



# Trinity

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## From Pastor Jeremy...

Fall is here! Pumpkin Spice lattes, sweaters, fall candles, and cooler temperatures...wait, who am I kidding? We live in Florida. While the temperatures may not signal it's fall, the calendar does.

We are gearing up for our two biggest outreach events: **Pumpkin Patch** and **Fall Festival!** A couple of years ago we changed the focus of our Pumpkin Patch from a fundraiser focus to a community outreach opportunity. This means we are focusing on engaging and connecting with the people the Lord brings to the Pumpkin Patch. Visitors may come for a pumpkin, but we want them to walk away knowing that Trinity Baptist Church cares more about their eternal life! I recently preached about being obedient in striving to reach our world with the gospel of Jesus. This is the perfect opportunity for you to interact with the community and simply share the joy you have through a faith relationship with Jesus. Let's take advantage of this wonderful opportunity we have before us!

With that in mind, **WE NEED WORKERS!** We need people who are willing to give up two hours of their time to work in the patch - showing kindness, a caring and concerned attitude, and the ability to process payments electronically. Without your help we will not be able to have this outreach opportunity. **[CLICK HERE](#) or visit the Welcome Desk on Sunday to pick a time slot that works for you!**

We will also need help setting up the patch on Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup> starting at 10:00 am! We will begin setting up pallets, tents, tables, and fencing to prepare for the arrival of the pumpkins that afternoon. At 12:00 pm we will have a break for pizza, salad and desserts. Then, the pumpkins are scheduled to arrive at 1:00 pm. If we have enough people, we will be able to get them all unloaded in about two hours. I hope you will be able to come out and lend a hand.

Mark your calendars for **WORSHIP NIGHT IN THE PATCH** on Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 7:00 pm. Jeremy & Crystal Tomlinson will be leading us in a time of worship outdoors, and you won't want to miss it! Jeremy is

the Worship Pastor at Journey Christian Church down the road from us, and his wife Crystal is a teacher here at TCS. I hope you'll join us for a wonderful night of declaring praises to God out in the patch.

We are looking for a few items for the pumpkin patch. If you have access to wooden pallets, please let us know. We need about 100 in total. I'd also like to purchase 3 new foldable, sturdy wagons to replace the one we currently have. They are roughly \$80.00 each. We are also looking to borrow a wheelbarrow to help move the rotten pumpkins from the patch to the trash area. If you are willing to allow us to use your (not brand new!) wheelbarrow, have pallets, or can help us purchase a new wagon(s), please see Beth Pettis or email her at [pettis@tbcapopka.org](mailto:pettis@tbcapopka.org). We are incredibly grateful for your support!

You've heard us start asking for candy donations for our Fall Festival on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 – 6:00 pm in the main parking lot. This event takes A LOT of candy, and our goal is to be able to provide the trunk participants with the candy they'll need. TCS and the TBC Student Ministries will also be donating candy by having a candy donation contest. If you're able to pick up a bag or two of individually wrapped candy over the next four weeks, we'd greatly appreciate it! If we start now, we should be able to meet the goal – A LOT OF CANDY!! I am looking forward to partnering together with TCS for this event!

There are a lot of areas for you to get involved in this fall, so let's get to work church family!! The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Let's labor together!!

Much Love,

Jeremy Champion, Senior Pastor



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## Oxygen Student Ministry

The OSM is "falling" into October and ready to embrace a busy season of pumpkins and candy! We're already halfway through the first quarter of school and our students are juggling academics, sports, ministry and doing a great job on all fronts! The OSM has gained momentum inviting friends to our student events and we are excited to see what God will do through them. We had an awesome turnout at our Underground Church with 48 students (about half of those being visitors!) and 19 wonderful adults who were ready to help put on a gospel event to reach students! Thank you so much for those of you who actively participated, we couldn't have done Underground Church without you! To those of you who spent time in prayer for this event, please know that seeds were planted and we're looking for more opportunities of pouring the love of God into the lives of these teens. Keep those prayers coming!

We are wrapping up our Monday night Bible study on *When Worlds Collide*, by brothers Mike and Daniel Blackaby this month. I have been encouraged hearing from our students and their willingness to stand up for Jesus in a world that wants nothing to do with Him.

Our student ministry has cut back on our own activities (just a bit) during the month of October to focus all of our efforts into the TBC Pumpkin Patch and Fall Festival! Students have been challenged to sign-up alongside our church family to serve the community of Apopka through pumpkins! If students work 20 hours over the course of the month, they will get to participate in our incentive Fun Day!

We are a competitive group and have also started a competition to bring in candy for the Fall Festival...this is going to be good!

