

# STEWARDSHIP

## What Is Per Capita ?



PER CAPITA is “the tie that binds” — annual support that unites the entire church in the ongoing and essential work that guides the Office of the General Assembly, the life of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and benefits every congregation and every mid council ministry. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, the Office of the General Assembly encourages the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to be a people of hope ~

Seeking together the mind of Christ;

Working for justice and mercy in the world; and

Participating in God’s continual reformation of the church.

Stewardship is discipleship at its finest because it calls us to use all that God has entrusted to our care: time, talents, money, and other resources. Stewardship calls us to not only "talk the talk" but to "walk the walk" with our faith. It puts our money where our mouth is, not just Sunday mornings but every day of the week.

**Stewardship is a way of life.**

Per capita provides the Office of the General Assembly with the means to strengthen the connections of our work, and build lasting relationships to help all Presbyterians share God’s love through mission and ministry.

- : Partnering with ecumenical bodies worldwide to promote Christian unity to extend the church’s work for peace and justice far beyond what we can do ourselves including the National Council of Churches of Christ, the World Council of Churches and the World Communion of Reformed Churches
- : Witnessing on behalf of the church on social issues
- : Providing opportunities to build relationships and strengthen bonds across communities
- : Providing support in identifying and developing leadership for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
- : Planning for General Assembly and other related gatherings
- : Providing funding to bring commissioners to General Assembly
- : Providing funding to bring presbyteries, synods and congregations together for training and other events
- : Administering the Church Leadership Connection — a referral system for all Presbyterian church leaders
- : Supporting Mid Council Ministries
- : Introducing *Hands and Feet* — coordinating mission teams and other resources to make a lasting difference in the lives of host communities for the biennial General Assembly
- : Publishing and distributing of the *Book of Order* and the *Book of Confessions*
- : Addressing issues of inclusion and representation across the church
- : Offering advice and counsel to presbyteries and pastors who have immigration questions
- : Supporting a portion of the activities of the Presbyterian Mission Agency
- : Maintaining judicial services
- : Providing staffing, training and meeting costs for a wide-range of permanent and special General Assembly committees and commissions essential to the governance of the church
- : Serving as the home for the Presbyterian Historical Society

# OUR PASTOR'S THOUGHTS



Earlier this summer, Trinity's Session voted to become a **Matthew 25 congregation**. The Matthew 25 Initiative is a denomination-wide invitation to actively engage in the world around us, so our faith comes alive and we wake up to new possibilities. Convicted by Matthew 25: 31-46, both the 222nd and 223rd General Assemblies (2016 and 2018) exhorted the PC(USA) to act boldly and compassionately to serve people who are hungry, oppressed, imprisoned or poor.

The themes of the Matthew 25 invitation are grounded in the gospel. Jesus calls us to serve with and for "the least of these" — not as a group to be pitied, but as people who are deeply loved by Jesus. The three core values or focuses of Matthew 25 are:

**Building congregational vitality** by challenging members to deepen and energize their faith and grow as joyful leaders and disciples actively engaged with their community.

**Dismantling structural racism** by fearlessly applying our faith to advocate and break down the systems, practices and thinking that underlie discrimination, bias, prejudice and oppression of people of color.

**Eradicating systemic poverty** by acting on our beliefs and working to change laws, policies, plans and structures in our society that perpetuate economic exploitation of people who are poor.

The Session believes that these values of Matthew 25 align perfectly with the ongoing mission of Trinity. By being a Matthew 25 church, we demonstrate our commitment to following Jesus and working for a more just, peaceful, and vibrant world.

I will be preaching on "Being a Matthew 25 Congregation" on September 12, 19, and 24. I look forward to seeing you in church or on the livestream as we explore how Jesus is calling Trinity to serve the least of these.

Grace and peace, Rev. Meredith



## Reformation Worship Service

The Topeka Presbyterian Churches will celebrate the Reformation together with a Reformation Worship service on Sunday, October 31, at 10:30a.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 817 SW Harrison Street.

Rev. K.O. Noonoo from Westminster Presbyterian Church will be the preacher. Choir members from all the congregations will combine for a joint anthem. More details are forthcoming!

