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# Trinity Herald

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## Trinity Fellowship Sunday: July 1<sup>st</sup>: Trinity Sunday

- 10am: Church School
- 11am: Combined Worship Service
- Noon: Take some time to visit with your church family

## Wonderful Wednesdays: A **SON**sational Summer

9am – noon: July 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, & 25<sup>th</sup>

## Intergenerational Summer Sunday School

Weekly through Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>, 10am

Ron Schroeder, *Moderator, CE Committee*

Learn to not only **face your giants**, but also how to **defeat your giants**. The lessons are insightful and applicable to your Christian faith walk. Classes will begin at 10am and end in time to attend the late service. The classes will be centered on the life of the most famous biblical giant-fighter – David, "a man after God's own heart." Please come and be ready for an interactive format. Teasers will be shown of the recent movie, "Facing the Giants," and the final class will conclude with a viewing of the entire movie. It will be a fellowship event that all should attend.

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### **July Dates of Interest**

Sunday, 07/01 –

Thursday, 07/05:

Junior High Jubilee  
at Mo-Ranch

Wednesday, 07/04:  
Independence Day

Monday, 07/09 –

Saturday, 07/14:  
Synod Youth Workshop  
in Tulsa, OK

Tuesday, 07/10:  
Committee Night

Friday, 07/13:  
Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday, 06/15:  
Board of Deacons and  
Session Meetings

Tuesday, 07/17 –

Sunday, 07/22:  
Triennium at Purdue  
University in Indiana

Thursday, 07/19 –  
Saturday, 07/28:  
Becca Arons on Vacation

# Thank You!

Dear Friends,

Thank you so much for your prayers and cards on the passing of my mother.

You have helped make an extremely hard time a little easier.

I appreciate you all,  
Diane Guzy

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We would like to thank you for your calls, cards, and expressions of concern after our recent car accident south of Lubbock. We are getting better each day. The doctor told us it would take 4 to 6 weeks to work out all the aches and pains, and we are counting on it!! I have been driving for 53 years, and that is the first accident I have been in. If it is 53 more years before the next one, I should have it made.

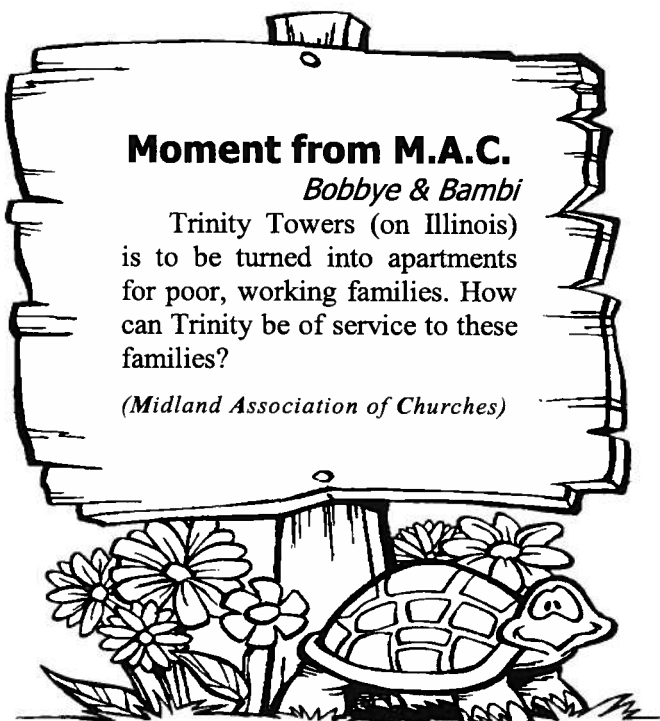
Thanks again,  
John & Louise Gee

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## Cell Phones

There is a local program similar to the cell phone program through "Secure the Call Foundation" mentioned in the June *Trinity Herald*.

SAFE PLACE of Midland takes and reuses donated cell phones. SAFE PLACE may be contacted at (432) 570-1465.



