



TRINITY TIMES

"Your Neighborhood Church"

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Pastor's Pen

Perspective?

*...in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.
(2 Corinthians 5:19)*



I have spent many hours in museums in my life. For the longest time I couldn't understand the person who would stand in front of a piece of artwork for hours, studying each stroke of the brush, contemplating the length of shadows, reflecting on the mosaic of colors, and empathizing with the still and frozen characters portrayed on the canvas. Then, one day I tried it myself. Standing in a room of the Cleveland Museum of Art, there I was, lost in some obscure landscape filled with green wavy grass, a farm house in the distance, and a family going about their lives in the foreground. For some unknown reason, this still-life moment of paint and canvas resonated with my mind and heart. In some strange way I could relate to those imaginary (but very real to me) forms. What was going on!



Today, we emphasize what passes as a humble approach to artwork, politics, education, history, and life... It is called perspective. Scholars have recognized that many people can see something and come away with equally numerous "perspectives" or opinions. Hence, we must be careful not to absolutize, or make normative, one opinion. For if we do absolutize, we run the risk of missing some important truth or alienating others. So, perspective has become the way we emphasize equality and establish humility. Perspective has become truth.

There is a dire danger to such an emphasis on "perspective". In our pursuit of "perspective", we risk missing the whole truth and main point of something. While "perspective" challenges us to see something from other points of view (through the eyes of another), these "others" become the authority of what takes place or what is seen, not the event itself or the people to which it happened, and so on.



Now all my technical babbling has a point. Easter is upon us. As you read this article and peruse this newsletter, Christians are remembering and celebrating the lynch-pin event of all human history – the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ. I am tempted to ask you what you see when you ponder the cross and empty tomb. But if I were to ask you that question, I am asking you for your perspective on this Christ-event. However important our perspective (or understanding) of the cross and resurrection may be, what is most significant

and necessary is what God intended, what God did, what God accomplished, and what God purposed the cross and resurrection to be.

Read again the Bible verse above. That is what the cross and resurrection is about. That is what Easter is. That is who we are as God's people. Don't just ponder perspectives, gain perspective. See the cross and resurrection for what God intended and what God did: righting rebellious sinners with Himself!

In the amazing grace of Christ,
Pastor Steve

Christian education

~ Janice Kim

2018 Christian Education Schedules & Class Subjects

WoW Wednesday—*FINAL WoW for 2017-2018 will be April 25th*

Fellowship Hall each Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.
(excluding the 3rd Wednesday of the month)

1st Wednesday- WOW Mission

2nd and 4th Wednesday- WOW Worship (**Study in Beatitudes**)

Sunday Schools & Small Groups—9:45 a.m.

Adult Sunday School Class

Curriculum: *The Present Word*, Uniform Series published by the PCUSA
Location: Library

Women's Sunday School Class

Curriculum: *Prayer: Does It Make Any Difference?* By: Philip Yancey
Location: classroom # 6

Men's Sunday School

Curriculum: *The Essential Beliefs of God*
Location: classroom #4

Koinonia Sunday School Class

Curriculum: *The Apostles' Creed for Today* By: Justo Gonzalez
Location: Parlor

Youth Sunday School Class

Curriculum: *Believe*
Location: Pastor's Study Room

Children Sunday School Class

Curriculum: *Faith Alive*
Location: classroom # 3

The Quest

Sunday, 10:00 AM

Curriculum: Currently, *The Quest* for More by Paul Tripp. Next, on the book of Romans.
Location: Classroom #5

Men's Study Group

1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 8:30 AM

Curriculum: Life of David

Location: Wild Eggs (English Station Rd.)

Youth Group

Friday, 7:00 PM

Location: Church

Children's Church/ Young Explorer's

During the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month, Children Grades 1-5 are encouraged to attend the Young Explorer's Class.

