

*Vision Statement*

Our vision is to be more than a refuge; it is to be a revitalizing community where all may be saved, healed, strengthened, and equipped to go into the world on active mission for our Lord Jesus Christ.

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## God's Call Upon An Individual by Dr. Ryan Wilson

In September, I will continue to be preaching on some Old Testament characters. September 6<sup>th</sup>, we will look at Jacob and contemplate our own wrestling with God. On September 13<sup>th</sup>, we will look at Joseph and see how he tried to make the most out of some very difficult circumstances. Then, on September 20<sup>th</sup>, we will look at my favorite Old Testament character, Moses. With Moses, we will focus on how God can use our past for God's future (that is, if we are willing to let go of that which makes us secure).

I hope that you will do a little reading ahead of time and brush up on these three characters. Their stories show us our ancestry of faith and help us to see how God can use some very different folks. Hearing the stories of Jacob, Joseph, and Moses will help us to contemplate our own lives, struggles, failures, and victories. In our studies, I hope that you will learn to say "no" to the other voices around, and learn to listen for God's voice for your life and embrace it with a resounding "Yes."

Someone who is trying to embrace God's call upon her life is Jessica Williams. After a lot of prayer, much discernment, and some struggles along the way, she is surrendering her life to ministry. As many of you know, she will finish her second master's degree, a Master's of Divinity degree, from McAfee School of Theology this coming December.

Upon the recommendation of the spring church in conference, an ordination council was composed and on August 16<sup>th</sup>, that unanimously recommended that we ordain Jessica to the Gospel ministry. We will have this special service on September 27<sup>th</sup> during our regular worship hour. Let me encourage all parents to bring your children and youth that Sunday. The ordination of someone to the Gospel ministry is something very important to witness as we see God's calling upon an individual's life and how the church can help affirm that calling.

This whole month, listen for the voice of God in your own life. See if God is calling you to something specific for God's glory and mission!

*Ryan*

Our music and missions activities for children will begin on Wed. night, September 9 from 6:00-7:30PM. Youth Choir will meet on Sun. evening, September 13 at 5:00PM. We have tried to give teachers and students time to adjust to their school routines.

After our July vacation time from rehearsals, our Sanctuary Choir is now preparing for fall and Christmas. I hope you (as a choir and as a church family) have enjoyed hearing some of our favorite anthems this summer.

I would like to focus on the Sanctuary Choir in this article. They are so faithful to serve through music. I want to quote from a book that has been helpful to me as I try to minister through music and caring for our choir members. This is taken from Preaching to the Choir by Wayne L. Wold:

*The choir itself is a rich metaphor for the church and for the Christian life. We come together; we give up some degree of our individuality (uniform pronunciations, uniform robes) for the sake of the whole; we need and depend upon each other. Each individual voice is unique and complete in itself, yet no one can make harmony alone. Even our own voice is the result of teamwork of our brain, bones, muscles, and bodily organs. Terms such as harmony, unison, dissonance, consonance, and counterpoint are all terms used in music to describe relationships. Choirs model the leaders-as-servants role,*

*a Christ-like pattern to which we aspire in all aspects of our lives. We pray as we sing and sing as we pray, and we preach good news to each other and to ourselves. We can lift these things up, not to add meaning but to uncover the profound that is there in our midst all along.*

*Besides the praying and worshiping that goes on as we prepare the hymns and other repertoire for worship, even singers can stop the music and just rely on the words for a change. Many choirs have opening and/or closing times for concerns to be shared and prayers to be prayed. These can help choir members focus on their tasks, understand and appreciate their role clearly, and relate their preparations to the larger worship experience. Most importantly, they encourage and enable us to pray together, to worship right then and there, and to name that name of the One who has promised to be there. Christ has promised to be in our midst, transforming even our messy choir rooms into sacred space, our messy sounds into offerings of praise and prayer.*

*Learning notes is not the only benefit of rehearsing together. We grow mentally and spiritually. We help each other with our voices and our presence. We support the church and this small-group ministry called CHOIR.*

Our choir family is open to all who want to sing and help us to lead in worship through music.

Keep a song in your heart! Jo



**LLL has 2 trips scheduled this month:  
(please sign up on the senior adult bulletin board)**

Tuesday, September 15th, we will leave the church at 10:30 a.m. to go to the **Carl Sandburg home** in Flat Rock, NC. The cost is \$3.00. We will have lunch at the Highland Lake Inn.

Tuesday, September 22nd, we will leave the church at 10:30 a.m. to go to **Mary & Bill White's home** in Woodruff, SC for a picnic. Everything will be provided.



