#### MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH AUGUST 2023 / VOLUME 4, ISSUE 8

### For the Journey...

The summer is certainly hot ... for ministry opportunities. As the temperature increases in numbers, so have the people who have begun to follow Jesus as His brothers and sisters. July has seen both Horizon Youth Camp and Alto Frio Preteen Camp come and go. Neither went by without making very significant changes in the lives of both adults and students. We had youth and preteen campers come back home different than when they left for camp. What a blessing. We hope to celebrate baptisms for the remainder of the summer months as we fill the baptistry with water. Praise the LORD!

The summer winding down means that school I am blessed to start year twelve as Trinity is ramping up. On August 13th at 4:30 pm we will gather at the church and distribute some written prayer sheets for our schools, teachers, and students. We will then travel to schools in our area to prayer walk the perimeter praying over all that God intends to do this year in students' lives. We are trying to find a prayer captain for each campus who will in turn rally others to join them in praying. If you live near a school, and want to just travel to the school around 5:00, we hope to arrive and begin praying then. If you can't make it to a campus or are not up to prayer walking, we will also have a group of people praying over all the schools through a media presentation in our Family Life Center led by Sue Owens (for those who need air conditioning). We will have

water and information to distribute at 4:30 when we gather. Come and help us pray on site with insight.

God is faithful. We live in a time when it is easy to get discouraged. Remember, God is not surprised by what is taking place. He has assembled His Church to make a difference in these days. We can not only live in this culture at odds with what we believe, but we can actually thrive in this culture as well. Be faithful to serve and move as the Body of Christ. Let's commit ourselves again to make a difference as we pool our stewardship for God's glory and use our talents and gifts to serve Christ.

Baptist Church's pastor but even more blessed to get to travel these days alongside you. You are an amazing people of God. It will be amazing to witness together what God has in store for us.

"Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen." Ephesians 3:20-21

In Christ,

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Cynthia Moreland



Ken & Kathy Widman Mary Taylor



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TRAINING AVAILABLE

Yellow Cap Basic Training

(Age 16 & Up) This training is a prerequisite for all other trainings

Chainsaw Basic Training

. Specialty Training - Classes & Details Online

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www.texasbaptistmen.org/Disaster-Relief Questions? Rick Boles 830.739.8957



### Craft Show by Lanie Ebelt

Guess what time it is? It is time to begin getting set up for our Annual Arts and Crafts Show/Car Show, September 8 & 9. I am so excited to say, as of this writing, we have almost completely filled the FLC with crafters!

This year we will have registration in the Gathering Area and then you can head into the FLC to find that treasure you have been looking for! The Car Show on Saturday will be a great time for the men who come to view that dream car they always wanted.

What we accomplished last year was a blessing from God. He is so faithful. We have several vendors who participated last year returning this year. The number one reason they have responded is because of you! They were "blown away" by the hospitality that our church showed not only to them but to the people of our community who came to the show.

So, we will soon be offering you the opportunity to volunteer. Please pray and ask God to show you what you can do to help. Velma Wilson is in charge of the Hospitality Room and Volunteers (registration, food, walking around to offer assistance, etc.). We will begin offering sign up around the middle of August.

As always, thank you for your prayers and support. This ministry was established as an outreach to Kerrville and the surrounding community to bring people into our church that

they might find a church home. And, all the funds from the show are given to our Missions Program.

To God be the Glory!

Lanie Ebelt & Judy Stevens, Director & Co-Director



## WOW Bible Study Class by Cleo Meadow

Greetings from the WOW Bible study class. If any of you ladies would choose to be in a Bible class of women only, come join us in room 219 at 9:30 AM Sunday mornings. Becky Doyal, our teacher, is teaching in word and deed how to care for and love one another. We have just completed a study of "The Beatitudes" from Jesus's Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5. The curriculum used by the WOW Bible class is from *MASTERWORK*, a quarterly LifeWay Publication. Our next series will be a video Bible study by Priscilla Shirer on *Gideon*.

