

# CONNECTIONS



## For the Glory of the King

***A Christmas Musical***

Presented by KIDS.COM, Trinity's Youth

**Sunday, December 16 at 4:00PM**

**Trinity Reformed Church**

**Refreshments following!**

### *Hello Trinity Reformed Church!*

You may have seen our faces lately around Trinity. Ben and I are very excited to be a part of Trinity Reformed Church this year!

Ben is from southern California and I am from northwest Iowa. We met while attending Northwestern College. We graduated in May, got married in June, packed up and moved in August and have since been enjoying the beauty of Holland.

Ben is the intern from Western Theological Seminary. He has been spending Tuesday evenings playing basketball, planning the adult Sunday school and attending various church members. Outside of Trinity, Ben has been spending much of his time with his nose in his theology books, going through his Greek flash cards, coaching 7<sup>th</sup> grade basketball at Byron Center Christian School and cooking delicious Mexican food for his wife.

I have spent my first few months here in Holland as a nanny and have recently got a job at Bethany Christian Services working as a Case Manager for foster care children. In my spare time I like to run, tackle projects around our new home and experiment with recipes I find on Pinterest.

Together we look forward to spending time here at Trinity, slowly learning everyone's names, and participating in the activities and ministries of Trinity. We want to thank you for the opportunity to serve here!

*Ben and Hannah Aguilera*



***If you missed the Thanksgiving sale you are in luck!***

***We are selling Hams, Soup and Cookie Dough again for Christmas!!!***

**Trinity Reformed Church Area 51 Youth Group Fundraiser**

**For Our 2013 Summer Mission Trip!!!!**

### ***Spiral Sliced Holiday Ham***

**It's the best ham you'll ever eat!** This specialty ham is made the old world way using the finest, select fresh pork. It is slowly cured, natural hickory smoked. Hams are fully baked, spiral sliced and ready to serve at room temp or heat according to label directions. Serving size is about 1/2 pound per person. The glaze is a signature blend of natural sugars and spices. Hams are shipped individually in a gift box.

**TRADITIONAL HAMS** include a glaze packet. Mix and apply to the ham as desired.

**TRADITIONAL HAM price is \$ 5.00 lb.**

**FIRE GLAZED HAMS** are already glazed and "fire-torched" to a sweet coating.

**FIRE GLAZED HAM price is \$5.25 lb.**



***We are also selling Soups in 16oz & half gallon sizes and Oma's Cookie Dough in 2# tubs!!***

### **Soup Choices**

**Cheesy Broccoli**

**French Onion**

**Hunters Hodgepodge**

**Egg Noddle Chicken**

**Home-style Tomato**

**White Bean Chicken Chili**

**Green Pea**

**Northern Bean with Ham**

### **Oma's Cookie Dough Choices**

**Chocolate Chunk**

**White Chocolate Macadamia Nut**

**Oatmeal Raisin**

**Peanut Butter**

**Sugar**

**Chocolate Walnut**

**Almond Banket**

**Orders for Christmas are due next Sunday, December 9.**

**Please pick-up your order on Saturday, December 22**

**from 10am - noon.**

**To order, please fill out a form that is found in your mailbox or on the Youth Table and place it in the Ham box on the Youth Table!!**

**Business Owners!**

**These hams would make a great gift to your employees!!**

## Are You Fully Engaged?

On Sunday, November 11, I preached a sermon about Moses and the people of Israel crossing the Red Sea. Both the people of Israel and Moses faced a defining moment in their walk with God. Would they trust that God would be with them? Could they believe that God was going to deliver them from the Egyptians? Well we know the rest of the story about how God did deliver them and brought them into the other side without a scratch.

We too face defining moments that have the power to shape our relationship with God. Some will run toward God and place deeper trust in His leading. Others turn away from God and go their own way. My encouragement to you when life gets difficult is to look at God's faithfulness in the past as a way to help us through the difficult times.

The ministry of any and every church faces defining moments as well. Trinity Church has made a commitment to be an "Outward Focused Missional Church". This commitment means that we are fully engaged in doing everything that we can to reach out to the stranger, the hurting in our community, those looking for spiritual guidance, and to bless them with God's amazing love. Our commitment together in this work is never easy. In fact it might be messy work that means that we engage in ways that we never have before. It might mean that we change the way we look at the church. Not as a place exclusively for my spiritual enrichment, but as a context where God has called me to serve others.

