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Joining Hands with God

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Francis Chan's book on the Holy Spirit refers to the Spirit as "the forgotten God." It is true that most of us do not know what to say in regards to the person and the work of the Holy Spirit. I have heard people refer to the Holy Spirit as "it" or in terms that are less than personal. Some of our mistaken identity of the Holy Spirit may be the generations in the church that referred to the Holy Spirit as the Holy Ghost. The term ghost, which was used by the King James Version, did not have the same meaning as it does today. In the time of the translation, it simply meant spirit from the word gast. The term spirit during the same time usually meant the spirit of a person or something demonic. Thus, in this time of translation ghost was the better word. However, words do not keep their meaning and over the years and now ghost suggests a bodiless person, while spirit has the sense of power and supernatural. Sad to say, that both of these terms leave us with more mystery than clarity when thinking about the Holy Spirit.

It very well may be that our misunderstanding and poor thinking about the Holy Spirit is what keeps many of us feeling powerless, when in comes to our faith and following Jesus. According to the promise of Jesus the Holy Spirit will give us power, will teach us and remind us of what Jesus taught and will give us peace. (John 14) In addition, the Holy Spirit is the one that convicts us of sin and guides us in the way of righteous living. The Holy Spirit also prays on our behalf when we do not know how to pray.

The gift of the Holy Spirit is the gift of God's self to us. When we receive Jesus as our Savior and Lord and choose to follow Jesus we are promised that the Holy Spirit

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This Sunday At Trinity

- 8:15am FirstLight Choir (Choir Rm)
8:45 Worship (Sanctuary)
9:30 Welcome Center Opens (Narthex)
Adult 5 Breakfast Fellowship (FH)
9:45 Sunday School (Bible Study for all ages)
10:55 Worship (Sanctuary)
Extended Teaching Care (E100 Hallway)



Wednesday, May 27th • 5:00pm
Tickets: \$8 per person

Tickets on sale Sunday morning and in the church office during the week until Friday, May 22nd.

Deepest Sympathies

Teri & Mark North upon the death of Teri's Aunt, Levon (Lilah) Nanneman of Iowa City, IA on Monday, May 11th.

The family of Trinity member **Pat Jones** upon her death on May 17th.

Welcome to Trinity

Brian & Edith "Alex" Stowers of Raleigh joined TBC by letter from First Baptist Church of Woodstock, GA.

Will Rhoades, son of Neal & Lynanne Rhoades of Morrisville, joined by profession of faith by baptism.

Following Jesus... *continued*

comes to dwell in us and with us. It is obvious from scripture that the gift of the Holy Spirit is of vital importance for us to come to Jesus and to follow Jesus. Yet, most of us would struggle to put into words the significance of the Holy Spirit.

This coming Sunday is Pentecost Sunday. It is the time of the church year when we remember the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. It was at this moment that the disciples were given power to preach, teach, heal and proclaim the gospel to the utter ends of the earth. We too are recipients of the Holy Spirit and we too have received this same power. This Sunday, we are going to explore the work of the person of the Holy Spirit and how we might begin to understand the power that is within us. It is a topic that is not only important to understand, it is also important for us to discover how to "plug in" to the Spirit and power within us as believers. I will be looking for you as we gather to worship.

Women's Book Club

May 21 • 7:00pm • Parlor
Facilitator: Beth Duke

Wonder by R. J. Palacio

Celebration of Baptism

Sunday, May 31
10:55 Worship Service

If you are a new member who has recently joined Trinity by baptism, please contact the church office at 919-787-3740 if you plan to participate.

Deacon of the Week

Dorothy Petty has been a member of Trinity since 1956 and is a native of Franklin County, NC. She and her late husband, Marion have a daughter, Donna, and a grandson, Borden. Dorothy is a retired Senior Specialist with Duke Energy. She serves on the Personnel Committee, Bereavement Committee and Stewardship Committee. She also serves as Usher and Extended Care Volunteer. She works with the Pritchard SS class. She also works with Deacon Victor Cole.



The Good & Beautiful Community

We would like to offer "The Good and Beautiful Community" by James Bryan Smith this summer as well. Contact Karen at kmetcalf@tbcraleigh.com or 919-787-3740 if you are interested.

Volunteers Needed

The Nominating Committee is actively seeking to find receptive and committed adults willing to be used in service each week in Bible study, with Discipleship and in various areas of church leadership.

Please prayerfully consider serving and sharing your faith with others this year.

NORTH RALEIGH MINISTRIES

This Week's Food Pantry Needs:

- Canned Fruit
- Tuna
- Jelly
- Paper Towels
- Flour
- Sugar
- Canned Spinach or Collards (Greens)

Fellowship Dinner

Fellowship Dinners will resume in September.

