

# TRINITY *Press*

June 2021

## Words from Our Pastor



**Rev. Brent Barclay**  
Pastor

### Hello Everyone!

I attended a memorial the other day for someone who helped me get to where I am in ministry today. It was at a church I used to work at, and I saw many familiar faces. A few of the speakers reflected on the themes of legacy. They spoke of feeling the power of that legacy by gathering together in an old familiar space. You could tell that many people in the sanctuary were there for the first time in a long time, whether it was because of church closures, attending a different church, or not attending any church.

It got me thinking about the power of gathering in the name of Jesus. It is amazing what happens when people, who are like-minded in being servants of Jesus, see each other face to face. Jesus said in Matthew 18:20, "For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." We know this from experience. We see the love and peace in the faces of each other, receiving love and kindness from each other with warm hugs and kind greetings. There are few places in this world where we can gather and get those things.

But what struck me at this memorial was the added factor of legacy when we come together. As this group gathered and remembered the cherished life of one who is now gone, we remembered what they meant to us, the legacy they left behind in the church, and the long history of people of faith in a church, a community, or even the whole earth.

When we come together, especially to remember the ones who passed, we think of the legacy of Trinity Church. We think of our own legacy and history within the church. We cannot help but see God at work through the history of his people of faith. It is why we celebrate and mourn, sing and weep, and cry as well as smile.

I recently had an idea that I think will be beneficial for our church. We lost many dear friends and loved ones in our church these past 12 months. We never got to gather and remember them, honor them, and thank God for their lives and gifts. We are going to take the last Sunday in June in worship to do those very things.

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### Next Press Deadline

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The Trinity Press is a publication of Trinity Presbyterian Church located in Spring Valley, California.

## Bill and Kathy Coe Say, “Goodbye!”

**B**ill and Kathy Coe came to us June 4, 2012 – nine years ago. Bill’s job consisted of leading the choir and the music for the second service held in the sanctuary. Leigh Taylor led the music for the first service in Williams Hall.

Eventually, Leigh Taylor retired as Worship Leader for the first service. Bill stepped into that role. Soon after, Pastor Randy Yenter retired. When Pastor Jim Wilson came on as our interim pastor, we first had a combined service on Communion Sunday – the first Sunday of the month. Later, we went to one service which blended the music of both the first and second services - a significant challenge for our Director of Music.

I met Kathy when she joined the Board of Deacons soon after she came to Trinity Church. I was the Deacon Moderator at the time. She was a wonderful person with whom to work. She supported our church in so many ways during our church services as well. Before Covid-19, you would see her sing with the choir, play cello to back up the special music, and work the computer that displayed the praise song lyrics on the screen, all in one Sunday.

Bill and Kathy worked tirelessly to make our worship experience top-notch. He spearheaded the advances we needed to get us up to speed with the digital age.

Covid-19 changed everything for all of us, including Bill and Kathy. Along with Jim Rauch, Bill took on figuring out how to do church with Zoom – a challenge he readily took on.

When we finally could meet outside, Bill worked out how to get our sound set up, how to set up Zoom hosting, and the switching needed to keep our Zoom congregation in the loop. Kathy worked the soundboard as well as the lyrics for the hymns and praise songs. I had the opportunity to work with them both as the Zoom host. I saw the amazing Coe team work to make everything run smoothly.

Sunday, May 23rd, was the final “hurrah.” Bill blessed us with a beautiful service of hymns and praise songs. The choir came together for the last time under Bill’s direction. Heather Riggs and Leigh Taylor provided special music. Many felt God’s presence as the service went on.

Bill and Kathy now go on to a new phase of their lives. They headed out on May 28th for the long drive to Chicago. They will live in an apartment downstairs from their son, daughter-in-law, and two grandsons.



**Bill and Kathy at the Goodbye Party**

We will miss the dedication that Bill and Kathy gave to Trinity Church. Their love and friendship have been a blessing to many of us. We pray God blesses them as they drive off into an exciting new adventure.

Bill told me while I prepared this article, “We already miss this church.”

