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Alpha: Calling All 20 Somethings

Starting Sunday, September 13th from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. we are hosting our first 20 Somethings community event. The goal is to gather our 20 Somethings community around the core questions of the Christian faith presented by the Alpha Course.

You may be asking the question, **“Am I a 20 Something?”** Well, if you are asking the question, you probably are a 20 Something. Here are some general guidelines: if you completed high school, single or married or parents, enrolled in higher education or a trade school, or in the first five to seven years of your career you are probably a 20 Something. If you are still unsure, please talk to our staff.

You may be asking the question, **“What if I am not a 20 Something but I still want to serve?”** Well, this is a great place to start serving at Trinity Downtown. There is no age limit to serving and the staff will find a meaningful way for you to serve the 20 Somethings Community.



Alpha

The key elements of the gatherings are as follows:

1. A catered meal from a local vendor. (Goodnews, you don't have to cook.)
2. A 20-minute video based on a key question of the Christian Faith
3. 45-60 minutes of Small Group discussion
4. The gathering is complete by 7:00 p.m. so you can prepare for school or work.
5. Getting to build community and make new friendships.

The Alpha Course includes questions like **“Is there more to life than this?”** or **“Who is Jesus?”** The course is a ten-week course completing on Sunday, November 15th. Also, it includes a one day class on Saturday, November 1st on the person of the Holy Spirit. The Alpha course will be held each Sunday in the Multi-Purpose Room (MPR) at the former LEAH Downtown Preschool.

We are excited to start gathering our 20 Something Community and if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the lead Alpha host, Pastor Lonnie Gonzales at lgonzales@trinitydt.org.

Project Chill Silent Auction, BINGO and Pizza Party - September 27th

The Project Chill Committee is making its final push to help retire the entire cost of the HVAC replacement project. We appreciate your steadfast and generous hearts throughout the campaign!

For our final event on September 27th, we are having a Silent Auction, BINGO and Pizza Party from 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. There will be food, fun, and prizes galore.

Here's a sneak peak of our current auction items:



- **Item #1: Holy Smokers Waygu Brisket**

Description: This mouth-watering item features a slow-smoked, tender whole waygu brisket prepared by the Holy Smokers team, seasoned to perfection and ready to feed a crowd of up to 20 people! It will be frozen, vacuumed sealed, and ready to go!

- **Item #2: Majorica Bracelet**

Description: This item is a beautiful rigid bracelet in rhodium-plated steel with 12mm white round pearls. This collection of bracelets is made of a high-quality steel and adorned with pearls, and each piece has been created to combine the sobriety of steel with the timelessness of pearls.

- **Item #3: Texas Stain Glass Window**

Description: Show your pride for Texas by displaying this beautiful stain glass window of the Texas flag made by Ron Mueller.

- **Item #4: Haley's Prize Winning Chili**

Description: This chili contains, beans, ground beef, tomatoes, onions, 3 types of chilies and a delicious blend of spices. Alex and Haley combined her Grandpa's recipe with a little bit of their own ingenuity to create a one of a kind "newly wed chili". It is kid friendly but still has a little bit of spice and a delicious smoky flavor that will have everyone in your house coming back for more!

- **Item #5: Astros Tickets**

Description: Support the Astros in the playoffs! Two Club level seats and a parking pass.

- **Item #6: Afghan Blankets**

- Description: We will have several beautiful full-size and lap throw afghans made by Stacie Hemann.

- **Item #7: Homemade Dinner for 4**

Description: Take Sunday night off! Enjoy a delicious, homemade dinner for four prepared by Sherry Johnson. She will contact you to learn your favorite foods, cook a fresh meal, and bring it to church on Sunday so you can relax at home that day instead of cooking dinner.

- **Item #8: Three Bottles of SERCA Wines**

Description: Three Bottles of Serca Wines: Malbec Rose, Corte Blanc, and Malbec Reserva. SERCA Wines was born as a result of a longtime dream that Houston residents, Sergio and Carolina Weitzman had of creating an ultra high quality wine. SERCA is a 6-acre vineyard located in Uco Valley, Mendoza. They have a wine room located in Houston Heights neighborhood.

