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Please consider these ministries and opportunities and those listed in the bulletin. For questions, or for more information contact the director of the ministry.

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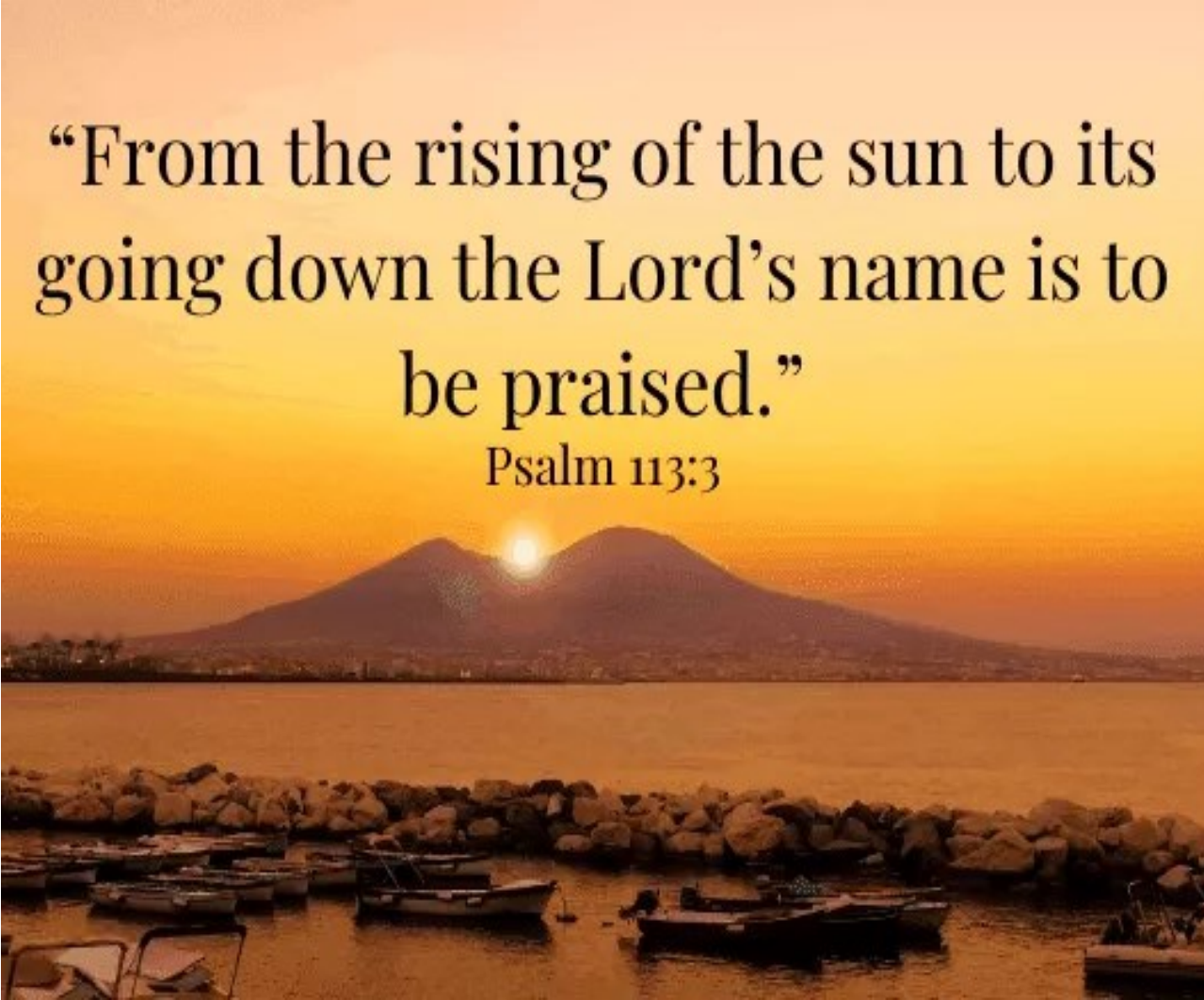
"Therefore encourage one another, and build up one another, just as you also are doing." I Thessalonians 5:11 NASB

THE ENCOURAGER

Trinity Baptist Church Monthly Newsletter

August 2022

Sunday Services 10:30 a.m.



