

Trinity Press

January 2025

Dear Friends,

Happy New Year! Wow, another year zooms by. Our household had a lovely Christmas. My three older children flew in from Nairobi, Seattle and Chicago, and we had a wonderful day of church, food, playing, jumping in the 50 degree pool and then the 103 degree jacuzzi, backgammon, playing and more food.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

We have an event coming that I think could and will shape the life of Trinity for years to come. It is a new sermon series that calls for *everyone* to be involved.

The series is called Emotionally Healthy Spirituality. You will hear more about it in the weeks to come. Here is what the series asks of you:

1. Listen intently to the sermons.
2. Get involved in a small group (again, you will hear about a number of groups you can participate in.)
3. Purchase the book and read a chapter a week. (Will be on sale soon at church.)
4. Purchase the daily devotional guide and use daily. (This will also be available soon.)



Finally, here is a prayer as we start the new year. I sent it our earlier in the week but wanted to make sure you have it.

A Prayer at the beginning of 2025

God, we thank you for another year.

We thank you... for your grace in our failures.

We thank you... for your strength in our weakness.

And we thank you for your goodness... in every season

As we look back on this year, we see your hand over it all.

We see your mercy, your goodness, and your power.

We cherish the memories we've made... and the lessons we've learned.

And we look with faith, anticipation, and expectation toward another year

May this be a year of hoping, believing, and rejoicing;

A year of helping others... in the mighty name of Jesus;

A year of learning your Word, your will, and your ways;

A year of growing... like a tree planted by streams of water;

A year of praying, casting our cares upon you;

A year of waiting; knowing that your timing... is always best;

A year of trusting in your promises and in your faithfulness.

And may this be a year of overcoming, because even in the darkness, the light shines.

Whatever we face this year, we know we'll never have to face it alone because you're always with us and for us, in Jesus' name,

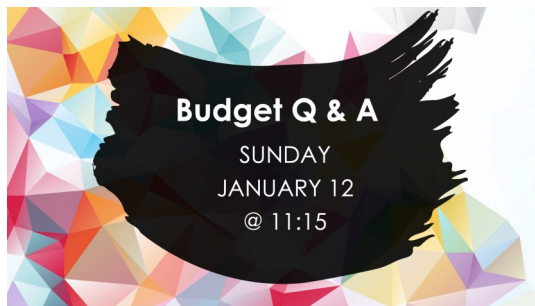
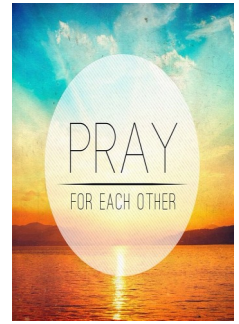
Amen.

Have a great day and hope to see you this Sunday.

Warmly in the hope of Jesus,

Pastor Jamie

- ◇ Healing prayers for Karen Metcalf's nephew Hayden Metcalf.
- ◇ Continued prayers for Dee Settle who is having health challenges.
- ◇ Prayers for the Al & Glenda Dahms as they mourn the death of their son, Brian.
- ◇ Prayers for Al & Glenda Dahms niece, Jenn Rapetti who has stage 4 cancer.



Mark your calendars

The annual meeting for Trinity Presbyterian Church will be held on Sunday, January 26, 2025, immediately following the church service. When the meeting ends, we will gather in the Fellowship Room for a potluck luncheon.

A Transformative Sermon Series is Coming!

Beginning in February 2025, we will journey together participating in this sermon series in at least three ways:

1. Individual devotions
2. Small group participation
3. Gathered worship sermons



Contact the office if you are interested in being in a small group OR a small group facilitator.



Budget Question & Answer meeting—
January 12 @ 11:30.

Annual Congregational meeting & potluck—
January 26

Youth Confirmation Retreat—January 24-26

Scout Sunday—February 2

Newcomers Class—February 16 @ 11:30, Rm 1

Ash Wednesday—March 5

Good Friday Service—April 18 @ 7:00

Easter Service—April 20 @ 9:00 & 10:30

**Upcoming Youth group
nights:**

January 10

February 7

March 7

We'll meet at Trinity
Church, 6:30-8, for pizza,
games, and a positive
message.



Happy Birthday To YOU!

Terrie Watson—1/11

Melody Bosley—1/17

David Gil—1/18

Cliff Hayes—1/23

Ali David—1/27



**YOLO COUNTY SENIORS
NEED YOU**

FOOD INSECURITY AND ISOLATION RATES ARE
STAGGERING AMONGST SENIORS

40,000+

Seniors in
Yolo County

8,000+

Meet the criteria of
low, very low, or
extremely low
income

**VOLUNTEER
TODAY!**



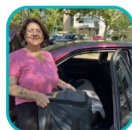
Karla Rasmussen was the
winner of the quilt raffle!
Congratulations Karla.



