

THE *talking trinity*

A Monthly Newsletter, Trinity Presbyterian Church, Topeka, Kansas - DECEMBER 2022

Trinity Presbyterian Church's ANNUAL

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

10:30 a.m., Sunday, Dec. 4th

Our Children, Triniteens and Young Adults will bring the Christmas drama "From the Manger" during worship.



Don't miss this endearing Trinity holiday tradition.

AND JOIN US FOR A GREAT LUNCH
immediately after worship (11:30 a.m.) at the
Triniteen Annual Fund Raiser

CHILI FEED+++

This year there is more than just **CHILI**. There will be a **variety of soups** (that's the "+++"), including **CHICKEN SOUP** and **MAC & CHEESE!**



A free will offering will be received to raise money for youth mission projects.

Don't miss it!

Join Rev. Meredith for *COFFEE WITH THE PASTOR*

One of the joys of being your pastor is the blessing of being in your community. I feel very fortunate that you share some of the happiest and hardest moments in your life. I also know that Sunday mornings don't always allow us an opportunity to engage in lengthy conversations. So I have decided to combine my two favorite things—coffee and conversations—for a new Monthly Fellowship Opportunity.



Starting this December, I will host monthly gatherings of 6-8 participants for coffee/tea for a chance to visit. This is a very informal meeting designed to let people have more one-on-one time with the pastor. I want to hear what is going on in your lives! Depending on the response, additional times may be added. Our first gathering will be:

Thursday, December 15
10:00 - 11:00 A.M.
Cafe Quetzal

To reserve your spot, email Rev. Meredith at meredith@trinitypresbyterian.net or use the sign-up sheet at church.

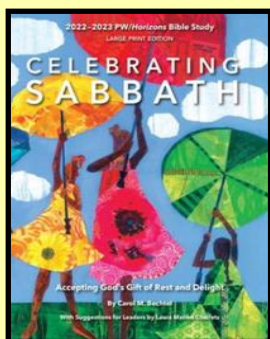
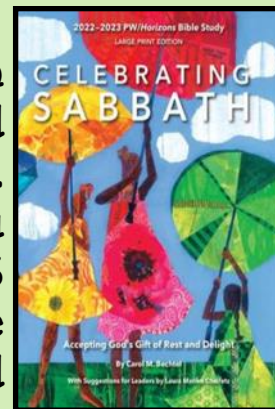
If you don't get your chance to sign up in December, rest assured there will be an opportunity in January! And as a reminder—you are always welcome to make an appointment to see me for coffee if that is better for your schedule.

May the light of Christ illuminate your Advent,
Rev. Meredith

2nd Sunday of Advent
Sunday, December 2
Trinity Handbell Choir
will ring during worship!

ESTHER CIRCLE

Esther Circle invites you to join us at 6:30 on Wednesday, December 7, for a light soup supper and a lesson from "Celebrating Sabbath" on hospitality. The soup is being provided. Just bring yourself and a dish to share. Contact Peggy McAdoo at 785-224-5113 or peggymcadoo@gmail.com with questions. We hope you'll come to share in the discussion, food, and fellowship!



MARY MARTHA CIRCLE - 2022 BIBLE STUDY

Join us at 1:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month through May 2023 for the study 'Celebrating Sabbath' All are welcome to attend!

NEXT SESSION - December 7; Study Leader: Kathie Wagner; Questions: Contact Susan Bozeman at skboze@gmail.com or 785-224-0433

3rd Sunday of Advent
 Sunday Dec. 4th
 Christmas Cantata during Worship at 10:30
 "A Garland of Carols"
 sung by the Trinity Heritage Choir
 Featuring guest percussionist,
 Theodore Musick and
 Trinity Handbell Quartet

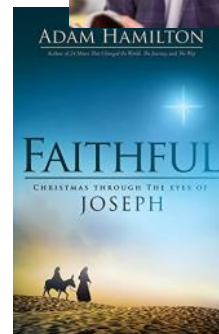



ADULT Sunday School learning to live the life

**JOIN US FOR OUR ADVENT STUDY-
ADAM HAMILTON'S *FAITHFUL,*
*Christmas Through the Eyes of Joseph.***

We will explore the life of Joseph. From Joseph's humble beginnings as a carpenter, to his role as the earthly father of Jesus Christ, Joseph had many lessons for all of us. Joseph's courageous actions were crucial to the birth

of Christ and God's salvation plan for humanity.

PAGE TURNERS

**will not be meeting
through the holidays.**

Watch the Trinity Candle for news on our next book, and
come join us on January 6th when we resume.

TUESDAYS
With
The Word

**JOIN US AT
CAFÉ QUEZTAL.**

You are invited for coffee and
spiritual fellowship time with
Pastor Mere.

We meet at 9:00 AM on
Tuesdays. We hope you join
us for this very casual time of
relaxed conversation.





