

Our Mission

Trinity Fellowship Church desires to glorify God by equipping a community of believers to worship God and be witnesses of Him in Central Arkansas and to the ends of the earth.



Our Vision

Trinity Fellowship Church desires to be a Bible-believing, Christ-centered, grace-filled, and gospel-driven community where every member is equipped and encouraged to minister and witness according to their God-given talents.



Featured Article

Faith Promise

Throughout the month of September, we will be receiving pledges for our Faith Promise. Faith Promise is a pledge of trust that God will enable the believer to give, over and above the tithe and regular offerings, to the world missions' ministry of the Church an amount he does not actually have, then praying that God will supply it. This is in distinction to tithing—giving from resources already provided.

The basis for tithing is obedience. The basis for Faith Promise giving is faith. The Scriptural pattern for Faith Promise giving is found throughout the Bible, but perhaps most clearly displayed by the Macedonian Church described in 2 Corinthians 8: "...they gave of themselves as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability..."; about which the Apostle Paul exhorts: "...see that you also excel in this grace of giving... your plenty will supply what they need..." (verses 3, 7, 14). Just as we have faith God will save His elect, through faith we provide support for the spreading of the gospel at home and around the world.

Pledge cards will be distributed to the congregation asking for prayerful consideration of support for the Missions outreach of Trinity Fellowship Church. Support comes in three ways: prayer, physical support of programs and activities, and financial Contributions

Based on the pledged amounts, a support budget is established for the following calendar year and missionaries are informed as to what level of contributions they can expect from Trinity Fellowship Church for that year.

Please be in prayer as to how God would have you give to support the local and global outreach of Trinity Fellowship Church.

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Missionary of the Month

Missions' Committee:

Darrel Crosswell, John Hensley, Tamara Hensley,
Aaron Lindberg, Laura Lindberg, Amber Sartain,
Nick Sartain (Chair), Rae Belle Sartain, Aaron Wheat

Rev. Ted Wenger

Redeemer Presbyterian Church,
Siloam Springs



Ted Wenger was raised in Ohio and his wife Melyna was raised in Oklahoma. Ted graduated from Miami University in 1993 and Reformed Theological Seminary in 1999. After seminary he served as Assistant Minister at First Presbyterian Church in Jackson, Mississippi and then as the Campus Minister for Reformed University Fellowship at the University of Arkansas. He is now the pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian Church, a PCA church plant in Siloam Springs. Ted and Melyna have seven children: Joshua, twins Daniel and Abigail, Caleb, Sarah Katherine, Benjamin, and Bert.

It is an exciting time for us here in Siloam Springs! Redeemer Presbyterian church is currently in the process of particularization and, Lord willing, hopes to complete the process at the February meeting of Covenant Presbytery! I'm sure you are wondering... what exactly is particularization? Particularization is when a mission church becomes a particular church. This means they become self-governing, with their session consisting of members of its own

congregation. It also means that the congregation can fully support the church on its own. While outside financial support may no longer be needed, prayer most certainly is! We ask that you be in prayer for us and Redeemer Presbyterian Church as we finalize this process.

Women in the Church

Ladies' Committee:

Brandi Childress, Bernadette Dempsey (Co-Chair),
Michelle Hill, Laura Lindberg, Sharon Plate (Co-Chair)

