

# Trinity *life*

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## For the Journey...

***"And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down to worship Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented gifts to Him: gold, frankincense, and myrrh."***

Matthew 2:11

I love the Christmas story, all of it. The obedience of Mary and the obedience of Joseph are examples for us all. The devotion of the shepherds to go and see for themselves what was declared in the fields. The offering of travel from the East by the wise men who brought with them gifts for the newborn king. There are so many things that seem to compete with the real story of Christmas, but none of them offer the greatest gift of all.

Every character of Christmas has something to teach us; from obedience to worship, from worship to sacrifice. Once a year is not enough for us to grasp the great love God has poured out for us at Christmas. Remember, as we put up our nativity and carefully wrap the characters of Christmas, we remain on display all year for the world to see what difference the Christmas story makes in our lives. Because of Christmas, we live different lives. As a result of the resurrection, Christmas matters greatly.

We have been blessed in 2023 and are anticipating great things for 2024. We are a

year closer to the LORD's return. There are still people who need to know about Jesus, but we can never share what we do not have.

In 2024, Trinity Baptist Church is being asked to journey together as we read through the New Testament, Psalms, and Proverbs. There will be a reading schedule for each day. We will do our best to get into your hands this schedule as often as it is needed. Our prayer is that there will be a plethora of members who have journeyed together at the end of 2024.

We rejoice in the assembling for almost a year now of our new space. It is a blessing to see how many times and in how many ways we are sitting together and sharing with one another. New Adult education space and student space is being used and we are seeing the fruit of new people almost weekly.

As we begin a new year together, I am reminded of a camp song from years back. "Yes, LORD, yes, to Your will and to Your way. Yes, LORD, yes, I will trust you and obey. What the Spirit speaks to me with my whole heart I'll agree. And my answer will be yes, LORD, yes." I am thankful there are so many who follow the LORD and who have said, "yes" even before they know the question. May we sense God's direction and provision as we walk together.

In Christ,

*Pastor John*







## Night in Bethlehem



Experience the Power...  
The Cross...  
The Risen Christ!

# The Victor

Palm Sunday Weekend  
March 22-24th, 2024

Kerrville  
Easter  
Tradition

**SAVE THE DATE**

## Joy has Dawned Christmas Program





# Crossroads Class by Lanie Ebelt

The Crossroads Class of Trinity Baptist Church is awesome. We are a Bible learning class with great teachers. We are a larger class, but have a very loving and giving spirit. Most importantly, we truly believe in the power of prayer. We have a prayer request line that is always open.

Many members of our class leave following the lesson because we believe in the needs of our church and go and serve in other areas.

Our main teacher is Gary Anderson and we do not use a lesson guide. Gary teaches what the Lord has put on his heart. When he is absent, he has a number of replacements who fill in.

As the director of the class, I want you to know you are welcome to come and check us out any time. I believe you should try all of the classes and "plant" where you are fed. We would love to have you come and give us a try. Our class meets in the Family Life Center which is easy to find and access is great.



Reading  
through the  
New Testament,  
Psalms and  
Proverbs  
together in  
2024!

## BIBLE READING PLAN

**Begins JANUARY 1ST!**

Guides are available in the foyer, church office, &  
online at [tbck.org](http://tbck.org)

## STATEWIDE EVANGELISM CONFERENCE

**January 21-22**  
**Trinity Baptist Church**  
**San Antonio, TX**  
**No overnight stay.**

Early bird pricing: \$25  
\$35 after January 5, 2024

Go to [tbck.org/events](http://tbck.org/events) to find the link to  
register and to view the schedule

Contact the church office at 830-895-0100 to  
reserve a seat on the church bus.

TIME TO SIGN UP FOR THE 2024

# ALTAR



# FLOWERS

Call Stephanie in the Church Office  
830-895-0100

## New Member Reception & Orientation



**Sunday, January 7th**

**4:00pm in the Family Life Center**

*For new members who have joined  
the church since August.*



# Joyseekers Class by Deborah Stern

Happy New Year 2024! With the new year comes an opportunity for a fresh start and new resolutions. If your resolutions include delving deeper into God's Word, please consider checking out the Joyseekers Bible study class on Sunday mornings at 9:45 am.