- **Item #9: Houston Symphony Concert Ticket**

Description: We have 6 opportunities to attend a Houston Symphony concert:

1) Rachmaninoff's Second Symphony on 10/4/26 at 2:00 p.m.

- 2) Rachmaninoff Concerto No. 3 on 10/11/26 at 2:00 p.m.
- 3) Mozart's Jupiter & Jiji on 10/18/26 at 2:00 p.m.
- 4) Shostakovich 9th Symphony on 11/8/26 at 2:00 p.m.
- 5) Profokiev's Symphony No. 7 on 11/29/26 at 2:00 p.m.
- 6) Dvorak's Symphony No. 8 on 12/26/26 at 2:00 p.m.

It is just 1 ticket for each performance. Ticket location is Row Z 115 (on the orchestra floor) handicapped row. These tickets can be exchanged if you would like to add 2 or more tickets for the same concert!

- **Experience #1: Whisky Tasting**

Description: Have a whisky tasting party for you and up to 12 guests. Gregg Gunn and Mark Anderson will guide your guests through a tasting of several types of whisky. They will supply the glasses, whisky, a door prize or two, and lots of fun. Gregg and Mark went to Scotland a few years ago and took part in a whisky tour and have since enjoyed sharing their experience and knowledge of whisky.

- **Experience #2: Play the Church Organ and the Carillon Bells**

Description: Experience the majestic sounds of our church like never before. This package offers a one-on-one lesson with our talented musician, Carla Barrows. You will get a chance to not only play the organ but Carla will also take you up the tower to play our carillon bells.

- **Experience #3: Parent Night Out**

Description: Give yourself a worry-free night out with baby-sitting services provided by the fantastic Shay Sonneborn! Whether you have a newborn, a busy toddler, or energetic young children, your little ones will be in safe, experienced, and highly capable hands. To make your evening even more relaxing, Shay is a fully licensed driver with her own reliable transportation. You will not need to coordinate pickup or drop-off logistics at the end of your night.

- **Experience #4: Overnight at the Grady Ranch**

Description: Looking for a quick family getaway this October* or a guys or gals weekend retreat? Stay at the beautiful Grady Ranch in Shiner, TX! There is room for 3 couples. There is also an RV that has a queen size bed and two kid beds with air-conditioning and full hook up. If more accommodations are needed, Grady has two blowup queen size mattresses and neighbors with Airbnbs to rent (not included).

Now for the fun part: planning your activities! The following options are:

1. Visit to the best brewery in Texas in Shiner that has just opened a wonderful distillery and restaurant. Book tables at the restaurant for Saturday night, RSVP and Dutch treat.
2. Visit the famous painted churches or historic Gonzales.
3. Sit around the pond and watch people catch catfish (fishing poles and bait provided).
4. Relax on the porch (1400 sq. ft.) and watch a beautiful sunset and a starry sky. Take quiet walks around the lovely property.
5. Play board, card and domino games, ping pong, and even target and clay shoots are available.

*Pick one of the following Saturdays in October 2026: 3rd, 10th, or 17th.

Help us finish the Project Chill Campaign strong! If you would like to donate an item for the silent auction, please contact Kris Sonneborn (krissonne@yahoo.com) or see the sign up sheet at the Welcome Desk.

We can't do this without you. Only \$23,204 (as of August 26) remains to reach the goal.

Your Project Chill Committee

Blood Donor Sunday - September 20th

Our next Blood Donor Sunday will be held September 20th, 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the gym. If you would prefer a special time, please sign up [online](#) or use the QR code. While scheduling an appointment ahead of time gives us an estimate of how many donors to expect and the Blood Center sends out the appropriate number of workers; an added bonus is we take scheduled appointments prior to walk-ups.

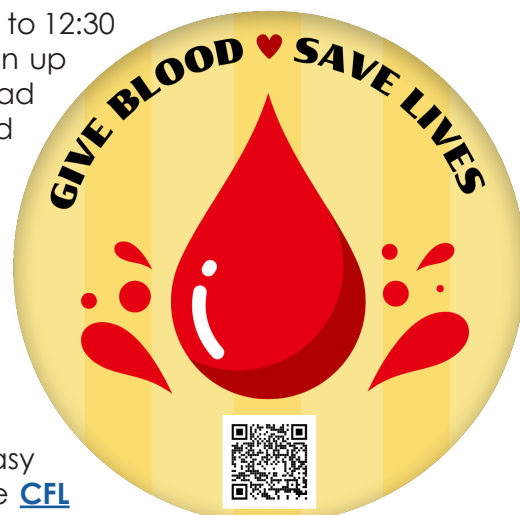
We look forward to a very successful drive. Double red cell and combination whole blood and plasma machines will be available for those wishing to donate that way. Both count for two donations.

