

Trinity *life*

“Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people He chose for His inheritance.” Psalm 33:12

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For the Journey...

“May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine on us -- so that Your ways may be known on earth, Your salvation among the nations. May the peoples praise You, God; may all the peoples praise You.”
Psalm 67:1-3

If you reread the printed verses, you will find that the psalmist begins talking about God only to switch audiences and speak directly to God. This happens several times throughout the psalms. We are a blessed people at Trinity Baptist Church. God is the one who blesses for sure. Though there are many things ahead of us, we are grateful for the faithful things behind us and blessed with the present direction God is placing before us.

The summer ministry opportunities are in full swing. Once again, we have completed, with help from incredible church volunteers, our Vacation Bible School and Mini-Kids Camp. Our children and students are gearing up for camps in July while making the most of each week's gatherings to learn more and grow in community. Our prayers remain constant regarding the issues around the world. We are traveling our summer pilgrimage through a reaffirmation of choices or making choices regarding our devotion and direction. God has a purpose. God makes it known to us. God's purposes are really the best purposes. I am thrilled when I see us staying in the middle of

God's choices.

Please continue to pray for our New Deacon Selection Task Force. They have continued to meet and research the direction for Trinity Baptist regarding the need for new deacons. One of the discussions before us this summer will be the role of women serving as deacons at Trinity Baptist Church. Let us continue to lift up Dr. David Sprouse, Scott Barns, Diane Donaldson, Suzii March, Pennie Olivo, Dan Petty and Vern Stahl.

Remember that we will only have one service on July 7th. We will start with a worship service at 9:00 a.m. and then have Bible Study at 10:00 a.m. There will be a place for every Bible Study class to meet because a couple of classes have agreed to go to a new space for one Sunday. Thank you for all you do to help us do what we do. We are looking forward to our Family Gathering and Member Meeting this month. It will be our annual ice cream Sunday and game time.

Melinda and I are blessed to get to serve Trinity Baptist church. This month marks our twelfth anniversary. I anticipate year thirteen and the future years to come. Thanks for loving us and our family so well.

In Christ,

Pastor John



TBC Missions Committee by Suzii March

Can you serve missions and never leave home?

Seated at a simple table on Jackson Street, the Trinity Missions Committee is helping TBCK to be the sending hands of Jesus Christ.

This committee is guided by scripture. Following the mandate of the great commission "Go ye therefore into all the world," and seeking, like Acts 1, "to be witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and to the ends of the earth" we have supported missions as a coordinating hub to:

- Review applications for long-term missionary families who want to stay in the TBCK Missions house. The house is booked two years out & people will come from three countries this year.
- Explore refurbishing another mission house to be ready in 2025. People are already asking for 2026.
- Review applications and allocate funds for TBCK members to serve on short-term missions in the U.S. and other countries. This year members served in the Dominican Republic, Kenya, Thailand and Mexico.
- Support TBCK staff as a critical part of worldwide church leadership. Pastors and missionaries taught and mentored in Africa and Mexico.
- Contact and support mission families who serve in partnership with TBCK on 3 continents—Central America, Africa, Asia.
- Cooperate with mission agencies to explore possible mission service sites—groups among our Texas Baptist family and also in Nashville, Chicago, and Atlanta.
- Pray for and communicate with missionaries serving short-term and long-term.
- Plan and supervise the collection of 5 very important mission offerings throughout the year—Hunger, Christmas, Easter, Short-Term & Long-Term offerings.

Guided by Clint Brown and the TBCK staff, the Missions Committee coordinates historic mission partnerships like Dominican Republic and also explores new emerging mission needs.

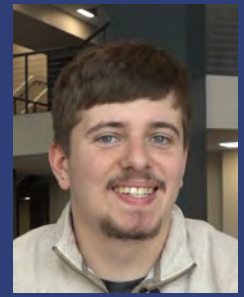
Serving in a sinful and treacherous world is complicated. We strive to serve effectively, compassionately, and safely – but it is not easy. We need discernment and prayer from thoughtful TBCK disciples with caring hearts. We extend our appreciation to our Godly TBCK staff and to all using their time, talents and relationships. We offer our praise to God, with the added prayer "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done" through our missions.



