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# WORSHIP

A sermon series by Dr. Robert Creech



# Pastoral Reflections Worship

Every week on Sunday mornings, around the world, and through centuries, Christian people have gathered to give their attention to God through Jesus Christ. We call this worship. We may (and should) worship God privately and personally throughout our week as we pay attention to his goodness and grace in our lives, his power and beauty in Creation, and his truth and wisdom in Scripture. But when we gather on Sundays, it is not the assembly of several hundred individuals worshipping individually. Rather, it is the gathering of the body of Christ to adore our God and Savior together. We lift our voices in song and praise. We attend to the Word of God. We share the bread and cup. We witness the symbol of new birth in believer's baptism. We worship. We do it together. We do it as one.

During October, when we gather to worship, we will consider what all this means. What does it mean to worship? What does it mean to worship, as Jesus said, "in Spirit and truth"? How do we learn to do that together? We'll listen closely to the story of Jesus' conversation with the woman in Samaria as they

discussed authentic worship. We'll attend to the words of the psalmist who enjoins us to worship with joyful noise and loud praise (Ps. 100, 150). We will prayerfully reflect on this practice we've been engaging all our lives and through hundreds of generations.

Annie Dillard once compared Christian worship to a dancing bear act. The amazing thing about dancing bears, she said, is not that they do it so well but that they are able to do it at all. That creatures such as we are, sinful, demanding, and sometimes so self-centered, can, by the grace of God and the power of the Holy Spirit, give our attention to God for an entire hour is amazing. But we worship by God's grace, and we draw near to God as God draws near to us.

As you join your brothers and sisters at TBC in the worship of God this month, prepare your heart to worship in Spirit and  
prepare your mind to worship in Truth.



**Dr. Robert Creech,**  
Interim Senior Pastor

## Upcoming Sermons

**October 2**  
**For the Beauty of the Earth**  
Whose Earth Is It?  
Job 38:1-42:6

**October 9**  
**New Sermon Series: Worship**  
The Truth About Worship  
John 4:19-26



**October 16**  
**Worship**  
Worship that Changes Us  
Psalm 100

**October 23**  
**Worship**  
Worship as Dialogue  
Isaiah 6:1-9

**October 30**  
**Worship**  
Worshipping as a Sinner  
2 Samuel:11-12

# Pastor Search Team Time

*“There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven” Ecclesiastes 3:1 NIV*

Time! For some it moves too slowly. For others the hours and days just fly by. It’s been more than a year since our Senior Pastor Search Team (PST) met for the first time. And Pastor Les has been retired for more than eight months. For some it has already taken much too long to find God’s choice for us. For others, especially those on the PST, we’re still waiting for a clear word from God’s Holy Spirit. We’ve now met together more than 55 times. At the beginning we thought we knew exactly how things would go, but...

*“In his heart a man plans his course, but the Lord determines his steps.” Proverbs 16:9 NIV*

*“Now listen, you who say, ‘Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money.’ Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes.” James 4:13-14 NIV*

You know from our previous reports a lot of our activities. Most recently we have completed extensive interviews with references our candidates have submitted, and then additional references recommended by others. We have met multiple times with several candidates by Zoom and in-person.

We are in the process of meeting again with some candidates and their spouses in formal and informal settings so we can all get to know each other better and see if we have a common vision for the future of Trinity Baptist Church. We are also making arrangements to

contract with a firm that will conduct thorough, multi-tiered background checks on our final choice when that occurs.



While we have been keeping count of things like meetings, extra sessions, time with candidates, and other activities, our underlying goal is to make wise choices-wise in the eyes of our Living Lord.

*“Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.” Psalm 90:12 NIV*

*“Be very careful, then, how you live-not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord’s will is.” Ephesians 5:15-17 NIV*

One more thing. As time goes on, and we become anxious to reach the end of our journey, the natural tendency is to begin speculating and to latch onto every rumor regarding individual candidates or where we are in the process. Be assured, your PST is working, praying, informing, and waiting with you until God’s person is revealed-to both us and that person of God. In all of this, say with us:



*“But I trust in you, O Lord; I say, ‘You are my God.’ My times are in your hands;” Psalm 31:14-15a ESV*

**John Coventry,**  
Senior Pastor Search Team



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# Music & Worship Arts

## Don't Miss This

I can barely contain my excitement that October is finally here and that's not just because I love all things pumpkin flavored! I'm excited about October because I'm anticipating what God is going to do on Friday evening, October 7th when we host songwriters Keith and Kristyn Getty. We've been making plans for this concert for months and I can't wait for you to hear them. The concert takes place on October 7th at 7:30pm and tickets are on sale at the church through Sunday, October 2nd. After that, tickets will only be available online.



Our choir is combining that evening with singers from many other San Antonio churches to form a choir of around 150 voices! We had a mass choir rehearsal on Saturday, September 24th and it was a wonderful experience to hear all of these voices together and to fellowship with one another. This was such an encouraging and necessary event after the struggle that Covid created for choirs. We need one another now more than ever before!

After the Getty concert, our ensembles will turn our collective attention towards the Advent and Christmas seasons. We've already begun looking at some Christmas music, but if you are interested in joining us, there is still plenty of time! The Orchestra rehearses each Wednesday evening from 6:30-7:30 and the Chorale rehearses from 7:00-8:30, with both groups rehearsing in the Sanctuary. We've got space for you and would love to have you join us! If you'd like more information about joining the Chorale or Orchestra for Christmas music, just email me at [jsensenig@trinitybaptist.org](mailto:jsensenig@trinitybaptist.org).



