# **Trinity Tidings**

# JUNE 2018 TIDBITS

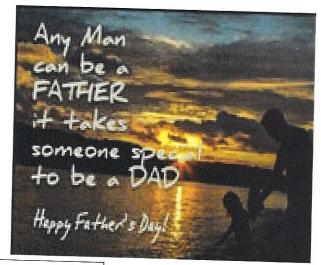


One night a father overheard his son pray: Dear God, Make me the kind of man my Daddy is.
Later that night, the Father prayed, Dear God, Make me the kind of man my son wants me to be.

Anonymous



A father is neither an anchor to hold us back, nor a sail to take us there, but a guiding light whose love shows us the way.





# Trinity Graduates

Our High School Grads: Maddie Young Molly Quinn

Going into Jr High Isabelle Fetterley Addison Wright Meagan Quinn Inner City Christian Federation

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June through August

Our loose change offering during these months will go to their housing missions. We are collecting items for the Family Haven Emergency Shelter. Families can stay @ Family Haven for up to 30 days while securing more permanent housing. When they leave they are welcome to take everything but the furniture with them. Items we are focused on collecting this month for ICCF are: cleaning products, brooms, mops, toilet brushes, trash cans and liners, box fans, and household items.



June 6th Diaconate 6:00pm

Chairman Kathy Wilson

June 13th Trustee Meeting 6:30pm

Chairman Steve DeGraaf

June 20th Council Meeting 6:30pm

Moderator Wally VanHouten An 80 year old man was sitting on the sofa in his house along with his 45 year's old highly educated son.

Suddenly a crow perched on their window.

The Father asked his Son, "What is this?"

The Son replied "It is a crow".

After a few minutes, the Father asked his Son the 2nd time, "What is this?"

The Son said "Father, I have just now told you "It's a crow".

After a little while, the old Father again asked his Son the 3rd time,

What is this?"

At this time some expression of irritation was felt in the Son's tone when he said to his Father with a rebuff. "It's a crow, a crow, a crow".

A little after, the Father again asked his Son the 4th time, "What is this?"

This time the Son shouted at his Father, "Why do you keep asking me the same question again and again, although I have told you so many times 'IT IS A CROW'.

Are you not able to understand this?"

A little later the Father went to his room and came back with an old tattered diary, which he had maintained since his Son was born. On opening a page, he asked his Son to read that page. When the son read it, the following words were written in the diary:-

"Today my little son aged three was sitting with me on the sofa, when a crow was sitting on the window. My Son asked me 23 times what it was, and I replied to him all 23 times that it was a Crow. I hugged him lovingly each time he asked me the same question again and again for 23 times.

I did not at all feel irritated I rather felt affection for my innocent child".

While the little child asked him 23 times "What is this", the Father had felt no irritation in replying to the same question all 23 times and when today the Father asked his Son the same question just 4 times, the Son felt irritated and annoyed.

Remember that life is short and that we have our parents for a brief time on this earth. Be patient, be caring, and remember to say... "I want to see my parents happy forever. They have cared for me ever since I was a little child. They have always showered their selfless love on me.

They crossed all mountains and valleys without seeing the storm and heat to make me the person I am today".

As a father has compassion on his children so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him.

Psalm 103:13



Our Daily Bread is on the Table in the Narthex

Serving Among Us For

July



Deacon of the Month Ralph Thurston

П	Date	Acolyte	Coffee	Greeters	Nursery	Opener	
	1	Austin Fetterley	Wally & Elaine VanHouten	Jim & Josie Piccard	Ruth Stewart	Cherie DeHaan	
	8	Autumn VanDyke	Jan Hoogewind	Steve & Brooke DeGraaf	Jan Hoogewind	Cherie DeHaan	
	15	Isabelle Hoogewind & Kellie Hoogewind		Bill TenBrink & Harry Moore	Open	Cherie DeHaan	
	22	Abby Dyke	Steve & Missy Dyke	Ralph Thurston	Jan Hoogewind	Cherie DeHaan	
	29	lan Young	Joyce Blakeslee & Ann Keller	Joyce Blakeslee & Ann Keller	Open	Cherie DeHaan	

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Thank You to all the who have contributed to the Alpha Women's Center.

We appreciate all the donations and those that helped to volunteer their time at the Center and at the Walk for Life!!





Reminder that June 3<sup>th</sup> is Graduation Sunday!!

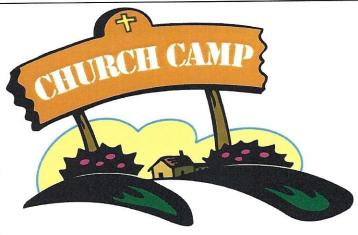
We will be recognizing our
High School Graduates, and 5th graders!!
Please watch for details for upcoming open houses!



"After Ted closes with prayer, there will be a brief meeting in the parking lot to determine what, if anything, was actually decided in this meeting."