**Ladies...you are invited: Fall Bible Study begins Sunday, September 13th at 6:00 p.m.**

Come and enjoy a snack supper. Hear an overview of "When Flowers Dance" by Angela Thomas. Purchase your student guide for this 6 week study - \$11.00. Sign up for a week day class or the Sunday p.m. class. Child-care provided.

Save this date:

**Ladies Christmas Dessert Party  
Sunday, December 6th at 3:00 p.m.  
Special guest: Margarite Palmer...gifted  
potter and inspirational speaker**

For questions or more information please contact:  
Sherian Robinson, 882-6498 or Sue Laird, 944-9326

I am so excited about the ministry opportunities for our children this fall!

Our Wednesday night kick-off is on September 9th. Supper begins at 5:30 and Music and Missions begin at 6:00. Music and Missions will be working together on two occasions this fall as we go on mission together on October 21st and December 9th. On September 13th, our fall Bible study begins with an emphasis on spiritual formation. A snack supper will begin at 5:45 and our Bible studies will begin promptly at 6:15. Our preschoolers and kindergartners will engage in Bible stories, crafts, and other activities with *Jesus Loves Me*, which will nurture an understanding of God's love. Using *The Way of the Child*, our 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders will nurture their relationship with God through listening to a Bible story, journaling, praying, reading, and other quiet activities. I am really excited about our Sunday nights!

As we have chosen to place a greater emphasis on spiritual formation this fall, we have added several books to the church library for children and adults. Stop by and take a look at the new books. If you see one that you want to read, take it home. Just remember that other parents or children may want to read the book as well, so

bring it back when you're done. Also, every family who participates in *The Way of the Child* will receive a family booklet. You will also find more information regarding the fall Bible studies and events on the children's ministry page of our website.

My ordination will be September 27th during the morning worship service. The children's choir will be singing during the service. Although volunteers are scheduled for children's church that morning, I hope that many of you will choose to allow your children to remain in the sanctuary, so they can be a part of the service.

I'll have more information on upcoming outreach events in October. Continue to invite your friends, neighbors, and co-workers to church and continue to share the love of God with the people you come in contact with every day.

Grace and peace,  
Jessica

### **Wednesday Night Discipleship Kickoff, September 9th**

Wednesday Night Discipleship will start on September 9th with topics geared more for middle school students, but are still relative to high school students as well. After the youth enjoy the delicious Wednesday Night Suppers and get all hyped up on dessert, they are invited to the youth room at 6:00 for a time of fellowship, team building games, a new segment called "God Sightings," and devotions. The theme for Wednesday Nights in September focuses on *Outcasts*. During our teen years we start to find group identity and learn how to distinguish between in-groups and out-groups. We will look at how groups are formed, why certain people are considered outcasts, and how being a Christian sometimes requires us to stand out against the crowd for the right reasons.

### **Sunday Night Discipleship, September 13th**

Sunday Night Discipleship is new this fall with topics that are more relative to high school students. Many high school students have found it difficult to attend

Wednesday Nights due to sports practices, homework, and other commitments. Middle school students who would appreciate a more in depth Bible study and contemplative worship are encouraged to attend. Sunday nights will be a time of fellowship, snacks, team building games, and NOOMA. NOOMA is a series of short films that help to explore our world through the teachings of Jesus. Sunday Night Discipleship is from 6:00-7:15 on Sunday evenings.

### **Family Trivia Night, Sunday September 27th (6:00)**

Have you ever wanted to be on a game show with your family? Family Trivia Night involves members of your family competing with and against other families using trivia questions from different categories. Don't worry. You don't have to be a rocket scientist to play; useless knowledge will be sufficient. Rules will be available on the church website. Prizes will be awarded to the top two families with the most points. This will be a great time to bond together as a family and learn a little something in the process.

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### WEEKLY ASSIGNMENTS

#### DEACONS

6-Carla Gambrell            13-Don Hobbs  
20-Kent Norman            27-Jim Jackson

#### USHERS

6-Scott Foster, Tim Hydrick, Hazel McAlister, Chuck Middleton, Greg Nimmons, Tony Williams  
13-Junior Bearden, Josh Barker, Jason Crawford, Will Derrick, John Fassino, Anthony Smith  
20-Gregg Davis, Gerry Dilworth, Jim Jackson, Frank Shaw, David Skyles, Jim Tagtmeyer  
27-Dale Hopkins, Kent Norman, Buddy Poole, Joe Robinson, Tommy Shaver, John Vaught

