

Trinity Presbyterian

COMMITMENT

2015

For A Tree Is Known By Its Fruit

Matthew 12:33





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INTRO

It's with great excitement that we share with you an overview of all that's happening at Trinity and the goal of the 2015 Commitment Campaign. For this year's campaign, "A tree is known by its fruit" (Matthew 12:33) is our scripture passage. The Trinity Tree is growing and producing much good fruit!

Please take a moment to read through this brochure. We hope you'll be inspired to give to the future of Trinity and that you'll also find new places to grow and share your unique gifts. Enclosed is a pledge card for you to return after you've given your gift prayerful consideration. Thank you so much.

Please reach out to us if you have any questions. We're excited to be on this journey with you!

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Important Dates



October 5

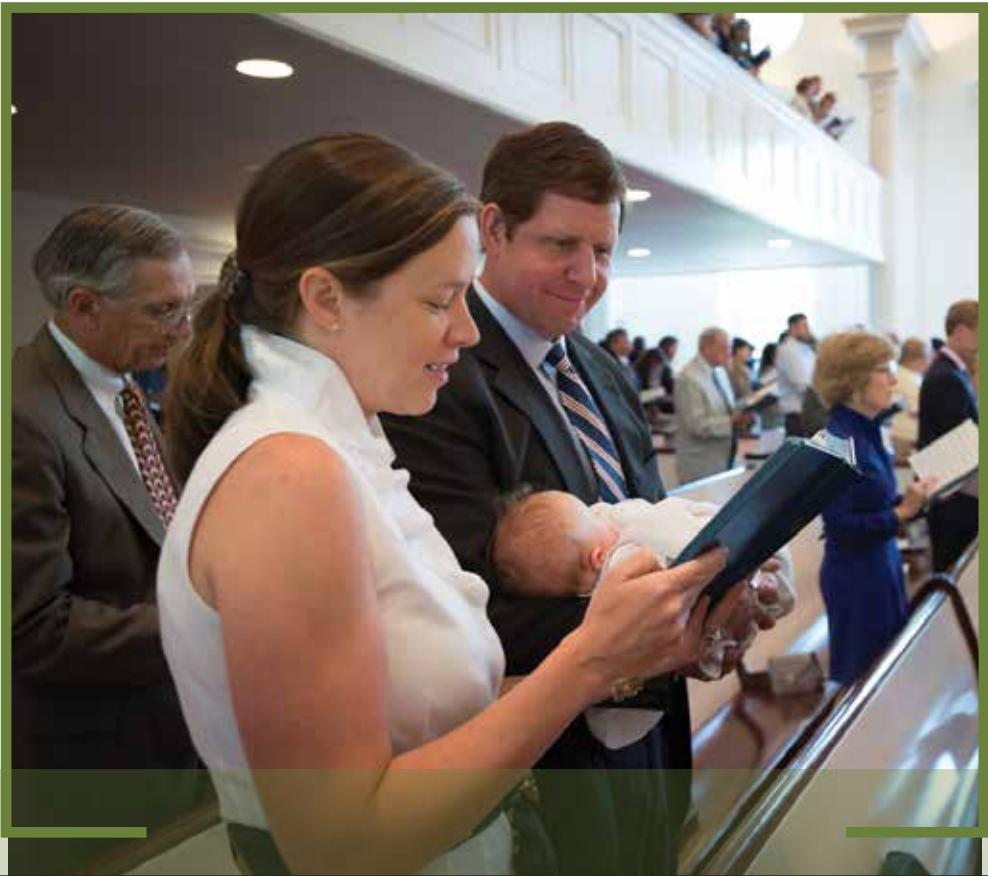
It's the official kick off to the commitment season at Trinity Presbyterian Church. Join us for worship at 8:45 and 11:00 am.

October 12

During worship there will be a "Moment for Commitment" where we will hear about the many ways Trinity Church is growing.

October 19

Join us in Williams Hall for a complimentary celebratory lunch following 11:00 am worship. Reservations: www.trinityatlanta.org.



October 26

Join us for worship at 8:45 and 11:00 am on Sunday, October 26, as we celebrate the commitment and faithfulness of this congregation on Commitment Sunday. A Ministry Parade will be part of our celebration during the 11:00 am worship service.



OUR MINISTRIES

Our faith community has deep commitments to mission, spiritual growth, and fellowship.

No doubt, Trinity is sharing God's love in all sorts of ways because of folks like you. Your gifts and stewardship matter, and it's wonderful to realize that God's work in the world happens through the gifts that ALL of us make.