The words of Paul are particularly convicting here. *"Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus."* Philippians 2:4-5. Living as a Missional Church means that we engage fully in ministry. This means YOU! Not someone else.

At the conclusion of my sermon I presented these 5 ways to assess if you are fully engaged with the ministry and mission of Trinity Church. Read and pray over them then sign the statement below if you believe God is calling you to.

### **I take responsibility daily for my spiritual growth**

*Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. Colossians 3:16*

### **I practice contentment in all areas of my life**

*I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. Philippians 4:12*

### **I serve one hour per week the ministry of the church (minimum)**

*Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. 1 Peter 4:7*

### **I invite three people a month to church with me**

*And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Hebrews 10:24-25*

### **I bring the full tithe of God each week**

*All tithes from the land, whether the seed from the ground or the fruit from the tree, are the LORD's: they are holy to the LORD. Leviticus 27:30*

As a follower of the Lord Jesus here at Trinity Church I, \_\_\_\_\_ will commit to being a fully engaged member by actively living out the above practices.

If you signed the above statement I would love to hear from you. May God bless you as you fully engage in ministry and mission here at Trinity Church.

Blessings,  
Pastor Chris DeGraaf

## FROM YOUR CARE PASTOR

Dear Congregation,

As we enter a new year at Trinity Church, we have been blessed with many new faces. As your Care Pastor, it's important for all to know that I am devoted to our elderly and ailing members, but I am also devoted to others in our congregation who are struggling with uncertainties in their lives. Perhaps it's depression or loneliness. It could be communication problems with your spouse.

Some of life's problems may seem small and yet they may throw our life off course. Many of you may not know that I've been trained in Christian counseling. It would be a privilege to guide you in the right direction in resolving those concerns. I am in the church office on Fridays from 11am - 1pm. You may call me at church (396-6526) or at home (335-2864) to discuss your needs and/or to set up a time to come in. If Friday isn't a good time for you, I would be happy to meet with you any other morning at church, at your home or perhaps over a cup of coffee.

I'd like to give a big "thank you" to all the care callers who tirelessly visit the shut-ins and give them the blessings they need by reading from the Bible, praying with them, blessing them with home cooked meals, taking them to appointments and the list goes on. You all have that special gift that comes from the heart.

As our list of shut-ins continues to change and grow, we are always looking for others in our congregation who have that stirring in their hearts to give comfort to those who truly need and appreciate a visit or call. Also, I'm always open to new ideas. Please call me or approach me after worship on Sunday.

In Christ,

*Nancy Smith, Care Pastor*



*To The Congregation of Trinity Church,*

I am writing this on behalf of my senior, home bound mother. She was 99 years old on November 21. She has almost no eyesight so she no longer can watch television, knit or read. Therefore, she depends on WHTC on her radio and listens to books on tape. She so looks forward to Sunday mornings when she can listen to your church service on the radio. She especially wants to let Pastor DeGraaf know how much she appreciates the time and effort he puts into the children's sermon and how it ties into the adult sermon.

Please accept this monetary gift from her to help keep your church service on WHTC.

Sincerely,

*A Grateful Radio Worshipper*

# Worship the Newborn King

## **From Your Worship Coordinator**

It's December and Christmas is right around the corner! It's amazing how time flies. As a worship coordinator, Christmas has been on my radar since the end of summer, yet it still seems to catch me by surprise each year. And yet, I suppose that's part of the excitement of the Christmas season. A long-awaited gift, one which the people of God had been preparing for and anticipating for years and years, comes into the world as a baby boy and catches them by surprise! As we worship the newborn King this year, I pray we do it with all the wonder and awe and excitement of that first Christmas!

As we prepare to celebrate Jesus' birth this Advent season, we have many opportunities for worship. This Advent, we are excited to have our Sanctuary Choir offering musical selections each Sunday! The Praise Team has a couple of new songs to share as well as many familiar praise and Christmas tunes to lead you in singing! We will, of course, be led in singing carols by our amazing organists! The children have an exciting program to share with you on the afternoon of December 16 (see the front cover of this newsletter for more information)! And we will once again have an opportunity to worship together on Christmas Eve! Excitement fills the air as we prepare to worship the newborn King together this Advent season!

Blessings!

