

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

2017 ANNUAL REPORT

TUCSON, AZ

For more than a century, we have been
"Serving God in the Heart of the City"



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Among This Year's Highlights:

January

- ⇒ Dr. Mack Sigmon begins his service as Pastor
- ⇒ Elders Retreat at Redemptorist Renewal Center
- ⇒ 4th Friday on 4th Avenue suppers are well received

February

- ⇒ New deacons and elders installed
- ⇒ Annual Meeting
- ⇒ Monthly sandwich and weekly breakfast making

March

- ⇒ Hosted YAV Southwest Showdown
- ⇒ Participated in the 4th Avenue Spring Street Fair
- ⇒ Hosted Tucson Homeless Connect

April

- ⇒ Holy Week: Palm Procession, Maundy Thursday Service of Darkness, Good Friday and Easter Cantata.
- ⇒ Combined choirs with Christ Presbyterian & Holy Way
- ⇒ Hosted the Tucson Rose Show

May

- ⇒ Volunteers honored
- ⇒ WedNiteAlive! BBQ and concert featuring Greg Morton
- ⇒ Dr. Sigmon's Installation as Pastor

June/July

- ⇒ Intergenerational Nights with fellowship & games
- ⇒ Patriotic potluck and sing along
- ⇒ 1 week of VBS was a huge success

August

- ⇒ Therapeutic Yoga classes held twice a week
- ⇒ Painting Fellowship meets twice a week
- ⇒ Mission Coworker Luncheon for Elmarie & Scott Parker

September

- ⇒ Breakout Wednesday starts with a new format
- ⇒ Rally Sunday brunch kicks off Fall discipleship & classes
- ⇒ Mack & Bill have new classes
- ⇒ 8:00 am Chapel service becomes Sojourner's Chapel

October

- ⇒ All Church Picnic at Reid Park
- ⇒ Hosted Tucson Homeless Connect
- ⇒ Trinity participates in the CROP walk to fight hunger
- ⇒ Trinity Commons park created on University Blvd

November

- ⇒ Blessing of the Animals & Trinity Commons dedication
- ⇒ Giving Thanks Dinner
- ⇒ Stewardship season - *Live Generously*

December

- ⇒ Christmas Cantata
- ⇒ Breakout Wednesday Block Party gathers neighbors for carols, service and food
- ⇒ Participated in the 4th Avenue Winter Street Fair
- ⇒ Christmas Cantina offered lunch, Christmas Market & a piñata
- ⇒ Christmas Eve morning & evening Candlelight Services
- ⇒ Christmas Day Dinner

2017 BY THE NUMBERS

AVERAGE WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

January – 122 adults & 19 children
 February – 140 adults & 24 children
 March – 140 adults & 21 children
 April – 135 adults & 24 children
 May – 126 adults & 17 children
 June – 104 adults & 21 children
 July – 102 adults & 16 children
 August – 110 adults & 19 children
 September – 133 adults & 23 children
 October – 125 adults & 21 children
 November – 141 adults & 23 children
 December – 177 adults & 24 children

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE

Average attendance in 2016: 114
 Average attendance in 2017: 130
 Children's average attendance: 21

TOTAL ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP : 191

NEW MEMBERS

Will Tilley
 Emmanuel Alley
 Janet Munson
 Lydia Tenge Alley
 Christopher Svenson
 Essowoe (Allen) Akou
 Sarah Svenson
 Amao (Nathalie) Meheza
 DeDe Markin
 Barbara Callaway Pollack
 Mathias Class

ACTIVE ROLL TRANSFER

Joseph A. Lopez to Wilmington Island
 PC, Savannah, GA

MARRIAGE

Randi Windsor and Tom Roof

BAPTISM

James Walter Trader
 Dawn Elizabeth Svenson
 Joel Michael Hooper
 Alexandra Rose Tacuba
 Freja Alicia Svenson
 Christopher Dwayne Garcia
 Ernesto Tacuba
 Geneva Kay Garcia

AVERAGE PARTICIPANTS

Word of Life (8-12)
 Bill & Mack's Classes (14-20)
 Theology for Today (7-9)
 Nursery (4-6)
 Godly Play (5-10)
 Hand's On Bible for Kids (4-6)
 POLO Parent Study (6-8)
 Kreamer's Krusaders (6-8)
 Anchor Trinity (4-6)
 TPW Circles (8)
 WNA! Bible Study (6-10)
 Breakout Wednesday (12-25)
 Trinity Book Club (6-8)

SAYING GOODBYE TO SOME OF OUR SAINTS

Marilee Kelsey
 Bruce E. Dusenberry
 Norman McClelland
 Catherine Odell
 George W. Zellar, Sr.
 Peggy Andrews
 Elsie Herendeen
 Frank M. Whiting
 Ila Kreinke





