL240; 11th grade -- FL 241; 12th grade -- FL 242.



Sunday Evening Supper & Small Groups — Re-Ignite Youth gathers every Sunday evening from 5-7 p.m. in the Family Life Center. All Junior & Senior High are invited to participate in small groups and a snack supper.

Senior High Prayer Breakfast — Senior high students are invited to join us for a prayer breakfast before school on Tuesday mornings. Meet on the 2nd floor of the Family Life Center, 7-8 a.m. We'll provide the breakfast!

Wednesday Evening Worship — All youth are invited to Wednesday Evening youth events in the Family Life Center. A Growing Deeper Bible Study is in room FL230 from 5-6 p.m., followed by Re-Ignite Wednesdays Dinner & Worship from 6-8 p.m.

For Games — After the Game

After four quarters of the high school football game, we invite you to join us Friday evening, October 28, from 9-11:30 p.m. for food, fun and games! 5th Quarter is for all 6th-12th graders whether you have attended the Friday night football game or not!



Confirmation Picnic

6th graders are invited to the Confirmation Picnic on Oct. 16, 3-4:30 p.m. You need not be registered for Confirmation to attend. For more information, contact Leann White at leannw@tmumc.org.

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.

Uth Kwior Bake Sale

Visit the Connection Center on October 9 to visit the Uth Kwior's Bake Sale to pick up some fresh, homebaked goodies. All funds will support the group's summer choir tour. The Uth Kwior also sings in worship on October 9.

Security Training Available Online

Trietsch has made security training more convenient for anyone who wants to work with children or youth. All adults volunteering at VBS, other summer camps, Sunday school or any other capacity.

The Safe Sanctuary training is now available online. Go through the presentation and correctly answer the questions at the end. Background check forms are also available online. Contact Kellie Sanford at kellies@tmumc.org.

48-Hour Childcare Reservations

We now request that all childcare reservations be made at least 48 hours in advance to ext. 299. For more information, contact Jenny Torson, childcare coordinator, at ext. 268 or jennyt@tmumc.org.

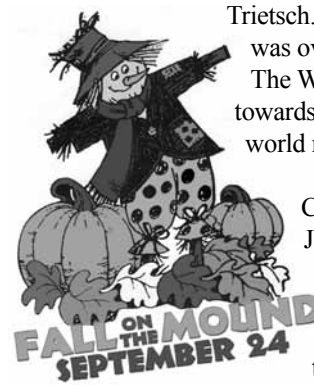


5,000 Shop Fall on the Mound; Women Earn \$22,000 for Ministries

On September 24, Trietsch hosted its 19th annual Fall on the Mound Arts and Crafts Show. It was a beautiful fall day that brought out an estimated 5,000 people to shop from 250 booths of arts and crafts. Booths were located in the FLC & main building as well as outside.

Fall on the Mound is the primary fundraiser for Trietsch's Women in Christ, which donates to the Methodist Children's Home, provides scholarships for students, helps pay for church childcare services, and other missions.

Several church ministries participated in the craft show. These groups were the Baptism Quilters, the Adult Choir, Christians Cut-ups and Missions of



Trietsch. The revenue raised by the craft show was over \$22,100 for all ministries combined. The Women's Ministry will allocate their funds towards Trietsch ministries as well as local and world missions.

This year's Fall on the Mound Committee members are Kaye Sandridge, Jan Deering, Peggy Zappavigna, Melva Jones, Ruth Hamilton, Trish Sims and Joan Dorr.

The FOM Committee appreciated all the wonderful volunteers that helped make

this event possible and looks forward to next year's show on September 22, 2012. If you would like to be a part this ministry next year please contact Kaye Sandridge at k.sand@verizon.net.



Sports Expand in FLC

Drop-In Basketball

Devoted to Basketball is an early morning drop-in basketball and devotion for men. Join us Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6-8 a.m. and Saturdays, 7-9 p.m. Showers are available. Contact Rand Egge at randegge@verizon.net.

Walk in Faith

Walk in Faith to strengthen both your body and soul. This weekly devotional and walking group will meet Thursdays, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Various walking paces will be accommodated.

No registration is required; simply show up. Childcare is

available with a reservation to ext. 299. Contact Beth Lutz at bethl@tmumc.org.