Becky Bierma, Worship Coordinator





# Youth Ministry Moments

By Jon Wolters

When I say the words “Sticky Faith”, I wonder what each of you would think of? If you happened to be in some of the Youth Ministry circles that I am in you would know that “Sticky Faith” is one of the popular phrases that talks about building long term faith in teenager. One of the best resources on this idea of building Sticky Faith is the book by the same name. “Sticky Faith” written by Dr. Kara Powell, Brad Griffin and Dr. Cheryl Crawford is an insightful book of “practical ideas to nurture long-term faith in teenagers”.

Over the next year, starting in January 2013, I will be summarizing a chapter from their book each month in the Connections. By way of introduction allow me to quote the back of the book:

“Many of the statistics you read about teenagers and faith are alarming. Recent studies suggest that 40—50 percent of the kids who are connected to a youth group throughout their senior year will fail to stick their faith in college. As you pour your time and energy into students, you often wonder if you’ve done enough — if you’ve equipped your students to carry their faith into adulthood.

The Fuller Youth Institute (FYI) has done extensive research in the area of Youth Ministry and teenage development. In *Sticky Faith, Youth Worker Edition*, the team at FYI presents youth workers with both a theological/philosophical framework and practical programming ideas to help develop long-term faith in teenagers. Each chapter presents a summary of FYI’s research and it’s implications, including program ideas suggested and tested by youth ministries like yours nationwide.”

Although this book was written originally for youth workers I feel that there are practical applications for us as youth leaders, parents and a congregation as a whole. It is my prayer that over the next year we can all grow and learn ways to better serve the youth in our families, both of our church and of our community.

If you are interested in reading the whole chapter after I have summarized it let me know and I will make a copy of it for you.

“This resource will give you the helpful and hopeful tips you need to foster faith that sticks with teenagers long after they’ve graduated.”

## Trinity Reformed Church



### The Essential 100 Bible Reading Program

#### December 2012

#### Key Verse

#### Complete Passage

#### *The Early Years of Jesus*

26. The Word	John 1:14	John 1:1 - 18
27. Gabriel's Messages	Luke 1:30-31	Luke 1:1 - 80
28. The Birth of Jesus	Luke 2:10-11	Luke 2:1 - 40
29. John the Baptist	Luke 3:15-16	Luke 3:1 - 20
30. Baptism and Temptation	Matthew 3:16-17	Matthew 3:13 - 4:17

#### *The Teachings of Jesus*

31. Sermon on the Mount—Part 1	Matthew 5:14-16	Matthew 5:1 - 6:4
32. Sermon on the Mount—Part 2	Matthew 6:33	Matthew 6:5 - 7:29
33. The Kingdom of Heaven	Matthew 13:45-46	Matthew 13:1 - 58
34. The Good Samaritan	Luke 10:36-37	Luke 10:25 - 37
35. Lost and Found	Luke 15:10	Luke 15:1 - 32

#### January 2013

#### Key Verse

#### Complete Passage

#### *The Judges*

36. Israel's Disobedience	Judges 2:11-12	Judges 2:6 - 3:6
37. Deborah Leads Israel	Judges 4:4-5	Judges 4:1 - 5:31
38. Gideon Defeats the Midianites	Judges 7:7	Judges 6:1 - 7:25
39. Samson Defeats the Philistines	Judges 16:29-30	Judges 13:1 - 16:31
40. The Story of Ruth	Ruth 4:13-17	Ruth 1:1 - 4:22

#### *The Rise of Israel*

41. Samuel Listens to God	1 Samuel 3:10	1 Samuel 1:1 - 3:21
42. King Saul	1 Samuel 10:1	1 Samuel 8:1 - 10:27
43. David and Goliath	1 Samuel 17:10	1 Samuel 16:1- 18:16
44. David and Saul	1 Samuel 24:10-11	1 Samuel 23:7-24:22
45. King David	2 Samuel 7:8-9	2 Samuel 5:1 - 7:29

#### *The Fall of Israel*

46. David and Bathsheba	2 Samuel 12:9-10	2 Samuel 11:1- 12:25
47. King Solomon	1 Kings 3:27-28	1 Kings 2:1 - 3:28
48. Solomon's Temple	1 Kings 8:29-30	1 Kings 8:1 - 9:9
49. Elijah and the Prophets of Baal	1 Kings 18:20-21	1 Kings 16:29 -19:18
50. The Fall of Jerusalem	2 Kings 25:10-11	2 Kings 25:1 - 30





# SPIRITUAL GROWTH TEAM

## Children & Worship: This Ain't No Child's Play!

The children are celebrating Advent with some of our favorite Christmas stories. This is a special time for children to worship God in their own way. To do that however, they need worship leaders. Is God tugging at **your** heart to share His love with our precious little ones? All ages are welcome – from a “big sister” to an “auntie” to a “grandma.” Consider worshipping God with the heart of a child – it’s simple and fun! Call Lori Kooyers to get started!



