

# Trinity *life*

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER / TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH

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## For the Journey...

A new year is upon us. For some, it has taken too long to get here, and for others, it came way too quickly. The impact of 2025 had a full assortment of both good and bad. What we choose to remember will help to determine whether we view it largely as positive or negative. Either way, it has given shape to our present and our future.

Trinity Baptist Church began the year making plans to celebrate our 75th anniversary. We determined to help raise support to eliminate our financial debt of our Gathering Space and God blessed us by covering a big amount through faithful stewardship and giving. We had Dennis Swanberg come and help us celebrate as we were encouraged and laughed a lot. What a wonderful gathering, which was dampened by a big hailstorm as we were heading home.

God has really blessed our Gathering Space in our new building by allowing our church to see one another as we gather and move through our Sunday Worship and Bible studies. We did not know it at the time, but God had another use for our space when we were called upon by our city to provide shelter for those loved ones who were not hearing good news from our tragic flood on July 4. I am appreciative for how Trinity provided for the privacy these parents and family members needed. Our hearts are forever changed and our family grown.

Texans on Mission quickly came to our campus and have been a great source of financial support and physical labor support in Kerr County. TXM has several groups already scheduled to come and help our community in 2026. Trinity has remained accessible to the lodging needs and meals. Thank you to all who are helping in these areas. It has been such a

blessing to sense the large Baptist family support from around the state and even out of state.

We continue to pray for all who were affected by the flood. It will not be like it was, but neither will it remain as it is today. One of the things that stands out for me is the way the church at large was available to meet needs and stay connected to the rebuilding efforts taking place. We have a wonderful group of sister churches in Kerrville with godly and anointed leadership. We will continue our journey together.

Most of you have heard that Wes Henson has resigned as Youth Minister at Trinity. Wes has felt the LORD leading him in some other directions and Wes is faithfully moving in that direction. I am appreciative of everything Wes has done over his tenure as Youth Minister. He has been an excellent ministerial team member and we have enjoyed watching his family grow up with us. He has developed an incredible team of adult leaders while encouraging our students to take their stand for Christ. Wes' last day on staff will be Sunday, January 18th. On that day, there will be a reception for the Henson's at 3:00pm in the Café, with a carding. I hope you will make it a point to express your appreciation to Wes, Mica, Anna and Charis for their time on ministerial staff with us and encourage them as we see them taking the next steps with their family.

I am excited about 2026 and look forward to all God has in store for us as we continue to meet together and prioritize God's assignments among us. Stay tuned; it will be awesome!

In Christ,

*Pastor John*





# A Message from Wes Henson

In Philippians 1:3 Paul begins his thought with: "I thank my God in all my remembrance of you,"

As many of you have heard, my final Sunday on staff at Trinity will be January 18th. I cannot express how grateful we are for the love we have been shown over the past almost seven years. I never anticipated the privilege of serving a body of believers who are so generous, alongside a staff who is so caring, with a group of adults so willing, and with a group of students who are so much fun. We truly consider Trinity to be family, and will miss so many aspects of what we have been able to do the past seven years.

But, as Paul writes just a few verses later in Philippians 1:7, "And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ."

What has begun (or continued) will continue because God makes things grow. Thank you, Trinity Family, for continuing to be faithful to God in all things.



*"Christ Has Come" Music Program*



## Reception for Wes Henson

**Sunday, January 18th**  
**3:00pm - Café**

Come express your thanks  
to Wes for his faithful service  
as Trinity's Student Minister  
for the past 6 1/2 years.

## 2026 TBC Bible Reading Plan

*Reading together on our journey  
to Transformation!*



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



**Midweek Meal and All Wednesday  
Evening Activities Resume on  
JANUARY 7th!**

### **Save the Date!**

**Church-Sponsored Trip to Israel  
September 7-16, 2026**

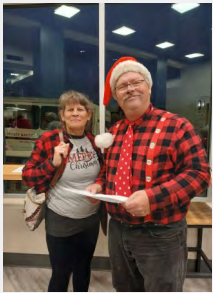
More information can be found at:  
<https://mikefanning.com/john-wheat-sept-7-16%2C-26>  
or call the church office.







Here we go a caroling!



## Our Newest Members!



Carrol Newton



Edwina Schuster



Steve & Gwenda McFadden



Taylor & Leslie Wiste

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25

**FAMILY  
GATHERING**

**CHILI COOK OFF**

4PM IN THE FLC

**TRINITY**  
*Student Ministry*

**TSM  
CIRCLES**

WHO YOU SURROUND  
YOURSELF WITH  
MATTERS!