**Don't forget to purchase your tickets!**  
General admission is \$35 with Artist's Circle for \$45. You can purchase tickets at <https://www.trinitybaptist.org/event/getty>, scan the QR code, or go to the \*TBC office in-person.

\*Tickets purchased in the office are General Admission only; last day to purchase in office is October 2nd.



Jacob Sensenig,  
Minister of Music  
& Worship Arts



KEITH & KRISTYN GETTY

# CHRIST OUR HOPE IN LIFE AND DEATH

FALL TOUR 2022

GETTYMUSIC.COM/TOURS

Friday, October 7th, 7:30 p.m. | 319 E Mulberry Ave, San Antonio, TX 78212

General Admission \$35, Artist's Circle \$45

Purchase Tickets at [www.trinitybaptist.org/event/getty](http://www.trinitybaptist.org/event/getty)



## NEW MEMBER ENROLLMENT

ORCHESTRA: 6:30-7:30PM MULBERRY SANCTUARY

CHORALE: 7:00-8:30PM MULBERRY SANCTUARY

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT DEAN

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# Children's Ministry

## Godly Parenting

I am always researching articles on parenting. Parenting can be one of the most incredible experiences in our lives and, yet, be one of the most challenging. As I come across good tips for best parenting practices, I always want to share insightful ones with you, our parents. In "Preach It Teach It" I found an article that had twelve self-assessment questions for Christian parenting.

- Is the Christian faith a regular part of our daily conversation?
- Do I offer regular opportunities for my children to worship?
- Does my speech serve the purpose of building up my children?
- Am I teaching obedience by modeling it and requiring it?
- Do I demonstrate the fruit of the Spirit in my life, and in my parenting?
- Do I avoid exasperating my children with standards that are too high?
- Does my conduct towards my kids reflect love?
- Do I pray for my children and trust God with them, enabling me to live free of worry about them?

- Have I put away anger?
- Is my discipline corrective, instead of punitive?
- Do I point my children toward the gospel when they sin?
- Do I view my children as blessings from God?

I know I have and continue to fall short in some of these areas which means I am 100% human and also 100% eligible to be a recipient of God's grace in my parenting.

If you need help, resources, encouragement, or just a place to process things as a parent please don't hesitate to contact me. I am not a "perfect parent" but can certainly be a place to help you work toward being the parent God wants you to become.

Thanks for trusting us with your kids!



**Dr. Debbie Potter,**  
Minister of Children

## 1st & 2nd Grade Bible Presentations

Our First Grade Bible Presentations will take place during Sunday school on October 2nd. First & Second Grade Sunday school teachers, Joe Gaydos, Linda Ferguson, and Kay Polanco will be presenting the Bibles to the First Grade Sunday school students.



# “Let today be the start of something awesome.”

by Kitchen Counter Chronicles

That quote echoed the prayers of all parents, teachers and children as we began our first day on September 6th. God provided, as he always does, and the day started without a hitch. Of course, there were tears from children and parents alike, but as the day went by the tears flowed less from both. Each new day has brought less tears and more anticipation; anticipation to see friends, learn new things and enjoy what fun the day has to offer.

Do you have a potential Parent’s Day Out child? Do you know someone who would enjoy coming to our PDO? We have openings in many classes and we are always ready to welcome children into our program. Just because we began September 6th, doesn’t mean you can’t join us now or whenever you are ready. We are here Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Our classes are comprised of children from 12 months to 5 years.

Would you like a tour before you enroll your child? We can do that! Just give me a call at (210) 738-7764 and I will set it up. We look forward to seeing you and your child soon in Parent’s Day Out.

Maureen Gaydos,  
PDO Director

A promotional poster for a 'Trunk or Treat!' event. The background is orange and yellow. On the left, the text 'Trunk or Treat!' is written in large white letters. Below it, 'How to help' is followed by two bullet points: 'Donate candy' and 'Sign up to decorate your trunk'. At the bottom left, contact information for Kay is provided: 'Contact Kay at 738-7753' and 'kpolanco@trinitybaptist.org'. On the right, there is an illustration of a car trunk decorated with pumpkins and the text 'FALL ABOARD THE ARK'. Below the illustration, the date and time are listed: 'October 29' and '10:00am-11:30am'. In the bottom right corner, there are small icons for social media and the text 'Trinity's Children's Ministry'.

## Fall Aboard the Ark: Trunk-Or-Treat

October 29 | 10:00am-11:30am | Mulberry Front Parking Lot

Mark your calendars for this year’s Trunk or Treat event on Saturday, October 29th. We hope you join us as we hang out together and collect some treats!

We are looking for volunteers to decorate their trunk to make this event extra special! Sign up by yourself, as a family, a Sunday School class, or a group of friends and decorate your trunk. Another way to help is to donate candy or treats for cars to give out. There will be collection bins in the Children’s Center. If you would like to decorate your trunk, please contact Kay at [kpolanco@trinitybaptist.org](mailto:kpolanco@trinitybaptist.org) or 210-738-7753.



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# Young Adult Ministry

## Be Still Reflection

Psalm 46 commands for God's people to "be still and know that he is God." This imperative might seem quite simple, but to put the command into practice, is quite difficult. To "be still" seems almost impossible. With life's challenges and successes, new seasons, deadlines, demanding jobs, etc. how are we to ever find the time to be quiet and still? The noise of life, even if it is chaotic, can be a nice distraction for the stirring of the still, small voice of the Spirit. It is much easier to binge watch a comfort show, than to confront the whisper of the Spirit challenging us to hear or see something new.

