



Words from Our Pastor | Being Thankful



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Greetings Everyone!

Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever! Psalm 107:1

As we reach the month of November, the Thanksgiving holiday dominates this month. Remembering to be thankful is a vital spiritual discipline. As in the Psalm above, we thank God because his love endures forever! God loves us even though we stray from him, abandon him, or betray him. Even though evil tries to win out, his

love will endure all evil and wickedness and ultimately win! So, we thank God for these things and for who he is and what he has done. Yet, you already know that.

We know this because it is easy for Christians to thank God when we see him bless us and do good things in our lives. But what if it is not so easy or obvious to see and recognize?

As many of you know, I am a big fan of the San Diego Padres. This past season had ups and downs, good and bad news, winning stretches, and losing streaks. The

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*October 11: *Getting down to it! Rob Leiter/MLB Photos via Getty Images

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Padres made it to one of the final rounds of the playoffs but fell short of making the World Series and winning a championship.

So, this is the question: did this Padres' season cause us disappointment and frustration, or something for which to be thankful? As you can guess, it is all a matter of perspective. It is up to us to view it through the eyes of disappointment and what could have been OR to see it as a great ride and to be thankful we got to be a part of it.

So often in life, how we view what happens in our lives, what we receive or do not receive, depends on our ability to have a godly perspective of thankfulness. When we are in the storms of life, in the unknown and uncertain future, while we try to figure out if what is happening is good or bad, can we see God in the midst of it? Can we



see God at work in the form of others or God's miraculous hand doing things ten steps ahead of us? Can we see evidence of his steadfast love enduring through the trials we face? If we can, we can be thankful.

It is easy to be thankful when things are fantastic, where we can see clearly, either right now or, in retrospect, how God blessed us. The challenge for us is to be thankful in all circumstances, for no matter what is going on, God's steadfast love for you is enduring, and you can find evidence of that if you look.

This Thanksgiving, may we see evidence of God's love for us in all seasons, at all times. May the Holy Spirit guide us into the discipline of being thankful all the time and giving praise to God for what he is doing in our lives.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Pastor Brent Barclay

Missions | Operation Christmas Child



The shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child are due SOON!

If you would like a box or two, they are available in the sanctuary on Sunday morning or in the office during the week, but call first. If you have questions, call Ardis Rowland at 1-619-813-5810.

The deadline is Sunday, November 13th! Last year, the U.S. donated more than nine million shoe boxes. The San

Diego area collected 19,834 boxes last year, and has a goal of 21,000 this year. Operation Christmas Child estimates that one shoe box can lead to the salvation of 10 people. Let's see how many boxes we can pile in front of the pulpit this year.

Ardis Rowland
Missions Elder

Youth Group | A Fun-Filled October!

Hello Trinity Family!

The Trinity Youth Group has been full of fun the last month. We average eight students every Wednesday and are diving into the Word of God with eager hearts. The week of October 16th, we put together two fun events: a Padres NLCS watch party and Middle School Fun Night. We cheered on our Padres with a movie-like atmosphere and saw them come from behind to win. At our Middle School Fun Night, we had 25 students. We examined the showdown at Mount Carmel in 1 Kings and had our own showdown with glow-in-the-dark capture the flag. Students also competed with minute-to-win-it games such as chubby bunny and cookie monster. The last competition of the night was a mummy wrap. Please keep praying for the youth ministry, and let me know if you have any questions.



The Youth Group doing the mummy wrap.

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Four Opportunity Quilts Available this Year at the Fall Festival

This year choose the quilt that speaks to you - purchase your tickets and put them in the appropriate bucket and see if it's your lucky year. Winners will be drawn at the Fall Festival held the first weekend in November (need not be present to win). Tickets are on sale in the narthex on Sunday mornings and will be available at the Fall Festival on Saturday, November 5th.

Trinity Christian School | The School Never Stops



Apple Days

Kindergarten, with the first and second graders, celebrated all things apple. The students read books about apples, crafted art projects, and ate lots of yummy apple treats. They even played apple-themed games. It was a “sweet” day for sure!

Community Helper Day

Kindergarten also participated in Community Helper day. The students dressed up as all sorts of people that serve our community. These costumes included veterinarians, firefighters, police, teachers, and even a dad!

Fall Festival

On Saturday, November 5th, Trinity Christian School (TCS) partners with Trinity Church to present its annual Fall Festival. The event will begin at 9:00 a.m. and run through lunch. Each TCS classroom will set up a carnival-style game. We will have everything from a cake walk to an inflatable slide. Please join us as we fellowship together.

Student Council

TCS elected the 2022/23 Student Council. Serving our school is Ben Horton/Chaplain; Dario Bartoletti/Treasurer; Kylie Mathistad/Secretary; Syrah Nichols; Asher Cross/Vice President; and Gradie Warren/President. We look forward to how our Student Council will serve throughout the year.

