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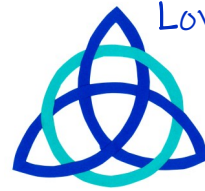


*Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die;<sup>26</sup> and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?”*

*<sup>27</sup> “Yes, Lord,” she replied, “I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world.”*

**John 11:25-27 (NIV)**

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### Other Organizations on site:

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 Administrator - (805) 389-6581

#### **Iglesia Cristiana**

##### **Reformada de Camarillo**

Pastor Ricardo Aragon - (805) 482-8511

#### **Taiwanese-American Presbyterian Church of Ventura County**

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 (805) 889-0719

**PRAYERS FOR THE HOMEBOUND**

Terry Ampaya  
 George Anderson  
 June Arakawa  
 Kay Brethauer  
 Barbara Ewing  
 Esther Johnson  
 Joan Godschalx  
 Don Grasmick  
 Carol Young

**PRAYERS FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS  
OF THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:**

Ken Anderson  
 Walt Hicks  
 Berni Hilgaertner  
 Paige Wolf

**PRAYERS OF HEALING AND COMFORT**

Shirley Abbott  
 Dale Ackerman  
 Jan Ackerman  
 Jim Ampaya  
 Terry Ampaya  
 Elaine Bell  
 Madison Botts  
 George Blok  
 Chris Bogdan  
 Kay Brethaur  
 Bill Cashdollar  
 Larry Davis  
 Jorge Dios  
 Pam Egbert  
 Franki Giffin

Don Grasmick  
 Joyce Grasmick  
 John Hallisey  
 Jerry Harman  
 Jeff Hilgaertner  
 Marilyn Holthouse  
 Nancy Jacobs  
 Craig Johnson  
 Alan Kay  
 Ruthi Kay  
 Linda Kintner  
 Nancy Lindsay  
 Sue Mello  
 Tom McWaid  
 Dorothy Miller

Sue Mooney  
 Linda Packham  
 Tim Phares  
 Ted Rains  
 Val Rains  
 Fred Raniere  
 Linda Riewald  
 Martha Sanders  
 Rita Scott  
 Zoe Shirley  
 Brian Smith  
 Nancy Wolf  
 Grant Yule  
 Kathi Yule  
 Marcia Zerkel

**If you would like to be added to, or taken off of this prayer list,  
 please call the church office, so we can keep our list updated and accurate.**

**Elders (2023-2024)**

Jim Antos  
 Dan Bornhoeft  
 Kay Carpenter-Dorner  
 Elena Davis  
 Jorge Dios  
 Bret Gean  
 Betsy Phillips  
 Fred Raniere

**Deacons****2024**

Tena Arstein, Jay Dyer, Pat Lagerstrom,  
 Tim Phares, Dory Raymond and Brenda Schearer

**2025**

Peggy Antos, Arcelia Dios, Sandra Henningsen,  
 JoAnn Knipe and Bill Stermer

**2026**

Ruthie Kay, Zoe Shirley,  
 Jeanne Spahr and Sherry Straeter

## From the Pastor's Desk



Easter is just around the corner, which means we have a special opportunity before us as followers of Jesus. This opportunity is in inviting a friend to join you (us) at Trinity for our Easter resurrection celebration. The resurrection is what gives us hope and purpose in this chaotic world in which we live. Everyday we are called to be and share the light of God's love in those places we spend the majority of our time. This might be with family members, grandchildren, neighbors, and friends. We are asked by Jesus in his sermon in Matthew chapter five, to flavor our relationships with others with His love. As we ourselves once received the Father's love, we can offer this same extravagant love to the people around us through our interactions with them. **Who is one person in your life that you could invite to join you for service this Easter Sunday morning?** Begin praying for them right now. Ask God to put within them a curiosity about Jesus, about the faith, that would spark an interest in them to accept your invitation. Remember prayer is power and God answers our prayers. *"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened."* (Matthew 7:7-8)

Sometimes we find it hard to ask others to church, or we can't seem to find the right words to say. The following may be of help as you pray for someone to ask.

