# TPC Weekly Newsletter

February 18, 2024



## BRIDGING THE GAP: The Mind Pleasing to God Romans 8:5-8

#### **Bridging the Gap**

The Importance of Bridges

Providing Passage Over Impassable Spans

The Bridge of Romans 8

If we are made right with God through the work of Christ, how do we then live rightly as those restored to a relationship with God?

#### "The righteous by faith shall live."

Habakkuk 2:4, "...the righteous shall live by faithfulness."

Hebrews 10:38, "...but my righteous one shall live by faith, and if he shrinks back, my soul has no pleasure in him."

Galatians 3:11, "Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law, for 'The one who by faith is righteous will live."

Romans 1:16-17, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, 'The righteous by faith shall live.'"

A Short Summary of Romans

The righteous... — ch. 1-3

By faith... — ch. 4-5

Shall live... — ch. 6-7

By the Holy Spirit... — ch. 8-11

For God's glory and the good of others... — ch. 12-16

#### The Battleground of Our Minds

What to think... Influence and information overload. How to think... Time, effort, concentration, pondering and processing.

How to put thinking into action.... Information, understanding, practice.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Weekly Announcements

- Sunday School for all ages begins at 9:45 AM.
- Digging Deeper bible study on Monday at 10 AM.
- Home Dartball match against St. Matthews Baptist Church on Monday at 7:30 PM.
- The Session meets on Tuesday at 7 PM.
- The Righteousness Conference on Saturday from 10 AM to 6 PM. See page three of this newsletter for more information.

To provide flowers for worship, please sign up on the Worship bulletin board or contact Sherry.

Please know that your ministry support is a valuable means by which God is reaching, teaching, & growing followers of Jesus Christ. As always, we are thankful for God's faithfulness and your financial partnership.

#### Welcome to Our New Class of Leaders

Andy Cannava (Elder)
Becky Douglass (Deacon)
Brittney Maslowski (Deacon)
Jim McDaniel (Deacon)
Kay Nolan (Deacon)
Sheryl Yoffe (Deacon)

## Mission Opportunities

Burrito making kits are available.

## **Upcoming Events**

The Singles Fun Bunch plans to attend "Footloose" at the Derby Dinner Theater on April 17. If interested, or in need of more information, please contact Kay Hardy-Hines ASAP.

## **Greeter Ministry**

Please look for a warm, welcoming friend to meet & greet you on Sunday mornings. In addition, the greeter will lock all the church doors by 10:15 AM, except for the glass doors to the Narthex. If you need any help, please ask our greeter. We hope everyone will take a turn being this warm, welcoming presence.

We would love to have you sign up to serve as a Sunday morning greeter. To do so, put your name on the signup sheet in the Narthex.

#### The Mind Pleasing to God

Two Sources of Life - v. 5

What Makes Us Tick?

Biologically — the chemical makeup of humans

Physiologically — the mechanical operation of the human body

Psychologically — the mental, intellectual, and emotional aspect of humans

Socially/Culturally — the interpersonal and communal component of humans

Spiritually — the immaterial makeup of humans

Flesh vs. Spirit

Living "according to the flesh" without God fixates the mind on the flesh.

Living "according to the Spirit" with God fixates the mind on the Spirit.

Two Mindset - v. 6

#### The Mechanics of Our Thinking

Nature determines desire. Desire drives thought. Thought dictates action. Action determines consequences.

#### The Motive of Our Mind

"To think secularly (to be fleshly minded) is to think within a frame of reference bounded by the limits of our life on earth: it is to keep one's calculations rooted in this-worldly criteria." (Harry Blamires)

"A prime mark of the Christian mind is that it cultivates the eternal perspective. That is to say, it looks beyond this life to another one. It is supernaturally oriented, and brings to bear upon earthly considerations the fact of Heaven and the fact of Hell." (Harry Blamires)

Two Ways of Living - v. 7

The secular mindset, singly bent on sweeping social engineering, operates under this mission statement: "To change one's mind is to change one's action." Therefore, education (or re-education), societal laws, shame and reward, the power-pressure of conformity, the comprehensive influence of life through every form of media, etc., all of these the world culture uses to mold us into conformity to "the flesh".

God, however, has a more profound and eternity altering work in view: to change the human heart.

Two Spiritual States - v. 8

The impossibility of pleasing God through the flesh. The inevitability of pleasing God through the Spirit.

## **Prayer Joys & Concerns**

Thanks and Praise

Birthdays:

**Anniversaries:** 

#### Needs and Concerns

#### Those who are grieving...

The family and friends of Dale Garner

#### Those needing help/healing...

Steve Conn

Sandy Koukola

Jerry Pender - recovery from cataract surgery

Rev. Bob & Rev. Camille Williams-Neal

Rev. Ed Gayhart - receiving hospice care

Carol Redd

Ellen (Kay Nolan's cousin) - multiple myeloma has returned

Roger Harvell's dad - receiving hospice care

Bill & Janet Husband

Greta Bemisderfer

Harvey (Miller's great grandson)

Tracy (Miller's daughter)

Ghyll Simoneschi

Gwen Tomblin

Jackie Morrow

Susan Bauer

Jean Paulmann Jane Kurfees

Josh Jones (Jane Kurfees nephew) - heart problems

Robert (Lois Bringhurst's brother)

Bill (Jim McDaniel's brother) - cancer

Jake (Jude's brother)