Save time with the DIGITAL DONOR APP. The App makes it easy to find a blood drive, schedule your donation and answer the [CFL Express Pass](#) health history interview before you arrive.

REMINDER!! The minimum donor age requirement to give blood is 16 years old with a parent's permission. Weight must be 122 lbs. (110 lbs. for 17 and older) and in general good health.

REMEMBER: One unit of blood can save as many as three lives as it is broken down into three components – red blood cells, platelets and plasma.

Successful donors receive a free pair of socks and cholesterol screening.



*Faith Discovery
- New Member
Class*

**Come discover more
about the Christian Faith
and Trinity Downtown.
Prospective members
and members are all
welcome to attend.**

**Class begins
Sunday, September 13
10:15 - 11:15 am
Room 123**

**Contact Pastor Dorn at mdorn@trinitydt.org or
Pastor Lonnie at lgonzales@trinitydt.org for
more information.**

Trinity Sack Lunch Ministry

Volunteers are needed to occasionally serve as substitutes for our sack lunch ministry.

Lunches are handed out from 9:00 - 11:30 a.m., Monday - Friday.

Please contact Sharon Balke at 713.249.5446 or s.balke@sbcglobal.net to volunteer or for more information.





Membership Report

MEMBERSHIP IN

Baptisms

- Emma Kate Daily - 06/14/26
- Christopher Ryan Reyes, Jr. - 06/25/26
- Joseph Alexander Reyes - 06/25/26
- Ava Elizabeth Simmerman - 06/25/26

MEMBERSHIP OUT

Transfer

- Stuart Medack to Good Shepherd LCMS - Angleton, TX

To Glory

- Richard "Rick" Myron Berg, Jr. - 07/07/26
- Eldeen Merna Cattau - 08/01/26
- Arlene Ruth Koerselman - 08/08/25

Worship Service Volunteer Sign-Up

In my first week of employment here at Trinity Downtown I was handed a list of Worship Teams and Team Leads by Mary Voigt. I was amazed by the dedication of the volunteers who help Sunday mornings come together. There are many ways you can serve on Sunday mornings: Being a greeter and welcoming first time visitors and members, Driving the Trinity golf cart to help people safely cross the street, Learning how tech that runs our service in-person and online works. Helping the pew pocket team get the Sanctuary pews ready before worship even begins and many other ways.



Thank you to every team lead and volunteer who helps with Worship and our ministries! If you want to indicate your interest in serving during Worship you can fill out the Worship Volunteer Interest Form on TCB or by scanning the QR code.

With appreciation,
Rebecca Castillo,
Director of Music and Worship

2026 GOVERNING BOARD

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Mike Sterling (Elder)

Minutes of the Governing Board meetings are available to our members at the Welcome Center.

Twenty-Five Years of Faithful Service: Thank You, Pam Schroeder

Pam Schroeder joined the staff of Trinity Downtown on August 1, 2001. On Sunday, August 2, we recognized her twenty-five years of service, and the congregation rose to its feet. The applause went on and on — not polite applause, but the kind that comes from people who know exactly what they are grateful for. It was, in the truest sense, praise to God for the gift He gave this congregation on August 1, 2001.

The Work You See Without Seeing It

Pam serves as our Communications Coordinator, which is a tidy title for a job that is anything but tidy. Consider one Sunday morning. The announcement slides and graphics on the screens — Pam. The hymns, the readings, the liturgy projected so that every person in the room can sing and confess and pray together — Pam. Every element arrived there because she prepared it, checked it, and made sure it was ready before the first note of the prelude.