CHILDREN & FAMILY

ministries

- ◆ Participation by children and their families continues to grow! About one-third of our preschoolers and over one-half of our elementary children are present on any given Sunday morning. Our average Sunday attendance of 166 is nearly double what it was just five years ago.
- ◆ Nearly 100 adult volunteers live their faith by leading Sunday morning programs for children.
- ◆ Our Vacation Ventures Bible School program provides a foundation of learning and fellowship to the children of TPC and also hosts about 50 Agape children each year.
- ◆ We help children and parents to “play, learn, grow, and serve” through innovative programming, including:
 - Creative use of technology in church school
 - Leadership development, including child liturgists
 - Family activities that encourage spiritual growth, such as the Stop Hunger Now mission event
- ◆ We hope that in the coming year this ministry will have more time to focus on long-range planning, new initiatives, community building, and leadership development.

WORSHIP & MUSIC

ministries



We continue to enhance Trinity's rich musical, liturgical, and spiritual heritage, enriching our worship life throughout the year.

- ♦ Worship is the heart of our life together as a faith community. It is the place where we gather across the generations and through music, art, liturgy, prayers, and preaching we proclaim the Good News and connect with God and one another.
- ♦ Our Music Ministry currently involves 225 adults and children in an extensive choir program, which includes music and educational opportunities for singers and ringers from age 4 through adult and provides training in spirit-filled worship leadership.
- ♦ We hope to:
 - Continue to expand creative and dynamic worship experiences that faithfully proclaim the Gospel, engage the whole person, and create community through such opportunities as our fall and spring music services, the informal Fifth Sunday at Five gatherings, and increased member leadership in worship.
 - Expand our choral and instrumental music library for all choirs.
 - Broaden our Fine Arts offerings to the church and the larger community and reinstate an arts festival week.
 - Continue protecting our investment in two fine pipe organs through necessary care and maintenance.





ADULT

ministries

- ◆ Our small-sized gatherings and spiritual formation groups offer opportunities for adults to build authentic relationships, find care and support, study God's word, and grow deeper in faith.
- ◆ Trinity has a long tradition of organizing church school classes that provide breadth and depth of Bible study, contemporary issues, mission, spiritual practices, Christian history, and faith's intersection with literature, arts, and science.
- ◆ We plan to strengthen relationships among Trinity members and with our neighbors by offering opportunities for members and the larger community to come together for fellowship, recreation, and cultural events.
- ◆ In the coming year we hope to expand the reach of our adult education through programs at additional times and venues in order to make suitable educational opportunities available to every member of the congregation.
- ◆ In the coming year we will train additional leaders for Stephen Ministry member visitation.

YOUTH & FAMILY

ministries



Our thriving youth program continues to expand its offerings, providing students with more opportunities to grow in faith.

- ♦ We are a diverse group—our students come from 26 different city, county, and private schools.
- ♦ Mission is an important part of our program
 - Mission trips and the Montreat Youth Conference are summer highlights.
 - Collecting the Souper Bowl of Caring offering annually in February allows the youth to purchase turkeys for the Agape Center's Thanksgiving program.
 - In 2014 Family Mission Night resulted in packaging 26,000 meals for Stop Hunger Now. We plan to do the same in 2015.





MISSION

ministries

We seek to foster in every Trinity member a passion for being a part of God's transformative work in the world

- ◆ Through engagement opportunities such as Meals on Wheels, Habitat for Humanity, Agape Center tutoring, Trinity Serves Day, sponsoring refugee families, and mission travel to strengthen relationships with the people of Haiti and Cuba.
- ◆ Through local and global partnerships that address systemic issues of food and water security, education, earth care, healthcare, homelessness, and poverty.

PROPERTY

ministries

- ◆ The Property Committee is responsible for the upkeep and care of Trinity from the green space to the steeple. A well-maintained facility supports the mission of the church, offering appropriate and useful space for worship, education, meetings, and outreach.
- ◆ The committee seeks to improve the security of all areas of our campus and to consider ways of making the campus more accessible.

I am the Resurrection and the Life



OUR GOAL

2015 commitment

\$4,187,000

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OUR COMMITMENT

2014 Statistics

2014 AVERAGE PLEDGE BY AGE

Age Range	Average Pledge	Number of Pledges
<25	\$75	24
26-35	\$1,161	30
36-45	\$3,300	100
46-55	\$6,650	123
56-65	\$7,568	144
66-75	\$4,346	166
75+	\$6,553	133

2014 PLEDGES

\$0 - 999



206

\$1,000-2,999



193

\$3,000-4,999



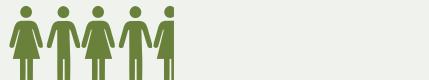
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\$5,000-9,999



115

\$10,000-19,999



47

\$20,000-49,999



30

\$50,000+



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OUR MISSION

Together with all believers

who gather around word and sacrament, Trinity Presbyterian Church exists to serve God with joy and to bear witness to God's transforming love made known in Jesus Christ.

We commit ourselves to be God's faithful, hopeful people in this particular time and place, claiming our distinctive heritage of being progressive in outlook, inclusive in composition, generous in spirit, engaged in the larger community and the broad issues that affect society, and involved collaboratively with the local communities and the greater church of which we are part.





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