



# TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Growing Together. Welcoming All.*

## POSTSCRIPTS

July/ August 2022

**Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.**  
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**Church Office is Open  
to Visitors:**  
Mon-Thurs: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
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### Stewardship Corner

Psalms 33:3 "Sing to [the Lord] a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy." It's good to get loud! We are grateful for laughter, music, and candid conversations at TPC this summer, as well as your support.



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our website!**

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### Youth Sunday 2022



Our youth remain an inspiration to us all! Hopefully, you were able to join us on May 8 for Youth Sunday where our youth led us in a beautiful service of reflections, hymns, and meditations on our theme of, "Embracing the New Simplified Normal."

While we have missed many things during the pandemic, our youth observed that we were, in fact, already missing out on some important parts of life before the pandemic even started. Life had become so chaotic and scheduled that it was often difficult to be truly present for a lot of it. It wasn't until we were forced into family game nights and walks by ourselves that we were able to see and sense what we had been missing!

We certainly aren't the first to be reminded of our need to embrace a simplified life. The scripture the youth selected along with their prayers and personal reflections reminded us that we must make a deliberate effort to make a simple life - with much-needed quiet time with God - a priority. And, as a community of faith, to seek to nurture this new simplified normal for ourselves and for each other.

We also enjoyed our tradition of the presentation of Bibles to our fifth-grade students: Charlie Field, Lydia Hendrix, Cooper Jameson, Cutter McMahon, Jackson Messner, Campbell Summers, and Christopher Trimakas.

### The Session

Dr. Stephen B. Lindsley, Moderator  
Warren Henry, Clerk  
Louise Sanford, Asst. Clerk  
Peiffer Brandt, Pres. of the Corp.  
Cookie Parnell, Treasurer

### Class of 2022

Andrea Anderson Betty Anderson  
Peter Devlin Patrice Pickett  
Mike Wellman Molly Click, Youth

### Class of 2023

Peiffer Brandt Amy Bynum  
Bev Bradley Christie Jameson  
Caryl Stribling

### Class of 2024

Ned Parnell Louise Sanford  
Susanne Sawyer Carol Sugg  
Walter Reid

### Ministry Team Chairs

#### Equip

Personnel: Peiffer Brandt  
Finance: Walter Reid  
Buildings & Grounds: Carol Sugg  
Stewardship: Mike Wellman

#### Grow

Christian Formation: Patrice Pickett,  
Susanne Sawyer  
Youth: Sherese Smith, Ned Parnell  
Worship: Caryl Stribling, Andrea Anderson  
Weekday School: Amy Bynum

#### Serve

Mission & Outreach: Bev Bradley,  
Peter Devlin  
Congregational Life: Betty Anderson,  
Louise Sanford  
Welcoming: Christie Jameson, Molly Click

### Church Staff

Dr. Stephen B. Lindsley, Senior Minister  
Rev. Rebecca Heilman-Campbell,  
Associate Minister  
Rev. Jodi Martin, Christian Formation  
and Youth Director  
Dr. Chris Gilliam, Director of Music  
Michael Rowland, Organist  
Cheryl Jernigan, Church Administrator  
Caroline Dalton, Comm. Coordinator  
Angela Drugan, Admin. Coordinator  
Rick Neil, Facilities Technician  
Jodi King, Sunday Assistant  
Amy Vaughn, WDS Director  
Jane B. Arant, Music Minister Emerita

## On the Journey



Have you seen "Ted Lasso?" I feel like I've asked this before. There are some great Ted-isms in this HBO series and my hands-down favorite is, "Be curious, not judgmental." Meaning - rather than make assumptions or suspect the worst in someone, make the effort to get to know more about them and their situation and you very well may be surprised by what you find.

Jesus did this long before Ted Lasso made a slogan out of it. I think of Nicodemus, the woman at the well, all the disciples, even Judas - Jesus met people where they were so he could understand their circumstances better. He assumed the best in others and gave them the benefit of the doubt. He held them accountable if need be - but only after he took time to get to know them, really know them. And their lives were transformed because of it.

Who is someone who needs you to be curious rather than judgmental? Who could benefit from your listening ear, your helping hands, your understanding, your time? What "judgments" would you do well to let go of and in their place build bridges of compassion and love?

It worked for Ted Lasso. More importantly, it worked for Jesus. I think it goes without saying that it can for you and me as well. Enjoy being curious!

