

SESSION PACKET

Stated Session Meeting
June 20, 2023



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_____ Approved with Amendment

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**STATED SESSION MEETING AGENDA
TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
June 20, 2023
7:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER & DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Rebekah LeMon

DEVOTION

Allen Spetnagel

MOTION to approve Consent Agenda Rebekah LeMon

- Agenda
- Stated Session Meeting Minutes from May 16, 2023
- Minutes from Called Session Meeting (Elder Examinations and Session Retreat) on May 20, 2023
- Financial Report
- Statistical Report for May 2023

MODERATOR'S REPORT

Rebekah LeMon

CLERK'S REPORT

Bonnie Holliday

SPECIAL ORDERS & REPORTS:

TRUSTEES

Rebekah LeMon

ON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, the Trustees unanimously RESOLVED that, subject to approval of the Session, a distribution of \$26,764 from the Kittrell Memorial Lectureship Fund to the Trinity Church operating account for Kittrell Lectureship expenses is hereby approved as the 2023 distribution from the Fund.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Rebekah LeMon

PRESBYTERY UPDATES

Rebekah LeMon

COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHTS

- WORSHIP AND MUSIC
- PROPERTY

Roxanna Erwin
Allen Moseley

FINANCE

Richard O'Donnell

OPEN FORUM

PRAYER AND DEPARTING BLESSINGS

Lucy Strong

UPCOMING DATES	
Communion	July 3, 2023, August 6, 2023
Session Meeting	August 15, 2023
Presbytery Meeting	August 15, 2023
Baptisms	September 10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benjamin Ellis Lukens, son of Catherine and Davis Lukens • Abigail Lucille Hughes, daughter of Patrick and Lauren Stair Hughes • Oliver Owens Szyperski, son of Heather and Bobby Szyperski

**STATED SESSION MEETING MINUTES
TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
May 16, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER / DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Rebekah LeMon

The stated Session meeting for Trinity Presbyterian Church on May 16, 2023, was called to order in Williams Hall at 6:15 PM by the moderator, Rebekah LeMon. The clerk, David Carr, confirmed the presence of a quorum, and Rebekah welcomed new members to the meeting and invited them to join session members for dinner and conversation. Following the dinner, Laura Bynum made the following motion which was seconded by Velma Tilley.

MOTION: Accept the following individuals as new members at Trinity Presbyterian Church:

*Terry Banta - Letter of Transfer & Reactivation of membership
Robert Banta - Letter of Transfer & Reactivation of membership
Julie Balloun – Letter of Transfer
Lauren Blankenship - Reaffirmation of Faith
Martha DeLuca - Reactivation of membership
Judy Hamilton – Reactivation of Membership
Margaret Hill – Letter of Transfer
Christine Love – Reaffirmation of Faith
Sally Beamer Silverman –Reaffirmation of Faith*

There was no discussion, and the motion was approved unanimously.

DEVOTION

Martha Craft

Martha Craft shared moving reflections on how she has often felt the Holy Spirit move in her life in the midst of crisis. She shared personal experiences and challenges that required reflection, prayer, and discernment, and she encouraged session members to be still and quiet in a noisy world so as to feel the Spirit guiding us.

OMNIBUS MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Rebekah LeMon

Rebekah LeMon directed Session members to the omnibus motion in the meeting packet. She noted two amendments. First, she acknowledged the upcoming baptism of Genevieve Love on June 11, 2023. Second, she explained that two versions of the minutes from the May session meeting were disseminated (one in the electronic session packet and one in the printed session packet). The version being voted on tonight are the minutes in the printed session packet. No additional discussion took place, and the motion to approve the consent agenda with the stated amendments carried without any opposition.

WELCOME NEW TPC STAFF MEMBER

Rebekah LeMon

Rebekah LeMon introduced and welcomed Heather Edmiston who recently began her new role as Trinity's Director of Finance and Administration. Heather has been working on a part-time basis since April, but she will soon assume a full-time role in June.

MODERATOR'S REPORT

Rebekah LeMon

Rebekah LeMon shared gratitude for the efforts of several elders and Trinity members who have done great work behind the scenes since the session convened in April.

She gave thanks for all the new members who will be joining the church on Sunday as well as for Lucy who spends so much time and energy shepherding visitors and prospective members as they prepare to join our congregation at Trinity.

Rebekah also thanked Velma Tilley and Ginny Hobbs for their tireless efforts working with the Georgia Justice Project. Because of Velma, Ginny, and others from the church, Trinity was just recognized with a 2023 Grass Roots Justice Award for being the “Sheandra Clark Volunteer of the Year.”

Next, Rebekah gave thanks to Norman Mackenzie, Scott Morris, Phyllis Sommer, and Nelda Greene along with all the choir members who made choir Sunday such a joyful experience.

Thanks were also given to Bess George, Mary Elizabeth Jackson, Olivia Wall, and Katherine Kraft for making Trinity’s 1st Annual Swing and Stroll art show a success. The congregation delighted in seeing the gifts of others and thoroughly enjoyed the fellowship.

Lastly, Rebekah thanked Jean Lapitan for organizing a wonderful ‘launch night’ experience for upcoming 6th and 9th graders and for building such a strong middle school program that Trinity’s youth are excited to join.

On an operations note, Rebekah listed the following committee assignments for new elders:

John Balch (Congregational Care)
Karen Bain (YFM)
Dean Cleaveland (CFM + TPP Board)
Rebekah Groover (Worship and Music)
Jay Harris (Property)
Paige Keller (Mission)
Nick Leet (Adult Education)
Jon McRae (Finance)
Mary Kelly Speed (Membership)
Catherine Quillian and Helen Slawson (YFM)
Catherine Warren (Communications)

Rebekah also reminded session members of the upcoming elder retreat on Saturday, May 20th. The retreat will include a follow-up on the priorities work that took place in the fall of 2022 and will also provide an opportunity to examine and review the faith statements of the incoming elder class. The new elder class will be ordained and installed on Sunday, May 21.

In closing, Rebekah also noted that Trinity’s commitment season would start earlier in the year in 2023.

CLERK’S REPORT

David Carr

David Carr began by thanking all session members who served communion this month and all those who attended the presbytery meeting on behalf of session. He also commended Rebekah for officiating the celebration of life service for Amy St. Pierre who tragically lost her life two weeks ago in the shooting that took place in Midtown Atlanta.

Next, David reminded session members of the May 21st elder retreat as well as the June 20th stated session meeting, and he pointed session members to the positive data reflected on p. 10 of the session packet (worship attendance) and on p. 18 (statistical report).

Lastly, David offered reflections on his tenure as clerk and thanked all those who had supported his work on session as well as in the role of clerk. He offered moving reflections on how far the church has come in the three short years he’s served on session, and he encouraged elders to continue working together and supporting our pastors in the years ahead.

