

TRINITY news

TBC MARCH 2024 NEWSLETTER



From Pastor Jeremy...

Church family - in just a few days I will be sharing the vision God has placed on my heart in leading Trinity Baptist Church, and I have to say - I am excited about what God wants to do here at TBC! If you remember, the week after being called as Pastor of Trinity, I spent some time at Lake Yale seeking God's guidance and hearing from Him the direction He desires for TBC. I prayed specifically for a word, a rallying cry, and God provided! The details will ebb and flow as the Spirit leads, but the foundation has been laid in this Word from the Lord. Now it's time for us to embrace, engage, and get excited about God moving in each one of us individually as well as a corporate body!

This Saturday evening at our Churchwide Family Meeting, we will have the opportunity to determine our path, but God has already plotted our steps! His message doesn't change, it simply comes down to the delivery and methods of becoming the hands and feet of Jesus.

Speaking of, could there be a better event coming up to praise the Savior than **Easter?!!**

This Easter, we'll begin the celebration on **Palm Sunday, March 24th** and I hope you will come ready and excited to worship as we celebrate the triumphal entry of Jesus! Then, on **Thursday, March 28th** we will observe **"The Final Meal"**. We will break bread as a family and enjoy appetizers in the Worship Center foyer from **6:00-6:30pm**, then our service will be from **6:30-7:30pm**. It will be a special time of prayer, reflection, and praise through receiving the Lord's Supper. Jesus took this Last Supper with His friends, His disciples, and "eagerly" desired to eat with them. He was looking forward to the fellowship meal together. I hope you will also look forward to sharing some appetizers together and moving into a time of worship. **Good Friday, March 29th** and it is an essential part of the journey to the resurrection. There's no celebration in the resurrection without first understanding the hurt and despair of Christ's death. Make plans to join us for our **Good Friday service from 6:30-7:30pm** in the Worship Center where we will reflect on the suffering and sacrifice Jesus bore for our sins. While Friday was a dark day...**SUNDAY IS COMING!!!** I hope you come filled with joy and enthusiasm as we celebrate our risen Savior on **Easter Sunday, March 31st!** This is a great opportunity to invite a friend, family member, or co-worker to join you!

Family, I truly look forward to what God is going to do through us as we worship, seek, and obey Him.

Much Love,

Jeremy Champion, Senior Pastor



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Childhood Ministries

Happy March! Spring is right around the corner, reminding us that God is continually making all things new. Speaking of corner, let me update you on the exciting new things happening in our corner of the world in the Children's Ministry in the month of March.

Wednesday night Children's Ministry activities will be starting at a new time. We will meet at 6:30 PM and end at 8:00 PM downstairs in building A, by the elevator.

Mission Friends (4 & 5-year-olds) are learning the importance of being a missionary. Brenda Hubble makes it fun for the kids to interact with activities demonstrating the different areas of a missionary's life.

Midweek Kid's Connection (1st grade - 5th grade): During our time together, we discuss how busy our lives can get. For them, mostly with homework and tests. We cover any areas of concern they may have in prayer. We also learn about missionaries and how they impact the world with the truth of God's Word. I try to bring in a sample of food from the country that the featured missionary is currently serving. This is always a big hit with the kids. We spend a lot of our time focusing on the Books of the Bible, and where to locate them, by having Sword Drill competitions. They enjoy the competition of being the first to locate the Scripture. If your child(ren) aren't currently attending, we would love to have them join us.

Other dates to put on your calendar:

March 2nd - Family Dinner with Pastor Jeremy (5 pm -8 pm) Childcare is provided, with reservations.

March 9th - TCS Field Day (11 am -3 pm)

We will be there representing the Children's Ministry. Please stop by and say hello.

March 23rd - Autumn Oaks Farm & Easter Egg Hunt (3 pm -5 pm) This will be a time of fun and fellowship for our church and school families. Don't forget to bring a basket. Toddlers through 5th grade will each have their own separate area to hunt eggs. There will be a golden egg for every age group. The Petting Farm, along with hotdogs and an Easter photo op, will round out the day.

March 24th - Centri-Kid Camp Pancake Fundraiser (8 am) Please come and support our campers with your donations.

March 31st - Easter Sunday

There are fun things planned for the children who attend first hour that day. Since it is a 5th Sunday, the 2nd -5th graders will go into the service.

VBS is July 15-19, from 6:30-8:00 pm. This will include completed Kindergarten through 5th grade.

As always, thank you for the opportunity to serve God, you, and your children through the Children's Ministry.

Marilynn Beale, Children's Director

Commit to the Lord whatever you do and He will establish your plans.
Proverbs 16:3

Student Ministry

March is already here?! Time flies when you're having fun in ministry!