New to Our Family



Thomas Uptergrove



Connor Quinlan



Mike & Donna Taylor



Tyler Stone



Deborah Phillips



Audrey Ben-David & Chris Beene



Hunter & Brooke Childers

FAMILY GATHERING



ICE CREAM & GAMES
JULY 28 - 4PM

IN FLC - AFTER MEMBER MEETING

Friendship Class by Melinda Cox

Our Bible Study Class meets in room 221 at 9:45 AM. Recently, the Friendship Class has conducted sermon-based lessons, doing an in-depth analysis of the sermon preached the week before at Trinity Baptist Church. But, beginning in June, our class shifted gears and began a unit of study on the topic of eschatology, entitled "The End is Near—or Is It?" This will lead into a series of lessons on the topic of Heaven beginning sometime in July.

Our Bible study follows the method known as "Con-Con-App," or Content, Context, and Application. With this method of study, the class begins with an in-depth analysis of the actual Biblical text (often with emphasis placed upon key words from the original languages—Greek, Hebrew, and Aramaic). Then, the Biblical passage being studied is placed within its original historical and cultural context. Only after completing these steps, do we apply the Biblical passage to our current life situation (you can't properly apply the Bible to the present without first understanding what the text actually says and what it meant to its original audience).

Prayer is another very important aspect of our class. Prayer requests are received from class members, prayed over during class time and subsequently also sent out via email to class members and certain TBC staff members for prayer reminders during the week. If an emergency situation happens during the week and the class needs to be notified, another prayer request will go out to this group so that these needs will be lifted up to the Lord as soon as possible.

Acts 2:42 states that the early Christians "continuously devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and prayer." Koinonia, or fellowship, is an important part of the Christian life. Whenever we gather together as a group, we are imitating the early church. Fellowships for our group include lunch at the TBC Café after church services or at a class member's home.



Schedule Change for Sunday, July 7
Café open 8:30-8:50
ONE Worship Service at 9:00am
Bible Study at 10:00am



Children's Day Out by Beth Ann Brown

We wrapped up another successful year of Children's Day Out at Trinity. It is always a time of mixed emotions: sadness, exhaustion, joy, anticipation, and relief. Most of the children will be returning next year but we said goodbye to some families that have been with CDO for many years through many children. It is so incredibly rewarding to watch these children grow and change throughout the year.

We also said goodbye to some coworkers moving on to homeschool their children or because they took a full-time job. They will be greatly missed. Our CDO staff is a close one. We pray for each other and care about each other like a family.

As we look toward the next CDO year, we are looking for some teachers and substitutes to join us in this ministry. Trinity CDO is a great place to be. We meet Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:30-2:30 August through May. If you would like to be a part of a great group of ladies working with wonderful children and families, contact Beth Ann Brown at babrown@tbck.org or Kellee Parish at kparish@tbck.org.



VBS
2024



Children's Day Out
Now Hiring!
Teachers & Subs needed!
Tues/Thurs
a part of
Trinity CDO
Contact Beth Ann
babrown@tbck.org




\$25 Deposit
saves your spot
Submit to Trinity Baptist
Kids Camp-July 22-25
Completed 3rd-5th Grade
PARENT MEETING
Wednesday July, 17- 7:00pm Room 121

Parents, Pizza, & Snowballs!
July 11th
5:30-7:00pm

Childcare available for 3yrs & younger
RSVP to bblackstock@tbck.org

Summer Session
TRINITY Kids Ministry
Disciple Mission Service
Wednesdays
6-7 pm

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

Intern Insights by Cailin Powell

School is out and the youth are relishing the freedom that summer brings. Every Sunday and Wednesday night has been filled with shouts of joy as kids rally around each other at the ping pong table or in the gym for Gym Rats. Yet, there are also bitter cries of disappointment as the beloved championship spot is claimed and the winning basket is shot in the gym.

