

THE *talking trinity*



JOIN US
Sunday Morning
December 8

Annual Christmas Pageant
10:30 a.m. Sanctuary

"A Justice League Christmas", the Triniteen program and "Just a Little Christmas", the Children's program will be presented during our Sunday morning worship service.

Annual Chili Feed
11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hall

Immediately following worship, enjoy a great lunch at Trinity's Annual Chili Feed hosted by the Triniteens. A free-will offering will be received to raise money for Triniteen mission projects.

*We hope to see you
all there!*

MERRY CHRISTMAS

THE *talking trinity* is the monthly newsletter of Trinity Presbyterian Church, Topeka, Kansas

DECEMBER 2019



a word from
Pastor Mere

Though it has become a bit of a cliché, there is something about experiencing Advent and Christmas through the eyes of a young child. Their excitement about snow falling, singing carols, looking at lights, is infectious, even on those days when I find myself feeling more “frazzled” than “festive.” And though the glitz of secular Christmas is certainly cause for much of their enthusiasm, they sense that around the church, we are busy getting ready for something (and someone) really special.

To be honest, I sometimes envy at how easily my children can slip into childlike joy, especially in this time where there is pressure to “make Christmas happen,” both at home and at church. Joy to the World--have they seen the news?!? Nights at our house are never silent; fresh-fallen snow a hassle rather than a playground.

Yet I feel the Spirit of God (perhaps dressed as an Angel) reassuring me that Joy is not just a sentiment for children. Christmas Joy is one of the season’s most subversive statements. That we would dare to have Joy, rather than give into the cynicism and nihilism which is so popular these days. That we would face the powers and principalities of our world and declare joyfully, your no longer have authority. There is Joy in the manger, wrapped up with all of our hopes and fears. Like the shepherds and magi, we will seek out Joy and we will find it. And a little child shall lead us...

I wish you a season of Great JOY!

May the light of Christ sustain you,

Reverend Mere



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On Trinity’s website you can access archived issues of the weekly newsletter, The Trinity Candle, and this monthly newsletter, The Talking Trinity.
office@trinitypresbyterian.net
Use this email address to contact the office secretary.
www.FACEBOOK.com/TrinityTopeka
Trinity’s Facebook account has information about upcoming and past activities at Trinity and many great pictures as well.

Experience Advent at Trinity

December 1 - First Sunday in Advent

10:30 am Sunday Worship with the Celebration
of the Lord's Supper

December 8 - Second Sunday in Advent

10:30 am Children and Youth Christmas Program
*Trinity's youth and children will tell the
Christmas Story in exciting (and
unpredictable) ways!*

11:30 am Chili Feed

*Stay for lunch at our annual chili feed!
Donations accepted to benefit Trinity's
Youth Ministries.*

December 15- Third Sunday in Advent

10:30 am Sunday Worship featuring carols and hymns
of the season performed by the Heritage
Choir and guest musicians.

December 22- Fourth Sunday in Advent

10:30 am Sunday Worship

4:00 pm Quiet Christmas worship service

*The holidays can be a complicated season for
many. This simple worship service creates
space to acknowledge the quieter side of
Christmas.*

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP | DECEMBER 24

6:00 P.M. Candlelight worship service

7:00 P.M. Cookies and punch reception

FINANCE MATTERS

AS YOU PREPARE FOR THE BUSY HOLIDAY SEASON, PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THE FOLLOWING DATES:

December 2019 -- 2020 Weekly Pledge Envelopes.

Boxed sets of 2020 pledge envelopes are available in the Parlor for those who want to use them. You do not have to use an envelope or you may use any other envelope. The important thing is to write "Pledge" on the memo line on the check.

December 2019 -- 2020 Pre-Paid Pledges.

If you wish to prepay any amount of your 2020 pledge, please make sure it is clearly marked "2020 Pledge" to ensure it is recorded correctly.

Friday, November 29, 2019 -- Stock Transfers.

