



The Trinitarian

October 2023 Newsletter

Trinity is so blessed to have a growing number of children and youth in the church. Can you believe that we now have 43 active youth and 76 children? To better serve our children, youth, and their families, the Session has voted to add a new staff position: Director of Children's Ministry.

As you know, Carrys Sasser has been doing ministry with both children and youth for a number of years. She has done a great job and the ministry has really grown under her leadership. Starting in January, Carrys' job will shift to focus only on youth and their families. We are glad that her work with our young people in Middle School and High School will continue uninterrupted.

In addition to the ministry Carrys does with our youth, we are adding a 30-hour-a-week position for children's ministry (nursery to 5th grade). This person will recruit and train teachers for Sunday School and Children's Church, coordinate Vacation Bible School, organize annual events like the Easter Egg Hunt and Blessing of the Backpacks, work to ensure a clean safe nursery, maintain contact with parents, and much more.

The Session has approved a Director of Children's Ministry Search Committee comprised of Brant Richerson (chair), Rebecca Moes, Suzanne Harcourt, Sherri McCollum, and Matt Chunn. Please pray for the work of this committee as they talk to candidates. If you know of a potential candidate, please share that name with one of the committee members. We are excited to welcome this new person to help Trinity better serve the young families in our church.

Grace and Peace,

Matt McCollum



Come enjoy fellowship and a catered lunch from **Stagecoach Café**. We will have a Fish Fry, fried chicken, several sides, and desserts. Invite a friend to join you! Wear your Trinity T-shirt. Shirts for sale in Trinity Hall for \$10.



October Food Drive: The Ecumenical Ministries (EMI) Emergency Food Pantry is a community safety net that assists the many people in our area who experience temporary difficulties. Please pick up a list of critical needs in Trinity Hall and return your items to Trinity Hall. If you'd prefer, you can make a donation earmarked for the Emergency Food Pantry and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!



For those who ordered cookies from Baking it Forward during our Breast Cancer Awareness campaign, please don't forget **to pick up your cookies in Trinity Hall on Sunday, October 8th, between 9 am-12 pm or Monday, October 9th from 4pm-6pm.** The Baking it Forward team wishes to thank Trinity Presbyterian Church and its members for helping us make this fundraiser successful. Stay tuned to next month's newsletter for more information regarding the wrap-up of this fundraiser!

Dear Trinity Family,

Thank you so much for your prayers, cards, flowers, and visits during my recovery from heart surgery. Your support meant so much to me.

*Blessings to all of you,
Jenny Hansen*



PW Coordinating Team will meet in the office parlor on Monday, October 2nd, at 9:30 am.

Presbyterian Women Bible Study Please join us Monday, October 9th, at 9:30 am, in Trinity Hall, for refreshments, followed by a business meeting and Bible Study.

PW Night Circle will meet Monday, October 9th, at 6:45 p.m., in the home of Shirley Shipman, 222 Divot Loop, in Fairhope.



Stitchin' With a Mission

**Monday, October 16
9:30 am
Trinity Hall**

Come enjoy fellowship while we do projects to help others. The only skill needed is the desire to serve.

In our thoughts and prayers . . .



Lisa Agnew (sister of Beth Horn)	Lupus
Mickey Bell (sister of Rebecca Mikulka)	lung cancer
Fred Bostrom	stroke recovery
Ella Comer (great-niece of Skip Boulter)	cancer
Richard Crum	melanoma
Susan Ham	healing
Katie Hamlin	neurological
Perry Hartley	general health
LaVern Haver	dementia
Gayle Hudson (mother of Jeff Hudson)	cardiac and general health
Grace James (friend of Mike & Glenda Murphy)	dementia
Frances Jarrett (sister of Bonnie Robinson)	neurological issues
Warren Krhut (brother of Fred Krhut & Donna Anderson)	general health
Joe Mikulka	Parkinson's
Cynthia Nelson	hip surgery/recovery
Hap Partridge	recovery from back injury
Brownie Post	cancer
Carol Powell	hip surgery recovery
Tanya Spaulding (mother of Parisa Clarke)	ALS
Melissa Walker (daughter of Brownie Post)	melanoma
Patti Whiteside (daughter-in-law of Margie Whiteside)	Polymyositis