“From the rising of the sun to its going down the Lord’s name is to be praised.”
Psalm 113:3

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

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WHEN RIGHT IS WRONG

Take the log out of your own eye. Win the battle, but lose the war. Cut off your nose to spite your face. Strain the gnat swallow the camel. Throw out the baby with the bath water. Do not kill the fly on your head with a hammer. Love covers a multitude of sins.

Many of us believe we have the God given insight of being right. Maybe we are even often right. Does that make us more Christlike? Does it help others around us become more Christlike?

It can, but does it? When I explain why I am right, when I undermine the wrong viewpoint, when I speak up and show people they are wrong, is the outcome growth in Christlikeness? For them or for me? I am not asking about the way things ought to be, but the way they actually are.

The idioms above have in common an outcome-based perspective. Thinking about the outcome impacts the way that you act now.

One of the key factors in representing the truth is to recognize that people are in a growth process. It is not helpful to reject someone, or make them feel as if they are not enough, just because they are still growing in a certain area. Graciousness demands that we are patient, kind, and long-suffering. Do those sound familiar? (Cf. Galatians 5:22-23).

Sometimes in relationships, even in our homes, people act badly. What is our desired outcome? 1) to prove that we are right or to hurt them back or 2) is it to see them overcome their sin? It can really get tricky here. Sometimes the first intent is covered by the garments of the second. Sometimes we even deceive ourselves.

Is there a time to confront? Certainly. Confrontation is also the time for kindness, gentleness and self-control. However, there is also a time for patience and long-suffering – a time not to confront. Christlikeness is not a buffet to choose certain parts of His character. So there may be a time to wait.

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Dear Trinity Family,
Where do I begin? Praising our Lord (all the day long)! VBS Zoomerang was so much fun! Kids were smiling, parents were smiling and our lovely volunteers were smiling too!

Our kids learned that we are fearfully and wonderfully made. They learned how much God loves each one of them and how He sent His son to die on the cross for our sin and rose again.

We had 72 kids who came at least one night and our five-day average was 58, with the last four days being 60 kids per night. Praise God! There was so much joy in the building!

We had an opportunity to share our little food bank with a lot of the families too. It meant a lot to them and to us to be able to help them in this way.

We couldn't have done this without you. Thank you so much for praying for VBS and the children. Thank you so much for your donations and of course, thank you for serving the Lord with us. It is such a privilege to serve Him with you. May God receive all glory and honor and may He continue to bless our Trinity Family.

Please continue to pray for the families who came and are looking for a church family.

In His Love,
Carol and Lily

PRAYER REMINDERS

***God hears and He answers prayer
Cast on Jesus your every care
Hasten to take Him your problems
For God answers prayer.***

Please call Marlene Hollman at 509-328-7414, or send an e-mail to:

trinityspokane.prayer@gmail.com

with your requests and praises. Your request will be e-mailed to the church family. Those without e-mail will be notified by phone through the phone prayer chain.

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- Donaldsons** - Trip to Nigeria: Spiritual protection, safety, logistics, health, effective ministries, fellowship with Nigerian believers, refreshment
 - Dee Donaldson** - Recovery from malaria
 - Smithpeters** - Covid recovery
 - Darlene LaFollette** - Covid recovery
 - Butch Yapp** - Regain strength following pneumonia and covid
 - Others dealing with Covid**
 - Dianne O'Neil Family**– Death of Dianne
 - Carmen Miller Family** - Death of Carmen
 - Larry Crisp** - Recovery from recent surgery and ongoing health concerns
 - Elaine Rehms** - Cancer treatment
 - Andrew Crouch** - Staph infection

Memorial Service

New Creation is holding a Memorial Service for Carmen Miller on Wednesday, Aug. 3rd at 10 a.m.
1515 E Farwell Rd.



