# September 2015 Trinity Press



## Our Doors Are Open!"

## Special Message and gift at all services

## Sunday Worship Services

9:00 am Family-Friendly

Contemporary

10:30 am Traditional

12:00 pm Spanish

Child care at all Worship Services

Nursery & Preschool

Room 10

Sunday School Classes

Grades K-6 Rooms 4, 5, and 6

### Out-of-the-Box Food Packing

Sunday, September 13th, at 11:45 am

### Yolo County Food Distribution

Tuesday, September 15th, at 10:00 am

#### Out-of-the-Box Food Distribution

Thursday, September 17th, at 6:30 pm

## **Back-to-Church Sunday**

Sunday, September 20th, all services



## Pastor Eric will



return soon!

## **Latino Ministry Report July and August 2015**

No Latino Ministry Team Leadership meeting was held in July. Sunday, July 12, Rev. Ivan Herman and three members of the Congregational Support Ministry Team came to Trinity and met with families of the Latino Ministry. 45 people attended worship that day and then met with our guests for a time of listening and learning how God is at work in the ministry. What dreams do people have for the ministry, what changes would they like to see, and what do they think is the next step for the ministry? People reported that they felt heard.

The Congregational Support Ministry Team intends to report back to Trinity Session and to the Latino Ministry Leadership Team in September.

The August Latino Ministry Leadership
Team meeting was held August 14. Judy
Chiboucas from the Trinity Worship
Committee joined the meeting. Plans for
the joint worship service on World
Communion Sunday, October 4, were
made.

Each leader reported on their area of responsibility, and issues were addressed.

Among the topics discussed were:

- There will be no Latino Ministry Labor Day weekend campout this year. Rosie will be contacted to see if a swim and BBQ party would be possible.
- The possibility of moving the Wednesday evening Spanish Language Bible Study to Sunday morning is being considered.
- The proposal from Trinity's Session to convene a single youth fellowship, including all youth of the church, was discussed. The Leadership team is supportive of the proposal and wants to consider it further, discussing it with the youth and Glen. Glen will be invited to a meeting for further discussion.
- Lina will notify Jane of dates and details for the monthly Sunday after-worship picnic in the park, so that anyone who is interested in joining will know when and where to come. Picnics are not held when there is inclement weather.
- A visiting Spanish-speaking pastor is being arranged for Sunday, August 23.
- Claudia was authorized to purchase a new printer with ink (up to \$100.00) for her use with the Latino Ministry. She will attempt to make the printer from the storage container work first.

- There is discussion about moving the monthly Prayer and Fasting from Saturday mornings to Friday evenings in September.

  There has been no decision yet.
- The Praise Team will continue practicing Monday and Friday evenings with child care. The Latino Ministry is paying for the child care.
- Manuel Ayala is the new bass player for the Latino Praise Team.

Worship attendance is holding. For June it averaged 37 and for July it was 36.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Trott

Elder for Mission and Outreach

## **Heifer Project Offering**

Give a person a fish, feed them a day; teach them to fish, feed them for a lifetime

On Back-to-Church Sunday, September 20, Trinity Presbyterian Church is collecting a special offering to support the Sunday school's Heifer Project.

Over the past year, Sunday school children have been collecting weekly offerings for the Heifer Project. The children have

collected over \$350 to purchase animals or trees to support the self-development of families throughout the world in need of help. Now, the children want to invite adults in the church to join the effort by matching their contribution.

Please come prepared on Sunday, September 20 to hear about, and donate to, our Sunday school's Heifer Project. If you are unable to be in church on the 20<sup>th</sup>, place a donation in the Heifer Offering box in the Narthex, or a marked offering envelope in the offering plate any Sunday in September, or give via the Church's website.

Heifer International is a non-governmental, non-profit organization dedicated to helping families and communities become self-sufficient through animal husbandry and agro-forestry. Heifer provides the animals — e.g., cows, chickens and goats — and trees, as well as training to take care of them. The first offspring is given to a similarly trained neighbor. These gifts have changed lives, clothing and feeding families, and sending their children to school. Our donations make Heifer possible.