HARVESTERS food is distributed the 2nd Monday of every month at Trinity Presbyterian Church in the paved parking lot. Distribution is on a first come/first served basis until all the food is gone. We start no later than 12 pm. If you want to volunteer, please contact Stan McAdoo at 272-2620. Next drive is: **DECEMBER 12**

Topeka Rescue Mission -

Trinity to serves meals on the 2nd Tuesday each month from 4:45-6:45 p.m. at the main shelter (600 N. Kansas Ave). Five servers are needed each time. If you would be interested in serving, contact Stan McAdoo at 785-224-5113. Next time we serve: **DECEMBER 13**



CHRISTMAS WITH THE LUNCH BUNCH

Celebrate Christmas with the Lunch Bunch on Wednesday, Dec 14. Lunch Bunch is an informal gathering of folks who meet for lunch and fellowship. We will meet for lunch (Dutch treat) at Aunt Netter's Cafe 340 Elmore St, Lecompton, KS 66050. After lunch, we'll tour the Christmas Tree Display at the Territorial Capital Museum in Lecompton. No charge for the tour but donations welcome. Questions contact Karen.



**4th Sunday of Advent
December 18th
with Harpist Erin Wood**



FINANCE MATTERS

As you prepare for the busy holiday season, please keep in mind:

Your Final 2022 Giving

Please turn in any final 2022 contributions before Thursday, December 29, 2022 for timely bank deposit and recording of your gifts. Gifts received after that date will be posted to 2023. If necessary, mail contributions directly to Trinity Presbyterian Church, Attn. Financial Secretary.

Please contact Susan Bozeman, skboze@gmail.com or 785-272-3568, if you need an update of your 2022 pledge.



Your Stock Gifts

If you are considering a gift of mutual funds or appreciated securities, Trinity suggests you begin to initiate your transfers by December 10, 2022 to allow sufficient time to process your gift. Please contact Dennis Williams, Financial Manager, before you make the transaction. Our broker will notify Trinity of the amount of the sale, and the name of the stock; but, we have no way of knowing the owner or purpose of the fund or stock gift. Knowing ahead of time about your gift helps track the transaction and correctly recording it.

Your 2022 Giving Statements

The 2022 giving statements will be mailed in January so you will have them before you begin tax preparation.

Your Pre-Paid 2023 Pledges

If you wish to prepay any amount of your 2023 pledge, please make sure it is clearly marked "2023 Pledge" to ensure it is recorded correctly.

2023 Pledge Envelopes

Boxed sets are available in the church office for those who want to use them. Pledge envelopes are not required, you may use any type of envelope.

ALL Financial Gifts

Your financial gifts are recorded with INtegrity. However, our bank and accounting partners need your help to make this happen. **Please complete your check information using the "Memo" line.** For example, "Pledge," "Non Pledge," "Per Capita," etc. Checks and envelopes are separated at the bank, and an empty "Memo" line delays the recording of your financial gifts.

Trinity will be celebrating its 70th Anniversary next year! We wish to thank all members and friends for their financial gifts in 2022 and financial commitments for 2023. Your generosity helps support and grow the ministry and mission of Trinity.



Join the Mission Committee in
supporting the Little Explorers
Daycare this Christmas.

Every year the Mission Committee selects a group to support through Angel Tree donations and this year we have chosen the Little Explorers Day Care. You can help by taking as many angel ornaments as you wish from the tree. Please bring your unwrapped purchase to the church and place it on the table by the tree by Christmas.

Please consider purchasing any of the following items:

- ▲ Kleenex
- ▲ Toilet Paper
- ▲ Napkins
- ▲ Hand Soap
- ▲ Paper Towels
- ▲ Aluminum Foil
- ▲ Baggies (sandwich, quart, gallon)
- ▲ Clorox Wipes
- ▲ Boogie Wipes
- ▲ Plastic Silverware
- ▲ Paper Plates
- ▲ Construction Paper
- ▲ Glue bottles or sticks
- ▲ Googly eyes
- ▲ Crayons

Thank you for helping make it a very Merry Christmas for

BLANKETS FOR THE HOMELESS

The Mission Committee has discovered another way Trinity can be of service to those in need! As the Topeka Rescue Mission volunteers hand out food every week to those who are hungry, people are asking if they have any blankets now that it is getting cold.

Do you have a clean gently used (not new) blanket or sleeping bag in your linen closet? If you would be willing to part with it, please bring it to the church narthex and place it either in one of the donation boxes or next to them. We will have them delivered to the Rescue Mission. This was a very much appreciated program last year. Thanks so much for helping someone keep warm this winter!



Christmas Joy

By giving to the Christmas Joy Offering, you honor God's gift of Jesus Christ by providing assistance to current and retired church workers in their time of need and developing our future leaders at Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color.

