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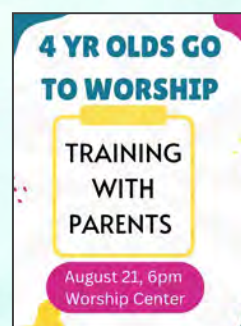
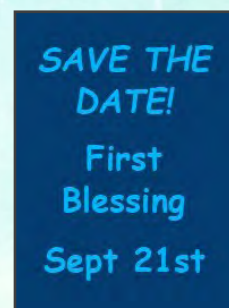
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3rd-5th Grade #104

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PK- 2nd Grade # 151

Childcare - 3's &
159 younger

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New or
Gently Used

YOU ARE INVITED

INCOMING 6TH GRADERS & FAMILIES

Join us for a welcome Lunch!

TRINITY Student Ministry

Sunday, August 4th @ 12:00 in the Family Life Center

BRING YOUR PARENTS

RSVP to Marlene or Wes 830-895-0100

TRINITY STUDENTS PROMOTION SUNDAY

AUGUST 11

6th Graders Welcome!

tbck.org/students



TSM WEDNESDAYS

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7 - SUMMER FINALE! (FINAL GYM RATS)
 14 - EXTREME BINGO
 21 - MS/HS COMBINED
 28 - MS/HS COMBINED
 SEP. 4 - HS CIRCLES KICKOFF



Middle School Theme Night "Olympics"

Thank you to all the ADULT SPONSORS & PRAYER WARRIORS for your support and love for our students while they were at camp!



CHAIR WORKOUTS

Tuesdays and Thursdays
Room 221, 10-11 AM
EVERYONE WELCOME



- *No equipment or prior experience needed
- *Have fun and get healthier using DVD instruction

Questions? Dawna or Pattie
 (830)890-2138 or (512)940-1689

Chair Workouts by Pattie Davis



According to reports, "motion is lotion," and there are numerous benefits of chair exercising. Among those are:

- improved flexibility
- improved balance
- improved circulation
- improved endurance
- pain relief
- improved strength

I don't even like the word "exercise," and have been on a search for something sustainable, knowing the choice is largely mine as to how I choose to go through the inevitable aging process. Will I be able to climb (or go down) stairs? Can I keep up with my grandchildren (or peers) on a casual walk or other activity? More importantly, am I taking care of myself the way God wants me to? There seems to be, as with most change, a ripple effect. That is true both in negative AND positive directions as we attempt to set new habits. When we are trying/succeeding in one area (e.g., movement), it helps us look at related areas (e.g., eating habits, sleep habits, etc.) with more hope we can improve in those as well.

Let the voices of the Trinity ladies speak for themselves. In addition to the common denominator of enjoying being with each other in Christian fellowship: "...makes me stronger, makes me feel so much better, has helped my flexibility and energy, it provides accountability and encouragement, have lost some weight, I can walk up the stairs more easily, more stable on my feet, can climb steps without depending on handrail to pull myself up, I struggle to do 30 minutes alone, but in the class I am able to do an hour!" *Praise the Lord!!*

We share favorite and meaningful scriptures and have "prayer before chair." We seek to glorify God with all we do. Come join the fun, and as our DVD trainer ends each session, "KEEP IT MOVING!!"



GONE FISH'N



Family Fishing Trip
 Sponsored by the
 TBC Men's Ministry
 Saturday, August 3rd
 Inks Lake
 \$10 per person
 6AM - Noon
 Breakfast Provided

RSVP by July 31
 to the church office
 Bus leaves promptly at 6 AM



Monday, August 5th
12-3 PM
in the Café

BRING A BROWN BAG LUNCH
FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

MANY GAMES TO PLAY OR BRING YOUR FAVORITE

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

Saturday, August 17
7:30 AM
in the TBC Café

MOMENTUM
I run straight toward the goal to win the prize... Phil 3:14

Trinity Men's Ministry



NAVIGATE

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

Sunday Nights

7:00 PM

in The Forge

Post High School - 30ish

Flower Ministry by Sharon Grimes

Our church has been sharing the Sunday morning flowers for many years. Every Sunday our church has a flower arrangement in memory of or in honor of a loved one in their lives. A beautiful tribute to someone important in the lives of our church family. On Sunday, the flowers are watered again to keep them fresh. Why, you wonder? On Monday mornings the ladies in the Flower Ministry gather to rearrange the altar flowers in order to share a bit of this love and joy with others. New, smaller arrangements are made to share with our congregation in the hospitals and nursing or assisted living centers. Sometimes they are shared with others experiencing a difficult time in life, released from the hospital or celebrating a major life event. As the flowers are delivered, we visit briefly with those receiving them, often praying with them and sharing God's love and ours. We pray as God leads us for their individual situation. If they are not home, (yes, we call) we leave the flowers at the office for them or deliver them

later in the week.

