## Words from Our Pastor I Too Busy to Read the Whole Thing



Rev. Brent Barclay | Pastor

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### **Hello Everyone**

I want to start off by thanking you for reading this. No, really. I recognize that right now, among all the things you could be doing right now, you are taking the time to read this article. You are taking the time to read the words I have typed and the thoughts that I have to express.

There are lots of things to read out there, lots of different types of things to read. When we started having children, I realized I could not spend the time I used to have reading books. I now listen to audio books in the car

to satisfy that desire to hear absorbing stories (I am finding non-fiction more interesting than fiction as an audio book, surprisingly).

With limited time, we really try to focus our time devoted to reading on what matters to us. Do you read the whole newspaper these days, or just the sections you like best? Do you read a magazine cover to cover? I doubt few of us do.

Add to this the endless material on the internet. You can read articles, news stories, blogs, and essays for endless hours. Add to that the social media element, where our friends and family write personal updates alongside

pictures of trips, new babies, and personal updates on health issues. It can be all too much sometimes!

One of my favorite jokes about this phenomenon is a social media post to a lengthy article written by a friend about

something. The responses to the long blog post went like this:

"I'm not going to read all of that."
"I'm happy for you."

Or

"I'm sorry that happened."

The joke, of course, is that the person, rather than read a lengthy Facebook post,

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assumes their friend is either celebrating something good or explaining a recent trial or tragedy. It is too long to read, so they cover their bases.

The truth is, we can do the same thing in our lives. We get too busy to hear what is going on in others' lives or even desire shortcuts to lengthy discourses. We want the bullet points instead of the full-length story.

Recently, I finished our sermon series on 2 Timothy. Somehow I did not get to preach on its most well-known verse,

which is 3:16-17, "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."



Many times, we want the shortcuts to the Bible rather than immersing ourselves in the full text of the Bible. We see a big book and think, "Well, I'm not going to read all that. I'll just read the bits about Jesus!" Just think about what you are missing. All scripture, from the Gospels to Numbers, Habakkuk to Philemon, is practical in our own training in righteousness. If this book is vital to our understanding of truth, do we really want the highlights or read the whole story? So, consider spending a little more time reading this book. I hear it is pretty great as an audiobook, too!

Blessings Pastor Brent Barclay

## **Sermon Schedule for the Summer**

July 3, 2022 A Generous Heart Luke 18:18-39

#### **New Sermon Series • Women of the Bible**

July 10, 2022	Hagar	Genesis 16, 21:8-21
July 17, 2022	Miriam	Numbers 12:1-15
July 24, 2022	Rahab	Joshua 2
July 31, 2022	Deborah	Judges 4

### **New Sermon Series • The Despised**

August 7, 2022 Leah Genesis 29:15-Genesis 30:24

August 14, 2022 Tamar 2 Samuel 13

August 21, 2022 Balaam Numbers 22



## Missions | Summer Update

ary Hopkins has cleared out her apartment in Mexico. She will be living permanently in her home in Tucson, AZ. Although no longer living in Mexico, she may return to conduct workshops for short periods.

Here is a quote from a recent letter from Steve Robinson, working with MAF.

"I am especially excited to share with you about some new ministry opportunities support of MAF is enabling.

First, Guinea! MAF-US and our sister organization MAF International are working together to begin flight services in remote parts of Guinea in northwest Africa. The physical needs there are staggering. Starvation, disease, poverty, and lack of clean water take a deadly toll on Guinea's

people. The healthcare situation is dire, with only one doctor for every 12,500 people. And those few doctors are out of reach for most, given the poor roads that limit travel ... Air transportation for the mission community has long been a dream for many in Guinea. and when a group of missionaries there was told that MAF hopes to begin operating by June, some openly wept with joy."

This summer, Russ Douglass is conducting sports camps in Valley Center and at Point Loma Nazarene University. Sand volleyball for younger kids as well as soccer and surfing camps.

Ardis Rowland Missions Elder

# Youth Group | Meet Our New Youth Group Leader

### Joe Burke Returns as Our Youth Group Leader

y wife Emily and I are excited to serve in the Youth Group program at Trinity Church. We spent two years in Hesperia raising our two-year-old son Liam and working as teachers. Last year, I earned my Master's Degree in Education, including a multiple subject teaching credential at Azusa Pacific University. During the 2021-2022 school year, I worked as a fourth-grade teacher in Barstow, California. In addition to working with Trinity Church's youth, I will teach at Trinity Christian School as a fourth-grade teacher.



# Trinity Christian School | The End of the 2021-2022 School Year



### **Patriotic Chapel**

Trinity Christian School (TCS) participated in their annual Patriotic Chapel on June 3rd. The students sang patriotic songs, including "God Bless America", "My Country Tis of Thee", and

"America the Beautiful". They also performed worship songs such as "Nothing But the Blood", "All Hail, King Jesus", and "Freedom". We were blessed to see so many veterans and active military people attend.

### **Talent Show**

The talent show is when students can showcase their talents and abilities. We have recently added a video component to our show. This event allows students to

display their artwork and sports talent. Students performed by singing worship songs and skits. We were also blessed to have the staff dance in silly costumes.

