

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 January, we will meet on the 5th and 19th.

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Trinity's Vision Statement

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

TRINITY TIMES

January 2016

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PASTOR'S PEN

The Fellowship of the Faithful

*"God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship
of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord."*

1 Corinthians 1:9

Community. We often see community as a location, a town or a village or a neighborhood. Some might even see it as something that transcends a physical place to embody something more dramatic. Community can equal a quality of relationship. Neighbors may enjoy sharing and borrowing missing ingredients for a recipe. Yards may be mowed or sidewalks cleared of snow simply as a kind gesture. This begins to capture the essence of community as a quality of relationship. As Christians the experience of community is something even more amazing.

As followers of Jesus Christ, we are made to be part of an entirely new community, unlike anything the world has to offer. Within this community, what are some of its distinguishing characteristics? Certainly, the overwhelming love of God. We are committed to loving one other, looking out for each other's needs. We share with one another in prayer, worship, service, fellowship, and so many other aspects of life. We extend and receive forgiveness without condemnation or lingering hate. There is an openness to accountability where we are challenged to grow into the fullness of everything God has designed for us. Ultimately we recognize we belong to God and we seek to live for the praise and glory of His name.

With a new year upon us, it is my hope that each of us would make it our hearts desire to invest more deeply in our relationship with God and in the quality and intimacy of our community of faith. At Trinity Presbyterian Church we have been "called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord." May we seek to deepen our fellowship with our Lord and with one another. As this becomes the overriding characteristic of our church family others will be drawn to the love and intimacy of our fellowship, which will ultimately envelop them in the love of Christ.

The letter to the Ephesians emphasizes the awesome and alluring quality of the church to the wider culture and world. In Christ, we are made to be new people, in a new community, ushering us into a new way of life, burdened in a new way for the broken lives of those in this broken world. Over the coming weeks we will be strolling through study of this pressingly relevant portion of God's Word. It is my hope and earnest expectation that God will move us by the powerful truths of Ephesians and God will mold us into the dynamic living fellowship we are purposed to be in Christ.

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PASTOR’S PEN (CONTINUED). . .

This new year is full of promise for each of us, and for our congregation. May we set our hearts to grow in the grace and mercy of God. From there, God will take care of the rest as He draws people to Himself and grows the stature and size of our particular community of faith.

God is faithful, so let’s make our hearts one desire to follow and be faithful to him in 2016.

In the joy of the Lord!
Pastor Steve

PASTOR STEVE’S OFFICE HOURS . . .



Generally Pastor Steve is in the office Tuesday through Friday from 8:45 a.m. until 12:00 noon. If you drop by during those hours, he usually has an open door unless there are other appointments or commitments during that time frame. Afternoons are regularly reserved for visitation, scheduled meetings or other work. If you wish to meet with Pastor Steve and be assured there is adequate time available to talk, it is a good idea to make an appointment.

CHILDREN’S LUNCHEON. . . ~Linda Kennedy

Please join us for a special

Children's Luncheon

In celebration of EPIPHANY
Sunday, January 10th
(after the 11:00 service)



We will be serving chicken fingers.
We ask that you bring fruit, cheese slices,
crackers, dessert, or whatever you would like.

Please sign up in the hallway.

Please bring a baby gift to donate to a shelter.

January Birthdays. . .

01/02:	Barbara Cooke	01/23:	Ron Dawson
01/03:	Jackie Morrow	01/24:	Candy Wheat
	Larry Ogle	01/29:	Elizabeth McDaniel
01/04:	Jack Shumate	01/31:	Bert Lundstrom
	Kayla Shumate		
01/06:	Malcolm MacDonald		
01/07:	Janet Pender		
01/09:	Richard Bird		
	Marie Farris		
01/10:	Kristen Bingner		
01/14:	Troy Marker		
	Nicole Marker		
01/15:	Gabe Alexander Porter		
	Bill Vaughn		
01/22:	James Kurfees		



January anniversaries. . .

01/01:	Ted & Virginia Kozak
01/03:	C.R. & Anna Marie Redcorn
01/04:	Tom & Cathy Dawson
01/16:	Jack & Candy Wheat
01/21:	Michael & Diane Tinsley



January Collection Counters. . .

