



Bringing the Good News of Christ!

Trinity Tidings

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Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.



From Pastor Wright

Paul comforts the saints in Rome by reassuring them “that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose,” (Romans 8:28).

It is just as hard for us today as for the saints in Paul’s time to see anything working together for good. Daily we are confronted with new outrages. Some days I want to unplug the TV, the internet, the radio, and just have it all go away. But things are not changed when you bury your head in the sand. Ignorance is not bliss, not when trouble is around.

Joseph’s brothers threw him into a pit to die only to pull him out and sell him into slavery in Egypt (Genesis 37:28). Things were looking up for Joseph but then Potiphar’s wife accused him of sexual assault and he was thrown into prison (Genesis 39:20).

“But the LORD was with Joseph and showed him steadfast love; he gave him favor in the sight of the chief jailer,” (Genesis 39:21). We should remember that God is with us (“Immanuel”) in all our trials and sorrows, too. If we can’t remember on account of our grief, then let us welcome our friends and family (and the pastor!) who will remind us.

Eventually, Joseph was raised to royal power in Egypt (Genesis 41:38-40) and when famine forced his brothers to come begging for food he tells them: “Do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life,” (Genesis 45:5). Joseph tells his brothers, “Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good,” (Genesis 50:20).

God made everything work together for good for Joseph, but there was no way he could know how it would turn out when he was at the bottom of that pit, nor when he was sold into slavery, or in Pharaoh’s dungeon. Nor was there anyone to reassure him with the promise that God was with him.

God made everything work together for good for Jesus, too, even though he was betrayed, denied and forsaken by his closest friends. Jesus died a cursed death upon a tree with the sins of the whole world heaped upon him, “but God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power,” (Acts 2:24).

There was no one there to remind Jesus that God was with him. He felt utterly abandoned, even by God. “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?” (Psalm 22:1).

In our darkest times we feel alone, afraid. How very important it is to have someone, family, friend, a pastor, to be present and to speak God’s words of eternal life: “God is with you.” Whatever suffering this old world can dish out, God makes it work together for good. Ultimately, at the very last, even death is forced to serve God’s good purposes. It is certainly a great mystery and impossible for human reason to comprehend, but “faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen,” (Hebrews 11:1). “Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience,” (Romans 8:24-25).

Prayer for Rain

This prayer was written in the 1950s during an awful drought in Texas. The prayer was written by Father W. Scheneider of St. Mary’s in Fredricksburg who also ministered at St. Francis Church in Stonewall. It has gone all over the world.

Almighty God, we are in need of rain. We realize now, looking up into the clear, blue sky above, what a marvel even the last drop of rain really is. To think that so much water can fall out of the sky, which now is empty and clear! We place our trust in You. We are sure that You know our needs, but You want us to ask You anyway, to show You that we know we are dependent on You. Look on our dry hills, and field, dear God, and bless them with the living blessings of soft rain. Then the land will rejoice and the rivers will sing Your praises and the hearts of men will be glad.

Amen



**Those who are sick, injured or
in need of strength**

*Mina Bergman, Joyce Bergman,
Rennick Daniels, Carla Stanford,
Mandy Vance, Monroe Gaskamp,
Alice Willmann Family, Brandon
Bartels, Martha Swenson Family,
Pat Railsback, Jake Haas, Newton
Family, CISD Students & Faculty*

Those in the Military

*Dalton Andrews, Roper
Crosthwaite, Logan Farrar, Travis
Ohrtman, Zane Ohrtman and
Zachary Bonds.*

Our Home-Bound

*JoAnn Anz, Leroy Walsh, Brenda
Herzog, Emma Speer, Gene &
Barbara Aars, Sandra Boyd, Joe
Petzol, Elizabeth Dahl, Sue Philips*

Local

*Pastor & Church leaders (Church
Council & Executive Committee &
Church Boards)*

*During the week, please take time
to add these persons to your
prayers. To add yourself or
someone to the Prayer List, please
call the church office (254-675-
8815). You must have the
individual's or a family member's
permission. Thank you!*

**NT/NL Prayer Concerns for July
2022**

Pray for the Evangelical Lutheran
Church in Sierra Leone (ELCSL)

*July 3: NT-NL Coaches; ELCA Coaching
Ministry; Congregations on LEAD
Journey*

*July 10: Calvery, San Angelo; Grace,
Slaton; NT-NL Leadership Formation*

*July 17: Salem, Rosebud; The Table,
Frisco; Young Adults in Global Mission
(YAGM)*

*July 24: First, Waco; St. John, Wilson;
Conference Latina*

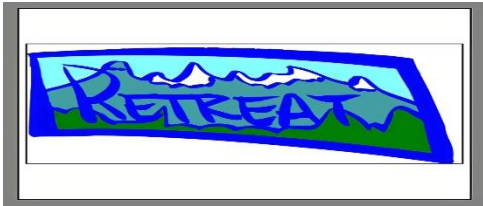
*July 31: St. John's, Dallas; King of Glory,
Dallas; Hospice & Hospital Chaplains*

THANK YOU



Thank you to Mr. Kenneth Larson
for his generous donation to our
Trinity Youth!!

