

# THE BRIDGE

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*"Diverse in Backgrounds, United in Faith"*

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Dear Friends,

I want to give you another update on our Capital Campaign. Thanks to all of you, it continues to be a great success and we are close to our finish line. But, we still need your help!

We have successfully completed Phases I and II. If you remember, Phase I was restoring the exterior of our building. Two decorative windows were repaired, wood rot was removed and rebuilt, and all woodwork and gutters were repainted. It was a serious facelift, and it is such a joy to see our building look brighter from the outside. Phase II was interior work. We put in new hard surface floors in the narthex, Tower Room, Colonial Room, Founders Hall, and upstairs kitchenette. These new floors better fit the traditional look of our building and are easier to clean in high traffic areas. We also improved our sound system throughout the building, with new speakers in the nursery, Fellowship Hall, and Founders Hall. We included a new soundboard and other updates in Founders Hall to improve our multimedia presentation capabilities.



Now, we are in the middle of Phase III – the sanctuary! Our chandeliers have been fully restored and rewired, and our recessed lighting has been replaced with LED fixtures. A ramp has been installed to make our chancel accessible to all God's people, regardless of mobility needs. This week we are starting on repairing the ceiling and walls, then adding a new coat of paint. Next up we have new carpet and pew covers. *Then* – we will be worshipping in our newly updated sanctuary! None of these changes will take away from the original look of our worship space but will only enhance its existing beauty. We have several weeks to go, but the end is in sight!

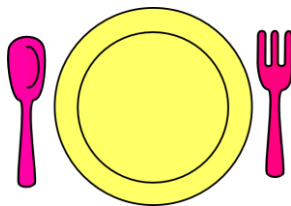
It has been a busy time for both the Capital Campaign Committee and Building and Grounds Committee. It has also been a very expensive time, as expected. I am so thankful to all of you for giving faithfully to the Capital Campaign and I encourage you to still remember us in your giving – particularly those who are still fulfilling their campaign pledges. Even once the work is complete, we will still need to be diligent in replenishing our Building Fund for whatever projects God has in store for us next!

The church isn't just a building, but our building is a major resource for our church. Thank you for your giving, care, and patience as we forge ahead into God's future for Trinity.

Blessings, Elizabeth



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| <b>Feb.</b> | 1  | Cathy Rupert    |
|             | 3  | Julie Atkins    |
|             | 6  | Don Combs       |
|             | 14 | Steven Shineman |
|             | 18 | Michelle Sherer |
|             | 22 | Jack Sherer     |
|             | 23 | Bob Cooper      |
|             | 24 | Emmett Rice     |
|             | 25 | Donna Coffel    |
|             | 26 | Titus Shineman  |
|             | 28 | Michaela Martin |
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Trinity Table is a monthly effort to provide a hot meal to anyone who needs or wants it. The next Trinity Table is scheduled for Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to donate monetary support or your time as a volunteer, please see Kyle Palmer.



## WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

This list of members at Trinity has been organized for the purpose of being lifted up in prayer during the week. We look forward to God's richest blessings as we pray for one another. During the month please pray for these:

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| <b>Feb.</b> | <b>3:</b>  | Dave & Deborah Hatton<br>Rick & Amy Hetzel                 |
| <b>Feb.</b> | <b>10:</b> | Dennis & Jewel Lawson<br>Jack & Jess Layman<br>T.J. Layman |
| <b>Feb.</b> | <b>17:</b> | Tim & Becky Layman<br>Dee Link<br>Catherine Lynch          |
| <b>Feb.</b> | <b>24:</b> | Colby Lyons<br>David & Julie Lyons<br>David & Daleen Lyons |
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## SEW 'N SO'S

Thank you Trinity, for saving the Best Choice Bar Codes for us. We have received 1,727 bar codes far this year. Please keep saving!





Dear friends,

Thank you all for your many kind words of support, cards, calls and expressions of sympathy in the recent illness and passing of my father, Tom Haggard. Your friendship and fellowship means so much to me!

Yours in Christ,  
Cathy Ruppert

I want to express my thanks to my wonderful Trinity family for the calls, cards and donations to Trinity's Memorial Fund and to the Leukemia Lymphoma Society in Jim's memory.

