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*“Let no debt remain outstanding,
except the continuing debt to love one
another, for whoever loves others
has fulfilled the law”*

Romans 13: 8 (NIV)

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Loving Christ.

Living for Christ.

Leading others to Christ.

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Sandra Aanerud
George Anderson
June Arakawa
Kay Brethauer
Barbara Ewing
Don Grasmick
Jack Spencer

**PRAYERS FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS
OF THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:**

Donna Cole
Dennis Hipp
Betty MacDonald
Carolann Mann
Bob Paulger
Rita Varav

PRAYERS OF HEALING AND COMFORT

Shirley Abbott
Jim Ampaya
Terry Ampaya
Elaine Bell
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Sue Mooney
Linda Packham
Ted Rains
Val Rains
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Rita Scott
Brian Smith
Nancy Wolf
Paige Wolf
Grant Yule
Kathi Yule
Marcia Zerkel

Ruling Elders (2022-2023)

Dan Bornhoeft
Elena Davis
Jorge Dios
Bret Gean
Cindy Harris
Clark McKay
Betsy Phillips
Fred Ranieri

Board of Deacons**2023**

Tim Danielsen, Lynne Giles, Judi McKay,
Dory Raymond and Sherry Straeter

2024

Tena Arstein, Paige Davis, Pat Lagerstrom,
Tim Phares and Brenda Schearer

2025

Peggy Antos, Arcelia Dios, Sandra
Henningesen. JoAnn Knipe and Bill Stermer



From the Pastor's Desk



During the month of February, the season of Lent begins. It starts on Ash Wednesday 02/22/23 and concludes on Thursday 04/06/23. The season of Lent gives us an opportunity to reflect on God's graciousness. As we seek to please God, it is not about what we do – or refrain from doing – but it is all about accepting His gracious offer of forgiveness, made possible through Christ's blood that was shed on the cross.

Salvation is God's work, not our work. *"For by grace you have been saved"* (Ephesians 2:8a) Our salvation begins with Jesus – not us. Salvation is provided for us wholly because of His grace, His unmerited favor toward you and me. Our heavenly Father did not send His only Son to die for our sins because we kept begging and pleading for Him to do so. It was by His grace alone.

Salvation is God's work in God's way, not our way. It is *"through faith... not of yourselves; it is the gift of God."* (Ephesians 2:8b). No amount of doing good deeds or abstaining from certain pleasures can earn God's favor. Salvation is wholly by grace, through faith in Christ Jesus. It is God's gift to us.

Our focus today, as well as everyday, should be on God's goodness, His grace, and His abundant love.

Blessings,

Pastor Tom

Pastor Tom





February 22 - Ash Wednesday - Quiet Reflection in the Reflection Garden and Distribution of Ashes(*12:00 PM)

6:30 PM—The Chosen (season 2, episode 7) in Piper Hall

Feb. 26th - 1st Sunday in Lent (Worship Service - 9:30am)

March 5th - 2nd Sunday in Lent (Worship Service - 9:30am)

March 12th - 3rd Sunday in Lent (Worship Service - 9:30am)

March 19th - 4th Sunday in Lent (Worship Service - 9:30am)

March 26th - 5th Sunday in Lent (Worship Service - 9:30am)

April 2nd - Palm Sunday (Worship Service - 9:30am)

April 6th - Maundy Thursday (Worship Service - 6:30pm)

April 7th - Good Friday (NO Service)

April 9th - Easter Sunday (Service at 9:30am)

*** Holy Week (April 3rd – April 7th)**

- The Reflection Garden and/or Sanctuary will be open from 12:00 - 12:30 PM each day for quiet reflection and prayer.



Save the Date:

**The 2023 CROP Hunger Walk
will take place on March 12th.
Look for more information
to come.**

Cake on the Patio

The Deacons will be serving cake on the patio on Sunday, February 12th in celebration of all of those with February birthdays and/or anniversaries!



The Café will provide additional goodies and healthier options, as well.

PRAYER

Join us for prayer in the Reflection Garden each Thursday from 1-2:00 PM.