TNT SUMMER BIBLE STUDY Guidance for Seasons of Life

Wednesdays

June 3 - August 12 • 6:30 - 7:30pm
Childcare Available

Check out these upcoming topics:

June 3

Opting for Faithfulness (Daniel)

June 10

Realizing You're Not Indestructible (Samson)

June 17

Gaining Maturity (Joseph)

June 24

Praying for a Child (Hannah)

July 8

Finding Love after Loss (Ruth)

July 15

Using Abilities to Serve Others (Joseph)

July 22

Living in the Middle (Joseph)

July 29

Overwhelmed by Family Turmoil (David)

August 5

Dying Well (Moses)

August 12

Reaching the Highest Point of Human Life

Call the office or Sign-up today on the Narthex bulletin board.

Senior Adult Ministries...the Better Half of Life

Rev. Hal Melton, hmelton@tbcraleigh.com

Hawaii Cruise 8 Days, 7 Nights

April 16-23, 2016 • Norwegian Cruise Line's Pride of America

Inside Cabins (no windows), double occupancy: \$3,250 per person

Balcony Cabins, double occupancy: \$3,810 per person

Prices include air fare and all meals on the ship. • Prices are subject to change.

All are welcome on this cruise!

We'll see all 5 of the Islands. If we choose, we may arrive one or two nights early and tour Honolulu and the Pearl Harbor Memorial. The cost is \$200 per night plus \$75 for the tour.

There are cheaper cabins and more expensive options, depending on how many people share a room (up to 4), whether you have a window but no balcony, or whether you choose a suite. Remember, all prices

INCLUDE AIR FARE from Raleigh-Durham to Honolulu (with a stop somewhere)!

All meals on the ship are included in the price. There are many, many options to choose from on nearly all aspects of this adventure. The sooner you commit and make your \$250 deposit, the more options available to you and the cruise price (not airfare) will be locked in! If you want trip insurance, that must be paid at time of deposit. The cost is roughly \$100 for 1000 coverage (a \$3,500 trip will be around \$350). There is lots of fine print, so read the insurance brochure carefully. Remember, the more who travel with us, the merrier! Contact Kathy Driver in interested.

Flight of the Butterflies

at IMAX

Lunch at Big Ed's

Tuesday, June 2 • 10:30am-1:00pm

**Cost: \$5.50 for the Movie
and Lunch on your own**

Every winter, the remote mountainous volcanic forests of Mexico are home to one of nature's greatest gatherings—millions of migrating monarch butterflies weathering the winter. It is one of the greatest discoveries in nature and the longest insect migration on Earth.

After the movie, we'll walk across Moore Square to Big Ed's to enjoy a delicious lunch.

Celebrating 50 Years of Marriage

Saturday, June 6 • 11:30 am • FH
Cost: \$10 per person due at sign-up

*Have you been married 50 years
or more? Or would have been
had your spouse lived?*

Join us for a 50th Wedding Anniversary Gala Celebration Lunch. Put your check for \$10 per person made out to TBC in the lock box by the sign-up sheet at the end of the B Hallway. Sign-up and checks due by Wednesday, June 3. If you have questions, call Nancy Hurt at 919-803-7801.

Thank You from Hal

I was blessed to be with my Mom and Dad and the Hospice nurse on May 9 when my 91 year old father breathed his last breath and felt his final heartbeat. We had been singing hymns and sharing the details of his youngest grandchild's graduation from UNC Asheville with him as we were receiving them through texts from family members. It was literally happening at the same time and he had so hoped to see her return to the house in her cap and gown. But he knew that the graduation ceremony was over and all his children and grandchildren had graduated from college. The final two hours, my mother (91) stood beside his bed, quoted scriptures assuring us of God's love and eternal salvation as well as descriptions of heaven. She also assured him that she would be fine, for him to "go ahead of her and she would be along soon". She told

him "I can't imagine all that you are going to see today and all of those you have been waiting to see again (naming them, beginning with his brother who died at age 11). With every labored breath she stroked his hair and encouraged him to "relax, relax into God's arms". He slipped away so peacefully, knowing we were there and he was at home...the way he wanted. This was no doubt the most beautiful act of marital love I have ever seen. And it underscored so much God's central presence in this 65 year marriage relationship.

Every step of the last week was filled with cards, emails, texts, calls and visits from my Trinity Family. Your prayers lifted me throughout the experience, and encouraged the rest of the family as well. I will remember the week as long as I live, and the importance of family in Lancaster and family in Raleigh who were with me. Thank you, from the bottom of my heart!