If you are considering a gift of mutual funds or appreciated securities, Trinity suggests you begin to initiate your transfers by November 29 to allow sufficient time to process your gift. Please contact me before you make the transaction. Our broker will notify me of the amount of the sale, and the name of the stock; but, I have no way of knowing the owner or purpose of the fund or stock gift. Knowing ahead of time about your gift helps me track the transaction.

Sunday, December 29, 2019 -- Final 2019 Giving.

2019. We are not quite at the end of the year, but please begin thinking about completing your 2019 pledges and gifts to Trinity. In order to report your donations on your 2019 statement, we are asking that the donations be received on or before Sunday, December 29, 2019. The timeliness of your gifts is appreciated in order for the Financial Secretary to correctly process and record them.

Please let me know if you need an update of your 2019 pledge.

January 2020 -- 2019 Giving Statements.

The 2019 giving statements will be mailed in January, so you will have them before you begin tax preparation.

Thank you for keeping Trinity in your holiday planning.

Carol Shannahan, Financial Secretary -- 785-559-8551 -- carolsbutterflies@sbcglobal.net

TOPEKA JUMP, TRINITY'S JUSTICE MINISTRY

TOPEKA JUMP UP-DATE

- ❖ On Oct. 28th JUMP Members gather for their Community Problems Assembly. At the assembly members voted to not take on a new campaign issue for 2020 but continue to research and work on the four existing issues, Affordable Housing, Transportation, Violence and Predatory Lending.
- ❖ Shawnee County District Attorney, Michael Kagay, spoke at the Community Problems Assembly and indicated his support of JUMP's effort to curb violence in the community. He supports JUMP's initiative, SAVE (Strategy to Stop Violence Everywhere) and even led the assembly in the JUMP cheer-Topeka JUMP-Jump for Justice.
- ❖ At the Community Problems Assembly two congregations officially joined JUMP, Temple Beth Shalom and United University Methodist Church.
- ❖ JUMP's Research Kick-Off is scheduled for Dec. 3rd at Grace Cathedral. The steering committees for the four issue campaigns will provide updates and full committees will decide the next action to take place.
- ❖ JUMP's corporate and individual investment drive for 2019-2020 has gone well and most recently JUMP received an \$8,000 grant from PCUSA.
- ❖ Topeka JUMP-Jump for Justice!

PEACEMAKING COMMITTEE



The Peacemaking and Evangelism committees are excited to unveil two new signs on Trinity's property. The signs both read "All Are Welcome Here" and were designed by Kelly Voigt and made by Signs to Go. A 4' x 8' double sided sign is south of the Fellowship Hall and a 2' x 4' single sided sign is at the entrance to the parking lot. Funding for this project came from Trinity members' memorial funds.

TALPETATES SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

Each year, many Trinity members and friends have invested in the youth of Talpetates, El Salvador by providing students scholarship money for high school (\$ 850 /yr) or college (\$ 2000-3000 /yr). Currently there are about 30 students receiving scholarships! Glory be to God!

In order to provide these scholarships, the Peacemaking committee sends about \$ 12,000 to Talpetates every 6 months. The next scholarship allotment will be sent at the beginning of December 2019, and we are about \$ 3,000 short of the goal. So, as Bob Fincham said in his worship announcement on Nov. 10, consider giving the gift of a scholarship as a Christmas gift this year. Checks are welcome in any amount and should be made out to Trinity with "Talpetates scholarship" on the memo line. The Peacemaking committee will provide you with a card that you can fill out and give to the person you are honoring with the donation.

One scholarship student, Carolina Chavez, says in her letter dated July 24, 2019,

"I want to tell you- this is the year that I will graduate from high school thanks to the support you have given to me. This support has allowed me to continue and now, complete, my high school studies and I am grateful to you for this. I have good grades in school, but each day I work harder and harder to reach my goal of completing high school."

Thanks be to God that we can have relationship with and walk with our friends in El Salvador!

