



FLOURISH

PERSONAL JOURNAL



TRINITY
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



“Trinity warmly welcomed our family in the summer of 2025 to rest in worship in ways that brought immediate relief to our spiritually wounded and weak souls. Since then, we have experienced continued healing and renewal from the relational and spiritual care we received directly from the elders as well as a growing sense of joy in weekly worship and shared community. We have been deeply impacted by the care we have received and want now to do the same for others who come through these doors. We look forward to enlarging our space so that more can find healing for their souls with renewed sense of purpose.”

Becky and Sean Roberts, Trinity members

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Dear Trinity Family,

Trinity was born in faith. At every turn, in every season we have seen His provision. You may remember us meeting in other churches, the YMCA, the Sixth Grade Center, the Patriot, Barnes; you may remember how we had to borrow equipment, drive trucks and trailers—at every season the Lord has sustained us, strengthened us, and called us forward in faith.

We stepped forward when we planted Three Rivers in Grove. We stepped forward when we planted Hope in Bartlesville. We stepped forward in buying land that we did not know how we could pay for. We stepped forward in building Trinity Hall. We stepped forward countless times as we came to the Lord’s Table with nothing but repentance and faith. Same heartbeat. Same church. Same love for each other. Same liturgy pointing us to Jesus from the beginning.

Now, He is inviting us to take the next step together.

This booklet is designed to walk us through our seven-week sermon series, FLOURISH, from the book of Daniel, when Israel lived in exile in Babylon. Flourishing in exile sounds like a contradiction. Yet Daniel shows us that God’s people can grow deep roots in hard soil. In a hostile land, surrounded by competing pressures, Daniel and fellow exiles learned to trust the living God with all of life.

That is our calling now. FLOURISH is about far more than raising money for Phase 2. It is about forming a people. It is about making room for the work God is already doing at Trinity and preparing for the work we believe He will continue to do.

For the next seven weeks, we will walk through the first six chapters of Daniel, ask community group questions, and pray simple prayers in family moments. Please bring this booklet to church each week. Come expecting God’s Word to confront you, comfort you, change you. Ask Him to help you prepare your heart for worship, not as people trying to earn His favor, but as sons and daughters who already have it in Jesus Christ.

Let’s flourish together.

Grace changes everything,

Blake Altman
Senior Pastor

Vision & Mission

People in Tulsa Metro are especially tired (spiritually), lonely (relationally), and distracted (personally). Where can they find true rest, community and purpose?

Trinity’s mission is to welcome people to find rest in Christ’s finished work, and equip Christians to rediscover the significance of the gospel for every area of their lives. In short, we want to show how grace changes everything in Jesus Christ. It is this Christ-centered, gospel worldview that delineates Trinity’s mission:

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
EXISTS TO SHOW THAT
GRACE CHANGES EVERYTHING
IN JESUS CHRIST
BY EQUIPPING YOU TO
REST IN WORSHIP,
GROW IN COMMUNITY
AND REDISCOVER YOUR CALLING
IN OWASSO, TULSA AND BEYOND.



Trinity seeks to equip us in three ways:

Rest in worship: Worship heals, restores and transforms God’s people in God’s presence. At worship we repent of our self-saving strategies and marvel at how beautiful and believable Jesus is.

Grow in community: God said, “It’s not good that man should be alone!” (Genesis 2:18) Discipleship and service are best done with others. In community groups we come to know God, experience His presence, and prepare to do God’s work in the world.

Rediscover your calling: Our spiritual lives and professional lives are not separate but united in purpose: to glorify God and enjoy Him forever. We embrace the goodness of work as an avenue for extending the gospel through our respective industry’s expertise, ethics, enjoyment and evangelism.



Our History: 2011-2025

Trinity’s story began with a simple prayer: that God would establish a gospel-centered church in Owasso. From borrowed spaces and portable equipment to planting churches and establishing a permanent home, each chapter has been marked by God’s provision and a willingness to step forward in faith. Today, that same story continues as Trinity looks toward the generations still to come.



September 27, 2011: The Redeemer Owasso core group and Tulsa friends welcome Rev. Blake Altman and family to be their church planter.

October 23, 2011: Redeemer Owasso is renamed Trinity, reflecting both the visionary leadership of RiverOaks PCA (formerly Redeemer Tulsa) and encouragement from Christ Presbyterian Church. During this time Trinity’s core group grows and begins hosting annual fall festivals at the VanWyhe’s Farm.

March 31, 2013: Easter Sunrise at Dover Pond. Trinity begins another early tradition of celebrating an Easter Sunrise service at Dover Pond followed by breakfast at Kay and Ron Weber’s home.

October 27, 2013: Trinity particularizes, calling her first elders and deacons.

January 19, 2014: Trinity makes their first large capital investment, purchasing trailers and portable equipment for the Sixth Grade Center (and, later, ten other locations).



First Elders & Deacons - 2013



VanWyhe’s Farm - 2011



Easter Sunrise at Dover Pond - 2013



Early Morning Communion Set Up - 2014



Stage Set Up - 2015



Long-Range Planning Team - 2015



Hope PCA Plant - 2017

November 8, 2015: Trinity launches their first church plant, Three Rivers, and Trinity’s Session calls the Rev. Mark Kuiper from Saint Louis to be their church planter.

November 7, 2016: Trinity forms their long-range planning committee to consider existing properties in town.

April 23, 2017: Trinity launches their second church plant, Hope PCA, through their Bartlesville community group. The Rev. Peter Johnson, a former US Army Chaplain, accepts the call to serve as their pastor.

February 2, 2018: Trinity purchases 15 acres of land at the corner of N Memorial Drive and 76th Street North for \$650,000 through a loan they paid off through their ROOTS capital campaign.