We have been saddened by the recent loss of two of our dear class members, Mae Beth Hooter in February, and Lynette Bailey in June. We celebrate their Homegoing but will miss them immensely.

We continuously hold each other up to the Lord in prayer. Those who are currently homebound are Toni Carter, Jackie Clark, June Lewis, Helen Puccini, George Ann Schwethelm, Jean St. Clair, Gerry England and Judy Williams. And Glenda Yarbrough is recovering at home from recent shoulder surgery.

Our class gets together on occasion for fun and fellowship. We had an enjoyable Spring Tea Party at the home of Darlene Graham and have decided to make it an annual event. We are planning to get together again soon for a summer social at Loraine Couch's River House for food, fun and games. And Christmas is always a merry event at the decked-out home of Kathy Nicholson.

I want to acknowledge the work and talents of two of our class members: To Marci Newby, who faithfully works many hours a week in our church kitchen to feed the flock; and to Hope Schmidt, who makes and sends out the most beautiful and endearing cards every week to our sick and shut ins.

We will soon be saying good-bye to Tara Mitchell, who is moving to Louisiana. She will be closer to family but very far away from TBC. Praying for all to go well with the move. We will miss you, Tara.

We welcome all women who are seeking a fellowship to study God's Word and meet new friends. If you are looking for a dynamic ladies' Bible class, come join us. Men's Fall Bible Study

Thursdays, 10 - Noon, in the Forge Returning in September

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PART 2 Taught by Bill Parr

Call the church office to sign up

Fall Women's Bible Study Coming in September

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### Part 1 Wednesdays 10 AM-Noon Sep 13th - Nov 29th

Thursdays 6:30-8 PM Sep 14th-Nov 30th



Trinity U meets Sunday evenings at 5 PM.

These discipleship groups are short-term studies designed to mature your faith journey.

**Coming September 10th!** 

### Christian Writer's Group SAVE THE DATE!

Season 2 Starts Wednesday September 6th, 4:15-5 PM, Room 121 All ages and interests welcome

> For more info, contact Marilynne Gray



Sundays

7:00 PM Chapel College & Young Professionals

# Flower Ministry by Judy Southerland

"Oh, how beautiful!" "Are those for me?" These are some of the comments we hear as we walk into a nursing home facility.

The flower ministry is a ministry very few people are aware of. The ministry was started many years ago, we don't know the exact date, by a few folks that began taking the large altar arrangement to the nursing homes. Due to the size of the arrangement, the homes requested they have smaller vases. Residents thought someone had passed away, so they wanted them to enjoy smaller arrangements.

The altar arrangements are given every Sunday by individuals who want to remember special occasions or a special holiday. We take this arrangement and give it a new look by arranging five to seven individual vases.

Jean Ward has been with the ministry

since 2011. She is the person that keeps our records each week as to whom we will send the beautiful flowers. Our floral designer, Pam Case, does a beautiful job giving that special touch to the flowers. Helpers include Patricia Miller, Carrie Overby and Judy Southerland. We are the elves that create the colorful ribbons that go on the vases and deliver them. Each arrangement includes a message from the church that lets the recipient know they are never forgotten and that they are loved.

We invite you to come join us. You will be blessed with the fellowship of this ministry. We meet every Monday at 10:00am in room 121. We know this ministry has blessed many, many people that will never come to our church but they tell others about us.

Please come and see what a difference you can make in someone's life. "As I have loved you, so you must love one another." John 13:34

Connecting & Praying as a Church Family for our schools, teachers, principals, and administrators!





### TBC Back to School Prayer Emphasis

Prayer Walking at the Schools Sunday, August 13 @ 5:00PM (We are forming 10 prayer teams to go out and prayer walk—Call the church office to sign up!)