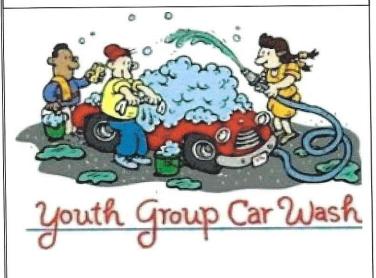
Every Snack You Make
Every Meal You Bake
Every Bite You Take
I'll Be Watching You







Anyone interested in Membership or Baptism classes please see Pastor Izzy for times and dates.





Pastor Izzy Ramblings...

What made George Washington great?

Did Washington become great because he lead our country through a very difficult revolution against the British when the odds of success were against him?

Did Washington become great because he was our very first president and demonstrated restraint when asked to run for a third presidential term?

Was Washington great because of the wonderful diplomacy that he displayed in dealing with difficult personalities?

Or did Washington become great because his convictions lead him into making decisions that earned him the respect of his peers who bestowed greatness upon him?

George Lewis, George Washington's nephew, notes that his uncle was a sincere believer of the Christian faith.

He said he accidently witnessed his uncles' private devotions in the library in both the morning and in the evening and on these occasions. when he had stumbled upon his uncle's private devotions, he would find him kneeling with a Bible open before him.

And one of Washington's most stirring speeches was his farewell address as president where he stated to the entire country, "Reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle".

In other words, we can not expect to do good, or be good outside of a God who is shaping and molding us into the people He wants us to be.

So what made George Washington the towering figure of greatness that we know?

Evidence seems to suggest that at the core of Washington's greatness was his unwavering devotion to his faith in God and his son Jesus Christ.

Washington did not decide to act upon some random set of arbitrary beliefs that had been handed down to him or that he had stumbled upon along the path of life that lead him into greatness.

Instead Washington became great because of the greatness of the God that was within him, who shaped and molded him into the figure that God wanted him to be.

Can we claim the same as Washington?

Can we say that any greatness that is bestowed upon us is because of the shaping of our character by a God who we bow before regularly?

Or is our greatness a result of our unwillingness to give credit where credit is due (namely with and through God)?

We must be careful to understand that we are only as influential and as powerful and as great as the God we worship.

And for George his greatness can be found in the God that he served who shaped and molded him and in shaping and molding him, helped him to make decision that earned him the respect and accolades of those who benefited from his wisdom.

I hope we understand our fullest greatness in knowing that it begins in prayer on our knees with His word open to us, seeking guidance and direction for the life we are to lead.



# Trinity Congregational Church ~~ June 2018

	FRIDAY	2 a-Mike & Mary Both	Hoogewind	9 Men's Breakfast 8:30a – Russ'	b-John Walters		15			22			b-Becca Hoogewind a-Dan & Teri Filius		<b>n</b>	Youth Group Pool Party at Steve Dykes	b-Birthday a-Anniversary	a-Dilliverselly
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WEDNESDAY	TV CONTRACTOR			6 Deacon's Meeting 6:30p	Softball Game at 7:30pm at Alpine Estates	13	Trustee Meeting 6:30p	Softball Game at 6:15pm at Community	00	Boulder Creek 1:30p	Council Meeting 6:30p Softball Game at 7:30pm at	City Center #2	Vacation Bible School 6:30-8:00 pm	27	Softball Game at 6:15pm at Albine	Estates Women's Fellowship	Luncheon 12:00 pm at Russ' on Alpine	D-LIGHTE VALIDITION
TUESDAY		High School Summer Camp June 24-30,		D.		12		b-Betty VerStrat	19			Vacation Bible School	6:30-8:00 pm	26		b-Austin Fetterlev	b-Kaylee Dyke	
MONDAY		Opener of the month Jim Piccard		4		11	a-Amber & Door	Bouwkamp	18		b-Keith Suttorp	e School	0-8:00 pm	52				
SUNDAY		Deacon Of the Month	Ryan Bouwkamp	3 Graduation Sunday Worship 10:00am w/Communion Bible Study 8:30a	or 6:00p b-Imogene Houran	10		We		Breakfast 8:30a	Worship 10:00a Bible Study 8:30a or 6:00p	Do Croof		Ship 10:00a	Bible Study 8:30a			

### **SERVING AMONG US**

June, 2018

	Acolyte	Coffee	Greeter	Opener	Nursery	
3	Ethan Reynders	Keane & Amy Quinn	Sean & Mayra Smith	Jim Piccard	Laura Young	
10	lan Young	Sean and Mayra Smith	Dave & Linda Borck	Jim Piccard	Open	
17	Caleb Smith	Sue Host & Sara Edge			Linda Borck	
24	Jayna Dyke	John Fowler & Helen Thompson	Rose Baker & Donna Lillibridge	Jim Piccard	Jan Hoogewind	

## Deacon of the Month - Ryan Bouwkamp

If you are unable to fulfill the assigned dates, please find a replacement Acolyte will light candles at 9:45 AM

Opener will ring bell at 9:50 AM