

Trinity Times

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Pastor Bev Agrees to Serve Another Year

By the time of the last Session meeting it had been ten months since Pastor Bev joined our church. The time had come for the Session to ask her to stay another year while we work to be ready for a new permanent pastor. The Session approved a contract for another year and Pastor Bev agreed to serve us again. Subsequent to the meeting the Session unanimously agreed on the following statement:

The Session of TPC wants to thank Pastor Beverly Hughes for her service to this church for the last 10 months during which time she has shown the love of Christ to the church, its members, and the community. She has served well with grace and compassion through turbulent times of transition and led the church toward a promising future. Pastoring TPC has presented many difficulties which could not have been anticipated when she signed up but despite that she has willingly agreed to continue in service and ministry with us for another year as we prepare to call a permanent pastor. For that the Session of TPC is most thankful and the Session looks forward with anticipation to the coming year.

Worship Schedule

9:00 AM
Bible Study for
All Ages

10:00 AM
Fellowship
Coffee & Doughnuts

10:30 AM
Combined Worship Service
Traditional and
Contemporary

*(Check your calendar for
special Sunday events
and time changes.)*

The scriptures used in the common lectionary for July

July 3rd

Genesis 24: Selected readings; Psalm 45:10-17; Romans 7:15-25a; Matt. 11:16-19,25-30

July 10th

Genesis 25:14-34; Psalm 119:105-112; Romans 8:1-11; Matt. 13:24-30, 36-43

July 17th

Genesis 28:10-19a; Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24; Romans 8:12-25; Matt. 13:23-30, 36-43

July 24th

(Bev Back) Genesis 29:15-28; Psalm 128, Romans 8:26-29; Matt. 13:31-33, 44-52

July 31st

Gene32:22-31; Psalm 17:1-7,15; Romans 9:1-5; Matt. 14:13-21



Important Dates

Birthdays

7/1 Tiffany Floyd-Morrison
Lyn Gray
7/2 Jenny Donahue
George Hopkins
7/8 Debra Whinnie
Becca Geerds
7/11 Teresa Johnson
7/13 Amy Rice
7/14 Katie Garmon
Barbara Stiefer
Doug Stokes
7/15 Cassie Thompson
7/16 Lienie Poh
7/21 Lynda Rice
Justin Bramlett
7/28 Kelsey Decker
Jessica Horton
Steve Thomas
7/29 Aidan Decker



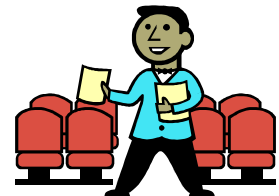
Anniversaries

7/3 John & Ellen Fowler
7/11 George & Kristina Hopkins
7/14 Humphrey & Josephine Wambaa
7/18 Steve & Cindy Thomas
7/25 Jack & Mimi Montgomery
7/30 Wes & Patricia Stiefer



Ushers

7/3 Kate Bobo
Rachel Bobo
Joseph Uwakwe
Joe Cesspooch
7/10 Gloria Parsons
Nancy Hearon
Joy Koch
Marilyn Schilling
7/17 Ruth Horton
Charlie Horton
Daniel Bauer
Harvey Wright
7/24 Terri Decker
Brad Decker
Debi Ward
7/31 Kate Bobo
Rachel Bobo
Joseph Uwakwe
Joe Cesspooch



Please Note!

If your name is missing from the anniversary or birthday list, please let the church office know. Thanks!

Note to

New Members: You need to give your information to the church office if you haven't already done so. We would like to be able to acknowledge your special days!

Trinity News

Please note that "History of Our Songs" adult Sunday school class will be cancelled for Sunday, July 31st.



Note also that class will be held for all the other Sundays in July so that everyone will still have plenty of chances to learn stories of Christian hymn authors and composers, sing the inspirational songs they wrote and share fellowship with others who share these interests. Our songs have continually reflected great personal pain and sacrifice, disputes over doctrine, struggle in faith, and other shared experiences that both inspire and divide our community even today. More than just powerful words and tunes, our songs continue to carry the message of Christ's redemption to new generations.

Dear Fellow Christians,

A new and exciting ministry is starting at TPC, **Meals on Wheels**. We are looking for volunteers to deliver meals to shut-ins in our community. Meals are delivered M-F between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. As it appears at this time, you would only be required to deliver once a week.

Louise Knuth has already volunteered to begin as soon as possible. Roly and I will also be delivering these meals. Many of these precious people are alone and not only enjoy the food, but love visiting with the volunteers. Having been involved with this before, I can tell you it is very rewarding. There will be a background check and training involved. If you think you might be interested, please contact me at 214-469-2170. I'll be looking forward to speaking with you.

God works through his disciples. Are you a disciple?

Lynda Rice
Mission Committee



Worship Committee Invites Banner Designs



If you are part of a Bible Study, a Sunday study group, youth group or a creative individual, the Worship Committee is looking for some ideas for banners that would be hung in the sanctuary. After receiving design ideas, the Worship Committee will review and select ones to be created. If you or your group would like to submit a design idea, here's how to do it.