# SESSION - AUGUST 18, 2021

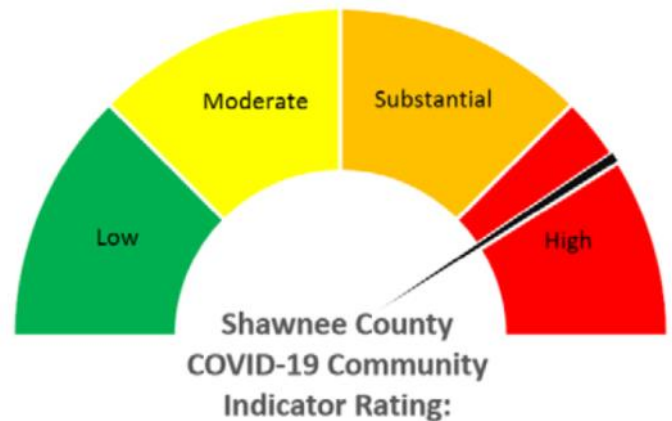


## UPDATE TO COVID PROTOCOLS MASK REQUIREMENT

At the August 18 Session Meeting, the Session voted unanimously to require masks while in the building.

This mask requirement includes Sunday School and Worship and is effective immediately.

The Session will continue to evaluate COVID case numbers and will make recommendations based on current data.



**LIGHTS...  
CAMERAS...  
ACTION!!!**

**CALLING ALL SHUTTERBUGS, VIDEOGRAPHERS,  
PHOTOJOURNALISTS, PAPAZZO, EDITORS, AND PHOTOGRAPHERS.**

Trinity Presbyterian is SEARCHING for someone to (ideally volunteer) assist us with adding some new images and videos to our Website which will be undergoing some desired updates over the summer, and more in the coming months.

If you, a friend, or someone in your family, are of the photography or video world, we would LOVE to speak with you about utilizing your skills and services.

For more information and details, please contact Michael Langfitt of the Outreach Committee at [MLangf2300@gmail.com](mailto:MLangf2300@gmail.com), or 785-845-2761.

This is a unique opportunity to share, enhance, or showcase your skills and talents for the betterment of our Church.



# THANK YOU

Thank you for all the wonderful get well cards and best wishes. I have read them all at least twice and try to picture the author's face and where you would be sitting during services. I was warned that this would be a long recovery and so far they were right. I hope to be back in church soon. **Jurahee Shriver**

## PRAYER CONCERNS as of August 29, 2021

Audrey & Jacob Barnard  
Carolyn Burns  
Cheryl Lindstrom  
Chuck Pullen  
Doug & Karen Meenen and family on the death of Doug's foster brother, Bill West  
Helen Rhodes  
John Eddy  
Joyce Adcock  
Jessie Zimmerman  
Jurahee Shriver  
Jim Jenkins  
Kay Wildman  
Marjorie Marrs  
Marilyn Leinacker  
Marilyn Watt  
Olive Ubel  
Pat Thomblison & Kathleen Thompson  
Pam Oroke  
Rose Fritz  
Ruth Jenkins  
Virginia Pelton  
Wanda Sorber  
Our troops overseas  
Becky Jones' friends, Janice Pechacek & Cheryl Arney; Becky Schooler's sister-in-law, Jill; Carol Shannahan's friend, Lise Marie, & friend, Janet; Brad Stipcak's mother Beverly, brother Brett, sister-in-law Jaime Stipcak and nephew Riley Stipcak; Carmen Raines' friend, Mark and family friend, Gage; Carolyn Burns' great nephew-in-law, Danny Baker, & sister-in-law, Carol Jessop; Carrie & Art Lancaster's daughter, Grace Ray;

Cathy Headworth's aunt, Jniece Bell; Doug Meenen's foster brother, Bill West; Elise (Higgins') friend; Katy Everitt; Iris Neuenswander's sister, Rosalee; Jaron Marcus' mother, Sherilyn; Kay & Ralph Howard's stepbrother, Max Hall, nephew in-law Doug; Kay Wildman's niece, Renee Wohletz; Lettie Karlson's friend, K.C; Maddie Mellies' stepfather, Dave Leinweber; Marilyn Leinacker's daughter, Lisa; Mary Nestor's sister-in-law, Susan Nestor and sister, Kay Fessler; Nelson Spaulding's daughter, Deborah Harris; Ruth & Jim Jenkins' great niece, Kaila, friend, Laura Louna, brother-in-law, Jim, sister, Donna's grandson, Chase, friends JP & Peter, and great niece & husband, Michelle & Tony; Toni Farrell-Higgins' mother, Loretta Farrell; Wendy Pullen and her sister, Shannon: Zimmerman family