## The Children's Learning Center

Sandra Wills, *CLC Director*

Welcome to July! It's hard to believe that it is already here! Summer is in full swing at the CLC. We are currently busy financing and working on several projects. The upgrade in the existing fire alarm is complete. A final inspection was made, and everything was approved. We have purchased the new ground surfacing for the playground, and it will be delivered on July 12, 2007. This project is being done to be in compliance with a new state standard. Finally, the recovering of the theater seats for the Movie Room is complete.

June found the children busy with themes of "Vacations", "Music", "Rhythm", "Sports", and "Patriotism". The younger children have their reading buddy program with the school age kids, and they are all enjoying the Science and Creation Station Rooms. All classes are enjoying the Computer Lab facilities. The older kids loved their field trips to The Pottery and the Children's Museum. The Midland Police Department's Canine Unit brought their dogs out for us to meet. We also had a karate demonstration by Chris Lee.

July will go by quickly with the children studying themes of "Dinosaurs", "Camping & Nature", and "the Zoo and Zoo Animals".

We praise God for allowing us to have a summer program filled with His precious children. The July Bible verse is John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, He gave His only Son."

We hope everyone is having a safe, peaceful summer. Thanks!

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## Summer Golf League!

The Trinity Presbyterian Church Summer Golf League started at Nueva Vista Golf Course. The costs are \$17 per person for a cart and 9 holes and \$5.00 for the prize and party kitty. We play with two person teams, so if you have a partner (no - Wade is already committed), let them and me know; but, if you don't, we can mix and match and make anything work. The plan is to play every other Monday at 5:30pm into September. If you are interested, e-mail or call Jack Rose ([4rose@suddenlink.net](mailto:4rose@suddenlink.net), [jrose@beachexp.com](mailto:jrose@beachexp.com), home: 699-7505, work: 683-6226).

### TPC Needs YOU!

Sound system operators are needed to assist weekly with the 9am & 11am services!

Call Teresa Mitchell to serve in the sound booth.

## A Closer Look: The PC(USA) Seal

from <http://www.pcusa.org/oga/seal.htm>

The seal of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is a symbolic statement of the church's heritage, identity, and mission in contemporary form. Its power depends on its simplicity and complexity, as well as its traditional and enduring qualities. The basic symbols in the seal are the cross, Scripture, the dove, and flames.



The dominant structural and theological element in the design is the cross – the universal and most ecumenical symbol of the Christian church. The cross represents the incarnate love of God in Jesus Christ, and his passion and resurrection. Because of its association with Presbyterian history, the Celtic cross was chosen as a model for this contemporary rendering of the ancient symbol.



The two center lines of the cross became the representation of an open book. This integration of the horizontal dimensions



of the cross with the book motif highlights the emphasis which the Reformed tradition has placed on the role of Scripture as a means of knowing God's word. Beneath the image of the book is the suggestion of a lectern or pulpit, which captures the important role of preaching in the history of Presbyterian worship.

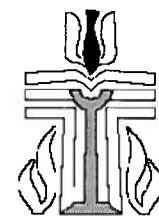
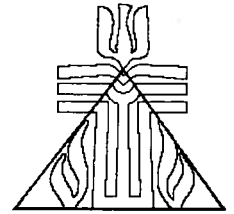
The slightly-flared shape of the Celtic cross also makes possible the transforming of the uppermost section into the shape of a descending dove. As a symbol of the Holy Spirit, the dove is intimately tied to the representation of the Bible, affirming the role of the Spirit in both inspiring and interpreting Scripture in the life of the church. The dove also symbolizes Christ's baptism by John and the peace and wholeness which his death and resurrection bring to a broken world.



Integrated into the lower part of the design are flames which form an implied triangle, a traditional symbol of the Trinity. The flames themselves convey a double meaning: a symbol of revelation in the Old Testament when God spoke to Moses from the

burning bush, and a suggestion of the beginning of the Christian church when Christ manifested himself to his apostles at Pentecost and charged them to be messengers of the good news of God's love.

