

# The Trinity Times

The Newsletter of Trinity Presbyterian Church

February, 2012

## JAZZ



## WORSHIP SERVICE

### Cool Tunes,

### *Warm Fellowship,*

### & Hot Eats

***February 12  
at 11 a.m.***

Trinity Presbyterian Church  
3201 Hillsboro Pike



**Catered lunch to follow -- all invited**

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## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Greg Gardner - 3

Doug Milam - 3

Vira Baker - 4

Vera Koonce - 4

Susan Brockett - 5

John O'Brien - 8

Redding Olney - 13

Devan Stahl - 17

Frances Duvall - 18

Eleanor Elbert - 19

Richard O'Brien - 19

Jim Hudnut-Beumler - 21

Laura Colbran - 24

James Cook - 25

Allen Brown - 26

Zeke Starr - 28

*Our apologies if we have missed your birthday or if it is incorrect. If we have missed or muffed your special day please call the church office at 297-6513 and let us know.*

### SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

**9:20 a.m. - 12:20 p.m. - Childcare available**  
(Nursery open for babies and pre-schoolers)

**9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. "Sounds of Joy"**  
rehearsal (weekly), "Celebration  
Choir" rehearsal (periodic), ETCH  
(weekly)

**9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School**  
classes (weekly)

**10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Children and Youth**  
Sunday School Classes (weekly)

**10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Chancel Choir**  
rehearsal (weekly)

**11:00 a.m. Worship (Sunday School for Pre-**  
Schoolers follows Time with the  
Children)

**After Worship - Fellowship Time, Youth**  
Group (bimonthly)

Large print versions of Sunday's bulletin for Worship are available as you enter the sanctuary. Please ask one of the ushers for a large print bulletin if you want one.

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ON FEBRUARY 5

The Trinity Presbyterian Church Session has called for the annual meeting of the congregation to be held immediately following worship on Sunday, February 5, 2012. The 2011 financial report will be given and the budget for 2012 will be presented. The pastor's annual terms of call - as recommended by the Session - will be voted on by the congregation, and the members of the 2012 Nominating Committee will be elected. This will be a brief meeting and all Trinity members are urged to attend.

## TRINITY TIMES ONLINE

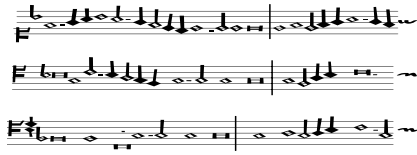
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## MUSIC NOTES

Greetings, friends!

First and foremost, a musical highlight of February will be the Annual Jazz Service, to be held on Sunday, February 12 at 11 a.m. A great group of professional players and the Chancel Choir are making plans to be involved. Be sure to attend!

It's not too late to reassess your 2012 commitments and think about ways to dedicate your (or your children's) talents to Trinity. I welcome interested singers of all ages to speak with me or Mary Virginia Bond about the possibility of singing in one of our choirs. We believe in the value of music integrated into worship, as well as the fellowship and musical growth of rehearsal time. The younger singers rehearse weekly at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays. Adults in the Chancel Choir rehearse Wednesdays from 7 – 8:15 p.m. as well as 10:30 a.m. Sundays, prior to worship. The Celebration Choir, which caters to older youth and young adults, rehearses in short "stints" when it is feasible to have participation, and their February rehearsals are TBD at this writing.

Welcome to the Chancel Choir to Paul Powers, Lyndsey Iellimo, and Tom Bayersdorfer. We're so happy you're singing with us!

Special thanks to Sara Crigger for offering special music on New Year's Day, when the choir was on break.

Tunefully yours,

Valerie  
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## JAZZ SERVICE TO BE FOLLOWED BY CALYPSO LUNCHEON

Sunday, February 12, will be Trinity's special Jazz Worship Service, followed immediately by the annual luncheon catered by Calypso Café. Join us for this joyful worship experience and time of fellowship. Suggested donation for lunch is: Adults \$10; youth, children, and seniors \$5; family cap \$25; college/grad students and visitors are our guests. Make your reservation using the tear-off on the announcements page of the bulletin or by calling the church office, 297-6513.

