



Trinity

NOVEMBER 2024 NEWS

FROM PASTOR JEREMY...

It's almost TURKEY TIME! It's hard to believe, but we are getting close to the season of gathering with friends and family to share a meal and be reminded of what we are thankful for. While we are giving thanks, let us not forget the one who gave us our blessings (seen and unseen), Jesus! It is through His love, faithfulness and mercy that we have life! The Psalmist reminds us of this principle in Psalms 107:1, *"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his faithful love endures forever."*

For some people, this season may be challenging due to the loss of a loved one or a health crisis of a close friend or family member. However, even in our most challenging times of life, let us always be thankful for the provisions of the Lord. For believers in Christ Jesus, every day should be Thanksgiving as we recognize who the giver is!

I truly am thankful to God for all of you at Trinity Baptist Church and Trinity Christian School. It is a joy to be your pastor and serve alongside each of you. One of the aspects I love about the body of Christ is we are all unique and different. Each member has their own personality, strengths and abilities. When all of us come together to worship and serve together, we see a beautiful demonstration of the body of Christ. Thank you for allowing me to be your pastor!

October was a busy month with Pumpkin Patch setups/teardown, a hurricane, candy drives, and the Fall Festival! Thank you to everyone who came together to make this a wonderful event! This is a great example of the body of Christ rallying together to demonstrate our love of Jesus through a community event.

If you've worshipped with us the last couple of Sundays you've heard about our new texting service we have started to use. One of the great features of this service is that it allows us to import our current database into the system. I sent out our first message last week reminding you about our Fall Festival. If you did not receive this text message, then that means we don't have your cell phone number in our database. If you'd like to subscribe to receive future text updates, text the words "ADD ME" to the number (833) 883-9930. I would recommend saving this number in your contacts as TBC TEXT, so you are not confused with our main phone number. This is simply another communication tool that we'll be using for quick updates and announcements.

Don't forget this Sunday Daylight Savings ends which means we gain another hour of sleep by moving the clocks back an hour!!!! Whoo hoo! If you forget, you'll just be extra prepared to come to church on Sunday.

The last few weeks, the church and the school have been handing out shoe boxes to fill for Operation Christmas Child. **The shoe boxes are due back on Sunday, November 17th** when we will combine them all together and have a prayer of dedication over them as they go to their final destination. It's not too late to grab one and impact a child's life through the simplicity of a shoe box!

We've also recently begun our Thanksgiving Stuffing drive for Loaves and Fishes. This is a wonderful way to support one of the resources we refer individuals in need to. Our goal this year is 400 boxes! If we can surpass that – FANTASTIC!! When you're out shopping, grab a few boxes of stuffing and drop them off at the Welcome Desk or the church office **by Sunday, November 24th**. Together we can support a lot of families in need this Thanksgiving.

Much Love,

Jeremy Champion, Senior Pastor

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Another Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat is in the books. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to work, donated candy, or provided a trunk to pass out candy to the children, the night was a success! It was nice to be able to minister to those in our community!

November is one of my favorite months of the year because we get to spend extra time with family and friends. On November 10th right after church, I am hosting a luncheon for all the volunteers for Children's Ministry here at TBC. If you haven't received an invite, please reach out to me.

Trinity people are the best. Thank you also for letting me do what I love in teaching children about Christ.

Marilynn Beale, Children's Director

YEAR-END GIVING

It's hard to imagine that 2024 is quickly coming to an end. At this time of year many of us think about year-end giving to our church and what that looks like. For your tithes and offerings to be counted towards your 2024 contribution record it must be received in one of the following ways:

1. Placed in the offering plate by Sunday, December 29, 2024.
2. Dropped off at the church office by Monday, December 30 at noon.
3. Postmarked by the United States Post Office no later than Tuesday, December 31, 2024.

Thank you so much for your generosity to Trinity Baptist Church. We appreciate all that you do.

Cammie Evans, Business Administrator

DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov 2	TCS Craft Fair
Nov 3	Fall Back-DST ends
Nov 10	Children's Ministry Volunteer Lunch
Nov 13	TCS Sonny's Spirit Night
Nov 17	OCC Shoeboxes Due
Nov 23	Trivia Night
Nov 24	Nothin' but Stuffin' Donations Due
Nov 27	No Wednesday Night activities
Nov 27-29	Church Office Closed

TRINITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

October was a busy season with many family events, and we are so happy with the turnout of the families at the Fall Festival, wrapping up our 50th anniversary celebration. Thank you for volunteering and helping to make it a wonderful event for our families.