## Care & Share

Do you like to encourage others? Are you looking for a simple way to get to know others in our congregation? Then find Sandy any Sunday after worship in the Connection Café - she has all the material you'll need to send a card or note.

## Opportunities to Grow in Christ Study & Prayer



- Digging Deeper with the Disciples: 11-noon Sundays in the choir room
- Beth Moore's A Study of Daniel: 6:30-8PM Thursdays in the prayer room (Sandy Bedard)
- Beth Moore's The Fruit of the Spirit: 6:30-8PM Wednesdays in the prayer room (Teresa Harrington)
- The Christian's Secret of a Happy Life by Hannah W. Smith: 2PM Tuesdays with Lynn & Phyllis Post
- Prayer Group (praying for special needs of TRC members, friends, community, country and world concerns): 10AM every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday
- Faith: Depending on God (Women's Bible Study): 9:30AM every 4<sup>th</sup> Monday

### Spiritual Growth Team Members:

Sandy Bedard (Care & Share): 335-8009  
 Jeanne Dannenberg (Secretary): 848-7109  
 Teresa Harrington (Chair): 395-9439  
 Al Kooyers (Adult Sunday School): 335-2842  
 Lori Kooyers (Children & Worship): 994-9672

**Next Meeting: January 14 @ 7:00 PM – Trinity Church**

### Agenda Items

- **Sunday School, Care & Share, Children & Worship:**  
Updates
- **Middle School & High School Youth Ministries:**  
Updates
- **Chili Cook-off Preparations**
- **Planning for Lent**

**You are welcome to join us and share your ideas!**

**Who:** Calling All Carolers!

**What:** Christmas Caroling

**Where:** Meeting at Trinity after dinner

**When:** Wednesday, Dec. 19 6:30–8pm

**Why:** Sharing the love of the Christmas season with those home-bound

**Wheels:** All aboard the Trinity bus for an evening of song and fun!



## OPPORTUNITIES TO BLESS OTHERS

### Spread Some Christmas Cheer

Join in spreading the Christmas spirit to your fellow Trinity members again this year. On Sunday morning, December 9, bring your favorite Christmas cookies or goodies to the gym. The People Care Team will place assortments of these cookies on plates and wrap them up for delivery immediately following the service. You will then be able to pick up your plate anytime after 11am on Sunday morning through Tuesday, December 11. The plates will be available in the gym Sunday morning or in the kitchen anytime after that. The plates will be labeled with the name of the shut-in.

This is a wonderful opportunity to see Trinity members who are not able to come to church and “reconnect” and spread the true spirit of Christmas! You may participate either by bringing cookies, delivering them, or both!

Sign up sheets are available at the information table in the Gathering Area.

### ***OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED***

- ***Provide Cookies for Sunday Morning Connection Café - immediate need!!***
- Nursery Attendants (Infant and Toddler)
- Monday Morning Work Group
- Wednesday Night Dinner Helpers and Cookie Providers
- Community Kitchen at Western Seminary (1st Thursday@11am)
- Tutor, Provide Supper, Receptionist at ROCK Youth Ministries (Tues-Thurs, 4-6pm)
- Holland Public Schools LSPC “Books”, Buses and Breakfast Program
- Trinity Care Closet (Every Wednesday 4:30-6pm)
- Snacks & Beverage for Wavecrest Basketball Team
- Provide Gatorade for Tuesday Night Basketball
- Worship Leader / Praise Team
- Sound Room (training provided)
- KIDS.COM (Kids Choir) Helpers (teens/adults)
- Start a Small Group Based on Your Favorite Hobby

***For these and other opportunities, please contact the church office (396-6526).***

## **7 Habits of a Highly Effective Steward**

Much has been written about the habits it takes to be a highly effective person, or a highly effective family or a highly effective teen. This seven-part series will reflect on the habits of a highly effective steward.