Pickleball

Pickleball is a fun game that is played on a badminton court with the net lowered. It is easy for beginners to learn, but can develop into a quick, fast-paced, competitive game for experienced players. Play is open:

- Seniors (over 50ish) — T/Th 1-3p.m.
- Youth (6th-12th) — Tues. 4-6 p.m. (Gym volunteers needed)
- Adult (18+) — Tues, 7-9 p.m.



TOGETHER... We Make a Difference

As part of our Stewardship Campaign, we have been highlighting our **COME, GROW & SERVE Ministries** over the past few weeks. During the three weeks of our **COME Ministries**, we gave out Prayer Tents, Invitation Cards and Door Hangers for you to share. We have had such a positive response to these items. We heard wonderful stories of how they were used to invite friends, family and neighbors to worship and other events. The Invitation Cards can give you the opening to talk to people about Trietsch and tell them what we are all about. They are a great tool to share our excitement with others.

We have loved the stories from families using the Prayer Tents at the dinner table and reciting the prayers and scriptures as re-enforcement for their spiritual journey. You can pick up extra Prayer Tents, Invitation Cards and Door Hangers at the "Together... We Make A Difference" table in the Connection Center on Sundays or in the office throughout the week.

October 2 begins three weeks of focusing on our **GROW Ministries**. If you have not received your GROW

Brochure in the mail, there are extras in the Pew Pockets in the Sanctuary and all around the church. There are hundreds of ways to **GROW** your faith at Trietsch. Many are small, intimate gatherings, to large studies and classes, so stop by the table on Sundays and check out all the opportunities.

On October 9 we will have available the CEB New Testament. The Common English Bible translates the words and insights of the Bible from the everyday language of the original texts to our everyday language. It also includes a 90-day reading plan to finish the New Testament in 90 days, which is made easier with this translation.

Then on October 23, we begin our three week focus of our **SERVE Ministries**. We are very excited about the hands-on opportunities for all of us to come together and make a difference.

On October 23, we celebrate the grand opening of our new Mission Matters. Check out the details in this newsletter. This will also kick off our **Homeless Mats Sunday**. We ask you to start collecting all your plastic grocery bags now and bring them to church by October 23. You will have the opportunity

to see Homeless Mats being made, take home kits to crochet on your own (complete instructions included) or take home bags to cut up into "plarn" (plastic yarn). You can also sign up to help deliver mats to the homeless.

On October 30 it is **Undie Sunday**. Bring packages of new underwear for local charities that are desperately in need of these items for children and adults. This is also the Fall Festival and we encourage you to bring non-perishable food items to help the CCA Food Pantry.

On November 6 it is **Holiday Food Sunday**. During the holiday season, CCA provides 1600 holiday food baskets at Thanksgiving and Christmas. These baskets provide all of the fixings for the traditional holiday meal. We have committed to providing the Sugar, 2 lbs., Flour, 2 lbs. and cans of evaporated milk. Everyone bring these items on November 6 and we will be able to provide for every single basket!

As you can see we have our work cut out for us, but when we all pull together, it lightens the load for all of us.

Together... We Make A Difference!

Time to Pause Women's Retreat

Do you hunger to have time alone with the Lord and have the opportunity to go deeper into relationship with Him? January 27-29, 2012, women will gather for teaching, reflecting, sharing and solitude at Selah Inn on the Ranch in Mt. Vernon. The weekend will begin with dinner on Friday night, then three wonderfully delicious and wholesome meals on Saturday and a brunch on Sunday morning before returning home. Go to selahranch.com to get an idea of the Texas luxury of Selah Inn.

To secure your reservation, a deposit is required (check made out to TMUMC and marked SELAH). Contact Jan Deering for payment information at jan.deering@verizon.net.

"Unmet Expectations" Next Topic for TT & FFF

Each month at First Friday Feast and Thirsty Thursday, the speakers are "Shining the Light on..." a women's interest topic.

In November, Suzanne Sutton shines the light on "Unmet Expectations." Invite your friends, and join us for women's quality time.