- Prayerfully consider what you would like to convey to the worshiping congregation.
- Consider seasons and traditions of the church - we need banners for Easter, Thanksgiving, Pentecost, and Holy Communion. There are colors and symbols associated with these seasons, and you can find information on the Internet or in print resources.
- Consider brief scripture phrases that could be part of a design.
- Consider these sizes that are needed: very large for the front wall of the sanctuary - Est. 6-8 feet long/36-48" wide; 4-6 feet long/30-40" wide for back entry walls.



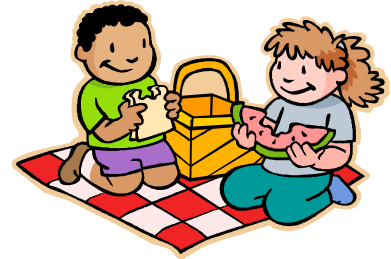
Put your ideas on paper with the design, suggested dimensions, any ideas for fabrics, and any other details you would care to suggest. Feel free to present more than one design. Be sure to add the contact information for yourself or your group.

Submit your design(s) to Debra Sweeney, Elder/Chair of Worship before or by Sunday, September 4th. Thanks in advance for your participation in this project to help enhance our worship.

Debra Sweeney and the Worship Committee

Children's Ministries

- The children's choir sang "Joy of the Lord" on Sunday, June 5, and they were awesome as usual.
- With the summer vacation time here we did not have an event for June.
- We have VBS coming up in July and then watch for news for our Back to School event in August.
- The following is offered on Sunday mornings for our children: Sunday School at 9:00, Children's Choir at 9:30, and Children's Worship time during the 10:30 AM service.



VBS is coming. July 18 - 22.
Watch for more info from Ms. Amy

Are you ready to go on a wild celebration of God's unconditional love! Here's what you are going to learn:

- ✓ Day 1 - God Made You
- ✓ Day 2 - God Listens to You
- ✓ Day 3 - God Watches Over You
- ✓ Day 4 - God Loves You, No Matter What
- ✓ Day 5 - God Gives Good Gifts

God has a purpose and a plan for everyone and He crafted each of us with His own loving hands.

Youth Ministries

Trinity Youth Connection (TYC) -
Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

Navigating the middle school and high school years is tough enough, but when Jesus has your back, it's truly epic.

Join us at 6 p.m. on Wednesday nights for food, fun and fellowship in Christian studies!

We focus on Christian basics that will give you a greater insight on why things happen to you -- like parents, daily drama and other forces of nature -- and what God has to do with any of this stuff.

For those in grades 7 through 12.



Middle School and High School Sunday Bible Study

Please join us every Sunday at 9 a.m. in the youth room for weekly Bible study. Each week is an in-depth look at 1 Corinthians and how we can apply this important book to our lives:

June 26 "Boasting with Pride" 1 Cor. 1: 26-31

We try to win the acceptance of others by showing them how good we are or, in some cases, how bad we are. But when we look at the world and ourselves through God's eyes, we bow in humility and appreciation for God's love and mercy to us.

July 3 "Making His Mind Yours" 1 Cor. 2: 6-7

Celebrity endorsements vs. God's wisdom. What will you choose -- and how?

July 10 "Partners" 1 Cor. 3: 3-9

Today we're going to see how God has invited us into a partnership in order to reach people.

July 17 "Adjusting the tone" 1 Cor. 4: 1-21

When we come to Christ, we experience the immediate reality of salvation and forgiveness, but our transformation into the likeness of Jesus is a slow and challenging work.

July 24 "Stop Signs" 1 Cor. 5: 1-13

Because God wants us to be forgiving, should we ignore sinful acts? No! If we ignore a brother's sin, we send the message that we accept his sin.

July 31 "Stuck to Your Match" 1 Cor. 7: 10-11

How should a person approach marriage and picking a mate?

Middle School and High School Bible Studies - Sundays at 9 a.m.

Looking for the highway to heaven? You'll need a map, and we've got the best one ever written. For the teenager who wants a deeper understanding of how God is working in his or her life (and where to go from here), join us for Sunday morning Bible studies in the youth room. We dive deep into the academics of the Bible, its history, its meaning, its cultural and political influences, its vocabulary and the language of those used by God to deliver His word. Come alone or bring a friend. Coffee's included. For kids in grades 7 though 12.

Property Committee News

We had another wonderful property work day for TPC, thank you to all the volunteers that graciously gave of their time on this Father's Day weekend. What better way to spend our time than serving our Heavenly Father! Thank You! The items listed below detail the hard work that we accomplished together.