Sincerely,  
Beth McPike



***On the first Day of the Week***

***"The people came together..."***

Jan.	6	.....	Unavailable
Jan..	13	.....	Snow Day
Jan.	20	.....	Unavailable
Jan .	27	.....	Unavailable

***"and the people gave . . . "***

Dec.	23	.....	\$1,695.25
Dec.	24	.....	1,589.50
Dec .	30	.....	7,195.00
Jan.	6	.....	8,658.96
Jan. .	13	.....	Snow Day
Jan.	20	.....	3,810.86
Jan.	27	.....	<u>2,095.39</u>
Total		.....	\$25,044.96

*A heartfelt thank you to those who have so lovingly and generously contributed to Trinity's memorial funds:*

- Ann Rich*
- Mary Zoe Shelley*
- Elizabeth & Charlie Strobel*
- Evelyn & Mike Richards*
- Billie Cross*
- Betty Goetz*
- Betty Miller*
- Jack & Karol Palmer*
- Paul & Sondra Tivis*
- Dave, Robin, Ramariz, & Karen McPike*
- Delores Rowe*
- Myrtle Dye*
- Donna Coffel*
- Jan Privett*
- Rick & Mari Shineman*
- Mary Burwell*
- Vera McPike*
- Alfred & Sarah Salmon*
- Mary Jo Wilson*



Millions of Americans will tune in to the Super Bowl football game on Sunday, February 3. There will be parties with abundant food, friendship, and fellowship. At the same time, there will be people worrying about staying warm, finding shelter and a warm meal. Please join people around the country as they demonstrate God's love through the SOUPER BOWL OF CARING. It's a simple yet significant act of caring for others. Please bring cans of soup that Sunday or drop \$1 (or more) in the soup pot as you leave worship on Sunday, February 3 or Scout Sunday February 10. Donations will be given to a local food pantry.

Mission Committee



A DOSE OF HUMOR

campfire

"Don't worry. I'm a church pastor. First little problem, and they'll find me."

From a church newsletter:

register now for this special event!

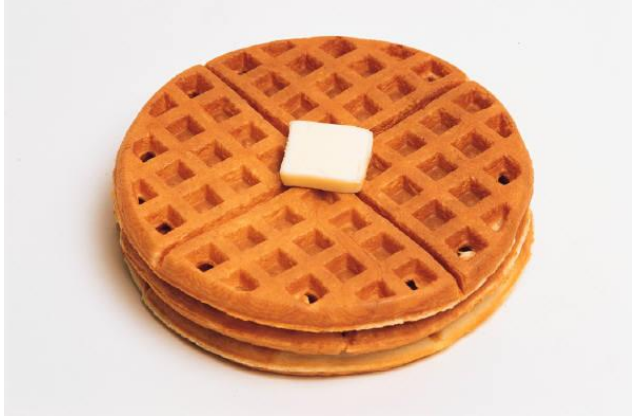
The retreat is for married husbands and wives.

Join us on Feb. 15 and 16

Is there any other kind?







**BOY SCOUT WAFFLE  
BREAKFAST**

February 9  
7:00 a.m. – Noon  
\$5 for Adults, \$3 for Children

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**2018 PER CAPITA ASSESSMENT**

Trinity will again be paying our assigned per capita assessment in 2019 by asking members of the congregation to donate their own \$49.07 per active member. This will help to ease our budget.

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**SCOUT SUNDAY**

February 10  
10:30 a.m.

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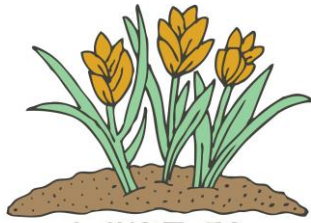
**CHRISTIAN SYMBOL**

**CHI RHO** – “Chi” and “rho” are the first two letters in the Greek spelling for Christ (XPICTOC, pronounced “Christos”). The blending of these two letters into one symbol formed a “sacred monogram.”



Early Christians created many such symbols as codes to indicate their discipleship while avoiding detection by Roman persecutors. Many variations of the Chi Rho symbol exist, incorporating a cross, a shepherd’s crook, the Greek letters alpha and omega, an anchor and other images.

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WHAT IS  
**SOWN**  
IS PERISHABLE;  
WHAT IS  
**RAISED**  
IS IMPERISHABLE.

1 Corinthians 15:42



## Weekly Collections

In the narthex, Trinity has collection spots open every week for:

- canned and dry goods
- elementary school supplies
- gently used eyeglasses
- aluminum can tabs
- keys

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## Inclement Weather Policy



When the weather is bad do you wonder if Trinity is opened? Now you can turn to your local television stations to find out. We will be listed on WDAF Channel 4, KMBC Channel 9 and KSHB Channel 41. We will NOT be listed on KCTV Channel 5.

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Don't Miss the



The deadline for items submitted for the March Bridge is Friday, February 25th.

Information for the weekly News Sheet is due each week on Wednesday by 1:00 p.m.