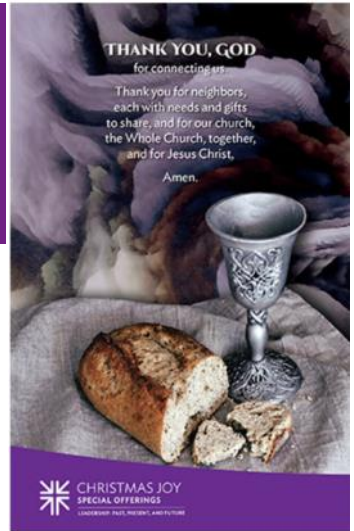
The Christmas Joy Offering is one way we join together as Presbyterians from around the country to meet the needs of vulnerable people we might not be able to meet face to face but who need our support. The gifts we share connect us and also change lives.

The Christmas Joy Offering provides assistance to current and retired church workers in their time of need and develops our future leaders at Presbyterian-related schools and colleges. This is a commitment of the Presbyterian Church for nearly 140 years.

This offering is collected through December 23.

When making a donation by check, be sure to write checks to Trinity Presbyterian Church and put "Christmas Joy Offering" in the memo line. Or, you can also give to the Christmas Joy offering through our website. If you go to www.trinitypresbyterian.net/give, there is an option to give to any of our special offerings.

Please give generously, for "if we all do a little – *together* – it adds up to a lot."



Christmas Eve
7:30 p.m.
Candlelight Service
Everyone Welcome



DOORSTEP

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Donations Needed for Our Christmas Project

Doorstep is adopting 260 households with 800+ individuals from the Christmas Bureau again this year. We have been collecting items for a few months now to help spread out the requests.

We need the following NEW items:

- *Blankets - Full/Queen & King Only (Please NO THROWS)
- *Skillets Sets
- *Crock Pots (variety of sizes)
- *Money for Gift Cards
- *Bakeware Sets
- *Basketballs, Footballs & Soccer Balls (regular size)
- *Pots & Pans
- *Small Laundry Baskets & Cleaning Supplies



We need donations of gift items by December 1st.
This will give us time to get what we need for distribution week.
However, we will still take donations after that date.

Each household we adopt will receive:

Blanket ~ Health Kit ~ School Supplies (if appropriate) ~ One household item ~ Christmas food order ~ gifts and toys for household members ~ clothing ~ \$20 gift cards per person in the household.

We have Volunteer Opportunities this year!

Sunday, December 11th ~ from 2:00pm – 5:00pm ~ move clothing from Doorstep to First Nazarene Church, start setting up and unboxing the items.

Monday, December 12th ~ from 8:30am – 2:30pm (2 shifts), finish clothing set-up, and begin selecting items for families picking up on Tuesday. (No lunch provided)

Tuesday, December 13th ~ opportunities from 8:30am – 12:30pm and 12:30pm – 5:30pm. (Lunch provided)

Wednesday, December 14th ~ opportunities available from: 8:30am – 1:30pm and 1:30pm – 7:30pm. (Lunch and dinner provided)

Thursday, December 15th ~ opportunities available from 8:30am – 12:30pm and 12:30pm – 5:30pm. (Lunch provided)

Friday, December 16th we will be cleaning up, packing clothing back up to move back to Doorstep from 8:30am – 12:30pm.

Call Doorstep, (785) 357-5341, to sign up & help during distribution week!

Doorstep is located at 1119 SW 10th, 66604 (10th & Buchanan). Donation hours are Monday - Friday, 9am - 2pm. You can mail your monetary donations, or use our website: DoorstepTopeka.org under the Donate Tab.

WHAT'S JUMP UP TO?



Trinity's justice ministry, Topeka JUMP, has started a new cycle with house meetings and its Community Problems Assembly. The house meetings, which were held across the county, disclosed various concerns, such as gun violence, housing and mental health care. At the Community Problems Assembly on Nov. 7th, JUMP membership voted to not take on a new campaign issue. The membership decided to continue to focus on the issues already in front of them. These are securing revenue for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund,

reducing gun violence, care for those in mental health crises and continue work to reform Kansas Payday Loan laws.

Affordable Housing: JUMP continues work on securing a dedicated revenue source for the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. It successfully challenged the city of Topeka to start investing in the housing trust fund with one-time allocations, which now total \$750,000 in donations and commitments! However, long-term, an annual dedicated revenue source is needed. JUMP members attended the city's October Policy and Finance Committee meeting. The committee's agenda included discussion on the Housing Trust Fund and a Land Bank presentation. Committee members, Spencer Duncan, Christina Valdivia-Alcala and Hannah Naeger indicated they would consider looking for a possible dedicated funding source for the Housing Trust Fund.

Reducing Gun Violence: The JUMP committee to reduce gun violence has been discouraged that the evidence-based model, GVI (Group/Gang Violence Intervention), for which the County Commission provided funding, has not been implemented as the strategy was intended. The District Attorney's office has modified the strategy so it is only being used with youth. Although working with youth is important, most gun violence has been with adults. JUMP has taken direct action to hold the District Attorney accountable for implementing GVI as it was intended by sending letters and emails to the District Attorney and news outlets. JUMP will continue to follow up on this issue.