Blessings,

Ken Trott, Chair Mission and Outreach Ministry Team

## **Back-to-Church Sunday**

### **September 20, 2015**

On September 20, over 30,000 churches across America are expected to join together to invite their communities back to church! Trinity will again participate in this powerful day of worship.

Back-to-Church Sunday is a campaign strategically designed to help churches reach out to invite everyone to try church again. This powerful movement encourages church attendance by inspiring and empowering church members to invite their neighbors, friends and loved ones to a special Sunday service designed just for them.

#### - See more at:

http://backtochurch.com/about#sthash.Tkd plkah.dpuf



Our Doors Are Open!

## **Trinity Threads Together**

October 10th will be our second annual craft show. Trinity Threads Together (TTT) has been working diligently for months to craft items for this sale. We invite all of you to join us in the now-annual fundraiser for the Building Fund. In addition to our crafts, we will have some outside vendors, baked goods and a yard sale, too. So start saving those great saleable items and thinking about what you would like to add to our sale. Please contact Carol Davis, Jane Gentry or Cora Hocker with any questions you might have. More information will follow!



## **Deacons' Coat Drive**

Have you been cleaning out your closets this summer??? GREAT! Please save those coats, jackets, sweat jackets that you no longer want. We need all these items for our **Deacons' Coat Drive**, which will take place in the Fall. Just drop these gently used and clean items at the church office during regular office hours. We need all sizes—adults (men and women), teens, children, toddlers, babies. Thanks!



## The School Bus has left the church!

Thank you all for donating your dollars, school supplies, backpacks and prayers for another successful Backpack Project. We provided 80 fully-loaded backpacks to our church families and to the children of Riverbank Elementary School

Thank yous are extended to the following Trinity family and friends:

Gayle Andrade, Lew and Linda Whitney, Jill Thom and Sophie and Amelia Blunk, Pat Terry, JoyAnn and Darrell Merwin, Errol and Myrna Summy, Toni Sullivan, The Reynen Whitney Family, Judi Chiboucas, Pastor Eric and Jen Keller, Terri Davis and Dave Bolach, John and Shirley Robinson, Anna and Robb Perrine, Linda and Don Brooks, The Schluneggers, The Bagdazians, Rhonda Hensley, Joe and Nola Goeden, Sue Goodwin, Nancy Henrikson, Cliff and Ethel Hayes, Gloria and Will Curtis, Ken and Kathy Trott, others who donated anonymously, and myself, Jane Gentry.

I am extending special thanks to Hope Suson and her daughters Cassie, Stephi and Izzy; and Kami Rasmussen who packed 80 backpacks with me. I could not have done it without you!



## **September Birthdays**



| Laura Singh        | 4  |
|--------------------|----|
| Lori Schlunegger   | 10 |
| Margaret Brinkhuis | 12 |
| Gabriel Kojima     | 12 |
| Marilyn Allen      | 19 |
| Robb Perrine       | 19 |
| Carol Onalfo       | 20 |
| Ethel Hayes        | 22 |
| Katie Hansen       | 23 |
| Jeanie Drummond    | 24 |

## **Kids' Fun Day and Dance Party**

We had approximately 25 children and 20 adults attend our annual Kids' Fun Day. We handed out lots of prizes, hot dogs, served beaucoup nachos and watched as the kids performed their dance routines flawlessly to the music of our own Richard "The Raven" Rivas. This was a great time of fellowship for families, kids and Trinity's own.