Questions: Call Tena (805) 482-1584



Trinity Presbyterian - Annual Meeting 2023

The Congregational meeting will take place in Piper Hall on Sunday, February 12th at 10:45 AM.

Head over to Piper Hall following the worship service to get some cake and goodies before the meeting begins.

The meeting will include Trinity's budget presentation for 2023.

Covenant Partners will be asked to vote on:

- The terms of Call for Pastor Tom
- Election of Elders, Deacons and Nominating Committee members



**Thank
You**

Thank you to the "Secret Santa" who anonymously put a copy of the Max Lucado book, *In the Manger*, in Bev Taylor's mailbox. Bev enjoyed reading it during Advent, and wanted the giver to know how much she really appreciated it.

The Gathering

“The Gathering” is on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month from 5:00 to 6:30 PM. “The Gathering” is a way for Trinity to provide outreach for the unchurched or those who have left the church for various reasons. We try to provide a comfortable setting, very different from our traditional church service, where people may worship and ask questions without the fear of judgment. Guests are welcome, so invite a friend or neighbor to come with you to “the Gathering”.



Join us in Piper Hall for Season 2 of “The Chosen.” We will be meeting from 6:30 to 8:00 PM each Wednesday through March 1st to view an episode (with a short discussion lead by Pastor Tom and Elder Bret Gean). For those who are unable to be here on Wed. evenings, Betsy Phillips will also show the videos and lead a short discussion in the Fireside Room on Mondays from 1:00 - 2:30 PM.

Bob Paulger Celebration of Life

Come and celebrate the life of Bob Paulger on Saturday, February 4th at 1:00 PM.

The service will be held in the Trinity Sanctuary, with a reception in Piper Hall immediately following.



Trinity Milestones

Happy Birthday!

February

- 4th Beth MacArthur and Yvonne Wooff
- 5th Walt Hicks
- 6th Shirley Abbott
- 8th David Cole and Dorothy Miller
- 10th Susan Adair
- 13th Ann Bornhoeft and Ted Rains
- 14th Corinne Dawson
- 15th John Packham
- 17th Kay Brethauer, Linda Riewald and Nancy Vickers
- 20th Don Grasmick
- 24th Peggy Antos and Annette Coe
- 25th Martha Swartz-Sanders
- 26th Lynne Giles



Happy Anniversary!

- Dan & Linda Rhymes – February 1st
- Walt & Mona Hicks – February 3rd
- Jeff & Berni Hilgaertner – February 17th
- Ron & Nancy Lindsay – February 24th



* If you have a February birthday or anniversary that did not make it into the Trinity Times, please call the church office at (805) 484-0530, so we can update our database .

TRINITY YOUTH MINISTRIES

Sunday Schedule (February)

**3:00-4:30pm in The Youth Room
(unless otherwise stated)**

5th: Hoonting - 3:00 PM

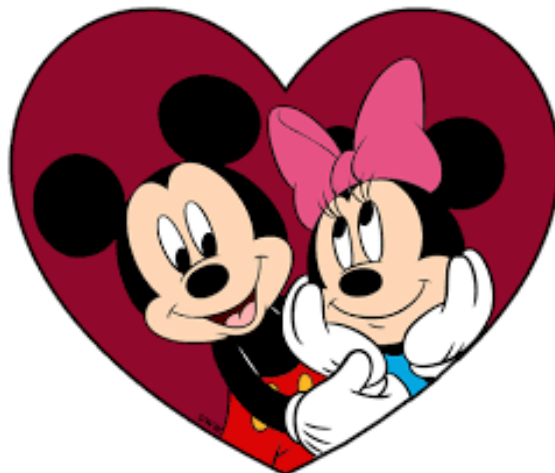
The Gathering - 5:00 PM

12th: No Youth Group - Super Bowl Sunday!

19th: Crafts & Games - 3:00 PM

The Gathering - 5:00 PM

26th: Bowling - 3:00 PM



Bible Study & Dinner

Wednesdays (5:30-7:30 PM)

Drop Off Locations

February 1st - Trinity

"The Chosen" 6:30- 8:00 PM

February 8th - Trinity

"The Chosen" 6:30- 8:00 PM

February 15th - Trinity

"The Chosen" 6:30- 8:00 PM

February 22nd - Trinity

"The Chosen" 6:30-8:00 PM

Pick Up at Trinity all weeks!