Women's Fall Bible Study

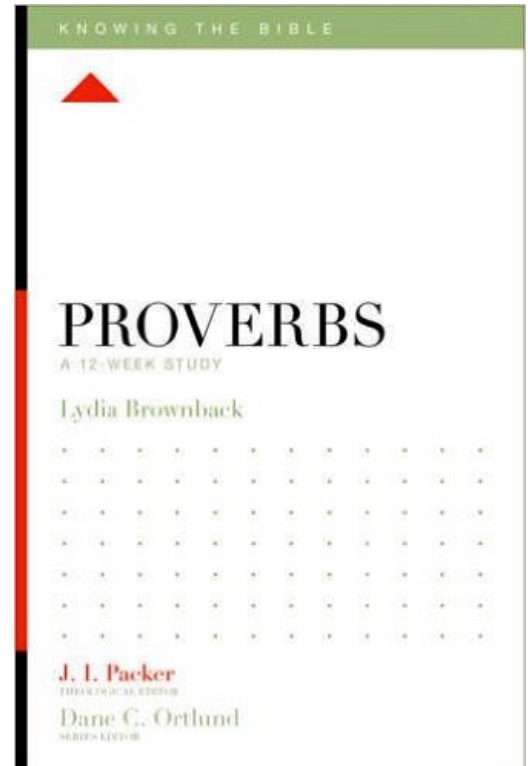
Our world continues to change and shift on its axis, and we desperately need God's wisdom to stand strong, to have those hard conversations with our neighbors, and to love our families well. Wisdom is something we long for, pray for, and need to be studying.

The Ladies' Committee is excited to announce that we will be studying Proverbs during our Wednesday Bible Study's at Trinity.

We will be going through *Proverbs* by Lydia Brownback. We will be offering the study twice on Wednesday: Wednesday mornings from 9:00-11:00 and Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:30. Childcare will be available if needed. Both studies will begin September 7th.

Please consider joining one of our Bible Studies. We understand that most of you are busy and some can't imagine how you might squeeze time in for one more thing. But we want to challenge you to come out and learn in community.

The book is available to order on Amazon. If you don't have an Amazon Prime account, contact Laura Lindberg and she'd be happy to place one order or a group order. Please don't let cost keep you from attending. If you don't have the discretionary funds for the book, let someone on the Women's Committee know that you'd like to be a part of this study—we'll make sure you have a book.



Service Project

All ladies are invited to join us Wednesday, September 28th for a service project at the [Caring Hearts Pregnancy Center](#). The Center will be open so parking will be limited. If you would like to carpool, please meet at the church by 9:00 am. Our group will be arriving at 9:30 if you would like to meet us there. We will be stuffing packets, making copies, and helping with other tasks as the need arises. If you need childcare, contact Rae Belle Sartain.

The Center is located at 2003 Fendley Drive in North Little Rock. Parking is available in the lot of the first building, on the corner of JD Ashley and Fendley, or in the volunteer parking lot. You may also park in the client parking lot, which is on the other side of the building. If you park in the client lot, please try to park on the side furthest away from the building. If your car is low to the ground, you may want to avoid the volunteer lot. If you do not arrive with the group, ring the doorbell at the back door or call Rae Belle.

Please bring any extra plastic grocery or shopping bags that you have. You can also bring gently used maternity clothes, children's clothes (size preemie to 2 Toddler), diapers, toys, books, crayons, etc. Call, text, or email Rae Belle (501-231-2371 or raesartain@sbcglobal.net) if you have any questions.

Birthdays

September 1

Jonathon Greer

September 10

Chloe Perry

September 12

Kevin Breedlove

Kylie Mirabella

September 19

Melissa Gorter

Jessica Irby

Zachary Lukas

Gary Wheat

September 23

Patsy Beatty

Georgia Hollingsworth

September 24

Catherine Gilchrist

September 26

Joshua Breedlove

Janet Gilchrist

Anniversaries

September 11

Boyd and Michelle

Irby

September 19

John and Tamara

Hensley

September 23

Mike and Stephanie

Fennema

Fellowship Focus

Fellowship Committee:

Joy Denley, Melissa Gorter, Leah Lukas,
Ron Plate (Chair), Heath Warbritton, Leslie Wheat

MCG Assignments for Fellowship Lunch

Bill Dempsey's MCG is scheduled to oversee preparation and cleanup for the September Fellowship Lunch.

These responsibilities are listed below.

