#### **Our Mission**

Trinity Fellowship Church exists 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 strives 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 Godgiven abilities.



### The Pastor's Column

#### "Trinity Fellowship CHURCH"

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I love the church, don't you? It's the family of God, and I need a family. It's the covenant community of God's people, and I need the encouragement and accountability of my brothers and sisters in Christ. It's a body of believes worshipping and serving together, and I need the strengths and gifts of others. Life in the church is a grace of God to me and to you, it's vital for our spiritual health and growth as Christians. If we claim to follow Christ and enjoy an ongoing relationship with our God, then we see our great need of the church.

Even better is the profound truth that Jesus loves the church. The late Francis Schaeffer said that human beings are "glorious ruins", and I think that's a beautiful and accurate picture of the church. She is broken and scarred by sin and shame, but Jesus loves her. He delights in her. He is radically committed to her, so much so, that He died for her. What wondrous love, what joy that was set before him as he endured the cross. What was that joy? It was you and me. It was an eternal reign with the Bride he has redeemed. It was life with his church.

Jesus mentions the church only twice in his earthly ministry. He instructs on the importance of the church in caring for and restoring its members when sin infiltrates the fellowship. He also says that he will build his church on the testimony of the Apostles and that the very gates of Hades will not prevail against it. This means that death cannot and will not overpower the church. She will endure. She will remain until the return of the Bridegroom, King and Head of the church. This is a great assurance and comfort to us and should encourage the church to endure when she is attacked or marginalized.

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#### **Birthdays**

October 1
Sunghwa Hong

October 7
Aiden Sartain

October 8
Joy Denley
Glenn VanEnk

October 9 Karen Mirabella

October 10 Chloe Hensley Addison Ward

October 14
Piper Childress

October 16 Chansic Hong

October 18 Kurt Lueken

October 19 Claudia Croswell Tom Mirabella

October 24 Abigail Breedlove

October 26 Eli Breedlove

October 30 Diane Buck Ashley Hensley

#### Anniversaries

October 2
Josh and Brandi
Childress

October 9 David and Leah Lukas

### Fellowship Focus

#### **Fellowship Committee:**

Melissa Gorter, Leah Lukas, Ron Plate (Chair), Heath Warbritton

#### September Fellowship Lunch

There will be no October Fellowship Lunch due to the annual Church Picnic. The Church Picnic will be held Sunday, October 8th, beginning at 4:00 pm at the church. This year's picnic will feature a hot dog and s'mores roast followed by an indoor hymn sing. Mark your calendars!

#### **Upcoming Fellowship Lunches**

Our November Fellowship Lunch will be a Thanksgiving-themed meal. Be on the lookout for a signup in the coming weeks!

There will be no Fellowship Lunch in December due to the annual Church Christmas Party. This year's party will be held on Sunday, December 3rd, beginning at 5:30 pm at the church. More details will be available in the November newsletter.

Communicant's Course: Parents, are your children growing in the faith? Do they have a desire to affirm the promises of God in their baptism? Maybe they are expressing a greater interest in the life and practices of the of church and would like to join us at the Lord's Table? Come talk with Brad about the "Follow Me" communicant's course for you and your children. Instead of a formal class that pulls our students out of their regular Sunday school classes, or schedules another meeting during the week, this is designed to be "take home" material for your child or student to complete. As parents you are asked to review the lessons, or better yet, work through the lessons with your child or student. Once the booklet is complete, set up a time for you and your child or student to review with the Pastor. The session of the church continues to pray for you and the covenant children entrusted to our care.

[Note: This is not age dependent, but the material does require substantial reading and the ability to look up passages and interact with the Bible and the WCF]

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Names are important and there is much to consider in the name of a church. I've enjoyed thinking about the name of this place on Bear Paw Road where we gather each week. We worship and serve the Triune God (Trinity). Through the redeeming work of Christ we enjoy a fellowship with our God and with one another (Fellowship), and as the body of Christ we bear witness to his salvation and embody his intention for the world (Church). We are TRINITY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH. I give praise and thanks to God not simply for the words on the sign, but for what they mean to us and say to every passerby. I am grateful for each of you who have identified with Christ by calling this church your home. May we be a faithful presence in our time.

This month we will remember and celebrate the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. We will spend some time reflecting on the important principles that came out of the Reformation and why they are still important to the church today. I trust it will be encouraging, informative and maybe even a little fun as we explore our roots. Soli Deo Gloria!

Grace and peace in abundance,

Brad

Church Administrator Position: Are you looking for a way to serve in the church that utilizes your office experience or administrative skills? Maybe your home file cabinets and check book are neatly organized (maybe not, but your willing to learn)? Then there is an important position in the life of the church that may be a good fit for you. Our current Administrator is in transition over the next year, and we would like to find someone to come alongside Janet and learn with her in the next several months. Please be in prayer over this position and who the Lord may be prompting to serve in this way. If you have questions about the responsibilities of this position, please talk with Janet Gilchrist or Darrel Croswell. Thank you!

## Greeters and Ushers

# October 1 Howard Gorter Lucas Gorter

#### October 8 John Hensley Gabe Hensley

# October 15 Boyd Irby Christopher Irby

#### October 22 David Lukas Ben Lukas

#### October 29 Nick Sartain Aiden Sartain

#### Nursery Volunteers

## October 1 Joy Denley

### October 8 Rae Belle Sartain

### October 15 Volunteer Needed

### October 22 Volunteer Needed

### October 29 Volunteer Needed

#### Liturgist

Bill Dempsey

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Del Farris	MNA Chaplain Ministries; Little Rock
Fred Klett	CHAIM (Reformed Ministry to Jewish People); Philadelphia
Michelle Hill	
Mike Fennema	Spring Hill Presbyterian Church; Spring Hill
	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
Tom and Karen Mirabella	
Union Rescue Mission	Little Rock

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