01/03:	Cathy Dawson and Deb Kelly
01/10:	Tom Dawson and Jack Kelly
01/17:	Janet Husband and Carol Hartmann
01/24:	Bill Husband and Larry Hartmann
01/31:	Lois Bringhurst and Betty Muse



Worship attendance. . .

	2015	2014
12/06:	149	145
12/13:	144	132
12/20:	154	167
12/24:	188	203
12/27:	114	120



WoW and WoW Jr.

If you have not tried WoW before, this is a good time to begin. Join us for fellowship, food and activities for all.

5:45 p.m.—WoW and WoW Jr. Dinner
6:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m.—Youth Choir
6:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m.—WoW Adult Program
6:30 p.m.—WoW Jr. Program—activities, plays, crafts and a snack!
7:00 p.m.—7:15 p.m.—Children's Choir
7:15 p.m.—8:15 p.m.—Adult Chancel Choir

Join the fun! If you haven't tried WOW before, this is a great time to begin. Come enjoy the fellowship, food and activities for all. We begin with a potluck meal at 5:45 p.m.. Each week we have a different theme so no meal is the same. Please bring a dish; side, salad, dessert or main dish that will serve 8 to 12 people. You do not have to bring something that fits the theme, bring whatever you like. No time to cook?? Pick up something at the store on your way here. There will be a special children's food table with more of their favorite things. Beverages always provided.

JANUARY/FEBRUARY SCHEDULE

January 13: National Rubber Ducky Day.
Food suggestion: Bring a favorite potluck dish- main, side, salad or dessert.

January 20: Soup Night. The committee will provide the soup.
Food suggestion: Bring salad, side or dessert.

January 27: National Geographic Day. Food Suggestion: Bring your favorite ethnic dish- main, side, salad or dessert.

February 3: No WOW: Committee Night

February 10: Ash Wednesday. Food Suggestion: Bring a dish to share: main, side, salad or dessert.

February 17: Celebrate Valentines Day a bit late!
Food Suggestion: Bring your sweetheart's favorite dish.

February 24: Winter Wonderland. Food Suggestion: Bring a favorite cold weather dish.

BE SURE TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE AT THE TABLE!!!

Please sign up each week on the WOW sign up sheet located on the Fellowship bulletin board in the hall, or call the church before each Wednesday.

PRESCHOOL. . .

~Elizabeth Bodine



RED ROOM FOUR YEAR OLDS

The children in the Red Room had a very busy December. Along with meeting two more of our Alphatime Letter People—Mr. O and Mr. C—they hunted through much of the preschool building looking for an elusive Gingerbread Man who left clues to his whereabouts everywhere! The children took advantage of an opportunity to visit Ms. Candy in the pottery studio and make a special gingerbread house to give to their parents. Ms. Linda shared a special Christmas story time with them on December 9. On December 18, they decorated a tree with hats and mittens they had collected to keep warm the hands and heads of other children in our community. They also presented a program of Christmas music for their families and ended the day with cookies and lemonade and a chance to personally share their thoughts with Santa Claus.

Trinity Preschool is accepting applications for the 2016-2017 school year beginning January 4th. All preschool and church families may enroll during in-house registration January 4th—15th. Church members receive a tuition discount. For additional information about our program, visit the church website tpclouisville.net. or contact the preschool at 244-0054. Registration forms are located on the information table in the narthex.

Thank you . .

Peace and grace to all

Thank you to every one for all the cards and prayers as I recover from my hip replacement. I feel all your love and prayers. I am doing very well but the worst part about the surgery is that I cannot drive for 6 weeks . I miss being at work and around my church family for the holidays. I am so proud and excited to share that we have cleared \$800 for the Center so far from the Nativity show sales at Block Party and the sales are still going strong. Best part I get to share the news of what TPC is doing through the Faith & Art Center. Thank you for all your support this year and please keep the Center in your prayers in the coming year.

Happy New Year, Candy

A sincere thank you to the congregation for the very generous Christmas gifts. It is a privilege to serve at TPC and to be a part of such a loving church family. We hope you and yours have a wonderful and healthy 2016!!

