

January 2018

Sunday Services

8:00am Contemporary Worship

9:30am Christian Education

10:45am Traditional Worship



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From Pastor Bode - **Who Am I?**

Have you ever asked that question? I am sure from time to time that question has crossed your mind and been posed to yourself if not to someone else. **"Who am I?"**

How would you answer? What is your identity?

As Christians God's Word provides us with a clear answer to this haunting question and presents us with the peace and joy of *"The Believer's Identity in Christ."*

As one who believes in Jesus Christ you are ...

• **Saved by Grace**

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast." (Ephesians 2:8-9—NIV)

• **Made Holy and Blameless**

"But now He has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in His sight, without blemish and free from accusation." (Colossians 1:22—NIV)

• **At Peace With God**

"Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." (Romans 5:1—NIV)

• **Totally Accepted**

"Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God." (Romans 15:7—NIV)

• **A Child of God**

"Yet to all who did receive Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God." (John 1:12—NIV)

• **A Citizen of Heaven**

"But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ." (Philippians 3:20—NIV)

• **Given Everything**

"His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and goodness." (2 Peter 1:3—NIV)

You who are in Christ have all this and more. Rejoice in who you are! Rejoice in your identity in Christ! Rejoice in the victory!

This New Year make as your number one resolution to claim your identity in Christ and live it out by faith every day of 2018.

Pastor Bode

Congregational
Meeting
Feb 4, 12:15

A note from Trinity's President

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Here we are ending another wonderful year! **We are all Blessed in so many ways.** We all have had struggles and happy times this year, and with God's help, we will all move on.

We have had a busy Christmas season, decorating the church and having events that we have shared and enjoyed with our Open Arms School. They have done so many wonderful things with the children! We had the Spaghetti Dinner (PJ) party at which they collected Pajamas for Foster children and with all of the Pajamas that were donated, there was a book donated for the age appropriate child. Our LWML ladies group was given over \$750 from the profits of the Oktoberfest Festival games, raffles, and bake sale, so the ladies donated \$300 back to Open Arms to help with the Pajama drive! Then Open Arms had their Christmas performance at church on December the 8th, and it was just outstanding!. All school classes each chose 2 songs to sing and dressed up as gift bags, elf's, and some in their PJ's. These children ALL knew every word of their songs and the Finale "Polar Bear Express" each child sang with excitement! We are all so blessed to have the wonderful teachers and director - Loretta Gibbons and her staff! You all should go there some time during a day, or watch when they have Chapel on Wednesday at 10:30 and observe these beautiful, obedient children! They are so love and well trained, you just can't imagine! They have a night every month or so when the parents can have an evening "out" or time to shop, or anything for a few hours and the staff of Open Arms watch the children for them! They were baking cookies for them when I was there at a meeting! I sure never had that raising my children! You guys at Open Arms are quite special and I'm sure all the parents appreciate it!

Now we start our new year "2018"!!

Can we all make a commitment to ourselves to make this year special! Plan to attend church and hear God's message, Plan to come to Sunday School and learn more and enjoy each other's company! Plan to invite a neighbor or friend to come with you and we can grow Trinity Lutheran Church more!! We are a wonderful, caring church, and we need to get more involved in our community, be what God asks of us and bring in our lost sheep!

I'm ready to get motivated and move this church into a busy, happy, helpful congregation! Come on out my friends and work with me! Call me or the church office if you feel that you could help with any of our areas of need! Read at services, become part of the Alter Guild, help out in the office, help with events and meals! Clean at the church or Parish Hall! There is much to do to take care of our church home!

Who cares what we are doing? Who has ideas of things you would like to do or have here? **Come join our family and God Bless you all!**

From the Prayer Team **Watch and Pray**

"Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." - Mark 14:38

As we begin another new year, I think we can all readily agree that "the flesh is, indeed weak." We need look no further than the few (hopefully, few!) extra pounds we've added to our frames over the past month from over-indulging in holiday treats. Or by checking out our bank balance that may look like it has been sorely underfed lately due to holiday overspending. Sometimes we knowingly choose to indulge the flesh - and at other times we truly are caught off guard, realizing, too late, that we've given into temptation, once again.