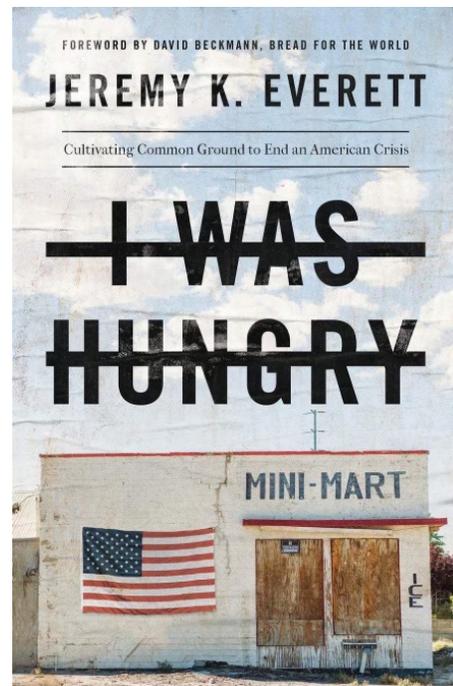
Our annual Fall Retreat for our college students and emerging adults will be focusing on this idea of being still. For it is in the silence and stillness that we can be removed from the noise of life and truly hear and know Christ. My prayer for our college students, young adults, and entire congregation is that we can take time every single day to be still and know that he is God. To be still and know. To be still. To be. May we linger in his presence and dwell in the reality and goodness of Christ.



Sarah Sensenig,  
Interim Minister of  
College and Younger Adults

## Faith Family Night Study

Please join us every Wednesday night at 6PM for Faith Family Night (FFN). The Micah 6:8 team is leading a study on the book, "I was Hungry." This book looks at the hunger crisis in America and provides ways for us to engage the crisis. We meet in room 311 and have a Zoom option available.



# Young Adults Community Dinner

Join us for our next Young Adults Community Dinner! We will be meeting at Juliana Montiero's house at 5:30PM on Sunday, October 23rd. Please bring your favorite dish. For more information, contact Sarah Sensenig at [ssensenig@trinitybaptist.org](mailto:ssensenig@trinitybaptist.org).



# College & Emerging Adults Ministry

## MidWeek Small Groups

Join us Tuesday nights at 7PM for MidWeek! We are studying the word "Agape" and reflecting on God's extravagant love for us and how we are called to love others. Join us for worship, games, and food!



## Halloween Party

We will have a costume party/board game night! Come for candy, Fall-themed activities, and board games. For more information, contact Sarah Sensenig at [ssensenig@trinitybaptist.org](mailto:ssensenig@trinitybaptist.org).





# Older Adult Ministry

## Building Together for the Sake of Others

In his book *The Call*, Os Guinness makes clear that we all share a primary calling, the call to come to Christ and follow him on the Way. Saying yes to that calling opens us up to many secondary callings, opportunities to live out our faith in tangible ways, to be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation, and to be the church in the world. Secondary callings can occur daily, often making use of our gifts and talents. But sometimes we are called to serve outside our giftedness or comfort zone. That was the case for me recently.

On September 9th, ten TBC members joined Habitat for Humanity staff and volunteers to frame a house. I am not gifted with construction skills, but thankfully that was not a requirement. My job, along with Margie Skaggs, Jeanette Lawrence and Randi Cantu, was to paint the fascia and trim boards. While we painted, we talked and laughed and enjoyed community. Meanwhile, Troy Jessee, John Skaggs, Matthew Pina, August Higgins, Sid Lawrence, and Wally Goodman put up walls. Their task, a bit more taxing, probably involved a little less talking, but included much lifting and climbing and nailing. At noon Rachel Jessee delivered lunch, so we enjoyed a break with great food and fellowship as well as much needed respite from the heat. For that day, our calling was to help provide affordable housing for a family.

A part of our formation into Christlikeness involves service for the sake of others. I am grateful to be a part of a faith community comprised of those who serve both within and without our walls. Guinness concludes that “we may retire from our jobs, but there is no retiring from our individual callings . . . or our corporate calling as the people of God” (The Call, 242). Regardless of the tasks we are called to do, our Caller remains the same and our journey with Him continues.



**Caren Goodman,**  
Interim Minister of  
Older Adults



# Celebrating Community: THEE Joy

THEE Joy members describe their class as a super friendly, loving, caring, powerful group of prayer warriors, who are full of wisdom and fun. Formed from the merger of THEE class and Joy Seekers about five years ago, the group has emerged as a welcoming place for newcomers to join. Recently, Wendy Theriot joined the group. Although much younger than the rest of the class, Wendy finds studying with older adults a blessing. Many class members mentioned how much they love having Wendy in their class and how they often welcome new members.



When asked when and why members joined the class, many mentioned the great teaching of John Park, who taught THEE class for many years. John encouraged and mentored Jim Hirtle, who now shares the teaching responsibility with Gary Martin. Several described their teachers as well-prepared and competent and noted how meaningful their discussions are each week. Some joined the class after attending TBC4U and learning about the different class options at TBC. Others mention being invited by friends; Joe and Fredda Gill were named more than once. Dennis Stewart humorously responded that he and Margaret, both choir members for many years, were “Sunday School heathens,” but Joe and Fredda kept inviting them until they had “no more excuses!”