Mental Health Crisis: This past spring JUMP received a commitment from Valeo Behavioral Health Care to expand their crisis intervention care beds as an alternative to jail by 2023. JUMP's Mental Health Crisis Committee continues to follow up on this commitment to ensure it is implemented.

Payday Lending Reform: JUMP is a member of a state-wide coalition to reform Kansas Payday Lending laws. This coalition, "Kansans For Payday Loan Reform", stands against payday loan products that are harmful and immoral. Its mission is to build grassroots support for the Kansas State Legislature to pass a bill that makes payday loans fairer. The three aims of the coalition are: putting a cap on interest rates and fees, have installment payments over months not weeks, and limit payments to 5% of the borrower's weekly paycheck. Four states, Nebraska, Colorado, Virginia and Ohio, recently reformed their payday loan laws and brought down prices significantly while still maintaining access to credit. JUMP and the coalition, "Kansans for Payday Loan Reform", believes Kansas can do the same.

"Do justice, love mercy and walk humbly with God." Micah 6:8



Trinity Presbyterian Church is important to you, to our community, and to the work of Christ. The **IN**valuable gifts you make to the Trinity Endowment Fund will support our work beyond your lifetime. We invite you to be an "angel," and participate to help us enable Trinity to fulfill its mission and vision.

How will you make an **IN**valuable and lasting legacy? Contact Lee Langfitt, chair of the Endowment committee, for more information (Leemail957@gmail.com). Every gift counts!



GREEN CORNER

In this season of giving, let's remember that our food is a gift from God. That makes it sacred. But in the last 50-60 years, food has dramatically been altered with artificial ingredients and processes.



If a food didn't exist 60 years ago, it now comes from a factory and not just the earth. Simple enough, but can we distinguish the real from artificial foods? An example: milkshakes, hamburgers and french fries existed 60 years ago. We can assume that they are real. However, Just Eating? Practicing Our Faith at the Table, a curriculum developed several years ago by the PC(USA) Hunger Program, Advocate Health Care and Church World Service asked middle school children to compare 2 strawberry shakes. One they made from natural ingredients, and the other was from McDonald's. The students compared the taste and then the ingredients. The strawberry shake they make contains strawberries, cream, milk, vanilla, honey and ice. McDonald's shake lists 59 ingredients, most of which are chemical names like benzyl isobutyrate. One student said, "This isn't junk, this is scary! What are these things?"

Any item appearing the same can be real or artificial and full of additives. Cooking and preparing food are great ways to get back to living simply. What's been added to the "packaged" greens or carrots in the store? Living simply means reclaiming simple pleasures like peeling vegetables, slicing apples, washing lettuce and preparing meals with others.



If we are living simply (so that others may simply live), we need to eat real food - to nourish us. Eating simply may lead to longer, healthier lives.





LOS TALPETATES SCHOLARSHIPS,

As we approach the Christmas season and you decide what programs you will support this Christmas, please consider supporting Talpetates scholarships. To support Talpetates scholarships, all you need to do is write a check made out to Trinity, with "Talpetates Scholarship" on the memo line. You may also give online, using the "Give" tab on the website page. A yearlong high school scholarship is \$ 850 and a college scholarship is \$ 2000. Your gift, in any amount, will support a student achieve his or her dreams!

When we visited El Salvador this past summer, Susan and I talked with many students who received scholarships to go to high school and university.

The letter of one of the many high school scholarship recipients that we talked to is printed below. Every scholarship student provides us with a letter and a transcript each year that we visit.

TALPETATES, EL SALVADOR NEWS

Wednesday the 15th of June 2022

Dear friends in Topeka, first I give thanks to God and then to you, thanks to Ken and everyone who is part of the brotherhood and sisterhood project between Talpetates and Topeka. I give thanks also for all of you I don't know but I am grateful to.

I have already completed my first year in high school and I would not be able to continue studying except one day I received a call that changed everything. The result of that call, thanks to God and to you, I received a high school scholarship! This day changed everything for me and I still have much pleasure to continue studying with God's help and with your help. The scholarship allows me to study and finish the years of high school study. After high school, I think I want to go to the university it is not easy I know that but with your help all I will be able to pursue the studies that I'm interested in. I want to study criminology and I know it would be difficult but not impossible with your help and God's help.

I hope that all of you my brothers and sisters are well. We send prayers for you and we are so thankful for you and grateful for your help.



The 2023 stewardship campaign is winding down, and the Session will begin to develop Trinity's approximately \$490,000 budget for next year. In order to fully fund the budget for mission, peacemaking, Christian education, property maintenance, administration and personnel, Trinity relies on its members to make generous financial commitments.

The submission of commitment cards by Trinity members enables the Session to develop a realistic budget for the coming year.

Trinity is blessed with a family of givers, many of whom have already pledged their continued generous financial support. Those who have not yet made a financial commitment for 2023 are urged to join that family of givers.