We maintain a written log to ensure they are shared with many. Before we deliver the flowers, we pray. We pray in thanksgiving for the gift of the flowers, to be able to share the flowers and the joy of rearranging them. We pray for those receiving the love gift, for their health, their spirit and that the flowers may brighten their life and remind them of God's love, as well as the love our church has to share with them.

I just recently joined this group. However, others have served for many years. In the past, I even visited with them as they rearranged the flowers and set off to deliver them. What an amazing ministry that shares the gift of the flowers for the congregation on Sunday morning in church and then shares them with members of our church during the week.

"Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."
Romans 15:13



GriefShare by Pattie Davis

GriefShare is a biblically-based support group "designed to help and encourage persons after the death of a spouse, child, family member or friend" on their journey through their loss to regain equilibrium and move toward healing, hope, and joy.

Each meeting features a video, group discussion, and the use of a personal workbook. The 30-minute videos feature "comments and suggestions by experts in dealing with loss, personal stories of people who are grieving, and enactments of how various individuals have confronted their own situation."

The group discussions, which are completely confidential, offer participants the opportunity to talk about what they heard, to ask any questions they may have, or to learn how something shown in the video or expressed in the discussion by others in the group might apply to their own life.

The workbook has questions, suggestions, and Bible verses which help each person learn how to cope with their loss. For instance, a question or suggestion from the book might offer a new approach to address their loss. Others find their involvement to be a source of comfort or encouragement as they actively participate.

Many people find that grief is a very complex subject and that their needs and solutions may be quite different from those of fellow participants. In sharing one's individual story, someone else might find something that really encourages them. GriefShare is a group of folks on a similar journey, helping themselves while helping each other. It is one of the smaller "communities" we have within our Body of Christ here at Trinity, as participants grow to feel like family.

The next 13-week cycle of GriefShare will begin on Monday, September 9th and end December 2nd. If you would like more information, please contact one of the following persons: Truett Barfield, Pattie Davis, Dawna Hill, or Doug Lusk.



MONDAYS, 10 AM - NOON
SEPTEMBER 9 - DECEMBER 2
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

Month in Review - July



July 4th
Neighborhood
Parade



Habitat for Humanity Faith
Build House Blessing



Parents, Pizza &
Snowballs!



Chair Workouts



Upcoming Events



Sept 2 Church Offices/Bldgs Closed
Sept 8 TSM Family Lunch & Mtg-Noon
Sept 8 New Deacon Selection Church
Discussion-4:00
Sept 9 Prime Time Game Day-Noon
Sept 13 & 14 TBC Craft Show
Sept 14 TBC Car Show-9:00-Noon
Sept 15 Church Council-4:00
Sept 19 SMOST Concert
Sept 21 First Blessing-8:00-Noon
Sept 22 Member Meeting-4:00
Sept 23 Genesis 1 Trip-8:30am
Sept 26 Prime Time Pot Luck-4:30



Oct 5 Women's Wimberly Market Days-8am
Oct 5 Men's Ministry Five Stand-8:00am
Oct 7 Prime Time Game Day-12 Noon
Oct 10 SMOST Concert
Oct 13 Christmas Choir R'hrs-3:30
Oct 18 & 19 Men's Ministry Conference
Oct 20 Church Council Mtg-4:00
Oct 21 Genesis 1 Trip-8:30am
Oct 25 PT Senior Adult Trip-7:30am
Oct 27 Family Gath/Member Mtg-4:00
Oct 27 Autumn Leaves/Pumpkin/Things-
4:30

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 7:00pm

Mondays:

Pickleball 10:00
GriefShare 10:00 (Sept-March)
Noon Basketball 12:00
Eagle's Wings Life Group 6:00

Tuesdays:

Senior Adult Chair Workouts-10:00
Prime Time Singers-10:00
K'ville West Home Group 5:30
Lois Home Group 5:30

Wednesdays:

Women's Bible Study 10am (begins 9/11)
Pickleball Noon
Joyful Strummers-3:45
Handbell Rehearsal 4:00
Brown Bag Meal (through Aug) 5:00
Library Open 5:15
Adult Mid-Week Bible Study 6:00
TSM Wednesdays-6:00
Disciple Kids 6:00