On Sunday mornings, you can walk by and hear a hymn being sung as class begins. Joe Gill chooses a hymn to reflect the lesson each week. To help class members get to know each other better, the group plays a game called “Guess Who,” where members guess who is being described from life details each has submitted. Class members appreciate the care and prayer they have received through many crises. They also love the fellowship not only on Sunday morning but at special gatherings throughout the year. Members serve not only each other but throughout the church as greeters, trustees, deacons, choir members, and members of various teams. This group of “caring friends,” who “know they are missed and prayed for when not present,” provides an example of Christian community at its best.

## Upcoming Events

**October 13th:** Lunch & Learn: “Wise Decision Making on Your RMD’s Out of Your IRAs” Dave Ballard will provide information on how to make informed decisions when it comes to required minimum distributions out of your Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs). Located in the Mulberry Large Dining Room from 11:30am-1:00pm. Order your sandwich at <https://www.trinitybaptist.org/adults/lunch-learn/>. Sandwich orders are due by October 10th. You are welcome to bring your own lunch instead.

**October 17th:** Hill Country Gospel Sing-A-Long in Comfort, Texas. The church bus will leave the Mulberry campus by 8:30am. Cost of lunch is \$5 and will be provided at the event.

For more information on events, contact Janet Martin at (210) 275-5606, or Ann DeBarros at (210) 415-9512.

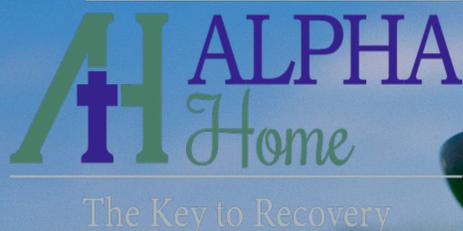
# Stewardship Ministry

## “Tee to be Free” Alpha Home Fundraiser Event

Alpha Home was founded in 1966 with the mission of providing substance use treatment in a residential setting for women in partnership with Trinity Baptist Church. The Alpha Home team provides spiritually based treatment services and support based on the 12-step model of recovery. They incorporate values of integrity, discipline, dedication, and productivity in their treatment process. Since their inception, they have expanded their services to include outpatient gender-specific treatment groups for men and women, recovery coach support and medical care through the Usatine Wellness Center. Their residential clients are paired with a dedicated recovery coach giving clients a continuum of care during their first year of recovery. The recovery coaches help lessen the stress of everyday life. From helping set-up utilities to pairing clients with job training, their recovery coaches help guide and mentor clients to increase success in recovery. At Alpha Home, the goal is to provide treatment regardless of an individual's ability to pay.

As part of their fundraising efforts, Alpha Home is sponsoring a golf tournament “Tee to be Free – a recovery event” on November 9th at the Quarry Golf Course. They are hosting a simplified tournament and are seeking 18-Hole Sponsors. Individuals or companies interested in becoming a hole sponsor should go to [www.alphahome.org](http://www.alphahome.org) to complete the sponsorship form. Interested sponsors can also reach out and contact Liza Jensen, CEO at c: (210) 391-2573 or [Ljensen@alphahome.org](mailto:Ljensen@alphahome.org) for more information.

Mark Barr,  
Church Administrator



**TEE to be FREE**

An Alpha Home, Inc. Recovery Event

# Declarations of a Deacon

## Eighteen Leaders You Should Know

“*Leadership* is the capacity to translate vision into reality.” —Warren Bennis. Within the daily workings at Trinity Baptist Church you will find these eighteen souls devoting and leading their lives for the cause of Christ. We are indeed blessed.

Deacons were needed in the early church to support the efforts of ministry and their role continues to be important in the life of Trinity Baptist Church. Paul describes the work of deacons and the moral character of deacons which he considers to be very important for the health and for the growth of a local congregation. As such, he addresses the job of deacons, the qualifications of deacons, and the reward of deacons in the local church.

Scripture tells us that Deacons, likewise, are to be “worthy of respect, sincere, not indulging in much wine, and not pursuing dishonest gain. They must keep hold of the deep truths of the faith with a clear conscience. They must first be tested; and then if there is nothing against them, let them serve as deacons.” (1 Timothy 3:8-13 NIV)

The following members are newly elected **Deacons**, qualify and have been vetted and voted on by the church: **GINNA BALLARD, Allison Lanty, Mary Minor, Laurie Nowak, Pete Pina, Priscilla Pina, and Michelle Thurman.** The 2022-2023 Deacon Council welcomes these servants of God and are excited for their willingness to serve as Deacons. “God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them” (Hebrews 6:10 NIV). Deacon Ordination will take place on October 12th.

Additionally, the following long serving Deacons have been recognized by the church as **Life Deacons**: **Dianna Crocker, Terry Green, and Sue Pankey.** John Wesley says, Do all the good you can, in all the ways you can, as long as ever you can. These three faithful servants of our Lord Jesus Christ have demonstrated this action for many years. Trinity is honored to have these soldiers for Christ in our midst.

A Special thanks to the Deacon Nominating Team consisting of: **Jim Skokan, Mary Hamilton, Mark Wood, Jeanette Lawrence, and Darrell Schaper.** This group worked well together and spent many hours reviewing recommendations and praying for spiritual guidance regarding this important work.