# Happy Birthday

- 1-Sep Stan McAdoo
- 2-Sep Art Lancaster
- 3-Sep Madeline Snepp
- 6-Sep Camryn Baldwin
- 8-Sep Cade Schoffelman
- 8-Sep Galen Whipple
- 9-Sep Jace Raines
- 10-Sep Cynthia Ndungu
- 11-Sep Peggy McAdoo
- 12-Sep Jon Farrell-Higgins
- 13-Sep Connie Hubbell
- 14-Sep Cambria Raines
- 14-Sep Doug Meenen
- 15-Sep Riley Voigt
- 15-Sep Brayden Smelser
- 16-Sep Jeremy Thoman
- 16-Sep Dana Schoffelman
- 18-Sep Jack Hachiya
- 20-Sep Michael Hampton
- 20-Sep Judy Messenger
- 22-Sep Karen Meenen
- 23-Sep Becky Crowl
- 24-Sep Bob Fincham
- 25-Sep Shane Ahrens
- 26-Sep Joann Hurt
- 27-Sep Devan Headworth
- 29-Sep David Shriver
- 30-Sep Kent Lathrop

# Happy Anniversary

- 4-Sep Karen & Mike Dove
- 6-Sep Kent Lathrop & Becky Bollinger
- 9-Sep Jaron & Qiyao Marcus
- 10-Sep Tyler & Kelly Kuhn
- 12-Sep Doug & Karen Meenen

## 2021 In-Person Worship Attendance

August 1	63
August 8	71
August 15	74
August 22	57

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

In the coming weeks, the Nominating Committee will begin seeking nominations for Elders, Deacons, Endowment Committee Members, and Nominating Committee Members.

The Committee asks you to think about serving in one of these capacities. If someone talks to you about filling one of these positions, please prayerfully consider your answer.

The members of the Nominating Committee are: Marvin Burris-Chair, Cathy Armstrong, Pat Thomblison, Kari Hachiya, Becky Bollinger and Laura Sidlinger.

## In Loving Memory

J. RICKS

7-21-2021

DAVIE SCHEER JR.

7-21-2021

# ON “OUR” DOORSTEP

Trinity has supported Doorstep for many years with regular donations to the food and clothing bank as well as occasional volunteer hours in the clothing room. The ministry and mission of Doorstep continues the same, but there are new focuses. Here is a sample of new program efforts at Doorstep.

**Impact Avenues** is a program through the City of Topeka that helps homeless families with at least one school aged child. After the family completes a series of classes, they are placed in a home. Doorstep helps with household & kitchen items, bedding, towels, lamps, and other items when the family is placed into their new home. Doorstep may also provide rent assistance, gas vouchers, utility assistance, car repairs, food, clothing and more.

Items needed to best help these families are: (Gently used, not new)

- Queen & Twin comforters and blankets
- Pillows (new preferred)
- Small Household Appliances – toasters, mixers, coffee pots, etc.
- Curtains, Silverware, Lamps

**MAP (Mobile Access Partnership)** is truly a community effort. Valeo and Topeka Rescue Mission (TRM) have partnered to provide a food trailer, a health trailer from Stormont Vail, and now a Shower & Laundry Trailer. The trailers move within the city each week to allow people who are homeless or in need the opportunity for a shower, laundry services or bathrooms. Some of our member congregations are host locations for the trailers. With donations of socks and underwear from TRM and a variety of clothing sizes from Doorstep people accessing the showers can have a new set of socks and underwear to put on afterwards. Doorstep continues to stock our clothing room for clients who need that service;. All of these items come from donations brought to Doorstep by our member congregations and the community at-large. Doorstep volunteers and the staff feel very proud to be a part of this wonderful new service.

Items we currently need to help MAP are: (Gently used)

- Men's Jeans: Waist Sizes 30, 32, 40 and 42
- Men's & Women's Shorts – All Sizes
- Women's Sun/Summer Slip-on Dresses – Sizes Large, X-Large and XX-Large

Doorstep Continuing Basic Needs:

- Hygiene Kit Items: Shampoo, Conditioner, Razors, Body Lotion & Hair Brushes
- Baby Wipes
- Food: Vegetable Soup, Egg Noodles, Jelly, Canned Fruit, Ramen Noodles, Pancake Mix & Syrup.

