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Words from Our Pastor



Rev. Brent Barclay
Pastor

Hello Everyone!

We have arrived at the summer season. I know this summer is special, remembering that last summer we stayed local, inside, and unable to do what we ordinarily do. Many of us cannot wait to travel again, visiting family or seeing new places. As I write this, some of you have already begun your summer travel!

For those with kids and teens, this summer is a welcome break from the remarkable year we just had, figuring out school at home, webinar school classes, and dropping off your children from your car as they run off to school. What a year it has been! Now we will return to going to the beach, playing with friends at their houses, and visiting theme parks.

We often think of this time of year where things slow down, where we have more time. The truth is, summer flies by, and before we know it, we never got to do everything we wanted to do. My summer of reading books I put off never gets finished. All the summer blockbusters in the theatre I want to see never get completed. I am sure you have that happen to you, as well.

The truth is summer is just as busy as every other time of the year.

May we remember that being a follower and disciple of Jesus does not have a **vacation mode**. Jesus tells us in Luke 9:23. *“If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.”* The challenge for us is what does that look like when we are away from the church, our routines, and our relationships. What does that look like on a road trip? At the beach or Disneyland? Or just at times of relaxation?

I say this because when we often describe ourselves, we say “Christian” as almost a category of who we are. I go to church and do church things, and that is where I am a Christian. I do not do Christian things when on vacation or doing recreational activities.

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I had a friend once who challenged this perspective in me. He said, “Rather than saying I’m a pilot, a father, a guitarist, and a Christian, say I’m a Christian pilot, a Christian father, and a Christian guitarist.” It is the idea that being a follower of Jesus is not simply one part of who I am, but rather, it is everything I do and am.

So even though we travel and are away from church and opportunities to live out our faith, we still find ways to take up our crosses daily and follow Jesus, even at the beach or on the interstate! Like always, God presents opportunities for us to be examples of the love of God every day. We need to see and perceive them, having the obedience and faith to respond. The challenge is to not fall into **vacation mode** in our walk with God, especially being a disciple.

So, who knows what God might put in your path this summer? You might meet a stranger in need, a relative you discover is going through a spiritual rut. You might have an opportunity to show grace rather than impatience to an employee or stranger. You might encourage someone to get reconnected with a church by going with them.

May we not go into **vacation mode**, but remember that the call to being a follower and disciple of Jesus is a daily walk, and with that comes occasions to serve and bless others. May you be obedient to those opportunities and watch what God does, even in your summer travels.

Blessings,
Pastor Brent

HEAR FROM ONE OF OUR MISSIONARIES!



Chris and his family serve with World Team in Gizors, France. They are part of a church plant and provide mental care for World Team missionaries.

Chris Moyer

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14 • 5:30 -6:45 P.M.
WILLIAMS HALL | POTLUCK

Find out what it’s been like serving in France during COVID-19! God has been at work in spite of the pandemic.

The 2020-2021 School Year Ends

We Did It!

Another year is in the books, and, oh, what a year it was! Covid has presented its obstacles, but we jumped the hurdles with flying colors. Thank you for all your support and prayers during this trying year. Continued prayers are appreciated as we look ahead to the coming school year.



Sports Day

How can you make the hottest day of the school year amazing? Add a little water! Trinity Christian School (TCS) celebrated the end of the year with its annual "Sports Day" activities. Students participated in games such as water balloon toss and bubble making. They also enjoyed partaking in homemade snowcones and Otter Pops to cool them down. All-in-all it was a fun day.

Talent Show 2021

Still getting accustomed to meeting in person, we decided to host our Talent Show on campus. This year's show had a new twist. We now allow students to send in videos of their talents. The videos gave the school the opportunity to see even the craziest of talents. Students showed us their baseball skills, quad riding, and monster art. We had live

performances which included singing, dancing, and a comedy show! Some of our staff joined in to show what happens when students are not on campus. It was an exciting time to be together and have a little fun before the school year ends.

Honor Chapel

Since we were unable to join together throughout the year for Mom's Chapel, Dad's Chapel, Grandparents' Chapel, and Patriotic Chapel, Mr. Crowle decided it would be nice to have a worship chapel to cap off the end-of-the-year. All students performed and worshiped our Lord and Savior through song! What a blessing it was to sing His praises all together!

Youth Worship Night

Speaking of worship, how great was it to join teams with Trinity Church

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to host a Youth Worship Night? Mr. Crowle's vision of having a time of worship, combined with the love and support of Trinity Church made for a Spirit-filled evening! We had a great turnout. We see God is moving not only through our school but also through the church. How wonderfully blessed we are to have such a great partnership!

Graduation

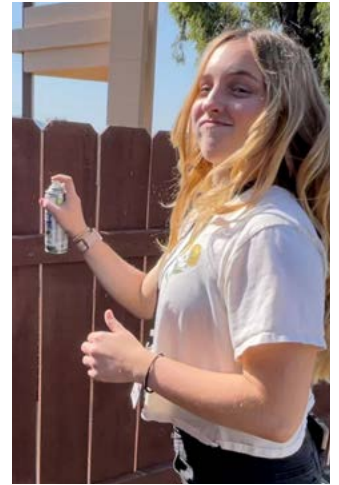
We were overjoyed and blessed for the opportunity to have a seemingly

"regular" graduation this year! Along with their families, we invited the students to attend as we celebrated the end of each eighth grader's journey here at TCS. The TCS Worship Team lead us in song followed by a speech from Joey Feeney, 20-21 Class President. Kyle McComb, the father of eighth-grader David, encouraged us to "Get Ready" through his graduation address. We ended our time together with a laying on of hands. Morgan Brown, the father of eighth-grader Kameron, lead us in prayer over our

students. The Holy Spirit moved in this amazing time of commencement.