## USHERS FOR FEBRUARY

Guy Hicks, Head Usher  
Jacob Crigger  
David Phillipy  
Carol Phillipy

## ANNUAL "SOUPER BOWL OF CARING" FEBRUARY 5

The "Souper Bowl of Caring", the annual Youth Group project for Super Bowl Sunday, is Sunday, February 5. Trinity's youth will be collecting donations for Trinity's care and support ministry, to benefit people who come to the church door in need of food, help with gas, or a bus pass. This ministry ensures that people in need will not walk away from Trinity empty-handed.

The following will be collected in the church office or on February 5:

- Monetary donations** for Trinity's grocery/gas card and bus pass ministry.
- Nonperishable food items**, such as canned fruit and vegetables; canned tuna or chicken; canned soup, stew, or chili; peanut butter, peanut butter or cheese crackers; granola or power bars, raisin boxes, juice boxes, plastic utensils.
- Hygiene items**, such as toothbrushes and toothpaste, soap, lotion, shampoo, deoderant, socks, Band-Aids, antibiotic ointment.

## EVENTS IN FEBRUARY

- 4 Presbytery Meeting at First Nashville, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
- 5 "Souper Bowl of Caring" Congregational Annual Meeting after worship 5 p.m. - Youth Group Super Bowl Party at the Hudnut-Beumlers
- 12 Jazz Worship Service followed by Calypso Luncheon
- 18 Session Retreat, 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the church 5:30 p.m., Young Adult Gathering, place to be announced
- 19 Youth Group after worship

# OPPORTUNITIES IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN FEBRUARY FOR ALL AGES!

by Scott Baker

Our year is off to a wonderful start after enjoying a varied schedule of classes in January. We hope that in February everyone will be able to find a class that interests them, and one that meets you where you are.

## Nursery:

Our plans to develop our nursery are ongoing. We are still working on hiring a dedicated worker to care for our babies. There won't be any curriculum designed for the babies, but we do plan to provide loving arms and chewy toys. If you are interested in assisting our nursery worker in cuddling our youngest members, please contact Jan Sharlet at [dancefools@aol.com](mailto:dancefools@aol.com).

## Children's and Youth Classes:

Cindy Turner will lead our *young children* as they continue their Wee Believe curriculum. The *Children's* class, taught by Melissa Custer, will continue their lessons of We Believe. (Both We Believe and Wee Believe are curriculum materials published by the PC(USA).) The *Younger Youth* class will continue their new curriculum called "Way to Live," which has been drawing rave reviews thus far. This ecumenical study will continue to be led by Megan Bell and Ashley McFaul. The *Older Youth* will continue their studies of another curriculum piece from the PC(USA), Faith Questions, led by Leigh Bonner and Greg Gardner.

## Adult Classes:

In the month of February, both the Explorations and the Koinonia class will come together for a four week series on the Psalms led by Dr. James Crenshaw. Dr. Crenshaw is the Robert L. Flowers Professor Emeritus of Old Testament at Duke University. He was with us last year leading a class from the books of Ruth, Jonah, and Esther as well as some of his own poetry. Dr. Crenshaw describes the classes in this manner: *"In the four classes on the Psalms, I plan to devote some time to describing the nature of the entire collection of psalms, the approaches that have been taken to them, and the treasures therein.*

*Above all, however, I intend to look closely at several psalms, especially 73, 43, 115, 71, and 24. The reason is simple: these particular psalms take up perennial issues facing religious people: the problem of the apparent prosperity of wicked people and suffering of good people, the longing to experience the goodness of God and light of the divine countenance, the way to distinguish between things that really matter and those that are eternal, the onslaught of old age and fear that we shall be abandoned by God, and the requirements to abide in sacred space."* We look forward to Dr. Crenshaw being with us and hope that you can attend his classes.

## TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

The Children's Sunday School class wishes to thank Trinity Presbyterian for the outpouring of donations given to Heifer International. Heifer International exists with mission to help communities world wide end hunger and poverty. Thank you for supporting Trinity children in their desire to support this great organization. We are also thankful to the Padgett/Elbert family for their contribution in honor of Lenda DuBose, Georgeanne's sister. Our Sunday School class will give an update as to how the fundraising will be distributed in a future Time with Children.

On another note, our new policy and procedures documentation has been a priority during the last few months. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler and Scott Baker have led the Christian Education Committee in this important project which will clarify Trinity's safety policies. This documentation will protect our children and help us as we continue to grow our ministries.

God Bless you all,  
Melissa Custer

## FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Friends,

A rare event just happened. Nearly the entire Trinity session was gathered for the last meeting. With thirteen elders and a pastor comprising the session, and the many demands and commitments of life heavy on all, it is amazing and wonderful when thirteen of us are present. What we experienced, for me, was holy.

First, this group of brothers and sisters in Christ, elected by the congregation to serve this beloved community of faith, was "on." Ears were listening, minds were open, hearts were passionate. I would even go so far as to say that souls were sensitive, for the winds of the Spirit were moving among us, evidenced by the flexibility and creativity and faithfulness shown while the 2012 budget was discussed and approved.

Second, while I was out of the room for the discussion of the pastor's terms of call, I went to sit in the sanctuary on the chancel. The place was dark. The ceiling high. A comforting, pale light shown through the stained glass geometric side windows. The space was blanketed in silence. I felt unusually calm in this sacred space as I looked up at the many shapes of the huge organ pipes: aware of the presence of God in the sanctuary, in me, in the elders in the room next door, in this congregation, in the world. I let my weight down into a beautifully

recovered chancel chair and felt my breath release and my shoulders fall.

Third, when called back to the meeting, I found the session at ease with one another, laughing and seeking to discern God's call to us as a church, as reflected in decisions made about the budget. There were a variety of ideas, of approaches. Not everyone thought about everything the same way, but everyone was united in commitment to the growth, health, mission, and faithfulness of Trinity Presbyterian Church. I think that is what is meant by the peace, unity, and purity of the church. How we live out our union in the love of Christ is the most important mark of this loving Christian family called Trinity, it is the most important expression of the body of Christ that we can share and give to the world.

As we move toward the season of Lent, starting on February 22 with Ash Wednesday, let us remember the eternal love of God in which we live and move and have our being, and reclaim the witness of the cross which binds us together as the body of Christ in saving love.

In faith and love,

Heidi

## SPIRITUAL PRACTICES AND WORSHIP FOR THE LENTEN SEASON

### **\*Ash Wednesday, February 22**

-Gather for Soup Supper at 5:45 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

-Ash Wednesday Service with imposition of ashes at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary

### **\*Wednesdays, February 29 and March 7, 14, 21, 28**

-Gather for Soup Supper at 5:45 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

-Services of Meditation, Scripture, Silence and Song in the Chapel, 6:30 – 7 p.m.

### **\*Palm/Passion Sunday with Communion (Holy Week begins), April 1**

### **\*Maundy Thursday, April 5**

-Gather for Soup Supper at 5:45 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

-Maundy Thursday Service with the Lord's Supper, 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary

### **\*Good Friday, April 6**

-12:15 p.m. service in the chapel at the foot of the cross

### **\*Easter, April 8**

-Resurrection of the Lord, 11 a.m. worship

## SOUP MAKERS NEEDED

If you are willing to help with soup preparation for the Lenten Soup Suppers, please be in touch with Vira Baker at 310-0176, or [vira\\_l\\_baker@uhc.com](mailto:vira_l_baker@uhc.com). Your gift of soup will be much appreciated and will help us practice the spiritual disciplines of simplicity and solidarity with those who hunger, during the Lenten season.



