

July 3, 2022 10:30 AM Worship Service Today's Message: "How to Demonstrate a Humble, Contrite Heart That God Honors" Luke 15:11-32

Elder Paul Ellis

What's Happening at Trinity

- Pray for our team that served at Shiloh Bible Camp in Idaho last week. Pray that they have a safe trip home today.
- The church office will be closed tomorrow for the holiday.
- We will be having a **backpack giveaway** on Sunday, August 7, for our Trinity Kids during the 10:30 AM service.
- In September, Trinity will be offering some new discipleship classes to help you grow in your walk with Christ. We'll have a class for men and a class for women; each will be limited to twelve students. Signup sheets are in the foyer. Day and time for each class to be determined.
- "Rooted" is a small group for ladies of any age which will meet on Mondays at 6:00 PM starting September 12. Linny and Kolyan will be leading this group which will help you go deeper in your walk with Christ. Sign up in the foyer. Please see or call Linny or Kolyan if you have questions.
- Trinity's Food Truck Party VBS meets on Sundays from 9:00 AM to noon. This VBS is for children ages 4 through students leaving fifth grade and features games, crafts, snacks, and Bible stories. VBS will conclude with a musical finale and party on Sunday, July 24.
- Let's all do our part to keep each other healthy! If you are sick, especially with a fever, cough, or other COVID symptoms or have been advised to guarantine, please stay home and watch online or call our sermon line. Masks are not required at Trinity, but feel free to wear one if you have been advised to wear one, or feel more comfortable doing so.
- Listen to sermons, view sermon notes, connect to our Facebook page or make a one-time or recurring gift via Trinity's app by downloading it here: http://ourtrinityfamily.com/app.

Financial Snapshot of General Offering

Four ways to give: 1. Put your donation in the donation box.

2. Send it by mail. 3. Visit ourtrinityfamily.com/give. 4. Use TBC's app.		
Tithes and offerings received June 26	\$1,754.00	
Net income (minus 10% church tithe for global and local outreach)	\$1,578.60	
Net tithes and offerings received month-to-date	\$7,318.98	
Net tithes and offerings needed monthly for budget	\$12,550.00	

Weekly Prayer Meetings and Bible Studies			
Day	Time	Event	Location
Sundays		Prayer Time Trinity Kids <i>(For ages 4 – 5th grade)</i>	Bagwell Hall Upstairs
Mondays	7:00 AM	Prayer Time	Bagwell Hall
Tuesdays		Men's Bible Study: Romans Women's Bible Study: Luke	Bagwell Hall Bagwell Hall
Wednesdays		Prayer Time Worship Practice	Sanctuary Sanctuary
Thursdays	6:30 PM	Youth Group	Upstairs
Saturdays	3:30 PM	Women's Bible Study: Luke	Bagwell Hall

Our Mission Statement

Trinity Baptist Church exists to: **bring** people to the love and grace of Jesus Christ, disciple them to be His obedient followers, equip them to be sent, and **send** them into His service here and around the world, according to Matthew 28:18-20.

Prayer Requests

- Darlene Esquerra had knee surgery last week, please pray for her as she recovers.
- Diane Lynch's cancer is now aggressive. The prognosis is 6 months without treatment and 12+ months with treatment. She is planning on having the treatment. Please pray for her and her family as they go through this journey.
- Please pray for Inez Pomeroy as she recovers from COVID.
- Prav for Bruce New as he continues to recover from surgery on his pancreas. Plans are being made to start chemotherapy soon.
- Praise the Lord! Suzanne Avila's granddaughter Scarlet, a fifth grader, recently had a successful surgery to remove two benign tumors. Please pray for her as she recovers from COVID.
- Leader of the Week: Tom Ogimachi, Deacon of Property Management.
- Church of the Week: **Trinity Lutheran** Church. Indio.
- July Partners: Paul and Patty Ellis and their trip to south Asia.
- World Watch #37: Cuba.
- Pray for our government officials: U.S. Supreme Court Justices: Chief Justice John Roberts. Justice Clarence Thomas, Justice Stephen Brever, Justice Samuel Alito, Justice Sonia Sotomayor.

Do you have a prayer request?