November 11, 2019: Trinity worships on the land, dreaming of the day they have their own facility on the site.

January 12, 2020: Trinity worships outside in the cold after a child pulled the fire alarm at the Sixth Grade Center.

April 24, 2022: Trinity breaks ground on to-be-phased-out Phase 1, a 13,600 square foot multipurpose worship space, kitchen, and four children’s classrooms. Additional resources enable Trinity to complete their vision for Trinity Hall.

May 10, 2026: Trinity dedicates Trinity Hall with a “Night to Remember” celebration.

Today: Trinity looks forward to equipping members, strengthening families, raising up future church planters and pastors for the PCA.



15 acres - 2018



Dreaming - 2019



Worship - 2020



Groundbreaking - 2022



Night to Remember - 2026

FLOURISH

“What Are We Doing?”

Phase 2 will include Christian education space for all ages – TrinityKids, youth and adults – as well as staff offices and room for growth. When it is complete, we will no longer need to use the Grove, where our youth space and staff offices are currently housed a mile down the road.

“Why are we doing it?”

We cannot comfortably run multiple adult discipleship classes simultaneously; TrinityKids is filled to the brim; Trinity Youth does not have a dedicated space for Sunday morning classes; midweek Bible studies need more room; and we can’t host a wedding and the reception to follow. Plus, our staff office—“The Grove”—is located a mile away, doubling as a midweek youth space. Consolidating would not only strengthen ministry alignment but save over \$60,000 annually in rent.

“Why are we doing it, now?”

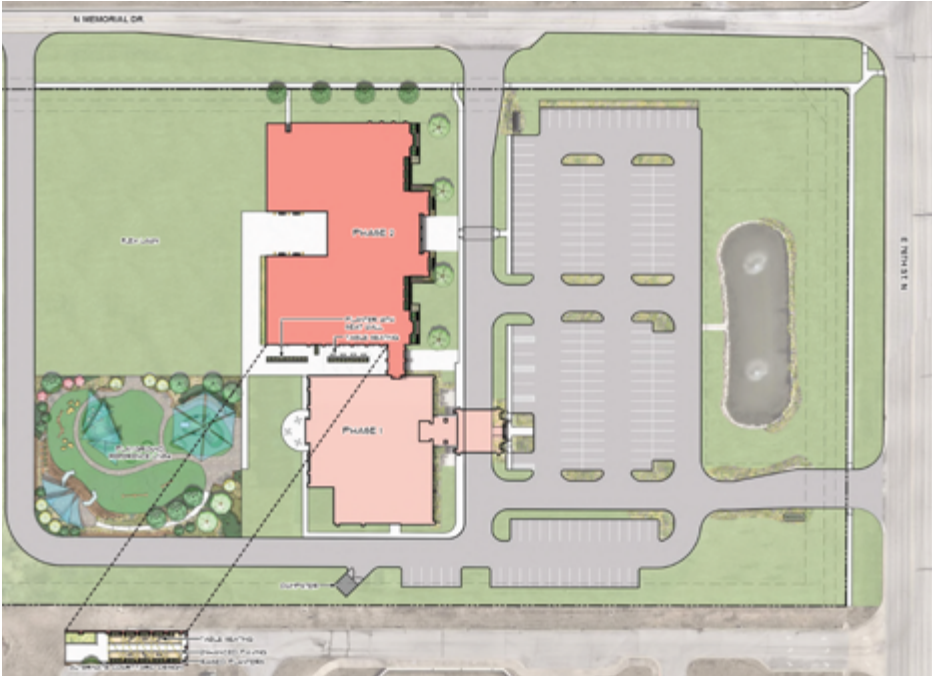
Logistically, when we have to hurry people out of Trinity Hall so Sunday school can begin, or when our children are overflowing in TrinityKids, or when we ask our youth to meet in a storage closet, we are not communicating our core values. Cramped spaces frustrate ministry, stretch volunteers, and leave families wondering where they can go, gather, learn, and grow.

Missionally and confessionally, we will be able to cultivate an integrated discipleship ecosystem for all ages that will birth and resource healthy PCA churches. Running multiples classes for each age will train leaders, equip families, serve our community, host seminary classes, and re-enchant our children with biblical literacy for new generational challenges.

Aesthetically, Phase 2 combines the truth and goodness of the gospel with a timeless building that will serve as the “front door” for Trinity. One hundred years ago many beautiful buildings blessed Oklahoma communities. Younger generations especially long for natural and architectural beauty once again to complement biblically-faithful churches.



Exterior Rendering



The Goal is \$8.9M Over Three Years

FLOURISH is not first about a building project. It is a declaration that the gospel is the answer to our communities’ and families’ deepest problems. It is an invitation for others to join you to rest in Jesus’ work alongside you. It is a call to share what we love at Trinity.



Perspective looking southeast





Perspective looking southwest



Playground



Perspective looking south



Perspective looking southeast

How Can You Participate?

PRAY

Pray that God would use this initiative to strengthen Trinity’s ministry for years to come. Ask Him to give our church wisdom, unity, joyful generosity, and a continued passion for making disciples to His glory.

LEARN

Take time to understand the vision behind Flourish. Read the campaign materials, attend informational gatherings, ask questions, and seek to understand how this initiative supports the ministry of our church.