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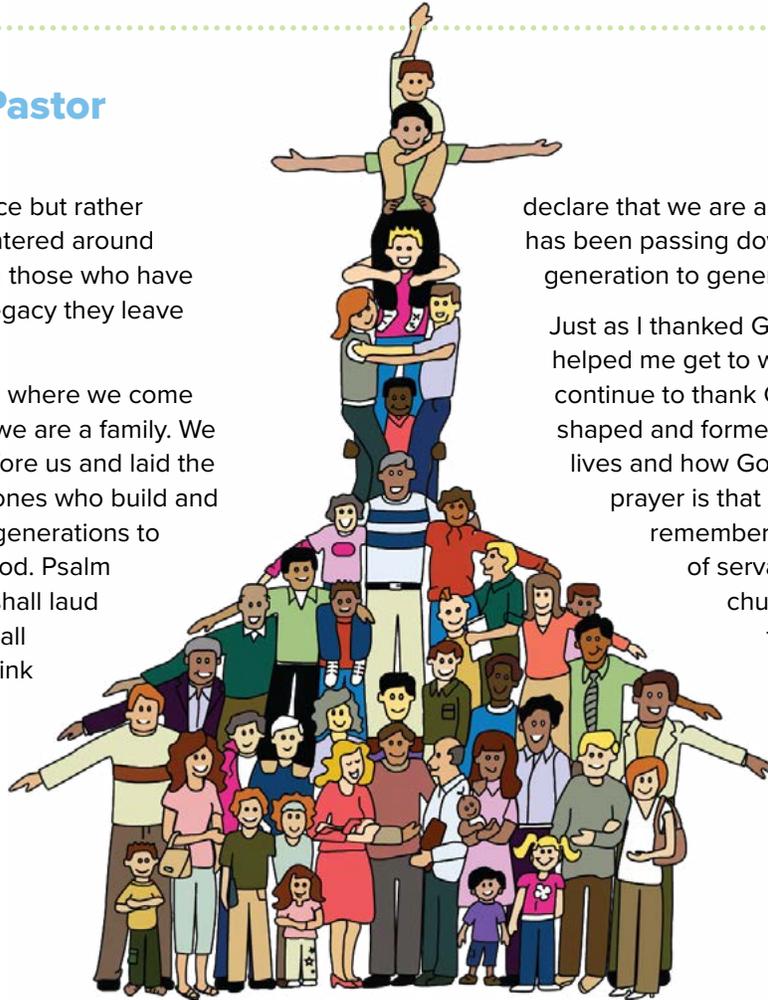
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It will not be a memorial service but rather a Sunday worship service centered around remembering and celebrating those who have passed and celebrating the legacy they leave behind at Trinity Church.

The church should be a place where we come together and remember that we are a family. We recall the ones who came before us and laid the foundation. We consider the ones who build and rebuild today, and the future generations to whom we pass the Word of God. Psalm 145:4 says: "One generation shall laud your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts." I think this is part of the incredible power that we experience when we gather. We remember and



declare that we are a part of God's family, which has been passing down the good news from generation to generation for over 2,000 years!

Just as I thanked God for this individual who helped me get to where I am in ministry, I continue to thank God for those who have shaped and formed me as I remember their lives and how God touched them. My prayer is that Trinity Church continues to remember and honor the long legacy of servants who have shaped our church and that we continue the legacy to the next generations.

Blessings,  
Pastor Brent



## *A Sneak Peek*

Here is a sneak peak of the annual "Opportunity Quilt" that is given out during Fall Festival! Please note: It has not yet been bordered or quilted. Watch for ticket sales to begin and support our missionaries through this Presbyterian Women's Event.

## Our Year is Winding Down

This year has flown by. Can you believe we only have a couple of weeks left? We have had such a blessed year even through all the difficulties.

### Testing

The third week of May was designated for "Iowa Testing." This is a standardized test that is administered to Kindergarten through eighth-grade students. The assessment allows Trinity Christian School (TCS) to evaluate how well our students are soaking in all the wonderful lessons our school offers. Also, it provides us a measure of key benchmarks in our students' educational careers. In years past, we have more than excelled and shown the competency of both our students, as well as, our amazing teachers.

### Teacher Appreciation Week

Who has the best staff in the world ... TCS! Our amazing Parent/Teacher Fellowship has taken it upon themselves to bless our staff with a week of goodies. We started the celebration with Nothing Bunt Cakes and received other treats such as Starbucks, and a free lunch.

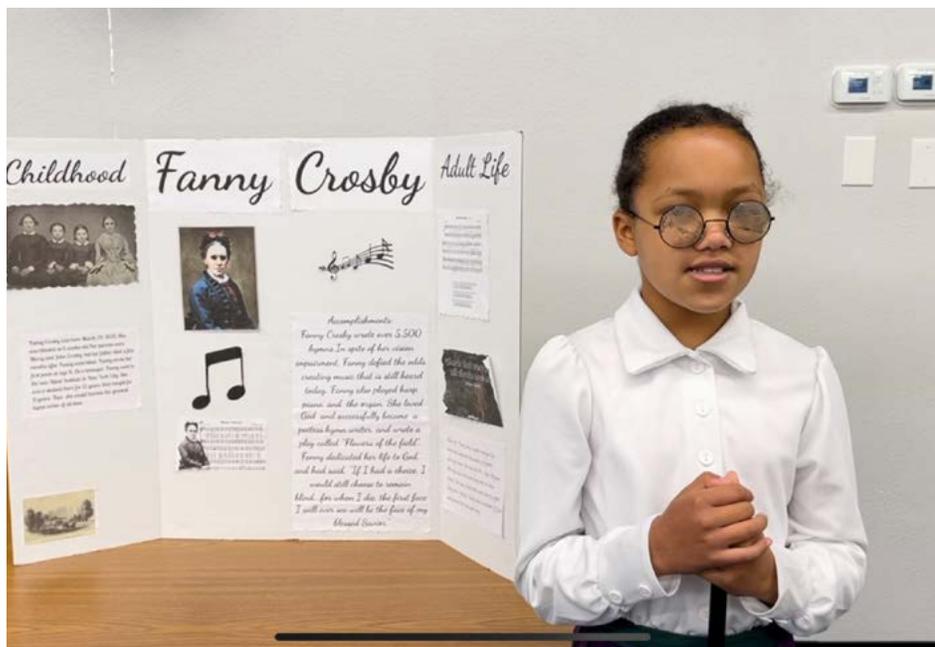
### Trinity Students Present to the Presbyterian Women