Thirsty Thursday is Nov. 3, 7 p.m. with a light dinner available for \$5. First Friday Feast is Nov. 4, 11 a.m. with an \$8 catered lunch. Both meet in the Family Life Center, room 130. Purchasing a meal is optional, and either event is free without the meal option (although we still ask for reservations so we know how many to expect).

Register at tmumc.org and pay by cash or check at the door. Free childcare is available with a 24-hour advance reservation to 972-539-8547, ext. 299.

You can "opt-in" for monthly reminders about FFF/TT at tmumc.org. Contact Lisa Worley at lbworley@verizon.net or Diane Presley at dianep@tmumc.org for details.



Seniors Day at the State Fair



Join JOY (Just Older Youth), Trietsch's Senior Ministry for a day at the State Fair of Texas. Meet at the Lewisville Old Town Train Station at 9:30 on Tuesday, Oct. 18. We'll ride to the fairgrounds, where we'll get in for free because it's Senior Day! We'll leave the fair at 3 p.m., arriving back at Lewisville at 4 p.m. The train ride is \$2. Register

with Candy Wade at 972-571-1953 or candywade@verizon.net or in the Connection Center on Oct. 9 or 16.

Join the Choir for Christmas and Mozart's Requiem

Trietsch's Chancel Choir will soon start working on music for Christmas. Join the Choir this holiday season to sing some fun, festive, holiday favorites! The Christmas Concert is Dec. 10 & 11.

We're also preparing some indescribable music — performances of Mozart's Requiem are Nov. 4 at the Garland Civic Center and Nov. 5 in the Trietsch sanctuary with the Flower Mound Symphony Orchestra. (Details soon at tmumc.org.)

Everyone is welcome! We rehearse on Wednesday nights at 7 p.m. in the Adult Choir Room (room 165). Childcare is available with a 48-hour advance reservation to ext. 299. Standing reservations are OK. Contact Karen Chraska at ext. 211 or karenc@tmumc.org.

See What Trietsch Men Are Doing

Scott Turner —community leader, motivational speaker, former candidate for U.S. Congress, and NFL defensive back for nine seasons — has always been known for his character, passion, and dedication to service.

The Men of Trietsch welcome Scott as their speaker for the October 15 breakfast, 8 a.m. in the Ministry Center. All men are welcome to attend the breakfast; no reservations are required.

In 1990, Scott secured an academic/athletic scholarship to the University of Illinois, where he played football, ran track, and achieved a degree in speech communications, and most importantly, met Robin, his wife of 12 years. Scott is currently completing his Masters in Human Resource Development at the University of Illinois through correspondence.

Scott's professional football career began in 1995, when he was drafted by the Washington Redskins. His three years with the Redskins earned him a Pro Bowl nomination. In 1998, Scott signed with the San Diego Chargers. At that time, Scott and Robin moved to the San Diego area and made it their home. In four years with the Chargers, Scott earned four "Player of the Week" honors and two additional Pro Bowl nominations. He finished his career with the Denver Broncos.

In all of his stops, Scott's leadership on and off the field was always evident. For six consecutive years, his teammates elected him as the team's player representative for the NFL Players Association. Scott's communication and negotiation skills were a valuable asset as he investigated player issues and participated in decision-making at annual meetings.

As Scott's football career came to a close, he spent more time volunteering and speaking in his community and around the nation. In doing so, he became increasingly aware of the need for strong leadership and social change



Former NFL Player Scott Turner speaks at October breakfast

in our country. As a result, in December of 2005, he announced his candidacy for US Congress' 50th Congressional seat in North San Diego.

A man of faith, Scott Turner has also served as an Assistant Pastor in San Diego and currently as a Bible Fellowship leader for Prestonwood Baptist. Scott and Robin have recently made their home in the Dallas area where Scott is Director of Business Development for Systemware, INC.

Future speakers for breakfast for the Men of Trietsch include speaker John Finch on November 19. Find out more about John at theperfectfather.org. Lyndy Phillips (laughwithlyndy.com) speaks at the special December 17 meeting, when men are encouraged to bring their wives.

Time for Fishapalooza

Fly fishing, camping and fun with other men. Join the Men of Trietsch for their next "Fish-a-palooza" on Nov. 17-19 at Beavers Bend, OK.