Curriculum: TBA

Location: Library

Artificial tree

We have an artificial Christmas tree to give away. It is tall, slim and pre-lit. It will go to the first person who wants it. It will be available through the end of April. Please contact Jennifer Hacker or Cathy Conn to claim.



preschool

~ Elizabeth Bodine

We have been busy in the Red Room, 3 year old class. In March, we learned about farms, spring and Easter. We worked hard decorating the hall bulletin board for March. The children painted and cut giant flowers by themselves. Miss Gina added the children’s pictures. In March, we had a fundraiser at Chuck E. Cheese. Many of the teachers and Trinity students attended. It was a great night that allowed the preschool families and teachers to catch up. We also celebrated Easter in preschool. The Red Room dyed Easter eggs, had an Easter egg hunt and party. We had a blast.

Miss Gina and Miss Susan



Thank you

~ Skip & Betty Wilborn

You all are the greatest. Thanks for all the cards, transportation, prayers, visits, flowers, bibs, grocery buying and wishes to Skip and me in our latest falls in the yard, January and February. We really appreciate your concern. Hope to see you soon.

Skip and Betty Wilborn

Encountering God Workshop

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?

Our True Identity in Christ

Awakening to Our True Identity in Christ

Trinity Presbyterian Church

Saturday, April 21st, 2018

9 AM — 3 PM

Lunch will be provided

Speakers:

Pastor Steven Jewell
Trinity Presbyterian Church

Pastor Gregg Allison
Soujourn Church

You are invited to an exciting time of worship and learning, as we encounter and enjoy the powerful presence of Jesus Christ.

Together, we will explore the following themes:

- What does it mean to be made in God's image?
- Why do we struggle to understand who we are?
- What does it mean to meet Jesus Christ personally?
- How do we live as followers of Christ in the world?

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"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, that person is a new creation. The old has gone, the new is here!"
2 Corinthians 5:15 (NIV)

FAITH & aRT

~ Candy Wheat



Artist of the Month
Marie Steiner

Marie attends Dream with Wings. She has been coming to the Center for just over 2 years. Marie loves art and just being with people.

Marie, along with other members of Dreams, takes great pride in showing their pottery at the State Fair.

Marie is always happy and always has a hug for us. She is such a joy to spend time with.



devotional

~ Barbara Sheeler

Psalm 119: 105

“Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.”

How I love the song based on this scripture, sung by Amy Grant, it is so true.

Each morning as I read my Bible, whatever I am going through, whatever concerns, whatever joys, the Word of God speaks to me. I especially love the Psalms, I read a Psalm every morning. The Psalms allow me to praise God, cry out to Him and to complain to Him. I am assured that God inclines his ear to me, and that he hears my pleas. The Psalms remind me of the attributes of God and I am refreshed each day.

Psalm 119 goes on to say” Accept my freewill offering of praise, and teach me your rules.....your testimonies are my heritage forever,

When I sent my son off to college, so fearful, he seemed so far away.... on his own...it was God’s Word that each morning assured me that he was in God’s hand and He would guide him. (Psalm 139)

When I sent my daughter to college, I was less fearful because God’s Word reminded me of His faithfulness to us. (Psalm 77)

When my husband lost his job, I was reminded that God is my provider that no one who trusts in God will be brought to shame (Psalm 25)

When my church, where I worked for many years, was going through turmoil and those I loved were hurting each other, God’s word each morning reassured that healing would come. (Psalm 147)

God’s word brings light into my life and guides my me onto His path where He is faithful, and I experience His steadfast love.

Are you in a place that you feel the need for reassurance that God is seeing, hearing, and able, then go to the Psalms, read them each morning or evening and find His reassurance, His guidance.

mission



April, Louisville, KY

Trinity will be partnering with the Mid-Kentucky Presbytery
2018 Presbyterian Disaster Relief Project
during Louisville's Week of Service.
We are collecting items for Emergency Hygiene Kits

ITEMS NEEDED:

HAND TOWELS (16" X 28") – (No other sizes)
WASHCLOTHS
WIDE TOOTH COMB
NAIL CLIPPERS
BATH SIZE BAR IS SOAP (**UNSCENTED** - INDIVIDUAL
WRAPPED)
TOOTHBRUSHES (INDIVIDUAL PACKAGED)
BAND-AIDS
EMPTY BOXES FOR REAMS OF PAPER

Drop off your donations @ Trinity by **Sunday April 15, 2018**

There is also an opportunity to help assembly kits ~ **Saturday, April 21 ~ 1 PM – 3 PM**
@ Strathmoor Presbyterian Church ~ Corner of Bardstown Rd & Hawthorne Ave.