International Day

Each year, TCS hosts an International Day. Each classroom represents a country. Decorations and food fill the room

Apple Days



Community Helper Day



Student Council



as the students make their way to each class. The teacher or speaker provides the group with a short presentation, and then they take time to pray for the Lord to move in each country.

Miramar Air Show Field Trip

Our little school is known for taking out-of-this-world field trips. One of the coolest ones is the Miramar Air Show. Students from sixth-eighth grade traveled north to get hands-on experience. They got to put their aeronautical knowledge to the test and view different makes and models of aircraft and what purpose they served. It was a wonderful time for both students and chaperones.

Gooooo Padres!

What an exciting time our school had watching our San Diego Padres! We offered a couple of Padre dress-up

days, and on Wednesday, October 20th, we gathered together to watch them play the Phillies. The kids had a great time cheering on our team and singing, "Take Me Out to the Ballgame!" (The staff enjoyed watching the kids!)

Operation Christmas Child

Every year we look forward to packing shoeboxes for foreign children in need. This event is a fantastic time for our school to rally together and collect shoeboxes. Anyone who would like to participate can contact our office for more information.

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International Day



Padre Day



Clippers



Ahoy Mates,

The Clipper Ship HMS Trinity will come into port on Saturday, November 19th and dock at Williams Hall. All of you swabs on board

will enjoy a hearty potluck lunch and a presentation from Elder Jeff Hansen. We

look forward to hearing the story of his journey to faith in Jesus. At our October meeting, we enjoyed beautiful music by the group, Rhapsody, taking us back in time to bygone years. Dick and Lois gave our devotion which blessed us as always. So get on board and bring something good to eat. Guests are always welcome.

Yer trusty signalman,
Jack, the ancient mariner

Presbyterian Women

FALL FESTIVAL is the big event this month! Preparations have been going on all year. On November 3rd and 4th, set up starts. Setting up is a big job, but the more hands, the lighter the load. Please consider coming for an hour or so anytime after 9:00 a.m. to help in Williams Hall. We'll have the coffee on!

The FALL FESTIVAL is on November 5th and 6th. Our special presentation this year is a VINTAGE TABLE. We have already collected some very nice items for that table, but we could use more. Remember, all proceeds go to our missionaries. Besides crafts, we will need baked goods. Please bring them on Friday or Saturday morning. We will serve hamburger soup for lunch. Last but not least, there will be a variety of plants. Come for the crafts, come for lunch, come for the fellowship!

Our PW Gathering is on Tuesday, November 8th, at 9:30 a.m., in Williams Hall. Our speaker will be Lydia Klingforth, who will share "Her New Assignment." Linda Hensley will join her. We'll see the second half of our video Bible study on Ruth. Finally, we will have lunch and fellowship around the tables.

In December, we have our annual luncheon for the Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery with a musical program presented by Trinity Christian School. This event will take the place of the December Gathering. All Trinity Church women are invited.

See you at the Festival!

Ardis Rowland
Secretary

Financial Update | How Are We Doing?

"Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the day approaching." Hebrews 10:23-25 NIV

Dear Trinity Church Family,

It is that time of year when thanksgiving is foremost in our prayers. Gratitude that God has given us what we need in our lives, our homes, and our church. We are grateful we have a place to meet and encourage each other in Christ.

God has been faithful to Trinity Church, and you consistently showed gratitude to God in your prayers and offerings. We paid all our debts and fulfilled all our missions obligations to date. We thank God for every prayer he answers.

You should have received our annual stewardship letter and pledge card for 2023. Please be in prayer for the finance committee as we begin the work on the budget

for next year. We want to be good stewards of all that God provides. Also, pray about how you plan to support Trinity Church in the coming year with your time, talent, and treasures. We ask that you return your pledge card regardless of your decision or ability.

Pledge Envelopes

Please email me if you do not have pledge envelopes and want them for 2023. We have weekly or monthly envelopes available. Also, let me know if you wish to OPT OUT of receiving pledge envelopes for 2023. Thank you.

Rebecca Casey

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	September 2022 Final	October 2022 (As of 10/20/2022)	Year-to-Date (As of 10/20/2022 Final)
BUDGETED INCOME	\$33,067.05	\$ 33,067.05	\$ 328,846.92
ACTUAL INCOME	\$ 19,493.79	\$25,822.29	\$ 285,881.99
DIFFERENCE	– \$13,573.26	– \$ 7,244.76	– \$ 42,964.93
CURRENT EXPENSE	\$ 40,661.23	\$ 28,124.56	\$ 324,880.99
INCOME – EXPENSE	– \$ 21,167.44	– \$ 2,302.27	– \$ 38,999.00

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Fall Festival

Saturday, November 5th • 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 6th • After the worship service

Kid's Carnival - Saturday only

Handmade Crafts • Opportunity Quilts

• Jams & Jellies • Baked Goods • Plants

NEW THIS YEAR • A Vintage Table



Remember to turn your clocks

BACK one hour

Saturday night, November 5th!

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