Volunteers Needed - Apply Today!

- Substitute Delivery Driver
- Committed Delivery Driver
 - 1x a week
 - Bi-weekly
 - Once a month

Scan the QR code
to learn more:



✉ volunteer@mowolo.org

☎ 530-662-7035 x110

🌐 mowolo.org/volunteer

When worshipping in the Fellowship Hall please remember to keep the doors to the hallway and outside closed.



Ladies Luncheon

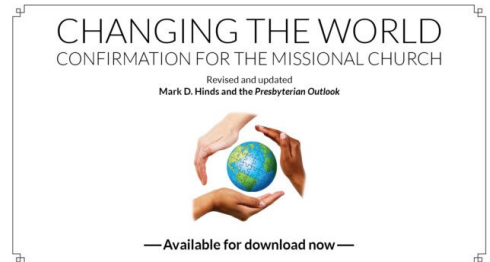
Ladies, the January luncheon will be on Friday, January 17 at noon in the Fellowship Room. Bring a dish to share and your own place setting.



TTT (Trinity Threads Together) - Join us Saturday, January 4 at 10:00 in Room 1.

Confirmation Retreat Weekend This is what you are all wondering about, right? Here it is:


I would like to offer our students an opportunity to dive deeper into our Christian faith. At youth group, and even on Sunday mornings, we keep the discussion pretty light (God loves you. Be good to people.) This retreat will be a chance to really explore what we believe as Presbyterians in the PC(USA) denomination, and really give students a chance to wrestle with the ideas and think about what they believe. We will not force anything upon the students, but we will expose them to some deeper questions, and give them space to ponder, study Scripture, and ask questions. This will not be the standard "Confirmation" class that you may have experienced as a kid in a Protestant or Catholic church. It also will not necessarily culminate in all students professing faith in front of the church, getting baptized, or becoming members of Trinity's congregation. The focus of this program is to inspire students to become followers (disciples) of Jesus, to strengthen their identity as God's special creation, to explore their God-given gifts, and to challenge them to look at the world with more compassion and generosity. We will also pair them with an adult mentor from the church who will continue to meet with them over the coming year, build relationship, and encourage them in their faith. We'll be using a curriculum called *Changing the World, Confirmation for the Missional Church*. You can find out a little about this program here: <https://pres-outlook.org/product/changing-the-world-confirmation-for-the-missional-church/>.



Logistics for the Confirmation Retreat: We will rent a vacation house (or 2?) at [Zephyr Point Conference Center](#) for the weekend of January 24-26, 2025. We will spend the weekend studying together, preparing meals and eating together, and enjoying the beautiful lake in winter. There may be snow, we never know, right? We have at least three adults committed to the weekend to help with the teaching, driving, and feeding of our kids. The vacation houses at Zephyr are affordable, not extravagant, so I am confident that we can keep the cost affordable for families. As always at Trinity, we will never let money hold a student back from attending something they want to do.

Interest RSVP: Please let me know very soon if your student is interested in participating. This is not a money-down commitment, I just need an idea of how many people are interested so I can get the accommodations reserved. Then I'll be able to calculate the cost per student. I am also opening this up to other youth groups in our area to see who want to join us.

Out of the Box Calendar 2025
Feed People Whenever Possible
 Email: outofthebox@trinitywestsac.org



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| <p>Volunteer to pack grocery bags: Sundays at 2:00 pm</p> <p>January 12 February 16 March 16 April 13 Saturday, May 10 @ 10am June 15 July 13 August 17 September 14 October 12 November 16 December 14 Cookiepalooza: December 17@6pm</p> | <p>Free Grocery Bag Distribution: 6pm for volunteers, doors open at 6:30 for clients</p> <p>January 16 February 20 March 20 April 17 May 15 June 19 July 17 August 21 September 18 October 16 November 20 December 18</p> |
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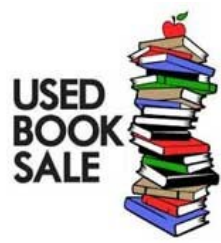
CALL FOR MENTORS

Be an adult mentor in our Missional Confirmation program. Build a relationship with a teenager who is learning about our faith and God's call on their life. Consider going on retreat with us!

[Complete our Interest Form to learn more!](#)



Do these belong to you? They've been in the fellowship room for about a month. Let Susan know if you donated them or what are your intentions for them.



Money is also being raised for the kitchen fund by selling used books. There is a bookcase in the Narthex and someone will be there each Sunday to happily take your money. Please feel free to donate books as well. You can leave them in the office or bring them on Sunday. We will raise the money needed with everyone's help!