Rev. Steve Jewell, Linda Kennedy, Bob Phillips, Shelley Shumate,
Deanna Smith, Melissa Weaver, and Candy Wheat

mission. . .

The Mission Committee would like to THANK the Trinity Church Family for their wonderful generosity during 2015.

We have been able to support many Benevolences this year...

- Blessing in a Backpack** – we sponsored 11 children
- EACM:** Food Pantry & Party for the Pantry
 - Meijer’s Community Match
 - Back to School Drive – TPC filled 52 Backpacks with requested supplies
 - Thanksgiving Baskets – TPC provide 14 completed meals for EACM clients
 - Monetary Donations to be used where needed most.
- Coalition for the Homeless – Stand Down Project**
- Operation Christmas Child:** Trinity’s Relay collected 4,216 shoeboxes
 - The Louisville 7 county area collected 36,810 shoeboxes
 - Nationally the totals are still being tallied but the last “official” figure received 8.9 MILLION
- WaterStep Project** – in partnership with Trinity Preschool we collected used shoes to fund Clean Water around the World
- Red Cross Blood Drive** – in partnership with Blue Ridge Manor TPC hosted their Spring Blood drive.
- Operation Warm Feet** donated men’s socks to the riverside ministry - Jesus Cares @ Exit O
- Faith & Art Center** – Candy has done a marvelous job expanding the Special Needs Ministry in the Center

Two NEW areas of Support:

LifeHouse Ministries – A residential pregnancy counseling center right here in Louisville

And we are excited to have had the chance to meet, pray for and support **David Cortes-Fuentes & Josey Saez-Acevedo** – as they start their work in Cuba

As you can see we have been busy, but there is plenty more a church the size of Trinity could and should be doing as we live out our faith. Please prayfully consider how best you could help in the Mission area. We would love to have you join the Mission Committee.

Blessings for you and yours in 2016 -

Fl ower chart. . .

The flower chart for 2016 is now up on the worship bulletin board. Sign-up to honor a birthday or anniversary or you may want to remember a loved one with memorial flowers. Cost is responsible at \$36.00; checks should be payable to Trinity Presbyterian Church and marked FLOWERS. Sign-up now while you have your choice of dates.

Save the dates. . .

Mark your calendar for Friday, February 5th at 6:30 p.m. More information will be provided soon.

The Evangelism Committee will be hosting a Bring A Friend Sunday and Visitors Reception on Sunday, March 13, 2016. More details to follow!

Ash wednesday . .

The Ash Wednesday service will be on Wednesday, February 10th at 7:00 p.m.

Faith & art. . . ~Candy Wheat

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all!!

Wow, every year I think the Faith & Art Center cannot do more and again this year we have topped last year. We were leaders in the Art is Memory yearlong workshop with the Council on Disability and Weber Gallery. We had about 50 students that had work in the show. We donated 25 bowls to Highland Community Ministry.

I was invited to be a guest artist at Montreat to share TPC’s story and teach what we do. I was also invited to Nashville to do a workshop on starting a pottery mission in a church. We sponsored 2 workshops for the church, Advent Fair and Lent Fair. Adults and youth came together to use their artist talents to glorify God. We also supplied pumpkins and rent for the mission for the Dreams with Wings Pumpkin Stroll in partnership with our youth.

We have picked up many new private students. We now have 9 students attending the Center working on life skills and selling their pottery as a means of occupation. The center is still part of the art co-op at Block Party. Our art work is sold to help support the Center and to share the story of what TPC is doing to reach out to the community of people living with developmental disability.

We also worked again with preschool , 76 students total, to make Christmas gifts.

I want to give a special thanks to Lynne Woods, Susan Bauer, Imad El-Imam, and Ainsley Herrick for all their volunteer hours they have put in as well as 3 volunteers, Sonya, Connie and Mike, who are not members of TPC. This mission would not be possible without all this help.

I am hopeful to be back to Trinity sometime this month but the Center is still open and having classes under the leadership of Sonya and the volunteers.

Thank you to TPC for another great year of mission. Cannot wait to see where God leads us next year.

In Christ,
Candy