Joyseekers is a group of warm and welcoming people, who have a desire to read God's Word and dig deeper into the scripture passages by asking questions and engaging in an interactive discussion. We have three wonderful teachers, David Sprouse, Jack Hayslip and Wayne Uecker, who rotate teaching responsibilities. The class utilizes the Explore the Bible study guide that is published by Lifeway. The quarterly studies alternate between Old Testament and New Testament books of the Bible.

The class just completed a study of Mark where we walked with Jesus and his disciples through Jesus' ministry and the final days leading to his crucifixion and resurrection. Starting in December and over the next three months, we will be studying the book of Genesis. Discussions over Genesis chapters 1 and 2 have been very active and so this promises to be another wonderful study.

In addition to the study, each Sunday begins with a time of praise and prayer requests. Kathleen Cook does a wonderful job of capturing these requests and publishing a weekly email so we can pray for our class members and others throughout the week.

If you are looking for a Bible study class, we would love to have you join us any Sunday morning. As a fairly new member myself, I can assure you the welcome will be warm and no pressure applied. Whether you choose to sit back and observe or jump into the discussion, either is welcome.





Scan the code, call the church office or go to [tbck.org](http://tbck.org)

Spring Women's Bible Study

## JOHN

Part 2 - \$10  
Taught by Debbie Williams

Wednesdays 10 AM-Noon  
Jan 10 - Mar 27  
Childcare by Reservation

Thursdays 6:30-8 PM  
Jan 11 - Mar 28



Men's Spring Bible Study

Thursdays, 10 - Noon, in the Forge  
January 11th - March 28th

## GENESIS

PART 3  
Taught by Bill Parr

Call the church office to sign up

9:45 Bible Study Group

Led by Keith & Debbie Williams

Begin 2024 with friends, new and old, at

**"THE BRIDGE"**

Bible Study with Life Application

Meet & Greet January 7th, 9:45, Room 216

## The Bridge Bible Study Class by Keith & Debbie Williams

Welcome to "The Bridge," a new Bible Study class beginning January 7, 2023 at 9:45 am.

We will have an initial Meet & Greet on January 7 to have fellowship with anyone interested in joining us in this Bible Study journey and to share our purpose, mission, and content of the class and the lessons.

Obviously, our desire is to have in depth study of the Bible with life applications. Some series will be on books of the Bible and others will be topical in nature - applying Scripture to the issues of the day.

We plan to create a lively and positive atmosphere in our studies, which will hopefully strengthen our faith, our abilities to defend that which we believe, and better enable us, through fixing our eyes on Christ (Hebrews 12:2), to not conform to the patterns of this world, but to be transformed by the renewing of our minds through Christ; so that we may learn from Him - God's good, pleasing, and perfect will for our lives. Romans 12:2

Initial studies will include 1 & 2 Thessalonians, 1 & 2 Corinthians, Revelation, The Pursuit of Holiness, Transforming Grace, and more.







**Monday**  
**JANUARY 8**  
**12-3 PM**  
**TBC Café**

**Bring Your  
Favorite Game  
and a  
Bag Lunch**

**GENESIS 1 Hikers Are Headed to**

**ENCHANTED ROCK**

**Monday, Jan 15th, Bus leaves TBC at 8:30 AM**  
**Lunch is Dutch Treat at Bella Sera**



**Call the church  
office to sign  
up - Space is  
limited**

**MONDAYS, 10 AM - NOON**  
**JANUARY 8 - APRIL 8**  
**ROOM 221**  
**\$20 FOR MATERIALS**  
**CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE**  
**TO SIGN UP 830.895.0100**

**GRIEF SHARE**

A grief support group that provides help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member or friend

**Prime Time Pot Luck Dinner**  
**Thursday, January 18th, 4:30 PM, FLC**  
**Sharon Taylor will speak about**  
**her African safaris & experiences**



**Call the  
church office  
to sign up**



**NAVIGATE**

...continue to live in him - Col. 2:6

**Sunday Nights**  
**7:00 PM**  
**in The Forge**

**Post High School - 30ish**



**All-Faith Build Days  
for Habitat for  
Humanity!**

**Tuesdays & Saturdays, 8:00 to 12 Noon**  
**beginning Tuesday, January 2.**

A great outreach for individuals, families, and Bible Study classes! Call the church office to find out how you or your group can get involved!