Thursdays:

Senior Adult Chair Workouts-10:00
Men's Bible Study 10:00 (begins 9/5)
Stitchers for Jesus-10:00 (resumes 9/5)
Women's Bible Study 6:30 (begins 9/12)
TBC Worship Signers Rehearsal-6:00

Fridays:

Community Prayer Time-7:00am



Aug 3 Family Fishing Trip-6:00am
Aug 4 Incoming 6th graders family
lunch-Noon
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As we finish summer break, and begin to prepare for the start of school, we do so with continued faithfulness in mind. This month, we will have the privilege of hearing from our New Deacon Selection Task Force. We have been praying for them by name since they were formed in early 2024. With the need for additional deacons, the question was asked should we allow for women to be nominated to serve as deacons at Trinity Baptist Church. Our deacons took a long look at this possibility most of 2023. We had several deacon discussion groups where deacons came and heard from each other and looked at scripture. In November of 2023, your deacons voted to send this question to the Church Council. In January, they put together a task force and gave them the responsibility of researching the possibility of allowing for women to be

nominated as deacons and also to carry out our new deacon selections which we hope will take place this fall.

I, like many of you, consider Trinity Baptist Church to be a very healthy church that can handle a very healthy question. This is not new to Trinity. In 2003, Trinity put together a task force to consider the very same question. The church voted in the positive, but not enough to change the bylaws. Trinity has been on the front edge of ministry for almost 75 years. Nothing changes our mission together. This month we will hear from another task force given much of the same responsibility. They have been meeting since February and are now ready to share with the church what they have discovered as a group.

There are two church discussion times planned. The first will be Monday, August 26th at 5:30 pm and the second will be, Sunday, September 8th at 4:00 pm. Both will be held in the Worship Center. In preparation for these discussion times, the task force has asked that two papers be available for the church to read. They will be available on our website and hard copies will also be available in the office. The papers are from Dr. Jim Denison, *"Should Women Serve as Deacons? Seeking the Word and Will of God,"* and Dr. Todd Still, *"Women in Ministry: Biblical, Theological & Practical Reflections."*

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For the Journey (continued)

Our decisions are not based upon papers, but upon the Word of God. Both of these papers take the Bible and give great explanation. Please take advantage of these opportunities of preparation as we travel these days together. I love that our church will be the one to determine the outcome. That is one of the beautiful things about being a Baptist.

We have a great group of men who serve TBC as deacons. Many of their wives serve alongside them as needed. With the age of our deacons rising, they have expressed a need for additional deacons. We have many who serve TBC without a title. God puts the body together as He chooses. How will we do our part at TBC for future years to come? This is not a question of salvation but of how we will organize to serve the LORD and one another. This is a healthy question for a healthy church. Let's keep reading and praying together.

In Christ,

Pastor John



Bible Reading Plan 2024



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

JOIN US if you haven't already!

Guides are available in the foyer and church office.

Prayer Time

Every Friday 7:00 am in the Café

Let's join together to pray for our country, community, and churches!



Save the Date!

September 13th - 12-6 pm
September 14th - 9-4 pm



Saturday
9-Noon
(on Parking lot)



Trinity Baptist Church

2024 Arts & Crafts and Car Show

Handcrafted art, gifts, jewelry, & mixed media.



BROWN BAG
Wednesdays
continue through
August!

Eat & Fellowship—5:00-6:00PM

6:00—7:00PM

Adult Bible Study/Prayer

Disciple Kids/Disciple Kids Jr. (PreK-5th)

TSM Summer Wednesdays (6th-12th)



Kurt Pyle

Welcome
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*"In Christ we, though many,
form one body."*

Romans 12:5

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

TRAINING AVAILABLE

Yellow Cap Basic Training (Ages 16 & up),
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Questions? Rick Boles 830.739.8957



Roaring Twenties Dinner

Sunday August 25 at 5:00 pm

Join us for food & fellowship as we preview this year's Christmas music.
Come dressed in 1920s attire!



RSVP to Stephanie by August 15th

Musicians Needed!

- 8:30 Praise Team: Drummer, Bass Guitar
- 9:45 Praise Band: Rhythm Guitar

All Positions are Either on an As-Needed Basis or Every Other Week

Call Stephanie in the church office to schedule an audition.
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Pray for our Students, Teachers & Schools!



SAVE THE DATE!