Then look past Sunday. *Trinity Today*, our monthly newsletter, is her work from first page to posting. The digital marquee on our corner is her work — every message, every graphic, seen by thousands of people who drive past 800 Houston Ave. and may never step inside. The weekly email that lands in your inbox, carrying my note to you alongside the announcements, is assembled and sent by Pam. Worship folders for funerals and weddings, often prepared on short notice and always with care for a family in a tender moment — Pam. The certificates for baptisms, weddings, first communions, and confirmations, the ones you framed or tucked into a Bible — Pam prepared those, too.

Here is the remarkable thing about all of it: you have probably never once thought about who did it. That is precisely the mark of how well she does it. Communications work is only noticed when it goes wrong, and for twenty-five years it has not gone wrong.

The Highest Compliment We Can Pay Her

At Trinity we work hard to care for our staff, and part of that means encouraging everyone to actually take their vacation. When most of us announce we'll be away, the response is warm and genuine: Good for you, enjoy it, we've got you covered.

When Pam announces she is going on vacation, the room gasps.

There is a groan, and then a long silence while everyone quietly calculates what they are going to have to figure out. We mean it with love. We also mean it literally — her responsibilities are the hardest on staff to cover, because so much of what she does lives in her hands and her head and her impossibly high standards. We are always glad she goes. We are always gladder when she comes back.

Our E. F. Hutton

For those old enough to remember the commercials: when E. F. Hutton talks, people listen. That is Pam in a staff meeting.

She is easy to talk with one-on-one, but in meetings she is usually quiet, listening while the rest of us think out loud. And then Pam speaks — and the room settles, because we have learned that she does not speak to fill the air. She speaks when she has something wise to say, and she is nearly always

right. She is helpful. She is a hard worker. She is a perfectionist, which is a wonderful quality to have in the person responsible for making sure the words in front of a grieving family are correct.

Serving the Word

There is something fitting about Pam's particular calling. Ours is a church built on the Word — read, preached, sung, confessed. And Pam's daily work is putting words in front of God's people so that we can receive them together.

St. Paul writes that the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and that the members we think less honorable are given greater honor (1 Corinthians 12:22-23). Much of Pam's ministry is invisible by design. But it is indispensable, and on August 2 this congregation gave it exactly the honor it deserves.

Pam, thank you for twenty-five years of excellence, wisdom, and quiet faithfulness. We thank God for you, and we are so glad you're at Trinity.

Pastor Michael P. Dorn

A note from Pam: Thank you to Pastor Dorn, the staff and the congregation for your love and support over the past twenty-five years. It is a privilege to serve at Trinity Downtown,



Join the choir at Trinity Downtown! We sing an average of 2-3 Sundays a month and festival services! All experience levels welcome!

Email rcastillo@trinitydy.org for more information

Save the date for the following rehearsals:

Sunday, September 13th

Saturday, October 10th

Saturday, November 14th

Sunday, December 6th

Times and additional details can be found in the Sanctuary Choir group on TCB.

Ladies Circle

The Trinity Ladies Circle will meet on Thursday, September 3rd. Fellowship time begins at 9:30 a.m. in the Gathering Area with the meeting following at 10:00 a.m.

We will have our quarterly cold-dish potluck luncheon. Please bring a dish to share.

The presentation will include highlights of this summer's LWML Texas District Convention held in Austin, TX.

Join us and bring a friend!

For more information, feel free to reach out to Trudy Mitchell, President, at trudyam99@hotmail.com.



News from Our Youth and Children's Ministries Director

Hey, Trinity Families,

August has been an amazing month! Our youth ministry had an amazing lake day event and the lock in was fantastic! If you missed the 5th-12th Grade Youth Ministry Parents Meeting click [this link](#) or scan the QR code on page 11 to get the information.

In this folder you will find:

- Meeting Recording and links to forms discussed during the meeting
- Printable Youth Calendar (With an updated October date)
- Searchable Youth Calendar
- First Communion and Confirmation Calendars
- Calendar Subscription Links
- Christmas Pageant Information
- Youth Leadership Team Calendar

Our students did an awesome job preparing and speaking at our Share Holders Dinner. They shared stories and insights from the mission trip with poise and grace that truly impressed everyone in attendance. We also celebrated with Xandor as his internship came to a close!