OUR MISSION: WORSHIPPING GOD

- ◆ 2 Sunday morning services, including the new Sojourner's Chapel at 8:00 with weekly Communion and a focus on healing and spiritual renewal
- ◆ Monthly Breakout Wednesday service on the first Wednesday of each month
- ◆ Music ministry of the Trinity Choir, Trinity Ringers, Trinity Jazz Ensemble and numerous vocal soloists and instrumental soloists & ensembles

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

- Provided set-up, clean-up and servers for communion services
- Provided special opportunities to recognize events such as All Saints, World Communion, etc.
- Furnished seasonal sanctuary decorations
- Arranged for lay liturgists for worship
- Organized Ash Wednesday supper, Good Friday lunch, July 4th Potluck and Christmas Café

HELPING HANDS

- ⇒ 256 Water bottles and cereal bars for Salvation Army Hospitality House
- ⇒ 19 Valentine cards to our Trinity's Homebound
- ⇒ 30 Encouragement cards for ICS
- ⇒ 52 Breakfast Bundle Packs for Sister Jose Women's Center
- ⇒ 52 Encouragement cards for Youth On Their Own
- ⇒ 160 Food Packs for Trinity's Food Bank
- ⇒ 17 Easter cards for Trinity's Homebound
- ⇒ 25 Easter cards for SISTER Connection
- ⇒ 50 Easter Treat bags for children
- ⇒ 44 muslin squares colored for Kids Helping Kids (Project Linus)
- ⇒ 40 muslin squares traced for Kids Helping Kids (Project Linus)
- ⇒ 3 Fleece (no-sew) blankets for Project Linus
- ⇒ 603 water bottles/bars or cracker packs for Trinity's Food Bank
- ⇒ Food and other health and household items were donated for Amos and Hadija's family which we delivered before Thanksgiving..

THIS YEAR'S HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Special services for Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Christmas Eve
- ◆ 25th anniversary concert of Trinity Ringers and the refurbishment of the handbells
- ◆ New All Saints service November 1
- ◆ Celebrating the 500th anniversary of the Reformation with music for choir and brass
- ◆ Easter and Christmas Cantatas with the Trinity Choir, Trinity Ringers and orchestra
- ◆ New candles made of olive wood from Jerusalem & Bethlehem for the Communion tables
- ◆ Several beautiful narthex photo displays
- ◆ Appointment of two Choir Interns from the University of Arizona
- ◆ Weekly children's sermons at the 10:30 service
- ◆ Palm Sunday processional
- ◆ Pentecost processional of Trinity's children
- ◆ Nursery children singing in worship
- ◆ Children ringing handchimes in worship
- ◆ Youth skit on Christmas Eve morning
- ◆ Children's pageant on Christmas Eve evening
- ◆ Volunteer Recognition Sunday
- ◆ Choirs from Holy Way and Christ Presbyterian joining the Trinity Choir in worship
- ◆ Special presentation by Dr. Bruce Chamberlain on Handel's Messiah

LOOKING AHEAD TO 2018

- ◆ Easter Sunrise Service in Trinity Commons and courtyard
- ◆ 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service for the West University community
- ◆ Chancel dramas, the first being on the first Sunday of Lent (Feb. 18)



LIFE OF DISCIPLESHIP KEEPS US GROWING...

Children & Youth (Sunday morning)

- Nursery - under 4
- Children's Activity Table - 4 and up
- Godly Play - 4-5
- Hands-On Bible for Kids 6-8
- Kreamer's Crusaders - Middle School
- Anchor Trinity - High School and above

Adults (Sunday morning):

- Word of Life
- Theology for Today
- Bill and Mack's Class (Journey with the Wise Men, History of Presbyterianism, Salem Witch Trials)
- POLO (Parents of Little Ones)

OUR MISSION: MAKING DISCIPLES CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The blessing of increased numbers of elementary children caused us to add an additional class on Sunday morning.

- ⇒ Wednesday Night Alive/Breakout Wednesdays
- ⇒ Vacation Bible School (5 evenings)
- ⇒ God's Little Seedlings (summer Sunday School)
- ⇒ Intergenerational Game Nights
- ⇒ Trinity Kids Reading Club
- ⇒ Trinity Book Club (adults)
- ⇒ Church Library Reception with bookworm cake
- ⇒ Easter Sunday Brunch
- ⇒ Lenten and Advent Devotionals
- ⇒ Rally Sunday
- ⇒ Large Binocular Telescope tour
- ⇒ Walk through Winterhaven
- ⇒ Companeros (membership spiritual journeys)
- ⇒ Neighborhood Advent Block Party
- ⇒ BBQ and Patio Concert