This is an "un-organized" event. You are responsible for your own transportation, camping gear, fishing equipment, food and license. However, if you want to go, we can arrange for fly fishing lessons, the loan of fishing gear, etc.

It's important to contact Dart West at 972-672-0306 or men@tmumc.org to get on the list and get coordinated.

More Studies to Grow Your Faith

Celebrate Your Marriage Wednesdays, 7-9 p.m., Oct. 5 - Nov. 9, \$15/Couple

Join Bobbye and Ben Watson as they facilitate this laugh-filled yet serious study of how to celebrate your marriage. These six sessions include teaching from the video presentation plus opportunities to discuss and to share experiences and growth on our marriage relationships. The study examines our experiences, provides Biblical insights, encourages practical actions, suggests directions for prayer, and ideas for making our marriage GROW!

In this video series, Jay & Laura Laffoon are real people with real lives walking through a real marriage. As marriage edu-tainers, combining education with entertainment, the



Laffoons put their real marriage on display. Where marriage courses focus primarily on the education, Jay and Laura explore the realities that marriage brings to our everyday lives.

The Me I Want to Be: Becoming God's Best Version of You

Six weeks starts Oct. 5, 6:30-8 p.m. Facilitated by Doug Meyer

If God has a vision for your life, why does spiritual growth seem so difficult? Author John Ortberg has some intriguing answers to that question, and he has organized his thoughts and God's words into a straightforward and timely guide for living your best life. Ortberg helps you gauge your spiritual health and measure the gap between where you are and where God intends you to be.

Christmas Ornaments

The Trietsch Missions Team has been hard at work not only with the creation of our new *Mission Matters* (our new Mission area/market located in room 272), but with planning two new Christmas ornaments.

There are two ornament choices - one is \$8 and is based on a design by a Trietsch member on the theme *Family Life*. The other is a brass rendition of our Trietsch Chrismon Tree for \$20. Sales benefit *Mission Matters* and Trietsch Missions.

To help us with ordering, pre-order sales begin on Oct. 9 - 23. After that, orders can be placed at *Mission Matters* while available. Ornaments can be picked up starting Nov. 20. Contact Rev. Diane Presley at ext. 302 or dianep@tmumc.org.

Traveling Church

The Traveling Church is a program designed to bring our faith to local assisted living homes. Our volunteers will take music, a short devotional, a prayer time and hymns to the Flower Mound Assisted Living Home right in front of us for their worship experience on Sunday mornings.



This is a great way to develop your own faith and share it with others. Come to an info meeting on Sept. 13 at 6:30 p.m. Contact Karen Williams at karenw@tmumc.org.

Keeping Patients Warm

Trietsch kids are collecting blankets all of October for patients receiving dialysis, a procedure performed in a chilly room where patients are often uncomfortable.

You can make a donation or buy the approved blankets, Beautyrest Micro Mink Warming Throw, available online at amazon.com or designerliving.com for \$14 and up.

Visit the children's info desks or put *electric blankets* on your check in the offering plate. Contact Kellie Sanford, director of children's ministries, at ext. 267 or kellies@tmumc.org.

College Care Ministry

Parents, sign up your college students for College Care. Sponsors pray, send cards and sometimes little goodies to help your students feel connected to their home church. Contact Sherry Stewart at sherrystewart@aol.com or 214-663-6618 if interested in signing up your college student or sponsoring a member of the Trietsch family.

Women's Cancer Support

Trietsch's new cancer support group meets the first and third Wednesdays at 7 p.m. This is a time for women to come together and share their questions, concerns and praises they are feeling concerning their journey with cancer. Come for a time of prayer and support, sharing, healing, and a time to listen to others who may be able to help you on this journey. Contact Sharon White at 972-691-6344 or sharon@sharonandtrex.com.



Boy's Ranch Mission Trip

The Circle of Care Methodist Boys' Ranch on Tenkiller Lake just north of Gore, Okla., is a special place.

From Sunday, Nov. 27 to Saturday, Dec 3, we will have the opportunity to serve God by volunteering our time and talents to benefit the residences of this special facility. Volunteer opportunities include carpentry, construction, painting, cooking, sewing, gardening, office help or whatever gifts and talents you can share. There is an RV camp and a lodge bunkhouse on the ranch to stay in. Contact Rev. Diane Presley at dianep@tmumc.org.