CONSIDER

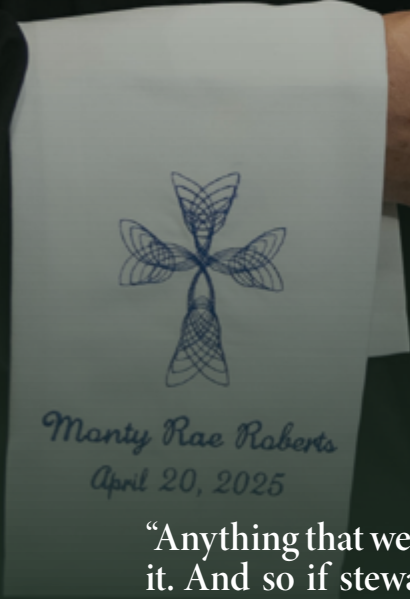
Prayerfully consider, with your family, how God may be leading you to participate. Ask the Lord to grow your trust in Him and to guide your giving as an act of joyful worship.

COMMIT

As God leads, make a three-year financial commitment to the Flourish Campaign and bring your commitment card with you on Commitment Sunday, November 15. Together, we trust God to provide through the joyful generosity of His people.



We want every member to have the opportunity to understand the vision, ask questions, and prayerfully consider how they can participate. If you have questions or would like information, please contact us:
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“Anything that we’re given in our family isn’t ours. We’re called to steward it. And so if stewardship is in obedience, then yes, there is a tithe. But when there are needs above and beyond, whether it be for a campaign or for a widow, as Timothy lays out, we are to meet those needs as a church family. And so we feel like that’s our responsibility, and we’re going to be joyfully giving.”

Kaitlyn and Josh McAlister

Frequently Asked Questions

General

1. What’s included in Phase 2 vs Phase 3?

Phase 2 includes approximately 70k square feet of discipleship space for TrinityKids, youth and adults, staff offices, four additional restrooms, a coffee bar, a security desk, fellowship space, and a third-floor shell for future expansion. Phase 3 (not yet designed) will be the permanent sanctuary possibly with an area below it that could double as a tornado shelter.
2. How is Trinity gearing up to formulate and steward our campus for many years to come?

The Session has prayed for and received a maintenance endowment of \$1MM to help with larger costs of repairs on our campus. That fund grows with interest each year. There are guardrails on how we access those funds so future generations at Trinity can maintain a welcoming, hospitable environment on campus as the focus remains on equipping the saints and the ministry of Word and Sacrament.
3. What are non-obvious ways we should be praying?

Pray for these things: 1) 100% participation at Trinity in the Flourish Campaign; 2) the final touches on the project by the design teams; 3) strong shepherding structures to equip the elders to shepherd the congregation well; 4) more community groups to raise up future leaders; 5) the culture of Trinity’s gospel hospitality to grow deeper we welcome new members.
4. What is the goal/future congregation size of Trinity?

We don’t have a “number” for a goal. Our goal is to shepherd people well as we love and serve Tulsa Metro. The building is designed to meet Trinity’s needs in ten years. Based on current growth estimates that could be as many as 900-1000. We desire to equip community groups to become core groups for new church plants and raise up men to be teaching and ruling elders in the PCA.
5. Will we have stained glass? Will the interior look the same as Phase 1?

The current design does not have stained glass incorporated into the current plans but we believe it would be a beautiful addition in the future. While we plan to carry the narthex aesthetic into the common areas of Phase 2, we expect the remainder of the building (classrooms, etc) to have a lower level of finish.
6. What committees are involved in the process and are there staffing needs?

There are a total of 11 committees each made up of 5-16 people (chairman/chairwomen). There are also additional committees for the Flourish Campaign. Administration & Integrated Project Team (David Dorrough), Adult Education (Mark Kuiper), Communications (Flourish Campaign Team), Design Team (Keil Cadieaux), Facilities, Operations & Sustainability (Erik Waller), Finance & Stewardship (James Keilbarth), Staff Offices & Work Environments (Rebecca Zion), Technology Integration (James Zion), TrinityKids Design (Anna Keltner), Youth Design (Nathan Duke). As for staffing? Yes, we plan to hire a facilities director to oversee the campus.
7. Do the pastors and elders foresee a care ministry to members and the public that includes biblically based trauma care, divorce care, addiction counselors that include biblical and practical counseling?

Yes, we would love to see that and could imagine a thriving ministry to that end.



Budget

8. What is the estimated construction budget for Phase 2 and what is our Flourish Campaign goal?

Our current construction estimate is approximately \$36.6MM of which we have \$27.5MM committed. Our Flourish Campaign goal is \$8.9MM.
9. What is the start and end date of the Flourish Campaign giving period?

The campaign will span 3 years beginning November 15th.
10. How do we already have \$27.5MM?

We received generous anonymous grants from the Tulsa Community Foundation and several out-of-state friends of Trinity to bless our congregation and help us achieve our Phase 2 goal.
11. Why should I contribute if so much of the campaign has already been covered by early commitments?

Participation is part of formation. The fact that we have been so blessed is actually *more* reason to participate with your whole heart in what God is doing at Trinity. This campaign is fundamentally about your discipleship in the area of generosity, not just about achieving a fundraising goal. Flourish is about being part of our big vision that seeks to bless others to rest in worship, grow in community and rediscover our calling. We want and need you; each of us plays a key role.
12. Should we reach out to our families that don’t attend Trinity to see if they want to give? How should we go about speaking to our families?

Of course! Please spread the word. Friends and family outside of Trinity have already contributed. You can absolutely invite others to share in what we are doing. Refer them to the Flourish website. We are glad to help you with print materials to send to them.
13. Is there any buffer if Phase 2 runs over budget?

We have financing options from Encore Bank should we need to consider that.
14. How much is expected to be spent on furnishing phase 2? Is that included in the campaign?

The architect has estimated \$500k for furniture, fixtures and equipment. It is excluded from the campaign because we have FFE funds remaining from Phase 1.
15. I barely make enough now with my tithe. Is this okay?

