

# TRINITY VOICE

Week of July 31, 2011

*“Changing Lives For Jesus Christ”*

*From David's Desk:*

## The NFL, The Federal Government and Jesus

There have been two big stories in the news lately, one in the world of politics and one in the world of sports. In sports, there has been negotiations between the owners and the players of the National Football League. For the last several months, it has looked like there might not be an NFL season this year. It comes down, I think, to a couple of things. The obvious one is money. The slightly less obvious one is control. The two sides have been arguing over who gets to decide how to divide the billions of dollars that are made. I had a solution. I've had it for months. I could have saved all the stress and strain they have been under. What they should have done is take all the owners and all the players, put them in pads, and settle their differences on a football field! Think of how entertaining that would have been! Alas, nobody asked me. But as it turns out, they settled it without my help and we will have a football season.

In Washington there is a similar story. As I write (July 26<sup>th</sup>) politicians in Washington are arguing over raising the amount of money we can borrow as a country. If they do not raise it, we will still pay the people who have been loaning us money, but there will need to be dramatic cuts in spending that millions of people count on. And in addition, countries will be less likely to loan us money in the future. It is a serious issue. While almost all politicians agree they need to raise the debt limit, the disagreement is over the provisions that need to be included to do so. I have a solution there as well... I am reasonably convinced that about a half dozen ordinary citizens who have no interest in getting credit, placing blame or getting reelected to anything, could probably come up with a reasonable solution. The problem in Washington, like the NFL, stems from the desire... if not for money and control... then for control over money.

Since I've already admitted... with all due modesty... that I have solutions to both problems, let me offer one more. Not a solution... but THE solution. What would happen if people in business (The NFL is a business) and government were willing to acknowledge that in reality, none of them are in control. Oh they want to be. They very much want to be. But they are not. In reality they are not the One who spoke the world into being. They are not the One who breathed into us the breath of life. They are not the One who brings sunshine and rain. What if they were all to acknowledge and turn to the Lord of all creation for solutions to the problems we have created? I don't know about you, but I think all kinds of problems could be solved. And not just in Washington.

Because what would work for them... (It's easy to talk about what would work for them) would also work for us. Take some time this week to turn your problems over to the Lord. You will find that it will work for you, too.

If it's Sunday, you want to be at Trinity,  
David

## Stewardship

### Operating Budget

*Received This Week	\$9,015.54
Received YTD	\$444,136.11
<b>YTD Budget Needs:</b>	<b>\$485,811.35</b>

### Designated Gifts Given

Food Pantry

**Total Designated** \$100.00

## Attendance

Sunday School	9:45	204
	11:00	38
Sunday Morning	8:30	176
	9:45	65
	11:00	163
Children's Church	8:30	11
	11:00	8
<b>Total Attendance</b>		<b>404</b>

### 5th Sunday Fellowship

July 31st, there will be no 9:45 worship service. Everyone is invited to spend that time in Mobley Hall at our 5th Sunday fellowship. Food will be provided by Resurrection and Family Matters Sunday school classes. Make plans to be there!

### We Need Your Help

Trinity needs another "sound tech" person during our 11:00 service. You would rotate with two other people, so you would not have this responsibility every week. Could this be you? I hope so, because we sure need you. If you are interested, please call me at 706-346-2975 or email me at [jansidwell@att.net](mailto:jansidwell@att.net).

### Sunday Morning Worship Services

8:30, 9:45, 11:00

Scripture: Matthew 11:25-30

Message: Walking the Dog

David Campbell

## Prayer Concerns

Brenda Jackson	Alicia Owens
Roy Goolsby	Ondina Gonzalez
Helen Creteal	Martha Ozment
Beth Swann	June Tarpley

### Lay Helpers for Sunday July 31

#### 8:30 Service

Lay Reader	Cindy Latimer
Acolytes	Alexander Stevens
Greeters	Bill McClure
Ushers	John Crabb
Children's Church	Tricia Rhinehart

#### 9:45 Service

Lay Reader	Tommy Snow
Greeters	Chub Clifton
Ushers	Wayne Lewis

#### 11:00 Service

Lay Reader	Bruce Hoffmann
Acolytes	Mason Daniel
Greeters	Melissa Wood
Ushers	Rob Nolan
Children's Church	Joel & Becky Davis
Youth Snack	TBA

The Trinity Choir will be starting our practices back up Wednesday August 3rd @ 6:30. We will be planning our Christmas Music soon. If you have ever thought about joining the Choir now would be a perfect time. We sing at all three services. Our music is a very important part of the Worship Service. Please come and join us we have a great fellowship together.



## Announcements

### Choir Tour Videos

If you would like to order a dvd of this year's youth's musical, "Soul'd Out", please see Carla or David Patterson or Susan or Sam Johnston, who will take your name, the number of dvds you would like, and your payment of \$12 per dvd. Checks can be made to "Trinity UMC Youth", and payment is due at the time of the order. We will take orders until August 7 on Wednesday nights and Sunday morning and nights. We also have a handful of vintage dvds from 2004's "Hole in the Wall" and 2007's "Heart of the Matter" - and those are available now for \$10 each, so let us know if you are interested.