Fall Women's Bible Study
September 11 - October 24
Wednesdays, 10 AM - Noon
Thursdays, 6 & 6:30 PM



Join us for this 7-session study!
by Priscilla Shirer
Study Book \$18

Call the church office to sign up

LifeWay Women

Music Notes by Stephanie Clarke



Singers! Musicians! Tech People! Do you have a heart of worship? We need you!!

Singers: Summer Singers is nearly over, but our Worship Choir is about to embark on a new season! Worship Choir rehearsal meets every Wednesday in the Worship Center at 7:00pm. All are welcome! No auditions required. The Worship Choir sings a prepared anthem every Sunday at the 11:00 service. Worship Choir returns August 21st.

Musicians: We need musicians willing to step-in and substitute as needed for our praise bands. We need a drummer for the 8:30 Band, and a bass player. We also need a guitar player to help out with 9:45 Praise Band as needed.

Tech Team: Maybe you have a heart of worship, but prefer serving the Lord behind the scenes. We've got a place for you too! Behind the scenes tasks include: broadcast, soundboard, and slide tech. The Broadcast Team consists of camera operators, and the switcher.

Soundboard Operators: Gary Howard is head of the Soundboard team and will train you on how to operate the sound board. It is a very important job to balance the sound 'in-house' for the worship center. A musical ear is helpful to have for this position.

Slide Tech Team: Susan Lesser is head of this team. Another extremely important behind-the-scenes job -this person operates the slides you see on the screen every Sunday! Singers would be lost without them!

CHRISTMAS PREVIEW DINNER!! Sunday, August 25th at 5:00 pm is our annual Christmas Music Preview Dinner. All are invited and encouraged to join us for dinner and fellowship, as we preview the music we will be singing for our Christmas Concert, or as Charlie prefers to call it, "Christmas Worship" on December 14th & 15th. This year the theme is Roaring Twenties; come dressed in 1920s attire!

There are many opportunities to participate in the Worship Ministry this fall. This is a great time to jump in as the season begins!

If you would like more information on upcoming Worship Ministry events, or if you're a musician and would like to schedule an audition, contact Stephanie in the church office at 830-895-0100 or sclarke@tbck.org



Teaching Children's Bible Study by Kathleen Cook

Have you ever been asked to do something that challenges you, terrifies you, thrills you and gives you deep moments of joy---all at the same time? No, I'm not talking about riding The Rattler at Six Flags! But similar: Teaching children's Sunday School at Trinity is an exciting ride that lasts only 50 minutes and leaves us breathless at the end and curiously eager to get back on for the next Sunday!

What a privilege to look into those tender trusting eyes of my third grade class and realize that God has called us all together in that space to learn more about Him. I am officially the teacher, but it's accurately been said that "the teacher is the student". I come prepared with the lesson and other study materials and think I know how our time will unfold. But, of course, the class belongs to God and the Holy Spirit often takes us into another direction, depending on the needs of the children who walk in the door. God is teaching me flexibility, understanding and balance.

The children may not remember all the details of our lessons each week but I trust that the Holy Spirit allows our studies to accumulate over time in their hearts to build a strong foundation of faith they can trust as they grow older. What I hope the children will remember is that Sunday School is a place of welcome where they are treated with dignity. That they will see the faithfulness of their leaders who show up every week with a cheerful attitude

and a loving presence. That in the time we spend together they will KNOW GOD, LOVE GOD, ENJOY GOD, and SHARE GOD.

I am grateful for the parents at Trinity who have made it a priority to bring their children to Sunday School. That they realize what their children experience at Trinity only strengthens the lessons of life and faith that are taught at home. I did not grow up with a Sunday School life as a child which is why, I think, I get so much joy from my time in Third Grade Sunday School. I thank God for allowing me to see and nurture the little seeds that He has chosen and planted in His Kingdom.



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Aug 25 Christmas Preview Dinner-5:00
Aug 26 New Deacon Selection Church
Discussion-5:30



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For the Journey ...

Thank you, Trinity Baptist Church, for your faithfulness to seek the LORD and His purposes for our Faith Family. Melinda and I have been richly blessed through all the churches we have been privileged to serve and count the last twelve years here as a joy to walk alongside you. We have made it a point to listen to God and be true to His Word, which we find so many others in our journey doing the same. We anticipate God's continued direction and favor as we begin year thirteen and beyond. It is an honor to serve you as your pastor.