But God has an answer for us, no matter the situation we find ourselves in. And that is why I love Him so!

The Bible says in 1 Corinthians 10:13, "No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will also provide a way out so that you can endure it."

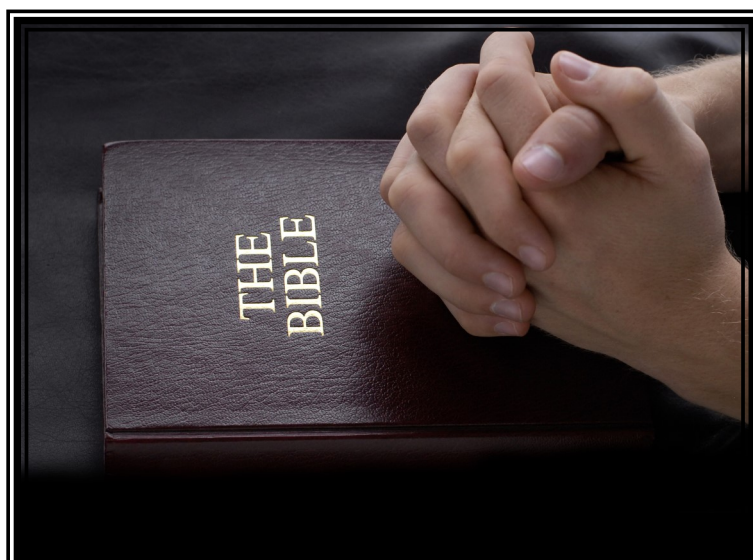
The "way out" of temptation that I think God is referring to is His gift of prayer.

We can always turn to Him and ask Him for exactly what we need -even if all we know how to pray is, "HELP!" God knows our needs, and He tells us to "watch and pray." So I invite you to focus on your prayer life in the coming year. Then watch and see how God answers you in His perfect power and wisdom.

Join the prayer team for prayer every Wednesday at 10:30 - 11:15 am.

It is a wonderful way to "watch and pray" together, and celebrate God's work in our lives and His answers to our prayers.

You can contact me at b103067.1377@gmail.com with any questions or prayer requests. Make 2018 a year for growth in the spiritual discipline of prayer - just like Weight Watchers, we accomplish more when we do things together! - Mary Bode





White Horse Inn: Join us on Tuesday evenings at 6 pm—

for "*conversational theology*",

where we will listen and discuss what we believe and why we believe it. 500 years ago Martin Luther worked to recover the Gospel. However, that recovery is ongoing and is needed more than ever in postmodern Christianity.

For more information contact Robert Garst (rgarst88@gmail.com—224-383-4639).

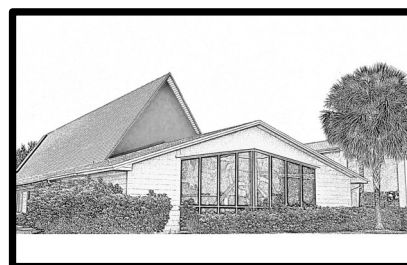
See you there!

Welcome back winter worshippers!

We are glad you are here worshipping with us and you are encouraged to participate fully in the life of Trinity. We are anxious to stay in touch with you and involve you in what God is doing to build His kingdom in our midst. Please make sure that you update us with any changes to your contact information. You may do so on the attendance pad or by contacting our church office (772-461-7272 — trinitychurch4u@gmail.com) We always welcome your prayer requests and would be happy to provide offering envelopes to those who wish to receive a accounting of their offerings. We trust that your time with us will be a mutual blessing!