Grand Opening of Mission Matters Set for Oct. 23

A dream and vision is now a reality at Trietsch. We have a space dedicated to Missions. The new "Mission Matters" is located in the Main Building near the southwest entrance by the kitchen, right next to the Ministry Center. Our Grand Opening will be Sunday, October 23.

The space is divided into two areas. The first is dedicated to providing you with information on how YOU can get involved in missions — locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally with either your financial support or with hands-on action.

Whether you need info on CCA, making mats for the homeless, fire victims in Texas, the Oklahoma Boys' Ranch mission trips, the tsunami in Japan, or other missions, the contact numbers and descriptions of how to support these missions or get involved will be available.

This area will be open anytime the church is open.

The other portion of the "Missions Area" is dedicated to a Fair Trade Market and bookstore. Unique, handmade gifts created by artisans in developing nations with limited or no access to markets to sell their wares are available. Select a gift for yourself or a friend and help these artisans create an income to support their families.

Many of their personal stories are available on a gift card provided with your purchase.

The bookstore is available for your convenience. Enjoy a book on Christian Lifestyle, Missions and Service, Green Living, Finance, etc. You can also purchase your Bible Study books.

MISSION MATTERS



We can order many kinds of books for you too — just ask!

We want to be your bookstore — offering convenience, discounts, and no shipping costs on most items. Your purchases go to support the missions of Trietsch.

Initially, the store area will be open Sundays from 9 to 12:30; Wednesdays from 9 to 9, Thursdays from 9 to 1 and during special events as appropriate.

The area was created with no budgeted funds. Generous donors and a group of dedicated volunteers offered their support, time and talents.

However, there is still a need for more volunteers to become part of this exciting new area in the church. We need communications and sales team members and hosts in the area on Sunday morning.

If you would like more information or want to get involved, contact Rev Diane Presley at dianep@tmumc.org or Diane Bishop.

Coming soon — Fair Trade coffee, tea and chocolate as well as the opportunity to donate books to the bookstore and, in turn, purchase books at greatly reduced prices.

Is God Calling You to Stephen Ministry



Have you ever heard someone say, "That is the pastor's job," when referring to some aspect of ministry? Ministry is not just the job for (or better yet, the opportunity) of the clergy. The opportunity and responsibility for doing ministry has been given to all Christians. The upcoming

Stephen Ministry training class is a chance to be trained and equipped for doing ministry. Talk to any of our Stephen Ministers; they will tell you that it is a joyous privilege to share Christ's love with others.

You will learn many skills that will be valuable in your personal life as well. Also, the satisfaction of helping another person is a wonderful blessing. After training, Stephen Ministers are paired with individuals needing support. Visit the Connection Center table Oct. 10, 17 & 24 to find out more. Contact Joe Shafer, associate pastor for congregational care, at ext. 203 or joes@tmumc.org. Is this chance for ministry the one for you? Think about it

Christian Witnessing Training Class Soon!

An instruction class on Christian Witnessing will be held Sunday, Oct. 30, 2-3:30 p.m. in room 110. One of the promises United Methodists make when they join the church is to uphold the church with their witness. But, how do you do it so that it is effective and not an affront to others?

The class, led by Rev. Joe Shafer, will explore a variety of ways of witnessing. Each participant will be encouraged to discover the ways of witnessing that come natural for them.