Lastly, Trinity will be served well in the new year with the following **Officers**: **Jill Parker, Steve Lecholop, and Mario Gonzales.** These three are spiritually gifted and will guide the deacon body to reach goals established in Trinity’s Ministry Plan. Special thanks to the Deacon Officer Nominating Team consisting of **Matt Till, Rhonda Jones, and Micky Daniels.** Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, concerned citizens can change the world.

Harry S. Truman says, “leaders make history and not the other way around. In periods where there is no leadership, society stands still. Progress occurs when courageous, skillful leaders seize the opportunity to change things for the better.” We are blessed that these Eighteen have stepped up to help Trinity make history!

Rob Wood,  
Deacon

# Missions Ministry

## Eddie and Macarena Aldape Update from Spain

Blessings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior. We continue to join you in prayer for discernment as we seek our next pastor. We also give thanks for your continued prayer and financial support which allows us to carry out God's work here in Spain.

It seems Covid continues to affect so many things beyond the two years we spent staying in place. Those individuals who have obtained residential permits and are able to travel have gone to their respective countries for the summer. Many of them lost loved ones to Covid but had not been able to return until now. The rest are taking advantage of the abundance of agriculture jobs available. All this has caused us to stop our summer language classes but there's plenty of work to do.

Since we moved into our new building, we have not had time to organize the study materials. Things were in boxes and every time we needed something, we had to dig through the boxes, praying we could find what we were looking for. We were able to organize all the books and handouts by level and some we even color coded for easy access. We are waiting to purchase and install whiteboards and replace the blackboards.

We get to minister to people from over 30 countries. There is a group of Cubans that lived in our city but have now moved to another town. We continued to stay in touch with them, visiting them occasionally. They introduced us to other Cubans living in their small town and this is one way our ministry has grown. We have also been able to minister to churches in Cuba by sending much needed supplies with our friends when they go to Cuba. They cannot be

away more than two years or else they will lose whatever property they have. During one of their trips, we met a young soccer coach who was using sports to work with young people in Cuba. We provided sports equipment for one of his teams and they ended up winning the championship in their division. This young man is now serving in Uganda. The other day he called to say hello and as he was sharing with us, we were moved to help him with his ministry. He was able to purchase sporting equipment for three new locations where they are planning on starting new churches. Praise be to God! We pray that his efforts will bring forth fruit and we get to be a part in that also.

Much of our work with the different groups is that of being pastoral. This past weekend we visited the group of Cubans because one gentleman was told he had cancer. They have been struggling as it is and now this. He had to have a colonoscopy and it turns out that something went wrong with the procedure. He had to have emergency surgery and it turned out that it was not cancer but a perforated intestine. Part of it was removed and repaired and everything ended up well. We were glad to be present during all this ordeal. We assisted the family with food and hotel as the hospital was over an hour away.

We continue to assist Ukrainian families that live in Spain and have friends and family living in Ukraine. When the war first started, there was a need for food and other basic needs. As the war continues, larger organizations have set up camps where they can better provide the communities with these basic needs. We continue to send money for things that these organizations don't provide such

as money for fuel, utility bills, medications, and some other items that are not available in country. Some of the families that are now staying in Spain needed summer clothes. We have been able to minister to the families that have loved ones in dangerous places. We are providing funds for people to purchase materials to make protective gear for their men being called to the line of duty. We spend many hours praying and praising God for the situation in Ukraine some of which are testimonies of how God has protected so many families.

When the people first told us that they were going

to their countries during the summer we were so disappointed because we had been planning other things for them. What were we going to do now? Thank God that He had other plans for us and in His ultimate wisdom He made it possible for us to do everything we have done this summer by giving us this time away from classes. His faithfulness never fails to surprise us. He continues to provide all our needs just in time. Therefore, we always give thanks for people like you that allow God to use you to bless us and we in turn get to bless others. May He richly bless you as you continue to be obedient in sharing the gospel unto the outer most parts of the world.

## Bountiful Blessings

HOLIDAY TIME IS ALMOST HERE!

Bountiful Blessings is among those who are already getting prepared for the holidays. It is necessary to order the turkeys in advance since it's important for each family to have a special meal. More people are being added to our list of 120 families who need assistance. This vital program is not a part of Trinity's budget. It is totally funded by the generosity of our church members who make financial donations. Ruth Cawthon, our beloved leader, emphasizes that the priority of your financial giving is FIRST to your church tithe. If you are able to assist with our Bountiful Blessings program then your donation will be appreciated. Gratitude to all the faithful workers who help fill and distribute these food boxes each month.

In October we will meet at 10:45 AM on Thursday, Oct. 20th and on Saturday, Oct. 22nd at 7:30 AM. In November the dates are Thursday, November 17th and Saturday, November 19th. In December enjoy the fun on Thursday, December 15th and Saturday, December 17th.



## Operation Christmas Child

Give joy to a boy or girl from a different part of the world this Christmas! By filling a box for Operation Christmas Child, it not only allows you to provide items to a child in need, but also to share God's love with them. Please pick up a box, brochure, and a list of suggested items based on the experience of a missionary in a foreign land. Brochures and boxes will be available beginning Sunday, October 10th in the Fanning Foyer and TriPoint lobby after the worship service, and in the church office Monday-Friday during normal business hours.



If you prefer to use a plastic shoe-box, please pick up only the stickers and information. Hobby Lobby is currently selling the official Operation Christmas Child boxes for \$2.99. Please enclose a check for \$9.00 per box for postage (one check for the total postage amount of all boxes). Filled shoe-boxes may be returned to the Fanning Foyer on Sundays, or the church office on weekdays by November 21st. Please email [info@trinitybaptist.org](mailto:info@trinitybaptist.org) for questions.