Kick-off Sunday was such a beautiful Sunday! We had tons of families join us for Sunday School and 210 people join us for lunch. We made so many sweet memories!

Check out some pictures from August at Trinity Downtown!









September looks forward to:

September 1st: College Care Package Donations

Want to support our recently graduated high school seniors in their next chapter? We're making care packages for them on October 11th during Sunday School. If you would like to purchase some of the supplies needed please order from our [Amazon Wish List](#), scan the QR code below or contact Haley if you have any questions!

Another way you can support our recent high school grads is by writing them a prayer card that will be printed and put into their packages. Click [here](#) to submit your prayers!

If you have any questions please call or text me!

September 1st: Acolyte Training Sign Ups

Please fill out this [form](#) if you are interested in acolyting on Sundays. We will schedule time for a walkthrough before your first gig. We will cover what you do, when you need to be there, who you check in with, how you get robed up and so on! This is also a refresher training for all current acolytes.

**Confirmation students remember this is one of the ways you can serve if you aren't already serving. This a great opportunity to get involved.*

September 13th: Youth Hang Out

5th-12th grade come join us for an awesome hang out September 13th from 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at Trinity Downtown! We will start in the youth room for devo's and lunch. Then we will transition to the gym for games! While we would love an RSVP by September 9th, day of participation is welcomed!

Click [here](#) to RSVP or scan the QR code at the bottom of the page.

Parents please note: This event will be led by volunteers. Pastor Lonnie will be the staff on duty. The youth leadership team wants to keep our events as consistently on the same weekend as possible so we decided to go forward with this hang out event even though I will be out of town.

Thank you to everyone who continues to support youth and children's ministry at Trinity Downtown! We are so grateful for you and everything you do!

Blessings,

Haley Zimmerman, Director of Youth and Children's Ministries



Parents Meeting



Amazon Wish List



Prayers



Acolyte



Youth Hang Out

Lutheran World Relief

Lutheran World Relief (LWR) is an organization which works with Lutherans and other partner organizations around the world to end poverty, injustice and human suffering. LWR was created in 1945 to provide relief to Europe after World War II and has continued providing help and support to over 37.3 million people in 40 countries including United States, Ukraine, and Venezuela. When disaster strikes, LWR provides life-saving relief and support to those most in need and continues long after the headlines have faded, working with communities to rebuild their lives and recover their livelihoods. In the United States, LWR helped people in Spokane after the fire and in the Texas hill country after the flood. LWR, along with local partners, helps people to have access to clean water and health care, teaches people about water management, diseases of poverty, and agricultural techniques, and provides people with the skills to participate in the decision-making processes that affect their lives. Small-scale farmers have access to markets through LWR such as Fair Trade Coffee and Fair Trade Chocolate. LWR is part of the Lutheran Malaria Initiative to eliminate deaths from malaria in Africa. To learn more about LWR, go to www.lwr.org. The Ladies Circle Ministries members support LWR by assembling the kits of care. The Houston area gathering of the quilts and kits to be sent to LWR will be on Saturday, November 7th.

The Ladies Circle Ministries members want to encourage our Trinity family to make the kits of care. A kit is a simple expression of comfort to those suffering, of love to those in need, and of dignity and hope in the direst situations. **Please bring your kits to church by Sunday, November 1st and take them to Room 232.**

PERSONAL CARE KITS

- 1 bath-size towel (approximately 52" x 27"), dark color recommended
- 2 bath-size bars (4 to 5 ounces each) of soap, any brand, in original wrapping
- 1 adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging*
- 1 sturdy comb, remove packaging
- 1 metal nail clippers, remove packaging



*Toothbrush multi-packs may be used by sealing the individual toothbrush in a business envelope; no plastic bags or wrap

Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed. All items should be new or in good condition. Wrap all items in the towel and tie securely with ribbons or yarns. Do not use any plastic bags.

SCHOOL KITS

- 4 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper, approximately 8" x 10½"; no loose leaf paper
- 1 30-cm ruler or ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other side; pack in a notebook
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 1 blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- 5 unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
- 5 black/blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band
- 1 box 16 or 24 crayons
- 1 2½" eraser
- 1 sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag, approximately 14" x 17" with shoulder straps (no standard backpacks)



Do not add other items or leave out any item listed. All items should be new and in good condition. Remove excess packaging; pack all items in bag and close. Do not enclose the kit or any of its items in plastic bags.

