



Words from Our Pastor | Our Passion for Jesus



Rev. Brent Barclay | Pastor

CONTENTS

Youth Group *page 3*

Trinity Christian School *page 4*

Clippers *page 6*

Financial Report *page 7*

REMEMBER! You can see this publication online at www.trinitypres.org and click on “Ministries” in the top bar and go to the last item on the list, “Newsletter.”

**Press deadline
September 23, 2024**

Greetings Everyone!

We’re heading into the fall season, and two major themes are passionate topics this fall. The first is sports, with baseball playoffs around the corner and football dominating TV screens every weekend. People cheer on their favorite teams, boo their rivals, and follow their favorite athletes to see how they are doing.

In addition, this fall sees our election cycle come around once again. And like sports fans, we pick our candidates and choose sides on various issues. And like sports fandom, political fans check in on how candidates and measures are polling, and in a way, cheer on our side and boo the rival side.

Maybe you do not identify as a sports nut or a political buff. However, the

passion and fever of such fandom that surrounds you are so prevalent. Just by hearing enough, you know what’s going on. Whether you care or not, you know who’s ‘winning’ and ‘losing’! It is possible, however, that all the fandom can sweep you up, and you find yourself caring when you didn’t before.



This fandom leads to an interesting question: do we get that excited about Jesus and the church? Now, of course, when it comes to Jesus, we already

know the score. We know his stats. Jesus won the election; he won the championship. He’s the MVP, the leader. He’s always on the winning side. So yes, that takes away the tension of election night and the big game. Not a bad thing!

Is it possible that knowing the outcome has lessened our passion

Continued on page 2

Words from Pastor | Our Passion for Jesus

Continued from page 1

and intensity for Jesus? If so, why is that? We spend so much time and energy watching cable news and sports recaps, reading endless paragraphs of projections and analysis to try and understand what could happen.

Wouldn't you want to devote even more energy to understanding what will happen?

Yet our human condition devotes more energy and time to who might win or what might happen. We find ourselves devoting less time and energy to reading, praying, and talking about the one true King who will be victorious over all evil!

The church should be louder and more energetic than any stadium or rally. We should be excited as if we know we are on the winning side because we

are on the winning side! Church services are victory parties and championship celebrations that should give us a reason to shout and celebrate!



So the next time you see yourself watching a sporting event, getting into the game with rising emotions, think about Jesus. When you watch a debate or the results on election night, and your emotions swell up, think about the Gospel. Think about the passion of knowing that Jesus wins and what that means for you. What would it look like if

your adoration for Jesus came out of you and out of the church? The fandom of following Jesus just might get caught up in others who need to be on the winning side.

Blessings,
Pastor Brent Barclay

Trinity Staff

Rev. Brent Barclay • Pastor | brent@trinitypres.org

Rebecca Casey
Financial Administrator
rebecca@trinitypres.org

Patty Mason
Office Administrator
patty@trinitypres.org

Rebecca Piffard
Communications Director
rpiffard@trinitypres.org

Frank Amador
Worship Director
frank@trinitypres.org

Robin Mayo
Choir Director
choirdirector@trinitypres.org

Joe Burke
Youth Director
joe@trinitypres.org

Mandy Dhaliwal
Children's Ministry Director
childrensministry@trinitypres.org

Pending
Interim Audio/Visual Technician
avtechnician@trinitypres.org

Steven Lee
Facilities Maintenance
steven@trinitypres.org

Shirley Woodson
Organist
shirleywoodson@me.com

Youth Group | We Started the Year with a Bang

Hello Trinity Church Family,

The Youth Group started the new school year with a bang as we had a back-to-school bonfire one Saturday night at South Mission Beach. We discussed the importance of being a light in this dark world and how God used fire in the Old Testament to lead his people through the desert. We also have a steady attendance of about ten students on Wednesdays, and we are building up a solid community of middle schoolers through fun games and devotionals. Lastly, on Sundays, we just finished

the book of Joel and are beginning to study the book of Psalms.

