

# TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Loving God | Growing Together | Serving the World

## Trinity Presbyterian Church

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### The Session

<u>Class of 2019</u>	Max Oyler Jennifer Petty Mike Stevens
<u>Class of 2020</u>	Ann Douglas Sandra Hollensead Betty Muse
<u>Class of 2021</u>	Marc Bushue Bert Lundstrom Bonnie Mullin

### The Deacons

<u>Class of 2019</u>	Anuji Abraham Susan Bauer Sheryl Oyler
<u>Class of 2020</u>	Judith Bloor-Brandt Bill Husband Brenda Miller
<u>Class of 2021</u>	Jill McCullough Rebecca Perry Carol Redd

### The Staff

Pastor	Rev. Steven Jewell
Faith & Art Center	Candy Wheat
Music Ministry	Melissa Weaver
Christian Education	Janice Kim
Secretary	Sherry Pritts
Interim Custodian	Candy Wheat
Pianist/Organist	Won Joo Ahn
Youth Handbells	Doug Harville
Preschool	Elizabeth Bodine

## 'Tis the Season

*"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."*

(Luke 2:11)

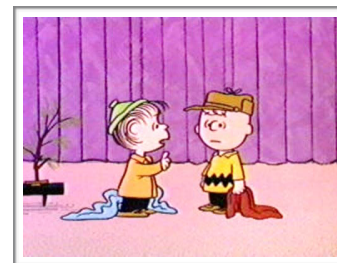
### What's It All About!

There is that timeless scene in *A Charlie Brown Christmas* where Charlie Brown lamentingly cries, "Isn't there anyone who knows what Christmas is all about !?" To this, Linus recites the Gospel story of the birth of Jesus, born in the city of David, who is the Savior...the Christ...the Lord. In the midst of Charlie Brown's deep despair, Linus lovingly shares the Gospel's Good News, that is, the hope of the world by the gift of God in Jesus, the Savior. That's what Christmas is all about.



### A Great Risk

As this animated Christmas classic was being made, Charles Schulz (the Peanuts creator) had a meeting with Lee Mendelson (the show's producer) and Bill Melendez (the lead animator). During their discussion, Schulz insisted that the show include a New Testament reading of the Christmas story. Both Mendelson and Melendez voiced their concern about reading from the Bible. "It's very dangerous for us to start talking about religion now," asserted Melendez. Schulz answered saying, "Bill, if we don't, who will?"



Those who've seen *A Charlie Brown Christmas* know that Schulz's great risk was taken. In what is the most powerful



## December Birthdays

Jenny Rousos	12/1
Clark Johnson	12/6
Max Oyler	12/8
Lauren Latham	12/10
Steve Conn	12/14
Madison Cannava	12/15
Noel Weaver	12/16
Bill Husband	12/18
Judy Davids	12/19
Sheri Bushue	12/22
Anna Hayden	12/24
Clay Harville	12/27
Asher Kim	12/29

## December Anniversaries

Phil & Linda Strohmeier 12/5

*If you notice a birthday or anniversary missing from our list, please let us know by contacting the church office. Thank you.*

scene, the Good News of Jesus Christ is shared. The passage from the Gospel of Luke is read. And the great risk paid off, for Linus' gentle and clear message about Jesus has solidified *A Charlie Brown Christmas* as a timeless classic.

### *If We Don't, Who Will?*

Just like Schulz, and his animated embodiment in Linus, we must not keep silent about sharing the true meaning and the lasting hope offered our hurting and hopeless world by the Savior who was born in the manger of Bethlehem's stable.

And just like Schulz, "If we don't, who will?" If we are hesitant to share and show our neighbors and the nations the true meaning of Christmas, then they may never hear about the greatest gift the world was ever given.

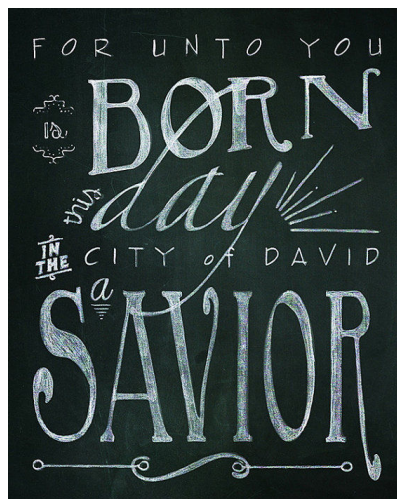
Jesus is categorically the best news the human race has ever been told and has ever heard about. I invite you to reflect on the angel's announcement of the Savior's birth to the shepherds keeping watch over their flocks...