### Example of a Easter Invite

*I have really enjoyed our discussions about faith and what it means to us. For me, Easter has been a significant time for reflecting on the big questions of life and how faith connects. Would you like to join me for an Easter service to deepen our conversations about faith and Jesus? I am sure you will find it thought provoking. In fact, I will buy our next coffee afterward so that we can discuss more about what was said.*

So be thinking ahead right now about who you might ask. It's good to be praying ahead of time so that we can recognize and be alert to the Holy Spirits prompting.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Tom



**The Bible With Nicky and Pippa -  
Come join us each Monday  
at 1:00 PM in the Fireside Room.  
Contact Betsy Phillips for any  
questions about how to access  
our Bible reading and  
commentary online...**



# Lent



**March 3rd** - 3rd Sunday in Lent (Worship Service - 9:30 AM)  
**March 10th** - 4th Sunday in Lent (Worship Service - 9:30 AM)  
**March 17th** - 5th Sunday in Lent (Worship Service - 9:30 AM)  
**March 24th** - **Palm Sunday** (Worship Service - 9:30 AM)  
**March 28th** - **Maundy Thursday** (Worship Service - 6:30 PM)  
**March 29th** - **Good Friday** (NO Service)  
**March 31st** - **Easter Sunday** (Worship Service - 9:30 AM)

**\* Holy Week (March 25th – March 29th)**

- The Sanctuary will be open from 12:00 - 12:30 PM each day for quiet reflection and prayer.

## Trinity Celebrations

### Happy Birthday!

#### March

3rd	Greg Antonovich
4th	Dominick Shirley
5th	Scott Beattie and Bette Giles
7th	Mike Adair
8th	Joyce Grasmick
10th	Sharon Jones
11th	Clarke Cramer
12th	Ian Bornhoeft and Tom Wooff
15th	Valerie Frye
16th	Tim Phares
17th	Pat Lagerstrom and Joe Swindle
20th	Kiley Hartwich, Bradley Nix, and Kirk Raymond
22nd	Esther Johnson
25th	Jenny Graham
28th	Elaine Bell and Judy Freeman
29th	Jeanne Spahr



- If you have a March birthday or anniversary that did not make it into the Trinity Times, please call the church office at (805) 484-0530, so we can update our database.



## Meal Share Camarillo

♥ Watch for your email invite ♥  
from Signup.com...

The next 2 meals provided by Trinity  
will be March 7 and April 4 .

Come join us! ♥



## Cake on the Patio

The Deacons will be serving cake in Piper Hall  
Sunday, March 10th in celebration of those  
with March birthdays and/or anniversaries.

**Daylight Saving Time  
begins at 2:00 AM on  
Sunday, March 10th.**

**Don't forget to set your  
clocks ahead one hour!**



Spring Ahead!!



## Deacon's News

Your Deacon Flock leaders  
have knowledge of many resources  
and referrals in our community that  
we would be pleased to share with you.  
Please reach out to your flock leader  
with needs or requests, and we will try  
to help you or will get you connected  
with someone who can.

## TRINITY YOUTH MINISTRIES

### Sunday Schedule (March)

3:00-4:30pm in The Youth Room  
(unless otherwise stated)

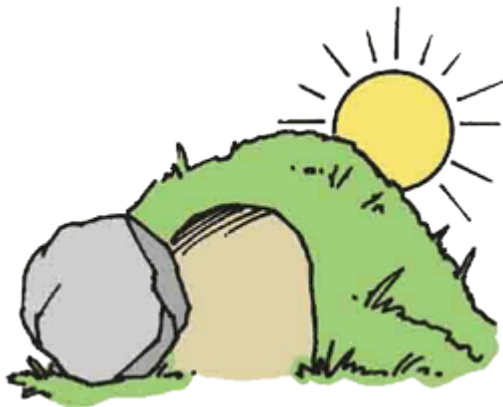
3rd: Games - 3:00 PM

10th: CROP Walk - 12:00 PM

17th: Cooking - 3:00 PM

24th: Movie Night - 3:00 PM

31st: No Youth Group! Happy Easter!