Yes! The amount is less important than the heart posture behind it. A large amount to one may not be a sacrifice while a small amount to another is. The question to ask is, “Is my giving marked by sacrifice, gratitude, and consistency?”

Spaces

16. How many bathrooms?

There will be at least four additional restrooms for women and men throughout Phase 2. Additionally, there will be a restroom in classrooms for TrinityKids.
17. What will Phase 1 become? What is the plan for The Grove?

Phase 1 will continue to be where we meet for worship on Sunday morning. The four current TrinityKids’ classrooms will become adult education and small-group Bible study classrooms. The Grove will no longer be needed. The staff offices will be on the first floor of phase 2. The youth wing will be on the east side of the second floor.
18. Will there be space for special needs children?

The ability to serve all children has been considered in the design, form, and function of the space. The limiting factor for a special needs ministry will be having trained personnel to support it. Let’s be praying for this! If there is someone who would like to attend Trinity and may not be able to, please speak with the elders or deacons. Located so close to A New Leaf, we do look forward to serving adults with disabilities, too.
19. How long will it take to build?

16-18 months is the estimated time GH2 Architects is stating it will take. We are spending additional time refining the design before we begin building to minimize changes and delays.
20. How does the permitting process for Phase 2 Work? Could there be hiccups/issues with that?

We have hired Reed Woods of Stonebridge Group as our owners representative to assist with the permitting process alongside GH2, our architects. While we anticipate challenges, we are working behind the scenes now to minimize any unexpected issues with the property.

Sermon Series

A 7-Week Journey to Prepare You to Live Faithfully in Exile

We live amidst the largest religious shift in American history. For the first time since Gallup began tracking religious membership eighty years ago, more adults in the United States do not attend church than attend church. The enormous resources redirected away from the local church creates a flywheel of conditions that exile and marginalize Christians further from their local churches and one another.

Our prayer at Trinity is that our generation and future generations will stand in the breach for this region as we show how grace changes everything in Jesus Christ.

For the next seven weeks we'll walk through the first six chapters of Daniel, who gives us a picture of faithful living in exile. The gospel's power shines in these pages! God's people need not be frenetic, dazed or confused, but rooted, wise, courageous, humble, truthful, prayerful, and hopeful in a hostile world.

Each chapter of Daniel points us beyond Daniel. It points us to Jesus, the true and better Daniel. Jesus entered our exile. He refused every temptation to bow. He spoke truth in love. He endured the fire of judgment and the den of death on the cross for us. And He rose again, proving that His kingdom shall never be destroyed. And He invites us to flourish as a church no matter what the conditions.

Please bring this journal with you each Sunday through November 15th and let's see how God's grace takes deeper root in us.



October 4, 2026

Week 1

“Flourish Where You’re Planted”

Rev. Dr. Blake Altman

Sermon in a sentence: Only God's grace can give you an identity strong enough to live faithfully in the world without being formed by the world.

1. _____ is Critical Because the World Seeks to Re-_____ You
(Daniel 1:1-2).

2. Know _____ You are Because the the World Seeks to Re-_____
You (Daniel 1:3-7).

3. Have _____ for the World Will Try to Re-_____ Your Values
(Daniel 1:8–21).

Community Group Questions:

1. Daniel was formed by God's Word and promises before he ever faced the pressures of Babylon. What is currently forming you most deeply? How does the Flourish Campaign work for us to become a church that forms children, students, families, and neighbors more deeply in the gospel than the culture forms them?
2. Daniel resolved to live faithfully within Babylon. Where has God planted you in this season? What's one specific area where you're especially tempted to conform to the gods of this age? What does faithfulness look like here?
3. Pastor Blake described the campaign as "not about building a building, but planting a garden." How does that image reshape the way you think about generosity, sacrifice, and participation in the campaign? What kind of spiritual fruit would you dare to ask God to grow in you through this investment?

Family Car Conversations

Start the conversation:

Daniel and his friends were taken to a place they did not choose, but God had not forgotten them. Even in Babylon, they could trust God and live faithfully.

Ask in the car:

1. What is something hard about where God has us right now?
2. How can we be faithful to Jesus in this season?

Pray together:

“Jesus, Help our family grow in Your grace and be faithful right where we are. Amen.”

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Practical Ideas for Living & Giving Generously

Nearly every day we make financial decisions. Some are small like coffee, lunch, that thing in the cart we may or may not need. Some are large like a new house, car, school, retirement, the future we are trying to secure. But few decisions expose the heart like the stewardship of money. Giving creates a kind of holy tension. We wonder, “If I release this, what will happen to to my future?” This tension is a reminder that giving is never just financial; it is also spiritual. It is one of the clearest ways we say, with our bodies and budgets, “Lord, I trust You.”

You know that Jesus is your true hope when your grip on money begins to loosen for the sake of others. The early Christians were known for this. They shared their tables, opened their hands, and held possessions as gifts to be stewarded, not gods to be served.

We have put this Generosity Toolbox together to help you consider how God has blessed you and how the Spirit might invite you to trust the Lord during the Flourish Campaign. You’ll find ideas that will help you pray and consider how God is leading you to participate.

In Christ,

- Blake Altman, Senior Pastor



The most faithful path to generosity is not first financial. It is spiritual.

Jesus said, “Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also” (Mt 6:21). Our money reveals what we love, fear, trust, and believe will save us. We give most easily to whatever we think will sustains us and give us life.

So Flourish is not simply an invitation to give more. It is an invitation to witness the gospel’s power to bring real change in this intimate area of your life, to see financial priorities flow from spiritual priorities. Remember where your treasure is there is your heart.