Session Highlights - January 2023

- Membership stands at 201
- Session discussed contracts (Taiwanese Church).
- Elders were selected to serve on Nominating Committee
- Financial end of year report was positive. Trinity has been blessed.
- Stephanie Raymond wedding at Trinity was approved by Session.
- Next stated Session meeting will be Tuesday, February 21st.

Upcoming Events

February 4th - Celebration of Life for Bob Paulger

January 30th—February 2nd - ECO National Gathering (Newport Beach)
- Pastor Tom Straeter (Vice-Moderator)
- Elder Margaret Cobb (Council Member at Large)

February 5th & February 19th - “The Gathering”

February 12th - Annual Congregational Meeting

February 22nd - Ash Wednesday/Start of Lent

“The Chosen” (Wednesday 6:30 - 8:00 PM through March 1st
& Mondays 1:00 - 2:30 PM through Feb.27th)

Financial Report - December 2022

For the month ending 12/31/2022:

- Total Income for December was \$55,054.
 - Total expenses were \$59,224.
- There was a negative operating result in December of \$4,170.

For the twelve months ending 12/31/2022:

- Total Income for the 12 months was \$691,332.
 - Total expenses were \$677,218.
- There was a positive operating result of \$14,114.

January 2023

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

February 2023

March 2023

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 10:00a Ladies' Ensemble - Sanc. 5:30p Youth Bible Study - YR 6:30p "The Chosen" - PH 8:30a BH Chapel - Sanc.	2 9:00a BH Orch. 1:00p Prayer-Garden 5:00p Meal Share - PH 7:00p Choir- Sanc.	3 7:00a Men's Bible Study - FS 8:30a BH Chapel - Sanc 7:00p Iglesia - Music - FH	4 1:00p Bob Paulger Memorial - Sanc/ PH
5 9:30a Worship - Sanc. 10:00a TAPCVC-FH 11:00a Bells - Sanc. 5:00p Iglesia - FH, Rm 5 5:00p The Gathering - PH	6	7 9:00a BH Orch. 9:30a Staff - PO 6:30p Deacon's BrassBand - FH	8 10:00a Ladies' Ensemble - Sanc. 5:30p Youth Bible Study - YR 6:30p "The Chosen" - PH 8:30a BH Chapel - Sanc.	9 9:00a BH Orch. 1:00p Prayer-Garden 7:00p Choir- Sanc.	10 7:00a Men's Bible Study - FS 8:30a BH Chapel - Sanc 7:00p Iglesia - Music - FH	11
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19 9:30a Worship - Sanc. 10:00a TAPCVC-FH 11:00a Bells - Sanc. 5:00p Iglesia - FH, Rm 5 5:00p The Gathering - PH	20 8:00a Pres. Day Holiday (Office Closed)	21 9:00a BH Staff Trainig - PH 9:30a Staff - PO 6:30p Session - FS 7:00p BrassBand - FH	22 10:00a Ladies' Ensemble - Sanc. 5:30p Youth Bible Study - YR 6:30p "The Chosen" - PH 8:30a BH Chapel - Sanc.	23 9:00a BH Orch. 1:00p Prayer-Garden 7:00p Choir- Sanc.	24 7:00a Men's Bible Study - FS 8:00a BH - Science Fair - PH, FH, Patio 8:30a BH Chapel - Sanc 7:00p Iglesia - Music - FH	25
26 9:30a Worship - Sanc. 10:00a TAPCVC-FH 11:00a Bells - Sanc. 5:00p Iglesia - FH, Rm 5	27 8:30a BH Chapel - Sanc.	28 9:00a BH Orch. 9:30a Staff - PO 1:00p Personnel - PO 7:00p BrassBand - FH	PH = Piper Hall CR = Conference Room FS = Fireside Room Sanc. = Sanctuary LG = Lounge FH = Fellowship Hall PO = Pastor's Office YR = Youth Room			

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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