



April 2016

Trinity News

Trinity Church of Spring Valley, California
News of Events on the Hill

Words from Pastor

What a wonderful Easter we had up here on the hill! Sunrise was not too cold, we actually saw the sun rise, and the music was wonderful! Then the 9 a.m. service was full, and what a great spirit there. Then, finally, we had the 10:30 a.m. service. The strings, the choir, and all the solos really put a charge for me into Easter. I hope your Easter was wonderful too!

Well the biggie for April is our meeting with the Presbytery of San Diego regarding a vote to allow us to move to ECO. It will be on April 12th at 4 p.m. at Fletcher Hills Presbyterian Church, 455 Church Way, El Cajon.

There has been some confusion about who can speak at this event. I will be given a chance to say something, and the team that has lead the way for us to leave will be given an opportunity to speak. The only other people who will be allowed to comment will be the three people who voted “no” to our leaving the PCUSA.

We need you there to be of support to our leaving. So please pray and come if you can, I don’t know how long this will take but it will be at least an hour. We will let you know when we will have a worship service focusing on our acceptance into ECO. That will be a great and wonderful day.

In His Adventure,

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ECO ESSENTIAL TENETS

Presbyterians recognize that just as there are some central and foundational truths of the gospel affirmed by Christians everywhere, so too their particular understandings of the gospel that define the Presbyterian and Reformed tradition. All Christians must affirm the central mysteries of the faith, and all those who called to ordered ministries in a Presbyterian church must also affirm the essential tenets of the Reformed tradition.

Essential tenets are tied to the teaching of the confessions as ECO’s Essential Tenets are summarized as follows:

God’s Word is the authority for our confession. The clearest declaration of God’s glory is found in His Word, both incarnate and written.

Trinity Incarnation are the two central Christian mysteries. First the triune nature of God (trinity) is the first great mystery of the Christian faith. With Christians everywhere, we worship the only true God – Father, son and Holy Spirit – who is both one essence and three persons. Second, all Christians everywhere affirms that Jesus Christ in both truly God and truly human.

God’s grace is in Christ. God declared that the world He created was good and that human beings, made in His own image, were very good. Jesus Christ is the only Way to this adoption, the sole path by which sinners become children of God, for He is the only begotten Son, and it is only in union with Him that a believer is able to know God as Father.

Election for salvation and Service. The call of God to the individual Christian is not merely an invitation that each person may accept or reject by his or her own free will. Having lost true freedom of will in the fall, we are incapable of turning toward God of our own volition.. God chooses us for Himself in grace before the foundation of the world, not because of any merit on our part, but only because of His love and mercy.

Covenant life in the church. We are electing in Christ to become members of the community of the new covenant. This covenant, which God Himself guarantees, unites us to God and to one another. We are made to live in relationships to other males and females created together in God's image. In Christ, we are adopted into the family of God and find our new identity as brothers and sisters of one another, since we now share one Father. Our faith requires our active participation in that covenant community.

Faithful stewardship in all of life. The ministries of the church reflect the three-fold office of Christ as prophet, priest, and king – reflected in the church's ordered ministries of elders, deacons and ruling elders. We affirm that men and women alike are called to all the ministries of the church, and that every member is called to share in all of Christ's offices within the world beyond the church. Every Christian is called to a prophetic life, proclaiming the good news to the world and enacting that good news.

Living in obedience to the Word of God. Progress in holiness is an expected response of gratitude to the grace of God, which is initiated, sustained, and fulfilled by the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit. The first response of gratitude is prayer, and the daily discipline of prayer – both individually and together – should mark the Christian life. The life of prayer includes praise to God for His nature and works, sincere confession of our sin, and intercession for the needs of those we know and for the needs of the world.

For more information, visit:

<http://e-co-pres.org/static/media/uploads/resources/Essential11%20Tenets/eco-essentialtenets-confessions.pdf>

NEXT PRESS DEADLINE IS:

Sunday, April 24th!

**You can send your articles via
e-mail to: yasmin@trinitypres.org**

Thank You!

In His Service,

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Words from our Financial Administrator

Greetings Trinity Family,

I want to thank Pastor, the Finance committee, and you for your patience and understanding over the last month as I worked from home and nursed my daughter, Riley. Your love and prayers have been a constant source of strength for us during this time.

The Tithes and Offerings for 2016 have provided us with what we need here on His hill. The Lord has blessed us in so many ways, we have been able to meet all of our financial obligations, including Missions, and we are good standing moving forward. Blessings to you and yours as we celebrate with joy that Christ is Risen!