### Workshop: Getting the Most Out of Teaching the Bible

Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup>: 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.  
Rome First UMC – Wilder Dining Room  
Teaching the Bible can be intimidating for new and experienced teachers. And yet, leading a great class can be one of the most rewarding church experiences. This interactive workshop will discuss principles of adult learning, core principles for teaching the Bible, suggestions for your study and preparation, and several practical ideas for planning creative lessons. No matter what your setting or experience level is, this workshop aims to give you some practical ideas for you as a teacher. The workshop will be led by Rev. Chris Barbieri, Minister of Congregational Life at Rome First UMC, and is intended for leaders of adult classes and studies. It will be offered from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. in the Wilder Dining Room. As part of the extended Conference training staff, Chris has led this workshop for other churches and districts throughout our Conference. If you have ever taught an adult Sunday school class or Bible study, please consider attending this workshop. Please RSVP to Chris at [706-291-8590](tel:706-291-8590) or [cbarbieri@romefirst.org](mailto:cbarbieri@romefirst.org) by August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### Finance Committee

Will meet August 3rd at 6:00 in the Trinity Building.

## **This Week At Trinity:**

Sunday, July 31	
8:30	Praise and Worship Service
9:45 & 11:00	Church School & Traditional Worship Service
4:00	Youth Choir
5:00	Youth Fellowship
6:15	Youth Snack Supper
Monday, August 1	
2:00	LRE Visitation Team, Parlor
6:00	LRE Visitation Team Trinity Building, Large Conference Room
Tuesday, August 2	
Wednesday, August 3	
7:30	Prayer Breakfast, Mobley Hall
5:30	Fellowship Supper
Menu: Cubed Steak with Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Peas, Rolls, Dessert	
6:00-7:30	Be-Artitudes Painting Class, Trinity Building, 204
6:00	Finance Committee, Trinity Building, Large Conference Room
Thursday, August 4	
10:30	Intercessory Prayer, Parlor
Friday, August 5	
Saturday, August 6	

### *Birthdays*

July 31  
Claudette Poe, Casey McFarland,  
Robby Batchelor

August 1  
Holly Bettler, Hannah Height,  
Christopher Lee

August 2  
Anne Fletcher, David Moore, Shelley Reid, Amanda Blackwell

August 3  
Jeannette Fletcher, Carrie Wallace

August 4  
Kelly Griffin, Melissa Blackwell

August 5  
Mark Fisher, Matthew Middleton,  
Kate Wood, Ava Styles

August 6  
Jacob Malone

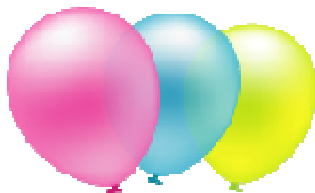
### *Anniversaries*

July 31  
Matthew & Paulene  
Middleton

August 1  
Mark & Jill Fisher

August 2  
Jerry & Carol Winkle

August 5  
Thom & Robin Holt  
Hoke & Jean Kidney



### **Spaghetti Lunch**

Let the Children's Ministry Team treat you to a Spaghetti Lunch on August 7<sup>th</sup>. We will celebrate promotion Sunday and introduce our new Pioneer Club program that will begin on Wednesdays this fall to the Trinity church family! Everyone is welcome and lunch will be ready at 11:00 and again at noon. Our children will be ready to serve you! Come see what the buzz is all about and learn more about Children's Ministry at Trinity. Any donations made will go towards the Children's Ministry program.

### **Pioneer Club**

Pioneer Club starts Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm. All children age 3 through 6<sup>th</sup> grade are encouraged to join the club on Wednesdays. We will meet as a group in Room 206 at 6:15pm and split up into five club groups from there (3 year olds, Pre-K and Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>). Each week our children will learn to love God more deeply through activity time, bible study and memory verse practice. Badges will be awarded for projects completed during each unit. We will celebrate with our children as they earn their badges and add to our upcoming wall of honor! Join us Wednesdays this fall from 6:15pm to 7:30pm and let the fun begin!

### **Promotion Sunday**

Promotion Sunday is right around the corner! Many of our children will be promoting to new Sunday School classes on August 7<sup>th</sup>. We will also be starting a new tradition this year. Our rising 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will be receiving bibles in Memory of Ms. Paula Umberhandt! We are so excited to be able to honor her love for Trinity's children in such a special way. If you have a rising 2<sup>nd</sup> grader, please email Kristen at [Kristen@TrinityUMCRome.org](mailto:Kristen@TrinityUMCRome.org). We want to be sure our list is complete and no one is left out. Thanks!

### **Leader Training**

Pioneer Club Team Leader training will be July 31<sup>st</sup> at 3pm. We will meet in room 206. We have some great volunteers lined up, but we could use some more! If you would like to become a part of the Pioneer Club Team of Volunteers, please let Kristen know. There are more opportunities than just leading a group. Each room will need a helper as well. Please let Kristen know if you are interested or would like more information. Thanks!

### **We Need You!**

Sunday School teachers/helpers needed! We have a few openings for our Children's Ministry Sunday School Team. If you would like to work with our children on Sunday mornings (and they are a joy to work with!), please let Kristen know by emailing her [Kristen@TrinityUMCRome.org](mailto:Kristen@TrinityUMCRome.org). Or just stop her on Sunday morning and let her know you are interested. Thanks!

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                           Friday: 9-12 noon

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