Community Closets Items Needed

McCreary Co, KY
<http://hillsandhollers.org>

The Community Closets give clothing to those in need, for FREE. Thank you!

All genders and sizes are useful.
Urgently needed are:

Girls size 12

Plus size Women's

Men's extended sizes

Deliveries are being made monthly!
Please pack items in kitchen trash bags.
The collection bin is in the hall in the B building, main floor.

Belize Construction Mission

Sandhills Baptist Sanctuary
August 7 -15

If you are interested or have any questions, contact Hal at 919-787-3740 or hmelton@tbcraleigh.com

Please Pray for Ukraine Medical/ Dental Mission

**Please pray for this team
as they minister this week.**

Music Ministry

Rev. Steve Byers, slbyers@tbcraleigh.com

Music Notes

Special thanks to Testament and to the preschool and children's choirs for a fantastic day of music at Trinity. It is evident that from the earliest of ages and up, our Trinity people work hard through their music! Our directors and leaders are to be commended for leading through a very busy year in choir ministry. We are all grateful for the tireless leadership week after week providing musical opportunities for our people. We are indeed blessed!

Remember that this coming Wednesday is the last rehearsal night for Preschool and Children's Choirs. It is a night for celebration and fun, so make plans to be with us!

In Concert Orchestra, Living Praise & New Covenant

Sunday, May 31 • 6:00 pm

Graduate Sunday

June 7

We are going to combine our Student Choirs one last time to celebrate our Seniors' very important day here at Trinity. We will do combined pieces for the service. You will receive instructions soon in the mail. Please make special efforts to be here, as this is an important date for us to lead in worship. After such a great concert, let's make this send-off a great one for this year's seniors.

Music Calendar

Don't let programming dates slip-up on you! Plan ahead!

May 20

Last Preschool & Children's Choirs Night

May 31

Orchestra

Both Morning Services

Living Praise & New Covenant

10:55 Service

Orchestra & Ensembles Concert

6:00pm

June 7

Graduate Sunday • Student Choirs Sing

10:55 Service

June 28

Patriotic Celebration

6:00pm

August 28-29

Sanctuary Choir Retreat

TBC

Patriotic Celebration Choir

On June 3, we will begin rehearsals for the Patriotic Celebration on June 28 on the church grounds. This is our second year celebrating our nation's birth with the Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra and our church family. I would like to open this experience up to anyone who would like to participate in the choir. We will rehearse on Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm, in the sanctuary. If you are interested, please email me and we will prepare music for you! This was a great success last year, so don't wait to mark your calendars!



MS Passport Missions Camp

July 6-11 • Danville, VA • Cost \$255

All registrations are now due. Please contact Christian at cdavis@tbcraleigh.com to see if more space is available.

Senior Breakfast & Recognition Service

Sunday, June 7

Breakfast for HS Seniors & Family Members
8:30am • Fellowship Hall

Worship will begin at 10:55am

Please RSVP to Michelle
at memmering@tbcraleigh.com.

College graduates, please email Lydia
at ltatum@tbcraleigh.com so that
we may recognize your achievement
in this worship service.

MS Vacation Bible Study

June 7-11 • 6:00pm • Underground

All middle school students are invited to Bible study and fellowship this summer. Please go ahead and make sure you have your medical release form filled out for field trips! Forms can be downloaded at lifehonestly.com. Contact Christian for more information!



Building Missional Communities for the Transformation of Our City

Small Groups Beginning
Wednesday, June 3 • 6:30pm • UG

This summer, young adults who are rising seniors in high school through graduating seniors in college are invited to build with us small groups who gather to pray and seek after God's own heart for our local community.

We will meet in small groups throughout the city each week to pray for one another and for our city. We will discover together our passion for God's mission in Raleigh, and we will mobilize to be good news in our neighborhoods by serving and sharing.

Come check it out and see where you, your gifts, and your passions can take you as you seek to shine the Light for Raleigh this summer.

Contact Lydia at 919-750-3965 or
ltatum@tbcraleigh.com for more info.

D-Team Celebration Night

Wednesday, May 20 • 6:00pm-7:30pm

Be in touch with your D-Team leader to find out how your group will be celebrating the end of another great year together!

Education & Families

Rev. Karen Metcalf Eickhoff, kmetcalf@tbcraleigh.com

“Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength.

These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts.

Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorposts of your houses and on your gates.”