When we step outside ourselves and give generously, we experience the blessing of accomplishing things together.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

WE'RE SO GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

SUE BOND



I was born in Emporia and grew up there. I have a younger sister. I graduated from high school and then started college at Emporia State. It is there I met my husband, Donald Bond.

After graduation we moved to Topeka. I began my teaching career. I taught until we adopted our daughter Kari. I stayed home with her until she was in 1st grade. I went back to teaching as a remedial Reading teacher. I retired from teaching after 34 years.

Donald retired three years after I did. We enjoyed traveling and the slower pace of retirement. I spent a lot of time reading – hobby.

We were married 56 years when Donald became ill and died, and then the pandemic came. I now am still adapting to living alone, but have lots of great memories.

HEIDI JO KINCAID



My name is Heidi Jo Kincaid. I will be 52 in February. I have an apartment in Silver Lake yet reside with my mom, and best friend, in St. Marys, Kansas where I was born & raised. I love to wear Christian shirts "representing the faith."

I'm looking forward to getting to know others and participating in activities. I'm still figuring out where to use my talents! I have a dog named Turchen. I love my new church family!

DEANINE ROGERS



I am a lifelong Presbyterian. I was born in Elk City Oklahoma and baptized at first Presbyterian church there as an infant. We moved to Oklahoma City when I was 6 and attended First Presbyterian Church in Oklahoma City till my mother was transferred to Altus Oklahoma and I attended first Presbyterian church in Altus for the 2 years we lived there. At that time mom was transferred to Ardmore Oklahoma where we lived for 1 year and I attended First Presbyterian Church and also graduated from high school.

Then it was off to college in Norman Oklahoma and as most college students attended church some. After attending college for 2 years my mother and her friend decided it was time for me to start my career at the telephone company so I then went to work and was employed for 38 years holding many jobs. I retired in 2009 and then did foster care for 3 years. I as a working person attended memorial Presbyterian church in Norman Oklahoma for 25 years and served on many committees.

AT&T relocated me to Little Rock Arkansas in 1998 and I finished my career there and we

attended Westover Hills Presbyterian church from 98 till we moved to Topeka in March of 2022.

DON ROGERS



Born and reared in Kent, Ohio, I graduated from Kent Roosevelt High School in 1973. After high school I immediately entered the U.S. Air Force where I had two jobs during my 4 years service, Photographic Interpreter and Medical Service Specialist.

I met my future wife while in the military and we married in 1976. After discharge from the Air Force I attended pre-Pharmacy and Pharmacy school at the University of Oklahoma. After Pharmacy school and getting licensed I started work in an Oklahoma City hospital. I worked 15 years in Oklahoma before we moved to Arkansas due to my wife's job relocation. I worked 22 years in Arkansas before retiring in 2020. My wife and I had three children while in Oklahoma, Matthew, Elizabeth, and Rebekah. We got Lyric in 2009 while in Arkansas.

I was baptized as an adult at Memorial Presbyterian Church in Norman, Oklahoma where I also served as an Elder and Deacon.

While in Arkansas I also served as a Deacon and particularly enjoyed visiting with members of the congregation.

My favorite hobby is my bicycle riding and have been blessed to take several bike trips with my daughter Elizabeth. I am also a huge baseball fan-looking forward to my first visit to Kauffman stadium to watch the Royals.

ELIZABETH ROGERS



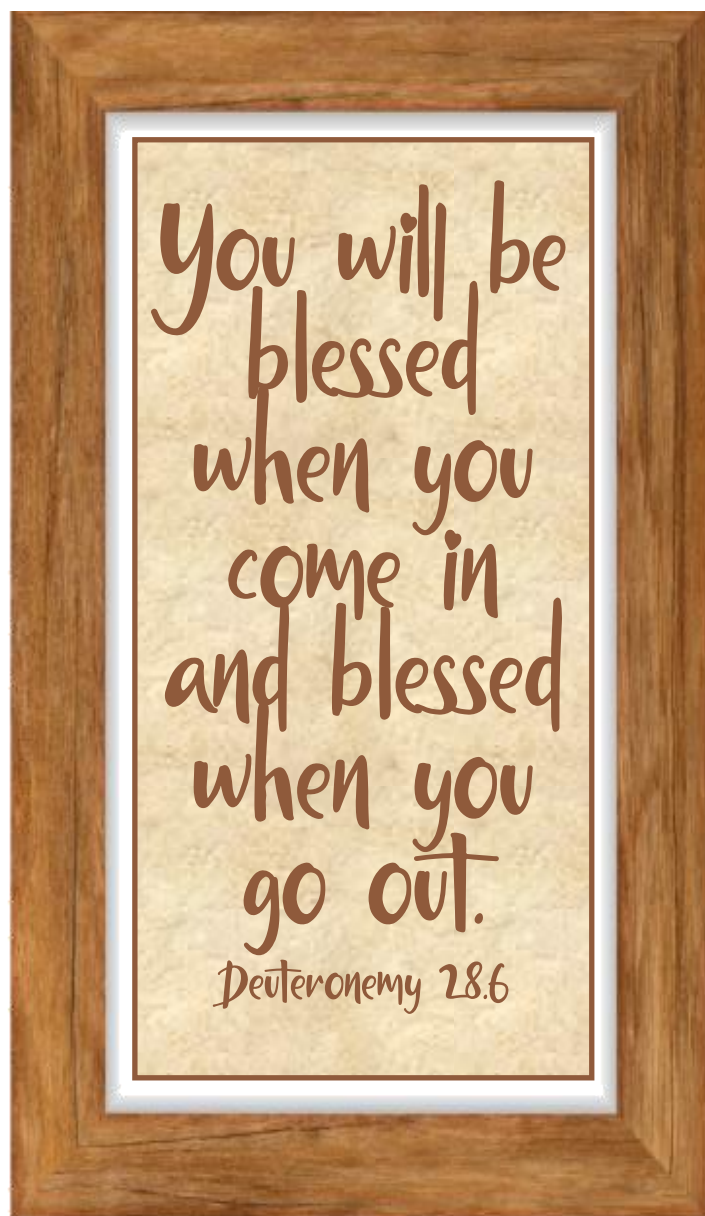
I was born on a Tuesday and in church that Sunday and that started my journey as a Presbyterian. That church was Memorial Presbyterian Church in Norman, Oklahoma where I was baptized as an infant and actively participated throughout my life there including attending Sunday school, worship, and youth group as well as participating in the song and handbell choir.