# Annual SABA Hunger Walk

SAVE The Date!

Saturday, November 5th | 9am – noon | Comanche Park #2

We had a record number of walkers (22) last year and donated more money (\$4,484) than ever before. Let's see if we can beat those numbers this year.

Good exercise, beautiful setting, and we help not only all those Baptist Churches in San Antonio, who have food pantries, but we also help our own Food Pantry and Bountiful Blessings.

I have envelopes available. Ask your friends to sponsor you. If you don't turn in an envelope you are not counted. Look for the table in the Fanning Foyer beginning October 2nd.

Contact Jill Parker at (210) 260 6293 or [jbarkerassoc@gmail.com](mailto:jbarkerassoc@gmail.com).



## Grandma's Stocking Guild

A new initiative we would love, as the Mission Team, to begin at Trinity, but we need YOUR help. This would be a year round project to make Decorated Christmas Stockings for the children of Alpha Home Ladies, children in foster homes, and others needing something belonging to them. These stockings help fill that need.

Each stocking would be decorated and individualized with embroidered names. Where can you help? We need people who can sew a simple seam, we need people with imagination, who like to decorate and be creative, and we need embroiderers.

Each stocking could be a joint effort. We will need sequins, small buttons, ribbon and others item for decorating, which we will collect later. The stockings will not be filled.

If you are interested in helping with this project please contact Jill Parker at [jbarkerassoc@gmail.com](mailto:jbarkerassoc@gmail.com) or (210) 260-6293, or Ruth Cawthorn at (210) 326-0851 or [rucaw70@gmail.com](mailto:rucaw70@gmail.com).

# Student Ministry

## Student Ministry Update

As the search teams continue to work on filling some of our Pastoral positions including a youth pastor, I want to assure that the ministry with our youth is still happening. We have gifted, committed lay leaders who continue to serve to make Sunday school, Faith Family Night, and special events as excellent as ever. This time in the life of a youth is so important for spiritual development and also community involvement as part of a church. I have been asked by the leadership of the church to oversee this part of the ministry as part of my pastoral responsibility. If I can ever be of assistance to provide information about the youth ministry, please reach out to me at [dpotter@trinitybaptist.org](mailto:dpotter@trinitybaptist.org).

By working together, we will make it through all of these transitions and see how God is and will continue to move through the lives of people at Trinity.

Serving Him together,

Dr. Debbie Potter

## Great Pumpkin Chase

The 7th Annual Great Pumpkin Chase is here!  
October 29 | 6:00 PM | Meeting at the Student Center

Save the date! The Great Pumpkin Chase is a city-wide scavenger hunt in which teams will compete for bragging rights, prizes and the FAMOUS Great Pumpkin Trophy.

There is always plenty of candy and fun! Don't forget to invite all your friends!



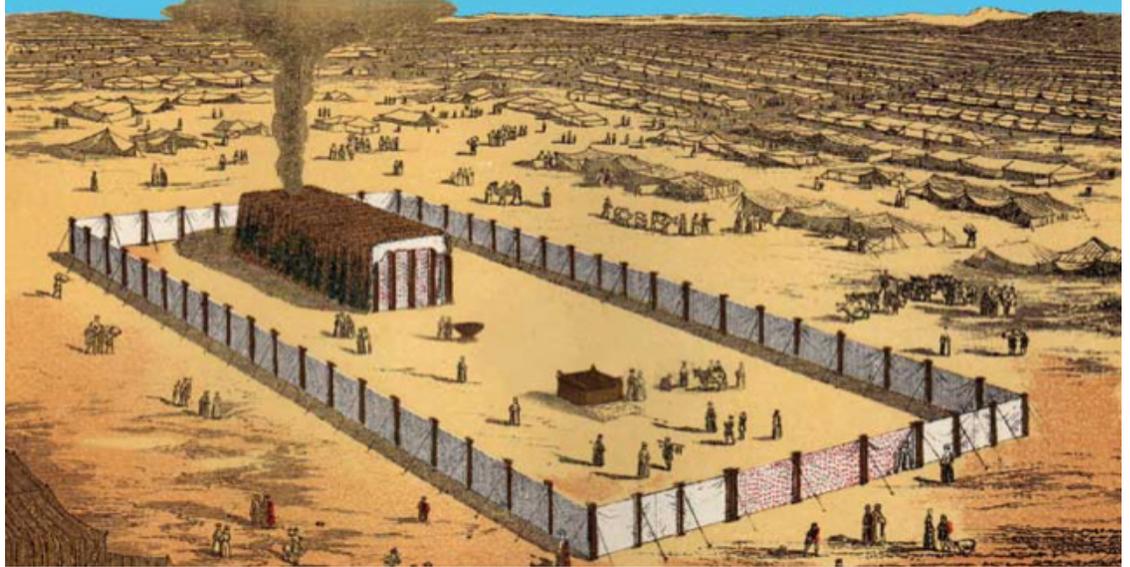
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# Upcoming Events

The Mystery of Jesus in The Tabernacle  
& The Old Testament



## *Digging Deeper Class*

Beginning Friday, October 7th at 10am. All are welcome!

Trinity Baptist Church, 319 E Mulberry Ave.

Creative Life Center Room 201

Enter through the back portico off Shook Ave.

Located on 2nd floor, stairs and elevator available.