Midweek Prayer Service Wednesday, August 16 @ 5:00PM Brown Bag Meal & then prayer time for schools, teachers, and administrators at 6:00PM

Open each Sunday morning L Wednesday evening

TBC Prayer Room



Contact Loraine Couch at 830-285-0991 to be a part of the Prayer Room Ministry



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### Music Notes by Stephanie Clarke



Things are about to ramp up in the Worship Ministry as we begin preparations for the holiday season—starting with the Christmas Preview Dinner! If you have attended the Christmas Preview Dinner in the past, you know it's typically a themed dinner event, that we

enjoy food and fellowship while hearing the debut of our Christmas Cantata for the season!

This year's theme is 1950s Sock Hop! Dig out your poodle skirt, slick back your hair, grab a friend, and join us August 27<sup>th</sup> in the Family Life Center at 6:00pm! Everyone is welcome. Be there or be square...

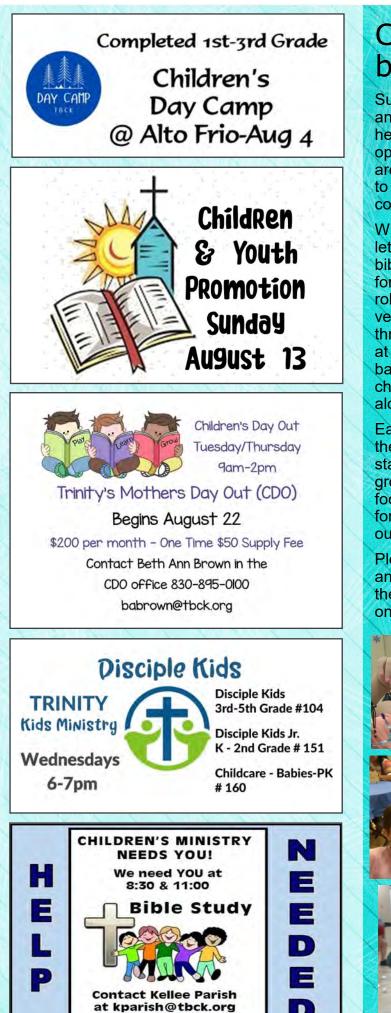
### Worship Choir Returns! Wednesdays at 7:00pm

If you're interested in joining the 11:00 service Worship Choir, your opportunity to jump in at the start of the season is rapidly approaching! Worship Choir starts back up August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Worship Choir sings at 11:00 service every Sunday, and typically sings more traditional anthems. Here's hoping many of our Summer Singers 'graduate' to Worship Choir!

### Early Bird? Check out the 8:30 Praise Choir!

If you like to sing, but prefer an earlier service.... if seating charts aren't your thing, and you like a little more laid-back atmosphere, then you would probably love singing with the 8:30 Praise Choir. The 8:30 Praise Choir sings more contemporary music than the Worship Choir. They meet Tuesdays at 6:00pm in the Worship Center. Call Stephanie in the Church Office if you're interested in joining the Praise Choir.

"I will sing to the Lord all my life, I will sing praise to my God as long as I live." Psalm 104:33



# Children's Day Out (CDO) by Jamie Riordan

Summer is winding down and we are gearing up to start another year of CDO, our Children's Day Out program here at Trinity. We love offering a two day a week option on Tuesday's and Thursday's for parents who are seeking out opportunities to introduce their children to an affordable school setting without a full time commitment.

While children do learn their colors, numbers, and letters while here are at CDO, we also get to help lay a biblical foundation by teaching them about God's love for them, as well as how ordinary people played key roles throughout the Bible. We have monthly Bible verses and focus on individual people of the Bible throughout the year. I believe this will be my tenth year at CDO and there is something so special about going back to the basics of God's love each year with these children. I get to be reminded over and over, right alongside them.

Each week children not only get to learn and grow in their classrooms, but they get to learn from our Trinity staff during chapel, they get to run around and work on gross motor skills in the gym. We have library time focusing on books and songs and we are looking forward to seeing how we can best use our outdoor space for some hands-on learning.

Please join me in praying for the teachers and for each child that will come through the doors this year. It is sure to be a great one!