## IT IS WITH GREAT JOY THAT WE RECEIVE THESE NEW MEMBERS!

Tom Bayersdorfer – by Transfer of Letter from Bellevue Presbyterian Church, Nashville

Emily Brewer – as an affiliate member of Trinity, and member of New Providence Presbyterian Church, Marysville, TN

Ashley McFaul – coming to us from the Presbyterian Church in Ireland

Please make it a point to introduce yourself to our newest members and give them a great, big Trinity welcome!

## DIRECTORY CHANGES

Please make the following additions/changes to your church directory:

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# “Make a Joyful Noise to the Lord”

Psalm 100

by Hank Schomber

As Trinity approaches its 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, few would argue that music has been and remains one of Trinity's Treasures.

We have to look no further back than last December's "Lessons and Carols" service or the performances of our young people the following week. Or we can just contemplate the upcoming Jazz Service. The musical heritage at Trinity is solidly a part of this church's foundation.

As part of their appeal to the Nashville Presbytery to be accepted as a Presbyterian congregation in 1942, leaders proudly pointed out that the new church's readiness included "a piano."

One of the earliest acts of the new session was to hire a director of a "Young Peoples Choir."

Within a month of the church's formal organization; selecting a name and a pastor, the Session met with Deacons to discuss organizing a choir. The group made its debut on December 20 at Trinity's first Christmas celebration, complete with robes newly made by the Dorcas Society.

Constance Eberling, who was also President of the Senior Youth group, served as the church's pianist in those early months. Since she was going off to school she was replaced by Dorothy Meta Marshall in July 1943. By the end of August, Mrs Ed Keeble was engaged as soloist and choir director.

Donn Wright an assistant pastor once presented a sermon from the piano, punctuating his speaking with his playing.

Once Trinity secured the use of the Corinthian Masonic Lodge on West End for its services in January 1943, the Session created a Music Committee to coordinate the music program and obtain an organ to enhance the music.

The lodge building had been home to the Broadway Presbyterian Church until 1929 when that congregation merged with Grace Presbyterian Church and moved to 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue at Dixie Place, renaming itself Hillsboro Presbyterian Church.

They left behind the old pipe organ and initially that seemed a natural for the new church. But after years of neglect it had fallen into such disrepair that it would prove to be too expensive to make functional. Even while assessing the Corinthian Building pipe organ, the Music Committee was looking for a Hammond or other type electric organ.

Appropriate instruments were hard to find during World War II.

In September, a Hammond organ was found in Smyrna, TN. A committee of Trinity members persuaded the owner, Mrs. W.F. Stalling to sell it for \$2,000. The church paid \$1,000 up front and had a 90-day note on the balance.

It was delivered in early October and Trinity's first service with an organ was October 17, 1943.

That instrument served the church long and well. It made the move to the new Chapel (now our Fellowship Hall) in 1947.

It was still being used when the new sanctuary was completed in 1958, but it was not strong enough to be used in that facility.

The desire for a pipe organ was expressed by many in the congregation. However finances were stretched and a pipe organ seemed out of reach.

Electronic organs were considerably cheaper and their sound had been improved.

During the course of the church's discussions a dealer for electronic organs proposed providing Trinity with a large new electronic organ at no charge. The only requirement would be that the company be permitted to demonstrate the organ to prospective customers.

The electronic organ and choir were located in the Chancel area of the new Sanctuary and served Trinity for ten years.

As the church's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary approached there was a proposal to purchase a new organ as part of the celebration. Many members were pleased with the current electronic organ, but others wanted a pipe organ.

Although the electronic organ would be about one-third the cost of a pipe organ, the organ committee reported in favor of raising funds for the latter.

More than 100 members participated by making memorial contributions and/or purchasing one or more of the organ's pipes and enough funds were raised to make the dream a reality.

With the assistance of leading organists in the city, an instrument adequate for Trinity's use was purchased from Hillgreen, Lane and Company of Alliance, Ohio.