HS CIRCLES RESUME JAN 21

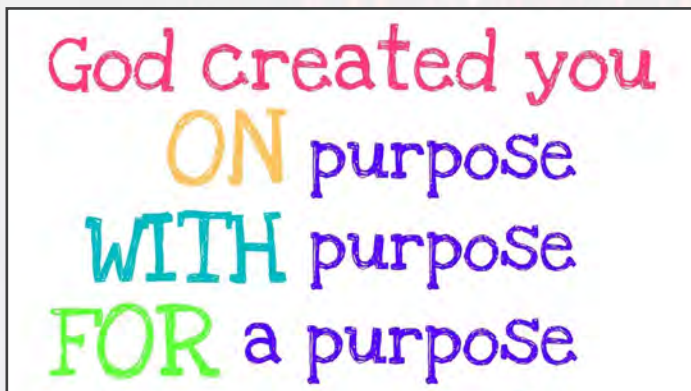
MS CIRCLES RESUME JAN 25



**NAVIGATE**

Sunday Nights  
7:00pm  
Gathering/Café  
Post High School-30ish





Thanksgiving Meal Outreach



## Children's Ministry by Kellee Parish

A huge "Thank You" to the cast and crew of Night in Bethlehem! Everyone did a fantastic job getting the sets up and down and portraying the story of Jesus' birth. Thank you for sharing God's Word with our community!

Disciple Kids (1<sup>st</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup>) will resume on Wednesdays beginning in January and will be adding worship music, through "Boom Whackers", to our discipleship and missions time. Please come join us as we worship together, learn and have fun!

Check out the ad for Lunch w/Mrs. Kellee. Parents, please email me at [kparish@tbck.org](mailto:kparish@tbck.org) or call the church office to sign up for a time for me to have lunch at your child's school this spring.



# Joyseekers Class by Hollis Uecker

Happy New Year 2026! If you are looking for a new start to Bible Study, please consider checking out the Joyseekers Bible study class on Sunday mornings at 9:45 in room 224, upstairs from the gym.

Joyseekers is a group of warm and welcoming people in various walks of life, who have a desire to read God's Word and dig deeper into the scripture passages through active class discussion. At the moment, we have two amazing teachers, David Sprouse and Jack Hayslip, who rotate teaching responsibilities. The class uses the Explore the Bible study guide published by Lifeway. The quarterly studies alternate between Old Testament and New Testament books of the Bible.

The class just began a study of Matthew. So far, the discussions over Matthew chapters 1-4 have been very active, so this promises to be another great study.

In addition to the study/discussion time, we begin each Sunday with a time of praises and prayer requests. Kathleen Cook does an incredible job of capturing these requests and publishing a weekly email with a review of our lesson and those requests for people we can pray for throughout the week.

Many of our class members are active in various activities around church including choir, CDO leadership, security, sound, Men's and Women's weekly Bible Study groups, Night in Bethlehem and the Stitchers group, just to name a few.

If you are looking for a Bible study class to be a part of, we would love to have you join us any Sunday morning at 9:45 in Room 224. The Joyseekers group will welcome you to our class with no pressure applied. Whether you choose to sit back and listen or jump right into our discussion, you will be welcomed!



## SAVE THE DATE

WOMEN'S MINISTRY CONFERENCE  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH, 9AM-4PM

*Fearfully & Wonderfully Made:  
Walking in Purpose and Beauty*

Churchwide  
Ski Trip  
Sponsored by  
Navigate

Check out the  
website below for  
more information  
and to sign up!

Call JD for  
questions

UPCOMING

# SKI TRIP

5 LEFT  
LIMITED  
SPOTS

**January 5-9**

[www.tbck.org/navigate-news](http://www.tbck.org/navigate-news)

**Tuesdays & Thursdays**  
**9-10 AM, Room 221**  
**EVERYONE WELCOME**

\*No equipment or prior  
experience needed

\*Have fun and get healthier  
using DVD instruction

**Questions? Call Dawna (830) 890-2138**

## MUSICIANS NEEDED

Commitment: Tuesday Rehearsals & Sundays

8:30 Service: Drummer  
Every Week, Tuesday Rehearsal 6 pm

9:45 Service: Guitar Player  
Every Other Week, Tuesday Rehearsal 7 pm

Contact Charlie or Stephanie in the church office  
830-895-0100 [sclarke@tbck.org](mailto:sclarke@tbck.org)

