# TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 6TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY February 6, 2023

THE trinity candle

Weekly E-Newsletter







#### THIS SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

SERMON BY Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

**SCRIPTURE:** 

1 Corinthians 3:1-9 Matthew 5:21-37

SERMON ON THE STEPS:

Carrie Lancaster





#### WE ARE IN-PERSON FOR WORSHIP

or watch by *Livestream* on our *Trinity website* at: https://trinitypresbyterian.net/livestream-worship/

or on YouTube Live at:

http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDsLOqDqcGUJY-J\_7rYv83w/live

### REMINDERS/NOTICES

#### **Ash Wednesday**

Worship February 22 6:00 P.M. Fellowship Hall



Lent begins with Ash Wednesday--a time to reflect on our mortality and prepare for the spiritual journal through Lent. We wear ashes on our forehead to remind us that even though we are dust, and return to dust, God's love remains with us.

This year, our Ash Wednesday Service will have a different format. We are gathering in the Fellowship Hall for worship and an opportunity to participate in worship through prayer stations. A Prayer Station is a small, interactive activity that engages the senses and invites deeper reflection. For example, at one prayer station, worshippers will have an opportunity to dip their fingers in the baptismal font and remember our own baptisms.

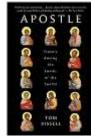
This is an all-ages service appropriate for everyone and will last around 40 minutes. If you have any questions, please reach out to me.

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

## Page Turners will be meeting on the following Fridays, from 1:30-3:00. PLEASE NOTE that there are 2 different locations!

(Contact Carol Thomas with questions (785-357-1472 or ctmshm@gmail.com)

- 2/10 Café Quetzal, 2111 SW Belle Ave.; Read chapters 27 through the end of The Woman at the Gates
- 2/17 Home of **Kay Wildman, 6100 SW 44<sup>th</sup>**;
  Begin reading: **Apostle: Travels Among the Tombs of the Twelve** by Tom Bissell
- 2/24 Café Quetzal, 2111 SW Belle Ave.; Continue Apostle





#### **ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

9:30 in Fellowship Hall

This book/video study maintains confronting racism is not just a social or political matter, but a theological one. The Bible calls us to pursue justice and oppose racism.

It is based on a sermon series and anti-racism commitment at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Indianapolis. Pastors Rob Fuquay, Nicole Caldwell-Gross, and Jevon Caldwell-Gross will help us acknowledge the reality of racism in our world today, as well as our Christian responsibility to oppose it as individuals and together as the church.







### Trinity has the most wonderful giving spirit!!!

Your donations and volunteer hours are truly amazing. The Mission Committee would like to thank you for giving \$1268.75 to the Christmas Joy Offering and also for your gifts for the Angel Tree this past December. You outdid yourselves in 2023 and we thank you!



#### LET'S KICK IT OUT OF THE PARK, TRINITY!

It's official: The EAGLES vs. the CHIEFS! Whose going to win? Well, start loading up the table in the lobby with your donations of soup and crackers and putting them on the



TEAM's SIDE you want to win the Superbowl game!

Donations of soup and crackers are showing up on the table in the church lobby. HAVE YOU BROUGHT YOURS?

The amount of food on the tables will determine the Trinity Team WINNER



#### this Sunday, February 12th!

Help stock the food pantry at **DOORSTEP**. **Any brands and varieties of soup can be used**. Watch for sales, and gather your donations!

A successful Souper Bowl Sunday can stock their pantry into the spring months!

THE GOAL THIS YEAR IS 2.5 TONS OF FOOD...THAT'S 5000 LBS!

NEXT
DRIVE:
February 13
HARVESTERS food

distribution occurs on the 2nd MONDAY of every month at Trinity. It is on a first come, first served basis. Food will be handed out no later than 12pm, but might start several minutes earlier, so be sure to arrive early to line up. To volunteer, contact Stan McAdoo.



NEXT TIME WE SERVE:



**February 14** 

Trinity serves meals at the **TOPEKA RESCUE MISSION** on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 4:45-6:45pm at the main shelter.

To volunteer, contact Stan McAdoo.





Join us for **Lunch Bunch** on Wednesday February 15 at 11:30 am at **Skinny's**, **4016 SW Huntoon St** (we will be in the side room).

Each person is responsible for paying for their own lunch. Our guest speaker is Trinity's own Connie Hubbell, who will give a short presentation about her Father's experiences as a P.O.W. in WW II.

#### **TUESDAYS WITH THE WORD**

9:00 A.M.

This is a casual time of spiritual fellowship and friendly conversation over coffee or tea with Pastor Mere.

Contact Pastor Mere with questions.

The first Sunday in Lent every year is designated "Wear your blue t-shirt to church Sunday" as a testament of one of the ways One Great Hour of Sharing makes a difference.