Initially it was assumed that the new pipe organ would also be located in the Chancel, but when the engineers from Hillgreen, Lane came to look at the facility, they discovered the building was not designed for a pipe organ in the front.

If placed there, it would take up almost the entire chancel, leaving only a narrow "canyon like" center aisle leading to the chancel window.

Their recommendation was to place the organ and the choir in a new balcony to be constructed in the rear.

This created new concerns. Even those in favor of a pipe organ wanted the choir to remain up front. In addition, the new balcony would increase the project cost by 50-percent.

The Session reluctantly accepted the increased costs, but persuading the congregation was something else again. Many still wanted to see who was singing "without craning their necks looking to the rear." With considerable effort, the congregation was convinced that placing the organ and choir in the rear would be appropriate.

The new instrument was dedicated at morning worship on September 22, 1968.

Trinity's organ was the 1282<sup>nd</sup> built by Hillgreen, Lane and Company and one of three in Nashville churches. One was installed at East End United Methodist Church in 1913 and one at Hobson United Methodist Church in 1959.

# SPIRITUAL FORMATION NOTES

Dear loving church family,

When I celebrated my birthday last year it was a momentous day, 11-11-11, the only time in a very long span when the date would be six recurring digits. I've been told before that the birthday 11-11 was "very powerful". People speak of coincidental numbers as angels' signs, but I'd never taken it very seriously. Now though, I have to tell you, something notable is happening that I want to share with you. In the past week I've been getting all kinds of spiritual signals that say "be aware," and having had numerous beautiful and happy experiences as if "by coincidence." I want you to know that something powerful is transpiring.

As a staff nurse doing inpatient oncology, I was aware that how I did my job was just as important as what I did. Nursing is an art as well as a science. I wanted to be a "holistic nurse" encompassing body, mind and spirit in my practice. I could not define it or articulate it formally, but I knew I was doing something important. After I became disabled, in the 1990s, as I read about the body- mind connection, I had an overwhelming conviction and desire that I could help to legitimize and validate this spiritual part of healing.

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## "Make a Joyful Noise to the Lord"

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The organ has two manuals (keyboards) and a pedal keyboard. The Great Manual controls 61 notes and another 61 are linked to the Swell Manual. The pedal manual has 32 notes. The tonal resources of the organ come from twenty-one ranks, or rows, of pipes. Each rank has its particular tonality and can be brought into use at the direction of the organist by the arrangement of the stop tablets at the two manual stoptab consoles. The entire Great and part of the Pedal Organ are exposed for better tone. The instrument contains a total of 1280 pipes.

And what of the Hammond organ the church bought for \$2,000 in 1943 and used for more than 15 years? It was sold in August, 1969 for \$950.

Ten years ago, when I left my family to move to a long-term care facility I was really stepping out in faith that God had prepared for me a whole new life. Within a year I found I had a family of faith, all of you here at Trinity Presbyterian Church. I started reading about spiritual healing. Within weeks a volunteer came through the Activities department at the nursing home to do free 15 minute massage sessions for residents. When she worked on me, I realized that she was actually doing the bio-energy healing modality called Healing Touch that I had read about. When I expressed an interest she invited me, at no charge, to participate in the Level 1 Healing Touch class she was teaching. The same spring the American Holistic Nurses Association national convention was held in Nashville. Against great odds I was blessed to be able to attend. Listening to the keynote speaker was an earthshaking experience for me. I felt like I was coming home for the first time in my life. Over the next nine years I've realized that I was a student of healing, and that the nursing home was my learning laboratory.

In my late 20s when I was an able-bodied wife, mother, and nurse, during a time of spiritual seeking I was given a Bible verse as if it bounded off the page, specific for me:

*I Peter 5:10,11 But the God of all grace who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ will, after you have suffered awhile, Himself equip, stabilize, strengthen, and firmly establish you. To him be dominion forever and ever. Amen.*  
*MLB (Berkeley version)*

Suffering doesn't always entail experiencing agony or pain. It can mean to bear, to tolerate, to abide. In that sense, the suffering part has been the living of my life. Not only have you witnessed it; you, my dear friends, have suffered it with me. We bear each other's burdens. But now I want to testify; I am empowered as I never have been. I can assure you that the promise of this verse has been coming to fruition and is being manifested now.