**Donations may be deposited in Trinity's Mission boxes in the narthex or delivered to Doorstep - 1119 SW 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue (10<sup>th</sup> & Buchanan), South Door, Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays from 9am – 2pm.**

## Doorstep Update - September, 2021

The **4th Annual Neighbor Helping Neighbor Walk/5K Fun Run** is set for **Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2pm**, at Lake Shawnee is Doorstep's ONLY fundraiser for 2021 – traditional fundraisers such as Operation Soup Line, the Annual Banquet, the Quilt Drawing and tamale sales could not happen due to COVID.

To guarantee an event t-shirt, registrations must be received by September 14<sup>th</sup>. Without a t-shirt, registrations will be accepted through the event day. One child age 10 & under can walk for free (t-shirt extra) with one paid adult. Registration is \$30 per person or get sponsors to cover your fee and donate to Doorstep. Forms will be available at Trinity OR go to the website [www.DoorstepTopeka.org](http://www.DoorstepTopeka.org) and click on the Events tab to print off a registration or sponsor form.

Trinity has not participated in this event directly in recent years because Deacon Oroke organized and directed a walk for Trinity participants only. Deacon and Pam were tireless volunteers for Doorstep. Let's make an appearance at this event in their honor and memory.

## **Summer Meal Program Update**

The Summer Food Service Program has provided meals to children when school is not in session for over 50 years. Trinity was able to assist with this program for the first time this summer. Nearly 700 meal bags containing 7 breakfasts and 7 lunches were provided to area families representing 4,900 breakfasts and lunches.



Walkers and runners are invited to participate in our 4th Annual

## Neighbor Helping Neighbor Walk/5K Fun Run

A Fundraiser for Doorstep, Inc.

**Location:** Lake Shawnee Shelter Houses 1 & 2, West Edge Road

**Date:** Sunday, October 3, 2021

**Check-In & Late Registration:** 1:00PM to 1:45PM

**Time:** One Mile Walk & 5K Fun Run to begin at 2:00PM

### Celebrity Starter for the Walk/Run is:

Chris Fisher ~ WIBW-TV

If the event becomes impacted by COVID-19 restrictions, we will make the event virtual.

Snacks & drinks will be provided at the finish of the Walk/5K Fun Run in the shelter house.

Enjoy ~ Cookies, granola bars, fresh fruit, juice, and water

**One Mile Walk/5K Fun Run Registration is Due by September 14, 2021  
to Guarantee an event t-shirt!**

**Late & Event Day Registrations Accepted.** (T-shirt not guaranteed)

The registration cost is \$30 for individuals or pledges (\$30 minimum).

One registered child age 10 & under can walk for FREE with a paid adult. (T-shirt extra)

T-shirt included with \$30 registration fee or on total pledges of \$100+. Registrations received after September 14th will not be guaranteed a t-shirt.

Go to [www.DoorstepTopeka.org](http://www.DoorstepTopeka.org) (under the Events Tab) to register online or for registration/sponsor forms.



Thank you to our sponsors:



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**Kansas**



# SIGNIFICANT RELATIONAL GROUPS

## WEEKLY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Join us as we gather together to fellowship and have fun with family and friends!



Fall Sunday School Programs  
For Adult, Youth, & Children  
9:30am In-Person & ZOOM  
(begins Sept 12)

Worship Service for All  
10:30am  
Sanctuary

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Sticks 'N String  
1:30pm  
Parlor or ZOOM

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Tuesdays with the Word  
9:00am  
Dialogue Coffee Shop

Line Dance Lessons  
10:00pm  
Fellowship Hall  
(begins Sept 14)

Low Impact Aerobics  
4:00pm  
Rm's 13 & 14



Square Dance Lessons  
7:00pm  
Fellowship Hall  
(begins Sept 15)

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Yoga for the Young at Heart  
5:00pm  
Rms 13 & 14

Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
6:30pm  
Sanctuary

Heritage Choir Rehearsal  
7:30pm  
Sanctuary



Page Turners Book Study  
1:30pm  
Thornton Place Chapel

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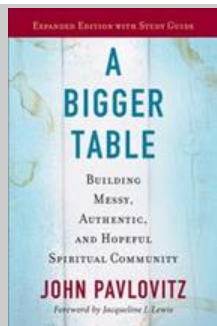
Check Trinity's online calendar for a full listing of events, meetings and group activities. Just go to [www.trinitypresbyterian.net](http://www.trinitypresbyterian.net) to access the calendar and much more!