The triangle also suggests the nature of Presbyterian government, with its concern for balance and order, dividing authority between ministers of the Word and laypersons and between different governing bodies. This understanding of the church was based in part on an important idea in Reformed theology, the covenant, which God establishes with people to affirm God's enduring love and to call us to faith and obedience to Jesus Christ.



Looking more closely at some of the visual components of the design, viewers may discover elements that seem to fuse with some of the more obvious theological symbols. In the shape of the descending dove, for example, one might also discern in the body of the bird, the form of a fish, an early-Christian sign for Christ, recalling his ministry to those who hunger. For some, the overall design evokes the calligraphy of Hebrew and Greek manuscripts. Others have seen a baptismal font or a communion chalice (cup).

In I Corinthians, Paul described the church as a body with many members, illustrating the pluralism of the church and the many gifts which God gives to its members. So also the seal's individual parts, when taken together, form an encompassing visual and symbolic unity, while not exhausting the richness of possible interpretations.

## Committee Leader Needed!!

We need someone to take the helm of the Food Services Committee as soon as possible. If you are interested in this area of service, contact Skip Dees, *Board of Deacons Moderator*, at 697-6175 or [deesaw@cox.net](mailto:deesaw@cox.net).

## Recent Visitors

Tom & Shelly Harrington	Sally Harrington
Robert & Adam Harrington	Matt Bleakley
Jerry & Deborah Werlia	Ed & Betty Bolin
Maxine Johnson	Breanna Owens
Jennifer Legget	Emily Wickman

## Last Month's Concerns



Charlie Hollingsworth; Bobby Lee's father, A.J. Lee; Mary Bell; Tom Bost's father, Ray Bost; John & Louise Gee; Teresa Mitchell's friend, Melissa Ruberson; Martha Martin's friend, Dorothy Brown; Marty Burns; Bob Lancaster; Ruth Castle; David Entzminger's father, Paul Entzminger; Brenda Perryman's grandson, David Campbell; Landon Lanier; Marshall Box; Larry & Martha Williams and family; Pastor Jim Miles' mother, Charlotte, and wife, Judy Miles.

## Financial Report

General Fund:05/31/2007

<u>Income</u>	<u>Actual YTD</u>	<u>Budget YTD</u>
Pledge Rcpts	\$115,244	\$115,408
Non-Pledge	\$41,633	\$43,500
Loose Rcpts	\$925	\$1,333
Misc. Rcpts	\$10,884	\$3,713
Interest Income	\$950	\$2,333
Oil & Gas Roy.	\$2,261	\$2,500
Prepays	\$24,813	\$24,813
GF:CI/DF Suspensed	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$196,710</b>	<b>\$193,601</b>

<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Actual YTD</u>	<u>Budget YTD</u>
Administrative	\$36,665	\$39,441
Benevolence	\$22,715	\$24,217
Bldg & Grounds	\$44,204	\$44,564
Christian Ed.	\$2,763	\$4,729
Cong. Fellowship	\$75	\$542
Comm. Ministry	\$108	\$1,438
Finance	\$11,519	\$14,104
Food Service	\$646	\$1,188
Outreach/Pub.	\$625	\$1,688
Worship	\$74,029	\$83,576
Witness & Evang.	\$0	\$0
Shepherd Min.	\$0	\$42
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$193,348</b>	<b>\$215,527</b>

## The Next *Trinity Herald* Deadline

The submission deadline for items for the August *Trinity Herald* is Friday, July 13, 2007. Items may be brought by the church office, emailed to [becca@tpcmidland.org](mailto:becca@tpcmidland.org), or faxed to (432) 685-0109.

## Mission Possible

The Community Ministry Committee has come up with some exciting ways for Trinity to participate in Midland mission. We have put together a calendar of projects from the community that are in need of our help. You can cut out this calendar to put in your purse or wallet so that you could pick up your donation items while you run your everyday errands. The "New Life Transitions" boxes, with butterflies on them, are in the narthex for your items.