As we finish summer break, and begin to prepare for the start of school, we do so with continued faithfulness in mind. This month, we will have the privilege of hearing from our New Deacon Selection Task Force. We have been praying for them by name since they were formed in early 2024. With the need for additional deacons, the question was asked should we allow for women to be nominated to serve as deacons at Trinity Baptist Church. Our deacons took a long look at this possibility most of 2023. We had several deacon discussion groups where deacons came and heard from each other and looked at scripture. In November of 2023, your deacons voted to send this question to the Church Council. In January, they put together a task force and gave them the responsibility of researching the possibility of allowing for women to be

nominated as deacons and also to carry out our new deacon selections which we hope will take place this fall.

I, like many of you, consider Trinity Baptist Church to be a very healthy church that can handle a very healthy question. This is not new to Trinity. In 2003, Trinity put together a task force to consider the very same question. The church voted in the positive, but not enough to change the bylaws. Trinity has been on the front edge of ministry for almost 75 years. Nothing changes our mission together. This month we will hear from another task force given much of the same responsibility. They have been meeting since February and are now ready to share with the church what they have discovered as a group.

There are two church discussion times planned. The first will be Monday, August 26th at 5:30 pm and the second will be, Sunday, September 8th at 4:00 pm. Both will be held in the Worship Center. In preparation for these discussion times, the task force has asked that two papers be available for the church to read. They will be available on our website and hard copies will also be available in the office. The papers are from Dr. Jim Denison, *"Should Women Serve as Deacons? Seeking the Word and Will of God,"* and Dr. Todd Still, *"Women in Ministry: Biblical, Theological & Practical Reflections."*

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For the Journey (continued)

Our decisions are not based upon papers, but upon the Word of God. Both of these papers take the Bible and give great explanation. Please take advantage of these opportunities of preparation as we travel these days together. I love that our church will be the one to determine the outcome. That is one of the beautiful things about being a Baptist.

We have a great group of men who serve TBC as deacons. Many of their wives serve alongside them as needed. With the age of our deacons rising, they have expressed a need for additional deacons. We have many who serve TBC without a title. God puts the body together as He chooses. How will we do our part at TBC for future years to come? This is not a question of salvation but of how we will organize to serve the LORD and one another. This is a healthy question for a healthy church. Let's keep reading and praying together.

In Christ,

Pastor John



Bible Reading Plan 2024



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

JOIN US if you haven't already!

Guides are available in the foyer and church office.

Prayer Time

Every Friday 7:00 am in the Café

Let's join together to pray for our country, community, and churches!



Save the Date!

September 13th - 12-6 pm
September 14th - 9-4 pm



Saturday
9-Noon
(on Parking lot)



Trinity Baptist Church

2024 Arts & Crafts and Car Show

Handcrafted art, gifts, jewelry, & mixed media.



BROWN BAG
Wednesdays
continue through
August!

Eat & Fellowship—5:00-6:00PM

6:00—7:00PM

Adult Bible Study/Prayer

Disciple Kids/Disciple Kids Jr. (PreK-5th)

TSM Summer Wednesdays (6th-12th)



Kurt Pyle

Welcome
New Members!

*"In Christ we, though many,
form one body."*

Romans 12:5

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

TRAINING AVAILABLE

Yellow Cap Basic Training (Ages 16 & up),
Chainsaw Basic Training, Specialty Training

Register online at

www.texasbaptistmen.org/Disaster-Relief

Questions? Rick Boles 830.739.8957



Roaring Twenties Dinner

Sunday August 25 at 5:00 pm

Join us for food & fellowship as we preview this year's Christmas music.
Come dressed in 1920s attire!

RSVP to Stephanie by August 15th



Musicians Needed!

- 8:30 Praise Team: Drummer, Bass Guitar
- 9:45 Praise Band: Rhythm Guitar

All Positions are Either on an As-Needed Basis or Every Other Week

Call Stephanie in the church office to schedule an audition.
830-895-0100



Pray for our Students, Teachers & Schools!





SAVE THE DATE!

Fall Women's Bible Study
September 11 - October 24
Wednesdays, 10 AM - Noon
Thursdays, 6 & 6:30 PM

Join us for this 7-session study!
by Priscilla Shirer
Study Book \$18

Call the church office to sign up

LifeWay Women

Music Notes by Stephanie Clarke



Singers! Musicians! Tech People!
Do you have a heart of worship?
We need you!!

Singers: Summer Singers is nearly over, but our Worship Choir is about to embark on a new season! Worship Choir rehearsal meets every Wednesday in the Worship Center at 7:00pm. All are welcome! No auditions required. The Worship Choir sings a prepared anthem every Sunday at the 11:00 service. Worship Choir returns August 21st.