SPECIAL ORDERS & REPORTS:

Welcome Emily Avant

Rebekah LeMon

Rebekah presented Emily Avant to Session with a formal request that members endorse her in the role of Inquirer. Emily offered comments on the critical role the Church has played in her life and in her spiritual development and growth. She reflected on the personal and professional journey that has contributed to the discernment of her calling to ministry in the Presbyterian church.

Laura Bynum brought forth a motion for Emily's endorsement which was seconded by Dale Lewis and approved unanimously.

Confirmand Mentor Plan

Rebekah LeMon

On behalf of the clergy, Rebekah announced the intention to re-institute a confirmand mentor system. That process will begin in late summer. More information is forthcoming.

Presbytery Meeting Report

David Carr

David requested that commissioners share reflections from the recent Presbytery Meeting. Cindy Stancil highlighted a discussion that took place around congregational engagement in light of the Surgeon General's recent declaration of "the epidemic of loneliness." Dale Lewis shared his appreciation for the diverse voices in our Presbytery and the gratitude they expressed for being able to come together to worship and learn from each other. Adair White recalled the sermon's focus on the marks of caring relationships and the necessity of reciprocity in caring and kindness. Lastly, Kenny Kraft remarked on the poignancy of the pastor's message and on the small group discussions that focused on encouraging the 'marks of a Christian' in ourselves and in others.

Finance

Richard O'Donnell

Richard O'Donnell presented the April 2023 financial statement summary and presented the following motion on behalf of the finance committee.

Motion: Approve Walt Gillikin as Trinity's incoming church treasurer (2-year term).

There was no discussion, and the motion was approved unanimously.

OPEN FORUM

Ginny Hobbs thanked elders for making congregational calls. The "phone-a-thon" has been a success and has served as positive outreach to all members.

David Carr highlighted Trinity's presbytery giving as outlined in the session packet. Trinity gives per capita (x2), and Trinity remains the largest contributor to the presbytery.

OUTGOING ELDER RECOGNITION

Rebecca LeMon

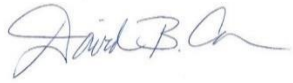
Rebekah gave moving remarks about each of the outgoing session members and thanked the outgoing elder class for their dedicated service to the church, to the session, and to God.

CLOSING PRAYER AND DEPARTING BLESSINGS

Rebecca LeMon

A motion was made and affirmed to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 pm. Rebekah closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,



David Carr
Clerk



Bonnie Holliday
Assistant Clerk

Trinity Presbyterian Church Session In-person Attendance (In Bold), May 16, 2023

Name	Name	Name
Adams Jr., Tom	Roxanna Erwin	Reid Willingham
Bynum, Laura	Ginny Hobbs	Kenny Kraft
Carr, David – Clerk	Bonnie Holiday – Asst. Clerk	Kristin Hunter
George, Bess	Richard O'Donnell	Tom Owens
Gueary, Bill	Trey Reese	John Shepard
Hope, Julie	Lane Rhoden	Martha Craft
Jackson, Mary Elizabeth	Allen Spetnagel	Drew Timmons
Lewis, Dale	Cindy Stancil	Tanner Adams (youth)
Shepherd, John	Adair White	Duskin Balch (youth)
Tilley, Velma	Neal Williams	Meredith Daniel
		Allen Moseley
		Chris Suh
Staff Attendees:	Other Attendees:	Guests
Rebekah LeMon-Moderator		Emily Avant
Elizabeth Davis		
Andrew Esqueda		
Tom Farmer		
Lucy Strong		

**CALLED SESSION MEETING MINUTES
TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
May 20, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER & DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Rebekah LeMon

The called Session meeting for Trinity Presbyterian Church on May 20, 2023, was called to order in Old Fellowship Hall at 4:09 PM by the moderator, Rebekah LeMon. The clerk, David Carr, confirmed the presence of a quorum.

INTRODUCTIONS

Rebekah LeMon

Rebekah asked all elders (including incoming elders and outgoing elders) to introduce themselves and briefly review their respective areas of ministry focus.

FALL 2022 SESSION PRIORITY WORK

Rebekah LeMon

Rebekah LeMon began by reviewing the session's work from the Fall of 2022 related to determining priorities and direction for the future. Elders were directed a summary document outlining the priorities as they were presented to the College of Elders in October 2022.

REFLECTING AND BRAINSTORMING

Rebekah LeMon

Following a review of session priorities, Rebekah directed session members to convene in small groups to reflect on what the church is called to create, the issues that cause us to worry, and the plans we dream about implementing going forward. A robust and meaningful discussion took place about what it means to be a welcoming, adaptive church that transcends traditional religious boundaries, creates engaging and integrated worship opportunities for all ages, and nurtures a courageous faith community comprised of active members who serve as the hands and feet of Christ in the world.

EXAMINATION OF ELDERS

Session Members

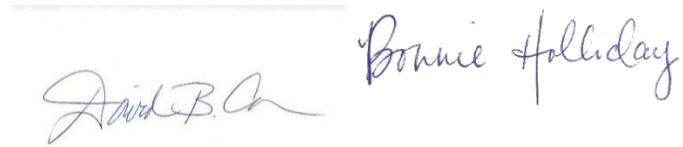
After dinner and fellowship, all session members convened in small groups to discuss the faith statements submitted by members of the elder class of 2023. That class of elders—whose membership was approved by the congregation at the annual meeting on Sunday, March 26--includes Karen Bain, John Balch, Dean Cleaveland, Rebekah Groover, Jay Harris, Paige Keller, Nick Leet, Jon McRae, Catherine Quillian (youth), Helen Slawson (youth), Mary Kelly Speed, and Catherine Warren. Following successful examinations, the new elders were enthusiastically approved by acclamation to be installed on Sunday, May 21, 2023.

CLOSING PRAYER AND DEPARTING BLESSINGS

Lucy Strong

A motion was made and affirmed to adjourn the meeting. Lucy Strong closed the meeting with prayer. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

The image shows two handwritten signatures. On the left is 'David Carr' in blue ink, and on the right is 'Bonnie Holliday' in purple ink.

David Carr
Clerk

Bonnie Holliday
Assistant Clerk

Trinity Presbyterian Church Session In-person Attendance (In Bold), May 20, 2023:

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Adams Jr., Tom	Roxanna Erwin	Reid Willingham	Karen Bain
Bynum, Laura	Ginny Hobbs	Kenny Kraft	Paige Keller
Carr, David – Clerk	Bonnie Holiday – Asst. Clerk	Kristin Hunter	Rebekah Groover
George, Bess	Richard O'Donnell	Tom Owens	Nick Leet
Guerry, Bill	Trey Reese	Martha Craft	Dean Cleaveland
Hope, Julie	Lane Rhoden	Drew Timmons	Jay Harris
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Lewis, Dale	Cindy Stancil	Duskin Balch (youth)	Catherine Warren
Shepard, John	Adair White	Meredith Daniel	Mary Kelly
Tilley, Velma	Neal Williams	Allen Moseley	Jon McRae
		Chris Suh	Mary Kelly Speed
		Lindsey Greene	Catherine Quillian (youth)
			Helen Slawson (youth)
Staff Attendees:	Other Attendees:	Guests	
Rebekah LeMon-Moderator			
Elizabeth Davis			
Andrew Esqueda			
Lucy Strong			