TRINITY-TALPETATES SCHOLARSHIP PEN PALS

Starting in 2020, the Peacemaking committee will pair up Trinity members who donate to the Talpetates scholarship fund with scholarship students in Talpetates. After a suitable match has been found, you can communicate through email or video, and one of the English speaking scholarship students will translate your message into Spanish for your pen pal. Then, a translated email or video will be sent back to you from Talpetates. If interested, contact Anton Ahrens at antonf58@att.net.



A LETTER FROM TALPETATES

Hello. I send my hopes that you are well, along with my gratitude for all that you do to help us. I wish you the best and pray that God gives you many more years of life. I am a high school student, although I sometimes miss some days of class because of my health problems. I suffer from kidney problems, but the doctors say that I am improving. Despite this, I am determined to progress toward my goal of becoming a professional and helping my family economically. Although my health situation gets in the way, I am grateful from the bottom of my heart, as is my family, for your help. It has been of great benefit to me and I am thankful for persons with a helping mission like yourselves. A thousand thanks. I hope to see you many times in the future. May God watch over you and bless you for your help, Topeka.

Edwin Josue Mendez Cruz

NOTE: KIDNEY FAILURE HAS REACHED EPIDEMIC LEVELS IN TALPETATES



19-Dec Michael & Madison Meenen
29-Dec Ed & Carmen Raines



SANCTUARY FLOWER MINISTRY

Flowers were provided to the Glory of God on November

- 3rd by Randall & Kay Scott in loving honor of their wedding anniversary.
- 11th by Lynn Weaver in celebration of all November birthdays.
- 17th by Craig & Iris Neuenswander in loving celebration and Thanksgiving to God for many blessings.
- 24th by Susan & Marvin Burris in loving celebration of their family.

- 04-Dec Lynn Barnard
- 05-Dec Barbara Jasper
- 05-Dec Don Walters
- 08-Dec Patricia Thomblison
- 08-Dec Kyle Sommer
- 10-Dec Scott Anderson
- 12-Dec Peggy Tollefson
- 14-Dec Louise Cunningham
- 14-Dec Susan Bozeman
- 14-Dec Scott Smelser
- 18-Dec Lou Nell Gustavson
- 18-Dec Trent Stevenson
- 24-Dec Bette Bossler
- 24-Dec Susan Sticklely
- 27-Dec Terri Novosel
- 28-Dec Lois Johnson
- 28-Dec Annamae Ahlstedt
- 29-Dec Charlee Chooncharoen
- 31-Dec Neva Ebeling
- 31-Dec Tyler Kuhn
- 31-Dec Sally Fairbank



Many thanks to my Trinity family for your cards and calls following my broken rib and the death of my mother in April. Your care and concern was appreciated and very comforting.
Lynn Weaver

Dear kids and Staff:

On behalf of the Topeka VA Eastern Kansas HCS patients and staff, we would like to extend our appreciation to you for your donation of 27 handmade Veterans Day cards. It is through the efforts of community partners like you that allow us to continue the quality care and services that we seek to provide our deserving Veterans. We look forward to the opportunity to work with you again for future events. Thank you for your continued support, Sincerely, Denise L. Cunningham

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

2019 WORSHIP ATTENDANCE				
Month	Date	Sunday	Total	Events
OCTOBER	27	4th	106	
NOVEMBER	3	1st	116	All Saints Sunday
	10	2nd	118	
	17	3rd		Be the Church

DEACONS

If you are in need of prayer, visitation, or even a phone call, please let the Pastor, Parish Nurse, or Deacons know. Due to privacy laws, hospitals and care centers do not call churches and notify us on your behalf.

If you would like yourself, family member, or loved one added to our prayer list, please email the church office. It is also helpful if you let us know if they or you would like pastoral care.
Grace and Peace, Pastor Mere

A little cool in the Sanctuary for you? Add warmth with a Lap Blanket.

Please ask an usher.

UN-Hanging OF THE Greens

Please join us after worship on January 5, Epiphany Sunday, for the un-decorating of Advent. A light lunch will be provided. Many hands make light work.