This month is all about the mindset of Jesus. Oxygen Student Ministry is adopting "Level Up" as our theme for 2024. We are going to Level Up in our understanding of the Word, what it means to Worship and how to Walk the Way! We have had some outstanding discussions, lessons and guests who have shared how God meets us where we are but loves us too much to leave us the way we are! With this in mind, we are gearing up for intentional living and service to our Savior! Here's our game plan so far:

Take 2!- we are starting a weekly prayer meeting for students and their parents! Every Sunday (starting March 3rd) we will meet at the Champion's house from 6:00 - 7:00 pm encouraging our students to share their concerns, excitement, dread, and joys for the upcoming week. Our goal is to refocus, regroup, and reenergize our reliance on Jesus each and every day!

Two Summer Mission Trips! – This summer we will be joining the World Changers, becoming the hands and feet of Jesus to communities and families in need. The High school dept. will be going to Louisiana and the Middle schoolers will be serving in Deland! Both Mission Trips will be in June. There is an informational meeting on **MARCH 10th at 6:00-7:00 pm in the Student Bldg** for parents and students- come get all the details and start preparing for an opportunity to change lives!

3x3 Basketball Tournament! – The OSM is partnering with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes to host our first basketball tournament! This will be on Saturday, April 6th @ 9:00 am. Our students are reaching out to engage and encourage their friends to join us for this event! Any middle and high school students are eligible to play! All participants will be given a "sports" Bible, t-shirt, lunch and message of the Gospel! We are so excited!



Spring Break Bonanza! – for students who will be around during Spring Break!

March 18th, Monday: Games and lunch! @ Student Bldg 10 am -2 pm
March 19th, Tuesday: Meet at the Movies! @ Regal (Movie and time TBD)
March 20th, Wednesday: Gator Golf! Time and Price TBD
March 21st, Thursday: Ice cream and Pool time (or games if it's too cold!) @ Meme's house 2-4 pm
March 22nd, Friday: Video Scavenger Hunt and Tacos! @ Student Bldg 5-7 pm (parents are invited to join us for the outcome and tacos @ 6 pm!)

And just to put it on your radar...

Registration for our Golf Tournament has BEGUN!

Saturday, May 4th we will be hosting our 26th annual golf tournament at OCN. To register yourself/team or to sponsor us follow these easy links for the details: [Click here to REGISTER!](#) Or [Click here to be a SPONSOR!](#)

We are busy about God's work- and we'd love to invite you along! If you'd like to be a part of the OSM, know someone that should be involved, or if you have ideas/suggestions- don't hesitate to reach out! Meme @ 618-709-0855 or tbcosm@gmail.com.

As always, keep those prayers coming!

In service together for the Kingdom,

Meme Champion (Interim Student Director)
Adam, Chad and Rhonda

Trinity Christian School

Giving Honor to Whom Honor is Due!



We are extremely proud to announce that the **2023-2024 TEACHER OF THE YEAR is Mrs. Cindy Skeen (1st grade)**. Please join us in congratulating Mrs. Skeen for her dedication, love of teaching, and hard work.

Her peers recognized: *As an excellent teacher who goes above and beyond.*

She is patient and compassionate, has a positive attitude and is consistently looking for ways to enhance her teaching abilities. Her students love and respect her, she meets every student's individual needs.

We also want to congratulate **Victoria Quillen** on being chosen as the **EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATOR STAFF MEMBER OF THE YEAR**.



Here are some things her peers said: *She always goes the extra mile and shows God's love to everyone. She greets everyone with a smile and shows genuine concern for others by never forgetting a birthday. Vicki always goes above and beyond to care for others.*

With God's guidance and blessing and with the amazing servants He has ministering at Trinity Christian School, **we are Strong, Healthy, Safe, and Growing.**

Thank you for your continued prayers! Please also pray for opportunities to share the great things God is doing at Trinity Christian School with families who are seeking what TCS offers:

- T - Teaching with Excellence
- C - Christian Character Modeled
- S - Safe, Healthy, Nurturing Environment

To learn more about Trinity Christian School, please visit our website at www.tcsapopka.org and register to attend one of our **on campus Open House events** <https://tcsapopka.org/admissions>. Our next Open House will be on Monday, March 4th, at 6:30 pm in the Chapel.

Please plan to attend the next event of our 50th Anniversary Celebration – Family Field Day. This will take place between 11 am and 3 pm on Saturday, March 9th.

In His Service,

Shawn Weeks, Head Administrator

Dates to Remember

Saturday, March 2: Church Family Dinner
Monday, March 4: TCS Open House
Saturday, March 9: TCS Family Field Day
Sunday, March 10: Mission Trip Meeting (Student Ministry)
Wednesday, March 13: Finance Committee Meeting
Monday, March 18—Friday, March 22: Spring Break Bonanza (Student Ministry)
Saturday, March 23: Easter Egg Hunt (and Autumn Oaks Farm)
Sunday, March 24: CentriKid Pancake Fundraiser
Sunday, March 24: Palm Sunday
Thursday, March 28: The Final Meal
Friday, March 29: Good Friday Service
Friday, March 29: Church Office Closed
Sunday, March 31: Easter Sunday Service