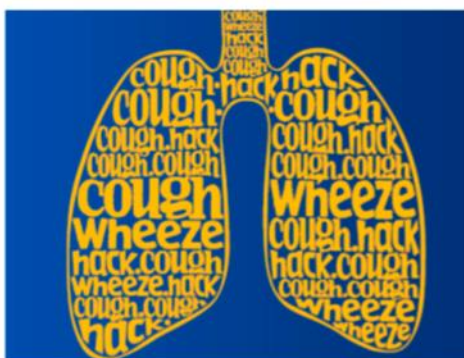
I graduated from Hendrix College in Conway, AR with a B.A. in History then attended UAMS in Little Rock, AR for medical school. I ended up staying at UAMS for residency, fellowship, and career. I initially practiced in Internal Medicine Primary Care but

ended up shifting my focus to Palliative Care after completing a fellowship in this field.

During my time in Little Rock, AR, I was an active member at Westover Hills Presbyterian where I served on Session. I moved to Topeka to pursue a new job opportunity here in Palliative Medicine.

I have one daughter Josephine who keeps me very busy outside of work. We have now become members at Trinity.





November is National COPD Awareness Month

Caring for Someone with COPD?

You Are Not Alone.

Many people care for someone with a chronic disease, like chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).

Nearly 1 in 5 U.S. adults are caregivers.

About 6 in 10 U.S. caregivers provide care for adults with a long-term health condition.

23% say caregiving has hurt their health and about 40% say it's highly stressful.

If you care for someone with COPD, you may juggle many roles:

-  Medical coordinator
-  Home health aide
-  Personal assistant
-  Family member
-  Support system
-  Guardian

Be on the lookout for signs of stress or depression:

Always feeling tired

Getting sick often

Losing interest in activities you used to enjoy

Feeling irritated, impatient, or forgetful

Find healthy ways to manage stress:

Get 7-9 hours of sleep

Exercise at least 3 times a week

Meditate 2 minutes a day

Take care of yourself

Schedule "me time"

You don't have to do it alone.

In addition to the core medical team, be sure to build a care management team:

Find a backup caregiver.

Look for local senior support programs.

If you can, get help with household duties such as meals, cleaning, laundry, and yard work.

The COPD Caregiver's Toolkit simplifies the hardest parts of being a caregiver. Learn more: nhlbi.nih.gov/COPD-caregivers