	<u>Feb. 2016</u> (Final)	<u>March 2016</u> as of 3/22/2016	<u>Year to Date</u>
Budgeted Income:	\$38,702.55	\$36,729.45	\$112,161.49
Actual Income:	\$46,632.48	\$26,518.33	\$ 98,616.18
Difference	\$ 7,929.93	-\$10,211.12	-\$ 13,545.31
Current Expense:	\$32,935.78	\$23,292.43	\$ 90,381.29
Income – Expense:	\$13,696.70	\$ 3,225.90	\$ 8,234.89

Glory and Honor to God!

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Words from our Young Adult Ministries Director

Our ice cream night at Hammond's turned into a wonderful time of conversation and laughter over yummy sweets with 28 people from the church. I have been asked by a few for a closer option for our family dinner night this month. So we will be meeting at Fudruckers in Grossmont Center on April 17th for some hamburgers and fellowship. As usual the meet time will be at 6pm for dinner.

April is a very busy month as I will be leading chapel for Trinity Christian Middle School every Friday, as well as, an all Trinity Christian School chapel on the 29th. Not to mention, I get the opportunity to preach for church two weeks this month on the third and the tenth. I will be looking at the topic of Love from the Believe series on the third and am still working on the tenth.

The Young Adults will have a movie hang-out day at my house April 10th after church. We will get some food, head back to my house for movies, games, laughter and a day of fellowship. Bring any board games, movies, or fun ideas with you.

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Words from our Youth Director

For Inside Out Youth Ministry, we have seen a slight decline in the number of attendees for the month of March. This is due to students being involved in sports, plays, going out of town for spring break, and helping with the final weeks of Kids Kingdom. Our staff and student leaders remain positive, and held a planning meeting where events through August 2016 have been scheduled. We took a break from Alpha Youth, and plan on picking up the lessons in a few months. Our large event will be on Wednesday, March 30th, as we head over to RockinJump- a trampoline venue that has various activities to keep us laughing and active. If you would like more information or want to invite people to attend, please check out the website at sandiego.rockinjump.com.

For the Love Thy Neighbor Project, we continue to visit Brighton Place to have a time of worship, fellowship, and prayer with the many residents. We have a few residents who we visit monthly and we continue to be blessed with an outpouring of appreciation from the residents for the time spent with them. This month we took paper flowers (made from coffee filters in Kids' Kingdom) to the residents and had a great response with this gift. When visiting our downtown neighbors, we took some blankets, donuts and handed out coffee from

the back of the church van, which was a huge success. Our interactions with the homeless continue to be positive overall, with occasional "interesting" conversations. Thank you for your continued support of prayer and donations of goods and money to the homeless account. We appreciate all that you do to support the group.

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Children's Ministries Director

Children's Ministry would like to thank everyone who donated candy, eggs and small toys for our Easter Egg Hunt, on Easter Sunday. The children who attended the hunt filled up their baskets with smiles on their faces!

Our Sunday school children continue to enjoy the Believe series that our congregation is working through. You can find the preschoolers in room 10, the kindergarten through second grade in the Castle Room and the third through fifth graders in Conference room.

Kids Kingdom Update: Wednesday, March 16, was our final Kids Kingdom for this school year. We enjoyed learning about the resurrection of Jesus, shopped at the Kids Kingdom store, preformed a show for our parents and enjoyed a yummy dinner. I have been blessed to have many volunteers help with Kids Kingdom this year! All volunteers will be invited to a special dinner at my house on March 30 to celebrate another successful year!

Ways to help Children's Ministry:

- *Volunteer to help in one of our Sunday School classrooms.
- *Bring in your recyclables and put them in the trashcan outside of Williams Hall.
- *We are in need of small toys, new or slightly used, for our treasure box.
- *Pray for our children and teachers.

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Words from our Principals

As new life is bursting forth in this spring season, so is the enthusiasm in the students at TCS. It's exciting to see the growth and development of young students as they work to achieve their grade level goals. This month grades kindergarten through eighth will be taking the standardized test, Terra-Nova. Not only is it looked at nationally; it includes comparisons with both public and private schools as well.

April also hosts the ACSI Science Fair held at Biola University, and the ACSI Speech Meet held at Tri-City Christian School. TCS will be sending our winning representatives to both of these events.

We are embarking on a new adventure with an online auction for our annual fundraising event. The auction will take place April 4th-18th. We are excited to be able to offer the opportunity for anyone across the country who wants to be able to support the mission and vision of TCS to bid online. We are thankful to Nicki Mathistad and the TCS Parent-Teacher Fellowship for coordinating this effort to raise funds for new playground equipment, technology needs, enrichment programs, and tuition assistance.