**Stud signing for  
Alexander home.**



**INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING FOR THE  
TEXAS BAPTIST MEN DISASTER RELIEF MINISTRY?**

**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

Register online at  
[www.texasbaptistmen.org/Disaster-Relief](http://www.texasbaptistmen.org/Disaster-Relief)  
Questions? Rick Boles 830.739.8957



**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Women's Ministry Kickoff 2024 Luncheon**

**Sunday, February 4th, Noon**

**in the Family Life Center**

**Guest Speaker: Dawsie Meek**

**RSVP to the church office by February 2nd, Noon**

**Philippians 3:12,14 NIV**



**We are blessed to have such a great Facilities Team!**  
**Thank you Bobby, A.J., Alex, and Conan for taking**  
**such great care of our facilities and for all the extra**  
**things you do!**



# Christma-lympics



## Student Ministry by Wes Henson

2023 was a phenomenal year. We saw several highlights through the year. We continue to see numerical growth. We have more and more adults who are volunteering to invest in the lives of students. We had several students make decisions at camp, and are seeing fruit from many others.

And the best is yet to come.

I'm constantly amazed by the newness of God's working in our lives. No matter how often we think we've seen Him do something we couldn't imagine, he moves in an "only God" kind of way again. And, for that, I am perpetually grateful.

I'm looking forward to what 2024 has to offer as we host a Disciple Now weekend, take an even larger group to the Dominican Republic, celebrate a great group of Seniors (again!), continue to build relationships and get to know new faces, and watch as God works in a way only He can work. It's going to be a great year!

As we kickoff the New Year, join me in praying for God to continue to move, and for our students to learn what it means to respond to God's working in our lives. Pray for our adults as they seek to build relationships that point students to Christ.

Thank You, Trinity family, for all of your support in 2023 and the coming support of 2024.



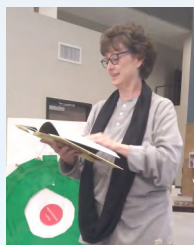


# Children's Ministry by Kellee Parish

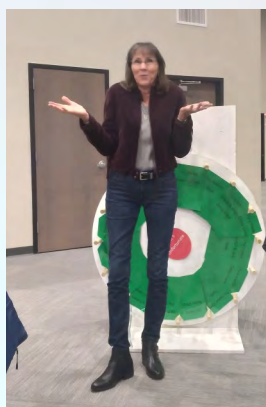
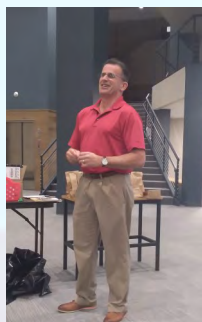
Tres & I are so blessed to get to serve here at Trinity! We have amazing Preschool & Children's teachers and shepherds that we are privileged to minister alongside. Our teachers do a wonderful job of sharing God's word. We are so grateful for our terrific Children's Team!

Thank you, parents, for allowing us to be a part of your kid's lives. We are grateful to get to be involved with all these precious kids!

If your child is in Kinder thru 5th grade, we're back to "Lunch with Mrs. Kellee" this Spring. Please email me at [kparish@tbck.org](mailto:kparish@tbck.org) to schedule a day for me to come to your child's school and have lunch. What a joy to get to spend time with our Trinity Kids.



Children's Ministry  
Christmas Party



TRINITY  
Kids Ministry

Wednesdays  
6-7pm



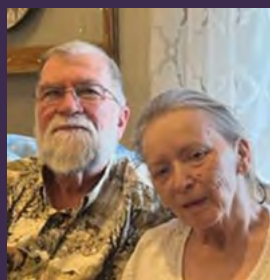
Disciple  
Mission  
Service

Disciple Kids-3rd-5th - #104  
Disciple Kids Jr.-Kinder-2nd - #151  
Childcare PK & Below - #159  
w/Parents in Bible Study

Save  
the  
Date



Mini Kids Camp-June 24-25  
Completed 1st-3rd Grade  
Kids Camp-July 22-25  
Completed 3rd-5th Grade



Kevin & Debi Cooley

Meet our  
Newest  
Members!



