

TRINITY TIMES

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PASTOR'S PEN

Basking in the Beauty of God's Joy

"The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness."
Lamentations 3:22-23

The dreariness of Winter is wearing off. Warm breezes carrying the promise of Summer are beginning to swirl. Mornings are filled with the chirping chorus of birds eager to welcome the brightness of dawn. Flowers and trees are dressing the landscape in the glorious beauty of color. Spring has sprung. The season of new life and new beginnings is upon us.

I love this time of year. Not only because of the lengthening enjoyment of daylight, the refreshing rays of sunshine on the face, or the beckoning draw of the outdoors, but because this season falls directly on the heels of Easter. Year after glorious year, God repeatedly envelops the bleakness of Winter with the beauty of Spring to anchor us in this Easter hope: "the steadfast love of the LORD never ceases..."

Easter is the occasion of Christ's resurrection, his defeat of sin and death. Easter is the celebration of new life gifted to us, alive in us, energizing us. Easter is the satisfaction of every hunger and ambition we crave. Easter is the revelation of lasting joy and enduring delight in the goodness and faithfulness of the Living God. Easter is the motivation for true and lasting joy.

There is one last thing I love about this time of year. A collision of delight is taking place. The world around is being renewed with the vitality of life; the world within us is awakening with energy, enthusiasm, and joy. Our eyes are beginning to behold beauty all around us even as the light and warmth of beauty fills our hearts again. Joy without and within is reaching a crescendo. Joy that is experienced must be expressed. As C.S. Lewis keenly stated,

"I think we delight to praise what we enjoy because the praise not merely expresses but completes the enjoyment; it is its appointed consummation. It is not out of compliment that lovers keep on telling one another how beautiful they are; the delight is incomplete till it is expressed." (*Reflection on the Psalms*, p. 95)

Let yourself be open to the rejuvenating effect of God's joy. And don't be satisfied merely with the experience of this joy, but seek out those with whom you can eagerly express joy. Then, your joy shall be complete and full.

Basking in the beauty of God's joy,

Pastor Steve



Landscape Clean-Up Day. . .

TRINITY'S LANDSCAPING NEEDS A SPRING CLEANING! On Saturday, April 9th, 9:00 a.m. to noon, we have scheduled a morning of sprucing up our landscaping, and we would appreciate as many hands as possible! Bring your gardening tools and gloves and bring extras to share. Let's showcase the ground that God has so blessed us with!

Thank you. . .

Thank you so much to our Trinity family who cared for us during Malcolm's hospital stay and home recovery. We appreciated every call, visit, card and meal given with so much love. Above all, thank you for prayers. We truly believe they were answered in a miraculous way. Our God listens and He answers. We love you and wanted you to know how much it meant to us.

Love,
Malcolm and Kathy

evangelism. . .

The Evangelism Committee would like to thank the congregation for being such gracious hosts during our recent Visitor Reception and for demonstrating Trinity's mission of being a "welcoming church family, developing disciples who joyfully minister to others in the name of Christ."

The Evangelism Committee will soon be taking orders for apparel with the TPC logo. The clothing will include crew-neck sweatshirts, hooded sweatshirts, men's and women's polos, and short- and long-sleeve t-shirts. Items will be available in both adult and youth sizes in either red or blue and will feature an embroidered Trinity logo. New this year, we will be offering baseball caps and tote bags! More information to follow . . .

PRESCHOOL. . .

~Elizabeth Bodine



The 4 year olds in the Green room had a busy month. They have enjoyed playing Post Office while learning their addresses. We have been working on a farm and garden unit. The children learned about farm animals and the names for the baby animals. They learned what foods come from farm animals and what foods are grown on the farm. The children planted beans and watched them grow in our classroom window.

Miss Jana and Miss Gail

Peace and grace to all from the Faith & Art Center.

The Art Center is so happy to be working together with CE to bring an Art Vacation Bible School for adults and children coming in July. Look for more information to come.



Mike- "The Potter", "The Master"

It is with great sadness that I share that our dear potter and friend, Mike, passed away. Most knew him as Mike the Potter or the students and I called him the Master. I would also like to share that Mike's wife gave his pottery wheel to one student of his who is also a student of the Center, Sam. Both had a great admiration for one another. His wife wanted someone to have it that would not just use it but love it like Mike did. Sam will love it and use it for many years to come. Sam will also extend the same kindness and love to others as Mike shared with him. Please keep the Jones family in your prayers. He will truly be missed in the studio.

We are all blessed we got a chance to get to know the Master and so blessed he shared so much with us.

In Christ,
Candy



Sam with his wheel from Mike's wife

Worship attendance. . .

	2016	2015
03/06:	115	133
03/13:	119	144
03/20:	123	136
03/27:	223	157

*Happy Birthday to You; Happy Birthday Dear Ladies!
Happy Birthday to You!*



TPW is delighted to invite you to our **Ladies Birthday Luncheon** on **Saturday, May 14th** from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Please invite your sisters, mothers, daughters and friends to attend with you for a good time of fellowship and fun.

Our theme is "Love Notes" with the inspirational time lead by our own Lynne Wood, and special music sung by Ansley Herrick.