Don't fill your gas tank to the top - By not topping off, you will avoid spills - which will contribute to air and water pollution.

GREEN CORNER

DECEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1 Advent 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM WORSHIP-COMMUNION 11:30 AM WORSHIP 11:45 AM PEACEMAKING Mtg-P 4:00 PM THE HEAT (YOGA) (FH)</p>	<p>2 LAST DAY TO ORDER POINSETTIAS 9:00 AM Mondays with Mere (Lazio's) 10:00 AM Line Dance Class (FH) 12:00 PM Bible Bites (Bible Study) (P) 12:00 PM THE HEAT Kickbox Fusion(FH) 1:00 PM Sticks 'n String (P) 5:30 PM Ladies Night Out (Hubbell Home) 5:30 PM The HEAT Strong by ZUMBA (FH) 6:15 PM The HEAT-Pilates Fusion (FH) 7:15 PM Square Dance Lessons (FH, K)</p>	<p>3 12:00 PM The HEAT Yoga (FH) 1:30 PM Staff Meeting (P) 4:00 PM Aerobics (Rm 13/14) 5:00 PM DEACONS Mtg (Rm 12) 5:30 PM THE HEAT-ZUMBA FITNESS (FH) 6:10 PM Nursery Open 6:15 PM THE HEAT-Cardio Interval (FH) 6:30 PM K- 6th Grade Children's Christmas Program Practice (Sanctuary, CS, P) 7:30 PM Triniteen Christmas Program Practice (FH, Sanctuary)</p>	<p>4 12:00 PM THE HEAT (Kickboxing) (FH) 1:30 PM Mary Ruth Circle (P) 5:00 PM EVANGELISM Mtg (Parlor) 7:00 PM Flute Choir Rehearsal-Choir Rm 11</p>	<p>5 12:00 PM The HEAT-Pilates (FH) 5:00 PM Yoga (Rm 13/14) 5:30 PM The Heat Cardio Interval (FH) 6:00 PM PROPERTY Committee (Rm. 12) 6:10 PM Nursery Open 6:15 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary 6:15 PM THE HEAT-ZUMBA FITNESS (FH) 7:30 PM Heritage Choir Rehearsal (Rm 11)</p>	<p>6 12:00 PM The HEAT Cardio Strength (FH) 1:30 PM Page Turners Book Study (at Baking Traditions) 4:00 PM Aerobics (Rm13/14)</p>	<p>7 9:00 AM Terminex 9:00 AM The HEAT-CARDIO REMIX (FH) 2:00 PM Friendship Squares Dance FH, K</p>
<p>8 9:30 AM Prospective New Members' Class (Pastor Mere's office) 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM WORSHIP - CHRISTMAS PROGRAM/ Children & Youth 11:30 AM ANNUAL CHILI FEED by the youth 4:00 PM THE HEAT (YOGA) (FH)</p>	<p>9 9:00 AM Mondays with Mere (Lazio's) 10:00 AM Line Dance Class (FH) 12:00 PM Bible Bites (Bible Study) (P) 12:00 PM THE HEAT Kickbox Fusion(FH) 1:00 PM Sticks 'n String (P) 5:30 PM The HEAT Strong by ZUMBA (FH) 6:15 PM The HEAT-Pilates Fusion (FH) 7:15 PM Square Dance Lessons (FH, K)</p>	<p>10 12:00 PM The HEAT Yoga (FH) 1:30 PM Staff Meeting (P) 4:00 PM Aerobics (Rm 13/14) 4:45 PM Serve at Rescue Mission 5:30 PM THE HEAT-ZUMBA FITNESS (FH) 6:10 PM Nursery Open 6:15 PM THE HEAT-Cardio Interval (FH)</p>	<p>11 12:00 PM Lunch Bunch (P) 12:00 PM THE HEAT (Kickboxing) (FH) 4:30 PM VISIONING Mtg (Parlor) 6:00 PM FINANCE Mtg (12) 7:00 PM Flute Choir Rehearsal-Choir Rm 11</p>	<p>12 12:00 PM The HEAT-Pilates (FH) 5:00 PM Yoga (Rm 13/14) 5:30 PM MISSION CMTE-P (FH) 5:30 PM The Heat Cardio Interval (FH) 6:10 PM Nursery Open 6:15 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary 6:15 PM THE HEAT-ZUMBA FITNESS (FH) 7:30 PM Heritage Choir Rehearsal (Rm 11)</p>	<p>13 *MONTHLY NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE* early 12:00 PM The HEAT Cardio Strength (FH) 1:30 PM Page Turners Book Study (at Baking Traditions) 4:00 PM Aerobics (Rm13/14)</p>	<p>14 9:00 AM The HEAT-CARDIO REMIX (FH)</p>
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MISSION COMMITTEE

