



# TRINITY COMMUNICATOR

December 2017

**In case you need a smile. Here are a few Christmas stories from the internet.**

### **Cryptic Christmas Card**

A man sent his friend a cryptic Christmas card. It said: A B C D E F G H I J K M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z. The recipient puzzled over it for weeks, finally gave up and wrote asking for an explanation. In July he received the explanation on a postcard: "No L."

### **True story**

The nativity play was going as planned and Joseph and Mary were going from house to house knocking on the doors and asking if there was any room for them. As they continued to get "no room" answers a little voice called from the back "YOU SHOULD HAVE BOOKED!"

### **No Room In The Inn?**

A boy wanted to be Joseph in the Sunday School pageant. He was cast as the landlord and objected loudly, but to no avail. When the pageant was presented, Mary and Joseph knocked on the door and asked him if he had a room for them. The boy smiled and said, "Yes, sure. Lots of room. Come on in!"

### **God's Not Deaf**

Two young boys were spending the night at their grandparents' house the week before Christmas. At bedtime, the two boys knelt beside their beds to say their prayers. The younger one began praying at the top of his lungs:

"I PRAY FOR A NEW BICYCLE..."  
"I PRAY FOR A NEW NINTENDO..."

His older brother leaned over, nudged him and said, "Why are you shouting? God isn't deaf." to which the little brother replied, "No, but Grandma is!"

### **None of Them Are Toys!**

When my daughters were little I would always tell them around Christmas that this is Jesus' birthday and he only received 3 things so do not be disappointed in what lies under the tree. When it came time for worship on Christmas morning, I asked the children what they thought Jesus would think of Santa and all the hype. Would he ask Santa a question? My youngest daughter replied, "I think Jesus would ask how come I only got three things and none of them were toys?"

## **Upcoming Meetings & Events!**

### **MEETINGS:**

**December 5, 7 pm, CE Mtg.**

**December 10, 12:30 pm, Missions Meeting**

**December 12, 7 pm, Deacon/ Elder Meeting**

### **EVENTS:**

**December 8, 10:30 - Sr. Adult Brunch**

**December 24, 6 pm - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**

**December 31, 9:45 Prayer Breakfast**

### **Things to Know:**

#### **Church Office Hours**

Tues-Fri, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

#### **Announcements**

Bulletin and verbal announcements need to be sent to the office by Wednesday

#### **Activities**

To plan a church activity or meeting, please contact the office during the week to avoid any scheduling conflicts

#### **Staff Emails**

Brett@tbcgr.org  
Jason@tbcgr.org  
Jory@tbcgr.org  
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#### **Womens Ministry Email**

tbcwomen@hotmail.com

#### **Website:**

Tbcgr.org

#### **Communicator**

Announcements for the January Communicator are due to the office by December 20

#### **Elders**

Mike Dickinson  
Chris Haven  
Ed Higuera  
Vic Laing  
Sangjin Lee  
Don Vogel

#### **Deacons**

Rich Dorsey  
Mike Guest  
Zac Harmon  
Tim Hopkins  
Rich Larson  
Dave Mundt  
Devin Munson  
Frank Pfaff  
Jack Shafer

#### **Deacon Assistants**

D. Ann Baber  
Corlene Laing  
Joy Larson  
Jennie Munson  
Mary Poling  
Sheri White

## Upcoming Holiday Office Hours and Service Times

Sunday, Christmas Eve--No 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

Normal 11 a.m. Service

6 p.m. Candlelight Service

December 26--Church office closed

Sunday, New Year's Eve--9:45 a.m. Prayer Breakfast

Normal 11 a.m. Service

No evening service

January 2--Church office closed



## It's a Senior Brunch!

Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am

Sign up at the communication center

We have something in store that's quite a treat.

Be sure to sign up, you'll want to save a seat.

It will be whimsical, it will be fun.

When it's over, you'll be sorry it's done.

There will be someone special at the grill.

When you know who, it will be a thrill.

So come, with your very own eyes, you'll want to see.

Yes, it will be your Pastor cooking omelets and eggs, over easy.



"Come Let Us Adore Him"  
an evening of music dedicated to  
God for the Gift of His Son, Jesus.

December 10

6 pm

## New Year's Eve Prayer Breakfast

Instead of our normal Sunday School/ABF classes, CE is hosting a family-style prayer breakfast in the Chapel. Please, join us at 9:45 a.m. for a **Continental Breakfast** and a time of prayer.



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## Happy Birthday to...

Gabriel Davis	12/2
Glorianne Lee	12/3
Benjamin Riley	12/6
Ellie Trim	12/6
Don Borton	12/9
Cole Laing	12/13
Marjorie Huizinga (102 yrs.)	12/14
Malachi Trim	12/15
Lois Gerakinis	12/16
Steven Gerakinis	12/17
David (Ozzie) Osborne	12/18
Michelle Karel	12/19
Bob Trim	12/20
John Van Tongeren	12/22
Sue Branon	12/23
William Wilson	12/25
Carol De Man	12/26
Liz Baker	12/27

Dennis Mooney	12/29
Ike Brott	12/29
Jacob Ellis	12/29
Chloe Ellis	12/30
Josiah Van Wyk	12/30
Jessica Karel	12/31
Tim Elmer	12/31

## *Happy Anniversary*

Mike & Sandy Guest	12/12
Randy & Michele Guppy	12/16
Jory & Andrea Trim	12/17
Mark & Sandy Taylor	12/27
Bob & Faith Flikkema	12/31



## DECEMBER 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Celebration Sunday, am	4	5 CE Meeting, 7 pm	6 AWANA Jr. High Basecamp Adult Prayer Mtg. Women's Bible Study	7	8 Sr. Brunch, 10:30 am	9
10 Oasis, 12:15 pm Christmas Program, pm Missions Mtg. 12:30 SNAC combined	11	12 Deacon/Elder Mtg. 7 pm	13 AWANA Jr. High Basecamp Adult Prayer Mtg. Women's Bible Study	14	15	16
17 Oasis, 12:15 pm	18	19	20 AWANA Jr. High Basecamp Adult Prayer Mtg.	21	22	23
24 No Sunday School Family Service, 11 am Candlelight Service, 6 pm	25	26 Office Closed	27 No AWANA No BaseCamp No Prayer Meeting	28	29	30 3 Mile Project Youth Event, 3:30 - 10:30 pm
31 Prayer Breakfast, 9:45 am Regular 11 a.m. service No PM service						