On a personal note, thank you all for your prayers for our son, Wyatt. He is moving so well with his new brace and has recovered strong from his cast. Liam is in Mrs. Murphy's preschool class and doing well.

Joe Burke

Youth Director

joe@trinitypres.org



Trinity Christian School | Elections, Music, and Chapel

Trinity Christian School Holds Successful Student Council Elections

The school year may have just begun, but Trinity Christian School (TCS) is already paving the way for future leaders through its recent Student Council elections. The event saw a strong turnout from middle school students eager to make a difference in the community of TCS.

The election process started with students gathering signatures from peers and staff to qualify as candidates. Campaigning was in full swing, with creative posters and stickers displayed throughout the school as candidates vied for support. The culmination of the election came when each candidate delivered a speech explaining their motivation for running and their vision for the school.

Students in fourth through eighth grades cast their votes, with the winners announced by the end of the day. TCS proudly introduces its Student Council for the 2024-25 school year:

Chaplain: Daniel Lian
Treasurer: Johnnel Magruder
Secretary: Ford Romeka
Vice President: Berkeley McHugh
President: Christian Richert

These newly elected leaders will help shape the direction of student activities and initiatives throughout the year, continuing TCS's mission of developing future leaders.

TCS Welcomes New Music Teacher, Continues Enrichment Opportunities

Trinity Christian School (TCS) continues to enhance its robust enrichment program with various classes built into the school day, one of the most exciting being music. This year, the school is pleased to welcome its new music teacher, Mr. David Dailey, to the team.

With years of experience leading worship and teaching guitar, Mr. Dailey brings expertise and passion to his role. He is committed to developing



students' knowledge of music theory and fostering their spiritual growth through worship.

Already, students have begun engaging in fun, hands-on activities, such as learning to play the ukulele. The excitement for the year ahead is palpable. With Mr. Dailey at the helm of the music program, TCS anticipates a dynamic year filled with creativity, learning, and spiritual enrichment.

Weekly Chapel Unites TCS Students for Worship and Spiritual Growth

At Trinity Christian School (TCS), the chapel service is a cornerstone of the school's community life, fostering spiritual and academic growth. The preschool to eighth-grade students gather for praise, worship, and reflection every week. A significant part of the service involves students reciting a Bible verse in unison, reinforcing their spiritual education.

This time of worship is further enriched by music, led by TCS's newly appointed music teacher, Mr. David Dailey, and his family joining in the experience. After the music, students receive an age-appropriate message to inspire and encourage them on their spiritual journey.

While TCS remains dedicated to academic excellence, the school emphasizes that its primary

goal is to guide students, parents, and staff toward a deeper relationship with God. The chapel service is one of many ways TCS seeks to cultivate an environment where lives can be transformed through faith.

TCS Students Participate in Annual "See You at the Pole" Prayer Event

Trinity Christian School (TCS) recently participated in the annual "See You at the Pole" event, a nationwide initiative where students gather around their school's flagpole to pray for their country and community. This event, which takes place at schools across the country, holds special significance at TCS, where daily prayer is an integral part of school life.

What makes "See You at the Pole" unique is that it is student-led, allowing TCS students to take the lead in prayer and reflection. As they gathered around the flagpole, students lifted up prayers for their nation, local community, and school, unified with thousands of other students across the United States.

This event is a powerful reminder of the importance of prayer and faith in the TCS community, offering a moment to reflect and seek guidance for the future.

Jimmie Drummond
Principal

Jamie Warren
Associate Principal
principal@trinity-cs.org
619-462-6440



Clippers



Ahoy mates!

For our September meeting, Clippers had the pleasure of hearing Brent Barclay speak of his family history and how it has formed his vision for Trinity Church and especially for the Living Room Service. As usual,

the food was fantastic and a good time was had by all.

On October 19th, the group will hear Cathlene McKaye speak of her experience as a victim of deviant sexual trafficking. Not just something that happens “somewhere else,” sex trafficking is going on in our community. Cathlene will help members to see and better understand this troubling practice.

November 17th sees a return of the men’s choir, His Voice. Put these dates on your calendar and don’t miss either of these upcoming events!