Since stewardship is a part of discipleship, and discipleship is a journey for each of us, we hope that these habits will help us reflect on this area of our Christian life.

### **Habit 1: Be Thankful**

“In everything give thanks; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus” (I Thess. 5:18) Talk about an attitude of gratitude! What does giving thanks in “everything” mean for daily living? Do we thank God for the blessings of life - the big things and the small things, the obvious and the not so obvious? Food and shelter are basic necessities. Family and friends provide meaning and fellowship. Good health is important to our general well being. Though we enjoy these gifts each day, it is easy to take them for granted and not express our appreciation.

What about your job? Do we view it as our vocation? The word “vocation” literally means “calling”. We usually think of a calling as being related to some kind of ministry. But God calls and equips all of us so that, by the quality of our work in our vocation, He is honored and we reflect His image...no matter what our “work” is. Col. 3:23-24 says, “Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men.... You are serving the Lord Christ.” If we could see Jesus Christ as our boss, would it change our attitude about our job?

Let’s face it: some of us have a kind of love/hate relationship with work. We spend roughly a third of our adult lives making a living and what is our attitude about that? Work is not just a means to a paycheck. It is a gift from God to help develop character. It is an opportunity to be a Christ-like example to those with whom we work. It motivates us to be productive and to achieve a sense of accomplishment and value. As Christians we can say, “All this, and a paycheck too”!

A steward’s heart is a thankful heart. Someone has said it well: “Thanksgiving, to be truly thanksgiving, is first thanks, then giving.” You can give without being thankful, but you cannot be thankful without giving. When you give, you not only are acknowledging that everything you have is a gift from God, but you are expressing your gratitude to Him.

## Library News

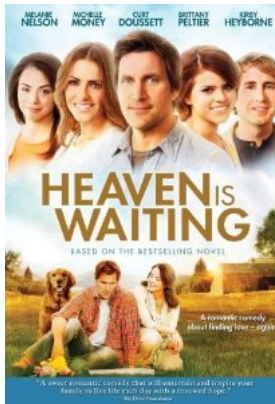
Beth Borgman

### NEW DVD'S IN THE LIBRARY:

Hannah is a 19-year-old college freshman who suffers from epilepsy, asthma and depression. On the verge of her theatrical debut in a university play, she collapses on stage. After a variety of tests, Hannah learns not only that she is adopted, but that her biological mother had tried to abort her. Hannah experiences a range of emotions from confusion, to anger, to desperation and decides to find her birth mother. When she finally meets her, she is overwhelmed with feelings of rejection, anger and hatred.

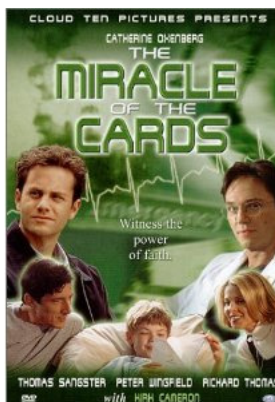


Hannah wanders aimlessly until she sees a Catholic church and goes in. She seeks consolation from a priest, who says to her: "Because we have been forgiven by God, we should forgive each other. In Jesus, you are forgiven, and because you are forgiven, you have the power to choose to forgive. Let it go. Hatred is a burden you no longer need to carry. Only in forgiveness can you be free - forgiveness that is well beyond your grasp, or mine - a forgiveness that you can't find on a trip or even in this cathedral. But, if the Son shall set you free, you will be free indeed."



It has been years since Ned Stevens, a charming self-made success, lost his wife Kate to cancer. Yet he still can't let go of her memory and move forward with his life, despite the efforts of his daughter Liz who thinks it's time Ned stopped "talking" with his dead wife and started dating again.

But when Liz brings home a surprise - a new boyfriend from college - Ned finds that his comfortable world is turned upside down as Liz tries to divert his attention to Carol, an attractive single woman who lives in Ned's neighborhood. Will Ned accept that his little girl is falling in love and can he open up his own heart once more to the potential of falling in love with another woman?