Trinity Presbyterian Church

Presbytery of Greater Atlanta 2023/2024 Stated Meeting Commissioner Assignments:

August 15 at 9:30AM at Shallowford Presbyterian Church

Elders: Roxanna Erwin, Ginny Hobbs, Martha Craft, Meredith Daniel, Tom Owens, Karen Bain, John Balch

November 12 – 9:00AM at North Decatur

Elders: Richard O'Donnell, Trey Reese, Chris Suh, Dean Cleaveland, Rebekah Groover, Helen Slawson, Catherine Quillian

February 2023 - Date/Details TBD

Elders: Lane Rhoden, Allen Spetnagel, Lindsey Green, Kristin Hunter, Jay Harris, Paige Keller, Nick Leet

May 2023 – Date/Details TBD

Elders: Adair White, Kenny Kraft, Allen Moseley, Reid Willingham, Catherine Warren, Jon McRae, Mary Kelly Speed

Reserves/On Standby for any Called Meetings

Elders: David Carr, Bonnie Holliday, John Shepard, Neal Williams, Cindy Stancil,

Meeting Resources: <https://www.atlpcusa.org/statedmeetings>

NOTE: If you cannot attend your assigned meeting, then please find a replacement from TPC Session or TPC College of Elders well in advance of the meeting and notify the Clerk of Session (Bonnie Holliday / bonnie.s.holliday@gmail.com) of the change as soon as possible.

Upcoming Updates to the Book of Order

by C. Anderson James, Stated Clerk

A new version of the *Book of Order* reflecting changes from the 225th General Assembly (2022) as approved by the presbyteries will take effect on July 9, 2023. All of the amendments proposed by the Assembly were approved by a majority of the presbyteries. The updated text for the *2023-2025 Book of Order* will be made available by the Office of the General Assembly soon, but sessions in particular may want to begin planning to review their policies and procedures to reflect several changes.

- Each session is required to adopt policies around sexual misconduct, harassment, child and youth protection, and antiracism. These policies must include a requirement for boundaries training that addresses the topic of sexual misconduct and child sexual abuse prevention training at least every three years.
- Congregations are required to provide for at least twelve weeks of paid family medical leave in the terms of call for all installed pastors and associate pastors.
- Sessions and congregations should adopt special rules of order and standing rules to govern electronic meetings (such as those held on Zoom).
- The former *Rules of Discipline* (D section of the *Book of Order*) has been replaced with a new section entitled *Church Discipline* that clarifies the processes and procedures involved in addressing alleged wrongdoing in the life of the church.

It is not necessary to adopt these changes immediately, but every session should begin planning to implement these requirements over the course of the next year. Paid family medical leave should be included in the terms of call for pastors and associate pastors when they are next reviewed by the congregation. Additional communications about changes to the presbytery's policies and requirements will be forthcoming as we continue that review.

On all these matters, the staff and committees of the Presbytery will be working in the coming months to provide resources (including definitions and sample policies) around these topics to guide the implementation of these requirements. The Stated Clerk will also be hosting a second series of Conversations with the Clerk later this year to discuss these changes and provide space for sharing best practices. Keep an eye on this newsletter for updates along the way! If you have questions at any time about implementing these changes, please contact your congregational consultant or Stated Clerk Andy James.

Trinity Presbyterian Church

Worship Attendance 2023

online views calculated by IP address, multiply each IP address by 1.5 to get a more accurate count of people viewing

	9am Livestream Views										Total 9 am online				Team Livestream Views				Total Team Online				Team In-Person				Total In-Person				TOTAL ATTENDANCE		NOTES
	9am	Livestream	Views		n/a	n/a	72	57	129	129	n/a	Total Online	Team In-Person		Team In-Person		Team In-Person		Team In-Person		Team In-Person		Team In-Person		Team In-Person		Team In-Person		Team In-Person				
January 1, 2023	n/a	n/a	n/a		n/a	n/a	72	57	129	129	n/a	129	116	116	116	116	116	116	116	116	116	116	116	116	116	116	116	116	116	245	Communion / one service / New Year's Day		
January 8, 2023	12	55	67		67	64	64	52	116	116	183	183	250	250	312	312	312	312	312	312	312	312	312	312	312	312	312	312	495				
January 15, 2023	n/a	n/a	0		0	125	140	265	265	265	265	265	n/a	n/a	468	468	468	468	468	468	468	468	468	468	468	468	468	468	733	RCL Installation			
January 22, 2023	11	30	41		41	95	60	155	155	196	196	196	68	68	276	276	344	344	344	344	344	344	344	344	344	344	344	344	540				
January 29, 2023	10	45	55		55	87	98	185	185	240	240	240	85	85	246	246	331	331	331	331	331	331	331	331	331	331	331	331	571				
February 5, 2023	10	52	62		62	69	78	147	147	209	209	209	147	147	225	225	372	372	372	372	372	372	372	372	372	372	372	372	581	Communion / Children's Sunday			
February 12, 2023	13	21	34		34	60	42	102	102	136	136	136	80	80	198	198	278	278	278	278	278	278	278	278	278	278	278	278	414				
February 19, 2023	11	30	41		41	68	60	128	128	169	169	169	70	70	241	241	311	311	311	311	311	311	311	311	311	311	311	311	480				
February 26, 2023	6	26	32		32	59	57	116	116	148	148	148	88	88	205	205	293	293	293	293	293	293	293	293	293	293	293	293	441				
March 5, 2023	15	34	49		49	66	55	121	121	170	170	170	68	68	270	270	338	338	338	338	338	338	338	338	338	338	338	338	508	Communion / New members			
March 12, 2023	5	41	46		46	65	64	129	129	175	175	175	35	35	212	212	247	247	247	247	247	247	247	247	247	247	247	247	422	Baptism / Daylight Saving Time			
March 19, 2023	16	57	73		73	64	98	162	162	235	235	235	101	101	351	351	452	452	452	452	452	452	452	452	452	452	452	452	687	Youth Sunday			
March 26, 2023	15	36	51		51	128	127	255	255	306	306	306	75	75	467	467	542	542	542	542	542	542	542	542	542	542	542	542	848	Music Sunday			
April 2, 2023	11	60	71		71	78	91	169	169	240	240	240	67	67	353	353	420	420	420	420	420	420	420	420	420	420	420	420	660	Psalm Sunday / Communion			
April 9, 2023	n/a	n/a	0		0	111	118	229	229	229	229	229	326	326	714	714	1040	1040	1040	1040	1040	1040	1040	1040	1040	1040	1040	1040	1269	Easter Sunday (all in Sanctuary)			
April 16, 2023	12	35	47		47	54	54	108	108	155	155	155	113	113	145	145	258	258	258	258	258	258	258	258	258	258	258	258	413				
April 23, 2023	n/a	n/a	0		0	86	94	180	180	180	180	180	n/a	n/a	320	320	320	320	320	320	320	320	320	320	320	320	320	320	500	LCS Installation			
April 30, 2023	11	56	67		67	69	63	132	132	199	199	199	85	85	277	277	362	362	362	362	362	362	362	362	362	362	362	362	561	Choir Sunday			
May 7, 2023	20	48	68		68	79	48	127	127	195	195	195	97	97	276	276	373	373	373	373	373	373	373	373	373	373	373	373	568	Communion			
May 14, 2023	3	47	50		50	51	53	104	104	154	154	154	102	102	305	305	407	407	407	407	407	407	407	407	407	407	407	407	561	Baptisms			
May 21, 2023	n/a	n/a	n/a		n/a	74	68	142	142	142	142	142	n/a	n/a	416	416	416	416	416	416	416	416	416	416	416	416	416	416	558	Elder ordination, new members, Church BBQ			
May 28, 2023	n/a	n/a	n/a		n/a	61	44	105	105	105	105	105	n/a	n/a	124	124	124	124	124	124	124	124	124	124	124	124	124	124	229	Memorial Day / One Service			
June 4, 2023	n/a	n/a	n/a		n/a	61	30	91	91	91	91	91	n/a	n/a	286	286	286	286	286	286	286	286	286	286	286	286	286	286	377	One Service - 10am			