Musicians: We need musicians willing to step-in and substitute as needed for our praise bands. We need a drummer for the 8:30 Band, and a bass player. We also need a guitar player to help out with 9:45 Praise Band as needed.

Tech Team: Maybe you have a heart of worship, but prefer serving the Lord behind the scenes. We've got a place for you too! Behind the scenes tasks include: broadcast, soundboard, and slide tech. The Broadcast Team consists of camera operators, and the switcher.

Soundboard Operators: Gary Howard is head of the Soundboard team and will train you on how to operate the sound board. It is a very important job to balance the sound 'in-house' for the worship center. A musical ear is helpful to have for this position.

Slide Tech Team: Susan Lesser is head of this team. Another extremely important behind-the-scenes job -this person operates the slides you see on the screen every Sunday! Singers would be lost without them!

CHRISTMAS PREVIEW DINNER!! Sunday, August 25th at 5:00 pm is our annual Christmas Music Preview Dinner. All are invited and encouraged to join us for dinner and fellowship, as we preview the music we will be singing for our Christmas Concert, or as Charlie prefers to call it, "Christmas Worship" on December 14th & 15th. This year the theme is Roaring Twenties; come dressed in 1920s attire!

There are many opportunities to participate in the Worship Ministry this fall. This is a great time to jump in as the season begins!

If you would like more information on upcoming Worship Ministry events, or if you're a musician and would like to schedule an audition, contact Stephanie in the church office at 830-895-0100 or sclarke@tbck.org



Teaching Children's Bible Study by Kathleen Cook

Have you ever been asked to do something that challenges you, terrifies you, thrills you and gives you deep moments of joy---all at the same time? No, I'm not talking about riding The Rattler at Six Flags! But similar: Teaching children's Sunday School at Trinity is an exciting ride that lasts only 50 minutes and leaves us breathless at the end and curiously eager to get back on for the next Sunday!

What a privilege to look into those tender trusting eyes of my third grade class and realize that God has called us all together in that space to learn more about Him. I am officially the teacher, but it's accurately been said that "the teacher is the student". I come prepared with the lesson and other study materials and think I know how our time will unfold. But, of course, the class belongs to God and the Holy Spirit often takes us into another direction, depending on the needs of the children who walk in the door. God is teaching me flexibility, understanding and balance.

The children may not remember all the details of our lessons each week but I trust that the Holy Spirit allows our studies to accumulate over time in their hearts to build a strong foundation of faith they can trust as they grow older. What I hope the children will remember is that Sunday School is a place of welcome where they are treated with dignity. That they will see the faithfulness of their leaders who show up every week with a cheerful attitude

and a loving presence. That in the time we spend together they will KNOW GOD, LOVE GOD, ENJOY GOD, and SHARE GOD.

I am grateful for the parents at Trinity who have made it a priority to bring their children to Sunday School. That they realize what their children experience at Trinity only strengthens the lessons of life and faith that are taught at home. I did not grow up with a Sunday School life as a child which is why, I think, I get so much joy from my time in Third Grade Sunday School. I thank God for allowing me to see and nurture the little seeds that He has chosen and planted in His Kingdom.



**CHILDREN'S
DAY OUT**

**BEGINS
AUGUST 20TH**

**SAVE THE
DATE!**

**First
Blessing
Sept 21st**

**4 YR OLDS GO
TO WORSHIP**

**TRAINING
WITH
PARENTS**

August 21, 6pm
Worship Center

**Promotion
Sunday**

August 11


Kid's Camp 2024!



Disciple Kids

**TRINITY
Kids Ministry**

**Wednesdays
6-7pm**



Disciple Kids
3rd-5th Grade #104

Disciple Kids Jr.
PK- 2nd Grade # 151

Childcare - 3's &
159 younger

**Donate
Board Games
and Puzzles!**

For Kids Camp Next Year!

Board Games and puzzles (500 or less)
with all the pieces are appreciated!





**New or
Gently Used**



YOU ARE INVITED

INCOMING 6TH GRADERS & FAMILIES

Join us for a welcome Lunch!

TRINITY Student Ministry

Sunday, August 4th @ 12:00 in the Family Life Center

BRING YOUR PARENTS

RSVP to Marlene or Wes 830-895-0100

TRINITY STUDENTS PROMOTION SUNDAY

AUGUST 11

6th Graders Welcome!

tbck.org/students



TSM WEDNESDAYS

WEDNESDAYS IN AUGUST

7 - SUMMER FINALE! (FINAL GYM RATS)
 14 - EXTREME BINGO
 21 - MS/HS COMBINED
 28 - MS/HS COMBINED
 SEP. 4 - HS CIRCLES KICKOFF



Middle School Theme Night "Olympics"

Thank you to all the ADULT SPONSORS & PRAYER WARRIORS for your support and love for our students while they were at camp!



