

Trinity Press

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Resurrection

Most of us have heard the popular proverb “Being so heavenly minded that you are no earthly good.” I am not sure exactly what that means, but it seems like the phrase is saying, “Get your head out of the clouds and put your feet on the earth.”

I understand the intent of this proverb: We should not be so focused on spiritual things that we forget about today and the people around us. Interestingly, the Scriptures never warn us about being “too heavenly minded but really being too early minded!”

This seems to be part of the point of the apostle Paul as he writes the Corinthians: *“For a light and momentary troubles are achieving for us and eternal glory that far outweighs them all. So, we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.”* II Corinthians 5:17-18

It seems to me that the more heavenly minded we are the earthlier good we should be.

When we are heavenly minded, we think like Jesus, we see like Jesus, we have compassion like Jesus, and we act like Jesus. When we are more heavenly minded, we bring salt to a decaying world and light into the darkness.

The greater challenge for me is not being too heavenly minded but being too earthly minded. I want to daily, hourly “fix my eyes on what is unseen” or as the author of Hebrews puts it, “fixing my eyes on Jesus.” Hebrews 12:2

How can we do this? For me between now and Easter I am going to memorize II Corinthians 5:17-18 and meditate on it throughout the day and as I fall asleep.

How about you?

What will you do this week, this month, this year to “fix your eyes on what is unseen?”

As a reminder:

Friday March 29 – Good Friday service at 7...a powerful service of Scripture and reflection.

Sunday, March 31 – Easter – who will you invite?

Warmly,

Pastor Jamie



MOSAIC CITY BREAKFAST



THURSDAY, MARCH 21
9:00 - 10:30 AM
CENTER FOR SPIRITUAL AWARENESS

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\$50 PER PERSON

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MONEY MATTERS, PER CAPITA

Perhaps one of the most confusing aspects of how the Presbyterian Church functions is "**per-capita.**" Each year Trinity encourages its members to pay their per-capita apportionment. What is "per-capita"? Why do we do this? Where does this money go?

What? One of the great strengths of our denomination is that it is so interconnected. Trinity is tied to the larger Church ministry. One form of that connection is through our per-capita. Every Presbyterian Church in the country is required to pay a specific amount for each active member on its rolls to their respective Presbytery. *Per Capita rates are not "bills" or "dues" that are "charged" to members; however, this is an expense for Trinity.* This year, Trinity's per-capita apportionment is **\$31.34** per member.

Why? Each governing body above our Session has staff members and expenses that support the work of the Church. These individuals have no congregation to support their Ministry, but they are essential to the life of the Presbyterian Church.

Where? The per-capita payments for Trinity are split 4 ways, for the work of our: 1) General Assembly PC USA (\$9.80); Synod of the Pacific (\$5.22); North Central California Presbytery (\$15.32); and Presbytery's Pastoral Emergency Care Fund (\$1.00).

If you haven't done so already, please make out a check payable to Trinity Presbyterian Church in the amount of **\$31.34** for each active church member in your household. *This is a gift we invite our congregation (not just members) to give as part of a larger faith community rather than just "our own."* Some of our members may not be able to afford this, so we can help cover each other as part of our covenantal relationship with the larger denomination. Make a note on your check that it is to be used for per-capita. You can mail your check to Trinity, drop it by the church office, or put it in the offering plate on Sunday mornings.

Saturday, March 16, 8—12:00 will be our Spring church work day. Mark your calendars and please come and help get the church ready for our Easter services.





Join us! On Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024, Trinity will participate in One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS), a special offering that for 75 years has been providing Presbyterian Church USA a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world.

During this time of Lent, we celebrate that God connects with us through Jesus' resurrection and connects us with "those who have least" and that's what OGHS is all about. We are there with those who experience need, loss or lack in a world of disaster, hunger, and oppression.

The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve the millions of people who lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, the work of our programs fit together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

Here's a handful of some of the many ways we can contribute and impact our world by restoring hope, feeding the hungry, and empowering the oppressed:

Over 55,000 pounds of seeds and seedlings were distributed for farming

875 chickens were distributed in Guatemala and Colombia

\$5,500 grant helped small famers in South Sudan

228,318 Gift of the Heart Kits and Blankets distributed

From the Presbyterian Church USA website. For more information check out <https://specialofferings.pcusa.org/offering/oghs/>

Terri Young, for the Mission and Outreach committee

The Celtic Cross

For 43 years the silver Celtic cross has rested on Trinity's communion table, a centerpiece for the thousands of worship services conducted around it. Its placement is not only a reminder of God's love, but a memorial to a young man who was taken early from Trinity's fold.