Preparation duties include:

- Making beverages (coffee, tea, and lemonade)
- Keeping food warmed in the ovens
- Getting ice
- Putting out plates, utensils, napkins, etc. on serving tables
- Putting out salt and pepper on tables
- Cleaning tables before Fellowship Lunch

Cleanup duties include:

- Washing dishes and serving utensils
- Cleaning tables
- Sweeping
- Taking the trash out
- Washing rags (taken home by a member of the MCG)
- Mopping (if needed)

Church Picnic

Our annual Church Picnic has been scheduled for Sunday, October 9th, beginning at 6:00 pm at Burns Park. Hamburgers, hot dogs, and drinks will be provided. Those attending are asked to bring sides and desserts for their families. Mark your calendars!

Nerf War and Bonfire

The next Nerf War and Bonfire will be Saturday, October 22nd, beginning at 5:00 pm. Mark your calendars!

Christmas Party

Our annual Church Christmas Party will be Sunday, December 4th, beginning at 6:00 pm at a location TBD. Mark your calendars!

Training Tidbits

Training Committee:

Bill Dempsey (Chair), Michelle Hill,
Boyd Irby, Glenn VanEnk, Heath Warbritton

Sunday School

Sunday School resumes Sunday, September 11th. Class are offered for all ages. Our current classes are:

Preschool Class (Ages 2-3)

God's Family

Taught by Josh and Brandi Childress
Classroom 3

Kindergarten Class (Ages 4-5)

God Leads His People

Taught by Susan Sanford and Ashley Hensley
Classroom 8

Younger Elementary Class (Ages 6-7)

Obeying God

Taught by Ron Plate
Classroom 5

Middle Elementary Class (Ages 8-9)

God's Grace in the Law

Taught by Lee VanEnk
Classroom 6

Older Elementary Class (Ages 10-12)

G2R: Matthew to John

Taught by Howard Gorter
Classroom 4

Youth Class (13-18)

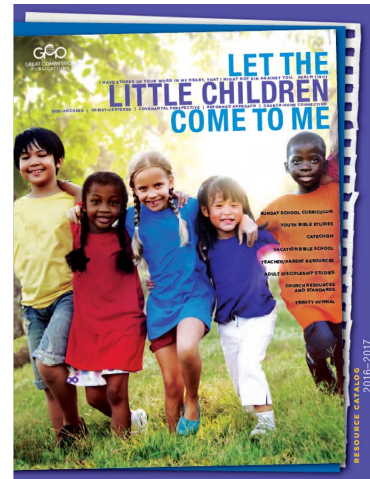
A Study of John 1-10

Taught by Heath Warbritton
Classroom 7

Adult Class

The Book of Romans

Taught by Glenn VanEnk
Classroom 2



*Note:
Children's classes are
sorted by age as of
September 1st.*

Greeters and Ushers

September 4

Jim Gilchrist
Josh Childress

September 11

Scott Irby
Aaron Lindberg

September 18

Kurt Lueken
David Lukas

September 25

Gary Wheat
Aaron Wheat

Nursery Volunteers

September 4

Joy Denley

September 11

Ashley Hensley
Sophia Hensley

September 18

Brandi Childress

September 25

Volunteer Needed

Liturgist

Bill Dempsey

Parents' Night Out

Third Saturday of the Month, 5:00-8:00 pm

Parents' Night Out is a monthly ministry outreach of the Ladies' Committee for parents of young children. The aims of this ministry are to encourage couples to strengthen their marriages by having a regular "Date Night" with their spouse and to allow single parents (or those with deployed spouses) an opportunity to recharge in order to more effectively parent. We realize that it can be difficult to maintain these healthy habits due to concerns about finding a trustworthy babysitter or the expense of babysitting added to the cost of a night out, so we provide a meal and childcare for your children. Nick and Amber Sartain and Ed and Rae Belle Sartain will be coordinating PNO this coming year, with Sharon Plate being the liaison on the Ladies' Committee.

To sign up, you may sign up using sheet found in the narthex, online at trinityfellowshipcca.org, or by calling, texting, or emailing Rae Belle Sartain (501-231-2371, raesartain@sbcglobal.net) or Amber Sartain (501-249-2049, adsartain@sbcglobal.net). Everyone who is a part of the Trinity Fellowship Church family is encouraged to participate! We need rotating volunteers for childcare and people who are interested in providing or purchasing meals or portions of meals (there is a small budget for this). Jim and Janet Gilchrist will be doing child care for our first PNO on Saturday, September 17th. We also need at least three others to work with them, as well as someone to provide a meal. The meal can be as simple as pizza and fruit. Thank you to everyone for helping in this ministry!