CHAIR WORKOUTS

Tuesdays and Thursdays
Room 221, 10-11 AM
EVERYONE WELCOME



- *No equipment or prior experience needed
- *Have fun and get healthier using DVD instruction

Questions? Dawna or Pattie
 (830)890-2138 or (512)940-1689

Chair Workouts by Pattie Davis



According to reports, "motion is lotion," and there are numerous benefits of chair exercising. Among those are:

- improved flexibility
- improved balance
- improved circulation
- improved endurance
- pain relief
- improved strength

I don't even like the word "exercise," and have been on a search for something sustainable, knowing the choice is largely mine as to how I choose to go through the inevitable aging process. Will I be able to climb (or go down) stairs? Can I keep up with my grandchildren (or peers) on a casual walk or other activity? More importantly, am I taking care of myself the way God wants me to? There seems to be, as with most change, a ripple effect. That is true both in negative AND positive directions as we attempt to set new habits. When we are trying/succeeding in one area (e.g., movement), it helps us look at related areas (e.g., eating habits, sleep habits, etc.) with more hope we can improve in those as well.

Let the voices of the Trinity ladies speak for themselves. In addition to the common denominator of enjoying being with each other in Christian fellowship: "...makes me stronger, makes me feel so much better, has helped my flexibility and energy, it provides accountability and encouragement, have lost some weight, I can walk up the stairs more easily, more stable on my feet, can climb steps without depending on handrail to pull myself up, I struggle to do 30 minutes alone, but in the class I am able to do an hour!" *Praise the Lord!!*

We share favorite and meaningful scriptures and have "prayer before chair." We seek to glorify God with all we do. Come join the fun, and as our DVD trainer ends each session, "KEEP IT MOVING!!"



GONE FISH'N



Family Fishing Trip
 Sponsored by the
 TBC Men's Ministry
 Saturday, August 3rd
 Inks Lake
 \$10 per person
 6AM - Noon
 Breakfast Provided

RSVP by July 31
 to the church office
 Bus leaves promptly at 6 AM



Monday, August 5th
12-3 PM
in the Café

BRING A BROWN BAG LUNCH
FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

MANY GAMES TO PLAY OR BRING YOUR FAVORITE

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

Saturday, August 17
7:30 AM
in the TBC Café

MOMENTUM
I run straight toward the goal to win the prize... Phil 3:14

Trinity Men's Ministry



NAVIGATE

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

Sunday Nights

7:00 PM

in The Forge

Post High School - 30ish

Flower Ministry by Sharon Grimes

Our church has been sharing the Sunday morning flowers for many years. Every Sunday our church has a flower arrangement in memory of or in honor of a loved one in their lives. A beautiful tribute to someone important in the lives of our church family. On Sunday, the flowers are watered again to keep them fresh. Why, you wonder? On Monday mornings the ladies in the Flower Ministry gather to rearrange the altar flowers in order to share a bit of this love and joy with others. New, smaller arrangements are made to share with our congregation in the hospitals and nursing or assisted living centers. Sometimes they are shared with others experiencing a difficult time in life, released from the hospital or celebrating a major life event. As the flowers are delivered, we visit briefly with those receiving them, often praying with them and sharing God's love and ours. We pray as God leads us for their individual situation. If they are not home, (yes, we call) we leave the flowers at the office for them or deliver them

later in the week.

We maintain a written log to ensure they are shared with many. Before we deliver the flowers, we pray. We pray in thanksgiving for the gift of the flowers, to be able to share the flowers and the joy of rearranging them. We pray for those receiving the love gift, for their health, their spirit and that the flowers may brighten their life and remind them of God's love, as well as the love our church has to share with them.

I just recently joined this group. However, others have served for many years. In the past, I even visited with them as they rearranged the flowers and set off to deliver them. What an amazing ministry that shares the gift of the flowers for the congregation on Sunday morning in church and then shares them with members of our church during the week.

"Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."
Romans 15:13



GriefShare by Pattie Davis

GriefShare is a biblically-based support group "designed to help and encourage persons after the death of a spouse, child, family member or friend" on their journey through their loss to regain equilibrium and move toward healing, hope, and joy.

