



Weekly Newsletter
Trinity Presbyterian Church
Santa Cruz

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Come worship with us this Sunday at 10:30 am!
Trinity Sunday ~ The Rev. Diane Ford



This Sunday we welcome Troop 618, the Scouts we have sponsored for decades. Pete Halper will be sharing with us about their service and accomplishments. It is also "Trinity Sunday."

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 14:11-14

Sermon Teaser: On Trinity Sunday, we celebrate not a math problem about God, but a mystery of relationship. From the wilderness tabernacle to Christ dwelling among us, to the Spirit alive within us even now, scripture tells the story of a God who continually chooses to come near.



Scouting America. An Eagle Court of Honor was held, where four Eagle Awards were given to members of our own Troop 618! The Eagle is Scouting's highest award to be earned. Trinity Presbyterian Church has been the Troop's chartered organization since 1948. **Members of Troop 618 will be hosting coffee hour after service on May 31** and will share their Scouting experience. Join us!

Join us at the Pride Parade and Festival, Sunday, June 7, 2026. Trinity Presbyterian will be joining Aptos Methodist Church once again to represent our churches at the Pride Festival. Please consider signing up for a 2-hour shift helping at our booth. A sign-up clipboard will be available at Sunday Service or to sign up online you can click here.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/179IIN5HDOg8qPjtRayyb0IUZjmY3T wVNgy7pA9piJj4/edit?usp=sharing>



You are invited to the annual Pride Interfaith Service, Sunday June 7 at 9:30am (before the parade) in downtown Santa Cruz, in the Plaza Lane Alcove. Affirming congregations from across the county come together in prayer and song to celebrate our common faith. More information at: SantaCruzPride.org.

Pastor Diane will be representing Trinity Church at the Interfaith Pride worship service on Sunday morning, June 7. Sam Altis will be preaching at Trinity that day, and **our regularly-scheduled communion Sunday is postponed until June 14.**



Save the Date: Family Fun Fest!
Saturday, June 27

Presbytery Unity Candle: This week we pray for Santa Teresa Hills Presbyterian Church, and the Rev. Deb Troester.

Librarian's Corner

Our Library is open to the public Thursdays 10 – noon.

I have started my duties at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church. I will continue to keep the library open on Thursdays between 10 and Noon. Updates will be posted on the Library Website (this is separate from but linked to the church website) and is always available at <https://www.trinitylibrary.org/>
Warm Regards, Larry the Librarian



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| 1 | Chad Bell | 28 | Fred Tomlinson |
| 2 | Pete Halper | 29 | Rosie Bell |
| 7 | Diane Ford | | Ed Sams |
| 20 | Jake Eschen-Pipes | | Lenore Spalaris |
| 24 | Bethany Eschen-Pipes | | |

Beware of False Messages!

Unfortunately, at least three times in recent months, Trinity members have received emails that appear to come from me (Pastor Diane). These messages ask for assistance involving payment or purchases. Please know that I will never ask for financial favors of this kind.

People who send false emails can be very convincing, and it is easy to be fooled. The good news is that my account has not been hacked. If you look closely at the sender's address, sometimes it is similar to mine, and sometimes it is completely different, though it may sound "churchy."

In the meantime, please be cautious about phone calls or emails requesting money, gift cards, passwords, or other personal information. Scammers often target senior citizens.

For those who are interested, here is some vocabulary for illegal emailing:

Email spoofing — someone sends messages that *appear* to come from a certain email address or name, even though they do not actually have access to that account.

Phishing impersonation — when the fake email is trying to trick people into sending money, gift cards, passwords, etc., while pretending to be a friend they know.

Account compromise or hacked email account — when they actually got into an email account and are sending from it directly.

Opportunities to Serve

Quilt Much? Sweet Pea is the place to be! Interested in learning to quilt or looking to get back into it? Grab a sewing machine and join the Sweet Pea team! They meet in the Youth Room (enter door on Melrose Ave) from 9:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. every other Saturday. Their finished creations are donated to hospitals and shelters. Contact janedevette@aol.com for more information.

AFC Dinners, Every 2nd & 3rd Wednesday. Looking to contribute to your community through cooking or small donations? Contact Debbie Bates at debates44@aol.com to see what can be provided. The Association of Faith Communities (AFC) is a coalition of congregations serving Santa Cruz County.

Urban Works. Urban Works embraces art and recreation to break through faith, social, and economic barriers, to create community for adults with disabilities and their support networks. Watch the bulletin board outside the church office for updates, and see Diane if you are interested in volunteering.

Regularly Occurring Events at Trinity

Sundays at Trinity

- ❖ Sunday Worship: 10:30 am in the Sanctuary & streaming live on YouTube and FB.
- ❖ Coffee Hour: Immediately following our Sunday service in the Fellowship Hall.
- ❖ Morning Lectionary School: Sundays, 9:00 am, Fireside Room
- ❖ Trinity Library is open during coffee hour.
- ❖ Nooners Class: 12:00 pm in the Fireside Room and on Zoom.
- ❖ Board of Deacons: 3rd Sundays (none in July), 12:00 pm, Youth Room

Mondays at Trinity

- ❖ Book Club: (Every 3rd Monday) 10:00 am-11:00 am, Fireside Room
- ❖ Monday Night Lectionary Study: (weekly) 5:00 pm-6:15 pm, Fireside Room

Tuesdays at Trinity

- ❖ Administration Committee: (1st Tuesday, in “odd” months), 4:30 pm, Fireside Room
- ❖ Worship and Christian Education (WCE): 1st Tuesdays at 10:30 am, Fireside room.
- ❖ Session

Wednesdays at Trinity

- ❖ Association of Faith Communities (AFC) Board Mtg.: 11:00 am-1:00 pm, Fireside Room.
- ❖ Faith Community Shelter: 4pm - Overnight, Fellowship Hall.
- ❖ Shower the People: 3:00 pm-6:00 pm, Parking Lot.
- ❖ Urban Works Board Mtg.: 1st Wednesdays, 6:00 pm-7:00 pm, Fireside Room.

Thursdays at Trinity

- ❖ Library Corner: 10:00 am -12:00 pm, socialize in the library.

- ❖ Trinity Happy Hour: Third Thursday of the Month.

Saturdays at Trinity

- ❖ Sweet Pea Quilting: Every other Saturday from 9:30 am – 3:45 pm,
Youth Room