To add to the spring fun... the San Diego Fair will be here to present a special program for the kindergarten through fifth grades. The students will assemble on the grass area on the east side of Williams Hall on April 28th at 2:10p.m. This is a special event that has come before and has been well received.

Registration is underway and going well. Several classes are full while others still have spots available. We would like to remind you that church members are afforded a 20% discount on their tuition. Please let people know about Trinity Christian School. There is information in the kiosk in Williams Hall and in the office. The website is www.trinitycs.org.

God bless... Spring has sprung...

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EXOTIC PLANT SOCIETY

The Exotic Plant Society will hold its annual plant show and sale in Patio 1, Balboa Park, on Sunday April 10, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. The monthly meeting will be Tuesday, April 26, at 7 p.m. in the Trinity Conference Room. For more information, contact Julanna Loveberg 466-2907.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

ALL TRINITY WOMAN ARE PRESBYTERIAN WOMAN

April 1-3

Weekend Retreat, Pine Valley

April 5th

9:30a.m. Board Meeting in Ward Center

March 12th

9:30 a.m. 2nd Tuesday Gathering
Bible Study & Business Meeting Program:
"Edible Gardening"
Speaker: Karen Contreras, CEO, Urban Plantations

12:00

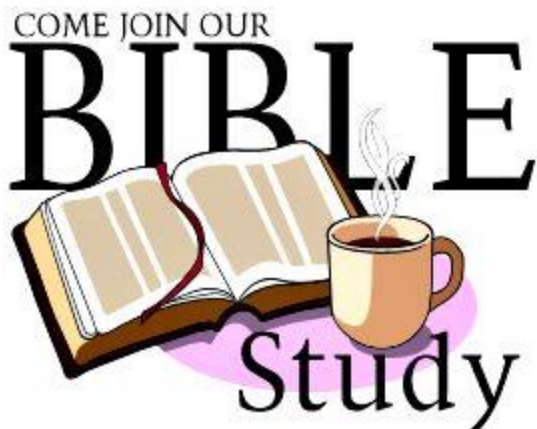
Luncheon by Circle One, You are invited!

April 19th

at 9:30 a.m. Crafts in Ward Center
Circle 3 at Debbie Torres' Home at 6:30p.m.

April 26th

at 9:30a.m. Circles 1 & 2
At Pat Palmore's Home



A new Bible study starts Monday, April 11th.

We will be starting an eight-week Bible study, **Soul Keeping**, by John Ortberg. Open to ALL adults, we will look at the biblical view of the soul, what is the soul, and why should we care for our souls. The morning class is from 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., and the evening class is from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. The cost is \$15, and you will receive a workbook. There is no homework – everything will be done in class. Rebecca DeBreau will facilitate this amazing look at how taking care of our soul keeps us centered in Jesus.

MILITARY OUTREACH MINISTRIES

San Diego MOM is a faith-based charity that meets some of the needs of young military families in San Diego with free services and events such as weekly food and bread ministries, urgent infant needs & household goods, holiday gifts and food on Christmas, Thanksgiving and Easter. Please help us assist young military families by making a gift today. All gifts will be used locally. We are a 501(c) 3 charity. Tax ID# 76-081-7487.

Donations may be sent to San Diego MOM, PO Box 3030, La Mesa CA 91944-3030. For more information: Home Office (619) 461-4164 www.sandiegomom.org Questions: Barbara@sandiegomom.org
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CLIPPER'S AUCTION FOR MISSIONS
SATURDAY, APRIL 16TH, 2016

Look, seek, and find what you can bring,
We can sell almost anything!
For those of you who like to bake,
Bring pie or jelly, cookies or cake.

Candy's dandy!
Host a dinner!
Be a winner!

Gently used goods of every kind,
The most that you can find,
Vases books, pictures, chairs,
Yard tools, even stuffed bears.

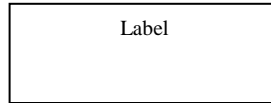
Auctions both silent and real, James can surely
make it a deal!

Words do make a song,
Going, going, going, gone!!

All proceeds will go to support our missionaries. James Scholder, world-renown auctioneer, will be presiding over the festivities. We will meet at 4:45 p.m. for a fantastic 5:00 p.m. potluck dinner (this is one hour earlier than usual,) with the auction starting at 6:15 p.m. Please contact Pat Palmore at (619) 444-6736 or Barbara Gilbert at (619) 704-5139 for further information.



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TRINITY'S MISSION

**The mission of Trinity Church is to introduce people of East County
To Jesus Christ and together experience the living presence of God.**