(Clip this page and hang it on your refrigerator. Add more to it as events are announced!)



## PAGE TURNERS FRIDAY BOOK STUDY



Page Turners is starting a new book, *A Bigger Table: Building Messy Authentic, and Hopeful Spiritual Community* by John Pavlovitz. We are continuing to meet in person at Thornton Place in the Chapel on second floor on Fridays at 1:30pm. Thornton Place is off of 29th and behind Hy-Vee (2901 West Armstrong). Text or call Carrie Lancaster with questions

## TUESDAYS WITH THE WORD

Tuesday mornings at 9:00am. This is a Zoom fellowship and Bible study time with Pastor Mere. We use the **Wired Word** as a resource. Join us! Email Pastor Mere at: [Meredith@trinitypresbyterian.net](mailto:Meredith@trinitypresbyterian.net) to get a ZOOM invitation.



# WELCOME BACK SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 12TH

The Adult CE Committee has been busy planning the new Sunday School year for Adults.

Please plan to attend Sunday School on September 12<sup>th</sup> in Fellowship Hall as we kick off the year with guest speaker Dr. Alan Bearman from Washburn University.

He is a Professor of History and the Dean of University Libraries and the Center for Student Success and Retention at Washburn University. Dr. Bearman will be speaking on the Ichabod Success Institute.



This program is designed to assist first time direct-from-high school students prepare for a successful transition into Washburn University.



Please come and join us to hear about this program and its positive impact on students in our community. Looking forward to seeing everyone, meeting new people and learning more about this exciting program at Washburn University!

Everyone is invited to join us. Bring a friend, neighbor or co-worker to help kick off the Fall Season at 9:30a.m.

# SUNDAY SCHOOL AT TRINITY

Beginning **Sunday, September 19**, join us for  
**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL WITH CHOICES!**

Check out these two great options to enhance your faith journey.

## OPTION #1

9:30-10:15

### SUNDAY MORNINGS IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

Join Judy Messenger, Alden Hickman, or Jurahee Shriver as they rotate Sundays and share their wisdom of the Bible in exciting ways that will keep you wanting to return for the next lesson.

Bible Study with Judy  
Messenger



“How Did That Get in the  
Bible?” with Rev.  
Alden Hickman



The history of art in  
religion with  
Jurahee Shriver

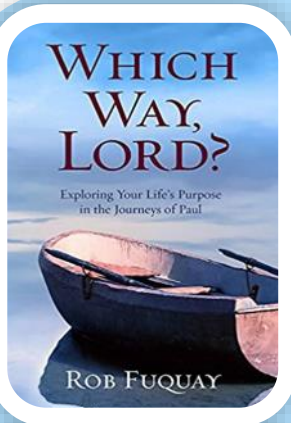


## OPTION #2

9:30-10:15

### SUNDAY MORNINGS IN RM 9, LOWER LEVEL

Join Anton Ahrens and Susan Stickley  
as they facilitate Which Way Lord?  
by Rob Fuquay



This is a class with lively discussion where everyone's voice is heard and important. God created every person with a desire for meaning and purpose. Many of us wonder, How do we live the purposeful life God intends for each of us? This 6-week book/DVD series is designed to help us consider that big question.



This series helps us unpack our lives alongside Paul's life to find our purpose and passion. A perfect study series for back-to-school, the beginning of a new year, or anytime you need a fresh start. Rediscover the truths that you are wonderfully made, created for purpose, and equipped to live a life of significance. Despite the adversities and detours you will encounter along the way, you can rely on God. Join us as we travel together to find our purpose.



## What counts to you this autumn season?

God calls us to give with joy and thanksgiving in response to our bountiful blessings.

Because of your faithful giving (and despite the pandemic), Trinity has been able to continue the work of Jesus Christ through worship, outreach and mission. We want to thank all members and friends who have continued to give generously and faithfully.

## THE PEOPLE OF TALPETATES

For a number of years, Trinity's accompaniment of the people of Talpetates was actively supported by the inmates of the Latin Studies club at the U.S. Disciplinary Barracks at Ft. Leavenworth. Visitors from Talpetates spoke there on several occasions—a courageous act on their part, given the terrible human rights record of their own military. Gradually, that relationship faded.