### Bible Study & Dinner Wednesdays

March 6th - 5:30-7:30 PM

March 13th - 5:30-7:30 PM

March 20 - 5:30-7:30 PM

March 27th - 5:30-7:30 PM

Drop Off and Pick Up at Trinity all weeks.

### Weekly Prayer Gathering

You are invited to join us for a time of prayer in the Reflection Garden each Thursday from 1-2:00 PM.

(In the case of inclement weather, we meet in the Fireside Room).

Questions: Call Tena at  
(805) 482-1584





## SPOTLIGHT ON MISSIONS...

### **Camarillo's 41<sup>st</sup> CROP Hunger Walk is this month!**

*For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat . . . Matthew 25:35a*

We're walking to raise funds needed more than ever for **Church World Service (CWS)** programs and **local food pantries**, to help our most vulnerable neighbors around the world and around the corner. **25% of the funds raised stay in Camarillo.**



Church World Service is a faith-based organization transforming communities around the globe through sustainable responses to hunger, poverty, displacement, and disaster. Learn more and see how your support helps at [cwsglobal.org](http://cwsglobal.org).

#### **For WALKERS:**

- 1) The Walk is **March 10, 12:30**, Pitts Ranch Park, 1400 Flynn Rd.
- 2) Get handouts & Donation Envelope at CROP table or from Kris Armstrong
- 3) You are encouraged to **Register Online** for strong fundraising. **Here's how:**
  - Go to the Trinity homepage [www.trinitycamarillo.org](http://www.trinitycamarillo.org)
  - Or go to <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/team/trinity-pres-camarillo>
  - Tell family and friends near and far about your fundraising mission.
- 4) If your sponsors give their donations to you, turn these in either at the Community Walk on March 10<sup>th</sup>, or to Kris Armstrong or the church office by April 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### **For DONORS:**

- 1) Donate the easy way:
  - Go to the Trinity homepage [www.trinitycamarillo.org](http://www.trinitycamarillo.org)
  - Or go to <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/team/trinity-pres-camarillo>
  - Click on "Make a Donation" to "Support Trinity Pres Camarillo"
  - Or sponsor an individual by clicking "Donate" after their name on the Team Member list.
- 2) If paying by check, please make checks payable to **CWS/CROP**. Give cash or checks to a walker OR leave them at church by April 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Want more information?**

**Contact Kris Armstrong OR call Kim in the Church Office: (805) 484-0530.**

### Session Highlights - February 2024

- Membership is at 187 with the passing of Berni Hilgaertner
  - Session voted to approve the purchase of new digital sign from Daktronics.
- Session approved the new updates to the Employee Handbook to comply with new CA mandates.

### Upcoming Dates & Events:

- The Chosen: Season 4, episodes 7 & 8 at AMC in Thousand Oaks (Sunday, March 3rd at 3:45 PM)
  - Final Thriving Communities Retreat at Westmont College (Saturday, March 9th)
- CROP Hunger Walk at Pitt's Ranch Park (Sunday, March 10th)
  - New Member Class (Saturday, March 23rd)
  - Palm Sunday (March 24th)
  - Holy Week Prayer (March 25th – March 29th at noon)
  - Maundy Thursday Service (March 28th at 6:30 PM)
    - Easter Sunday (March 31st) 9:30 AM service
  - Installation of Deacons and Elders (Sunday, April 14th)
- Next regular stated Session meeting is March 19th (with special guest Israel Gonzales from the church plant Central City Church in Santa Maria).

### Financial Report - January 2024

#### **For the month ending 1/31/2024:**

- Total Income for January was \$49,420
- Total expenses for January were \$46,086
- There was a positive operating result January of \$3,334

**February 2024**  
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

(Not for Temporarily Away)

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