Register at the church office, 972-539-8547. Child care is available with a 48-hour notice by calling the church office, ext. 299. For information, contact Rev. Shafer at ext. 203 or joes@tmumc.org.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 ● 8, 9:30, 11 a.m. Worship - Sermon Series - <i>Think Different: Faith - The Lord's Prayer</i> ● 5 p.m. Re-Ignite Sundays ● 6 p.m. Christian Believer Study begins	3 ● 6:30 p.m. Basic Yoga	4 ● 7 a.m. Senior High Prayer Breakfast	5 ● 12 p.m. Life Journal ● 5 p.m. Re-Ignite Bible Study ● 6 p.m. Re-Ignite Youth ● 6:30 p.m. The Me I Want ● 7 p.m. Celebrate Marriage ● 7 p.m. Cancer Support ● 7 p.m. Chancel Choir ● 7:30 p.m. Orchestra	6 ● 11:30 a.m. Walk in Faith ● 7 p.m. Thirsty Thursday	7 ● 6 a.m. Quest Men's Study ● 11 a.m. First Friday Feast ● 6 p.m. Single Souls Support Group	1 ● 7 a.m. Men's B-Ball 8 ● 7 a.m. Men's B-Ball
9 ● 8, 9:30, 11 a.m. Worship - Sermon Series - <i>Think Different: Faith - The Lord's Prayer</i> ● Uth Kwior Sing & Bake Sale all morning ● 5 p.m. Re-Ignite Sundays	10 ● 6:30 p.m. Basic Yoga	11 ● 7 a.m. Sr. High Breakfast	12 ● 12 p.m. Life Journal ● 5 p.m. Re-Ignite Bible Study ● 6 p.m. Re-Ignite Youth ● 6:30 p.m. MOBB ● 7 p.m. Chancel Choir ● 7:30 p.m. Orchestra	13 ● 11:30 a.m. Walk in Faith ● 1 p.m. Pickleball-Seniors	14 ● 6 a.m. Quest Men's Study ● 9:30 a.m. MOBB	15 ● 7 a.m. Men's B-Ball ● 8 a.m. UMM Breakfast
16 ● 8, 9:30, 11 a.m. Worship - Sermon Series - <i>Think Different: Faith - The Lord's Prayer</i> ● 3 p.m. Confirmation Picnic ● 5 p.m. Re-Ignite Sundays	17 ● 6:30 p.m. Basic Yoga ● 7 p.m. Family Caregiver Support	18 ● 7 a.m. Sr. High Breakfast ● 9:30 a.m. JOY - State Fair ● Pickleball-Youth, Adults & Seniors - Times vary	19 ● 12 p.m. Life Journal ● 5 p.m. Re-Ignite Bible Study ● 6 p.m. Re-Ignite Youth ● 7 p.m. Cancer Support ● 7 p.m. Chancel Choir ● 7:30 p.m. Orchestra	20 ● 11:30 a.m. Walk in Faith ● 1 p.m. Pickleball-Seniors	21 ● 6 a.m. Quest Men's Study	22 ● 7 a.m. Men's B-Ball ● 8:30 a.m. Women's Health Symposium ● 7 p.m. Imagine Project Concert
23 ● 8, 9:30, 11 a.m. Worship - Sermon Series - <i>Think Different: Faith - The Lord's Prayer</i> ● 12:15 p.m. Lunch with the Pastor ● 5 p.m. Re-Ignite Sundays ● 7 p.m. Service of Healing and Holy Communion	24 ● 6:30 p.m. Basic Yoga	25 ● 7 a.m. Sr. High Breakfast ● Pickleball-Times Vary	26 ● 12 p.m. Life Journal ● 5 p.m. Re-Ignite Bible Study ● 6 p.m. Re-Ignite Youth ● 6:30 p.m. MOBB ● 7 p.m. Chancel Choir ● 7:30 p.m. Orchestra	27 ● Rosa's Re-Ignite Fundraiser - All Day ● 11:30 a.m. Walk in Faith ● 1 p.m. Pickleball-Seniors	28 ● 6 a.m. Quest Men's Study ● 9:30 a.m. MOBB ● 9 p.m. Re-Ignite 5th Quarter - After the game	29 ● 7 a.m. Men's B-Ball
30 ● 8, 9:30, 11 a.m. Worship - Sermon Series - <i>Think Different: Faith - The Lord's Prayer</i> ● 2 p.m. Christian Witnessing Class ● 4 p.m. Fall Festival with Trunk or Treating ● 5 p.m. Re-Ignite Sundays	31 ● 6:30 p.m. Basic Yoga	UPCOMING DATES				
		● 11/18 Confirmation Lock-In ● 11/6 Connections Class begins ● 11/17-19 Men's Fishapalooza		● 11/27-12/3 Boys Ranch Mission Trip ● 1/27-29 Women's Spiritual Retreat ● 1/29 "Outlive Your Life" Max Lucado study & series begin		

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