## Lunch & Learn

Wise Decision Making on Your RMD's Out of Your IRAs

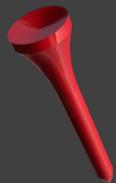
Presented by: Dave Ballard

Oct. 13 | Large Dining Room | 11:30am-1pm

Go to <https://www.trinitybaptist.org/adults/lunch-learn/> to order your Jason's Deli sandwich box lunch. Please order by October 10th.



The Key to Recovery



# TEE to be FREE



An Alpha Home, Inc. Recovery Event

**November 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Wednesday | 2022**

## The Quarry Golf Course

444 E. Basse Road  
San Antonio

Registration: 11:30 am  
Start Time: 1:00 pm  
Awards & Dinner: 5:30 pm

**Help us reach more people as we continue our proven success to help thousands of men and women get – and stay – sober.**

**\$2,500**

**Donation includes foursome and hole sponsorship (or \$175 per player)**

- \* \$10,000 hole-in-one prize (eligible for 1 player)
- \* mini games & prizes
- \* best ball format

**To reserve your spot, call 210-785-3000 or email [alpha@alphahome.org](mailto:alpha@alphahome.org)**

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# Small Groups for Fall 2022

## TRINITY SMALL GROUPS



### MONDAYS:

**Bible Study For Women:** Led by Laurie Bracher. Mondays, 9:30am-11:30am, CLC Grand Room. Study will be Beth Moore's *Breath*, a six week lecture series reflecting on the person, the work and the power of the Holy Spirit.

### TUESDAYS:

**Games+ Small Group: Prayer, Potluck, and Play:** Led by Ann DeBarros. Tuesdays, 11:45am-2:00pm, CLC Grand Room. Adults of all ages gather to fellowship around lunch, pray together, and play favorite games. All are welcome.

**MidWeek Study:** For College and Emerging Adults. Led by Sarah Sensenig. Tuesdays, 7:00pm in the Student Center. Join us for worship, community, and food! Studying the concept of the *Agape* love of God.

**TACO (Truth, Assurance, Commitment, Obedience):** Led by John Hale & Mary Osborne. Tuesdays, 6:30pm in the TriPoint Hub and on Zoom. This is a group for believers and seekers growing in faith, love, and companionship. The study will be various New Testament books and The Bible Project Videos.

**Iron Sharpens Iron:** For men. Led by Mike R. Smith and Tim Morris. Every-other Tuesday, 7:15-8:00am at TriPoint Meeting Room 2. Study is *God in My Everything* by Ken Shigematsu.

### WEDNESDAYS: \*Part of Faith Family Night

**Wednesday Morning Bible Study at TriPoint:** For men and women. Led by August Higgins and Rev. Patrick Gahan. Wednesdays, 7:15-8:00am at TriPoint Meeting Room 2. Step into this friendship community for learning how to study the Scriptures for life application. Study is *Discovery Bible Series: 1 Corinthians*.

**Stretch for Life:** Led by Jill Parker. A group for men and women who do stretch exercises to aid in strength, balance, flexibility, and endurance. Meets in CLC Room 110/115 on Wednesdays at 3pm. This is an ongoing class.

**\*Wednesday Evening Bible Study with Dr. Creech:** Led by Interim Pastor Robert Creech. Wednesdays, 6:00-7:15pm in the Large Dining Room. Study is *Pastoral Theology in the Baptist Tradition: Distinctives and Directions for the Contemporary Church* by R. Robert Creech.

**\*Ministry to Moms:** For moms of children and youth. Led by Barbara Bach, Carol Lecholop, and DeeDee Brogan. Wednesdays, 6:00-7:15pm, CLC Grand Room. This group gathers for dinner, fellowship, and study.

**\*Emotionally Healthy Discipleship: Part 1, Emotionally Healthy Spirituality** - Young Adult Small Group for men and women, married and single. Led by Jesús and Elsa Romero. Wednesdays, 6:00-7:15pm.

**\*Band of Brothers:** Led by Karl Schank and Pat Nolan. Wednesdays, 6:00-7:15pm, in the TBC Roof Library and on Zoom. New individuals are always welcome! Studying the Old Testament Book of *Genesis*.

**\*Circle of Sisters:** For women. Led by Rhonda Jones. Begins Wednesday, Oct. 5th, 6:00-7:15pm, Small Dining Room. The study will be *Now That Faith Has Come* (Study of Galatians) by Beth & Melissa Moore. In person and Zoom.

**\*Young Adult Bible Study:** Led by Juliana Monteiro and Mary Minor. Wednesdays, 6:00-7:15pm. Study is the book *I Was Hungry: Cultivating Common Ground to End an American Crisis*.

**\* Faith Family Night is on Wednesdays, 6:00-7:15pm with activities available for Children and Students.**

**The Back Nine:** For couples in the 2nd Half of Life. Co-facilitated by the group. Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00pm at TriPoint Meeting Room 2. Will study *Season 3 of The Chosen* when it is released. Current study is *Freeing Jesus* by Diane Butler Bass. Contact Andrea Schaper at [theschapers@sbcglobal.net](mailto:theschapers@sbcglobal.net) for more information.

#### THURSDAYS:

**Thursday Men's "Stumblers" Bible Study:** Led by Pat Nolan. Begins Thursdays, 12 noon, CLC Grand Room and on Zoom. Study is *Ten Men of the Bible* by Max Lucado.

#### FRIDAYS:

**Digging Deeper:** For men and women. Led by Julie Kroninger. Begins Friday, Oct. 7th at 10:00am, CLC Room 201. Study of Jesus in The Tabernacle of Moses - How It and Everything In it Points to Jesus.