If you might be interested in doing childcare for PNO, please see Darrel to complete a background check. Our new Child Protection Policy requires a background check for all volunteers for PNO. Thank you for understanding!

Be sure to mark your calendar for the 2016-2017 Saturday PNO dates:

- September 17th
- October 15th
- November 19th
- December 10th (2nd Saturday, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm)
- January 21st
- February — *No PNO due to Valentine's Banquet*
- March 18th
- April 15th
- May — *No PNO due to Ladies Retreat*
- June — *No PNO due to VBS*
- July 15th
- August 19th

Congratulations to Rick and Suzie Aich whose first baby is due February 16th!

The Annotated Hymnal

We Will Feast in the House of Zion Words and music by Sandra McCracken from the album *Psalms*

*And the angel said to me, "Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb."
And he said to me, "These are the true words of God."*

—Revelation 19:9

Our RYM Summer Conferences this year spent time considering the Church. For the final session of our High School trip, we considered the eternal future of the church, that is, the restoration of all things in the new heavens and new earth.

One of the most common reactions to the idea of heaven among Christians is...to be honest...boredom. The popular Far Side cartoon depicting a man in a robe sitting on a cloud with a halo over his head musing to himself, "I wish I'd brought a magazine" rings all too true with the popular misconception of heaven.

It is important that our view of heaven and eternity be shaped by scripture and not by popular culture. The image that is given to us in Revelation is that of a marriage supper: a feast, a party. Heaven is not merely the absence of pain and sin, but it is also the presence of joy and pleasures that we cannot even begin to imagine in this life.

One of the means that God has given us by which to see (or rather, taste) the celebration to come is communion. In the Lord's Supper, we (a) look *back* on the passion of Christ, (b) look *up* and see the risen Christ interceding for us, (c) look *within* and examine ourselves, (d) look *around* and see the redeemed people of God, and (e) look *forward* to the coming feast. One aspect of communion is to serve as an appetizer of sorts to the coming feast.

Tim Chester, in his book *A Meal With Jesus*, writes: "Everything—creation, redemption, mission—is for this: that we might eat together in the presence of God. God created the world so we might eat with him. The Israelites were redeemed to eat with God on the mountain, and we're redeemed for the great messianic banquet that we anticipate when we eat together as a Christian community. Creation, redemption, and mission all exists so that this meal can take place."

All of our feasts in this world are meant to point us to the great feast which is to come. A day is coming where we, the Church, will feast in the house of Zion. The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." (Revelation 22:17) That's an invitation for us all.



Chorus

We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
"He has done great things," we will say together.
We will feast and weep no more.

Verse 2

In the dark of night, before the dawn
My soul, be not afraid.
For the promised morning, oh how long?
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength.

Verse 1

We will not be burned by the fire.
He is the Lord our God.
We are not consumed by the flood—
Upheld, protected, gathered up.

Verse 3

Every vow we've broken and betrayed—
You are the Faithful one.
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together, bring shalom.

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Bradford Green	RUF at the University of Central Arkansas/Hendrix College; Conway
Del Farris	MNA Chaplain Ministries; Little Rock
Fred Klett	CHAIM (Reformed Ministry to Jewish People); Philadelphia
Michelle Hill	CRU/FamilyLife; Little Rock
Mike Ford	RUF at the University of Arkansas; Fayetteville
Mike and Eli Sabin	MTW; Guam
Seima and Naoko Aoyagi	MTW; Tokyo, Japan
Steve Sanford	Evangelical Alliance for Immigration Services; Little Rock
Steve and Kelly Walter	Wycliffe Bible Translators/GIAL
Tom and Karen Mirabella	MTW; Chiba, Japan
Union Rescue Mission	Little Rock

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