For the months of **July and August** we have chosen to do school backpacks and supplies. This project is called **Tools for School**. This ministry will reflect the importance of getting a good start to education; with the right tools and attitude anyone can be successful. We also hope to purchase shoes, a pair of pants, and shirt for each child, with the help of donations and corporate sponsors. If you wish to make a monetary donation, note "**Tools for School**" on the check memo line and place it in the offering plate.

Applications for **Tools for School** will be on the bulletin board and may be placed in the offering plate or to be taken to the office.

### July and August - TOOLS FOR SCHOOL

1 dz. #2 pencils	Ziploc bags (quart, gallon)
Elmer's glue	Hand Sanitizer
24ct crayons	Colored pencils
Fiskar scissors	8ct markers
Box of tissues	3-ring binder
Pink eraser	2 pocket folder with brads
Highlighter	Red pen
1 subject spiral	Loose-leaf notebook paper

### What does the Lord require of you?

**July & August**  
Tools for School


**September**  
Layette of Love

**October**  
Food Bank

**November**  
Rainbow Room (CPS)

**December**  
St. Andrews Advent

To act justly, to love mercy, and  
walk humbly with your God. Micah 6:8

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <b>TFS</b> 10am Church School 11am Trinity Fellowship Sunday Combined Worship	2 noon-1pm Prayer in the Sanctuary	3 9am-3pm Summer CLC Program 11:30am Where's Lunch, Ladies? 2PM STAFF MTG	4 Office Closed Independence Day 	5 9am-3pm Summer CLC Program 6:30am Men's Breakfast- Lori's	6	7
← Glenn Enderson on vacation →						
← Junior High Jubilee at Mo-Ranch →						
8 9am Contemporary Worship 10am Sunday School 11am Traditional Worship 4pm Vespers at Greathouse Manor	9 noon-1pm Prayer in the Sanctuary 5:30pm Summer Golf at Nueva Vista	10 9am-3pm Summer CLC Program 11:30am Where's Lunch, Ladies? 2PM STAFF MTG 7pm Committee Night	11 9am-3pm Summer CLC Program 9am-noon Wonderful Wednesdays 7pm Building & Grounds	12 9am-3pm Summer CLC Program 6:30am Men's Breakfast- Lori's	13 3pm Newsletter Deadline	14
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← Triennium at Purdue University, IN →						
Becca Arons on vacation →						
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Rev. Sherry Holloman:  
*Associate Pastor*

Woodrow Bailey, III:  
*Contemporary Music Director*

Becca Arons:

*Office Manager & Bookkeeper*

Brenda Perryman: *Secretary*

Sandra Wills: *CLC Director*

Jodi Campbell:  
*Assistant CLC Director*

Amparo Olguin:  
*Childcare Coordinator*

Glenn Enderson: *Building Engineer*

# July Birthdays

- 1 Karen Burkett  
Heather Mott
- 3 Lori Fultz  
Bill Lanier
- 4 Nancy Betts  
Victor Brown
- 6 Sandra McDonald
- 7 Martha Burkett  
Wendy Maddox  
Lindsey Snyder
- 8 Georgia Sperl
- 11 Bobby Glossop  
Almeda Tinslar
- 13 Lynn Key  
Eric Palmer  
Chris Upton
- 14 Alexis Mott
- 18 A.J. Byars

- 20 Robby Glossop  
Wade Hatter  
Cade Nicholson
- 21 Andrew Maddox  
Austin Maddox
- 22 Makenzie Evans
- 23 James Burford  
Merle Taylor
- 24 Tom Bost  
Jake Thon
- 25 Teresa Mitchell  
Florence Pollard
- 26 Betty Smith
- 27 David Entzminger  
Barbara Larsen
- 28 Glyna Kretzler
- 29 Pat Bolden
- 31 David Boes



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