GROWTH & OUTREACH

- Provided Ambassadors at the Welcome desk in the Narthex most Sundays.
- Support and follow up for visitors and new members
- Continuing to offer T shirts, Polo shirts, tote bags and pens/cups/magnets/car window decals with the Trinity Logo on them.
- Trinity brochure created, printed and distributed
- Twitter account created for prayer requests
- Live streaming Sunday's 10:30 am service and other special events
- Meet the Pastor potlucks
- Blessing of the Animals event November 5.
- Trinity Commons park created and dedicated
- Coffee bar created in Fellowship Hall with a barista
- Lighting on bell tower and Sanctuary
- Sojourner's Chapel Sunday's 8:00 am service
- Breakout Wednesday evening new format
- Online giving setup on website with a Donate button
- Companeros program revived & several new members in December with more to come
- Online and radio advertising for both Cantatas

OUR MISSION: SERVING GOD'S WORLD

MISSION COMMITTEE

- ⇒ 4th on 4th Community Suppers provided hot meals for 50-90+
- ⇒ Deacon's Emergency Fund helped Trinity families in need
- ⇒ Homeless Connect provided services for 300 at two events in 2017
- ⇒ Casa Maria Sandwiches provided 600 sandwiches to the soup kitchen run by the Catholic Workers' House
- ⇒ Primavera breakfasts provided weekly breakfasts for 100 men in the homeless shelter
- ⇒ Gumbo was provided for the Primavera Men's shelter monthly
- ⇒ Crop Walk took place in October for Church World Service hunger needs globally
- ⇒ Trinity's Food Bank/Pantry serves those in hunger 3x weekly
- ⇒ Terry J Dalke Resource Center helped clients sign up for Food Stamps, AHCCCS, get bus money, ID's and birth certificates (services necessary to fill basic needs)
- ⇒ TUSD Agave Middle and High School benefitted from mission giving. The school provides alternative/distance learning for children who cannot function in a brick and mortar school setting.
- ⇒ Cup of Water distributed water to passers-by at the 4th Ave Street Fair
- ⇒ El Marie and Scott Parker, Mission Co-workers for Iraq, Syria and Lebanon, told of Christ's presence in the war torn Middle East
- ⇒ Christmas Cantina contributed gift cards and clothing to Refugee Focus
- ⇒ Mission giving also went to Companeros in Mision, Montlure, Frontera de Cristo, a Young Adult Volunteer worker at Sister Jose, Thornhill-Lopez Center on 4th for LGBTQ youth, Deferred Action Children Arrivals Scholarship Fund, Middle Eastern Fellowship and Presbyterian Campus Ministry.
- ⇒ Many Trinity members helped Amos Nsenga's refugee family with moving, tutoring the children, nutritional food, and transportation to schools, dentists and doctors.



DEACONS

- Faithful prayer and care for Trinity members with visits, calls and cards
- Delivered lilies and poinsettias to Trinity's home-bound
- Annual spring retreat: Looked at other Deacon models; learned about Alzheimer's and Care-Giving; and learned to Laugh Ourselves Beyond Stress
- Raised approximately \$2700 between hamburgers & helping with parking lot for both Street Fairs
- Bought a wheelchair to have available in the church sanctuary.
- Nine prayer shawls delivered to members needing support
- Expanded our prayer shawl ministry to have prayer shawls available in the Sanctuary during services for those needing the warm arms of God wrapped around them.

SPECIAL MISSION OFFERINGS

One Great Hour of Sharing	\$ 3,994
Pentecost Offering	\$ 1,246
Crop Walk	\$ 3,671
Christmas Joy Gift	\$ 1,939
Christmas Market	\$ 1,566
Peacemaking	\$ 1,784



STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

- * Fall campaign *Live Generously*
- * Provided scholarships
- * Hosted *Giving Thanks* Dinner
- * Received Christmas Joy offering
- * Reviewed financial accounts & insurance policy.

OUR MISSION RESOURCES

PROPERTY

Oversaw the major updating of the HVAC systems.

Resolved Room Programming and Facility use policies.

Reviewed and provided input into the University Ave. Trinity Commons and related landscaping.

Initiated project scoping of Memorial Gardens.

Issued contract for interim landscaping services.

LONG RANGE DEVELOPMENT TEAM

Over the past year a lot has happened to bring our vision of a development project to the congregation that will aide and assist Trinity in efforts to help sustain itself over the years to come. The City of Tucson passed the zoning changes that were necessary to move the project forward. While the Team was hopeful that we would see a "shovel in the ground" by the end of the year, this was not the case as the developers were saddled with other requirements the City placed on them. In addition, financing is still not confirmed and building costs, final plans and engineering have not been finalized. The good news is that the developers continue to put up non-refundable money and it is hoped we will see the "shovel" this year.