Trinity serves on the 3rd Friday of the month at 9 AM. This month it is December 21st.



Trinity works on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 1 PM. This month it is December 24th.



Trinity serves on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 4:45 PM. This month it is December 10th.



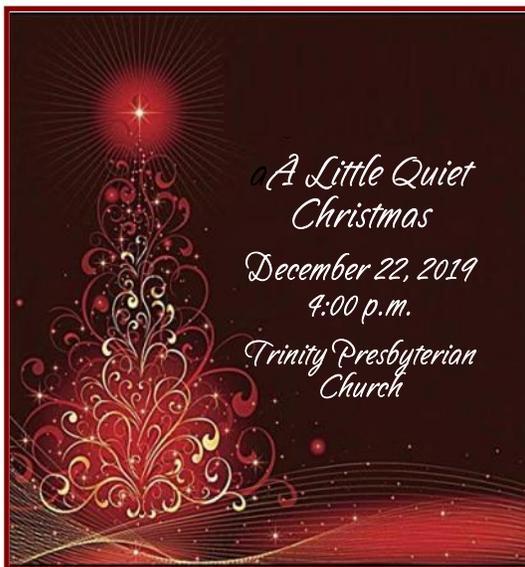
be the church

THANK YOU to all who joined us on November 17th for "Be The Church Service Projects". Pictures from a few of the day's projects are shown on the next page. Watch for more pictures in future issues of the Talking Trinity newsletter.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE



Check out the **Angel Tree** in the church lobby for ideas for Christmas gifts to TDC Little Explorers and Talpetates scholarships. Unwrapped items can be placed in the bin near the tree.



A Little Quiet Christmas
 December 22, 2019
 4:00 p.m.
 Trinity Presbyterian Church

A Worship Service for the Quiet Side of Christmas

This time of year can be especially difficult for people navigating grief, complicated family relationships, seasonal depression, and other emotions. On **Friday, December 22, at 4:00 P.M.**, Pastor Mere will lead a service of worship for those who need a Little Quiet Christmas. This concise service will offer space for prayer and reflection. For more information, please see Reverend Meredith.

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSIFIEDS

DURING THE HOLIDAYS In order to give our Sunday School teachers and volunteers some well-deserved time off, please note the following changes:

December 1, December 29

Children's, Junior High, Senior High and College Sunday School classes *will not meet*.
Childcare for ages infant through pre-kindergarten will be available at 10:15am for 10:30am worship.

December 24

Childcare for ages infant through pre-kindergarten will be available during worship at 6:00pm.

Trinity Weather Closing Policy

If USD 501 closes, ALL weekday events at Trinity will be cancelled including HEAT exercise classes, Little Explorers' Learning Center and Trinity Office. During winter inclement weather on Sundays, check local TV stations' church closure listings to see if Trinity is closed.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - CHILDREN



Sunday school classes making a poster for Jace for his hospital wall.

HEARTLAND DAY CAMP AT TRINITY

TIME TO SIGN UP FOR DAY CAMP AT TRINITY

- Ages:** Entering 1st - 7th Grade
- Dates:** July 27-31
- Time:** 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Price:** \$60 per Camper
- Space limited:** to the first 42 paid camper registrations.