Recently, we received the following letter:

*It has been a long time since I've donated to you. I believe in your cause which has made a profound impact on my life. Are you still helping the kids in El Salvador with School? I would like for this donation to go towards that.*

*Sincerely,*

*James T. Murphy* (The letter was accompanied by a \$10 donation.)

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP ADULTS WITH READING



The **Topeka Literacy Council** will conduct a two-day tutor training workshop for individuals and organizations wanting to tutor adults in reading and writing. Volunteer tutor trainers at the workshop will cover proven techniques for teaching adults basic literacy and

English as a second language. The cost is \$25.00 for the workbook and handout materials (cash, check, or money order; credit cards not accepted). This fee may be waived for some individuals and organizations. The workshop will be held on Saturday, October 23 and Saturday, October 30, 2021, from 9am to 4:45pm each day. New tutors need to attend both sessions.

Materials used and taught in the workshop include **Laubach Way to Reading** for basic reading skills, **Challenger** for review of basic skills and skill building, **Focus on Phonics** for improving recognition of speech sounds, and **Laubach Way to English** for English language learners.

### LOCATION

Conference Room of the Doorstep Building  
1119 SW 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. (SE corner of 10<sup>th</sup> and Buchanan), Topeka, KS 66604  
(Parking in rear off Buchanan. Enter building through south door.)

### DAYS AND TIME

Saturday, October 23, 2021, 9:00am to 4:45pm AND Saturday, October 30, 2021, 9:00am to 4:45pm  
(Doors open at 8:30am for check-in/registration. Workshop begins promptly at 9:00am.)

For more information, please call the office of the Topeka Literacy Council at 785-234-2806, or email us at [topekaliteracy@juno.com](mailto:topekaliteracy@juno.com). Please **preregister by Wednesday, October 20**. You may mail us a check or money order made out to the Topeka Literacy Council for \$25.00 to cover the expense of providing workshop materials (credit cards not accepted). If you do not attend and receive these materials, your payment will be returned to you. Lunch break will be 45 minutes and is the participant's responsibility. We invite you to bring a sack lunch. You will have access to a refrigerator and microwave. Refreshments will be served in the morning and afternoon. You may want to bring a seat cushion as the chairs are hard. We look forward to seeing you!