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| SAVE THE DATE!<br>DOMINICAN REPUBLIC<br>MISSION TRIP<br>JUNE 1-8, 2026 | \$100 DEPOSIT<br>WILL RESERVE<br>YOUR SPOT                    |
|  |   |
| YOUTH<br>SPORTS CAMP<br>VBS<br>CONSTRUCTION<br>AND OTHER PROJECTS      | Interest Meeting<br>Sunday, January 25th<br>12:15 in Room 219 |
| ONLY 14 SPOTS LEFT<br>RESERVE NOW<br>IN THE CHURCH OFFICE              |   |



# Bridge Class by Frank Stevens


The Bridge Class began in January 2024 with the 3-fold purpose of developing our relationship to Jesus by gathering to study the Bible, developing our relationship to one another in Christian love through prayer and fellowship, and reaching unbelievers with the good news of Jesus. Keith and Debbie Williams co-teach the class.

Our ministry team consists of Don and Debbie Nelson, Frank and Judy Stevens, and Stacy and Kellie Cody. Don Nelson is the class director. Mike Barry helps with hospital visitation. Wiley Wilkerson leads our worship songs with Karen Clogston on the piano. All our members participate in what God is doing at "The Bridge" whether by warmly welcoming one another, contributing to class discussion, or arranging chairs.

Our teachers use an inductive method of teaching through books of the Bible, along with occasional topical studies such as on Heaven and Angels. Our study format includes the use of various study guides to encourage independent study, class participation, and life application. We encourage members to reach out to those in the community with Bridge Class Invitation cards that have the plan of salvation.

We have quarterly fellowships with our largest gathering being our Christmas potluck where we take a free will offering for a community organization. This year, the offering was for Bibles for Christian Men's Life Skills. We actively pray for one another by getting prayer requests each week and emailing them to the class. We have a meal train program for our sick or temporarily incapacitated members. We send out birthday, sympathy, get well, and anniversary cards to our members. The Bridge class participates in the Trinity Adopt-A-Grad program and encourages members to participate in ministries throughout the church. Quarterly supper clubs provide the opportunity for small groups of members to enjoy meals and develop deeper connections.

Our class consists of all ages and stages of life, married as well as singles. We enjoy lively discussions and fellowship and welcome anyone to come join us. We meet in the Chapel at 9:45 and are currently studying Hebrews.



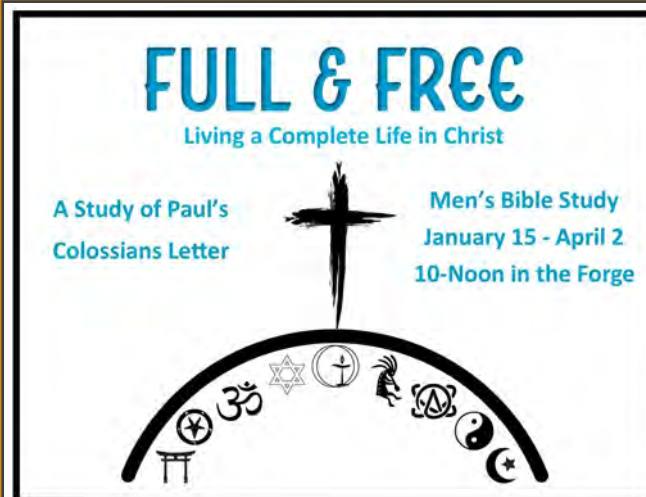
*Amos* An Invitation to the Good Life JENNIFER ROTHSCHILD

January 14 – March 5<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesdays, 10:00 AM  
Thursdays, 6:00 PM (video) & 6:30 PM  
Study Book: \$20  
\*Books available first day of class

Childcare Wednesday by reservation,  
Thursday by voucher

Trinity Baptist Church Women's Bible Study 830.895.0100

## Women's & Men's Bible Studies



**FULL & FREE**  
Living a Complete Life in Christ

A Study of Paul's Colossians Letter

Men's Bible Study  
January 15 - April 2  
10-Noon in the Forge



**THE VICTOR**  
Experience the Power

First Choir Rehearsal  
Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm



# Crossroads Class by Lanie Ebelt

Welcome to the Crossroads Class. We are a class of many faces and many ages. The Crossroads Class is a hard-working and praying class. We find it gratifying to lift up one another in prayer. We also love to hear the results of those prayers in praises for all the good things God had done!