*A Warm Welcome to our
New Members!*



Will, Emily, and Elliot Crowe



Sally DeMott	10/1	Henry Wilcoxon	10/11	Billy Marascalco	10/22
Mary Helen Callaway	10/2	Shirley Shipman	10/12	Cindy Britt	10/23
Hannah Jackson	10/2	Gary Finch	10/13	Martha Lynch	10/23
John Ward	10/2	Sharon Hulon	10/13	Jeannette Clodfelter	10/25
Georgia Whiteside	10/2	Noel Yoho	10/13	Mary Ford Davis	10/25
Mary Burns	10/3	Dick Allen	10/15	Andrea Lytle	10/25
Jeff Hudson	10/3	Marsha Franklin	10/15	Sue Beard	10/26
George Jones	10/3	Blair Gorsuch	10/15	Ron Gearhart	10/26
Alan Kuhn	10/3	Miles Cook III	10/16	Elizabeth Tabb	10/26
August Nolting	10/3	Katherine Ham	10/16	Hap Partridge	10/27
Virginia McCrory	10/4	Adell Jackson	10/17	Berkley Coody	10/28
Candice Prosch	10/4	Bob Pritchard II	10/17	Paul Davis	10/28
Brant Richerson	10/5	Amy King	10/18	Shannon Finch	10/28
Emory Watkins	10/5	Gaye Lindsey	10/18	Rhoda Passmore	10/28
Garrett Yoho	10/5	Bill Quinn	10/18	Debbie Smith	10/28
Mary McCullough	10/6	Vaughn Maceina	10/19	Bill Owens	10/29
Temple May	10/7	Bryant MacKellar	10/19	Cynthia Pegues	10/29
Edward McKenzie	10/7	Don Schiesz	10/19	Todd Seeley	10/29
Dave Nelson	10/7	Polly Bostrom	10/20	Paula Dicks	10/30
Betty Allen	10/8	Beau Brownlie-Carey	10/20	Della Doggett	10/30
Mike Vaughn	10/8	Trey Fouché	10/20	Tony McLaughlin	10/30
Tom Gaster	10/10	Chris King	10/20	Eva-Ro Brandon	10/31
Julie Richerson	10/10	Susan Mayes	10/20	Clark Brownlie-Carey	10/31
Sandra Bostrom	10/11	Thomas Maceina	10/21	Bella Greene	10/31
Philip Moes	10/11	Hal Greene	10/22	Jessica Jones	10/31
Bonnie Vadas	10/11	Paul Lynch	10/22		

MISSION: WITNESS & OUTREACH COMMITTEE

POSSIBLE

NOW ENTERING THE MISSION FIELD

Trinity's Witness and Outreach Committee has the joy of deciding on mission opportunities in which we invest our time and money. At our recent meeting, we chose the recipient of our annual Christmas Eve offering: RIP Medical Debt. This non-profit contributes toward loan forgiveness for people who have become heavy in debt and often bankrupt due to medical circumstances beyond their control. We also approved \$5000 for the new and bigger Drive-Thru Nativity and \$5000 for Prodissee Pantry.

Kairos Outside is an organization that provides a weekend respite experience for families of incarcerated individuals, and we contributed \$1000 to support that upcoming event. We also continue to weekly support Neighborhood Bridges, a non-profit that informs us of the needs of local school students. At the end of summer, we sent a team that served water and drinks to the city's Back to School Bash, an event that supplied school needs and food for underserved children. We also funded a lunch for teachers returning to Summerdale School and breakfast for teachers at Newton School. We continue to support Summerdale School with tutoring and snacks for needy students. Our opportunity to host homeless families through Family Promise will come up in October, and we look forward to involving our congregation in serving during that important event. We invite church members to check out the article on places to physically serve in our community, remembering that serving Christ goes beyond spending our dollars.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR TRINITY MEMBERS

Jesus's instructions to his disciples in Matthew 25:40 were these: "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." Any one of these volunteer opportunities will help us to respond to our Lord's call to serve Him through serving others.

BALDWIN FAMILY VILLAGE: A transition housing program for women and children. Volunteers can provide meals, sitter service, and transportation. Contact www.baldwinfamilyvillage.org

SHEPHERDS PLACE: A respite for adults suffering from Alzheimer's, dementia, Parkinson's, stroke, or traumatic brain injury. Volunteers are needed Monday through Thursday 9-1 at Fairhope United Methodist Church. Contact www.shepherdsplacerespite.com

PRODISEE PANTRY: A faith-based food distribution center for Baldwin County residents in need located at 9315 Spanish Fort Blvd (Hwy 31), Spanish Fort. Volunteers are needed Monday – Thursday at varied hours. Contact www.prodiseepantry.org

ROTARY BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB: An after-school tutoring program to help students achieve reading ability at their grade level. Monday through Thursday 3:30-5:00. Contact Patsy Shreve at 850-712-6983.

SUMMERDALE SCHOOL: An opportunity for tutoring students and helping teachers and staff at this school adopted by Trinity Church. Members can also deliver snacks to Trin Hall to be taken to Summerdale. Contact Karen Davies at 251-454-4745.

NEIGHBORHOOD BRIDGES: A charity that connects Baldwin County residents with requests posted by local school professionals to provide basic needs for students. Contact www.neighborhoodbridges.org

FAMILY PROMISE: An opportunity to provide overnight housing and meals for homeless families in Baldwin County. Trinity will host October 15-28. Volunteers can sign up to prepare evening meals and/or to stay overnight with our guests. Sign-up sheets will be available in Trin Hall and on Sign-up Genius.