This year BE INVOLVED - mark your calendar for February 26th to wear blue (PDA workers wear blue) and show your support for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance and One Great Hour of Sharing!

**OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE** 



#### Worship With Us This Lenten Season

Ash Wednesday	February 22	6:00p	Join us in Fellowship Hall.		
JOIN US IN THE SAN	CTUARY FOR THE	SERMON S	ERIES: TABLE IN THE WILDERNESS		
First Sunday in Lent	February 26	10:30a	Setting the Table		
Second Sunday in Lent	March 5	10:30a	The Promise of a People		
Third Sunday in Lent	March 12	10:30a	The Promise of Living Water		
Fourth Sunday in Lent	March 19	10:30a	The Promise of Plenty		
Fifth Sunday in Lent	March 26	10:30a	The Promise of Resurrection		
Palm Sunday	April 2	10:30a	The Promise and the Passion		
Maundy Thursday	April 6	6:00p	Joined at the Table		
Easter Sunday	April 9	10:30a	The Promise Fulfilled		





The Outreach Committee reports a "Topeka Trinity INSTAGRAM" page is now live and being used by \_\_\_\_\_\_ Trinity.



At the very bottom of the Trinity website HOME page, you will find the Instagram icon. Click on it to be taken to the Instagram page. TRY IT!





#### **AmazonSmile Program**

Amazon will be ending the AmazonSmile donation program this month. This program was a simple way to additionally support Trinity each time you shopped on Amazon. The Pastor Discretionary Fund received the proceeds generated from your AmazonSmile purchases. Thank you for participating – your gifts were appreciated.

#### **ALL Financial Gifts**

Your financial gifts are recorded with INtegrity. However, our bank and accounting partners need <u>your</u> 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 is celebrating its **70**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary** this year! We wish to thank all members and friends for their financial commitments for 2023. Your generosity helps support and grow the ministry and mission of Trinity.



#### WAYS TO GIVE TO TRINITY

By personal check: Mail it to- Trinity Presbyterian Church, 4746 SW 21st Street, Topeka, KS 66604





#### Online-Bank Bill Payment:

A service offered by most financial institutions, which creates automatic recurring or one-time gift payments electronically from your bank account. Designate Trinity as payee, and have payments sent to: *Trinity Presbyterian Church*, 4746 SW 21st Street Topeka, KS 66604

#### **Online-Trinity Giving:**

You can find this option on Trinity's website at www.trinitypresbyterian.net .

Select the "Give" tab in the upper right portion of the screen and follow the instructions.

Special Offerings can also be designated.

NOTE: This form of giving is *especially secure*. It won't be lost in the post office and can't be stolen from an outdoor mail box!

#### Smile.Amazon.com:

Whenever you shop on AmazonSmile and select Trinity Presbyterian Church as your organization to support. 0.5% of your eligible purchases will go to Trinity.

#### **SIMPLIFY Your Life**

Online Giving is a very easy process.

- 1. Just **scan** the [QR code] image (on the right) with your smartphone (click on your camera button and hold it over the image until a link appears),
- 2. **Open the link**, and you will be taken directly to the
- 3. **Online Giving** page for Trinity. There you can easily make your donation, giving, or pledge!

