

THE BASICS ABOUT TRINITY

Trinity Community Church

Trinity is affiliated with the Evangelical Free Church of America (EFCA), a fellowship of 1500 churches, one of the fastest growing denominations in America today. "Evangelical" comes from the word for "good news" or "gospel". It means that we believe in the good news that Christ died to pay for our sins and rose again from the dead. "Free" means we believe in the freedom of each local to govern its own affairs.

Our Purpose

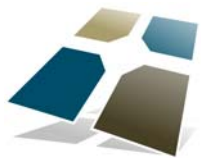
As a local body of Christ's church, Trinity Community Church seeks to be a serving, disciple-making community through the involvement of its people in **worship, instruction, fellowship and evangelism** (Matthew 28:19-20; Acts 2:41-47).

New To Trinity?

Need to find out the most up-to-date info for Trinity? Be sure to check out our website at www.trytrinity.org. If you are interested receiving all-church emails, please contact Carol Worley (303-9911 or carolworley@bellsouth.net). Interested in membership? Contact Pastor Ken. We're delighted you're here!

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This Month At TRINITY August 2010

A LAMP TO MY FEET—A LIGHT TO MY PATH

Recently, the daily Tabletalk Bible study I use focused specifically on the Word of God. That day the study text was Joshua 1:8 - "*Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth. Meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.*" Later that day, when I met in my 3-man weekly accountability group, the Bible memory verse I was assigned to recite was Joshua 1:8! I quoted it perfectly, of course. Actually, I stumble at times in quoting the verses, but my accountability partners are patient and kind to me.

I was reminded in that Tabletalk study that we have a crucial need for regular, personal Bible reading. Devotional reading will nourish and refresh us in walk with Christ. But, we need more than only personal devotional study. We need some heavy duty study, too! Let me suggest and urge you to do one of these soon:

- Read through a Bible book and outline it. This will enhance your knowledge of its content.
- Read through a Bible book and pick up an interesting or troubling topic that arises in the text and study it in order to understand and apply it better to you life. Not everything in the Scriptures is "milk"; the Apostle Peter calls some things "the meat of the Word".
- Read through a Bible book and study the life of a person who appears in the text. You may want to read the book of Joshua, for instance, and focus on what you can learn from the life of this great and godly man.

Of course, to do this means deciding to carve out time from busy schedules. It takes a commitment to reserve time. It certainly is easier to spend time on the computer or on our hand-helds or watching TV, but Word of God is the life-blood for our spiritual well being. It is the light to our path and lamp to our feet.



AUGUST SERMON SCHEDULE

- 1 The Tabernacle: The Table of Showbread (Exodus 25:23-30)
- 8 Guest Speaker: Dr. Jason Miller
- 15 The Altar of Incense (Exodus 30:1-10)
- 22 The Holy Place (Exodus 26:30-37)
- 29 The Most Holy Place (Exodus 25:20-22; 26:33-35)

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL IN AUGUST

Again in August all adults will meet in the Worship Center for a 4-part video series "Christianity and Islam". The series begins August 8. Today, Islam is the fastest growing religion in the world, with more than 13,000 mosques in North America. Now that Muslims are our neighbors, how do we talk to them about Christ? What beliefs do we share in common? Where do we differ? Does it matter? This series avoids condemnation of all Muslims on the one hand, and compromising of Christian truth claims on the other. The presentations set forth basic and foundational differences between Christianity and Islam and the implications for how we understand God, Christ and the meaning of salvation.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT TO MAKE VISIT

Our District Superintendent Glen Schrieber will make a visit later this month August 15-16. He will be with us for Sunday morning worship and then lead us in a discussion during the evening Congregational meeting. He will also spend time with the Elders Monday evening as they continue the evaluation of our status and future.

WI-FI PASSWORD

If you want to use your laptop at church (not during worship!) and want to access the web, the password is "Hanrahan123".

PROMOTIONAL CARDS

When was the last time you invited a friend or neighbor to come with you to church? How about inviting someone to the church campout? Using a promotional card is a good tool in making your invitation. Pick up them on the literature table in the foyer.

BALLROOM IS BACK AT TRINITY

Trinity is sponsoring a 4-week session of beginning ballroom dance lessons with Dick Hensley this September. You'll learn the basics of two of the most popular dances at public events — foxtrot and swing. Dick has taught group and private ballroom in the Raleigh, California and Texas for over 20 years, and has competed and judged the Southern Women's Show "Dancing Like The Stars" competition for the past three years. His easy-to follow teaching style will get you up and out on the dance floor in no time!