NIH National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute

LEARN MORE
BREATHE BETTER

RESPIRATORY HEALTH ASSOCIATION

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord. Psalm 150: 6

Blessings in Christ,
Kathy Welch, Parish Nurse

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING Liturgist: Jake Barnard NO TRINITEENS Sermon on the Steps: Bev Thompson USHERS: David & Jurahee Shriver HELPERS: Marvin/Susan 9:20am Nursery open (E1) 9:30am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL In-person only 9:30am NO SUNDAY SCHOOL for Children & Youth 9:50am Music Rehearsal (S) 10:30am HANGING OF THE GREENS WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online	28 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING 10:30am PERSONNEL CMTE MTG - ZOOM 1:30pm Sticks 'N String Group (Parlor) 1:30pm WORSHIP PLANNING TEAM MTG ZOOM	29 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING 9:00am Tuesdays with the Word (CAFE QUETZAL) 10:00am Line Dance Lesson (FH) 1:30pm Office Staff Meeting (P) 4:00pm Aerobics (Rm 13/14) 5:30pm Triniteens/Y.A. & Children K-6th Christmas Prog Reh- (Sanctuary)	30 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING 4:30pm Ladies' Night Out (Parlor, K, F, Lobby) 6:45pm Flute Choir Rehearsal (S)	1 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING 5:00pm Chair & Standing Yoga (Rm 13/14) 6:00pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S) 6:45pm Bells Cantata Group (S) 7:00pm Square Dance Beginner Lessons (FH, K) set up/out 6:30p/10p 7:30pm Heritage Choir w/ handbell quartet Rehearsal (S)	2 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING NO Page Turners (returns 1/6/2023) 4:00pm Aerobics (Rm 13/14)	3 CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHILI FEED SET UP (FH, K, P) ALL DAY
4 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM BY Children, Youth, Young Adults 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING COMMUNION SUNDAY NO Sermon on the Steps USHERS: Marvin Burris & Dennis Williams HELPERS: Becky/Marilyn youth Liturgist 9:20am Nursery for Sunday Sch (E1) 9:30am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL In-person only 9:30am Children & Youth Sunday Sch in-person & online 9:30am DRESS REH Christmas Prog-ALL AGES (Sanctuary) 10:30am Christmas Program/Worship Service - In Person/Online 11:30am ANNUAL CHILI FEED by the youth-FREE WILL OFFERING (FH, K, P)	5 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING 1:30pm Sticks 'N String Group (Parlor) 7:00pm Advanced Square Dance Workshop (FH, K) set up/out 6p/9:30p	6 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING 9:00am Tuesdays with the Word (CAFE QUETZAL) 10:00am Line Dance Lesson (FH) 12:30pm MISSION CMTE MTG ZOOM 1:30pm Office Staff Meeting (P) 4:00pm Aerobics (Rm 13/14) 5:30pm DEACON CMTE MTG - ZOOM	7 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING 1:30pm Mary Martha Circle (P) 6:45pm Esther Circle (P) lesson starts at 7 6:45pm Flute Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:00pm OUTREACH CMTE MTG (ZOOM)	8 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING 2:00pm WORSHIP CMTE MTG via ZOOM 5:00pm Chair & Standing Yoga (Rm 13/14) 6:15pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S) 6:30pm PROPERTY CMTE MTG - ZOOM 7:00pm Square Dance Beginner Lessons (FH, K) set up/out 6:30p/10p 7:30pm Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)	9 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING NO Page Turners (returns 1/6/2023) 4:00pm Aerobics (Rm 13/14)	10 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING 10:00am Music Rehearsal (S)
11 CHOIR CANTATA 3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING Meredith Liturgist: Sermon on the Steps: USHERS: Susan Burris & Nancy Carpenter HELPERS: Randall/Dennis 9:20am Nursery for Sunday Sch (E1) 9:30am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL In-person only 9:30am Children & Youth Sunday Sch in-person & online 10:00am Music Rehearsal (S) 10:30am WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online 11:30am PEACEMAKING COMMITTEE MTG (Parlor) 11:30am Triniteens (Rm 14/Offsite) 1:00pm ENDOWMENT CMTE MTG ZOOM	12 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING 8:00am -11:00pm Fellowship Hall & Parking Lot (Reserved) 12:00pm Harvesters Free Food Distribution (Parking Lot) First Come/First Served 1:30pm Sticks 'N String Group (Parlor)	13 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING 9:00am Tuesdays with the Word (CAFE QUETZAL) 10:00am Line Dance Lesson (FH) 1:30pm Office Staff Meeting (P) 4:00pm Aerobics (Rm 13/14) 4:45pm Serve Dinner/Topeka Rescue Mission	14 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING 6:00pm FINANCE CMTE MTG (P) 6:45pm Flute Choir Rehearsal (S)	15 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING 5:00pm Chair & Standing Yoga (Rm 13/14) 6:15pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:00pm Square Dance Beginner Lessons (FH, K) set up/out 6:30p/10p 7:30pm Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)	16 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING NO Page Turners (returns 1/6/2023) 4:00pm Aerobics (Rm 13/14)	17 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING TERMINEX
18 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING Liturgist: Craig Neuenswander Sermon on the Steps: USHERS: Craig Neuenswander & Dan Moseman HELPERS: Martha/Marvin 9:20am Nursery for Sunday Sch (E1) 9:30am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL In-person only 9:30am Children & Youth Sunday Sch in-person & online 10:30am WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online 11:30am Triniteens (Rm 14)	19 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING SESSION PACKET REPORTS DUE AT NOON 1:30pm Sticks 'N String Group (Parlor) 7:00pm Advanced Square Dance Workshop (FH, K) set up/out 6p/9:30p	20 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING 9:00am Tuesdays with the Word (CAFE QUETZAL) 10:00am Line Dance Lesson (FH) 12:00pm VISIONING CMTE MTG ZOOM 1:30pm Office Staff Meeting (P) 4:00pm Aerobics (Rm 13/14)	21 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING First Day of Winter 6:45pm Flute Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:00pm SESSION (FH)	22 ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING 5:00pm Chair & Standing Yoga (Rm 13/14) 6:15pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:00pm Square Dance Beginner Lessons (FH, K) set up/out 6:30p/10p 7:30pm Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)	23 Day Before Christmas Eve ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING HOLIDAY-CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED LELC CLOSED NO Aerobics NO Page Turners (returns 1/6/2023)	24 Christmas Eve ANGEL TREE COLLECTION CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING Terminex treatment (all church/outside) 7:15pm Nursery Open 7:30pm CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE (S) following by Wassail Reception (P, K)
25 CHRISTMAS DAY ANGEL TREE COLLECTION SUNDAY CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING Liturgist: Bev Lutz No Nursery NO SUNDAY SCHOOL - ALL AGES NO TRINITEENS Sermon on the Steps: USHERS: David & Jurahee Shriver HELPERS: Marvin/Susan 10:30am WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online	26 Day After Christmas HOLIDAY-CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED LELC CLOSED 10:30am PERSONNEL CMTE MTG - ZOOM 1:30pm Sticks 'N String Group (Parlor) 1:30pm WORSHIP PLANNING TEAM MTG ZOOM	27 9:00am Tuesdays with the Word (CAFE QUETZAL) 10:00am Line Dance Lesson (FH) 1:30pm Office Staff Meeting (P) 4:00pm Aerobics (Rm 13/14)	28 6:45pm Flute Choir Rehearsal (S)	29 5:00pm Chair & Standing Yoga (Rm 13/14) 6:15pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:00pm Square Dance Beginner Lessons (FH, K) set up/out 6:30p/10p 7:30pm Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)	30 NO Page Turners (returns 1/6/2023) 4:00pm Aerobics (Rm 13/14)	31