MISSION **On the move!**

Since April 4 is the last WOW mission program until September, we will be presenting all of the past year mission efforts and asking our Trinity family what is on their hearts for mission projects. Please bring you ideas to the program. We are looking for new programs to support.

Please join us for dinner, discussion and new ideas for the summer months and next year.

Thanks to all the have supported our many Mission endeavours. We have all learned about the many needs in our community and how we can help. Find our bulletin board and see what's next! We are always welcoming new members to the committee.

SEW 'N SEWS

~ Sandra Hollensead

The Sew 'n Sews have spent the first quarter of 2018 sewing for missions. Baby blankets for teen future mothers, soft hats for women undergoing chemotherapy, bibs for the disabled, pillowcases for Wellstone Hospital, and prayer blankets have been rolling off the assembly lines! In March a few of the Sew 'n Sews members joined the Poplar Grove Homemakers Club in Oldham County for a day of sewing and lunch. The joint effort led to a near doubling of the number of Best Buddy dolls we will be delivering to Wellstone Hospital in Jeffersonville, IN. The dolls comfort children being treated for behavioral illnesses. A blessing for all Wellstone gifts is planned for April 15th during the 11:00 a.m. service.



EASTER FELLOWSHIP

On Easter Sunday, April 1st,
there will be a time for fellowship
in Fellowship Hall following
the Sunrise Service,
beginning at approximately 7:45 a.m.
and serving until 9:45 a.m.
when Sunday School classes begin.

Please join us for a variety of breads,
juice and coffee as we celebrate
the Resurrection of our
Savior on Easter morning.



Trinity Presbyterian Church Easter Events

Maundy Thursday Service
Thursday, March 29th, 7:00 p.m.

Good Friday Service
Friday, March 30th, 12:00 noon

Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday, March 31st, 10:00 a.m.

Easter Sunrise Service
Sunday, April 1st, 7:00 a.m.

Easter Worship Service
Sunday, April 1st, 11:00 a.m.

Celebrate the
resurrection of
our Lord!

Happy
EASTER



deacons

Deacons and Elders were established, in the early Church, as part of the two-fold leadership of groups of believers (Philippians 1:1). The work of your elected Deacon team is a ministry of service, nurturing care and love. It is also our responsibility and privilege to live our Jesus-transformed lives in relationship with our members and to continually grow as disciples of Jesus ourselves.

What this means on a practical level is this: we are here to care, support and provide for you in times of need. Please call the Deacon Moderator, Mardi Crosser, at 502-425-3315 and let her know what is needed. She will communicate with and coordinate a response with the entire Deacon Team.

Examples of what typical requests might be are:

Deacons can provide for the families who have lost loved ones. We can make meals for family members, local and those coming from out-of-town. We can make and serve the fellowship meal for family before or after the funeral/memorial service. We can prepare and serve a reception for those attending the funeral - all based on what an individual family requests.

Do you have transportation needs, getting to/from medical or other appointments, special services held at Trinity such as Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, or other types of transport needs? Deacons can help with transportation.

Deacons visit and call those in the hospital and home recovering; cards and notes are sent in support and loving care. Meals can be made for the person and family during a time of recovery or difficulty. If we are aware of what's going on, it helps us to do these things and to stay connected to all our members. Please help keep us informed if you know of a need of which we can be made aware.



april birthdays



4-3 Don Crosser
4-4 Sean Altsman
4-5 Geetha Joseph
Sean Shumate
4-7 Margaret Bloss
Bonnie Mullin
Jonathan Smith
4-8 Imad Imam
4-9 Doug Harville
Sydnei Hacker

4-11 Maria Hall
4-15 Roger Harvell
4-17 Mark McDaniel
4-19 Ann Douglas
4-20 Robyn Hetman
4-23 Kay Nolan
4-25 Heather Wallace
4-26 Addy Elder



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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!