Each meeting features a video, group discussion, and the use of a personal workbook. The 30-minute videos feature "comments and suggestions by experts in dealing with loss, personal stories of people who are grieving, and enactments of how various individuals have confronted their own situation."

The group discussions, which are completely confidential, offer participants the opportunity to talk about what they heard, to ask any questions they may have, or to learn how something shown in the video or expressed in the discussion by others in the group might apply to their own life.

The workbook has questions, suggestions, and Bible verses which help each person learn how to cope with their loss. For instance, a question or suggestion from the book might offer a new approach to address their loss. Others find their involvement to be a source of comfort or encouragement as they actively participate.

Many people find that grief is a very complex subject and that their needs and solutions may be quite different from those of fellow participants. In sharing one's individual story, someone else might find something that really encourages them. GriefShare is a group of folks on a similar journey, helping themselves while helping each other. It is one of the smaller "communities" we have within our Body of Christ here at Trinity, as participants grow to feel like family.

The next 13-week cycle of GriefShare will begin on Monday, September 9th and end December 2nd. If you would like more information, please contact one of the following persons: Truett Barfield, Pattie Davis, Dawna Hill, or Doug Lusk.



MONDAYS, 10 AM - NOON
SEPTEMBER 9 - DECEMBER 2
ROOM 221
\$20 FOR MATERIALS
CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE
TO SIGN UP 830.895.0100



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



Month in Review - July



July 4th
Neighborhood
Parade



Habitat for Humanity Faith
Build House Blessing



Parents, Pizza &
Snowballs!



Chair Workouts



Upcoming Events



Sept 2 Church Offices/Bldgs Closed
Sept 8 TSM Family Lunch & Mtg-Noon
Sept 8 New Deacon Selection Church
Discussion-4:00
Sept 9 Prime Time Game Day-Noon
Sept 13 & 14 TBC Craft Show
Sept 14 TBC Car Show-9:00-Noon
Sept 15 Church Council-4:00
Sept 19 SMOST Concert
Sept 21 First Blessing-8:00-Noon
Sept 22 Member Meeting-4:00
Sept 23 Genesis 1 Trip-8:30am
Sept 26 Prime Time Pot Luck-4:30



Oct 5 Women's Wimberly Market Days-8am
Oct 5 Men's Ministry Five Stand-8:00am
Oct 7 Prime Time Game Day-12 Noon
Oct 10 SMOST Concert
Oct 13 Christmas Choir R'hrs-3:30
Oct 18 & 19 Men's Ministry Conference
Oct 20 Church Council Mtg-4:00
Oct 21 Genesis 1 Trip-8:30am
Oct 25 PT Senior Adult Trip-7:30am
Oct 27 Family Gath/Member Mtg-4:00
Oct 27 Autumn Leaves/Pumpkin/Things-
4:30

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 7:00pm

Mondays:

Pickleball 10:00
GriefShare 10:00 (Sept-March)
Noon Basketball 12:00
Eagle's Wings Life Group 6:00

Tuesdays:

Senior Adult Chair Workouts-10:00
Prime Time Singers-10:00
K'ville West Home Group 5:30
Lois Home Group 5:30

Wednesdays:

Women's Bible Study 10am (begins 9/11)
Pickleball Noon
Joyful Strummers-3:45
Handbell Rehearsal 4:00
Brown Bag Meal (through Aug) 5:00
Library Open 5:15
Adult Mid-Week Bible Study 6:00
TSM Wednesdays-6:00
Disciple Kids 6:00

Thursdays:

Senior Adult Chair Workouts-10:00
Men's Bible Study 10:00 (begins 9/5)
Stitchers for Jesus-10:00 (resumes 9/5)
Women's Bible Study 6:30 (begins 9/12)
TBC Worship Signers Rehearsal-6:00

Fridays:

Community Prayer Time-7:00am



Aug 3 Family Fishing Trip-6:00am
Aug 4 Incoming 6th graders family
lunch-Noon
Aug 5 Prime Time Game Day-Noon
Aug 11 Promotion Sunday-11:00
Aug 17 Men's Ministry B'fast-7:30
Aug 18 Church Council Mtg.-4:00
Aug 20 CDO Fall Semester begins
Aug 21 Worship Choir R'hrs-7:00
Aug 22-23 SMOST Retreat
Aug 25 Member Meeting-4:00
Aug 25 Christmas Preview Dinner-5:00
Aug 26 New Deacon Selection Church
Discussion-5:30