Trinity Presbyterian Church Monthly Financial Statement Summary YTD Actuals to Budget Analysis As of May 31, 2023						
A	B	C	D	E	F	G
	2023 Actual	2023 YTD Budget	Relative To BUDGET			Comments
			Favorable	+ Unfavorable	= Net F/(U)	
1 Income						
2 Pledged Income	\$ 1,859,159.30	\$ 1,820,204.44	\$ 38,954.86			2023 Prepaid Pledges \$428,069; 2022 Prepaid Pledges \$560,366; 2021 Prepaid Pledges \$303,225 Current Year Pledges (-\$29,579); Prior Year Pledges (+\$68,849) Timing of 2nd quarter disbursement Loose Plate(+\$5,452); Bldg Usage(+\$10,671); Int(+\$32,868); Wedding (+\$3,500) Children's Basketball Program - timing of recognition
3 Non-Pledged Income	34,231.08	29,571.78	4,659.30			
4 Trust Fund Income	76,889.46	37,863.00	39,026.46			
5 Other Income	66,157.79	13,666.70	52,491.09			
6 Activities and Recreation	0.00	25,000.00		(25,000.00)		
7 Stock Gain/Loss	2,144.05	(625.00)	2,769.05			
8 Total Income	\$ 2,038,581.68	\$ 1,925,680.92	\$ 137,900.76	\$ (25,000.00)	\$ 112,900.76	
9						
10						
11 Expenses						
12 Congregation	\$ 11,592.35	\$ 15,041.65	\$ 3,449.30			Church-wide Events (-\$2,116) Milestones & Spec Events (-\$4,530); Egg Hunt (+\$1,539); Curriculum (-\$1,726); New Prog & Tech (+\$7,487) Mission & Outreach (-\$1,458); Youth Group (+\$1,714); Relational Ministry (-\$2,524); WW (-\$1,786); Trips & Retreats (-\$2,529); Transportation (-\$5,833); Technology (\$1,508)
13 Children & Families	7,561.14	8,125.00	563.86			
14 Youth & Families	14,390.66	25,633.85	11,243.19			
15 Adults	2,380.69	13,972.90	11,592.21			Honoraria (-\$4,508); Senior Adults (-\$3,373); Engagement (-\$1,618); Young Adults (-\$1,765) Worship (-\$401); Informal Worship (-\$1,958); Music (-\$2,190) Partner Funding (-\$125,978); Mission Support (-\$36,124); Grants (-\$33,237) TIMING
16 Worship and Music	27,804.70	32,354.20	4,549.50			
17 Mission	6,358.06	201,696.15	195,338.09			
18 Commitment	-	3,750.00	3,750.00			Insurance (+\$24,830); Audit/Legal (-\$6,250); Telecommunications (-\$4,281); Communications (-\$25,658); Technology (+\$9,937); Church Gov (-\$23,876); Food Service (-\$10,701) Cleaning (-\$2,413); Building Maint (-\$26,944); HVAC (+\$2,071); Security (+\$8,876) Utilities (-\$9,096); Grounds Maint (+\$15,399) Staff vacancies
19 Finance & Administration	190,704.90	231,470.40	40,765.50			
20 Property	249,386.98	261,494.90	12,107.92			
21 Personnel	598,285.47	815,253.40	216,967.93			
22 Childcare	5,453.35	6,666.65	1,213.30			
23						
24						
25 Total Expenses	\$ 1,113,918.30	\$ 1,615,459.10	\$ 501,540.80	\$ -	\$ 501,540.80	
26						
27						
28						
29						
30 Net Y-T-D Total	\$ 924,663.38	\$ 310,221.82			\$ 614,441.56	
31						
32						
33 Prior Month	\$ 895,514.64	\$9,012.40			\$ 886,502.24	

Trinity Presbyterian Church
Summary Analysis - Operations
General Fund
January to May 2023