Yer trusty first mate,
Melanie Plett

Sock Sunday | Let’s Help the Homeless!



Remember to put aside and bring any clothing or personal items you are not using, along with NEW socks. Light shirts and pants, new clean underwear, and personal items such as toothbrushes and toothpaste (remember those kits we all receive from our dental hygienists?) are needed and welcomed. The basket will be in the narthex each Sunday to receive your items. Thank you for your generosity!

Financial Update | How Are We Doing?

Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
 Psalms 29:2

Greetings Trinity Church Family

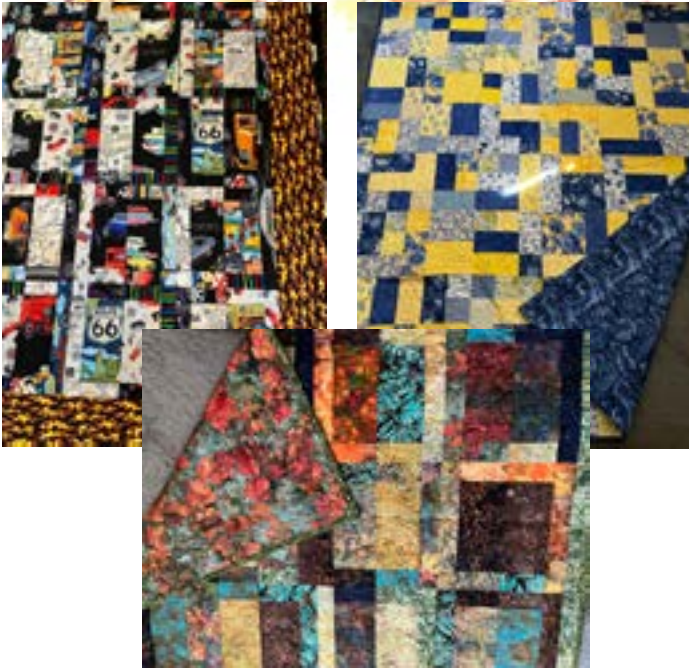
Even though some of our expenses have been large and unexpected, by God’s hand and your faithfulness, we have met all of our financial obligations this month, including our mission support.

Thank you for your faithful giving. The third quarter giving statements will be going out soon. If you are behind in your giving, please take this opportunity to catch up on your pledges.

Rebecca Casey
 Financial Administrator
 rebecca@trinitypres.org
 619-465-3011 x108

	August 2024 Final	September 2024 (as of 9/19/2024)	Year to Date (as of 9/19/2024)
PROJECTED & PLEDGED INCOME	\$ 38,503.62	\$ 38,303.62	\$ 341,132.42
ADD RESERVES FROM DEDICATED	\$25,000.00	\$ 21,577.84	\$ 117,552.84
PROJECTED INCOME RECEIVED	\$ 39,900.31	\$ 14,237.02	\$237,560.21
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 64,900.31	\$ 35,814.86	\$355,113.05
INCOME DIFFERENCE	\$ 28,396.69	- \$ 2,488.76	\$ 13,980.63
CURRENT EXPENSE ACTUAL	\$ 45,295.17	\$ 35,256.74	\$370,954.90
TOTAL INCOME - EXPENSE	\$ 19,605.14	\$ 558.12	- \$ 15,841.85

FALL FESTIVAL



Beautiful quilts will be available too!

We want to give you a heads-up to get these dates on your calendar. Fall Festival is rapidly approaching, with yummy food, seasonal items, and crafts. Many food items and crafts will be for sale, as well as gently used Christmas ornaments. Tasty seasonal breads, pies, cookies, jams, and jellies will be available. "Sharlene's Potting Wheelbarrow" will be there for potting plants.

You can also enjoy homemade cinnamon rolls for breakfast, hamburger stew, and sandwiches for lunch.

So please put Saturday, November 1st, and Sunday, November 2nd (after the Main Service) on your planner! The Fall Festival is a great time to look for gifts for family, friends, and yourself! More specific times to follow.

3902 Kenwood Dr.
Spring Valley, CA 91977