Anna Ivy will be out of the office
June 30-July 7th.



**Family & Friends Labor Day Retreat
"Under Construction"**

Camp Chrysalis
September 2-5
For Families, Singles, Couples

**What Does This Mean?!
Confirmation Retreat on the
Sacraments**

Camp Chrysalis
September 23-25
Youth in Grades 5-8 and an adult from
their church

**SWTS Middle School Gathering
"The Reformation Continues"**

Camp Chrysalis
November 11-13
Southwestern Texas Synod Youth in
Grades 6-8
and an adult from their church

**Upper Elementary Advent Retreat
"Twas the Season Before Christmas"**

Ebert Ranch
December 9-11
For Youth in Grades 3-5 and an adult
from their church

**Family Advent Festival Retreat
"Greatest Gifts"**

Camp Chrysalis
December 2-4, December 9-11 or
December 16-18
For Families, Singles, Couples

More information at:

https://crosstrails.org/programmed_retreats/

Happy Anniversary!

Doug & Norma Chaney
07/16



**4th of July Hot Dog Lunch
Sunday, July 3rd**

Join us after worship to celebrate
Independence Day with fellowship
and hot dogs.



**Pastor Wright on
vacation
July 15th-25th**



**Vacation Bible School-
Clifton Church of Christ
July 11-14, 9am-12pm
Register at www.cliftonchurch.org**



Bible Word Search: CALLED TO BE MERCIFUL

N C O O B T X D T P S U J L S
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Word Scramble

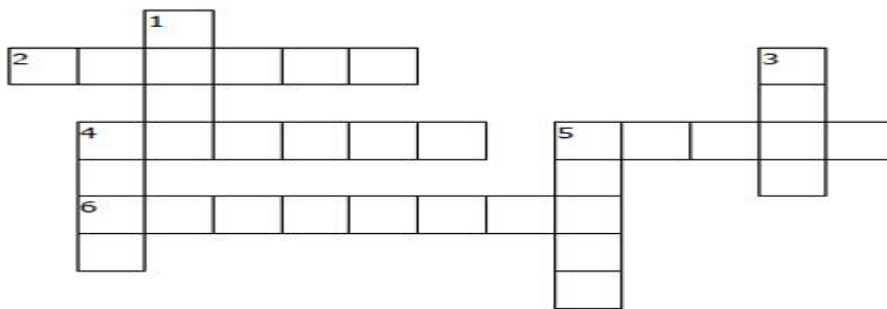
Iontvaals
 Htafi
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BRETHREN PATIENCE MERCY
 COURAGE RECONCILIATION LOVE
 COMPASSION REVENGE JUDGEMENT
 ENEMIES SALVATION SINNERS
 FORGIVENESS TRANSGRESSIONS TRESPASSES

The Day of Pentecost

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Acts 2:4 (NIV)

Based on Acts 2:1-21



ACROSS

- 2. A being that cannot be seen, like a ghost
- 4. The place where God lives
- 5. Something that can be heard
- 6. Means of communication used by the people of a particular country

DOWN

- 1. A destructive burning
- 3. Blowing air, especially that which would move the leaves on a tree
- 4. Something that is pure and good, such as God's Word
- 5. To say words, to use the voice

LANGUAGE SPIRIT	FIRE HEAVEN	HOLY SOUND	WIND SPEAK
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Julie New	07/01
Kevin Finstad	07/02
Ernest Muegge	07/03
Logan Farrar	07/07
Merle Belcher	07/08
Tom Dahl	07/09
Robbie Ivey	07/11
LeRoy Walsh	07/12
Ann Canuteson	07/14
Susan Williams	07/16
Carolyn Tyssen	07/16
David Collier	07/17
Julianne Symank	07/17
Carl Willmann	07/22
James Anz	07/22
Makalya Ford	07/26
Brandon Nichols	07/28



Responsibilities

Altar Guild

July: Dorothy Stanley

Communion Assistants/Lectors

July 3: Adam Willmann, Communion
Reed Willmann, Lector

July 10: Sarah Symank

July 17: Helen Haas- Communion
Sheila Musselman, Lector

July 24: Mike Bernhardt

July 31: Sarah Domel

Audio/Video-

July 3: Randy & Darlene Outlaw

July 10: Randy & Darlene Outlaw

July 17: Randy & Darlene Outlaw

July 24: Larry & Sheila Musselman

July 31: Larry & Sheila Musselman



Mission & Service Board would like to suggest that you mail a birthday card, call or perhaps visit one or more of our members, age 80 and older who have birthdays this month:

July 8 Merle Belcher
P.O. Box 65
Clifton, TX 76634

July 12 LeRoy Walsh
611 South Avenue M
Clifton, TX 76634

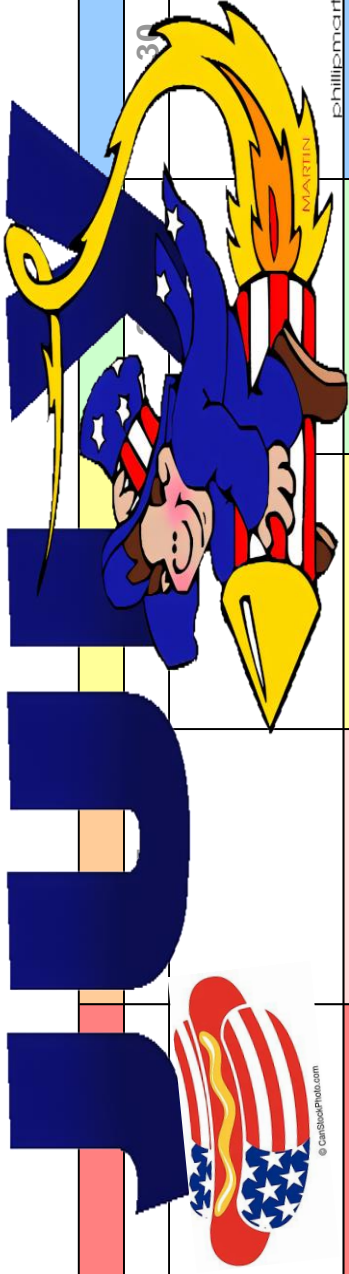
July 16 Carolyn Tyssen
602-B North Avenue Q
Clifton, TX 76634

The Day of Pentecost Crossword Key

Across	Down
2. Spirit	1. Fire
4. Heaven	3. Wind
5. Sound	4. Holy
6. Language	5. Speak

Word Scramble Key

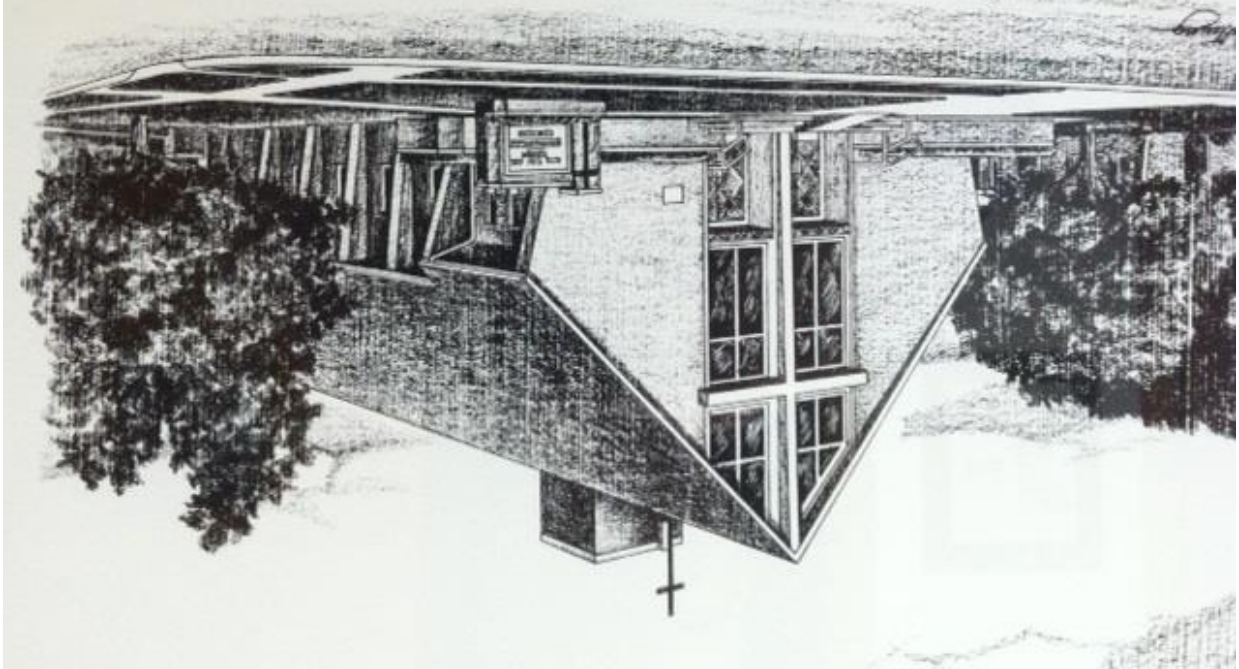
Salvation
Faith
Heaven
Jesus
Shepherd



		Friday	Saturday
		1	2
		Office Closed	
		7	9
		Office Closed	
		8	16
		Office Closed	Pastor on Vacation
		15	23
		Office Closed	Pastor on Vacation
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If you have any information you would like to be included in the newsletter, please bring it by the church office or email it to the church at trinityclifton803@gmail.com. The Church office is open Monday - Wednesday from 7:30am - 3:00pm, Thursday from 7:30am-12:00pm. **The deadline for the August newsletter is July 21st.**



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