Dates for lessons are Wednesdays, September 8, 15, 22 and 29 from 7:30-8:30pm. Cost is \$20 per person/\$40 per couple. No partner necessary, but bring one if you like ;) Students of high school age welcome. This is a great event to invite friends, neighbors, relatives and co-workers to take part in. Flyers are available on the literature table to hand out. **IMPORTANT:** If you will need childcare during the lessons or just want more information, please let Carol Worley know (carolworley@bellsouth.net).

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIGHT

Looking for some fellowship during the week this summer? Wednesday Night Small Group is taking a break from Bible study and hosting a time of fellowship and prayer-n-share on Wednesdays, August 11 and 25, 7:00-8:30pm. If your regular small group is taking a break for the summer, or if you aren't part of a small group, this is a great time for drop-in fellowship. Keep an eye on the Memo or Trinity's website for location and theme.

TRINITY FACILITIES USED BY HOME SCHOOL GROUPS

Trinity Community Church's philosophy of ministry includes allowing our facility to be used for non-church activities in an effort to be a good neighbor and to bring members of the community into our building. So, in June Language Tots conducted graduation ceremonies in our Worship Center, and classes have been conducted for home-schoolers learning computer animation. A home school coop will meet here regularly throughout the coming school year. And, a support group will use our facilities again for their weekly meetings.

THE CHRISTIAN CITIZEN

Here are two things you can do to exercise good and godly citizenship this week:

1. GodSaveOurCountry.com is a website where you can go to sign a covenant to pray daily for America between July 4 and November 2 (Election Day).
2. Read the daily Breakpoint Commentaries by Charles Colson delivered by email. Subscribe by going to www.breakpoint.org. These commentaries provide Colson's perspective on current issues from a Christian worldview perspective.

TRINITY INFO IS JUST A CLICK AWAY

Trying to remember what's going on at Trinity and when, but you can't find your Sunday bulletin? You can go online 24/7 to www.trytrinity.org to view the most recent Ministry Memo (Sunday Worship tab), or the current Newsletter and Calendar (Community Life tab). Be sure to share our easy-to-remember website name with people you meet, and invite them to come, too!

TRINITY eGROUP USAGE POLICY

The intent of the Trinity eGroup (everyone@trytrinity.org) is to convey ministry related information, prayer requests and updates, and Trinity event schedules.

WORLD VISION AIDS CAREGIVER KITS

World Vision has initiated a ministry to those providing care to AIDS patients, especially in Africa. Caregivers count on items in kits, that are assembled in the U.S. by churches, to provide comfort and care to neighbors with HIV and AIDS. Demand has outstripped supply, however. A local evangelical church, Mt. Zion Church, is organizing a Caregiver Kit Assembly Event for September. Would you like to be involved in this assembly effort? A donation of \$28 will provide the funds required to purchase one kit's contents. Make out a check to Trinity, designated for "World Vision Caregiver Kits" and place it in the offering box. Questions? See Pastor Ken for more information.

YOUTH GROUP HAPPENINGS

Youth Group Sunday: Our Youth group will lead the worship service and share more about their experiences at the recent Free Church youth conference Challenge '10 on a Sunday in the near future. Stay tuned for more details.

Summer Book Club: Youth Group is reading Francis Chan book, "Crazy Love". From the back of the book ... "Does something deep in your heart long to break free from the status quo? Are you hungry for an authentic faith that addresses the problems of our world with tangible, even radical solutions? God is calling you to a passionate love relationship with Himself." Any high school or college students that want to be part of the group ... let the Dolwicks or John Miller know. August meeting dates are August 3 and 10.

Youth Group Pool Party: We're working on finalizing the date, but sometime in mid-August we'll be spending the evening in the cool waters and adjacent patio area of the Scottish Hills pool. We'll bring in some dinner and have a bunch of board games available. Cost \$3. Friends free. This will also be the inaugural event for rising 6th graders ready to join Trinity's Youth Group. We're excited to have new kids joining. This fall we should be setting some records for largest Youth Group gatherings!

ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES

We now have a core group of 10 volunteers to lead our participation in Angel Food Ministries. The Elders have asked us to think and pray about the church committing to active involvement. Part of the answer to whether we should be involved was if we have a core group committed to leadership. Angel Food Ministries is a means to purchase food online at a discount and receive it once per month at a pick up point locally. Our church building will become a pick-up point for residents near us who have ordered. The Elders encourage all to go the Angel Food website and check it out and consider placing an order: www.angelfoodministries.com/menu. At our August 15 Congregational Meeting the Elders will bring a formal recommendation to officially participate.