Hurricane Milton threw a wrench in October, but we are thankful for the safety and provisions God provided our families. Volleyball wrapped up with a winning season and high turnout for the events. We are so proud of you ladies, and we look forward to basketball season kicking off. Moving into November, we are thankful for our families and the partnership with the church. Looking forward to a grateful season and continued collaboration between church and school.

From successful events to academic milestones, your support has been invaluable. Thank you for being an active part of our community! Wishing you all a wonderful November filled with warmth, joy, and thankfulness.

Nicole Mutters, TCS Head Administrator

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

Hi Friends. We had a great time at our Bluegrass & BBQ event last month. Some were not able to attend because of hurricane Milton. We missed you but all in all we had a great time.

Our next event will be our Holiday Dinner on Monday, December 2nd at 5:30 pm. Our meal will be roast beef, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, and dessert. There will be sign up sheets in Sunday school classes and at the Welcome Desk starting Sunday, November 17th. After our dinner, we will have a mini concert with Bill Bradshaw. To cover the cost of food, we will have a donation box at the event with a suggested donation of \$5. Please join us for a special time together celebrating our upcoming Christmas season. Feel free to invite a friend!

We hope you and your families have a blessed Thanksgiving.

Keith and Denise Royston, Senior Adult Ministry Leaders



STUDENT MINISTRY

It's already November?! This year is just flying by and the OSM has so much to show for it! Our theme this school year is "Light It Up" following the command in Matthew 5:16 - *"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."* With this in mind, and leading our actions, the OSM has been putting feet to our faith and striving to shine bright in a dark world. In October alone, our students have partnered with our church family to reach out to the community of Apopka through our pumpkin patch, through the generous donations of our church family we were able to pack 100 shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child, and in our love of competition we collected over 10,000 pieces of candy to be used in the TBC/TCS Fall Festival! ...and 2024 isn't over yet!

This month our students have a few fun events planned:

- We are partnering with the SGA of TCS to enter a float in the Apopka Christmas Parade- and we are so excited! We will be working on the float the week December 9th-13th and will be passing out 'Jesus Loves You' bracelets with information on our church/school. If you'd like to be a part of float construction, walking in the parade, or providing financial assistance for the bracelets- find Meme!
- On Friday, November 8th, students who worked 20 hours or more in the Pumpkin Patch get to go to an ESCAPE ROOM!
- Sunday, November 10th is our candy wars incentive day! If the boys won the candy wars then we are off to Paintball! If the girls won then we will be headed to the beach!
- Trivia Night is Saturday, November 23rd from 6:00-8:30 pm!! This year the OSM Trivia Night will benefit the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering! Buy a table for \$50 and invite up to seven of your smartest friends to join your team! There will be prizes for the top three scores- and random drawings throughout the event! Childcare will be provided by the OSM! Mark your calendars because you don't want to miss this!! Sign-up starts November 3rd.
- Ticket sales for the 2025 Rock the Universe and the Student Ministry Annual Golf Tournament will go on sale this month- just in time to drop them in a stocking or in a pretty box under the tree!

- Rock the Universe is January 24th/25th and will cost \$100 per student (\$50 non-refundable down payment at time of ticket purchase with the balance due January 5th). If parents would also like to purchase additional tickets, I can get each at the \$160 Group Ticket Price if prepaid by January 5, 2025.
- The Student Ministry Sponsored Golf Tournament is Saturday, May 17, 2025 and individual player prices are \$125! We will be at Orange County National Golf Center again and you can't ask for prettier greens for a great morning of golf! Great gifts for dads, friends, brothers, and anyone who loves to swing a club!

More info on ticket sales to come during the worship announcements, the screen announcements, and the text service- make sure you have access to these great resources to stay up-to-date on important info!

November is also a time for us here in the OSM to reflect on the blessing it has been this year to work alongside our church family. Thank you to those of you who have faithfully prayed for our students. Thank you to those who have joined us in ministry. Thank you to all of you who continue to support, encourage, and love our students. We are thankful for YOU!

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



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