

TRINITY TRUMPET

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FROM THE MINISTER'S HEART ~

“Praying is no easy matter. It demands a relationship in which you allow the other to enter into the very center of your person, to speak there, to touch the sensitive core of your being, and allow the other to see so much that you would rather leave in darkness. And when do you really want to do that? Perhaps you would let the other come across the threshold to say something, to touch something, but to allow the other into that place where our life gets its form that is dangerous and calls for defense. The resistance to praying is like the resistance of tightly clenched fists. This image shows the tension, the desire to cling tightly to yourself, a greediness which betrays fear. The story about an old woman brought to a psychiatric center exemplifies this attitude. She was wild, swinging at everything in sight, and scaring everyone so much that the doctors had to take everything away from her. But there was one small coin which she gripped in her fist and would not give up. In fact, it took two men to pry open that squeezed hand. It was as though she would lose her very self along with the coin. If they deprived her of that last possession, she would have nothing more, and be nothing more. That was her fear.” -Henri Nouwen,

With Open Hands.

**THE FINANCIAL CORNER
FYI 2004**

As of 11/30/04	Budget	Actual
INCOME	123,224.75	139,686.21
EXPENSE	131,591.77	137,916.69
NET	-8,367.02	1,769.56

As always, there's more to come.
Yours in Christ,

Russell Wilkins, Your Minister

THE SESSION OF TRINITY

Rev. Russell A. Wilkins Moderator
Administration — Personnel Russ Richardson, Moderator
Administration — Property Tom Wright, Moderator
Tim Fette

Christian Education Leslie Western, Moderator
Evangelism and Outreach Jean Crain &
Suzy Davis, Co-Moderators
Fellowship B. R. Hughes &
Lee Ann Hughes, Co-Moderators
Finance John Hamilton, Moderator
World Missions Russell Wilkins, Moderator
Nominating Russ Richardson, Moderator
Stewardship Jim Findley, Moderator
Worship and Music Ginger Mann, Moderator
Ministry teams normally meet the first Wednesday of each month. The Session meets the third Sunday of each month at 7:00 PM.

END OF YEAR FINANCIAL REPORTS

The 2004 end of year Financial Reports have been mailed and you are requested to check them closely for accuracy and report any problems either by phone at 903-838-4594 or via email at scummings@tpctexarkana.org.

NEW STUDY ON THE WESTMINSTER CONFESSIONS

The parlor Sunday School class has begun a new study on the **Westminster Confessions**. The class will be taught by Ray Keith. Anyone interested in joining us, please let Ray or any member of the class know so a study book can be ordered for you.

Steady Growth
The Confessing Church movement, through today, in 46 states and Puerto Rico, is comprised of:
Congregations: 1,307
Members: 433,584

Children's Church Volunteers
Please sign up for Children's Church. We need you!

Nursery Volunteer
January 30th
Sue Wright

Sunday January 30, 2005
Third sermon in a three-part Series
Sermon Title & Scripture
Change is Just Too Hard!
Exodus 24

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This Week

Sunday, January 30th

- ◆ *Sunday School 9:45 AM*
- ◆ *Worship 11:00 AM*

Monday, January 31st

- ◆ *Boy Scouts 7:00 PM*

Tuesday, February 1st

- ◆ *Bible Study 7:00 PM*

Wednesday, February 2nd

- ◆ *WOW 3:30-5:15 PM*
- ◆ *Choir Practice 5:30 PM*
- ◆ *Catered Meal 6:30 PM*

◆ *Youth Gathering 7:00 PM*

◆ *Ministry Teams Meet 7:15 PM*

Actual Attendance & 2005 Attendance Goals	
<i>1/23/05</i>	
<i>Actual</i>	<i>Goal</i>

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT TRINITY?

Tuesday Night Bible Study: Will meet February 1st at 7:00 p.m. and continue our study of Revelation.

Wednesday Night Fellowship: On February 2nd will be a catered meal at 6:30 p.m. followed by Ministry Team Meetings at 7:15 p.m.

Twin City Sensations Coaching Session: Saturday, January 29th, from 10 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Ministry Team Meetings: Wednesday, February 2nd, at 7:15 p.m.

New Member and Visitor Luncheon

The Fellowship and Worship Ministry Teams will host a pot luck luncheon in recognition of our new members and visitors Sunday, January 30, immediately following worship.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP & PROGRAM

Tim Krauss, a missionary representing GO Ministries in the Dominican Republic will be here Wednesday, February 9th, to talk about his mission and how we can get involved. The Western family met Tim in Dominican Republic summer of 2004 when we delivered the VBS mission projects and school supplies provided by the women of the church and TISD teachers. Tim is a young man filled with the Holy Spirit and doing God's work in the Dominican Republic and Haiti. Please plan to come and enjoy this fellowship

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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| Clyde Johnson | Sue Turner |
| Muriel Avery | Deane Mossier |
| Suzanne Keeslar | Frank Symonds |
| Jo Marlowe | Joyce Majors |
| Shirley & Barry Klingsmith | Paula Starling |
| Cade, Patricia & Hunter Cunningham | |

Cade is the infant son of Patricia and Hunter Cunningham, who was born prematurely and weighed 2 pounds, 13 ounces. He will be hospitalized in Dallas for possibly 10 weeks. Cards can be addressed to:

Ronald McDonald House
 ATTN: Cade, Hunter & Patricia Cunningham
 5641 Medical Center Drive
 Dallas, TX 75235

Sunday School Opportunities 9:45 AM

◆ *Bereans, adults in room B-7 studying "Faith Weavers"*

◆ *Adults in room B-6 studying "The Mighty Acts of God"*

◆ *Foundations, adults in the parlor studying, "The Westminster Confessions."*

◆ *Youth in room B-9 studying the Faith*

◆ *4 Life Curriculum 3rd-5th grade in room B-5 studying the Faith Weavers curriculum*

◆ *1st-2nd grade in room B-4 studying the Faith Weavers*

Pass It On

A seminary professor once said, "Sometimes I am frightened by the amount of influence my life has." He wasn't bragging that he was so much more influential than most of us. Rather, he meant that each of us has amazing direct influence on those around us. We have a wonderful opportunity to inject love, hope, and caring into our everyday circles—to set an example for others.

This knowledge should give us pause each day—the modeling opportunities we have, not just before our children and colleagues at work, but out in the wider environment among people we may never know. Jesus says that if we believe in him, our lives will pour forth nourishment to others.

May we pass on to others the nurture, love, caring, and forgiveness we have known in Christ. Amen

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