ANN MASON'S TIPS

EZ-PZ is what we all like to read when looking for a new recipe. This “cake” recipe is probably as EZ-PZ as you can get

One box of cake mix, any flavor
One box of Angel food cake mix

Mix the dry cake mixes together in a large bowl. Store in an airtight container. I actually used a freezer bag. When you want an easy dessert, measure 3 T of the cake mixture in a regular size mug, add 2 T water and stir. Microwave for 70 seconds. EZ-PZ for sure!! And super easy for your kids or grandkids to do themselves.

About ten years ago, the boring, colorless cauliflower became “trendy” — rice, pizza crust, even entire cookbooks filled with all things cauliflower. So now be on the lookout for the latest trend, the radish. A popular snack in France is butter spread thick between 2 halves of a fresh radish. Some cooks even suggest replacing potatoes with radishes. I just can't imagine serving mashed radishes for dinner. How about you?

In the late 1800's, there were many very small villages, too small to build a church and support a Pastor. An ingenious solution was found for the areas that were served by railroads. The Railroad Chapel Cars were coupled to passenger trains and parked on sidings. They would have Sunday School and church services as well as weddings and funerals. I don't know for sure but I would imagine after-church potlucks too. The chapel cars were large enough for about 80 people. By the 1890's, the Episcopal, Baptist and Catholic missionary societies all had chapel cars. Now that was an ingenious idea indeed.

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And I can envision at least the Baptists enjoying potlucks.

My excerpts are from an article by Laura Arksey. And she, in turn, from the book, *The Train Is Bound For Glory* by Wilma and Norman Taylor. BTW, if anyone has the book, may I please borrow it?!

COLLEGE AND CAREER

The College and Career ministry is taking a break for about a month. Pray for us. We have a number of people on our periphery who we are really hoping to join us. This would greatly enhance our group. We are so blessed to break bread and open the Word with several young believers.

MEOW GROUPS

The MEOW groups will be taking a break for the summer.

OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Blaine's formal office hours are Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. However he will be out of the office Aug. 1st through the 15th. He is delighted to meet with you any time that he is available during or outside of office hours.

The office will be open Monday through Thursday from 9:30 a.m. (8:30 a.m. Mondays) to 2:30 p.m.

This waiting, this delay is a time to give the Lord a chance to grow a person in preparation of where He will take them at a later time. This is a time to recognize that we are all works in progress. We need to learn to work effectively with people who are not yet complete in Christ (as we are not complete yet either).

This begs the question, 'How do I know when to be long-suffering and when to confront?'

First, consult the Holy Spirit. Pray. He will direct. I do not believe the Holy Spirit hides His will from those who genuinely seek it. However, our desire to see a person put in their place, and a host of other sinful desires, may get in the way of hearing how the Holy Spirit answers this question. Pray that His voice will be heard above our fleshly, sinful desires.

Second, be honest about what you really want. I am sometimes motivated by sinful desires. I sometimes cover the sinful motivation with one that appears more godly. E.g. I am just standing up for the truth, therefore I have to confront your wrongness. Again, ask the Holy Spirit to reveal your actual motivations. When those motivations are revealed to be sinful – repent, regroup and re-evaluate.

Third, let your desired outcome govern your actions. Let the desired outcome for their good inform your tone and communication. If you want the good outcome, make sure that your words and tone line up with that. Sometimes the devil will spoil our good intentions with a betraying tone and bad body language. Again, pray for help.

Fourth, be humble. This is meant to undergird the other three, but it can also be stated directly. I may face a situation where someone has offended me. I am also the cause of offense to someone who is being patient with me. We are all on a journey. We all need patience. Even when I need to confront, it is not because I am better than anyone. We are all on a journey. We are just struggling in different areas. We are not there yet – none of us. Be patient.