- Removed dead palm trunk on South side of sanctuary
- Pulled excess snake back into sound room
- Painted north hallway of old building
- Piped down spouts of roof drains on old building east wall
- Relocated concrete table to west side of old building under shaded area
- Moved literature shelf from old building to narthex of sanctuary
- Relocated dirt mound from grassy area on north side of old building to south side of sanctuary



Tasks to consider for next two workdays July 16, 2011 & August 20, 2011:

- Painting 4 classrooms in Chapel
- Strip and wax floors in nursery



The Following are ideas that could be considered for future work:

- Removing couches from youth room??? (TBD by Youth)
- Tinting windows in Nursery and Youth room (Just a thought)
- Fertilizing and adding pre-emergent just around buildings and parkways (donations needed)
- Apply mulch to flower beds and area around foundation (on hand)
- Strip, wax and clean out janitor closet in North Building (Paint walls too)
- Tile slop sinks in janitor closets (I will donate tile)
- Painting bathrooms in fellowship and old buildings (Maybe updating or changing wallpaper/paint color etc.)
- Strip and wax all floors in all buildings
- Adding cabinet and door next to dishwasher to finish out
- Painting all door frames (all buildings)
- Painting exterior metal doors to prevent corrosion
- Adding hose faucet connection to east beds along Mayes Drive (Can be easily tied into sprinkler main)
- Extending concrete walk from breezeway to playground & include patio for smoker to sit on
- Removing concrete from old building entrance
- Adding door and lock to storage room shelving for coke machine storage



If anyone has any more ideas for jobs that need to be completed please feel free to email myself or Dennis Yates with suggestions.



Thanks,
Patrick Dilger

"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

Worth The Price

I was at Home Depot buying a few things for a remodeling project that I was working on. The cashier with the shortest line was also the cashier responsible for returns. So naturally that is where I went.

As I was finishing my transaction a lady came up holding two short sections of flexible metal mesh hose. The one she was returning was the supply line for a sink and the one she was buying was for a toilet.

The two hoses were essentially the same thing. They were made of the same material, were about the same length, and they both did the same basic job of connecting a plumbing fixture to the water supply. While they were very similar, they were not interchangeable, and one could not do the other's job.

In this particular case, the hose that the lady needed cost a few dollars more than the one that she was returning. As she was paying the clerk she commented, "I might have known, the one I needed was going to be the most expensive of the two."

A few months ago a friend of mine bought an e-book reader and was having difficulty getting it to work. After several failed attempts, I managed to find a suitable Wi-Fi Hot Spot and sorted out all of these steps required to get the device to communicate with the store. Then I walked my friend through the process and showed her how to buy a book. Perhaps with all the difficulty she was having it was appropriate that the first book she bought online would be a horror story. However, after a half hour or so of frustration we finally succeeded and she became the proud owner of a digital copy of, "The Fall of the House of Usher".

The last time I saw her I asked how things were going with the e-book reader. She shook her head sadly and said, "I'm going to get rid of it and get a better one, one that is easier to use."

Once again the cheapest option, turned out not to be the best option. The same thing applies to our relationship with God.

In the Old Testament times, people paid for, or atoned for, their sins through specific offerings at the temple. The solution was only temporary at best and human nature being what it is, was something that had to be repeated often.

That changed when God sent his son to atone for our sins once and for all. As he was dying on the cross Christ proclaimed, "It is finished!" In that moment and in that sacrificial act our sins were paid for once and for all. The price was not cheap; in fact it was a very dear but in God's eyes our redemption was worth the price.

All that is left for us to do is to accept God's grace. And then day by day, act by act, live into God's vision for us.

John is the pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Prosper.

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Organizational Structure

Session

Session Elders - Debra Sweeney, Ruth Horton, Lee Ann Bandy, Robin Dilger, Humphrey Wambaa, Lloyd Olson, Debra Whinnie, Dennis Yates, Paul Leddy

Session Moderator - Rev. Beverly Hughes

Clerk of Session - John Fiedler

Ministries

Worship – Debra Sweeney

Children – Ruth Horton

Youth – Lee Ann Bandy

Membership – Robin Dilger (includes Fellowship, Member Care and Member Involvement)

Team Leaders

Gloria Parsons, Camille Marchelletta, Mimi Montgomery

Adult Studies – Humphrey Wambaa

Evangelism – Lloyd Olson

Mission – Debra Whinnie

Points of Contact

Hurricane Ike Relief Galveston and Emanuel Presbyterian Church - Lynda Rice

Angel Food - Roly Rice

Hats for the Homeless - Laurie and Ron McKee

Never Ending Food Drive, A Youth Project - Tyler Winn

Road to Recovery -Dee Stokes

Volunteering at North Texas Food Bank -Pam Hampson

TPC Touchstones - (Does not begin until August 2011) -Cissi Bauer

Al's Hugs and Hammers Project - Janet Ohlig

Volunteering at The Stewpot-Second Chance Cafe- Frank and Debra Whinnie

Meals on Wheels - Lynda Rice

Facilitating – Dennis Yates

Committees

Property - Patrick Dilger

Grounds - Charlie Horton

Services - Steve Thomas

Finance - Larry Johnson

Personnel - Paul Leddy

Executive Director - Steve Thomas