We meet at 9:45 and are located in the Family Life Center because we are a sizeable class. Though we are a large class, we continue to have the ability to welcome new members. Gary Anderson is our main teacher. He has a vast knowledge of God's Word, a great sense of humor, and when he has to be out for some reason, he finds just the right person to fill his shoes.

I am blessed to serve as the Director of the class and I welcome the opportunity to meet you personally and assist you in whatever way I can.

We look forward to having you join us in Bible Study worship. Come give us a try, you'll like us!



## *Women's Ministry Christmas Party*



## A Word of Thanks....

On behalf of the clients, volunteers, and board members of Christian Assistance Ministry (CAM) in Kerrville, I want to extend our gratitude for your generous donation of time, food, and energy to fill bags with the "fixins" for Thanksgiving side dishes. Your gift enables CAM to provide something extra during the holiday season to our clients in the Kerrville community and surrounding Hill Country area. Your loyalty over the years is very much appreciated. Thank you to all who have taken part in reaching out to assist those in need.

CAM is deeply grateful for this contribution in support of our Lord's work.

Sincerely,  
Janan Hall, Secretary  
CAM Executive Board



# Month in Review - December

Prime-Time  
Singers &  
Trinity  
Ringers!

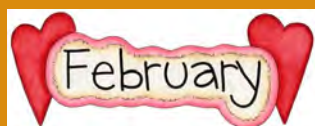


Children's Ministry Christmas Party



Trip to the Riverwalk in San Antonio!

## Upcoming Events



Feb 1 New Member Reception-4:00  
Feb 2 Prime-Time Game Day-Noon  
Feb 7 Women's Conference-9:00am  
Feb 8 Victor Choir Rehearsal-5:30  
Feb 15 Church Council-4:00  
Feb 22 Member Meeting-4:00  
Feb 22 Victor Choir Rehearsal-5:30

Mar 1 Victor Choir Rehearsal-5:30  
Mar 2 Prime-Time Game Day-Noon  
Mar 8 Victor Choir Rehearsal-5:30  
Mar 15 Church Council-4:00  
Mar 15 Victor Choir Rehearsal-5:30  
Mar 21 Victor Full Dress Rhrl-9:30am  
Mar 22 Member Meeting-4:00  
Mar 22 Victor Full Dress Rhrl-5:30  
Mar 27-29 VICTOR Performance-7:00  
Mar 28 Deacon Retreat

### Sundays:

Worship 8:30, 9:45, 11:00  
Bible Study-Adults 9:45  
Adults/Youth/Children 11:00  
Library Open 12:00  
Sojourn Bible Study Group 5:00

### Mondays:

Grief Share-10am (Begins in Feb.)  
Pickleball 10:00  
Flower Ministry 10:30  
Noon Basketball 12:00  
Eagle's Wings Life Group 6:00

### Tuesdays:

Senior Adult Chair Workouts-9:00  
Prime Time Singers-10:00  
8:30 Praise Team Rhrl-6:00  
9:45 Praise Team Rhrl-7:00

### Wednesdays:

Women's Bible Study-10am (begins 1/14)  
Pickleball Noon  
Handbell Rehearsal 4:30  
Fellowship Meal 5:00  
Library Open 5:15  
Adult Mid-Week Bible Study 6:00  
TSM Wednesdays-6:00  
Disciple Kids 6:00  
Worship Choir Rhrl-7:00

### Thursdays:

Senior Adult Chair Workouts-9:00  
Stitchers for Jesus-10:00 (1st Thurs.)  
Susan Drive Bible Study Group-5:30  
Men's Bible Study (begins 1/15)  
Women's Bible Study-6pm (begins 1/15)  
TBC Worship Signers Rehearsal-6:30

### Fridays:

Community Prayer Time-7:00am



Jan 1 Church offices/Bldgs Closed  
Jan 5 Prime-Time Game Day-Noon  
Jan 5-9 Navigate Ski Trip  
Jan 11 Leadership Orientation-4:00  
Jan 14 Women's Bible Study-10:00  
Jan 15 Stitchers for Jesus-10:00  
Jan 15 Men's Bible Study-10:00  
Jan 15 Women's Bible Study-6:00  
Jan 18 Reception for Wes Henson-3:00  
Jan 18 Church Council-4:00  
Jan 25 Deacon Meeting-3:00  
Jan 25 Member Mtg/Family Gath-4:00  
Jan 25 Victor Choir Rehearsal-5:30

## Calendar Events & Ongoing Activities