Lifestyle generosity is allowing our giving to touch our living. There is always a temptation to give to God in a way that leaves our habits, comforts, and plans untouched. But King David said, “I will not offer to the Lord my God that which costs me nothing” (2 Samuel 24:24).

Jonathan Edwards asked, if we only help when it costs us nothing, “how do we bear our neighbor’s burdens when we bear no burdens at all?” Richard Baxter wrote, “To whom God giveth much, from them he doth expect much.”

Generosity is first an invitation to formation, a pathway into joy.



October 11, 2026

Week 2

“Flourish through Worship & Wisdom”

Rev. Mark Kuiper

Sermon in a sentence: All that is unknown and may cause us anxiety is known to God so that His people might live a life of faith marked by prayer and worship.

1. The _____ of the unknown:

2. The _____ to the unknown:

3. The _____ of knowing:

Community Group Questions:

1. If you were to assemble your own “Dream Team” to help with the unknown parts of your future, who would you include and why?
2. Have you been added to another’s “Dream Team” without your consent? It may seem wonderful and amazing but how can you in the same humble manner as Daniel did?
3. We all face things in our future that are unknown, as does our church. Does your response look more like Nebuchadnezzar’s or Daniels?
4. Verses 20-23 give us this amazing prayer of Daniel’s, how can we make this a model for our own prayers personally and as a part of this local church Trinity?
5. How does vision of the stone that became a mountain that filled the whole earth give us comfort and courage for the days ahead?

Family Car Conversations

Start the conversation:

Daniel faced a problem he could not solve on his own. Instead of panicking, he prayed and asked God for wisdom.

Ask in the car:

1. What is something you are worried about right now?
2. Where do we need God's wisdom as a family?

Pray together:

“Father, we need You. We do not have all the answers, but You do. Help us trust You, pray before we worry, and rest in Your wisdom. Amen.”

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Generosity Journey

Five Ways We Grow in Generosity

Generosity rarely arrives in us fully formed.

For most of us, it grows slowly. Sometimes awkwardly. Often with a mixture of faith and fear, gratitude and resistance, trust and the very real awareness that money is never just money; it represents time, security, plans, comfort, and trust.

As we pray about FLOURISH, the question is not only, “How much should I give?” but, “How is God forming me through this?”

1. The Initial Giver

An Initial Giver is someone who gives for the first time as a response to God’s Word.

This may feel small. It may feel simple. It may feel like a first, tentative step. But it is not insignificant. It is an act of trust.

It says, in effect: “I want to begin. I want to respond. I want to place something of mine into God’s hands and trust Him with it. I want to trust the leaders of the church to steward this gift faithfully.”

For some, this is the first real step from appreciation to participation.

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 8:7–15

2. The Consistent Giver

A Consistent Giver is someone who decides not only to give something, but to give regularly.

This kind of giving forms us over time. It becomes a practice, a rhythm, a discipline. And like most disciplines, it may not always feel dramatic in the moment. But slowly, quietly, it trains the heart.

Often, setting up a recurring gift is a way of saying: “I want generosity to become part of the normal pattern of my life, not merely something I do when I remember, when I feel moved, or when there is extra.”

Consistency teaches us that giving is not only an event. It is a habit of trust.

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 9:6–8



3. The Intentional Giver

An Intentional Giver begins to think about giving in relation to everything else money does.

This is where generosity becomes less accidental. We begin to notice that every budget tells a story. Every purchase reflects some kind of priority. Every financial decision, whether we mean it to or not, says something about what we believe will give us security, joy, comfort, or significance.

The Intentional Giver begins to ask: “How does my giving compare to my other spending? What does my calendar and bank statement say I value? Am I planning my generosity with the same care I give to vacations, hobbies, subscriptions, home projects, savings, or retirement?”

This is not about guilt. It is about clarity. It is about bringing our whole life before Jesus.

Scripture: Luke 14:28–35

Generosity is not a ladder for proving our worth; it is a pathway of formation. Wherever you find yourself today, the invitation is not to compare yourself with someone else. The invitation is to pray, listen, respond in faith, and take the next faithful step.

4. The Sacrificial Giver

A Sacrificial Giver gives in a way that changes them.

This kind of giving is rooted in the gospel. Christ did not give what was leftover. He gave Himself. And because of that, the Sacrificial Giver begins to see all of life differently: not as something owned, protected, and managed for self, but as something received from God and returned to Him in worship.

Sacrificial giving means generosity begins to govern spending and saving, rather than spending and saving governing generosity.

It asks questions like: “What would I gladly give up so that others might receive? What comforts or preferences might I loosen my grip on for the sake of Christ’s Kingdom? Does my giving actually require faith?”

Sacrifice is not measured merely by the amount given, but by the love, trust, and surrender behind it.

Scripture: Colossians 1:15–18, 22–23

5. The Lifetime Giver

A Lifetime Giver thinks beyond this month, this year, or even this campaign.

This person begins to consider the long arc of generosity. Not just, “What can I give right now?” but, “What kind of generous life am I building?” They make short-term decisions with long-term Kingdom impact in mind.

A Lifetime Giver may set a lifetime giving goal. They may consider how major decisions—homes, cars, investments, retirement, inheritance, lifestyle, and estate planning—can be shaped by generosity rather than merely personal advancement.

This kind of giver asks: “What do I want my life to have been about? How can my resources continue to bear witness to Christ over decades? How might God use not only my income, but my whole financial life, for His glory?”

A Lifetime Giver is learning to see everything as stewardship, and every season of life as an opportunity to bless others.