Saying Goodbye

Unaccustomed to saying goodbye to teachers, TCS is saying goodbye to three, which is extremely tough. Knowing that God has bigger plans than we do, we graciously accepted the resignation of Nancy Atterbury and Julie Fontenot. These ladies have fought the good fight and decided this was the year to trade in their dry erase markers for afternoon siestas.



(Haha! We are sure they will be just as busy in retirement!) Kelly Byce will also be leaving us this year as she embarks on a new journey in Texas! God has put it on her and her husband's heart to move closer to family. She already accepted a position at a new school and will be moving over the summer. These three ladies have left a beautiful legacy at TCS. We will not forget them. We will feel their legacy of grace and love each time we mention their names, and we are so thankful for their hearts of service.





Clippers

Ahoy mates,

We had great fellowship during our June meeting and a marvelous presentation by Dr. Nate Landis. He challenged us to get involved in the schools bringing the gospel to the young people. He pointed out that 90 percent of the kids have no church home. We enjoyed meeting his family, which was an added blessing.

Lois Adams gave a powerful devotion and expressed her desire that Trinity Church would always be a praying church. Access to the throne of grace through Jesus is one of our greatest blessings, and we should be diligent not to neglect it.

Clippers will not meet again until September. We will have our auction then, so be thinking about what you can do to make that event a blessing for our missionaries.

Yer trusty signalman,
Jack, the ancient mariner

Presbyterian Women

By the time you read this the Rummage Sale will be a thing of the past. Muriel has a “thank you” she wrote. You can read it on page seven.

Presbyterian Women is basically off for the summer with the exception of CRAFTS every Tuesday through July and August. We meet from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in Ward Center. What we do then will determine the success of the FALL FESTIVAL.

Our FALL FESTIVAL is November 5th and 6th. Let’s support our missionaries with our time and talent.

Ladies, please put October 23rd on your calendar for our one-day retreat at Trinity Church with our guest speaker, Gail Bones.

Our next board meeting is on September 7th, and our next Gathering is on September 14th.

Have a great summer,
Ardis Rowland
Secretary • Presbyterian Women

Missions Update

Mary Hopkins with Wycliffe Bible Translators

In early June, Mary Hopkins was back in the U.S. to take care of several matters. She had two COVID-19 vaccinations, renewed her driver’s license, and visited her mother, Alice, a member of Trinity Church, for a week. After waiting two weeks for full immunity, she returned to Mexico.

After 19 years, she asked to be relieved of the Literacy Coordinator position in order to be freed up from heavier responsibilities in case her mother needs her in the U.S.

She is not retiring but will be taking a more supportive role so she can work

from different locations, if necessary, while still promoting and encouraging Bible translation and speakers of indigenous languages in Mexico. She hopes to continue living in Mexico for several more years. She asks that we pray with her for a successor for her position. She sends thanks for our prayers and continuing support.

Russ Douglass with Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)

Russ Douglass received a sizable grant from FCA to help facilitate his summer programs and camps. As we pray for this ongoing ministry, we need to pray for his personal support needs.

The Moyers with World Team

Please mark July 14th on your calendar for a potluck supper at 5:30 p.m. in Williams Hall. Our missionaries, Chris and Laura Moyer, will present a program about their ministry in France. Chris is the grandson of Harley and Betty Smith, who have been a vital part of our church family.

Let’s take this opportunity to get to know them better and learn how we can best support them.

Ardis Rowland
Missions Elder

“For God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him.”
 Philippians 2:13 (NLT)

Greetings Trinity Church Family!

We praise God that he is at work guiding and directing us in all things here at Trinity Church. God’s people have been faithful and generous in his name during the time of isolation. As the property works to resume “business as usual,” the finance committee will continue to monitor church spending to make sure we are

being good stewards of what we have been given.

As of this writing, we are current with all of our financial obligations and our missions giving.

Soon, I will be sending out the second quarter giving statements. If you have given to Trinity Church this year directly from a retirement account, and you do not see your donation,

please email rebecca@trinitypres.org or call me at 619-997-4970 (cell). I have not been able to identify the donor for one donation.

God grant you His peace,

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	May Final	June (As of 6/23/2021)	Year to Date 2021 (As of 6/23/2021)
BUDGETED INCOME	\$ 30,493.47	\$ 30,493.47	\$ 182,960.74
ACTUAL INCOME	\$ 75,644.62	\$ 26,294.44	\$ 215,521.03
DIFFERENCE	\$ 45,151.15	– \$ 4,199.03	\$ 32,560.29
CURRENT EXPENSE	\$ 31,824.48	\$ 23,682.29	\$ 174,741.78
INCOME – EXPENSE	\$ 43,820.14	\$ 2,612.15	\$ 40,779.25

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Thank you!

Thank you to all church members who donated time, money, and belongings to the Presbyterian Women rummage sale last week. The proceeds counted so far are \$2,664 and will go to missions.



**JULY 4TH, RIGHT AFTER
OUR CHURCH SERVICE**

- Hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided
- Sign up to bring a side dish or dessert

Seating will be available in the quad and Williams Hall.

**Join us for our
First Church-Wide
Fellowship Event
since COVID!**

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