It's as easy as 1-2-3.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
FEBR 20	UARY 23		NO FINANCE CMTE MTG 6:45pm Flute Choir Rehearsal (S)	9 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 7:30pm Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)	1:30pm Page Turners Book Study (Cafe Quetzal) 4:00pm Aerobics (Rm 13/14)	<b>11</b> 4:00pm International Prayer Group (FH, P)
Liturgist: Marvin Burris Sermon on the Steps: Carrie Lancaster SOUPER BOWL OF CARING-FOOD COLLECTION SUNDAY 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 10:30am WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online 11:30am PEACEMAKING COMMITTEE MTG (Parlor) 11:30am Triniteens (Rm 14/Offsite) 6:00pm Square Dance Beginner Lessons (FH, K) set up/out 5:30p/8:30p	8:00am -11:00pm Fellowship Hall & Parking Lot Reserved) 12:00pm Harvesters Free Food Distribution (Parking Lot) First Come/First Served	Valentine's Day 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	15 Article Deadline - Talking Trinity Newsletter for-MARCH 11:30am LUNCH BUNCH (Skinny's) 6:45pm Flute Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:00pm SESSION (FH)	16 5:00pm Chair & Standing Yoga (Rm 13/14) 6:15pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:30pm Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)	17 12:30pm PEO Chapter CS meeting (P, K) 1:30pm Page Turners Book Study (Cafe Quetzal) 4:00pm Aerobics (Rm 13/14) 7:00pm Friendship Squares Dance (FH, K) set up/out 6p/10p	18 4:00pm International Prayer Group (FH, P)
19 Liturgist: Bev Thompson Sermon on the Steps: Jane Williams 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) 6:00pm Square Dance Beginner Lessons (FH, K) set up/out 5:30p/8:30p	Group (Parlor) 7:00pm Advanced	21 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) 2:30pm JUMP team meeting (P) 4:00pm Aerobics (Rm 13/14)	22 Ash Wednesday Liturgist: Carol Shannahan No Nursery ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING BEGINS-April 9 6:00pm ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP SERVICE (FH) 6:45pm Flute Choir Rehearsal (S)	23 5:00pm Chair & Standing Yoga (Rm 13/14) 6:15pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:30pm Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)	24 1:30pm Page Turners Book Study (Cafe Quetzal) 4:00pm Aerobics (Rm 13/14)	25 Terminex treatment (all church/outside) 4:00pm International Prayer Group (FH, P)
26 BLUE OUT SUNDAY-wear blue! FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT Liturgist: Carol Hornecker Sermon on the Steps: Pat Thomblison USHERS: David & Barb Koci HELPERS: Marvin/Susan 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) 6:00pm Square Dance Beginner Lessons (FH, K) set up/out 5:30p/8:30p	27 ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING BEGINS 1:30pm Sticks 'N String Group (Parlor) 1:30pm WORSHIP PLANNING TEAM MTG ZOOM	28 9:00am Tuesdays with the Word (CAFE QUETZAL) 10:00am Line Dance Lesson (FH) 11:00am Office Staff Meeting (off campus) 4:00pm Aerobics (Rm 13/14)	1 BUY THE CASE CANNED FOOD COLLECTION STARTS 10:30am PERSONNEL CMTE MTG - ZOOM 1:30pm Mary Martha Circle (P) 6:45pm Esther Circle (P) lesson starts at 7 6:45pm Flute Choir Rehearsal (S)	2 5:00pm Chair & Standing Yoga (Rm 13/14) 6:15pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal (S) 7:30pm Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)	3 1:30pm Page Turners Book Study (Cafe Quetzal) 4:00pm Aerobics (Rm 13/14)	4 ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING 2:00pm Friendship Squares Dance (FH,K) set up/out 1p/5p 4:00pm International Prayer Group (FH, P)

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.

You may also contact Rev. Meredith Kemp—Pappan, Kathy Welch (Parish Nurse), or Janis Holiwell (Deacon Moderator) directly. It is also helpful if you let us know if they or you would like pastoral care. *Grace and Peace, Pastor Mere* 

## Joys and Concerns Prayers for Families/Persons from Directory Rotation

Susan, Jerry, Donna & Galen Whipple Kay Wildman Dennis & Jane Williams Nuevo Calvario, Los Talpetates & Rio Los Bueyes, El Salvador

## Prayer Focus Church of the Presbytery of Northern Ks: First Presbyterian - Auburn

**Prayers for the Ecumenical Church** Austria, Liechtenstein, Switzerland

#### **New Concerns:**

Ruth Jenkins friend, Vicky

#### **Ongoing Concerns:**

Carolyn Burns
Craig Stafford
Cheryl Lindstrom
Chuck Pullen
Helen Rhodes
Jace Raines
Jessie Zimmerman
John Eddy
Judy and Carl Rundell
Marilyn Watt



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 Bryan. Carolyn Burns' sister-in-law, Carol Jessop: 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, Melissa Miller & Kay Fessler; Ruth & Jim Jenkins' great nephew, Layton Bereal & friend, Laura Louna, & brother-in-law, Jim; Ryan Kemp-Pappan's mother, Liz Lewis; Zimmerman family







### Trinity's Easter Egg Hunt will be on Palm Sunday, April 2 at 10 am

for infants through sixth grade.

We need individually wrapped nonseasonal candy (size that will fit in a plastic egg). NOTE: We have already received a donation of plastic eggs.

Please place your candy donations in the basket located in the church lobby.

THANK YOU!!

### **SNIPPETS**

#### -From Trinity's Website-

**Presbyterian Women** (PW) is the women's organization in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). It is an inclusive and caring community of women, committed to working toward God's promise of wholeness for all people.



At Trinity, we are informally organized, with several groups of women who gather for Bible study, using the yearly publications of Presbyterian Women. We gather for fellowship, to nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study, and to support the mission of the church worldwide through our offerings.

We have two groups that meet on the first Wednesday of each month (excluding June, July, and August) in the church parlor. The Mary & Martha Circle meets at 1:30, and the Esther Circle meets at 6:45. We joyfully welcome any women who wish to join us. We hope you'll come to a meeting and give us a try!

The current study for the Circles, "Celebrating Sabbath" continues a through May 2023.