#### SATURDAYS:

**Proverbs 31 Women:** Led by Cindy Levy. Meets the 1st Saturday of every-other month from 11:00am-1:00pm. Connect with women of all ages who are committed to helping other women locally, regionally, or globally. We do hands-on projects for women in impoverished countries.

#### SUNDAYS:

**Sunday Morning Bible Study:** Join us for Sunday Morning Bible study for all ages on the Mulberry Campus from 10:15-11:15am.



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IN LIFE AND DEATH**

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General Admission \$35, Artist's Circle \$45

Purchase Tickets at [www.trinitybaptist.org/event/getty](http://www.trinitybaptist.org/event/getty)



## Happy Anniversary to Our Longest Working Staff!



Debbie Potter  
at TBC Since 2003



Roger Reyes  
at TBC Since 2003



Maria Araiza  
at TBC Since 2003



Jeanette Rubio  
at TBC Since 2006



Fernando Martinez  
at TBC Since 2007



Gabe Alaniz  
at TBC Since 2008

# Welcome New Members!

Kimberly Puente, 5/8/2022  
Jamie Walker, 5/22/2022  
Joy Qin, 5/22/2022  
Sarah O'Campo, 6/5/2022  
Aaron Pratt, 6/19/2022  
Andrea Gaitan, 6/19/2022  
Dane Pratt, 6/19/2022  
Yader Gaitan, 6/19/2022  
Mary Jones, 6/26/2022

Lorraine Rodriguez, 7/10/2022  
Corbin Chance, 7/24/2022  
Kyleigh Chance, 7/24/2022  
Denise Ximenez, 7/31/2022  
Mary Helen Lopez, 7/31/2022  
Madison Myers, 8/21/2022  
Angelica Harper, 9/4/2022  
Stephen Harper, 9/4/2022

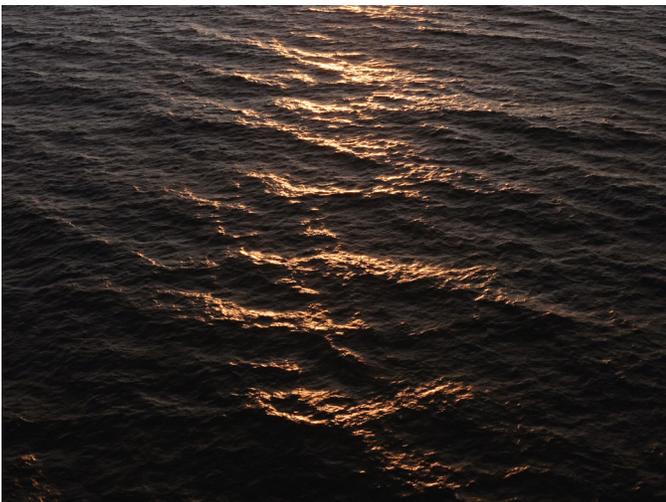


## CARE Receiver's Birthdays

Louise Stahl 10/3  
201 Allensworth St.  
San Antonio, TX 78209-6303

Margaret Cluck 10/17  
300 E Mandalay Dr.  
San Antonio, TX 78212-1742

JoAnn Wood 10/27  
4123 Mount Laurel Dr.  
San Antonio, TX 78240-1027



## Baptisms

Daniela Harper, 9/4/2022  
Cristina Harper, 9/4/2022  
Sandra Campos, 9/4/2022  
Martha Garcia, 9/4/2022  
Melissa Gonzales, 9/4/2022  
Hadley Brown, 9/18/2022  
Rebekah Downey, 9/18/2022



# God's Glory

By Laurie Bracher Co-coordinator of the Prayer Ministry

*"The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork." Psalms 19:1 (ESV)*

Several years ago when my nephew was about 4 years old, my sister was taking him to Bible Study Fellowship. One week, while at Bible study, he was sitting on the curb at playtime looking up at the sky. When asked by his teacher what he was looking at he replied, "I'm just looking at God's glory". I have always remembered his words with a smile.

I recently had the opportunity to go to Colorado. I was able to see mountains, streams, animals, fish, birds, the sun, moon and stars. Seeing God's creation caused me to pray and praise the Lord and repeat those words, "I'm just looking at God's glory!" When I go to the Lord in prayer and praise Him for His attributes - His majesty, His sovereignty, His faithfulness, His love - it reminds me of who God is and it puts things in proper perspective. Many times, praising the Lord makes the things that I was anxious about seem smaller. We can claim with Jeremiah, "Ah, Lord God! It is you who have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and by your outstretched arm! Nothing is too hard for you." Jeremiah 32:17 (ESV). What a comfort!



If you are interested in learning more about how you can serve in the Prayer Ministry, please contact Laurie Bracher, [lbracher@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lbracher@sbcglobal.net), or Veronica Grant, [vsgrant81@gmail.com](mailto:vsgrant81@gmail.com).

**Need prayer? Scan the QR code and fill out a prayer request.**

**We are happy to pray for you and with you!**



Robert Creech, Ph.D., Interim Senior Pastor | Jacob Sensenig, Ph.D., Minister of Music & Worship Arts  
Debbie Potter, Ph.D., Minister of Children | Sarah Sensenig, Interim Minister of College and Younger Adults  
Caren Goodman, Interim Minister of Older Adults | Mark Barr, Church Administrator

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