Through the ups and downs of competition, the goal for our students is connection with each other, with adults, and ultimately, with God. The connections we build with each other point us back to the connection we have with our Heavenly Father.

Walk into the refinery on a Sunday morning and you will encounter the sweetest song of praise being proclaimed unto God. Wednesday nights we are looking at the "whys" behind the songs that unite us as Christians. As a student ministry, we're taking a step back and learning what it is that we proclaim, why we proclaim it, and taking a moment to contemplate and acknowledge the greatness of the God who loves us and desires a relationship with us.

Being an intern again this summer has given me a unique opportunity to see these connections lived out through our students. I've seen students who were afraid of talking last summer, initiate conversations with strangers and walk away with new friends. I'm excited to see what the rest of the summer holds and ask that you join us in prayer on this journey!



Middle School Theme Night



HORIZON YOUTH CAMP
JULY 15-19

PRE-CAMP MEETING
Wednesday, July 10 @ 6pm
Worship Center

\$300
\$50 deposit

TRINITY
 Student Ministry

MIDDLE SCHOOL
THEME NIGHTS

JULY 9TH

ALL INCOMING 6TH-8TH GRADERS

MEET IN THE FORGE • 6PM-8PM

TSM

WEDNESDAYS

5PM | 6PM

HANG OUT TIME | SUMMER CIRCLES

GYM RATS TO FOLLOW SUMMER CIRCLES

IN THE REFINERY



High School Girl's & Guy's Trips





DR Mission Trip by J.D. Templeton

On June 1st, twenty-four TBCK members traveled to the Austin airport before the rooster crowed. Ranging in age from 12 to 60+, these missionaries worked diligently with our Dominican partners in a variety of ministries. Roof demolition, bookcase construction, medical clinics, VBS, sports camp, pastor's conference, parent training, children's ESL, varnishing bunk beds, baking class...these are some of the visible activities of the team. Relationships built around mealtimes, ministry and travel are an example of the less visible, but incredibly vital results of such trips.

Later this year we'll print a full report, but for now here's a few quotes from our TBCK short-term missionaries: "we can show God's love even through a language barrier...in the DR, believers surrender to God's desire, I seek to do this now...this trip helped refresh my love for serving others...this year my experience was all

about making relationships with the global church...this year I wanted to work on stepping out of my comfort zone...for me to join alongside our Dominican hosts and help with the many activities was truly a joy...the joy and love I saw is something I really want to live by...celebrating the Lord's Supper with the Dominicans was just a glimpse of what we will see in heaven...one thing that stood out to me was that they are willing to ask for help in their struggles...they don't care that they have so little because they have enough...I saw how God works through ministries such as the Texas Baptist Hunger Offering...I was convicted of making excuses not to spend time with God...God really opened my eyes to how blessed I am...when we serve it truly is about having a right heart...each time I come back with a fuller heart...it inspired me to pursue a greater relationship with our Lord...what stood out to me was the unity of the church...I saw God working through everyone...each day we were empowered by God's grace..."

Bible Study for Young Adults
11:00am Sundays
Room 217

quenched

Bible Study led by Jordan and Melissa Marcum
for 18-30 somethings

Summer
Singers!

Meet in the Chapel
Sundays at 10:45 am



Prime Time
SUMMER
GAMES

Monday, July 1st
12-2 PM
in the Café

BRING A BROWN BAG LUNCH
FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

MANY GAMES TO PLAY OR BRING YOUR
FAVORITE

Lois Home Group by Tabor McMillan

The Lois Home Group is a tight-knit community comprised of young families who come together on Tuesday evenings from 5:30-7:45 to discuss our faith in Jesus, our lives, and to foster personal growth as Christians. Each family brings its own unique experiences, perspectives, and strengths to the group, creating a great atmosphere for discussion. We typically meet inside the home of one of our members, share a potluck meal for an hour and then have our discussion time for the following hour. While we have our discussion time, our children spend time playing together or watching a movie so the adults can converse without distraction. Discussions range from exploring biblical passages and books, to navigating the complexities of everyday life or diving deep into specific biblical themes. Through dialogue, reflection, and prayer, our group seeks to deepen its understanding of scripture and its relevance to the lives we lead.