For unto you...  
is born this day  
in the city of David  
a Savior  
who is Christ the Lord.

If we don't tell the world of this Good News, then who will?

Wishing you a joyous Christmas,

Pastor Steve



As Christ's disciples, we are made for community.  
 This community is where our love for Christ is deepened,  
 our faith in Christ is grown,  
 and our lives are given in sacrificial service of our neighbors and the nations.  
 Consider "doing life together" by joining one or more of the following study  
 and small group opportunities.



### Opportunities for Children

#### *Wee Care*

Families with infants and/or young children may receive care through our wonderful volunteers in the nursery room during both Sunday School and Sunday morning worship.

#### *Children's Sunday School*

Designed for young children Pre-K thru 5th grade, students are invited to attend Sunday School at 9:45 AM downstairs in Classroom # 3.

#### *Children's Church*

Children are encouraged to join us for worship at the 11 AM service. During the service, children are invited forward for their own special children's message. Afterward, they are invited to continue in children's worship downstairs in Classroom # 3.

### Opportunities for Youth

#### *Middle & High School Sunday School*

A Sunday school class uniquely designed for Middle & High School youth gathers in the youth room each Sunday at 9:45 AM.

#### *Youth Group*

Youth ministry is more than programs and events. Our desire is to reach out to the young people of our church and community to know the grace and love of our Savior, Jesus Christ. The youth group meets every Wednesday at 6 PM.

Along with their weekly gathering to worship and study God's Word, the youth are also encouraged to engage in community service activities. There are also many other exciting events for the youth, such as lock-ins, citywide fellowship, and mission trips to draw these young people closer to Jesus Christ.

Adult Sunday School Opportunities*Adult Sunday School Class*

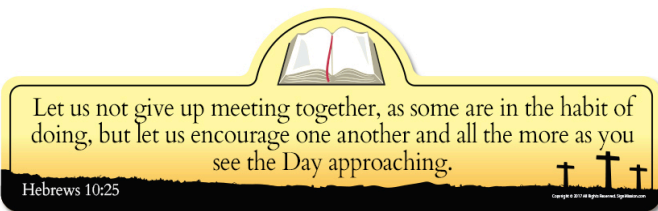
By working through *The Present Word* curriculum series, this class encourages one another to grow as children of God built on Christian community and hope. This class meets on Sunday mornings at 9:45 AM in the Library.

*Koinonia Sunday School Class*

If you are interested in exploring your faith within a group of inquisitive and energetic people, this is the class for you. Utilizing various study materials this group studies, prays, and grows together in *koinonia* (Greek for “community”). This class meets on Sunday mornings at 9:45 AM in the Parlor.

*Women's Sunday School Class*

The purpose of this class is to bring women together to support one another in building their faith in Jesus Christ. This is a fun-loving group of women who are currently studying *Esther: A Woman of Strength and Dignity* by Charles Swindoll. This class meets on Sunday mornings at 9:45 AM downstairs in Classroom # 6.

Small Group Opportunities*The Quest*

Those who are young, and young in heart, are invited to join in the quest of growing in Christ through the study of God's Word and the fellowship of mutual encouragement. This group gathers downstairs in Classroom # 5 on Sunday mornings at 9:45 AM.

*Intercessory Prayer*

The Intercessory Prayer Group gathers every Friday morning at 10 AM in the Parlor. All are welcome to join in this vital time of prayer and drawing closer to the heart of God.

*Men's Study Group*

On the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month, the men of Trinity gather for food, fellowship, and feasting on God's Word. They meet at Wild Eggs off of English Station Rd. The study begins at 8:30 AM.

*WOW*

Gathering on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Wednesdays of the month in the Fellowship Hall at 6 PM, this group practices the three core commitments we embrace as God's people at Trinity: Love, Grow, Serve. Loving envelops us in the worship of God. Growing strengthens us as disciples of Christ. Serving expands our sacrificial service of others. By doing “life together” we regularly share in a meal, Bible study, and practical acts of service.

**Join us in prayer!**

Prayer is not passive!! Prayer is on the frontline of faith, and will be the most exciting and interactive thing you will ever do as a believer in Christ.