– Deuteronomy 6:4-9 NIV

These verses are part of the Hebrew Shema-which is the central prayer in the Jewish prayerbook (Siddur) and is often the first section of Scripture that a Jewish child learns. During its recitation in the synagogue, Orthodox Jews pronounce each word very carefully and cover their eyes with their right hand. Many Jews recite the Shema at least twice daily. Parts of the Shema are written on a small scroll -which is then rolled up and put inside a mezuzah and placed above the door entrance to the home. This says to me that this verse is to be taken seriously.

The passage is credited to Moses and his teachings. Here is how I see this verse for families today. First, we begin by declaring

Israel's vision of the one true GOD, who is our Lord and God. There is only one true God who creates, liberates and reveals to us how to live. Second, we must have a love relationship with God. Love so completely that it is with our entire being: heart, soul and strength. Third, our belief in God must be internalized within our heart and soul. This is Faith. We must have faith. And then and only then are we enabled to pass this faith on to our children. Talk about it when you sit at home, when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.

The goal is an awe-inspiring faith in God passed from generation to generation (Deut. 6:2). Only persons of faith can pass on the faith. A concern for teaching faith to our children must, therefore, involve nurturing the faith of the adults in the faith community. We must live out our faith in front of our children.

What are you planning this summer as a way to pass on your faith to your children and your family? How are you growing spiritually to nurture those closest around you?

Take time out to pray, search the scripture and share with a family member all God is doing in your life. Facts can be taught but faith must be experienced through relationship.

**Music and Missions has made
Wednesday Night the place to be!**

**Thanks for a job well done
this church year.**

Bible Study in Sunday School is pivotal for Bible growth and worship is necessary for fellowship with our Father. Music or choirs aid in the experience of worship and encourage that faith development. Mission classes like RA, GA or Mission Friends encourage us to live out our faith and share with others.

Children are constantly growing in Faith. I am grateful to all our leaders that commit to teach and lead our boys and girls to discover faith in song and share their faith in missions. Job well done – thou good and faithful servants.

Weekday Preschool Graduation

May 21 • 6:00pm • Sanctuary

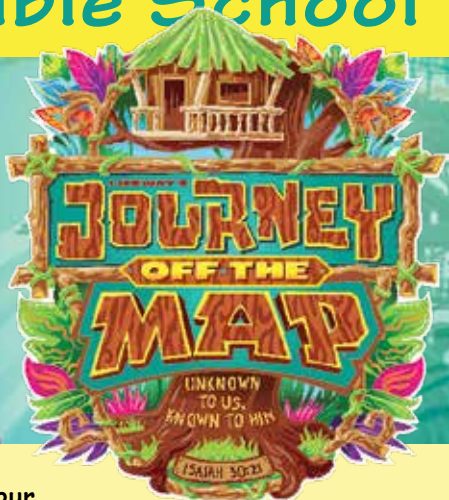
May/June Children's Ministry Committee Meeting

Sunday, May 31 • 8:20am

Vacation Bible School

Join us on
a journey of
a lifetime!

June 7 - 11



Journey off the map as we follow our guide to areas unknown to us, but known to Him.

Register Now!

Register Online at www.tbcraleigh.com.

Volunteers Needed

Come join us on the journey! To volunteer, contact Carla at 919-787-3740 or cbabb@tbcraleigh.com or sign-up in the Narthex.

Donations Needed

We need your empty soup & vegetable cans and plastic 12-16.9 oz. water and soda bottles for VBS. (Please wash and remove the labels) We need lots! Look for drop off containers in the vestibule area beside the offices!

VBS Training

For VBS Guide Leaders,
Recreation Leaders, Craft Leaders, &
Worship Rally Leaders

**Tuesday, May 26
6:00-8:00pm**

Thank You Wednesday Night Volunteers

Thank you to all the volunteers that dedicated their time on Wednesday nights to the preschool children through Mission Friends and ETC this past year!
Barbara, Kim, and Betty, thank you for your leadership!

ROC Hours

Tuesday • Thursday

8:00 am - 2:00 pm • 3:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Wednesday

8:00 am - 2:00 pm

7:45 pm - 9:00 pm (for Trinity Members)

Friday

8:00 am - 2:00 pm

(Gym Floor Closes at 11:45)

Saturday

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

ROC Volunteers*

Monday, May 25

Closed

Tuesday, May 26

8am-11am Marcel Beaudreau
11am-2pm Pat Nelson
3pm-6pm Donna Daughtry
6pm-9pm Jack Cooke

Wednesday, May 27

8am-11am Susan Teal
11am-2pm Ernest & Ann Tilley
7:45pm-9pm Kathy O'Mara

Thursday, May 28

8am-11am Johnny Teal
11am-2pm Marcel Beaudreau
3pm-6pm Peggy Paul
6pm-9pm Gino & P. J. Ginocchio

Friday, May 29

8am-11am Johnny Teal
11am-2pm Wayne Simpson

Saturday, May 30

9am - 12pm Chris Zepher

* The volunteers schedule is subject to change. If no volunteer is available the ROC may close, even during regular hours.