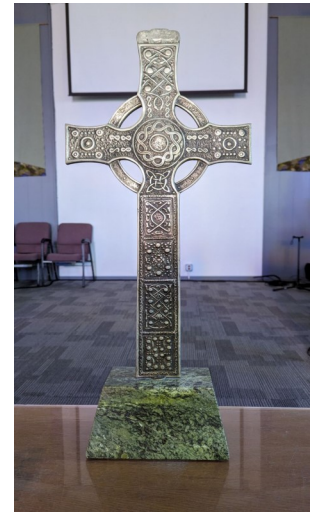
The Rev. Joseph Broadley and his family, after a five year stay at Trinity, were preparing to move to San Diego in the spring of 1952. Soon before they were to depart, the Broadleys ventured to Lake Tahoe for a weekend. There, the oldest of their two sons, Douglas, fell into the lake and drowned.

"That was such a shocking loss to us," says Jean Broadley, Douglas' mother. "The people of Trinity were so gracious."

In an expression of sympathy, a memorial fund was established in Douglas' name, and the Celtic cross was purchased from the Isle of Iona in Scotland.

"I ordered it from Scotland myself," remembers Fay Burgess. "That was such an experience when I put that cross on the communion table for the first time. I really felt like the spirit of God was there."

"It moved me so" * This article was taken from Trinity's archives



Installation of 2024 Elders and Deacons



Sunday, February 18 our new Elders and Deacons were installed by Pastor Jamie.

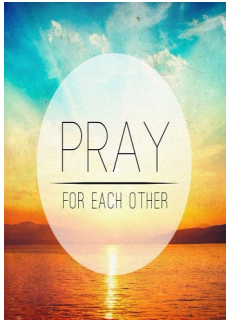
Elders—Steve David, Karla Rasmussen, Nola Goeden

Deacons—Samantha Sowers, Carol Flackus, Cindy Clauser will be installed at a later time.

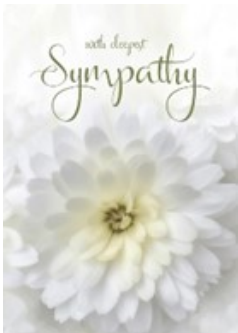
Lori Schlunegger would like to invite women to join her at the Westminster Woods women's weekend retreat on April 19th-21st. The event is all planned, meals and lodging included. They do have some ADA accommodations. All the information is at www.westminsterwoods.org/womens-weekend. Ladies should register themselves. If you are interested in going, please let Lori know so carpools can be arranged.

<https://www.westminsterwoods.org/womens-weekend>





- ◇ Healing prayers for Terrie Watson and Shellie Wallinder.
- ◇ Corinne Hamby is asking for prayers for Judy Miller as she had a stroke the week of February 5th. lately and for Corinne's brother-in-law Scott Graf who fell and hit his head. He now is having major head trauma.
- ◇ Prayers for the Schrimsher family as they mourn the passing of Jason's mother, Linda.
- ◇ Ken & Dee Settle's nephew Tony Palmer slipped & fell while at work. He cracked his wrist and burned his arm. He is in isolation.



Wilbur Curtis passed away on Monday, February 19 at 94. A funeral service will be held at Harry A. Nauman & Son, 4041 Freeport Blvd on Saturday, May 18 at 10:00 with a lunch and reception following at the church.

Good Friday Service

Please join us on Friday, March 29 at 7:00 p.m. for a very moving Good Friday Service, as we reflect on the events of the crucifixion.

Easter Services and Egg Hunts

You are invited to come to one of our Easter services on Sunday, March 31st—at either 9:00-10 or 10:30-11:30, where we will celebrate the resurrection of our saviour.

There will be an Easter egg hunt for the children following each service at 10 and 11:30. We look forward to having you join us.

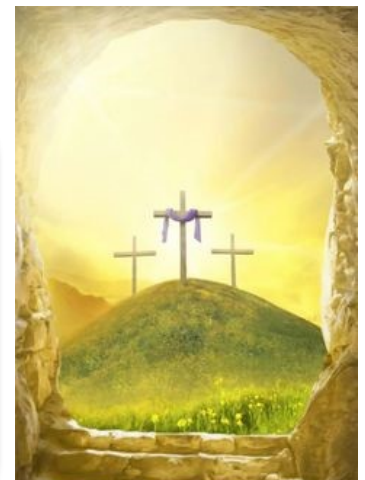
March 16—Church Work Day—8-12:00

March 24—Palm Sunday service at 10:00 a.m.

March 29—Good Friday service at 7:00 p.m.

March 31—Easter services at 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Easter egg hunts after each service for the children.