Be kind. Be long-suffering.

Pastor Blaine Donaldson



GLOBAL OUTREACH PARTNER OF THE MONTH

Radha & Samen Manickam

US Ministries

The Cambodian government has opened the country, allowing people to gather in limited numbers. I thank the Lord for protecting his children and servants in Cambodia. Please pray that Christians can gather normally again. I am busy helping local churches. I am gladly spending many hours each day answering questions and coaching leaders in their training classes. I thank God for Cambodian Ministries for Christ. Please pray for CMC and for me to be faithful in serving Jesus in the USA and Cambodia. Pray that God will meet the needs for this ministry.

I preach monthly at Cambodian Evangelical Church in Tacoma. Please pray that the Lord will allow us to meet more frequently. My prayer is to see all Cambodian churches work in unity to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to people who need salvation and a personal walk with the Lord.

I am still working with three other people to translate CBMatrix courses that are offered by Missions Door. Please pray that the Lord will give me his wisdom to prepare more Study guides to help the new generation of leaders here in the USA and Cambodia.

Cambodian Ministries

I am planning to return to Cambodia in June 2022. Please pray that God would work through those who hear of the needs in Cambodia and will partner with us to reach Cambodia for Christ. I need to raise \$4,500 for the cost of training, food materials and travel. Please pray for wisdom to perform my duties as a teacher and trainer to our beloved pastors and leaders there.

We need \$2,500 per month to run all the ministries in Cambodia. Please pray for God's provision for this. We purchased 70 Bibles for churches in Cambodia that badly need them, and want to purchase 930 more.

Family News

My wife and I are doing well. Our grandson is serving the Lord in Mexico. Please pray for his needs and well-being there.

I thank the Lord for his goodness that allows me to serve Him. Please pray that we will continue to serve Him no matter what.

Rhada and Samen Manickam

AWANA STARTING AGAIN!!

September 7, 2022

It is time to get us all back into the swing of things.

Leaders, we all need to get focused and started. We will most definitely have some meetings coming up soon. I will inform everyone as soon as possible so that we are all on the same page.

I am praying for all you Awana leaders. Not one of you are replaceable, but as seasons change, there comes a time where GOD takes us in a different direction. Scriptures are very specific that we are to serve him. Matthew 28:19 gives us the command to go and make disciples in all the nations. If any of you out there are looking for a ministry to serve in, AWANA is a great ministry delivering the "Good News" to the little precious gifts God has given to us.

All of you are invited to come to the AWANA leader's meetings when posted.

Prayers and Praises to You All,

Dan Langan, AWANA Ministry Director

AWANA ALL STAFF MEETING
Wednesday, August 10th, 6:30 PM

WHAT'S HAPPENING

August

- 02 Tues. - Trinity Quilters - 9:30 a.m.
- 03 Wed. - Carmen Miller Memorial
- 10 Wed. - Awana Staff Meeting - 6:30

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

- 04 Ron & Yvonne Dugan
- 08 Tim & Kady Langan
- 11 Rob & Jodi Herman
- 11 David & Kim Hanson
- 17 Roy & Patti Hagle



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 06 Oletha Jernigan
- 11 Peggy Cowin
- 12 Maxine Fahlbusch
- 14 Steven Thompson
- 16 James McWiggins
- 19 Ellen Sommers
- 22 Lonni Hillman
- 27 Anatoliy Negrov
- 28 Darlene LaFollette



The live-stream link will be available on Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkw4](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkw43Ipg7iK0TPdAGXPfSw/live)

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There is generally about 20 minutes of prelude music before the service starting about 10:10 a.m.



Thank you for all the donations and prayers for the people of Ukraine. We will discontinue collecting items for now, but please continue to remember these brothers and sisters in Christ in prayer.