Volunteers Needed

2nd Monday 6:00 - 9:00pm

3rd Thursday 6:00 - 9:00pm

To volunteer

contact Michelle: 919-787-3740
or memmerring@tbcraleigh.com

ROC Activities

May 24 - May 30

Group Fitness Classes

W • 8:00-9:00 am • Gym

Cardio Strength Training

W, F • 9:00-10:00 am • Gym

Stroller Strides

T • 5:30-6:30 am • Gym

Body Back Class

T • 9:00-10:00 am • Gym

Dance-It Group Fitness Class

T, Th • 9:00-9:45 am • MP Room

FREE

Senior Adult Strength and Stretch



Trinity Ballet is coming soon for Grades K-5.

Leadership Interest Meeting

Wednesday, May 27

6:30pm • Multipurpose Room

For Adult Leaders, Middle and High School Teaching assistants. Contact Lydia at ltatum@tbcraleigh.com for more information.



ROC'n Golf Tournament

PLAY WITH A PURPOSE

11th Annual

Thank You Participants & Sponsors!

Thank you to all the participants and sponsors for this year's ROC'n Golf Tournament. Next week's newsletter will have tournament winners and how much we were able to raise for TBC Missions.

Softball Registration

Softball registration is open for our three mens city league softball teams.

Contact Rev. Spencer Good at Sgood@rocraleigh.com if interested.

Recreational Ministry Summer Camps

Space is Limited • Sign-up Today!

June 15 - 19 • 9:00am-4:00pm
Grade School Camp: Week 1

July 13 - 17 • 9:00am - 4:00pm
Grade School Camp: Week 2

FULL July 20 - 24 • 9:00am - 4:00pm
Grade School Camp: Week 3

July 27 - 31 • 9:00am - 4:00pm
Grade School Camp: Week 4

July 6 - 10 • 9:00am - 4:00pm
Grade School Sports Camp

June 22 - 26 • 8:30am - 12:30pm
Upward Boy's Basketball Camp

August 3-7 • 8:30am-12:30pm
Upward Girl's Basketball Camp

August 3 - 7 • 1:00pm-5:00pm
Upward Girl's Cheer Camp

ROC Calendar

TBC Block Party & Fall Kick-off

August 26, 2015

9th Annual NH5k

September 12, 2015

Fall Fest: Trunk or Treat

October 30, 2015

ETC Workers

Sunday, May 24

Hostess: Joy Cooper

Assistant Hostess: Natalie Kring

8:45 am Worship Service

Wendy Harder, Adam Benjamin, Sue Wall,
Clair & Benji Green, Julie Daughtry, Nancy &
Desmond Geddings

10:55 am Worship Service

0-4 mos Janet Nichols, Joan Phillips
5-10 mos Donna Hitchings
11-14 mos Maidi Warren
15-19 mos Kelly Arrington, Ben Kaufman
20-24 mos Susan Boisseau, Angela Rogers
2 yrs Dawn Snyder Dees,
Emily Sullivan
3 yrs Steve Hitchings, Lizzie Cooper
4 yrs Greg Pearce, Brooke Pipkin,
Jane Sullivan

Wednesday, May 27

Bed Babies Brenda Burton, Kathryn Byrd
Toddlers Jennifer McFarling, Priscilla Hart
Two's Sherry Warf, Betty Jo Woodall

Vision for Growth May 17, 2015

Growing through Bible Study...

Members Age Group	Present	New Members	Visitors
Adults	484	0	14
Students	124	0	1
Children	59	0	2
Preschool	69	0	2
Totals	736	0	19
Sunday School			Total 755

Growing through Worship...

8:45am Worship Attendance	271
10:55am Worship Attendance	562
Total Worship Attendance	833

Growing through Stewardship...

(YTD totals through 04/30/2015)

YTD General Fund Needs (Budget)	\$918,340.00
YTD Operating Receipts	\$892,220.19
YTD Operating Expenses	\$832,597.14
Capital Campaign	
Capital Campaign Pledges	\$4,159,670.00
Pledged Money Received	\$1,308,939.00
Total Received	\$1,376,996.68

When you provide a check as payment, you authorize us either to use information from your check to make a one-time electronic fund transfer from your account or to process the payment as a check transaction.

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