*Steve*

## 2022 Confirmands



2022 Confirmands (L-R): Andrea Ball, Julia Mazeine, Elizabeth Coley, Caroline Hood, Sally Smith, and William Durham.



## Spring Picnic

Trinity family and friends met under the oaks after worship on May 22 for a special spring picnic! A complimentary lunch, catered by Phil's Deli, and lots of fellowship filled us to the brim. Along with games, the kids jumped on the bounce house, waved bubble wands, and ate ice cream from a local food truck. In addition to congratulating the new confirmands, we surprised Rev. Rebecca Heilman with a celebration of her marriage to Douglas Campbell. They were showered with well wishes and gifts as we all enjoyed a delicious cake made in their honor by church member, Peter Devlin. It was a joyful gathering indeed.



## The Latest in Mission & Outreach

Earlier this month, Trinity was able to support a Pizza in the Park ministry which serves our uptown neighbors. In May, we provided a catered breakfast for teachers at Nations Ford Elementary as part of Teacher Appreciation Week. In late April, Trinity was a sponsor of the Supportive Housing Communities annual fundraiser, *Keys to Live Again*. A short video which was shared at that event summarizes the mission of SHC and spotlights the two mothers who shared their stories of how the SHC *Keeping Families Together Program* turned their lives around. In the first few minutes of this video you'll also see a slide which includes a photo of Trinity volunteers decking the halls at McCreesh Place last Christmas. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to view the video.

Trinity's Friendship Garden is thriving, but in need of volunteers to help with weekly weeding, harvesting, and delivery of produce to Loaves & Fishes/Friendship Trays. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to sign-up to support this ministry!



## Adventureland Summer Camp



The Weekday School hosted five weeks of fantastic camps packed with new experiences, hands-on learning, first-time adventures, and new friendships. Camps were open to children from toddlers to rising first graders. Each week, we had five classrooms of happy campers ready to explore.

Trinity's wonderful outdoor campus allowed for daily adventures and learning outside of the classroom. The summer teaching staff offered many activities that centered around summer themes. We offered watermelon activities, experiments (painting with sunscreen on black construction paper to leave in the sun), superheroes, safaris, and camping themes. Of course, it's not summer without ocean studies, pirates, and mermaids. Our summer

staff of educators created opportunities for experiential learning and fun!

Trinity Weekday School opened the doors to 104 children for summer camp. It was a fabulous month of making new friends and welcoming back familiar faces. Great memories were made through play with a purpose and fun.



## Session Highlights

### April

Trinity's Session participated in an interactive activity titled, *Through the Eyes of a Guest*. Members divided into small groups and observed various parts of Trinity's campus as if they were visiting guests. The Session also reviewed, from a high level, Trinity's website and Facebook page. While our campus is welcoming overall, the Session identified opportunities to improve the experience of a new person visiting campus or engaging with us on social media.

A motion was made to approve Carol Sugg and Warren Henry as Commissioners for the May 17 Presbytery meeting at South Mecklenburg Presbyterian Church. The motion was seconded and approved.



**Congratulations to Douglas Campbell and Rebecca Heilman—Campbell on their marriage!**

## Our Church Family

### Church Triumphant:

**June 6** Wayne T. Baker  
**July 8** Anna Pleasants Collawn

### Congregational Sympathy:

Richard Patrick Drugan, Sr., father-in-law of Angela Drugan

### Marriage:

**June 11** Rebecca Heilman and Douglas Campbell

### Congratulations Seniors:

**High School:** William Coley  
Graham Gutknecht  
Garrett Sistrunk

**College:** Turner Bobbitt  
Sophie Brandt  
John Hood

## Save the Dates

**September 11** #TogetherAtTrinity Sunday (Rally Day)  
**September 18** College of Elders, 6 p.m.  
**October 14-16** Montreat Retreat  
**October 23** Response Sunday

## Financials as of June 30

|                                  | June<br>Actuals    | YTD<br>Actuals     | Annual<br>Budget   |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Receipts:                        | 47,335.23          | 266,199.28         | 619,147.00         |
| Unrest. Funds Used:              | 0.00               | 1,051.71           | 39,000.00          |
| Boltz Funds Used:                | 652.17             | 3,913.02           | 7,826.00           |
| Endow. Funds Used:               | 11,760.00          | 70,560.00          | 141,120.00         |
| Gilchrist Funds Used:            | 0.00               | 0.00               | 1,500.00           |
| Sanford Bldg. Maint. Funds Used: | 307.92             | 1,847.52           | 3,695.00           |
| Thomson Funds Used:              | 0.00               | 0.00               | 5,000.00           |
| Expenses:                        | 76,344.10          | 404,842.17         | 862,514.00         |
| <b>Surplus/Deficit:</b>          | <b>(16,288.78)</b> | <b>(61,270.64)</b> | <b>(45,226.00)</b> |