ADMINISTRATION & PERSONNEL

- ◇◇ Developed Policy & Procedures on Child Protection and Sexual Misconduct Prevention. This was approved by Trinity's Session in August 2017, and incorporated into the Personnel Policies. Training for Trinity's staff, elders, deacons and volunteers was done in early December by Rev. Mary Jo Norton of the Presbyterian Church of Superior. A second training session will be scheduled in early 2018.
- ◇◇ Clarified various staff personnel assignments, including status, specific functions and hours worked. Big increase in children in Sunday School will require the attention of the committee in the coming year. The committee has heard repeatedly that the staff works very well together at a very high level. We are fortunate to have such a staff!
- ◇◇ A reception was held for Bill Voigt who is celebrating his 25th year at Trinity. He has been instrumental in shepherding the church through several pastoral transitions.



FINANCING OUR MISSION

CAPITAL MAINTENANCE FUND

- Air conditioning repairs
- Parking lot

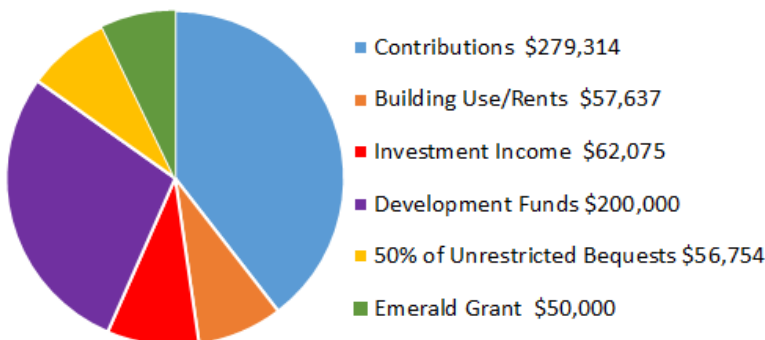
DEACON'S EMERGENCY FUND

1/1/17 Balance	\$ 2,120
In	\$ 7,888
Out	\$ 9,851
12/31/17 Balance	\$ 157

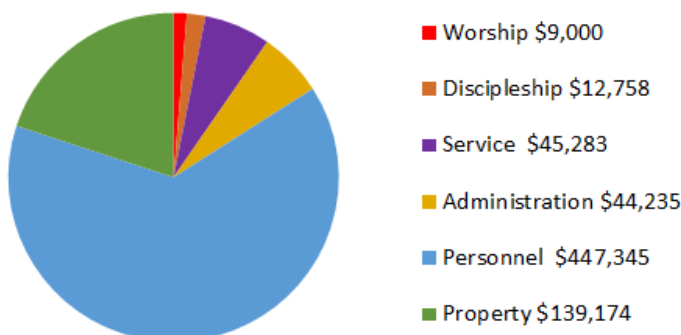
SPECIAL MISSION FUND

1/1/17 Balance	\$ 8,632
In	\$ 14,776
Out	\$ 7,347
12/31/17 Balance	\$ 16,061

OPERATING REVENUE \$705,780



OPERATING EXPENSES \$697,795



TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: SERVICE

- ◆ 19 Women participated in at least one TPW activity, many served on other committees, as Elders, Deacons, Sunday School teachers, and child care, hosting events.
- ◆ Over 300 Greeting cards were sent.
- ◆ Knitted caps, scarves & prayer shawls (with Knitorious Knitters) for Primavera, at home members, and Trinity food bank.
- ◆ 50 Ryan's Bears delivered to Primavera, Our Family Services, and Arizona's Children Association (Foster Care)
- ◆ Aluminum cans recycled for Casa Maria
- ◆ Plastic bottle caps for Maria
- ◆ Pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House
- ◆ Cancelled stamps to Postal History Foundation
- ◆ Box tops and Labels for Education to Menaul School

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: FINANCES

Opening Balance (1/1/17) \$12,552.06

Receipts in 2017:

Pledges, Birthday Offering Gatherings, Lease Coin, Primavera, Community Food Bank, Miscellaneous, Thank Offering \$4,213.53

Subtotal: \$16,765.59

Disbursements in 2017:

Presbytery, Gifts, Postage Local Benevolences, Church Women United, Library, Thank Offering, Birthday Offering, Church wide Gathering \$3,755.00

Ending Balance (12/31/17) \$13,010.59

2018 LOOKING AHEAD

Move forward with our vision of lively worship, deep discipleship, wide service and passionate outreach.



TRINITY CHURCH STAFF

Dr. Mack Sigmon, Senior Pastor

Rev. William Voigt, Associate Pastor

Bruce Chamberlain, Choral Director

Lynn Moser, Organist & Director of Handbells

Sheila Sievert, Admin. Assistant & Webmaster

Alice Smedley, Community Ministries Coordinator

Matthew Kreamer, Youth Coordinator

Rona Kreamer, Young Adult Coordinator

Gerry Pearson, Bookkeeper

Peter Holbrook, Maintenance Technician

Maria Andrade, Housekeeper

DeDe Markin, Nursery Attendant

Lela Lax, Nursery Attendant