Scripture: 1 Timothy 6:6–19

Currently, the place I’m at in my journey is:

- ☐ Initial
- ☐ Consistent
- ☐ Intentional
- ☐ Sacrificial
- ☐ Lifetime

I believe God is calling me to grow my generosity by:

October 18, 2026

Week 3

“Flourish in Community with Courage”

Rev. Dr. Blake Altman

Sermon in a sentence: The fire cannot destroy you if your deepest security is the One who enters it for you.

1. Refuse to _____ When Babylon Demands Your Worship (Daniel 3:1–7).
2. Stand _____ When Faithfulness Becomes Costly (Daniel 3:8–18).
3. Trust Christ to Meet You in the _____ (Daniel 3:19–30).

Community Group Questions:

1. Daniel 3 shows Babylon using spectacle, music, social pressure, and fear to demand worship. What are some “golden images” in our culture—or in your own heart—that quietly ask for your trust, identity, obedience, or worship? How does the gospel free us from needing those idols to justify, secure, or save us?
2. Read Daniel 3:16-18. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego say, “Our God is able to deliver us... but if not... we will not serve your gods.” Where is God calling you to obedience even without a guaranteed outcome? What would it look like to trust Christ there, whether He delivers you from the fire or meets you in it?
3. The three men do not stand alone; they stand together. Who are the friends God has placed in your life who help you remain faithful when compromise feels easier? How can your community group become that kind of community for one another?

Family Car Conversations

Start the conversation:

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego stood together when obeying God was hard. And God was with them in the fire.

Ask in the car:

1. Who are some people at Trinity we are thankful for?
2. Who has helped our family follow Jesus?

Try this:

Pray for those people by name. Then consider writing them a note or text to tell them how much you appreciate them.

Pray together:

“Jesus, thank You for being with us when life is hard. Thank You for the people at Trinity who walk with us. Help us be faithful friends to others too. Amen.”

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The Significance of Making a Commitment:

During Commitment Sunday, on November 15, 2026, our church family will have the opportunity to worship the Lord together by submitting a Commitment Card. After prayerfully seeking the Lord, each household is invited to indicate the amount they presently believe God is leading them to give over the next three years.

This estimate is not a binding pledge or a vow before God. Rather, it is a prayerful expression of your present intention to participate in the ministry opportunities God has placed before our church. We recognize that circumstances may change, and we trust each member to continue seeking the Lord as He faithfully provides.

Before Commitment Sunday, each household will receive a Commitment Card. The sample below is included so that you can become familiar with the card and prayerfully prepare in advance.

We are invited to commit our hearts in faith to share God's love in our community. Imagine what we can achieve with God's help! Through the "FLOURISH" Campaign, I/we will endeavor to give over and above my/our regular offerings.

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Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. - 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

Personal Information (Please print):

Date: _____

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____

State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

☐ My/our Total 3-Year Commitment: \$ _____

☐ Over the next 3 years, I/we plan to give accordingly:

\$ _____ Weekly for 156 Weeks

\$ _____ Monthly for 36 Months

\$ _____ Annually for 3 Years

☐ I/we wish to give to the FLOURISH Campaign by means other than cash (for example: stocks, bonds, IRA distributions, securities):

Description: _____

Estimated Value of Asset Given: _____

Signature: _____

Your commitment is an indication of your intention to give as you are able.



Why Complete A Commitment Card?

A Commitment Card is more than a financial planning tool—it is an opportunity to respond intentionally to the Lord's leading. While the amount each family gives will differ, our prayer is that every individual and household will seek the Lord and participate in faith.

Completing a card is valuable for several reasons:

- It encourages prayerful stewardship. Rather than making giving an afterthought, the card invites you to seek the Lord, discuss this opportunity with your family, and thoughtfully determine how you will respond.
- It provides an opportunity for spiritual reflection. Seasons like this encourage us to consider how God has provided for us, whether our generosity reflects our gratitude, and how He may be inviting us to trust Him more fully.
- It expresses our shared participation. Every commitment, regardless of size, is a reminder that this initiative belongs to our entire church family. We are asking every household to prayerfully consider how they can participate in the work God is doing at Trinity.
- It helps the elders plan wisely. As we seek to steward the church's resources faithfully, estimated commitments provide helpful information for making responsible decisions regarding the ministry opportunities and facility improvements before us.

Throughout Scripture, God's people often marked significant moments of faith with tangible acts of obedience and remembrance. Completing a Commitment Card is one small but meaningful way to express your desire to participate in what God is doing through our church.

Ultimately, this initiative is not about a card. It is about worshiping Christ through faithful stewardship. Our hope is that every member will prayerfully seek the Lord, respond with joyful generosity, and experience the blessing of participating together in the work God is accomplishing through His church.



October 25, 2026

Week 4

“Flourish for the Sake of Others”

Rev. Dr. Blake Altman

Sermon in a sentence: God humbles our pride and frees us to use our influence for the good of others.

1. God exposes the _____ beneath our self-motivating flourishing.
2. God humbles us so we will lift our eyes to _____.
3. Jesus is the humble King who _____ His life so sinners can be _____.

Community Group Questions:

1. Look especially at Daniel 4:29–30. What is Nebuchadnezzar claiming for himself? How has your past success revealed what you are really trusting in?
2. Daniel calls Nebuchadnezzar to “break off” his sins by practicing righteousness and showing mercy to the oppressed. What does this show us about the connection between pride, repentance, justice, and mercy?
3. Nebuchadnezzar must be humbled because of his pride, but Jesus humbles Himself in love for proud sinners like us. Where do you need to “lift your eyes to heaven” this week and receive the restoring mercy of God? Where might God be inviting you to repent not only inwardly, but practically (“break off”)?