June 24-28—Vacation Bible School—6-8:00 p.m.



Happy Birthday To YOU!

Don Bosley—3/4

Terrie Young—3/12

John Baum—3/24

Jesse Schlunegger—3/26

Linda Brooks—3/27



Another fun morning of fellowship and working on projects. Please join us Saturday, March 2nd in Room 1 for TTT, Trinity Threads Together.



Ladies, Carol Davis and Paula Baum will be hosting our monthly luncheon on Friday, March 15 at noon. Remember to bring a dish to share and your own place setting.



Liz Hansen from Discovery Preschool delivered bags of food for Out of the Box from the preschool's food drive. Thank you Liz and Discovery Preschool!



Do you have old or outdated medication? Bring it in to the office and we'll dispose of it for you!



Eyeglasses

A basket is kept in the office for used eyeglasses and we just collected 16 pairs. We then pass them to Lions International for the Recycle for Sight Program. Thank you Trinity! Carol Davis

TRINITY MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

The purpose of the Memorial Committee is to properly receive, record and distribute funds donated and designated in memory of loved ones who have passed on.

The process of selecting memorial projects is based on finding projects that enrich the life and atmosphere of the church. A few projects in the past have been as follows:

- Purchase and installation of the playground equipment after removal of the old and obsolete playground equipment
- Purchase of materials to build the bookcases in the library with labor donated by Bob Hocker
- Purchase and installation of the picnic table near the narthex entrance
- Purchase and installation of the bench seats on the front lawn
- Purchase of materials and installation of brick flower beds around the church exterior
- The church sign on front lawn

There is a Memorial Book in the library where the names of those who have been memorialized by a donation have been entered.

Please consider carrying on this tradition in memory of your loved ones. There are other ways to do this as well, such as to commemorate milestones such as anniversaries, birthdays, or special family memories.

Scout Sunday





Trinity Children's Ministry: Where everyone is welcome, and everyone belongs!

Once again, Trinity's families are participating in **One Great Hour of Sharing**. Fish banks have been distributed, and families are using the OGHS giving calendar for inspiration as they fill their banks. If you didn't get a fish bank, you can still participate. Simply collect donations in any jar, bowl, baggie, or empty tissue box. You can find the One Great Hour giving calendar at <https://specialofferings.pcusa.org/resource/2024-oghs-sharing-calendar/>. Through the Presbyterian Mission Agency, donations to One Great Hour of Sharing support three programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People. Our contributions will help to restore hope, feed the hungry, and empower the oppressed. Everyone is invited to bring your fish banks to worship on Palm Sunday, March 24. (If you can't come that day, bring them on Easter). Thank you for always generously supporting this program!



Youth Group:



Register here:



**PIZZA, SNACKS, WACKY GAMES,
NEW FRIENDS, CRAZY
LATE-NIGHT SHENANIGANS!!
WE WANT YOU TO JOIN US!!**

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf8ek9OXrOzmEt3LOklIW53ZiFMNR5D2-fFMXFiRz_UzLaUAQ/viewform

For carpooling, meet at 6pm at Trinity. Register on the link, and let Lori know you're coming!

Nursery/Preschool Volunteers needed: your kind smile, watchful eyes, and story-reading voice are needed among the youngest in our Trinity family. We have open opportunities for volunteer helpers on the first and fifth Sundays of each month. Activities may include coloring, playing with toys, reading a story about God's love, or having a snack. Grown-up chairs are available, you do not have to sit on the floor. If you are available occasionally to welcome a young one, please reach out to Lori Schlunegger.

Come make resurrection gardens on Good Friday! On Friday evening, March 29, Pastor Jamie and the worship team will be hosting a powerful, thought-provoking service at 7pm, focused on the crucifixion of Christ. Resurrection Gardens will be an activity for children and youth during that time. We'll meet outside by Room 1 (the Youth Room). Be prepared to get a little dirty.



If you would like to donate supplies for our gardens, please see our wish list here:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E084DA5AA22A2F58-48269763-resurrection#/>



All hands-on deck for Easter! Trinity will host two services on Easter Sunday, March 31. We will need additional volunteers in order to offer nursery care and Sunday School for both services and hide eggs. Please consider volunteering during the service that you're not attending. If you are available at 9:00 or 10:30, please reach out to Lori Schlunegger.