2018 @ Trinity

The Trinity Leadership Council is preparing for the New Year which will be here before we know it. A part of the planning process includes identifying needs related to our church facilities.



Looking ahead, a few of the **major projects include**

- ♦ **painting the exterior of our buildings,**
- ♦ **replacing the doors on the trash dumpster areas and also**
- ♦ **modifying our primary signage on 13th Street.**

Donations designated for these costly projects are welcomed and necessary to maintain our facilities in good order.

We hope you will consider supporting the efforts. Use the pew envelopes and note the donation is for the "Building Fund."



Today's Light 2-year Bible Reading Plan

"The unfolding of Your words gives light."

(Psalm 119:130—NIV)

Our Today's Light Bible Reading Plan guides you through the whole Bible in 2 years, breaking the Bible into segments that take about 10-15 minutes a day to read. God's Holy Spirit will teach, comfort, confront, and sustain you through His Word on a journey that is sure to make a difference in your day ... a difference in your life!

"Be in and encourage each other with God's Word!"

Week 53 (January 1-7)

Monday—Song of Songs 4-6

Tuesday—Song of Songs 7-8

Wednesday—Isaiah 1-2

Thursday—Isaiah 3-4

Friday—Isaiah 5

Saturday—Isaiah 6

Week 56 (January 22-28)

Monday—Isaiah 40-41

Tuesday—Isaiah 42-43

Wednesday—Isaiah 44-45

Thursday—Isaiah 46-47

Friday—Isaiah 48-49

Saturday—Isaiah 50-52

Week 54 (January 8-14)

Monday—Isaiah 7-8

Tuesday—Isaiah 9-10

Wednesday—Isaiah 11-12

Thursday—Isaiah 13-20

Friday—Isaiah 21-23

Saturday—Isaiah 24-25

Week 57 (January 29-February 4)

Monday—Isaiah 53

Tuesday—Isaiah 54-57

Wednesday—Isaiah 58-59

Thursday—Isaiah 60-62

Friday—Isaiah 63-66

Saturday—Jeremiah 1-2

Week 55 (January 15-21)

Monday—Isaiah 26-27

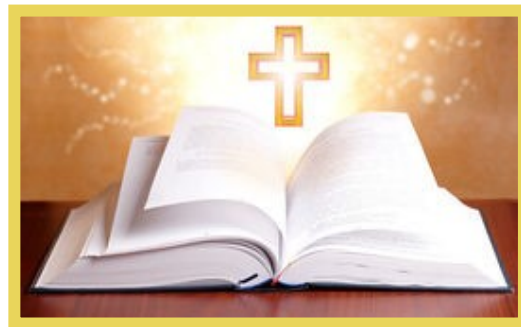
Tuesday—Isaiah 28-29

Wednesday—Isaiah 30-31

Thursday—Isaiah 32

Friday—Isaiah 33-35

Saturday—Isaiah 36-39



EVENTS @ local Churches



SAINT NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH'S
39TH ANNUAL GREEK FESTIVAL
"THE ORIGINAL"

FREE PARKING - \$3.00 ADMISSION
CHILDREN UNDER 12 FREE!
GREEK DANCING, GREEK MUSIC, GREEK FOOD PASTRIES & GIFT SHOPS!

AT SAINT NICHOLAS
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
2525 SOUTH 25TH STREET
FORT PIERCE, FL
2 BLOCKS SOUTH OF VIRGINIA AVE

FEBRUARY 9, 10 & 11TH
FRIDAY & SATURDAY 11^{AM} - 10^{PM} SUNDAY 11^{AM} - 7^{PM}
VISIT WWW.STNICHOLASFP.COM FOR MORE INFO

Our Thursday Bible Study is continuing a study of the epistle of James,

. . . . a powerful and practical presentation of the Christian life.