Accounts	MTD Actual	MTD Budget	MTD Budget Variance	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Budget Variance	Annual Budget	Annual Budget Remaining
Revenues								
Pledged Income								
11.40000 - Current Year Pledges	\$177,807.93	\$210,085.29	(\$32,277.36)	\$1,694,369.65	\$1,739,448.30	(\$45,078.65)	\$3,504,000.00	\$1,809,630.35
11.40001 - One-Time Pledge Increases	\$14,500.00	\$0.00	\$14,500.00	\$15,500.00	\$0.00	\$15,500.00	\$0.00	(\$15,500.00)
11.40010 - Pledges - Prior Years	\$53,848.29	\$23,195.42	\$30,652.87	\$152,522.12	\$83,672.79	\$68,849.33	\$85,000.00	(\$67,522.12)
11.40025 - Online Gift Processing Fees	(\$965.83)	(\$583.33)	(\$382.50)	(\$3,232.47)	(\$2,916.65)	(\$315.82)	(\$7,000.00)	(\$3,767.53)
Total Pledged Income	\$245,190.39	\$232,697.38	\$12,493.01	\$1,859,159.30	\$1,820,204.44	\$38,954.86	\$3,582,000.00	\$1,722,840.70
Non-Pledged Income								
11.41000 - Non-pledged Contributions	\$7,143.08	\$8,775.21	(\$1,632.13)	\$34,231.08	\$29,571.78	\$4,659.30	\$100,000.00	\$65,768.92
Total Non-Pledged Income	\$7,143.08	\$8,775.21	(\$1,632.13)	\$34,231.08	\$29,571.78	\$4,659.30	\$100,000.00	\$65,768.92
Trust Fund Income	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$76,889.46	\$37,863.00	\$39,026.46	\$151,452.00	\$74,562.54
Other Income	\$15,139.09	\$3,333.34	\$11,805.75	\$66,157.79	\$13,666.70	\$52,491.09	\$40,000.00	(\$26,157.79)
Activities & Recreation	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	(\$25,000.00)	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
Stock Gain/Loss	\$2,714.89	(\$125.00)	\$2,839.89	\$2,144.05	(\$625.00)	\$2,769.05	(\$1,500.00)	(\$3,644.05)
Total Revenues	\$270,187.45	\$244,680.93	\$25,506.52	\$2,038,581.68	\$1,925,680.92	\$112,900.76	\$3,896,952.00	\$1,858,370.32
Expenses								
Ministry to the Congregation								
Ministry - Children & Families	(\$1,082.11)	\$3,008.33	(\$4,090.44)	\$11,592.35	\$15,041.65	(\$3,449.30)	\$36,100.00	\$24,507.65
Ministry - Youth & Families	\$1,944.53	\$2,825.00	(\$880.47)	\$7,561.14	\$8,125.00	(\$563.86)	\$27,400.00	\$19,838.86
Ministry to Adults	\$3,877.92	\$5,126.77	(\$1,248.85)	\$14,390.66	\$25,633.85	(\$11,243.19)	\$61,521.00	\$47,130.34
Worship & Music	\$867.39	\$2,794.58	(\$1,927.19)	\$2,380.69	\$13,972.90	(\$11,592.21)	\$33,535.00	\$31,154.31
Mission	\$3,810.77	\$6,470.84	(\$2,660.07)	\$27,804.70	\$32,354.20	(\$4,549.50)	\$77,650.00	\$49,845.30
Commitment	\$0.00	\$40,339.23	(\$40,339.23)	\$6,358.06	\$201,696.15	(\$195,338.09)	\$484,071.00	\$477,712.94
Finance & Administration	\$0.00	\$750.00	(\$750.00)	\$0.00	\$3,750.00	(\$3,750.00)	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00
Property	\$33,805.22	\$46,794.08	(\$12,988.86)	\$190,704.90	\$231,470.40	(\$40,765.50)	\$553,029.00	\$362,324.10
Personnel	\$62,285.30	\$51,948.98	\$10,336.32	\$249,386.98	\$261,494.90	(\$12,107.92)	\$642,038.00	\$392,651.02
Childcare	\$127,910.35	\$163,050.68	(\$35,140.33)	\$598,285.47	\$815,253.40	(\$216,967.93)	\$1,956,608.00	\$1,358,322.53
Total Expenses	\$1,015.95	\$1,333.33	(\$317.38)	\$5,453.35	\$6,666.65	(\$1,213.30)	\$16,000.00	\$10,546.65
	\$234,435.32	\$324,441.82	(\$90,006.50)	\$1,113,918.30	\$1,615,459.10	(\$501,540.80)	\$3,896,952.00	\$2,783,033.70
Net Operating Total	\$35,752.13	(\$79,760.89)	\$115,513.02	\$924,663.38	\$310,221.82	\$614,441.56	\$0.00	(\$924,663.38)

Trinity Presbyterian Church
May 2023
Monthly Statistical Report to Session
Submitted 6/14/2023

1,626 total active members at Trinity as of 4/30/23

Member additions this month/period: 9

- Terry Banta - *Letter of Transfer & Reactivation of membership*
- Robert Banta - *Letter of Transfer & Reactivation of membership*
- Julie Balloun – Letter of Transfer
- Lauren Blankenship - Reaffirmation of Faith
- Martha DeLuca - Reaffirmation of Faith & *Reactivation of membership*
- Judy Hamilton – Reaffirmation of Faith & *Reactivation of Membership*
- Margaret Hill – Letter of Transfer
- Christine Love – Reaffirmation of Faith
- Sally Beamer Silverman –Reaffirmation of Faith

Member subtractions this month/period: 0

1,635 total active members at Trinity as of 5/31/23

Other membership notes for May 2023:

Births: 2

- Benjamin Ellis Lukens - April 25, 2023 (Parents: David and Catherine)
 - born after April session meeting so not included in previous session packet
- Maddox Andrew Esqueda - May 19, 2023 (Parents Andrew and Megan)

Baptisms: 2

- Thomas Graham Dixon - May 14, 2023 (Parents: Joe and Ali)
- Clarice Margeaux Mansfield - May 14, 2023 (Parents: Sam and Caitlin)

Non-confirmed children added: N/A

Pastor Affiliates added: N/A

Requested move to Inactive member list: N/A

Trinity Adult Education Committee Report - June 13th, 2023

Vision Statement: Making God's love visible

Committee Purpose: Trinity's Adult Education Committee believes lifelong learning to be at the heart of the Christian life; to be a disciple is to be a student. To promote individual growth in community, we encourage intellectual inquiry and spiritual curiosity at every age, knowing that Christian unity does not require uniformity. Understanding that learning is holistic, the committee promotes engagement with the world all around us and active development of spiritual practices that connect us to God and one another, so we may more faithfully follow in the way of Jesus.

Committee Membership: Eleanor Baughman (Trinity Librarian), Lucy Crosswell '23, Lasley Gober '23, Jim Henderson '24, Mike Hobbs '24, Nick Leet '26, Betsy Oliver '26, Brian Reed '24, Allen Spetnagel (chair) '24, Velma Tilley '24, John Tirrill '25, Rebekah Close LeMon (pastoral advisor)

Visitors: Susan Iwanicki

I. Current Activity Report

The Stories We Tell presented by Rev. Dr. Sarah Bogue of The Candler Foundry.

76 registrants attended the in person classes.

The online video of Rev. Dr. Bogue's second class in this series is the most viewed Trinity video to date.

Speaking of Faith continues through the end of June, highlighting the faith journeys of Trinity members.

The Trinity Library database software has been updated and Adult Ed. is continuing to make plans for promoting and improving the library.

II. Upcoming and New Project Report

September 17 – October 22

The Bible and Race in America: Dr. Joel Kemp from Candler Foundry is presenting. This is excellent material leading up to our Kittrell lecture.

Foundations: Two session class on "Presbyterians 101"

October 29 – November 19

Book Study on Love Your Enemies by Arthur Brooks. This is a church-wide event leading up to our Kittrell lecture and then debriefing following it.

December 3–December 17

Cuba: Class on the History of Cuba, Challenges and Celebrations of contemporary Cuba, and Trinity member experiences on our Cuba mission Trip.

Advent Bible Study class

III. Motions for Session: None.

Children and Family Ministries (“CFM”)

COMMITTEE REPORT for April 2023

VISION STATEMENT: Making God’s Love Visible

With the Spirit’s guidance, we seek to provide opportunities for the children of TPC to play, learn, grow and serve. Programs/activities of CFM seek to nurture: Faith in Christ, Wonder in God, Curiosity for God’s Word, and Hearts for Mission. CFM prays that our children, with the help of their families and the family of God, will integrate faith throughout their lives so that they may become mature, committed and joyful disciples.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP: Kenny Kraft (Chair) Bonnie Holliday (Elder), Tom Adams, Jr. (Elder), Jim Groover, John Morris, Lauren Hitchens, Elizabeth Davis, Andrew Esqueda, Karen Bain, Louise Timmons, Erin Kendall, Leslie Hall.