BABY CARE KITS

- 2 light weight cotton t-shirts (no Onesies®)
- 2 long- or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet)
- 2 receiving blankets, medium weight cotton or flannel or crocheted or knitted with light weight yarn, up to 52" square
- 4 cloth diapers, flat fold preferred
- 1 jacket, sweater, or sweatshirt with hood, or include a baby cap
- 2 pairs of socks
- 1 hand towel, dark color recommended
- 2 bath-size bars (4 to 5 ounces each) of gentle soap, in original wrapping
- 2 diaper pins or large safety pins



Sizes up to 24 months may be used. Varying sizes of the clothing items will make the Baby Care Kit useful as the baby grows. Sweaters with buttons or tie down the front are preferred. Diapers can be made from flannel. Gently used, clean items (no stains or tears) may be substituted for new ones. Wrap items in one of the receiving blankets and secure with diaper pins. Do not enclose the kit or any of its items in plastic bags.

Donated items should not have any religious symbols, messages or Trinity's name or be decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols or references to the armed forces, including camouflage.

JOIN THE TRINITY HANDBELLS



REHEARSALS IN ROOM 214
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

September 20 September 27
October 4 October 11

🎵 **October 18 - Play in Worship**

REHEARSALS IN ROOM 214
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

December 6
December 13 - Rehearsal in Loft
December 20



**Wednesday,
December 23 -
Pageant Dress
Rehearsal
*Dinner included**

**Thursday,
December 24 -
Christmas Pageant
*Dinner included**

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Children, Youth and Adult Bible Studies

Please consider joining one or more of our Bible studies. It's a wonderful way to begin a new spiritual discipline. Virtual login information is available on Trinity's website www.trinitydt.org. Children and youth classes are in person unless indicated otherwise. Adult classes are either virtual, in person or hybrid.

SUNDAYS - CHILDREN (10:15 - 11:15 AM)

Nursery (Infants - age 2) - Room 234

Kingdom Quest 2 & 3 year olds - Room 233

Kingdom Quest 4 & 5 year olds - Room 232

Kingdom Quest 1st Grade - 4th Grade - Kingdom Hall (basement)

SUNDAYS - YOUTH

Foundations 56 (5th-6th grades) - 10:15-11:15 AM - Room 207

Confirmation (7th-8th grades) - 10:15-11:15 AM - Room 208

High School (9th-12th grades) - 10:15-11:15 AM - Underground

SUNDAYS - ADULT

Discipleship Bible Study - The Whole Story - Creation to Jesus

Led by Group of Members - 10:15-11:15 AM - Room 125 - In Person

This Bible study series covers creation through the redemptive story in the Old Testament. It is perfect for people interested in learning a simple and reproducible model to study Scripture in a group setting. The study is sponsored and facilitated by a committed group of members at Trinity Downtown. Participants can come and go throughout the series.

Faith Discovery - New Member Class (Class begins September 13th.)

Led by Pastor Lonnie Gonzales - 10:15-11:15 AM - Room 123 - In Person

Come discover more about the Christian faith and Trinity Downtown. Members and prospective members are all welcome to join us.

Letters to Marc About Jesus

Led by Mike and Katherine Gilmore - 10:15-11:15 AM - Room 206 - In Person

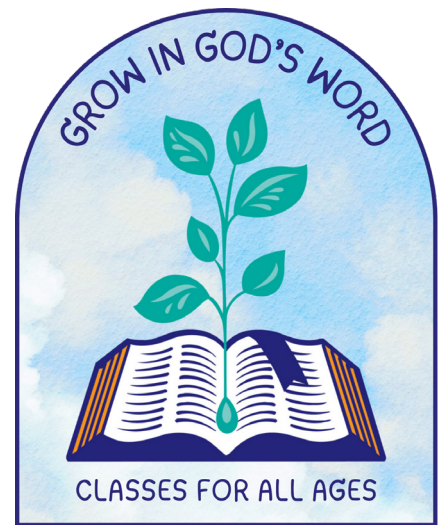
Ever wonder how you can talk with your kids about Jesus? Now you have a chance to discuss faith formation with others. This 8-week series will mirror the same content as the high school class. There's something special that happens when you're learning the same truths your child is learning—even if you're in separate rooms. But even if you are not a parent of a high school student, this book and conversation will give you tools to discuss your faith and understand Jesus in a new way.