We will also learn how the Lord has been blessing the families in Pala Village, Guatemala. Dr. Sandra Hollensead will share more about this special mission focus for which TPW has been sharing with her brother through Kirk-Kildaire Presbyterian Church in North Carolina. Lovely hand-woven scarves and other items made by the women of Pala Village will be available for sale.

The Birthday Offering will be collected as well, with funds earmarked to help at-risk youth in Kansas and Florida, girls in South Sudan, and families in California.

So plan on joining us for this special occasion! Please sign up on the TPW bulletin board so that we can prepare enough food, and letting us know how many seats to reserve for your party.




Do you recall that Pentecost is the birthday of the Christian Church? Fifty days after Christ's resurrection on that first Easter, the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles, beginning the spread of the good news to all that would believe! (Learn more by reading Acts 2.) Our Ladies Birthday Luncheon has been scheduled, in part, to commemorate that glorious church holiday. Red clothing is traditional attire for the day.



CIRCLE: Tuesday, April 12th, 10:30 a.m. in the Parlor with brown bag lunch to follow. Lesson: "Week 8" from *The Wisdom of God, Seeing Jesus in the Psalms & Wisdom Books* by Nancy Guthrie. Lynne Wood facilitating. Hostess Group 2. (Thanks to Group 1 for festive Easter decorations, flowers and dessert for our March Circle.)

TPW BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, April 12th, 9:15 a.m. in the Library.

Bible study. . .



LPM Ministries
Unwrap
the
BIBLE

You are invited to join us for Bible Study. Centered on DVD-based teaching from:

Beth Moore – steps into the desperate sandals of **Hagar** for an Old Testament lesson with modern applications.

Priscilla Shirer – teaches about authenticity by focusing on **Mary**, the mother of Jesus.

Christine Cain – uses the example of 90 year old first-time mom, **Sarah**, to unwrap the gift of faith.

Lisa Harper – unwraps the healing promise found in the story of a **disabled woman** who met the Savior.

Tuesday PM – April 5 – April 26 6:00 – 8:30 pm Trinity Presbyterian Church 10200 Shelbyville Rd. Louisville, KY 40223	Thursday AM – April 7 – April 28 9:30 am -12:00 Noon Northeast Christian Church 9900 Brownsboro Road Louisville, KY 40241
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Let us know which study you will be attending (Email: saawbrey1@bellsouth.net). We are praying that you will be a part of the study.

mission. . .



One of the programs EACM offers is *Latino Outreach Services*. Paty Robles is the bilingual Program Director.

The program facilitates the immersion and integration of our Latino neighbors in the community, assisting them in accessing EACM and community services.

- They offer:**
- Advocacy / Interpretation / Translation
 - English as a Second Language Classes
 - A Community Resource Liaison
 - Women’s Support Group

The fourth Tuesday of each month, Trinity host the Women’s Support Group. Average attendance is 20 women and their children (12-20 children).

We provide child care for the children during the program, and are always in need of volunteers to assist.

You DO NOT need to know Spanish, as the children are bilingual. But if you want to practice your Spanish this is a great way to practice, while serving this wonderful ministry

MEN’S STUDY GROUP. . .

Where: Wild Eggs at English Station Road
When: First & Third Tuesdays of the Month
What Time: 8:30 a.m.
What: Bible Study and fellowship
Who: All men of all ages connected in any way with Trinity Presbyterian Church



All men are invited; come informally, come as you are, come for one Tuesday, come for them all.

In April, we will meet on the 5th and 19th.

APRIL Birthdays. . .

04/03: Don Crosser	04/18: Josh Rhodes
04/04: Kitty Houser	04/19: Ann Douglas
Sean Ray	04/21: Juan Sarmiento
04/05: Geetha Joseph	04/23: Kay Nolan
Sean Shumate	04/25: Heather Mullin
04/07: Margaret Bloss	Devin Mingus
Bonnie Mullin	Heather Wallace
04/08: Imad Imam	04/26: Addy Elder
04/09: Doug Harville	04/29: Virginia Kozak
Sydnei Hacker	Tom Woods
04/11: Maria Hall	
04/12: Larry Hartmann	
04/14: Cristal Rhodes	
04/15: Roger Harvell	
04/17: Mark McDaniel	



APRIL anniversaries. . .

04/08: Mike & Melissa Porter
04/12: Larry & Barb Watts
04/17: Don & Mardi Crosser
04/26: Juan & Maricela Sarmiento



April Nursery volunteers. . .

04/03: Sheryl Oyler and Glenna Ogle
04/10: Kristen Bingner and Kay Nolan
04/17: Kristen Bingner and Bonnie Mullin
04/24: Lois Bringhurst and Mary Charnes



april Collection Counters. . .

04/03: Lois Bringhurst and Betty Muse
04/10: Roger Harvell and Betty Wilborn
04/17: Jack & Deb Kelly
04/24: Tom Dawson and Jack Kelly



Trinity's Vision Statement

"We are a welcoming church family, developing disciples who joyfully minister to others in the name of Christ."

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Trinity Presbyterian welcomes all visitors who are seeking to find Christ in their lives! Our regular Sunday morning services are at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Nursery and Children's church provided!