Elizabeth Davis gave a wonderful recap of some of the CFM Highlights from March and April.

1. Easter Egg Hunts

- We had ~30 attendees at the Friday March 31 Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt and Parent Happy Hour for 2nd and 5th graders, which included a service project from Intown Collaborative Ministries
- Similarly, our Saturday Egg Hunt & Family Breakfast on April 1 was well attended with ~120 attendees who joined us for a breakfast from Flying Biscuit and a short Easter lesson before the indoor egg hunt
- Thanks to the many CFM volunteers who helped with these events

2. Lent Book Giveaway – Notes from Jesus

- This year, we gave away this book resource which were made available to families throughout the Lenten season in multiple locations at the church
- Overall, we gave out nearly 200 books which families used to read lessons at home to help prepare for Easter Sunday
- This idea was exceptionally well received and we will seek to find more opportunities to give families home resources to facilitate worship and reflection

Next, Kenny highlighted the big picture events being planned for the upcoming church year! Overall, we have a substantially similar event calendar planned with a kickoff in August, Engagement fair in late August/early September, Sunday school beginning in September, Caroling and Drive Thru Pageant in their usual December slots with Pancake race, egg hunts in Lent. We will also be planning to involve more members in our messy church events, which will be spread throughout the year.

Next, Kenny and Elizabeth led a discussion on new curriculum plans. We have been using “Grow Kids” for the last 2 or 3 years which really helped us tie in Foundations Class lessons (and

lesson plans were fairly turnkey for volunteer teachers). We also discussed the Foundations classes to map to our new curriculum.

Lastly, we discussed budget enhancements to the new church year which are to be used for the pageant and more book initiatives like our Notes from Jesus resource. And we closed with an update on our search for new members, to be included in our May social gathering.

Kenny closed the meeting with prayer, the meeting was adjourned.

MOTIONS FOR SESSION VOTE

None

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Our May meeting was social in nature. The Kraft family hosted a dinner at their home for all members including our four new committee members joining us for the upcoming year.

We welcomed these new members: Dominic DeMichina, Ashley Scott, Alice Strachan, and Margaret NeSmith.

Over dinner, we each shared a bit about our backgrounds and what excites us about CFM. Rebekah LeMon joined us to help facilitate a discussion around the strategic direction of the church and how our children will play an integral role in our community.

We engaged in a fulsome and lively discussion around how to best promote intergenerational worship opportunities (including Bingo, Messy Church and service projects). We discussed ways to better involve our children in our church mission.

Lastly, Elizabeth provided an update on VBS and our newly formed Baby welcoming outreach initiative.

The meeting concluded in prayer and will be the last meeting for CFM until August.

MOTIONS FOR SESSION VOTE

None

Communications – June 2023 Report

Vision Statement: Making God's Love Visible

Committee Purpose: By improving the methods and means of communication, the Communications Committee's work supports and allows Trinity to live into its 8 Core Values - Welcome Intentionally, Worship Creatively, Care Compassionately, Learn Purposefully, Gather Joyfully, Serve Wholeheartedly, Lead Humbly, or Give Generously.

Committee Chair: Mary Kelly Speed

I. Current Activity Report:

Website/Social Media/Podcasts	<p>Emily Beaver and Phil Hawkins also have assumed responsibility for the website and social media. Greengate is currently doing a website audit under a reduced contract.</p> <p>Phil has created a new YouTube channel which houses sermons (live and past), adult education, chancel choir, youth videos. More content to be added. Trinity Atlanta - YouTube</p> <p>Podcasts of past sermons have been uploaded to all major platforms.</p>	
A/V/L/B	<p>A/V volunteers are still needed to fill Sunday spots.</p> <p>The monitors at 5 Points and the Welcome Center have been uploaded with informational content. Two additional monitors to be placed in the D Building and The Commons.</p> <p>Working with the Weddings and Funeral Committees to establish a filming/streaming wedding/funeral policy.</p>	On-going
Internal Communications	<p>Conduct a software audit, with recommendations for server/cloud storage options.</p> <p>Assist in developing an email strategy for external @trinityatlanta.org communications.</p> <p>Evaluate database alternatives and migrate from ACS.</p>	September 1, 2023

		3 rd Q 2023/ 1 st Q 2024
Digital Media	Assist the new Digital Media Specialist, Phil Hawkins, with developing a digital media strategy.	On-going
Special Projects	Congregational Life continues archiving a portion of Heritage Room. Offer opportunities for photographing members for ACS database updates.	On-going Photos/updates were taken at the May BBQ.

II. ACS/ChurchLife App:

Communications will be available at the Engagement Fair in August, and possibly other church events throughout 2023, to continue to update members' information and/or photos.

Please remember you can also do this at home. **Update your information on MyTrinity!**
<https://trinityatlanta.org/discover-trinity/session-leadership/>

[If you are having trouble with your MyTrinity App, please go to the main website \(www.trinityatlanta.org\) and reset your password. This new password should then allow you to sign into the app.](https://trinityatlanta.org/discover-trinity/session-leadership/)

III. REMINDERS FOR SESSION MEMBERS:

- Session Committee Chairs Communications Request Process:
 - Complete Jotform <https://form.jotform.com/220555131982151> (bookmark, also housed under "Session" on website).
 - Email ideas/questions to communications@trinityatlanta.org.
 - Assign committee member to photograph/video event. Share via communications@trinityatlanta.org or ebeaver@trinityatlanta.org
- **Follow/Like/Share Trinity on**
 - **YouTube** ([Trinity Atlanta - YouTube](#))
 - **Facebook** (<https://www.facebook.com/trinityatlanta/>)
 - **Instagram** (<https://www.instagram.com/trinitypresatlanta/?hl=en>)
 - **Twitter** (<https://www.instagram.com/trinitypresatlanta/?hl=en>)!

IV. Motions for Session Vote: None

Pastors' Aid May 2023 Report

Vision Statement: Making God's Love Visible

Committee Purpose:

The Pastor's Aid Committee is a subcommittee of Congregational Care and provides support to the families of Trinity, especially when they are ill, homebound, bereaved or marking life's milestones.

Committee Co-Chair(s):

Anne Snyder and Elsie Henderson

Committee Membership:

There are currently forty+ members on the committee, with varying degrees of participation. The Pastor who leads Congregational Care participates in the meetings.

V. Current Activity Report:

Receptions:

May 7: A reception for the retirement of Paige Keller as the head of Trinity Preschool was held after the 11:00 service.

19 birthday cards were sent to members 80 and older.

3 bereavement notes were sent.