Consider joining us for a time of reflection on God's Word that is sure to strengthen your faith and draw you closer to your Savior and His strength and purpose for your life. We meet in the Fellowship Hall every Thursday from 10:30-11:30 am. Coffee and cookies provided. *"When Your words came, I ate them; they were my joy and my heart's delight, for I bear Your name, LORD God Almighty."* (Jeremiah 15:16—NIV)

Thrivent Financial Members!

Thrivent offers each of their members the opportunity to apply for (2) Action Team Projects annually for up to \$250 each. This is a wonderful opportunity to supplement some of the costs of providing various outreach efforts within our church or community. If you have not used your eligible funds, please consider Trinity.

Your Leadership Council can provide direction in identifying needs and assist in preparing the simple application. Contact Lois Gordy (lgordy1@aol.com—772-216-0271) .

Family Meals



Saturday, January 27
Pelican Yacht Club
in Fort Pierce

6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Passed appetizers
& plated dinner

Cash bar • Live music • Dancing
Silent auction

Ticket price: \$75

For ticket information call 772-210-0900
E-mail: familymealsfl@gmail.com • [facebook.com/FamilyMealsInc](https://www.facebook.com/FamilyMealsInc)
www.familymealsinc.org

Come join us January 19th for a fun unplugged Game Night.

Last year was a great experience. We hope to see you there. It is a great time for Open Arms families and Trinity families to interact and really get to know each other.



[Check out our website – openarms4kids.com](http://openarms4kids.com)

We won 3rd place in the Main-street Parade. The theme was “The Magic of Christmas”. Our bus was decorated as the Nativity and we had Mary, Joseph, the 3 wise men and baby Jesus in a stroller decorated as the manger escorting the bus



Our children performed in their best Christmas Program yet. Each class sang songs and had a different theme for each class. We had elves, reindeer, Christmas gifts and Polar Express Kids. They ended it with a beautiful song “Believe” from the Polar Express movie and brought the spirit of believing in Jesus Christ all together in this beautiful Christmas Program. They were so excited and so into it. It was a wonderful experience.



TRINITY CELEBRATIONS

January Birthdays and Anniversaries of our Members

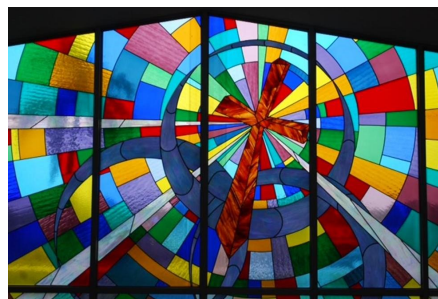
Birthdays

2 Meghan Turick
 4 Jesse Manis
 5 John Andrianoff
 6 Beverly Roebuck
 Dorothy Walker
 8 Jessica Palmer
 Justine Theisen
 Jennifer Waldron
 Jamie Rowan
 10 May Black
 13 Linda Bobb
 Denise Walker

14 Latasha Manis
 Debbie Reed
 16 James Gordy
 17 Sammi Fischer
 18 Erin Barbeau
 21 Adam Rowan
 22 Kim Kusserow
 22 Brian Lebo
 24 Christie Garst
 Elmer Pruss
 25 Jeff Edwards
 26 Ilse Fechner
 31 Chloe Jadin

Anniversaries

14 Dave and Norma Carmany
 29 Claudia and Philip Trew



REMEMBER OUR MEMBERS

Who are homebound or in a nursing care facility

Lord Jesus Christ, in the days of your flesh, the sick were brought to you for healing: hear us as we now bring to you in our prayers those who are ill, in the body or in mind. May your presence be with them to relieve suffering and distress and to restore them to fullness of life, for your great love's sake. Amen.

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Please pray for our members.

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	10:45 AM	Shirley Louria	772-460-5034

The deadline for Trinity Tidings submissions is the 10th of each month.
Pls. email Pam N4095P@gmail.com

The deadline for Sunday Bulletin information is Tuesday of the prior week.
Pls. email OfficeManager@Trinitychurch4U.com . Thank you.