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E-mail from our Global Partners in France Alain and Carol Larrey

June 26, 2022

Dear Friends in Christ,

A good 15 years ago, friends serving the Lord near Biarritz gave us a box of New Testaments in Basque (their regional language), a beautiful edition; it even has a little French-Basque dictionary. Recently I noticed that there's still a dusty pile of them in a church cupboard and wondered how they could be best put to use. Several ideas came to mind. I contacted the professor of Modern History at the University of Pau, who is also specialized in the French Reformation, to see if he would be interested in a copy and went to meet him at a conference he was giving for the commemoration of the 450th year since the passing away of Queen Jeanne d'Albret. He was thrilled; it was even amus-



ing to see his face light up as he fingered through the pages. In fact, it had a very special meaning since the queen we were there to honor was behind the first translation of the Bible into Basque. He hadn't seen any translation other than that of 1571 and was curious to see who had gone to such trouble and when it had been published. "Oh! Can I have two?!" Standing next to us was his colleague, the one who will replace him someday; he was grateful to receive a copy as well. For the rest of the New Testaments, I've been studying the map to drive deep into Basque country and find someone who would appreciate them. Hmm, maybe I should ask for help... It's a delightful area for going on vacation; I'm sure some of our church members will be going that way and would enjoy placing some.

Last Tuesday a dozen met at the church to pray while the singing group went downtown. There was also a team who stood in the crowd to witness and hand out invitations for the concert that Alain was to give the following Saturday. They report numerous good opportunities to share the faith and are sure some will visit the church.

At Alain's concert, there was a nice attendance. At this point we're not sure if someone came because of the street invitation, just that there were many new faces. Church folks were excited to present their friends and neighbors. A bunch came from our old church in Tarbes. Then there was a surprise. About halfway through, Alain went hoarse! (Has that ever happened before?!) Curiously, as the audience listened to him try to continue, several cleared their own throats. I guess that's called "feeling for the person"! In any case, we all were silently pleading with God to intervene! Alain tried to not force his voice as he sang another song, gave his testimony, and again a song. Five minutes went by, and then ten. When all seemed lost, miraculously his voice cleared up. Once his program completed, he sang two of the favorites again. We trust the Lord will use this for His glory.



Here are two pictures taken at the worship service this morning. Exceptionally, we had lots of special music. The "street singers" wanted the congregation to discover three of their songs. And then Sunday schoolers treated us with two of theirs.



Last ,but not least, the church surprised us with flowers, a golden book and a money donation "to go somewhere." They figure that much of the church will be gone on vacation over the next months, during which time Alain will be withdrawing from his responsibilities as the person in charge. Their idea is that we get away and rest while the new crew gets going. When we come back, we will be active in ministries, but not from the driver's seat. Alain dreams of traveling for evangelistic concerts.

Thank you for praying for Alain's sister Martine and family. They were finally picking themselves up after a long case of Covid when Martine was hospitalized with kidney stones. She's up again and has been hoping to physically attend a worship service instead of watching on YouTube. We're planning on having her with us next Sunday since there's a church picnic too.

Again, thank you for praying! And thank you for your financial support.

Yours in Christ, Alain and Carol Larrey French-American Baptist Mission c/o Mari Stroud 8301 Arcadia Ave., Hesperia, CA 92345, USA



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Introductory reference: Psalm 51:17

Main text reading: Luke 15:11-32

Who Jesus was teaching: Pharisees, teachers of religious law, tax collectors, and notorious sinners

The events in this story clearly illustrate what the Heavenly Father is like:

v. 14 The great famine over the land happened just at the time the prodigal son's inheritance was exhausted.

vs. 14b-15 So the father was clearly in control over the developing consequences that his prodigal son experienced so that it finally led his son to <u>humble</u> confession and <u>repentance</u>.

vs. 14 & 30 No matter how flagrant the prodigal son's sinful actions were, his father's compassionate love for him never faltered.

• This father's amazing grace in allowing the discipline of consequences for his son was that he continued to wait with endurance for what would bring out His son's humble repentance.

• This point in the story illustrates both our Heavenly Father's long, <u>enduring patience</u> and opulent <u>grace of forgiveness</u>, loving acceptance, and great celebration over this one sinner's repentance.

v. 18 Another clear illustration about the Heavenly Father in this story is that the son thought about what he would say to his father when he returned. So he planned that he would say "I have sinned against both heaven and you…"

v. 23 In this verse, the prodigal son's father said "And kill the calf we have been fattening." So this response was already planned.

Other virtues of the Father's compassionate love:

v. 24 His <u>passion</u> for the <u>relationship</u> that was lost and completely dead is that his son would be found, restored, and to become fully alive far more than what it was before.

vs. 25-32 Even though the other brother considered himself to be righteous, being in bondage to his intense anger against both his father and his brother, and being unwilling to forgive, his father still left the celebration party to deal with the embittered son.

• From our Heavenly Father's perspective, <u>broken relationships</u> are a form of being lost and in the state of death.

• Is it any wonder then that our Heavenly Father longs for <u>restored</u> relationships through humble repentance?

• So a <u>contrite heart</u> is true humble repentance that often saves broken relationships.

Closing references of Scripture:

Colossians 3:12-15 and Philippians 2:1-4 clearly explains what this is.

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