Joan (Jake's wife)

Spencer Hardin (Sheryl Yoffe's friend)

Nella (Jude's aunt)

Craig (Jude's cousin)

Judy (David & Jude's neighbor)

Spike Frederick (Andy's friend)

Donna Primm (Andy's friend)

Toka (Sherry Pritts' friend)

#### Situations and Circumstances...

The mission and ministry of TPC

The war on Israel

Persistent societal violence

Volatile political tensions

Economic concerns

The violence/brokenness of our city and the world

Students, teachers, staff

Medical caregivers, police, elected officials

The many ministries of TPC (Burrito Riders, Faith & Art Center, OCC, Sew 'n Sews, EACM, Maryhurst, Fellowship of Christian Athletes)





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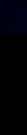
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PASTOR REV.STEVE JEWELL



HOST.PASTOR REV.ATHANASE N.MOUCAT



PASTOR MUHOZA NDAYAMBAJE



PASTOR ABDOU RUGENGAMANZI



REVIVAL CHOIR

THEME:MATTHEW 28:18-20

**SATURDAY** 

DATE:24 FEB 2024 TIME:10AM-6PM SUNDAY

DATE:25FEB 2024 TIME:12PM-4PM ADDRESS:

10200 Shelbyville Road,Anchorage Kentucky 40223

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4238634588?pwd=VEV6SXIQN0pvSSsrM3c0UUUrSzFDdz09

# **Christian Education Opportunities**

#### Koinonia

The Koinonia class is a seminar-based gathering that is presently focused on an introduction to the New Testament (its formation, history, background, and content). It spends some time on the individual books but at this point doesn't make an in-depth study of a particular one. In the past, the class has studied the history of the Church and a long-term study of the book of Acts. This coming year the focus will be on the writings of Paul, other letters, and the book of Revelation. The first gatherings will consist of a review of covered material. Participants can join the class in the Parlor or via Zoom.

Resources include video lectures from Dr. Dale Martin of Yale University and presentation slides. The style is a relaxed one with much attention paid to questions, concerns, and insights of those involved.

#### **Digging Deeper**

There are two important ways we immerse ourselves in the Word of God. One way is through the sermon during our gathered times of worship. The other is through personal and corporate Bible Study. To this end, and in addition to the other Sunday school classes we offer, Pastor Steve leads this study as we dig deeper into the Bible passage for next week's sermon. We gather on Monday mornings at 10 AM in the Library.

If this study interests you, please contact Pastor Steve (<u>stevejewell356@gmail.com</u>).

## Women's Sunday School

The Women's Sunday School class meets at 9:45 in the library. We are currently studying "Help Is Here" by Max Lucado, in an attempt to deepen our relationship with the Holy Spirit. Previous topics have included heaven and how to be "anxious for nothing" as instructed by St. Paul. In addition to seeking greater understanding, we share joys and concerns and enjoy fellowship with one another.

The leaders of this class are:

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## Youth Group

The Youth Sunday School class meets at 9:45 in the Youth Room downstairs, and is open to all Middle and High School students seeking to deepen their understanding of God's Word. The Youth class aims to study the Bible and apply God's Perfect Word to the lives of students as they navigate their teenage world. This fall, the class will dive into a study of the teenage battlefield. Led by Rebecca Perry, the youth will study how to shine the light of Christ—whether we are at school, out with friends, or at home. In addition to studying, the youth will also meet once a month for evenings of fellowship and fun!

## Sprouts Sunday School

Kids ages five through 4th grade are invited to join this group to learn more about growing in Christ. We will study how to grow and produce the fruit of the Spirit. This Sunday School is led by Diane Jewell (djewell35@gmail.com). We welcome all young eager learners.

## **Nursery Care**

If you have a little one (0-4 years old), nursery care is available upon request. Diane Jewell is eager to sing, play with, and entertain your children, so you can worship God without worry or distraction. Please let Diane or the Greeter know you would like to make use of our nursery care.

## **Weekly Reminders**

Please consider joining one of the classes and/or small groups we offer:

- Koinonia Class led by <u>Rev. Bob Williams-Neal</u> at 9:45 AM.
- Women's Sunday School Class at 9:45 AM (please contact <u>Cathy Dawson</u> or <u>Lucie</u> <u>Fulmore</u> for more information)
- Youth Sunday School Class for middle school and high school students at 10 AM (please contact Rebecca Perry for more information).
- Sprouts Sunday School Class for ages 5 thru 4th grade at 9:45 AM (please contact <u>Diane</u> <u>Jewell</u> for more information).
- Digging Deeper meets on Monday mornings at 10 AM.

If you're unable to worship with us in person, join us via <u>Livestream</u> on Sundays at 11 AM. Our online worship bulletin is <u>posted here</u>.

If you have a need, a prayer request, or have information you would like to share with the rest of the Trinity family, please contact <u>Pastor Steve</u>, <u>Sherry Pritts</u> (Church Secretary), <u>Andy Cannava</u> (Clerk of the Session), <u>Brenda Miller</u> (Chair of the Deacons), or your mini-flock shepherd. Please click here for the updated mini-flock list.

To view our 2024 Leadership & Committees list, please click here.

If you would like to make an online gift and/or donation to support the mission and ministry of Trinity Presbyterian Church, <u>please click here</u>.

Consider sending our college students an encouraging note or card.

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