Be well,  
Peggy

## LENTEN SPIRITUAL RETREAT

Planning is underway for a Lenten Spiritual retreat for early March. Date will be determined as leader and participant availability are known. If you have interest in helping with planning, leading, or participating in a Lenten Spiritual Retreat to be held at Trinity on Saturday, March 3 or 10, please be in touch with Peggy Min ([min\\_margaret@yahoo.com](mailto:min_margaret@yahoo.com) or 525-7264) or Heidi Hudnut-Beumler ([heidi@trinitypresnashville.com](mailto:heidi@trinitypresnashville.com) or 297-6513).

# **SESSION HIGHLIGHTS**

**January 26, 2012**

**Heidi Hudnut-Beumler, Moderator**

Rachel Hayes was elected Clerk of Session, Booth Chapman was elected Treasurer, and Kathi Padgett was approved as bookkeeper.

Judy Schomber was elected as one of two Commissioners to the Presbytery meeting on February 4.

## **PASTOR'S REPORT**

Three new members are to join the church on Sunday, January 29, and will be presented to the congregation during worship. They are Tom Bayersdorfer, Ashley Mc Faul, and Emily Brewer (affiliate). The Session approved allowing the pastor and elders to receive Kenneth Henderson into membership at Riverbend Prison.

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### Administration and Finance

Since the second appeal did not yield the \$15,000 to cover the previously announced shortfall, the Session discussed ways to further reduce the budget. Following the discussion, the Session approved the 2012 budget, including the terms of call for the pastor, for presentation and approval by the congregation at the February 5 Annual Congregational Meeting.

### Christian Education and Personnel Committees

The two committees jointly introduced the Child and Youth Safety and Care Policies document, implementation guide, and implementation guideline, written and compiled by CE and Personnel members and chaired by Scott Baker. After discussion, the documents were approved. Personnel introduced a companion Background Checks policy, endorsing the Insurance Board as Trinity's provider. The policy was approved, but the Session requested that Personnel clarify the application of it to volunteers.

### Worship Committee:

The Session endorsed the Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, and mid-week Lenten soup suppers and services

## **LIGHTS ON! CURTAIN'S UP!**

It's time to get ready for Trinity's Talent Show...Our own celebration of gifts – from the wacky to the serious!

Save the date: Saturday, April 14 . Start thinking: What gift, what talent do you have to share?

The show will be preceded by a light supper. All ages are encouraged to be involved and to attend.

If you would like to help with planning, be part of the show, help with the set or the meal, please be in touch with Vira Baker: 310-0176 or [vira\\_l\\_baker@uhc.com](mailto:vira_l_baker@uhc.com).

and the Good Friday service. The 2012 Communion dates were approved.

The next stated meeting of the Session will be February 18 at the Session Retreat.

## **NOMINATIONS FOR CHURCH OFFICERS**

At the December meeting of the Trinity session, Turner Snodgrass and Barbara McClure were elected to serve as the session members on the 2012 Nominating Committee. Three members-at-large for this committee, as per the PC(USA) Book of Order, will be elected at the Annual Meeting on February 5.

Every year the Nominating Committee asks the congregation to submit names of members to serve as elders and trustees. Please see the listing of church officers on the second page of the newsletter to be reminded of current elders (a listing of both elders and trustees is on the Sunday bulletin). Members of the class of 2012 conclude their service in June, and new elders and trustees begin three-year terms at that time. The Nominating Committee welcomes your submission of names for their prayerful consideration. Please fill out the form provided in the bulletin starting February 12, or speak to Turner or Bar directly. And, please pray for the Nominating Committee as they seek to follow God's leading.