Just a few upcoming sidenotes:

**Golf Tournament Tickets!** The OSM Golf Tournament will be May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025 and ticket sales start in November (just in time to buy your favorite guy entry into this fun event and use it as a Christmas Gift!) More info will be coming soon!

**Trivia Night!** We will be hosting another Trivia Night next month, November 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 6:00 pm. You can purchase a table and invite 7 of your closest friends (well, smartest would probably be better HAHA) for \$40 a table. Proceeds will go to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering this year! Sign-up will start soon so get this on your calendar fast!

Parents, we will be going to **Rock the Universe** in January! As a parent myself, this would make a great Christmas gift or stocking stuffer for my kiddos and thought you might want to do that too! Tickets will go on sale in November, see Meme for more details and to purchase those tickets! Info on dates and cost will be on the student page (on the church website) in November!

Thank you again for all you do to encourage our students as they learn to function in the body of Christ! If you have any questions or suggestions, let me know—618-709-0855!

**Meme Champion, Student Director**

## Senior Adult Ministry

Happy Fall, Y'all! You can almost feel a little cooler weather. We are looking forward to our BBQ and Bluegrass event on Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>. Ticket are going fast! You can purchase your ticket Sunday mornings at the Welcome Desk or Monday-Friday in the church office. We would love to have you! There won't be a covered dish in November but we are having a Holiday Meal on Monday, December 2. We will have more information on that event when it gets closer. We feel honored to walk with you all in this ministry.

*His delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night.* Psalm 1:2 ESV

Lord, forgive me for treating the reading of Your Word as just another item on my to-do list. Teach me to delight in it daily and to meditate on it, no matter what my day holds.

Blessings,

**Keith and Denise Royston, Senior Adult Ministry Leaders**

## Children's Ministry

October is an exciting time for our church family to engage with our community.

We have sign up sheets for you to volunteer in our Pumpkin Patch and Trunk or Treat.

The following are the times and dates available:

- [Pumpkin Patch](#): October 7<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> (2 hour slots)
- [Trunk or Treat](#): Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> 4-6 pm

Click the links above to sign up or visit the Welcome Desk on Sunday to pick a time slot that works for you!

There are many areas available to serve either by decorating a trunk or volunteering at a station. Come and enjoy the festival and get to know others in our community. If you have any questions, please contact me at (407)252-0801.

Another exciting event this month is our Baby Dedication. We have 5 babies who will be dedicated on October 13<sup>th</sup>, during our church worship hour. Please pray for these young families as they are stepping out to raise their children under God's direction.

We are here to shine our light on those who need to know our Savior.

Thank you again for letting me love on your children and join you in teaching them about Jesus.

In His love,

**Marilynn Beale, Children's Director**

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

## Operation Christmas Child

OCC Shoeboxes are here! Please remember toothbrushes, soap and washcloths. Most important, pray for the child who will receive your box. Boxes need to be returned by Sunday, October 27. Any questions, please contact Christine or Larry Delaire.

### Dates to Remember

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| 10.5  | Pumpkins arrive                     |
| 10.6  | OSM Movie Night                     |
| 10.8  | TCS Sonny's Spirit Night            |
| 10.12 | Blue Grass & BBQ Senior Adult Event |
| 10.13 | Baby Dedication                     |
| 10.13 | Worship at the Patch/TCS Day        |
| 10.16 | Finance Committee Meeting           |
| 10.16 | Business Meeting                    |
| 10.26 | Fall Festival                       |

## Trinity Christian School

Fall Festivities: Celebrate the Season!

The success of our volleyball team this season has been nothing short of remarkable! With a perfect blend of talent, teamwork, and dedication, the players have consistently demonstrated their commitment to excellence.

Each match showcases their resilience and determination, and we couldn't be prouder of their achievements. Here's to a fantastic season filled with more successes ahead! Thanks to all who come out to support our girls!

As autumn arrives, our community is buzzing with excitement for the upcoming Fall Activities. Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> will be TCS day at the Patch from 12 pm-6 pm; for every pumpkin purchased a casual dress pass will be provided. Pumpkin crafts and treats during the day will be followed by Worship in the Patch from 6 pm-7 pm. We look forward to our time together.

In the spirit of giving, TCS will be organizing a candy collection drive from September 30<sup>th</sup>-October 11<sup>th</sup>. This collection will be a competition between classes, and all candies will be used at the Fall Festival on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>.

Mark your calendars for our final 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration—in partnership with Trinity Baptist Church families, we will have our Fall Festival on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to family time filled with celebration of God's blessings on TCS. Bring your family, friends, and a spirit of celebration as we embrace the season together. Let's make this autumn unforgettable!

**Nicole Mutters, TCS Head Administrator**



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