7 Notes of Get Well and Encouragement.

Flowers were delivered to: Mary Gossett, Marsh King, Phyllis and Ned Bishop (donors), Lucy Westney, Lu Allgood, Jim Dickensheets, Rebekah Lemon in recognition of one year anniversary, Marguerite York, Anita Adams, Ginny Pick, and Andrew Esquedas and family.

Upcoming & New Project Report:

- Silver polishing event will take place during the summer.

VI. Motions for Session Vote: None

STEPHEN MINISTRY

COMMITTEE REPORT for June 2023

VISION STATEMENT: Making God's Love Visible

Stephen Ministry seeks to follow Christ by preparing lay ministers who commit to one-on-one relationships with members of our congregation who have asked for help during a difficult time.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Scott Calhoun, Paul Marston, Cindy Stancil, Carlton Segrest, Miranda Segrest

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

There are **28** active Stephen Ministers with several Stephen Ministers on Sabbatical or designated as being inactive.

I. CURRENT ACTIVITY REPORT

At our June meetings, we discussed a new resource book from Stephen Ministry titled The Gift of Empathy. The book focuses on how to practice empathy when engaged in a relationship with other people. The first half of the book reinforces and develops several concepts presented in our Stephen Ministry training modules. We had a robust discussion and look forward to completing our discussion of the remainder of the book at our July meetings.

Seven Stephen Ministers now have confidential care receivers. Several relationships have reached closure over the past several months and others are on the verge of closing. A number of Stephen Ministers remain active in the Visitation Ministry as well.

II. UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

In July, the Stephen Leaders will hold their annual planning session/retreat. We look forward to having Tom Farmer join us to help provide guidance for planning the year ahead. Our biggest challenge remains finding enough appropriate care receivers to match up with our talented Stephen Ministers so that we can provide the kind of one-on-one, confidential, Christian caregiving we have been trained to share. Information about the ministry is readily available and mentioned in church-wide communications, and a dedicated email address allows congregation members to reach out directly to request a Stephen Minister. The Leaders continue to work with staff to develop strategies for creating greater awareness and opportunities to provide caring ministry. We continue to be grateful for the support and guidance from the pastoral staff, especially from Rebekah and most notably, Tom Farmer.

III. MOTIONS FOR SESSION VOTE - None

Membership Committee Report – June 20, 2023

Vision Statement: Welcome Intentionally and Gather Joyfully

Purpose/Mission

The Membership Committee's purpose is to

- **create welcoming spaces for visitors and guests to Trinity,**
- **engage new members fully in the life and work of Trinity,**
- **strengthen the relationships between Trinity members, and**
- **engage members in the full congregational life of Trinity Church.**

Members: **Ginny Hobbs, Shirley Davis**, Co-Chairs; Janet Edwards, **Chris Betts, Wardlyn Bassler**, Amanda Jackson, **Barbara Stevenson, Reid Willingham, Saralyn Bell**, Miles Cline, **Bill Jaynes**, Elizabeth Scholz; Staff Leadership: **Lucy Strong**; those highlighted were present at an end of year dinner June 12, 2023.

Meeting Highlights:

Call Campaign

We had a great update from Wardlyn on the Call Campaign. While we are still waiting on few more callers to finish calls, overall, this has been a huge success. Thank you all for taking on this time commitment and good work. We've received details on information that needs to be updated and good feedback on other areas of the church. Thank you Wardlyn for keeping this project rolling.

Engagement Fair

The Engagement Fair is on track. Remember to mark your calendar for August 27th.

New Member Mentors

We spoke briefly about ways to update the mentor /sponsor program for new members. Lucy plans to connect with people who joined over the past few years and see what the mentor program looked like for them and get feedback on what might have been helpful. More to come at the August meeting.

And...committee logistics:

Committee Structure

Since we are a new committee, we are still building out committee structures.

Starting next year, we will have a rotating class structure with 4 people in each class rolling off each year. Right now, we do not have anyone rolling off the committee this year. Lucy asked if anyone needed to step away from the committee to let her know.

Committee Chair

Reid Willingham will be stepping in as Chair of Membership. Thank you, Reid.

And many thanks to Ginny and Shirley who got this committee up off the ground and laid a beautiful foundation for future work. Reid and Lucy will be in contact later in July with meeting dates and times for the 2023-2024 year.

New Committee Members

Welcome to Mary Kelly Speed. Mary Kelly is joining our committee as an elder from session. She will bring a great deal of knowledge on how we can better use the database, as well as, thinking through how we create a welcoming environment for our guests, new members, and current members of Trinity.

Thank you to everyone for a first full-year of a working membership committee.

Submitted by Ginny Hobbs

Personnel Committee Session Report

June 2023

Vision Statement Making God's Love

Visible Committee Purpose:

The Personnel Committee is charged with stewardship of the human resources of Trinity Presbyterian Church. It is responsible for maintaining a non-discriminatory work environment where the Clergy and Staff called to Trinity can do their jobs in a way that glorifies God and meets the needs of a vibrant and growing faith community. The committee reviews and assures, annually, in consultation with the Head of Staff and Finance Committee, that the organization and staffing model is consistent with the balance of the church's missions, fully cost effective, and within our financial capacity.

Committee Chairs: Elizabeth Borland, Chair

Committee Members: Mickey Benn, Elizabeth Borland, Alex Erwin, Bonnie Holliday, Hunt Jackson, Amy Krause, Ann Speer, Drew Timmons

I. Current Activity Report:

- Heather Edmiston, Director of Finance and Administration, and Erin Carey, Director of TPP, began their full-time employment in early June.
- Two coordinator / administration positions remain unfilled and under evaluation as Leadership evaluates remaining gaps after assimilation of recent new hires. The Communications Director position similarly is on hold, pending evaluation of what Phil Hawkins and Emily Beaver are able to cover as they continue working together. We remain understaffed for a church of our membership size, but expect to make decision on further staffing needs by end of August.
- The Personnel Committee welcomed new members Drew Timmons and Hunt Jackson, along with Alex Erwin who is filling the remainder of David Carr's term. The Committee is appreciative of the fine work of retiring members Janet Reed, Mary Kelly Speed, and Brian Williams and resigning member David Carr.

II. Upcoming and New Projects Report:

- Revisioning for remaining ministry assistant roles to cover Worship & Music, Engagement, Education and Commitment.
- Evaluating coverage of tactical and strategic responsibilities of Communications.

III. Motions for Session Vote: None.

Worship and Music Committee Report – June 2023 **(From meeting held June 7, 2023 – attendees in bold)**

Worship and Music Ministry Mission Statement

The Worship and Music Ministry assists the Session and staff in providing and supporting worship which glorifies God by challenging the mind, nourishing the spirit, honoring tradition, demonstrating liturgical depth, exercising creativity in its use of music and the arts, and addressing the needs of individuals and families. (2016)

Committee Chair:

Roxanna Erwin (Session)

Committee Membership:

Caroline Brown, Carol Comstock, Meredith Daniel (Session), Dorsey Farr, Rebekah Groover, Patti Heinz, Jim Hinkle, Jan Irvin, Rebekah LeMon (Staff), Norman Mackenzie (Staff), Ruth Marston, Mary Fleming Riley, Cissy Smith, Debbie Stair

I. Current Activity Report

Roxanna expressed our gratitude for the contributions that Cissy and Patti have made to the Worship and Music committee for so many years and welcomed Debbie Stair to the committee as she takes over from Cissy as chair of the Wedding committee. Rebekah Groover will also be joining the committee as her Session committee assignment.