Family Car Conversations

Start the conversation:

God humbled King Nebuchadnezzar and showed him that heaven rules. Daniel used his words and his life to point the king back to God.

Ask in the car:

- 1.What are some ways God uses people to bless others?
- 2.How can our family be a blessing this week?

Pray together:

“Lord, make our family available for Your Kingdom. Use our words, our time, our home, and our gifts to bless others. Help us speak truth with love and courage. Amen.”

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In II Corinthians 8-9 Paul does not put pressure directly on the will (e.g., "I'm an apostle and I command you to give!!") nor directly on the emotions (e.g., "You have so much and these poor people have so little! How can you neglect them?")

Rather he goes to their heart with the gospel. He says—if you don't want to give, you don't really understand the gospel of grace. You don't understand who you are, you don't understand what he's done. You may be trying to be your own Savior (rather than looking to Jesus) by saving enough money to maintain security in an insecure world. Or you may be relying on people's approval for your significance (rather than looking to Jesus) by living at a certain economic/material level. In any case, you are failing to remember the generosity of Jesus for you on the cross.

Paul says that the only solution is to preach the gospel to your own heart until you want to give away your money. No other way will work. All other methods will produce superficial results. So in order to become a gracious, generous person—don't sit down with a calculator, look to the cross.

- Tim Keller, *"Redeemer Vision Papers #7: Creation, Fall, Redemption—and Your Money"*



November 1, 2026

Week 5

“Flourish through Humility,”

Rev. Nathan Duke

Sermon in a sentence: The consequences to arrogance are sure, but so too is God's love in our correction.

1. The _____ of Forgetfulness
2. A _____ of True Authority
3. _____ Receivers of Correction

Community Group Questions:

1. Belshazzar receives God's correction, so how do we receive it?
2. How do we learn from this example and respond in humility when we are corrected?
3. How do we model ourselves after Daniel and find courage to speak the truth to others?

Family Car Conversations

Start the conversation:

Belshazzar forgot that all he had came from God. Daniel 5 reminds us not to live with pride, but with gratitude and stewardship.

Ask in the car:

1. What is something God has given our family?
2. How can we use that gift to honor Him and bless others?

Pray together:

“Father, thank You for all You have given us. Keep us from pride and forgetfulness. Help us remember that everything we have belongs to You and is meant for Your glory. Amen.”

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What do we believe God is calling each of us to do as we are asked to participate in this initiative?

As you pray about how the Lord may be leading you to give, remember that generosity is an act of worship. Our giving is one way we express gratitude for God’s grace, trust in His provision, and participate together in the ministry of His church.

The Gift Profile Guide is designed to be a conversation starter rather than a formula. As one practical exercise, we invite each household to consider taking a step up in their giving. Begin by identifying your current annual giving to Trinity on the chart below. Then look at the next giving level and prayerfully consider what it would look like to give at that annual level for each of the next three years. You may even consider what it would look like to take two steps up.

As you work through this exercise, ask the Lord to cultivate greater trust, contentment, and generosity in your heart. Our desire is not that every family gives the same amount, but that every member seeks the Lord and responds faithfully to His leading.

Gift Profile Guide

3-Year Commitments Totaling \$8.9M

NUMBER OF COMMITMENTS	AMOUNT OF EACH COMMITMENT
1	\$1,000,000
2	\$750,000
3	\$500,000
5	\$250,000
10	\$100,000
10	\$75,000
10	\$50,000
12	\$36,000
15	\$24,000
15	\$15,000
15	\$10,000
20	\$7,200
25	\$3,600
Other Commitments	Under \$3,600

Please note: The Gift Profile Guide is not a fundraising formula or a prediction of how our campaign goal will be reached. It is simply a tool to help each of us prayerfully consider what a step of joyful generosity might look like.

And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. - 2 Corinthians 9:8 ESV



The opportunity before us is significant, but our confidence is not in our resources—it is in the Lord’s faithful provision. As you consider your participation in the Flourish Campaign, we encourage you to seek the Lord in prayer and discuss this opportunity together as a family. Ask Him to give you wisdom, contentment, and a heart that delights to steward His gifts for His glory.

Our desire is not simply to reach a financial goal, but for every member to respond in faith and joyful obedience to whatever the Lord may be leading them to do. We trust that as God’s people seek Him together, He will faithfully provide all that is needed for the work He has called Trinity Presbyterian Church to accomplish.



Three Year Gift Calculator

TOTAL 3-YEAR COMMITMENT	ANNUALLY	MONTHLY	WEEKLY
\$1,000,000	\$333,333	\$27,778	\$6,410
\$750,000	\$250,000	\$20,833	\$4,808
\$500,000	\$166,667	\$13,889	\$3,205
\$250,000	\$83,333	\$6,944	\$1,603
\$100,000	\$33,333	\$2,778	\$641
\$75,000	\$25,000	\$2,083	\$481
\$50,000	\$16,667	\$1,389	\$321
\$36,000	\$12,000	\$1,000	\$231
\$24,000	\$8,000	\$667	\$154
\$15,000	\$5,000	\$417	\$96
\$10,000	\$3,333	\$278	\$64
\$7,200	\$2,400	\$200	\$46
\$3,600	\$1,200	\$100	\$23

This giving schedule is for calculation of weekly, monthly, and yearly giving. No one should feel confined to this schedule.

November 8, 2026

Week 6

“Flourish through Endurance”

Rev. Dr. Blake Altman

Sermon in a sentence: Endurance is formed through _____ with God.

Long-formed spiritual habits lead us through short-term_____into

lasting _____ or they lead us through short-term “_____”

into lasting_____.