Join us as we read through a collection of letters about Jesus written by a pastor to his nephew Marc. The implications for our kids are obvious. The insights for every Christian regardless of age are undeniable.

Philippians

Led by Pastor Paul Dorn - 7:00-8:00 PM - Virtual

In this study we will be working through what some have called "A Letter of Joy." It is joy that grows out of a living, resolute total confidence in God's grace. Such a trust in God's grace fills a person's heart and life with joy and good cheer, no matter the circumstances. The class meets virtually and will be held each Sunday evening at 7:00 p.m. beginning Sunday, August 16. If you would like to participate in this study, email Pastor Paul Dorn at pbdorn6@gmail.com. He will email you a link for the meeting on Zoom and his outline for the class.



The Bible Alive ... God In Action

Led by John Reisig - 10:15-11:15 AM - Room 124 - In Person

In this study, each Sunday offers a single, stand-alone topic. The material covered each week will provide a meaningful experience for regular participants, visitors to Trinity Downtown, and for those simply looking to get back into a routine of attending Bible study. The single topic format ensures that no one will be lost or feel behind during the study, and will feel welcome and encouraged to attend at any time. Bibles will be provided and utilized each week. Providing historical context to the scriptural message, and modern application of His word, the Bible will "Come Alive," and show that God has been working throughout history, and is still working today out of love for His people.

The Seven Deadly Sins

Led by Jim Cleary - 10:15-11:15 AM - Room 205 - Hybrid

Join us as we learn about the seven root vices that give rise to many other sins. Christian tradition calls these "deadly" not because they are unforgivable, but because they are root sins that produce many other sins and can lead a person away from God if left unchecked. They are diseases of the heart and also a mirror for examining ourselves. They reveal common ways human beings seek fulfillment apart from God and invite us to repentance, faith, and growth in the corresponding virtues of humility, kindness, patience, generosity, chastity, self-control, and diligence. Discussion oriented.

Thessalonians 1 & 2

Led by Steve Maynard - 10:15-11:15 AM - Room 201 - Hybrid

The class will look at daily living with the encouragement, strength and guidance of Christ from Saint Paul's Epistles to the Thessalonians.

TUESDAYS - ADULTS

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study - LifeLight: John

Led by Karen Maynard - 10:00-11:30 AM - Room 205 - Hybrid *(Class will resume on September 15th.)*

This study is part of the LifeLight Bible study series of in-depth studies of Bible books. The goal of LifeLight is that through a regular program of in-depth personal and group study of Scripture, more and more Christian adults may grow in their personal faith in Jesus Christ.

WEDNESDAYS - ADULTS

Women's Bible Study - The Gospel of Mark *(Class will resume on September 9th.)*

Led by Mary Oliver - 6:30-7:45 PM - Virtual

Wednesday Evening Women's Bible Study will start up on September 9 from 6:30-7:45 p.m. to study the Gospel of Mark. We meet on zoom to facilitate women returning from work, watching their children, or trying to stay off the roads after dark.

The Gospel of Mark was most likely written during the time of the persecution of the Gentile believers in Rome. John Mark wrote what he learned about Jesus' ministry from following Peter and hearing his many sermons and teachings about our Savior.

All women are welcome to become a part of our Wednesday evening study.

Virtual Midweek Spiritual Check-in

Led by Jim Cleary - 7:00-8:00 PM - Virtual

THURSDAYS - ADULTS

Sonrise Bible Study

Led by Bill Fischer, Pastor Black and individual class members - 7:30-8:30 AM - Virtual

This member-led virtual class primarily discusses the Scripture readings assigned for the following Sunday. The class is open to men and women. For more information contact Bill Fischer at 832.459.3241 or the church office.

Christmas Pageant

Committee Meetings

Sept. 20, Oct. 18th, and Nov. 15th in-person at 11:30 AM in Room 124

Costume Fittings

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