#### **Kudos Toni Sullivan!**

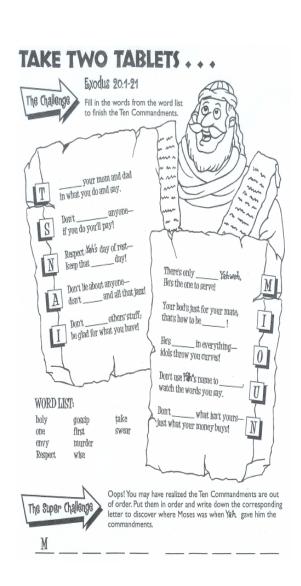
This month's kudos recipient is Toni Sullivan. What a go-getter she is! Toni shows up Wednesday morning with her van filled with donated items and still finds room to add whatever items Trinity has collected for her to distribute to those in need. Last year a pampered pet blanket set was donated for a very small dog. Toni commented that she knew the perfect person to receive the blanket set as a Christmas gift. After Christmas, Toni shared how excited and happy the recipient was and how it brought her joy to experience that with the individual.

This is one of the many stories Toni has shared with me. Her stories bring a smile to my face and joy to my heart as Toni continuously opens her heart to others. If there is a need, Toni works her hardest to find a way to meet that need.

Toni puts others before herself on a daily basis and wakes up and does it day-after-day, over and over again. Congratulations Toni!

Jane Gentry

#### **Ten Commandments Game**



## **TCs 10 Year Anniversary**

Toni started "Toni Charities," (TCs), when she took an empty plastic bag, went outside her new apartment and picked up trash. She remembered that Mother Theresa said, "Not all of us can do great things, but we all can do small things with great love." After twenty minutes she felt better; she was able to cheer up and tackle the challenges of her new home. (She continued this small gesture of picking up trash every morning.)

Toni arrived in Sacramento in 2005, and on July 25<sup>th</sup> moved into a small, inexpensive apartment on Second Street in West Sacramento. Her new neighbors unexpectedly turned out to be drug addicts and assorted down-and-outs. Perceiving Toni as a potential threat, their behavior was very surly and unfriendly. What to do? It was altogether a depressing start to living here....

Toni says she realized, "If everybody was 'fixed up' nobody would need me...what would I do then? I would die of boredom! I was lucky to land in such a needy place; indeed God lead me there. I had found the opportunity of a lifetime!

"I was already a good scavenger, having honed my abilities in unlikely places all over the world. Once I put those abilities to work here I was amazed at how much "stuff" I could find and collect, and how many other people would assist and support me."

"I have a lot of fun looking for "stuff" out there every day. Giving it away is even more fun: watching a crowd of people attack the tubs; how happy they look to find something they like or need. To see someone running off with an armful; it's a wonderful sight! I love sitting there 'supervising'."

## Trinity Family, Out-of-the-Box needs your help!

We are experiencing a decline in volunteers on Sunday food-packing days. This past week, our crew was so small we weren't able to pack all the bags we intended to make. Please, Trinity family, consider joining us to pack groceries for needy families once a month. We have the food, but we need the volunteers. There are jobs for all ages, young and old. We gather at 11:45 on the Sunday before the third Thursday of every month. You can even bring a lunch to snack on while you work (the Schluneggers do!). For the remainder of 2015, our packing days will be:

September 13

October 11

November 15 (Thanksgiving edition, including turkeys!)

December 13 (Christmas cookie palooza!)

Please come help us share God's love with West Sac families!

Sincerely,

Your Out-of-the-Box Team



| BibleWise  |  |
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| The 10<br>Commandments   |  |
| How well do you know your commandments? Fill in the banks to complete each commandment.  |  |
| Thou shalt not have no otherbefore me.   |  |
| 2. Thou shalt not make unto thee any image.  |  |
| 3 . Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in  |  |
| 4. Remember theday to keep it holy.  |  |
| 5 · Honor your and your  |  |
| 6. Thou shalt not  |  |
| 7. Thou shalt not commit   |  |
| 8. Thou shalt not  |  |
| Thou shalt not bear false against thy  |  |
| 10. Thou shalt not thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet they neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbor's. |  |
| Try these words:   |  |
| mother vain witness covet Sabbath adultery   |  |
| kill gods steal graven father neighbor   |  |
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Kids' Fun Day - Backpacks - Lawn Concert



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The mission of Trinity Presbyterian Church is to invite people into the family of God to share the transforming love of Jesus Christ.