Craig Shergold is an eight year old cancer patient who, during the course of his treatment, manages to shock the world by breaking The Guinness World Record for receiving get-well cards, amassing an astounding 1.3 million cards from around the globe. But as amazing as that is, it's only the beginning of the miracles. When a skeptical reporter is sent to investigate the "real facts" behind this incredible true-life story, he is expecting to uncover another over-sensationalized account of God supposedly intervening in the lives of faithful believers. What he finds is nowhere close to what he's expecting. A heartwarming story of love and faith in the face of death, *The Miracle of the Cards* will bring tears to your eyes and make even the toughest skeptic examine their own faith.



# Youth Group Need, Wish and Dream list

- **Meals for Area 51 Meetings (15 - 20 people)**
- **(Meal ideas are: Tacos, Chicken Wings, Pizza, Lasagna, BBQ, etc. / sign - up on the Youth Table)**
  - **Chips, Cookies, Pop, Juice, Freeze Pops, Ice Cream or other Snacks (place them on the Youth Table or Freezer)**
  - **Bean Bags (10 of them)**
  - **Floor Lamps (2 of them)**
  - **7 or 8 foot Pool Table**
  - **Hot Chocolate / Cappuccino Machine**
    - **Pop Machine**
    - **Slushy Machine**
  - **Waterproof / Shock Proof Camera**
  - **Couches / Love Seats / Chairs**
    - **Kitchen Tables**
  - **Candy for Guessing Games (M&M's, gum, etc.)**
    - **Wii Video Game System**
    - **Karaoke Machine & Karaoke CD's**

## DECEMBER 2012 CALENDAR

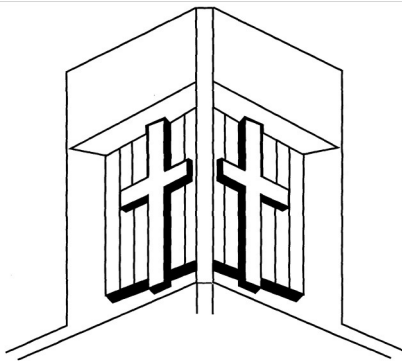
- ♦ Dec. 1 - Advent Season Church Decorating *9:30am*
- ♦ Dec. 2 - Worship & Communion *9:30am*  
Sunday School for All Ages *11am*  
High School Youth Group Service Night *6pm*
- ♦ Dec. 4 - Worship Planning Team *11am*  
Adult Bible Study *2pm*  
Wavecrest Basketball Practice *3:30pm*  
Basketball for Teens & Adults *7pm*
- ♦ Dec. 5 - Men's Bible Study *6:30am*  
Wavecrest Basketball Practice *3:30pm*  
Care Closet *4:30-6pm*  
Family Dinner *6pm*  
Beth Moore "Fruit of the Spirit" Bible Study *6:30pm*  
Middle School Youth Group *6:30-8pm*  
KIDS.COM Choir *6:30-7pm*  
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal *6:45-8:15pm*  
Traveler's Kids Class *7-8pm*  
Praise Team Practice *8-9pm*
- ♦ Dec. 6 - Community Kitchen @ Western Seminary *11am*  
Wavecrest Basketball Practice *3:30pm*  
Beth Moore "Daniel" Bible Study *6:30pm*  
Congregational Dinner *6:30pm*  
Congregational Meeting *7pm*
- ♦ Dec. 7 - Pastoral Care Office Hours with Nancy Smith  
*11am-1pm*
- ♦ Dec. 9 - Worship *9:30am*  
Sunday School for All Ages *11am*  
High School Youth Group to The Underground *6pm*
- ♦ Dec. 10 - Wavecrest Basketball Practice *3:30pm*  
Spiritual Growth Team *7pm*
- ♦ Dec. 11 - Prayer Group *10am*  
Worship Planning Team *11am*  
Adult Bible Study *2pm*  
Wavecrest Basketball Practice *3:30pm*  
Basketball for Teens & Adults *7pm*
- ♦ Dec. 12 - Men's Bible Study *6:30am*  
Wavecrest Basketball Practice *3:30pm*  
Care Closet *4:30-6pm*  
Family Dinner *6pm*  
Beth Moore "Fruit of the Spirit" Bible Study *6:30pm*  
Middle School Youth Group *6:30-8pm*  
KIDS.COM Choir *6:30-7pm*  
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal *6:45-8:15pm*  
Traveler's Kids Class *7-8pm*  
Praise Team Practice *8-9pm*
- ♦ Dec. 13 - Wavecrest Basketball Practice *3:30pm*  
Beth Moore "Daniel" Bible Study *6:30pm*
- ♦ Dec. 14 - Pastoral Care Office Hours with Nancy Smith  
*11am-1pm*
- ♦ Dec. 15 - KIDS.Com Christmas Program Rehearsal *10am*
- ♦ Dec. 16 - Worship *9:30am*  
Sunday School for All Ages *11am*  
Children's Christmas Program *4pm*  
High School Youth Christmas Party *6pm*
- ♦ Dec. 17 - Wavecrest Basketball Practice *3:30pm*
- ♦ Dec. 18 - Worship Planning Team *11am*  
Adult Bible Study *2pm*  
Wavecrest Basketball Practice *3:30pm*  
Basketball for Teens & Adults *7pm*
- ♦ Dec. 19 - Men's Bible Study *6:30am*  
Wavecrest Basketball Practice *3:30pm*  
Care Closet *4:30-6pm*  
Family Dinner *6pm*  
Beth Moore "Fruit of the Spirit" Bible Study *6:30pm*  
Middle School Youth Group *6:30-8pm*  
KIDS.COM Choir *6:30-7pm*  
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal *6:45-8:15pm*  
Traveler's Kids Class *7-8pm*  
Praise Team Practice *8-9pm*
- ♦ Dec. 20 - Turning Pages Reading Group *noon*  
Wavecrest Basketball Practice *3:30pm*  
Beth Moore "Daniel" Bible Study *6:30pm*  
People Care Team *7pm*
- ♦ Dec. 21 - Pastoral Care Office Hours with Nancy Smith  
*11am-1pm*
- ♦ Dec. 23 - Worship *9:30am*
- ♦ Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve Worship *7:30pm*
- ♦ Dec. 25 - *Merry Christmas!*
- ♦ Dec. 26 - Men's Bible Study *6:30am*  
Wavecrest Basketball Practice *3:30pm*
- ♦ Dec. 27 - Worship Planning Team *11am*  
Wavecrest Basketball Practice *3:30pm*
- ♦ Dec. 28 - Pastoral Care Office Hours with Nancy Smith  
*11am-1pm*
- ♦ Dec. 30 - Worship *9:30am*
- ♦ Dec. 31 - *New Year's Eve*