## **TRINITY SPONSORS NEW INMATE**

Norman Bowen will be the new inmate Trinity will sponsor and I will be mentoring in the weeks ahead. He is scheduled to meet the Parole Board in March with the hope of being paroled. He said that he is not good at writing letters but would be glad to receive any letters from anyone from Trinity that cares to write to him. Please use the church address when sending him letters. You may contact him as follows:

Norman Bowen 87828  
RMSI 6B - 122  
107475 Cockrill Bend Blvd.  
Nashville, TN 37209

# YOUTH GROUP NEWS

## Youth Group (6th-12th Grade)

**February 5—Souper Bowl and Super Bowl Sunday!**

**After worship:** Join us in collecting nonperishable food items and monetary donations for Trinity's Snack Pack Ministry

## 5:00 p.m.: Youth and Families Super Bowl Party!

The Hudnut-Beumlers have again graciously offered their house for a Super Bowl party!

**Where:** 3437 Benham Ave., Nashville, TN 37215

**RSVP:** As soon as possible to Heidi at [hhudnutb@gmail.com](mailto:hhudnutb@gmail.com) or 615-383-8241

**Bring:** Let Heidi know if you'd like to bring a side dish. The Hudnut-Beumlers will provide drinks and barbecue.

## February 19—Youth Group, Fellowship Hall, after worship 'til 1:45 p.m.

Come join us for fellowship over a delicious lunch provided by Pam Reese and Fran Ziglar! Then, we'll organize the Souper Bowl of Caring donations we receive on February 5.

## Sunday School

**Older Youth:** As always, we'll meet in the Tower Room from 10:00-10:45 a.m.

**February 5 & 12—Faith Questions:** What makes Jesus so great?

**February 19 & 26—Faith Questions:** Who do you say I am?

**Younger Youth:** As always, we'll meet in the classroom upstairs in the education wing from 10:00-10:45 a.m.

## Choirs!

**Celebration Choir** will meet later in the month. Stay tuned for more information from Valerie ([valerieoyen@gmail.com](mailto:valerieoyen@gmail.com))

**Sounds of Joy** meets each Sunday from 9:30-10 a.m. in the Chapel. For more information, contact Mary Virginia Bond at [lmbvbond@bellsouth.net](mailto:lmbvbond@bellsouth.net).

## BRAD BROWN ON JEOPARDY!

Mark your calendar to watch for Trinity's Brad Brown, competing in the Teachers' Tournament of Jeopardy! on MYTV30 (Channel 14 or HD1014) the week of February 15-19. Brad, your Trinity rooting section is with you in spirit!

# YOUNG ADULT NEWS

Friends,

Please mark your calendars for the following third-Saturday Young Adult gatherings:

**Saturday, February 18**

**Saturday, March 17;**

**Saturday, April 21**

These gatherings typically begin at 5:30 p.m. and conclude based on the consensus of those attending. Details of the scheduled events are forthcoming and largely based on your interests and feedback.

If you wish to contribute ideas or suggestions, or if you would like to host an event, please contact me. Below are a few ideas I offer up for your consideration:

- \*Guided contemplative prayer
- \*Food and fellowship (potluck at someone's home or at church)
- \*Dine together at a local restaurant
- \*Host or attend a cooking demonstration
- \*Host or attend a wine tasting
- \*Visit a local family farm
- \*Volunteer as a group at local non-profit
- \*Select, meet and discuss a topic from The Thoughtful Christian (see [http://www.thethoughtfulchristian.com/TabCenter/Young\\_Adults.aspx](http://www.thethoughtfulchristian.com/TabCenter/Young_Adults.aspx)).

Finally, I am thankful that so many of you have accepted my invitation to a one-on-one "coffee and conversation." I have thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to meet, talk with and get to know you better. If we have not met one-on-one, but you have an interest, do please contact me.

Grace and Peace,

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# SPECIAL GROUP ACTIVITY MEETINGS YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN ONE OR MORE!