Register at
heartlandcamps.org

Heartland Retreat Center Heartland Camps

It's TIME to register to go to Heartland Camps. Camp offerings and dates for summer are available at www.heartlandcamps.org for youth that have completed 2nd grade through completed 12th grade. Camps fill quickly; early registration is recommended. Register online and pay \$100 deposit. Presbytery will pay \$100. Trinity will pay \$100 per camper for 1 camp during the 2020 summer (excluding family and grand camps).

If online registration is not an option for you, please pick up a paper registration form from the church office and mail with your deposit to:

Heartland Camps
16965 NW Highway 45
Parkville, MO 64152

SUMMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

Sending a child to camp makes a great Christmas gift! Please consider helping to send a Trinity youth/child to summer camp at Heartland.

We have several families who could use financial assistance in order to send their child to camp.

If you would be interested in making a donation to the camp fund, please contact Karen Meenen or Pastor Mere.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - ADULT CE

Kevin Christiansen



Speaker for Adult Sunday School

October 27

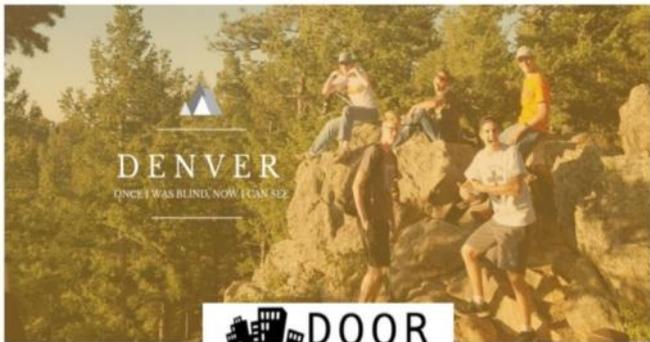


Barry Feaker Speaker for Adult Sunday School November 10

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL - DECEMBER 8, 15, 22

- ❖ Adult Sunday school in Room 9, 9:30 - Advent and the Angel Gabriel - Join us as we discuss and investigate the angels of Advent.
- ❖ Adult Sunday school in Fellowship Hall, 9:30 - Bible study using the lectionary

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - TRINITEENS



PRESBYTERY OF NORTHERN KANSAS YOUTH

2020 DENVER MISSION TRIP

TOGETHER WE WILL SERVE, LEARN, & GROW

SUN., JULY 12 - FRI., JULY 17, 2020

"You were called to freedom, brothers & sisters; only don't let this freedom be an opportunity to indulge your selfish impulses, but serve one another through love." - Galatians 5:13 (CEB)

Service & education opportunities appropriate for youth in middle & high school
Youth will be able to apply what they have learned in Denver to their own communities

Initial Registration and \$50 Deposit* Due January 15, 2020

Register at bit.ly/Denver2020

*Total cost is \$475 per youth. Stay tuned for details about PNKS scholarships in early 2020.

IT IS TIME TO REGISTER FOR DOOR (Denver Mission Trip) JULY 12-17, 2020

Register online at www.bit.ly/Denver2020
Pay \$50 deposit, cash or check (made payable to Presbytery of Northern Kansas)

Turn in payment to the church office.
We are mailing payments to Presbytery as they are received and need them all **by Dec.15.**

Questions? Contact Karen Meenen.

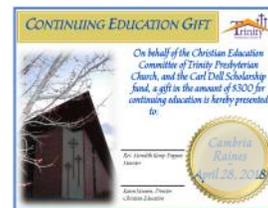
DOOR Scholarships Needed
What a great Christmas gift to help send a youth to the 2020 Denver Mission Trip - DOOR! We have several families who could use financial assistance. If you would be interested in making a donation, please contact Karen Meenen or Pastor Mere.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - TRINITEENS

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Subject to available funding, each year the Trinity Presbyterian Endowment Committee awards postsecondary education scholarships to graduating high school seniors.