SAVE THE DATE!
DECEMBER 7TH, 2023 | 6-9PM | DAPHNE CIVIC CENTER
MAKE PLANS TO JOIN FAMILY PROMISE FOR THE TASTIEST EVENT OF THE SEASON!
WWW.FAMILYPROMISEBALDWINAL.ORG

16TH ANNUAL
Chocolate Affair
Family Promise
of Baldwin County

Trinity Visionary Fund

"God is love. Whoever lives in love, lives in God, and God in Him. And, He has given us this command: Whoever loves God must also love his brother." 1 John 4: 17 and 21

Trinity Presbyterian Church has joined with literally thousands of churches around our nation that have created an endowment. Gifts to our endowment, the Trinity Visionary Fund, are added to the corpus of the endowment which is not spent but rather is invested in the market. At the end of each fiscal year, a portion of the income will be reinvested in the corpus and a portion of the income will be used to support the work of our church beyond the scope of the annual operating budget. The larger the endowment grows, the larger our gift will be. The Trinity Visionary Fund empowers our members to show the love of God to those in need in our community, around our state and nation, and around the world.

Annual gifts to the Trinity Visionary Fund may be made in honor or memory of a friend or family member or a legacy gift may be made as part of an estate plan. Because the corpus of the endowment is not spent but invested in the market, gifts to this fund will make a difference in the work of our Church in perpetuity.

Highlights from the September Session Meeting

Cynthia Nelson, Clerk

1. New members were received Sunday, September 3, 2023: Mr. and Mrs. William Crowe (Emily) joined by Reaffirmation of Faith.
2. The request from William and Emily Crowe for their son, Elliot James Crowe, to receive the sacrament of Baptism on September 17, 2023, was approved by the Session.
3. The Membership Roll, the Recent Visitor List, and the Regular Visitor List were distributed to the Session for their review in preparation for an audit at the October meeting.
4. Nancy McLeod volunteered to be the second Commissioner and attend the Presbytery Meeting on November 14, 2023, at Spanish Fort Presbyterian Church. Elder Bill Hill will also attend.
5. Guest: Janet Hixon presented the recommendation from the Columbarium Committee to complete the columbarium project with Everest Columbarium using granite faceplates and replacing all of the bronze faceplates with granite for a uniform appearance of the finished project.
6. The Session unanimously approved the Finance Committee's request to spend approximately \$8,000 to repair the front sidewalk and to purchase the recommended AEDs for the church Property from the Memorial Fund.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p> <p><u>Worship</u> 8am & 10am</p> <p>Baking it Forward 12pm</p> <p>TriYouth 5:30pm</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Baking it Forward 9am</p> <p>PW Coordinating Team 9:30am</p> <p>ES Choral Society 6pm</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Men's Bible Study 6:30am</p> <p>Baking it Forward 9am</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Warehouse Wednesday 7am</p> <p>Baking it Forward 1pm</p> <p>Choir Practice 6:30pm</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Luke Bible Study 11am</p> <p>Trinity Support Group 11:30am</p> <p>Baking it Forward 1pm</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Baking it Forward 9am</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8</p> <p><u>Worship</u> 8am & 10am</p>	<p>9</p> <p>PW Study 9:30am</p> <p>Baking it Forward 1pm</p> <p>PW Night Circle 6:45pm</p> <p>ES Choral Society 5:30pm</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Men's Bible Study 6:30am</p> <p>Baking it Forward 9am</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Warehouse Wednesday 7am</p> <p>Baking it Forward 1pm</p> <p>Choir Practice 6:30pm</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Luke Bible Study 11am</p> <p>Baking it Forward 1:30pm</p> <p>Session Meeting 6pm</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Baking it Forward 9am</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Baking it Forward 9am</p>
<p>15</p> <p><u>Worship</u> 8am & 10am</p> <p>All Committee Sunday 11:15am</p> <p>TriYouth 5:30pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Stitchin' with a Mission 9:30am</p> <p>ES Choral Society 6pm</p> <p>PW Night Circle 6:45pm</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Men's Bible Study 6:30am</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Warehouse Wednesday 7am</p> <p>Choir Practice 6:30pm</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Luke Bible Study 11am</p>	<p>20</p> <p><i>NewsLetter</i> DEADLINE</p> <p>Send your news to Ana at the church office.</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22</p> <p><u>Worship</u> 8am & 10am</p> <p>Church Picnic 11am</p> <p>TriYouth 5:30pm</p>	<p>23</p> <p>ES Choral Society 6pm</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Men's Bible Study 6:30am</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Warehouse Wednesday 7am</p> <p>Choir Practice 6:30pm</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Luke Bible Study 11am</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29</p> <p><u>Worship</u> 8am & 10am</p> <p><i>Children's Home Offering</i></p> <p>Trunk or Treat 4pm</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Baking it Forward 9am</p> <p>ES Choral Society 6pm</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Men's Bible Study 6:30am</p>				