Comments from Rebekah LeMon

- Rebekah remarked that there have been a lot of “high holy days” recently including her installation and Lucy Strong’s installation.
- Rebekah is looking for wisdom from this committee and wants to spend less time looking backward and wants to use committee time as an outlet to share vision ideas.
- More thought is being given to potential evening worship in the chapel. She mentioned three goals – To provide a different worship experience that elevates silence; To provide for music that is harder to weave into the morning services; To provide a worship opportunity for people who travel during the week.
- As for the 9 and 11 o’clock Sunday services, she would like to take the strengths of each and better integrate the two.
- The master calendar for the coming year has been completed.
- Rebekah appreciates Norman’s welcoming of the LeMon family and Joel will play the trumpet in worship on Sunday, June 11.

Comments from Norman Mackenzie

- Norman says this is an exciting time for this faith community. He looks for to different kinds of worship and bringing some things back like the arts festival.
- There are two big weddings coming up – Merritt and McRae. Happy occasions for all.
- There are links available now on the Trinity website to register for Children/Youth choir and Chancel choir.
- He is gratified that attendance numbers are inching up towards pre-pandemic numbers.
- Several events are planned for this summer:
 - In July or August here will be a chamber recital in the chapel and Norman will play the organ.

- The first Sunday in August will feature a hymn sing. Members will be able to suggest hymns and they will be worked into the liturgical framework.
- In August, there will be a vocal and instrumental recital in the chapel, featuring, Norman Mackenzie, Katherine Murray, mezzo-soprano and Jonathan Pilkington, tenor, piano, guitar and viola. The centerpiece of the program is a colorful work by English composer Benjamin Britten: *Abraham and Isaac*.
- Our two bell choirs, The Westminster Ringers for adults and the Hosanna Ringers for elementary children, will both begin rehearsing again this fall.

At-Large Member for Committee – Roxanna Erwin & Rebekah

- Rebekah is going to invite Susan Foxworth Hamilton to join the Worship and Music committee. She and her family are involved in both Sunday Services.

II. Upcoming & New Project Report:

Evening Chapel Services – See Comments from Rebekah LeMon (above)

Summer Musical Events – See Comments from Norman Mackenzie (above)

Engagement Fair – Roxanna Erwin & Meredith Daniel

The Trinity Engagement Fair will be on Sunday August 27 at 8:45-9:45 and 10:45-Noon. Meredith brought the revised brochure to the June meeting for people to take home to review. The membership committee will provide Signup Genius support for recruitment of table volunteers.

Open Forum

- Our digital specialist, Phil, has created a clear link on our website to previous worship services. He has created a YouTube landing page which looks like our website and archived music is there. He has plans to provide sermons as podcasts.
- Rebekah said that it is an aspiration to have a monthly gathering around a meal with a reason to come such as “Dinner & Learn.” These events would be intergenerational.
- Hollies have been planted in the memorial garden to help mask the construction next door. The horticulture specialist at Oakland Cemetery will be evaluating our memorial garden space for suggestions on how to go forward with this sacred space.
- It was noted that new “Reserved” pew markers are needed as the old ones fall off.

Upcoming Schedule/Events:

June 4 – Communion; 10:00 a.m. worship in Sanctuary

June 7 – Worship & Music Ministry Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. B-108

June 11- Baptism; 10:00 a.m. worship in Sanctuary

July 2 – Communion; 10:00 a.m. worship

July 9 – Baptism; 10:00 a.m. worship

August 2 - Worship & Music Ministry Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. B-108

August 6 – Communion; 10:00 a.m. worship with Hymn Sing

August 13 – Baptism; 10:00 a.m. worship

August 27 – One service @ 10:00 a.m.; Engagement Fair from 8:45 – 9:45 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. – noon

III. Motions for Session Vote: None

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN PRESCHOOL

VISION STATEMENT:

The mission of Trinity Presbyterian Preschool (“TPP” or the “Preschool”) is to provide a faith-based education in a safe family like environment. By encouraging curiosity, exploration, and learning we seek to nurture each child’s head, hands, and heart. We work cooperatively with parents to understand the uniqueness of each child and provide an environment where rules are consistent but also adaptable to the needs of the individual.

COMMITTEE/BOARD:

Class of 2023

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** Voting Members*

Permanent Members

Executive Director of TPP – Laura (interim)
Associate Pastor for Family Ministries of TPC - Andrew Esqueda aesqueda@trinityatlanta.org

CURRENT ACTIVITY REPORT

May 16, 2023- Monthly Meeting

- New ED – Laura reported that Erin visited the staff recently and they all really liked her and she seemed very comfortable. It was a very positive experience. Her official start date is June 1. McKinley reported that Erin attended a parent event and she was very personable and did a great job interacting with all the parents in attendance. They seem excited by her bio and comments by those in the community that know her. Erin hasn’t met with the Parent Council yet, but will be at the Trinity Vacation Bible school. Andrew will keep the Board updated on how we can support her in the transition.

- Finance. – Grace is preparing a draft budget for next year – and confirming enrollments during this process. The new Trinity Finance Administrator is coming on and Korey will be part time soon. Andrew stated that TPP has about \$200K in reserves and the TPP Board should consider how to best leverage these funds. Need to do some Strategic Planning in the coming year.
- 2023-2024 Board Roster – Betsy thanked Ashley Cotey for a great job for early Board recruitment, which happened in Jan/Feb this year. The new upcoming members are the following: Chrissy McLain (Parents Council Liaison), Dean Cleveland, Paige Todd, Caroline Westphal and Bridget Vogelhuber.
Those Board members rolling off were thanked for their service: Ashley Cotey, Josh Aaronson, Jessica Heberton, Tom Owens, and Grace Powers.
Melissa McFaddin will stay on as a Teacher Liaison. This will help fill a communication gap and boost confidence between the Board and teachers.
- Director's Report: (Laura)
The last few weeks have felt upbeat and smooth with more parents coming into the gym in the mornings.
Enrollment update: All but 2 kids in the 3's class are coming back and have paid. Still working on the Toddler classes. There are 13 PreK enrollments. So there will be 2 classes with 6/7 students. Andrew and Grace reviewing all enrollments but they look stable and expected. The church will put up an enrollment sign soon.
Teacher Contracts: All teacher contracts are signed. Ms. Katie will be the new Specials Teacher. There will now be a Permanent sub and Teacher Support position. Melissa McFaddin will be leading the 3's. All of this will be communicated to parents and should boost confidence and excitement for next year.

MOTIONS FOR SESSION VOTE: NONE