To be eligible, high school seniors planning to attend a post-secondary institution must: 1) complete an application, AND 1) be a member of Trinity Presbyterian Church, or 2) demonstrate that they have been active in Trinity youth activities. If you have questions, contact Karen Meenen or Pastor Mere.



TRINITEEN RETREAT OCTOBER 19 & 20



TRINITEEN RETREAT OCTOBER 19 & 20 (continued)



TRINITEENS WORKING AT TRUNK OR TREAT OCTOBER 27



TRINITEEN BIBLES & BURGERS NOVEMBER 3



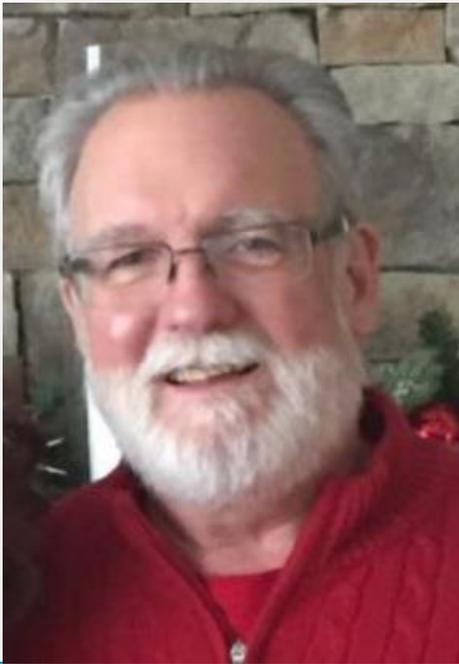
December 8th
Christmas Program at 10:30 a.m.
During Sunday Worship
Annual Chili Lunch
Immediately after worship

TRINITEEN CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRACTICE NOVEMBER 10







CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - SIGNIFICANT RELATIONAL GROUPS**A BIG THANK YOU TO KEM SLOOP!**

Kem has finished leading another group through Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace course here at Trinity. The class included 9 Sunday Sessions from September 8th through November 3rd.

Kem's dedication to this group of people and to the program has made a truly wonderful difference in the lives of many.

Thank you Kem for your dedication to this mission.

FINANCIAL *Peace*
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Save the Date!

Ladies' Night Out - December 2nd
5:30 - 7:30 pm

Join us for a time of fellowship, food and fun at the home of Connie Hubbell. This Christmas gathering will be hosted by Jenny Lee and Connie Hubbell.

PARISH NURSE



Achoo! God Bless You!

Coughs and Sneezes spread Diseases!

Coughs and/or sneezes have many causes. The most common are Hay fever (Allergic Rhinitis), Respiratory Infections, and Physical or Chemical Irritants.

Be Aware: There are many immuno-compromised individuals who are very susceptible to infections!

Did you know that there is a right way and wrong way to cough or sneeze? Please follow proper etiquette!

Fast Facts:

Contagious germs (viruses, bacteria, etc.) can spread further and faster than you may think. Average sneeze or cough can send around 100,000 contagious germs into the air at speeds up to 100 miles per hour.

Around 3,000 droplets are expelled in a single cough! Dependent on the size of the droplets, they can travel anywhere from 2-8 meters (6.5' to over 26 feet!) Droplet spray can spread through a room in just a few seconds, and remain suspended for up to 10 minutes!

More than 200 viruses can cause the common cold, rhinovirus being the most common.

These viruses can survive outside the body several hours depending on the surface they land on and other environmental factors. Viruses generally remain active longer on hard surfaces than on fabric and other soft surfaces.

Did you know that the 19th Century cough medicines contained morphine?

*If possible, turn away from people
Direct cough or sneeze downward
Cover your cough and sneeze*



wash your hands often immediately after coughing or sneezing



Practice frequent hand washing, spending around 20 seconds to wash hands with soap and water. Think/ Sing "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star." Use hand-sanitizer with over 60% alcohol content when available.

*God Bless You!
Kathy Welch, Parish Nurse*



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