Beyond the designated discussion time, the Lois Home Group is also a source of practical support and friendship. Members rally around each other during times of need, offering assistance, meals, and a listening ear. We have welcomed new life through babies being born, we've mourned the loss of parents and other loved ones, and have even celebrated the marriage of two of our members.

The connections we have established through this group permeates into our everyday lives.

We gather for social outings, we celebrate holidays together, and provide a sense of belonging that has really helped this small group feel more like a second family. It's a great thing to witness whenever you have a community around you that continually shows up for one another.

We are glad to welcome any who might be interested in attending a small home group. We typically meet 3 Tuesday nights a month and also regularly meet with the Kerrville West Home Group for monthly fellowships.



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

Sunday Nights
7:00 PM
in The Forge
Post High School - 30ish

Men's & Women's Bible Studies

Summer Men's Bible Study
FLESHING OUT THE BIBLICAL MEANING

A video and in person look at how to study the Bible
Led by
JD Templeton and Dale Moreau

June 20 - August 1
in the Forge
10-Noon
No Cost

FREE VIDEOS AND PODCASTS
3 SESSIONS

CONTEND EARNESTLY FOR THE FAITH

Jude Bible Study
Wednesdays, 10-Noon, July 10-24
Thursdays, 6:30-8 PM, July 11-25
In the Chapel, Cost \$8

Scan the QR code or call the church office

Debbie Taylor Williams

Month in Review - June



Women's Paint Pouring Craft



Mini Kid's Camp



Sean Gore & Bobby Ayala keeping us safe



Navigate



Disciple Kids



Game Day!



- Aug 4 Incoming 6th graders family lunch-Noon
- Aug 5 Prime Time Game Day-Noon
- Aug 11 Promotion Sunday-11:00
- Aug 11 Back to School Prayer Event-4:00
- 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! begins-7:00
- Aug 22-23 SMOST Retreat
- Aug 25 Member Meeting-4:00
- Aug 25 Christmas Preview Dinner-6:00



- Sept 2 Church Offices/Bldgs Closed
- Sept 8 TSM Family Lunch & Mtg-Noon
- Sept 9 Prime Time Game Day-Noon
- Sept 13 TBC Craft Show-8:00-6:00
- Sept 14 TBC Craft Show-8:00-4:00
- 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

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
- 3 on 3 Basketball League-6:30pm (thru July)

Tuesdays:

- Senior Adult Chair Workouts-10:00
- Prime Time Singers-10:00 (resumes 9/3)
- K'ville West Home Group 5:30
- Lois Home Group 5:30

Wednesdays:

- Women's Bible Study 10am (begins 7/10)
- Pickleball Noon
- Joyful Strummers-3:45 (resumes 9/4)
- Handbell Rehearsal 4:00 (resumes 9/4)
- Brown Bag Meal 5:00
- Library Open 5:15
- Adult Mid-Week Bible Study 6:00
- TSM Wednesdays-6:00
- Disciple Kids 6:00
- Gym Rats 7:00 (thru summer)

Thursdays:

- Senior Adult Chair Workouts-10:00
- Men's Bible Study 10:00 (thru 8/1)
- Stitchers for Jesus-10:00 (resumes 9/5)
- Women's Bible Study 6:30 (begins 7/11)
- TBC Worship Signers Rehearsal-6:00

Fridays:

- Community Prayer Time-7:00am



- July 1 Prime Time Game Day-Noon
- July 4 Church Offices/Bldgs Closed
- July 4 Neighborhood Bicycle Parade-9am
- July 7 ONE Service-9am/Bible Study-10am
- July 9 Middle School Theme Night-6:00
- July 10 Youth Pre-Camp Meeting-6:00
- July 11 Pizza, Parents, Snowballs-5:30
- July 15-19 Horizon Youth Camp
- July 17 Kid's Camp Parent Mtg.-5:00
- July 21 Church Council Mtg-4:00pm
- July 22-25 Kid's Camp
- July 28 Family Gath./Member Mtg.-4:00