# Youth Ministry by Wes Henson

July was an incredible month! We were able to take a total of 79 people to camp. Our word for the week was "respond", and our group did a great job responding to how God was leading them. Thank you to everyone who got a prayer card and prayed for a camper. I truly believe we could not have had the week we had without our Trinity family praying for us.

Next, I would like to take a moment to brag on the adult sponsors we took with us. Our female sponsors were: Sharron Hawk, Mica Henson, Marilyn Johnson, Melissa Morris, Shelby Peschel, Abbey Elliston, Lauren Tripp, Cailin Powell and Ryia Neuman. Our male sponsors were: Rick Boles, Clark Elliston, Riley Gordon, James Tripp, Caleb Boone and JD Templeton. These fifteen adults went above and beyond all week in so many ways. They were such a blessing as they endured the heat, poured into our students, and continually pointed our group to Christ. If you see one of these incredible adults around, please be sure to say thank you.

Finally, as we look at the beginning of school and Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion, if you are interested in serving in the Student Ministry, please let me know. We

have needs in a variety of areas, and some areas we don't even know yet! I would love to sit down with you and have a conversation about what role you might could play in the Student Ministry of Trinity Baptist Church.









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### Month in Review - July





Family Gathering Fun!







July 4th Neighborhood Parade







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### **Upcoming Events**

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# September

Sept 4 Church Offices/Bldgs Closed Sept 6 Wednesday Meals begin Sept 6 Christian Writers' Group begins-4:15 Sept 7 Stitchers for Jesus-10:00 Sept 8 & 9 TBC Arts & Crafts/Car Show-9:00 Sept 11 Prime Time Game Day-11:00 Sept 16 First Blessing-8:00am Sept 17 Christmas Choir Rhrsl-1:30 Sept 17 Church Council Mtg-4:00 Sept 24 Member Meeting-4:00 Sept 27 See You at the Pole-7:30am



Oct 1 Christmas Choir Rhrsl-1:30 Oct 2 Prime Time Game Day-11:00 Oct 4 Christian Writers' Group-4:15 Oct 5 Stitchers for Jesus-10:00 Oct 11 Fields of Faith-6:30 Oct 15 Christmas Choir Rhrsl-1:30 Oct 15 Church Council-4:00 Oct 22 Deacon's Mtg-3:00 Oct 22 Family Gath/Member Mtg-4:00 Oct 29 Christmas Choir Rhrsl-1:30

Sundays: Worship 8:30, 9:45, 11:00 (All services streamed) **Bible Study-Adults 9:45** Adults/Youth/Children 11:00 Library Open 12:00 CYP Navigate 7:00 Mondays: Altar Flower Committee 10:00 GriefShare (begins 9/11) Pickleball 10:00 **Tuesdays:** K'ville West Home Group 5:30 Praise Team Rehearsal 6:00 Wednesdavs: Women's Bible Study 10am (Begins 9/13) Pickleball Noon Joyful Strummers 4:00 Fellowship Meal 5:00 (Brown Bag) Library Open 5:15 Mid-Week Bible Study 6:00 **Adults-Family Life Center** (also streamed) TSM Wednesdays-Refinery **Disciple Kids-Room 104** 

TSM Gym Rats-7:00pm <u>Thursdays</u>: Men's Bible Study 10am

Women's Bible Study 6:30 (Begins 9/14) TBC Worship Signers Rehearsal-6:00



Aug 4 Children's Day Camp
Aug 6 Incoming 6th Graders/Families Lunch-Noon
Aug 6 All-Church Pool Party-6:30
Aug 13 Promotion Sunday
Aug 13 Prayer Walking at Schools-5:00
Aug 14 Back-to-School Prayer B'fast & Labyrinth-8:30-4:00
Aug 20 Church Council Mtg-4:00
Aug 22 CDO Begins
Aug 23 Worship Choir starts back
Aug 27 Member Meeting-4:00
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Aug 27 Christmas Music Preview Dinner-6:00