#### COUNTING COMMITTEE

6-Josh Barker, Buddy Poole, Kent Norman  
13-Martin Hemphill, Greg Towe, Shirley Headapohl  
20-Pat Cromer, John Harbin, Jack Dodd  
27-Anthony Smith, Joe Robinson, John Fassino

#### SOUND SYSTEM

6-Greg Towe                    13-Al LeRoy  
20-Josh Barker                27-Chuck Middleton

#### SUNDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP

6-Johnny Fassino            13-John Huston  
20-Joe Robinson            27-Harry Stancil

#### NURSERY

6-Josh & Sara Barker, Jason & Tracey Crawford, Barry & Michelle Duvall, Jessica & Ansley Gardner, Al & Jennifer Shadwick  
13-Emily Derrick, Susan, Anna & Austin Eades, Neil & Corry Fassino, Michael & Cindy McKee, Gail Rosier  
20-Martin & Ann Hemphill, Drew & Whitney Merck, Brian & Rebecca Sires, Brittany Towe, Elaine Turner, Kelley Williams  
27-Teri & Kristen Elliott, Laura & Addison Land, Rocky & Karon Nation, Mollie & Mary Grace Smith, Julia Towe, Kristen Williams

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH VOLUNTEERS

6-Brittany Towe & Kelley Williams  
13-Al & Felicia LeRoy  
20-Jessica Williams & Jennifer Worley  
27-Michael & Cindy McKee

#### FLOWERS

6-Mr. & Mrs. Jim Tagtmeyer    13-Mr. & Mrs. Gene Bradsher  
20-Mr. & Mrs. Al LeRoy        27-Mr. & Mrs. Tom Bowen

#### WEDNESDAY SUPPER SERVING CREW

9-Betsy Burkett, Barbara Hopkins, Gary & Eileen Jones  
16-Glenda Condrey, Mike & Martha Hammett, Sue Laird  
23-Mac & Karen McMillin, Jim Miller, Jeanette Todd  
30-Marie Massey, Judy Price, Debbie Smith, Jim Tagtmeyer, Tony & Kristen Vincent, Ryan Wilson

#### WEDNESDAY SUPPER CLEAN-UP CREW

9-Cherry Bell, Curtis & Susan Brock, Dale Hopkins, Hazel McAlister, John Thewlis, Tony Williams, Barbara Yuda  
16-Ron & Carla Gambrell, Al Shadwick, Frank Shaw, Judy Stancil, Joel Ward, Kay Wilson  
23-David Jeffcoat, Jim Miller, Pam Scruggs, Ashley & Tracy Wilkinson, Kay Wilson  
30-Francis Bell, Steve Carwile, Jim Jackson, Tony Williams, Kay Wilson

We would like to welcome Nancy Sutherland to our Trinity church family. Nancy joined on August 9th by letter from a sister church. Nancy resides at 235 Magnolia Place, Seneca, SC 29678 and her telephone number is 357-3838.

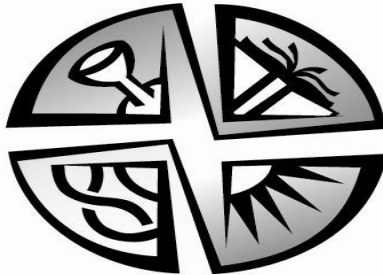


#### **25th Anniversary**

We are happy to announce that John Moore, our church custodian, has been employed with Trinity Baptist Church for 25 years. John started working here on September 17, 1984. We appreciate all that John has done for all of us and for the church.

*What does this symbol represent?*

*Find out on the  
Christian Education  
Bulletin Board!*



## **It's Time!**

*... a Journey Toward Missional Faithfulness*

As a church family, we do not often take the time to intentionally focus on one specific aspect of our Christian Journey for any length of time. This fall, on Sundays in October and November, we will enter into an intense time of study, prayer, and fellowship as we consider what it looks like for Trinity Baptist Church to respond to God's call as a body of believers. Together we will look to the Scriptures and listen to each other as we consider how God is calling our church to "be the church" in our community.

Beginning Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, at 9:40am in the Sanctuary, Minister of Christian Education Tony Vincent will be leading a study of Daniel Vestal's book *"It's Time."* Our adult classes will also be studying Daniel's book during October and November, and the books will be made available to the church free of charge.

Please be in prayer about this important focus. Pray that God will speak to us as a fellowship during this time, and pray that we will be guided towards new ways of being a part of God's mission in our world. If you have not been active in a Sunday School class, consider attending Tony's class during October and November. If you are asked to be a part of the plan-