\*\*\*The **Men's Breakfast Group** meets on Thursday mornings at 7:00 a.m. Lonny Bond is the group's facilitator. Provocative articles on faith and life provoke lively discussion. Bring a brown bag breakfast. Newcomers to the group are always welcome!

\*\*\*The **Trekker's Group** meets on occasional Saturday mornings or Sunday afternoons, and welcomes hikers of all ages and ability levels. Upcoming hikes are to Big South Fork/Pickett State Park on March 30-31 and the Annual Smokies Wildflower Weekend on April 29,30, and May 1. Booth Chapman is the intrepid leader of this group.

\*\*\*You are invited to join the **Changing Gears** group for lunch and fellowship at Westminster Presbyterian on Wednesday, February 15, at 11 a.m. Reservations for lunch are required by noon on Monday, February 13 and there is a \$10 charge for lunch. Call the Westminster church office (292-5526) if you'd like more information.

\*\*\***Dancing on the Edge Women's Book Group** generally meets the second and fourth Monday evenings at 7 p.m. in the Trinity parlor. . The book for February is *The Lacuna* by Barbara Kingsolver, author of a number of previous book group selections. This novel, set both in Mexico and the U.S., has been called one of her most accomplished. Discussion of the book selected for each month is most focused at the second meeting. All Trinity women and friends are invited to come at any time for fellowship, discussion and occasional celebrations.

## DONATIONS REQUESTED FOR PDA HYGIENE KITS

As part of the One Great Weekend of Service projects, set for March 24-25, Trinity will again assemble Hygiene Kits for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. We are asking for donations of the following items beginning February 12:

- \*Hand towels (approximately 16" x 28"; no fingertip bath towels)
- \*Washcloths
- \*Bars of Soap (bath size in wrapper)
- \*Toothbrushes (individual in original packaging)
- \*Band-Aids or other adhesive bandages
- \*Nail clipper (no metal files or emery boards; remove from package)

A bin will be located in the East Hall for collection of your donated items.

Each year we are asked about the inclusion of toothpaste in the Hygiene Kits. Here is the statement from the PDA website: "Please do not add toothpaste to the Hygiene Kit. Toothpaste which has an extended expiration date will be added to Hygiene Kit shipments just prior to shipment."

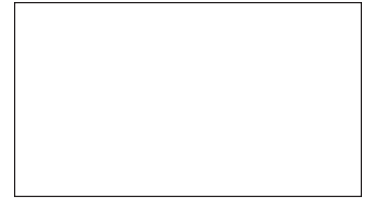
## KELSEY LALMAN BEGINS INTERNSHIP IN DC

Trinity Church's Kelsey Lalman has begun her D.C. internship with the Pilgrimage and Bread for the World. Kelsey is part of our Young Adult Ministry and an undergraduate student at Belmont. You may follow her internship experiences at the following website:

[http://thepilgrimage.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=226%3Alatest-news-main-2&catid=3](http://thepilgrimage.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=226%3Alatest-news-main-2&catid=3)



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## FEBRUARY WORSHIP SCHEDULE AND LECTIONARY READINGS

- February 5**      **Fifth Sunday After Epiphany/Celebration of the Lord's Supper**  
Isaiah 40:21-31; Psalm 147:1-11, 20c; 1 Corinthians 9:16-23; Mark 1:29-39
- February 12**      **Sixth Sunday After Epiphany/Jazz Worship Service**  
2 Kings 5:1-14; Psalm 30; 1 Corinthians 9:24-27; Mark 1:40-45
- February 19**      **Transfiguration of the Lord**  
2 Kings 2:1-12; Psalm 50:1-6; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6; Mark 9:2-9
- February 22**      **Ash Wednesday**  
Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 or Isaiah 58:1-12; Psalm 51:1-17; 2 Corinthians 5:20b--6:10;  
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21
- February 26**      **First Sunday in Lent**  
Genesis 9:8-17; Psalm 25:1-10; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:9-15