Community Group Questions:

1. Read Daniel 6:4–10. What do his integrity at work and his pattern of prayer reveal about the kind of person God had been forming over time?
2. What kinds of approval, comfort, safety, or control tempt you to hide or soften your obedience to God? How might you see Jesus meeting you there with grace rather than shame?
3. Daniel is innocent, condemned, placed in a den sealed with a stone, and brought out alive. How does this echo the gospel? How does the death and resurrection of Jesus give us courage to endure, even when God does not remove us from the “den” immediately?

Family Car Conversations

Start the conversation:

Daniel followed God for many years. Even when prayer became dangerous, he kept trusting God. His steady faith pointed others to God's enduring kingdom.

Ask in the car:

1. What do we hope Trinity will be like in 10 years?
2. How can our family help make Trinity a faithful, prayerful, generous church for future generations?

Pray together:

“Jesus, thank You for giving Yourself for us. Root our family deeply in Your grace. Make Trinity faithful, courageous, prayerful, and generous. Use our lives, our gifts, our building, and our church to bless future generations and make Your name known. Amen.”

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O Father of mercy and grace, We thank you for the way these past few weeks have blessed, taught, challenged, and grown our church family. Though our campaign is drawing to an end, please make this time the starting point for an ongoing pattern of growth in grace, knowledge, community and good works. What we long for is not simply a number to be met, but a true “Flourishing” of Your church. Many of us have started reading your Word and praying more regularly and restructured our schedules, priorities, and finances more in line with a gospel saturated life. Remind us O Spirit of God of the way our souls have rejoiced and our affections have been corrected and redirected these past few weeks. We take comfort in the truth that you know us Father, for we long to grow in grace more and more so please protect us who are prone towards spiritual entropy. Please give our church leaders and all those who serve wisdom, grace and clarity for the days ahead. May our lives’ chorus remain, “All for Jesus” in whose name we pray, Amen. - Rev. Mark Kuiper, Associate Pastor



November 15, 2026

Week 7

“Flourish for Generations”

Rev. Dr. Blake Altman

Read: Daniel 1:8-9, 17; 2:20-23; 3:16-18; 4:34-35; 6:25-27

Sermon in a sentence: God's promises sustain His people through exile for the good of future generations.

1. I _____ you.
2. I will _____ you.
3. I will be _____ with you.
4. I _____ the humble.
5. I _____ the proud.
6. You can _____ Me.

Community Group Questions:

1. What ordinary habits is God calling you to strengthen so that your faith can endure pressure?
2. What excites you about the future of Trinity?
3. What does your commitment to the next generation at Trinity look like in service and generosity?

Family Car Conversations

Start the conversation:

Over the past several weeks, we have seen how God remembered, rescued, sustained, humbled, corrected, and strengthened His people in exile. Commitment Sunday is a chance for our family to remember what God has done in us and ask how He is calling us to participate in His work through Flourish.

Ask in the car:

1. What is one thing God has taught our family during the Flourish Campaign?
2. How do we think God is inviting our family to pray, give, serve, or encourage others through Flourish?
3. What are we excited to see God do at Trinity in the years ahead?

Pray together:

“Lord, thank You for what You have been doing through Trinity and in our family. Help us trust You, follow You, and give ourselves joyfully to Your work. Make Trinity a place where people grow in Jesus, and future generations flourish in Your grace. Amen.”

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Final Remarks

Dear Trinity Family,

Thank you for walking with us through this Flourish journey.

And that really is the word for it isn't it? A journey! Not in a glossy-campaign-booklet sense but in the truer, deeper sense. We have been walking together through questions that are not always personally easy to answer.

- What does faithfulness look like here?
- What does generosity require of us?
- What do we love enough to sacrifice for each other?
- What kind of church are we becoming?

Over these weeks, Daniel has helped us see that God's people have always had to learn how to live faithfully in places they did not completely choose and could not fully control. Babylon had its stories, its pressure, its habits, its demands. And yet God remembered His people there. He sustained them there. He met them in the fire there. He taught them to pray there.

Which means FLOURISH is not finally about square footage, even though square footage matters. It is not finally about a building, even though buildings shape what a community can do. It is about people. It is about formation. It is about making room — quite literally and also spiritually — for children, students, families, neighbors, skeptics, strugglers, saints, and generations we may never personally meet but are still called to love.



So as we come to Commitment Sunday, I want to invite each of us to take these steps prayerfully, and together:

1. **Attend Commitment Sunday — November 15, 2026.**
Come ready to worship, pray, and respond as part of this church family.
2. **Pray for God's favor and blessing to go before us.**
Pray that He would lead us, provide for us, humble us where we need humbling, and unite us around what matters most.
3. **Become informed.**
Read the materials. Attend community group. Ask honest questions. Learn what this campaign is, what it is not, and why we believe it matters for rest, community, and calling.
4. **Prayerfully consider a three-year commitment.**
Ask God what it would mean for you or your family to give over and above your current giving in a way that is joyful, faithful, and sacrificial.
5. **Be an ambassador of accurate information and hopeful conversation.**
Help others understand the vision clearly. Speak with charity. Encourage unity. Resist the easy pull toward assumption or cynicism.

Let's pray together for Flourish as a shared act of dependence upon our Triune God who gives every good gift.

May the Holy Spirit make us more rooted in Christ than in comfort.

May He make us generous without pride.

May He make us courageous without harshness.

May He make us wise enough to plan and humble enough to know that only God gives the growth.

And may He use Trinity and our shared life together to bless our neighbors and future generations in ways we may never fully see.

With gratitude and hope,

Pastor Blake



PSALM 92:13

*They are planted in the house of the Lord;
they flourish in the courts of our God.*



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