12/5 Barbara Jasper
 12/5 Don Walters
 12/8 Patricia Thomblison
 12/10 Scott Anderson
 12/12 Peggy Tollefson
 12/14 Scott Smelser
 12/14 Violet Meenen
 12/14 Susan Bozeman
 12/18 Trent Stevenson
 12/18 Lou Nell Gustavson
 12/24 Bette Bossler
 12/24 Susan Stickley
 12/27 Terri Novosel
 12/28 Glenda Tegethoff
 12/28 Lois Johnson
 12/29 Charlee
 Chooncharoen
 12/31 Sally Fairbank
 12/31 Tyler Kuhn
 12/31 Neva Ebeling

12/12 Laurie & Larry
 Chandler
 12/19 Michael & Madison
 Meenen
 12/29 Ed & Carmen Raines



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Month	Date	Week	In Person	Website	Facebook	Total
OCTOBER	10/30/2022	5th	80	1	1	82
NOVEMBER	11/6/2022	1st	73	0	1	74
	11/13/2022	2nd	110	1	2	113
	11/20/2022	3rd	93	1	1	96

In Our Prayers

Carolyn Burns
Cheryl Lindstrom
Chuck Pullen
Craig Stafford
Elise Higgins
Helen Rhodes
Jace Raines
Jessie Zimmerman
John Eddy
Joyce Adcock
Judy and Carl Rundell
Kay Wildman
Ken Cott
Marilyn Watt
Marjorie Marrs
Martha Benignus
Mary Nestor
Pam Oroke

Robert Hachiya
Rose Fritz
Steve & Rose Timm's son
Wendy Pullen
Our troops overseas
Becky Jones' friends, Janice Pechacek and Cheryl Arney; Carol Shannahan's mother, Anita, & friend, Wanda; Carolyn Burns' sister-in-law, Carol Jessop; Christa Sloop's friends, Kathy, Jamie, and Chris; Dana Schoffelman's mother, Darlys Kloss; Elise (Higgins') friend, Katy Everitt; Jaron Marcus, his father, and mother, Sherilyn; Joann Hurt's daughter, Sara Grabil; Laura Sidlinger's aunt, Sara Windsor; Lettie Karlson's friend, K.C.; Pat Thomblison's friend, Cathy Baer; Maddie Mellies' stepfather, Dave Leinweber; Mary Nestor's sisters, Kay Fessler & Melissa Miller and great-nephew, Mason Ledseck; Melissa Ansberry's mother, Gayle; Ruth & Jim Jenkins' great nephew, Layton Bereal & great-great niece, Kaila, friend, Laura Louna, & brother-in-law, Jim; Ryan Kemp-Pappan's mother, Liz Lewis; Zimmerman family



Please keep in prayer all of our friends and family. If you are in special need of prayer or a phone call, or would like yourself, family member, or loved one added to our prayer list, please email the church office or contact Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan, Kathy Welch (Parish Nurse), or Janis Holiwell (Deacon Moderator). It is also helpful if you let us know if they or you would like pastoral care.

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