Five of our fifth-grade students presented their Living Museum reports to the Presbyterian Women's Gathering as they held their first in-person meeting. As a part of this performance, students dressed up as historic figures and shared a short autobiographical monologue. They also presented posters decorated with facts and photos about their character. Their characters included:

Thomas Jefferson (Fin Wheale), Teddy Roosevelt (Mathias Sena), Fanny Crosby (Mya Williams), Ben Franklin (Jack Gundert), and Anne Frank (Syrah Nichols). The students did an amazing job.

### Sacramento/ San Francisco Trip

Due to Covid closures last year, our scheduled trip to Sacramento and San Francisco for the fourth- and fifth grade students was cancelled. In May, these students, now fifth- and sixth-graders, were able to go. They viewed the state capital and walked across the Golden Gate Bridge. From gold panning to scavenger hunts, the students were able to participate in a myriad of activities focused on our state's history.







## Clippers

Ahoy Mates,

Things are finally getting back to normal. We had a wonderful presentation by Travis and Lydia Klingforth. They recently returned from Kenya. Pray for divine guidance as they seek the Lord's will for their next endeavor. Also, pray that they can find an acceptable "unflipped house."

Our next meeting will be on June 19th, 12:45 p.m. in Williams Hall. We will plan on having our traditional potluck unless the session forbids it. If that is the case, all members will be notified by phone to bring a sack lunch.

Our guest speaker will be Dr. Nate Landis, President, and founder of Urban Youth Collaborative (UYC), a coalition of churches that support student leaders at over 100 middle and high schools in San Diego County. We look forward to his presentation.

We will not meet in July and August, but we will be back together in September for our annual auction. Be thinking about what you could not live without and now wonder why you bought it. Maybe one of your shipmates cannot live without it. The money raised will go to support our missionaries.

We still are trying to find someone who will serve as our purser. Will someone please step forward?

Dues are \$15 per person. If you have not paid your dues, please send a check to Sue Walters, and make it payable to Trinity Clippers.

That is enough for now. God bless you all.

Yer trusty signalman,  
Jack, the ancient mariner

**Our own Shirley Klein and Barbara Hughes at bottom with Gail Bones, the speaker for the Trinity Church Women's Retreat on Saturday, October 23rd.**

## Presbyterian Women

This April, we celebrated our first in-person Gathering in over a year. We enjoyed a program by some of Trinity Christian School's students portraying various people in history. Dressed in costumes, the students gave a short biography about that person.

We will meet in person again on June 8th, 9:30 a.m. All Trinity Church women are encouraged to join us.

The Rummage Sale is coming in June. All proceeds go to our missionaries. We will set up on June 23rd and 24th. Please bring all the treasures you have been saving for the past year. June 25th and 26th are the actual sale days. The preparation will occur on setup days, but we still need help on Sale days. Please call Muriel Johnson if you can help for an hour or two.

We have a one-day women's Retreat at Trinity Church scheduled for Saturday, October 23rd. Our speaker will be Gail Bones. She has spoken to us in the past, and we are glad to have her back. This event provides an opportunity to invite friends and neighbors.

The Fall Festival is scheduled for November 5th and 6th. To prepare for this major event, June 15th, 9:30 a.m. is craft day in Ward Center. Craft days will continue throughout the summer.

Our Circle Leaders will contact you with meeting places and times for June.

Blessings,  
Ardis Rowland  
Secretary • Presbyterian Women



“The practice of generosity is a faith discipline. Growing in generosity is the mark of a developing faith and a deeper walk with Christ.” Unknown

Hello Trinity Church Family!

**A**s a congregation, we seek to be fed spiritually, to actively engage the world where its deepest needs meet our abilities, and with God’s help, to be a difference for good.

Thank you for continuing to be faithful partners in the day-to-day operation of Trinity Church. We are blessed to have met our financial obligations up to this point, and we remain thankful for what the Lord provides.

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	<b>April Final</b>	<b>May</b> (As of 5/20/2021)	<b>Year to Date 2021</b> (As of 5/20/2021)
<b>BUDGETED INCOME</b>	\$ 30,493.39	\$ 30,493.47	\$ 152,467.27
<b>ACTUAL INCOME</b>	\$ 31,774.28	\$ 30,736.41	\$ 144,318.38
<b>DIFFERENCE</b>	\$ 1,280.81	\$ 242.94	– \$ <b>8,148.89</b>
<b>CURRENT EXPENSE</b>	\$ 24,017.87	\$26,600.10	\$ 145,835.11
<b>INCOME – EXPENSE</b>	\$ 7,756.41	\$ 4,136.31	\$ <b>1,516.73</b>

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# Coming Soon!

## **JUNE 26TH-27TH**

Start cleaning  
out those closets.

We are looking for small household items, clean and gently used clothing, books, etc. Please no large furniture.

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