# SEPTEMBER 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>29</b> Liturgist: Jon Farrell-Higgins USHERS: Ann Fincham &amp; Marvin or Susan Burris 8:45 AM ZOOM ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online</p>	<p><b>30</b> 1:30 PM Sticks 'N String SR Group (Parlor or Zoom)</p>	<p><b>31</b> 9:00 AM Tuesday's with the Word (Dialogue Coffee) 4:00 PM Aerobics (Rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>1</b> 6:45 PM Esther Circle (P) lesson starts at 7</p>	<p><b>2</b> 5:00 PM Yoga for the Young at Heart (Rm 13/14) 6:00 PM <b>PROPERTY CMTE MTG - ZOOM</b> 6:30 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>3</b> 1:30 PM Page Turners Book Study (Thornton Place Chapel) 4:00 PM Aerobics (Rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>4</b> 9:00 AM Terminex</p>
<p><b>5</b> Liturgist: USHERS: Marvin Burris &amp; Dennis Williams NO ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30 AM COMMUNION WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online</p>	<p><b>6</b> *CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED Labor Day 1:30 PM Sticks 'N String SR Group (Parlor or Zoom)</p>	<p><b>7</b> 9:00 AM Tuesday's with the Word (Dialogue Coffee) 12:30 PM MISSION CMTE MTG ZOOM 4:00 PM Aerobics (Rm 13/14) 5:00 PM DEACON CMTE MTG - ZOOM</p>	<p><b>8</b> 6:00 PM FINANCE CMTE MTG ZOOM</p>	<p><b>9</b> 5:00 PM Yoga for the Young at Heart (Rm 13/14) 6:30 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>10</b> 1:30 PM Page Turners Book Study (Thornton Place Chapel) 4:00 PM Aerobics (Rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>11</b></p>
<p><b>12</b> Liturgist: Carol Shannahan USHERS: Susan Burris &amp; Nancy Carpenter WELCOME BACK SUNDAY 9:30 AM ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL in-person &amp; ZOOM 10:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online-Commissioning of Teachers 11:30 AM PEACEMAKING COMMITTEE MTG (Parlor)</p>	<p><b>13</b> Stewardship Kaleidoscope Conference 8:00 AM Mission Cmte (Fellowship Hall/Parking Lot) 12:00 PM Harvesters Free Food Distribution (Parking Lot) First Come/First Served 1:30 PM Sticks 'N String SR Group (Parlor or Zoom) 1:30 PM Worship Cmte via ZOOM</p>	<p><b>14</b> Stewardship Kaleidoscope Conference 9:00 AM Tuesday's with the Word (Dialogue Coffee) 10:00 AM LINE DANCE LESSON (FH) NOTE NEW DAY 4:00 PM Aerobics (Rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>15</b> MONTHLY NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE Stewardship Kaleidoscope Conference 7:00 PM SESSION (FH) 7:00 PM Square Dance Lessons (FH, K)</p>	<p><b>16</b> 5:00 PM Yoga for the Young at Heart (Rm 13/14) 6:30 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>17</b> 1:30 PM Page Turners Book Study (Thornton Place Chapel) 4:00 PM Aerobics (Rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>18</b></p>
<p><b>19</b> Liturgist: USHERS: Craig Neuenswander &amp; Pat Thomblison 9:30 AM ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL in-person &amp; ZOOM 10:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online 11:30 AM JUMP House Meeting</p>	<p><b>20</b> SESSION PACKET REPORTS DUE AT NOON 1:30 PM Sticks 'N String SR Group (Parlor or Zoom)</p>	<p><b>21</b> 9:00 AM Tuesday's with the Word (Dialogue Coffee) 10:00 AM Line Dance Lesson (FH) 4:00 PM Aerobics (Rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>22</b> 7:00 PM Square Dance Lessons (FH, K)</p>	<p><b>23</b> 5:00 PM Yoga for the Young at Heart (Rm 13/14) 6:30 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>24</b> 1:30 PM Page Turners Book Study (Thornton Place Chapel) 4:00 PM Aerobics (Rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>25</b> Confirmation Retreat (Manhattan)</p>
<p><b>26</b> Liturgist: USHERS: Barb Koci &amp; David Shriver PNK Youth Event (Manhattan) 9:30 AM ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL in-person &amp; ZOOM 10:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE - In Person/Online 4:00 PM JUMP House Mtg (ZOOM)</p>	<p><b>27</b> 12:00 PM PERSONNEL CMTE MTG - ZOOM 1:30 PM Sticks 'N String SR Group (Parlor or Zoom)</p>	<p><b>28</b> 9:00 AM Tuesday's with the Word (Dialogue Coffee) 10:00 AM Line Dance Lesson (FH) 4:00 PM Aerobics (Rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>29</b> 7:00 PM Square Dance Lessons (FH, K)</p>	<p><b>30</b> 5:00 PM Yoga for the Young at Heart (Rm 13/14) 6:30 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM Heritage Choir Rehearsal (S)</p>	<p><b>1</b> 1:30 PM Page Turners Book Study (Thornton Place Chapel) 4:00 PM Aerobics (Rm 13/14)</p>	<p><b>2</b> 9:00 AM Terminex</p>

# PNK Youth Confirmation Retreat #1



SAT. - SUN., SEPT. 25-26, MANHATTAN

Explore  
Confirmation

Hang out with  
Confirmands from  
our Presbytery

Lock-In at FPC  
with fun &  
games

Attend Praise  
Fest outdoor  
concerts

Be Commissioned  
in Worship

Zip Lining



**Drop off:** Saturday, September 25th, 11am, FPC Manhattan

**Pick up:** Sunday, September 26th, 3pm, Wildwood Adventure Park

**Cost:** \$75 plus spending money for food at Praise Fest

*Confirmation is for 7th/8th graders or older youth who have not yet completed confirmation.*

**Watch for details about a year-long PNKS Virtual Confirmation Program!**

Confirmation Retreat #1 for Presbytery of Northern Kansas (PNK) youth takes place on Saturday and Sunday, September 25-26th, in Manhattan! This is available for youth in the 7th/8th grade (or older youth who have not completed confirmation).