Wes & Karen Clogston

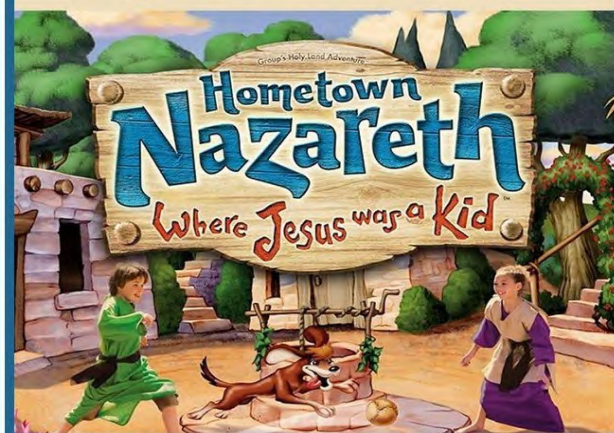


Joan Isham



Derenda Dickey

VBS - Save the Date  
June 10-13, 2024





# Month in Review—December



Prime Time Choir  
at Juniper



Christmas Caroling  
& Fellowship



Christmas Eve  
Family Bible Study  
& Worship



Joyful Strummers  
at Juniper



Genesis 1 Trip to  
Lost Maples



## Upcoming Events



Feb 4 Women's Min Kick-off Lunch-Noon  
Feb 4 Victor Choir R'hrsI-3:30  
Feb 5 Prime Time Game Day-Noon  
Feb 9-11 TSM Disciple Now  
Feb 14 Valentine's Day  
Feb 18 Church Council Mtg.-4:00  
Feb 23 Women's IF Conf.-5:00-9:00pm  
Feb 24 Women's IF Conf.-9:00-4:00  
Feb 25 Victor Choir R'hrsI-3:30  
Feb 25 Member Meeting-4:00



Mar 3 Victor Choir R'hrsI-3:30  
Mar 4 Prime Time Game Day-Noon  
Mar 9 Victor Choir R'hrsI-9:30am  
Mar 10 Daylight Savings Time Begins  
Mar 17 Victor Choir R'hrsI-2:00  
Mar 17 Church Council Mtg.-4:00  
Mar 20 Victor Dress R'hrsI-7:00  
Mar 22-24 Victor Performances-7:00  
Mar 24 Palm Sunday  
Mar 24 Member Meeting-4:00  
Mar 31 RESURRECTION SUNDAY!

## Calendar Events & Ongoing Activities

### Sundays:

Worship 8:30, 9:45, 11:00  
Bible Study-Adults 9:45  
Adults/Youth/Children 11:00  
Library Open 12:00  
CYP Navigate 7:00

### Mondays:

Pickleball 10:00  
Noon Basketball 12:00  
Eagle's Wings Life Group 6:00

### Tuesdays:

Children's Day Out 9:00  
Prime Time Singers 10:00  
K'ville West Home Group 5:30  
Lois Home Group 5:30  
Praise Team Rehearsal 6:00

### Wednesdays:

Women's Bible Study 10am (Begins Jan 10)  
Pickleball Noon  
Joyful Strummers 4:00  
Christian Writer's Group 4:15  
Handbell Rehearsal 4:30  
Fellowship Meal 5:00  
Library Open 5:15  
Adult Mid-Week Bible Study 6:00  
TSM Wednesdays-Refinery-6:00  
Disciple Kids 6:00  
Worship Choir 7:00

### Thursdays:

Children's Day Out 9:00  
Men's Bible Study 10am (begins 1/11)  
Women's Bible Study 6:30 (begins Jan 11)  
TBC Worship Signers Rehearsal-6:00



Jan 1 Church Office/Bldgs Closed  
Jan 2-5 Adult Ski Trip  
Jan 7 New Member Orientation & Reception-4:00  
Jan 7 Youth Worker's After Christmas Party-6:00  
Jan 14 Victor Choir R'hrsI-3:30  
Jan 14 Leadership Orientation-5:00  
Jan 18 Prime Time Dinner-4:30  
Jan 21 Church Council Mtg.-4:00  
Jan 21-22 Evangelism Conf in SA  
Jan 28 Family Gath/Member Mtg-4pm  
Jan 28 Victor Choir R'hrsI-3:30