Please join us on Friday mornings at 10 AM to pray for our church family and the Louisville community.

*“I urge that petitions, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone.”*

1 Timothy 2:1



# THANK YOU 😊 NOTES



Thank you to everyone who made this year's Operation Christmas Shoebox drive a huge success.

Now, continue to ask the Lord to touch and transform the hearts of the children, their families, and their



Eastern Area Community Ministries thanks the Trinity family for their generous kindness for all the Thanksgiving bags that were collected in November.

Numerous families were blessed to receive these gifts this Thanksgiving season.



Thank you to our Trinity family for supporting the work that God is doing in the lives of our young people.

Your generosity, and your hearty enjoyment of dozens of different chilis, made this year's chili cook-off one of the best we've ever had.

The TPC Youth Group

Dear Trinity Family,

Thank you so much for the warm, hearty welcome you have all given me since I arrived. I especially want to thank the Sew 'n Sews for the lovely, warm, grieving blanket and the artisan tray they made for me. They are beautiful and remind me that I am loved and prayed for whenever I use them.

I also thank the Deacons for the thoughtful and fun "goody bag" you left for me. I've enjoyed it very much and had fun discovering all the treasures you left inside. It made me feel well-thought-of and remembered in this season that is difficult to go through without your spouse for the first time.

From the bottom of my heart, thank you all at Trinity for being here for me.

Love, Sherry



The preschool is having a raffle fundraiser to raise money for classroom instructional materials and activities. We're selling raffle tickets for a 6-quart, 7-in-1 duo Instant Pot. The tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. The drawing will be held on *Friday, December 20*, and the winner will be notified by phone. Information about the raffle is located on the table in the narthex.



24th Year!  
1995-2019

*Bring a friend!*

## 2019 Christmas Sale

Home-made Crafts and Baked Goods

**Saturday, December 7, 2019**

10:00 a.m. 'til 3:00 p.m.

10200 Shelbyville Road

### Trinity Presbyterian Women's Annual Christmas Sale

Select delicious home-made holiday  
cookies, cakes, candy and more.

Shop for beautiful hand-crafted gifts —  
for you and loved ones.

Phone: 502.245.5515

Visit our website to confirm times:  
[tpclouisville.net](http://tpclouisville.net)



# Merry Christmas

*Don't forget to sign up for  
Trinity's Christmas Dinner.*



*Date: 12/15/2019*

*Time: 5:00 p.m.*

*Gather in Fellowship Hall for good food, fun & fellowship for the whole family! Please bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share. (Entrée, rolls & beverages provided by the Fellowship Committee.)*



*A special guest for the children.*

*Signup sheet is on the  
Fellowship Bulletin Board.*



## *Trinity Presbyterian Church* **Advent and Christmas Events**

*Hanging of the Green/Advent Service*  
*Sunday, December 1, 11:00 am*

*Christmas Craft and Bake Sale*  
*Saturday, December 7, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm*

*Advent Services*  
*Sunday, December 1, 8, 15, & 22*  
*9:00 and 11:00 am*

*Christmas Dinner*  
*Sunday, December 15, 5:00 pm*

*Christmas Eve Service*  
*Tuesday, December 24, 7:00 pm*





## Operation Warm Feet



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We all wear them. We change them daily.  
We are able to wash them when they are dirty.  
Socks.

Such convenience isn't available to those who  
are homeless.

The homeless are on their feet all day, and they  
most likely wear the only pair of socks they  
own. Most will wear that one pair of socks until  
they are so thread bare that they no longer hold  
together.

So this Christmas, we will again collect new  
packages of men's socks to donate to the  
Louisville ministry

Jesus Cares @ Exit 0

(<http://www.jesuscaresatexit0.org>)

**Please bring your donation of men's  
socks to church throughout the month  
of December.**



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| December 7  | The Christmas Sale from 10 am to 3 pm   |
| December 8  | Jewell Christmas Open house from 2-5 pm |
| December 15 | The TPC Christmas Dinner at 5 pm        |
| December 24 | Christmas Eve Service at 7 pm           |

There will be limited office hours the week of Christmas.

## Trinity Presbyterian Church.



Trinity Presbyterian welcomes all visitors, and especially those eager to encounter and enjoy the presence of Christ!

Our Sunday morning services are at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Sunday school for all ages begins at 9:45 a.m.

Nursery and Children's church is provided!

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