### CONGREGATIONAL DINNER

Join us at 6:30pm on December 6 for dinner  
(subs, veggies, chips & cookies) prior to the  
Annual Congregational Meeting at 7pm.

**Sign Up By December 2!**





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## TRINITY CONSISTORY

### Elders

Sandy Bedard  
Carol DeBoer  
Gregg Harper  
Bob Koning  
Warren Kooyers  
Lynda Simmons  
Bill Stehouwer

### Deacons

Ed Borgman  
Kevin Brower  
Karen DeBoer  
Teresa Harrington  
Ross Helmus  
John Houting  
Steve Schurman

## MINISTRY TEAM CHAIR PERSONS

Jim Allen & Ken Brondyke - Building & Grounds

John Bedard - Finance

Gregg Harper - People Care

Teresa Harrington - Spiritual Growth

Roger Mulder - Mission

Bill VanAuken - Worship



## Happy Birthday!!



Kaylor Leisure	12/1	Brenda MacOwen	12/10	Joyce Harper	12/19
Becky Gezon	12/3	Ken Borgman	12/11	Jim Allen	12/21
Al Kooyers	12/3	Milt Bos	12/11	Linda Allen	12/21
Mary Naber	12/3	Chris Ponstein	12/12	Julee Wolf	12/21
Ranae Quillian	12/3	Dale Wieghmink	12/13	Mike MacOwen	12/23
Eric Moker	12/4	Andrew Bedard	12/17	Bev DeKorte	12/24
Emily Anderson	12/5	Vern Houting	12/17	Joan Hof	12/31
Barb Stehouwer	12/5	Phyllis Dalman	12/18	Marv VandenBosch	12/31
Marian Spyker	12/7	Gretchen Fisher	12/18		
Mary VanMalsen	12/7				

## Happy Anniversary!!

Vern & Leona Houting	12/1	Rob & Teresa Harrington	12/16
Bob & Jeanne Thompson	12/1	Marv & Sydelle Kroll	12/18
Gregg & Sally Harper	12/9		