### **Sports Day**

Sports Day consisted of group games and activities. Each teacher selected an activity to lead. Kindergarten provided a bubble station. First grade led rock painting. The second grade had a gaga ball pit. The third grade had sack races for snow cones. Fourth grade did the wet sponge pass. The fifth grade had a dance party. Sixth grade led the Capture the Flag game. Seventh grade had moon sand, art, and origami. Lastly, eighth grade led indoor games.

### **Retired and New Staff Members**

TCS is known for having teachers with a long tenure, but every good thing must come to an end. We are saying



**Above: Patriotic Chapel** 







Above: Blessing Dinner • Mrs. Lopez gives a blessing
Far Left: Talent Show Staff-Mrs. Nichols, Mrs. Boaz
Left: Mrs. Bovee, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Scally
Right Above: Daddy Daughter Dance • Third Grade Girls
Right Below: Daddy Daughter Dance • Sydney Boaz and
Skylar Johnson

goodbye to Melinda Thomas, Sherri Scally, and Linda Cota. Collectively, they have been teaching for over 100 years! We will miss these ladies tremendously! We have added a couple of them already to the substitute list! Returning to TCS, we have Joe Burke teaching fourth grade and Grace VanNortwick teaching fifth grade. The new staff includes Nina Dillehay, teaching third grade. God is a people-mover. Although it is hard to let people go, he always provides over and above what we could imagine.

**Blessing Dinner** 

On May 27th, we honored our graduates and their families with a Blessing Dinner. For this annual dinner, the students write a letter to their parents, and their parents write a letter to their children, encouraging them in their next stage of life and going to high school. We served a buffet-style Italian meal. Teachers read letters of blessing over

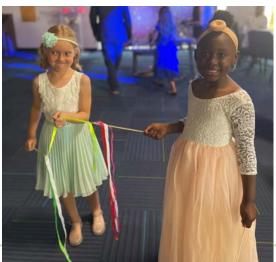
each student, and we ended the night with the families breaking off to read their notes to each other.

### **Graduation**

Graduation is always an extraordinary time in the lives of our TCS family. We have grown to know and love each student, but we know God has great plans for their future. Each graduate received a Bible along with their diploma. The staff also prayed over each child.

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Above: Graduation

At Right: Mrs. Schwartz with Katherine Archer

Below: Graduates • Front row- Emily Cross, Natalie
Matluvitch, Alia Rosales, Ava LaHaye, Katherine
Archer (Atara Hadda not pictured) Back row- Trevor
Snooks, Travis Janik, Daniel Hillaker, Logan Vance,
Russel Landis, Ace Woolf, Jack Handley





# **Clippers**



Ahoy Mates,

The good clipper ship HMS Trinity will be adrift on the high seas during July and August but will return to port September 17th. We will meet at 12:45

p.m. in Williams Hall for a potluck and a presentation by the Klingforths.

At our June meeting, we had an informative presentation on Forest Home by Kris

Scarborough and we left knowing a lot more than we did when we came. Dick Adams gave our opening and closing prayers and Lois gave our devotion.

We look forward to a good time of fellowship in September and hope nobody falls overboard while we are adrift. We want all o' y'all back.

Yer trusty signalman, Jack, the ancient mariner

## **Presbyterian Women**

First, I thank everyone who labored long and hard to put on our annual Rummage Sale the last weekend in June. The proceeds will support our missionaries: Betty Barnett, Steve Robinson, Mary Hopkins, and Russ Douglass.

We will fulfill our commitment to them with the proceeds from the fall festival in November.

Presbyterian Women will be on break for July and August. However, the preparation of crafts for the Festival will be EVERY Tuesday in Ward Center at 9:30 a.m. If you are a crafter, we welcome your contributions.

Our Gatherings will resume in September with a new Bible Study led by Linda Hensley, a program to be announced, and a delicious lunch. We look forward to seeing you in the fall. Enjoy your summer.

Ardis Rowland Secretary

## Financial Update | How Are We Doing?

"For the Lord God is our sun and our shield. He gives us grace and glory. The Lord will withhold no good thing from those who do what is right." Psalm 84:11 NLT

### **Hello Trinity Family,**

Summer is officially here, and half the year is behind us! The Lord has provided through your faithful giving. We are grateful we have been able to cover all of our financial obligations. Please keep in mind the ministry of Trinity Church relies on your support over the summer.

I will send out the June statements soon. Please review your document. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me. Enjoy a wonderful summer.

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	May 2022 Final	<b>June 2022</b> (As of 6/23/2022)	<b>Year-to-Date</b> (As of 6/23/2022)
BUDGETED INCOME	\$33,067.05	\$ 33,067.05	\$ 229,645.77
ACTUAL INCOME	\$33,835.42	\$ 40,632.56	\$ 218,545.50
DIFFERENCE	\$ 768.37	\$ 7,565.51	- \$ 11,100.27
CURRENT EXPENSE	\$ 42,555.32	\$ 25,340.66	\$ 234,022.24
INCOME - EXPENSE	- \$8,719.90	\$ 15,291.90	<b>- \$ 15,476.74</b>

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We are excited to announce our upcoming July 3rd celebration and picnic following the service.

We will meet in Williams Hall and the patio lunch area to enjoy hamburgers, hot dogs, and delicious food brought by our members. A bonus: homemade ice cream by Sue Walters! The church will provide meat, buns, condiments, and beverages. We need volunteers for set-up and clean-up! See you there!

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