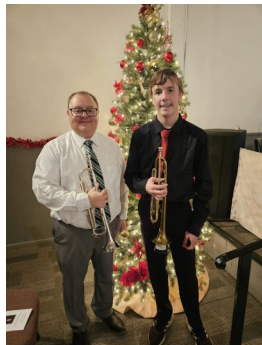
New volunteer opportunity: **Youth Confirmation Mentor.** Trinity will be hosting a Youth Confirmation program this winter. We'll be going on a retreat to Zephyr Point the weekend of January 24-26. Each student will be paired with an adult mentor, not their parent or guardian. Are you interested in mentoring a young teen? The time commitment is a minimum of 8 mentoring meetings over a 6-12 month period that you would schedule with your mentee, plus the option of going on the retreat. Training and curriculum is provided. Youth protection screening is required. If you are interested or would like to know more, please contact Lori Schlunegger or Susan in the office.



Presbyterian Youth Triennium

Triennium is back! After a 6-year hiatus, our denomination is ready to welcome back thousands of high school aged youth and their adult leaders to Louisville, Kentucky, for four days of worship, recreation, Bible study, outreach, and faith formation. This will happen July 28-31, 2025. It is open to all youth, incoming 9th graders through outgoing 12th-graders. Our local presbytery is excited to send a delegation from California. Our teens have the opportunity to join other local youth, and to meet kids from all over the country!

Happenings at Trinity in December!



January 2025

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| 29 Comunion - Church Service - 10:00; Sun Sch - Rm 3, 10-11; Religious Emblem Class-12-4, Rm 3; CLC Service - Noon; CLC Dia de Reyes Cele. | 30 Christian Ed - 4:00, Zoom | 31 AA - 7-8:00, Rm 3 | 1 <i>New Years Day</i> | 2 NA - 5:30-6:30, Rm 3 | 3 NA - 7-8:00, Rm 3 | 4 TTT-10:00, Rm 1 NA - 12-1:30, Rm 3 |
| 5 Church Service - 10:00 Sun Sch Rm 3, 10-11:00 Deacon's-11:30, Rm 2; Budget Q & A Mtg - 11:30; Religious Emblem Class-12-4, Rm 3; CLC Service-Noon; OOTB Food Packing-2:00 | 6 Christian Ed - 4:00, Zoom | 7 AA - 7-8:00, Rm 3 | 8 PEO Mtg. - 10-1:00, Rm 1 | 9 NA - 5:30-6:30, Rm 3 | 10 Youth Group - 6:30-8, FH NA - 7-8:00, Rm 3 | 11 NA - 12-1:00, Rm 3 HBD Terrie Watson |
| 12 Church Service - 10:00 Sun Sch Rm 3, 10-11:00 Deacon's-11:30, Rm 2; Budget Q & A Mtg - 11:30; Religious Emblem Class-12-4, Rm 3; CLC Service-Noon; OOTB Food Packing-2:00 | 13 Office Open Worship - 7:00, Zoom | 14 Personnel - 7:00, Zoom AA - 7-8:00, Rm 3 | 15 Jamie's Bible Study - Zoom @ 7:15 Girl Scout Troop 447 - 6:15-8:15, Rm 3 | 16 Office Closed OOTB Distribution - 6:30 NA - 5:30-6:30, Rm 3 | 17 Ladies Luncheon-Noon, Fellowship Room; NA - 7-8:00, Rm 3 HBD Melody Bosley | 18 NA - 12-1:00, Rm 3 HBD David Gil |
| 19 Church Service - 10:00 Sun Sch Rm 3, 10-11:00; Religious Emblem Class-2-6, Rm 3 CLC Service - Noon | 20 MILK Day | 21 Session - 7:00, Zoom AA - 7-8:00, Rm 3 | 22 Jamie's Bible Study - Zoom @ 7:15 | 23 NA - 5:30-6:30, Rm 3 HBD Cliff Hayes | 24 Youth Confirmation Retreat - Zephyr Point, Until Sunday NA - 7-8:00, Rm 3 | 25 NA - 12-1:00, Rm 3 → |
| 26 Church Service - 10:00 Sun Sch Rm 3, 10-11:00 Annual Congregational Mtg. CLC Service - Noon | 27 HBD Ali David | 28 AA - 7-8:00, Rm 3 | 29 Jamie's Bible Study - Zoom @ 7:15 | 30 NA - 5:30-6:30, Rm 3 | 31 NA - 7-8:00, Rm 3 | 1 |



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Trinity's Vision Statement:

"We are a community being transformed by the Love of Jesus"

- *God is good.*
- *Nobody's perfect.*
- *Everyone is welcome.*
- *We can make a difference.*