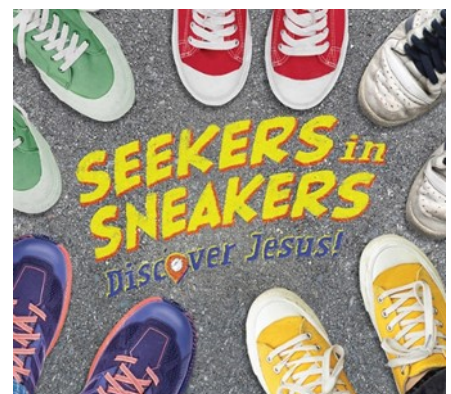
Speaking of egg hunts, **it's time to collect more candy!** The candy hamper will be in the lobby on March 17 and 24. Please bring a bag of wrapped, nut-free Easter candy. Also consider joining us to fill the eggs on Friday morning, March 29, at 10:00am in the café.

Mark your calendars now **for Vacation Bible School!** VBS week is June 24-28 in the evenings, with VBS Sunday on June 30. Our theme this year is Seekers in Sneakers! As we search for Jesus and his truth, we'll need lots of helpers along the way. Please let Lori know if you would like to be part of the fun this year!

Lori Schlunegger

Email: lorileanne07@hotmail.com

Call or text 916-205-6463



Trinity Presbyterian Church

2024 Youth Retreat!

May 10-12

**Diamond Arrow
Christian Conference
Center**

Outside Grass Valley, CA
(90 minutes from West Sac)

- * Frisbee golf
- * Climbing wall
- * Group activities
- * Nighttime bonfire and s'mores
- * And an awful lot more!

Open to Grades 6-12

Cost: \$160 per camper includes
transportation, all meals, housing and
activities*

Registration deadline April 10

Contact Don Bosley for more
information:
donbosleyjr@gmail.com

** If you are in need of financial assistance,
ask us about potential scholarship help.*



March 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
25	26	27	28	29	1	2
Communion Church Service - 10:00 Sun Sch Rm 3, 10-11:00 CLC Service - Noon	Christian Ed-4:00, Zoom HBD Don Bosley	CLC Bible Study, 6:30-8:30, Rm 1 AA - 7-8:00, Rm 3	Jamie's Bible Study - Zoom @ 6:00 Girl Scouts Troop 447 - 6:15-8:15, Rm 3	Lenten Bible Study - 9:30-11:30 CLC - 6:30-9, Rm 1	Office Closed	TTT-10:00, Rm 1 CLC Fasting & Prayers - 7-9:00 A.M.
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Church Service - 10:00 Sun Sch Rm 3, 10-11:00 Deacon's-11:30, Rm 2 CLC Service - Noon	Worship-4:00, Zoom	M&O-7:30, Zoom Personnel-7:00, Zoom CLC Bible Study, 6:30-8:30, Rm 1 AA - 7-8:00, Rm 3 HBD Terrie Young	PEO Mtg. - 10-11:00, Fellowship Hall Finance Mtg.-Zoom @ 4 @ 6:00 Jamie's Bible Study - Zoom @ 6:00	Lenten Bible Study - 9:30-11:30 CLC - 6:30-9, Rm 1	Youth Group-6:30-8 @ Westminster Church	Church Work Day - 8-12:00; AA - 8:30-4, Fellowship Hall CLC "Night for Couples" 6-9:00, Fellowship Hall
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Church Service - 10:00 Sun Sch Rm 3, 10-11:00 CLC Service - Noon OOTB Food Packing - 2:00	Session-6:30, Zoom CLC Bible Study, 6:30-8:30, Rm 1 AA - 7-8:00, Rm 3	CLC Bible Study, 6:30-8:30, Rm 1 AA - 7-8:00, Rm 3	Jamie's Bible Study - Zoom @ 6:00 Girl Scouts Troop 447 - 6:15-8:15, Rm 3	Lenten Bible Study - 9:30-11:30 CLC - 6:30-9, Rm 1 OOTB Food Dist-6:30		
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Palm Sunday Church Service - 10:00 Sun Sch Rm 3, 10-11:00 Renewal Team-11:30, Rm 1 CLC Service - Noon HBD John Baum		CLC Bible Study, 6:30-8:30, Rm 1 AA - 7-8:00, Rm 3 HBD Jesse Schlunegger	Jamie's Bible Study - Zoom @ 6:00 HBD Linda Brooks	Lenten Bible Study - 9:30-11:30 CLC - 6:30-9, Rm 1	Good Friday Good Friday Service - 7:00 Lori Schlunegger - Noon-8:00, Rm 1	
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Easter Church Services - 9 & 10:30; One Great Hour of Sharing Offering: Egg Hunts - 10 & 11:30; Sun Sch Rm 3, 10-11:00 CLC Service - Noon						



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Trinity's Vision Statement:

*"We are a community being
transformed by the Love of Jesus"*

- *God is good.*
- *Nobody's perfect.*
- *Everyone is welcome.*
- *We can make a difference.*