[Click HERE for Event Information and Registration](#)

[Click HERE for Wildwood Release Form](#)

[Click HERE for PNK Youth Event Registration and Release](#)

**LEARN MORE OR REGISTER AT:**

[pnks.org/upcoming-events](https://pnks.org/upcoming-events)

**COMPLETE REGISTRATION BY:**

September 8, 2021

# Youth Gathering: Faith, Food, & Fun!

On Sunday, September 26th, all Presbytery of Northern Kansas (PNK) middle and high school youth are invited to a youth outing in Manhattan. The event will last from 10:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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PRESBYTERY OF NORTHERN KANSAS MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

## YOUTH GATHERING: FAITH, FOOD, & FUN!

\$65  
per youth

SUN., SEPT. 26

Waiver  
required!

WORSHIP: 10:30

LUNCH: 11:30

ZIP LINING: 1:00-3:00

Worship & Lunch at FPC Manhattan: 801 Leavenworth St., Manhattan

Zip Lining at Wildwood Adventure Park: 375 Johnson Rd., Manhattan

Everyone must turn in a signed, filled out, printed waivers at the course.

Participants must weigh between 50 - 275 lbs,

wear closed-toed hiking shoes, and bring hair bands if you have long hair.  
Bring a reusable water bottle! | Registration Deadline Wed., Sept. 8

**\*\* Registration & Payment Info at [pnks.org/upcoming-events](http://pnks.org/upcoming-events)**

# LIVING GREEN



If you are paying attention to the news and want a livable planet for your grandchildren and great great- grandchildren, you will be concerned about helping decrease global warming. Here are a few ideas for ways to help:

Write letters to your congressman and senators, reminding them that we will not need to address laws or budgets if we do not have a planet which is livable. Ask them for large, bold action to truly change our system to achieve carbon neutrality in our country and world – to improve climate resiliency and generate corresponding economic, social, health, and quality of life benefits. And let them know that you are expecting 100 percent renewable energy! And that you vote!

Let your local city council, county commissioners know that you are expecting 100 percent renewable energy for Shawnee County! Show up and speak up and be sure you are registered and vote!

Grow a fall garden. Plant a few seeds in a small or larger area for fall lettuce, fresh peas, or other veggies. An organic garden can be part of preserving healthy green space and saves trips to the store.

Plant a tree--over its lifetime, it will sequester over a ton of carbon dioxide!

Check with an insulation expert about money-saving ways to make your wall, attic, and windows more energy-efficient. Don't wait for cold winter nights.

Wash your clothes in cold water (they'll get just as clean). Only run your clothes washer and dishwasher when they are full. When you buy a new appliance, look for the Energy Star label to be sure you are getting a very efficient appliance. Even try some laundry dried in the sunshine on a clothesline for the freshest smelling items!

And of course, keep reducing, reusing, recycling and repurposing your use of plastic, glass and other materials to save money and energy also!



## TRINITY ENDOWMENT FUND

The purpose of the Trinity Endowment Fund is to enhance the outreach and mission of the church to assist in specific capital or special expenses of the congregation. Endowment funds are partnerships between church members and the church itself—partnerships based on the idea of mutual stewardship.

By supporting the endowment fund, church members act as stewards to and for their church. And by using the income generated by the endowment to fulfill its mission, your church acts as a steward to and for your members and the community.

Trinity has two endowment funds. The first is for unrestricted gifts made to the Endowment, and the second is the Dell Scholarship fund, established with a gift made by the Dells specifically for scholarships.

Each year the income from the general fund is determined and provided to Trinity for its operating budget. In addition to the income received, Trinity used funds from the Endowment this year to pay for part of the audio-visual equipment purchased by Trinity to enhance its mission on and offline. Trinity also gave three scholarships to graduating seniors.

Endowments offer options to meet new challenges by providing greater financial flexibility and self-sustaining income streams. Program expansion can be funded with distributions from endowment funds used for scholarships and other programs as determined appropriate.

The Endowment Policy was amended in 2019 to allow more flexibility in use of its funds. In 2020, the Session at the request of the Endowment, adopted a Social Responsibility in Investing policy to guide it in the investment of funds.

The Endowment Committee thanks all of those who have contributed to the Endowment in the past and would ask Trinity's members to consider making gifts to the Endowment Fund now. Small gifts once invested can grow into large gifts which will enhance Trinity's mission. Gifts to the Endowment may be made by writing a check to Trinity and putting Endowment in the memo line. Gifts may also be made by will as part of a person's estate planning.





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