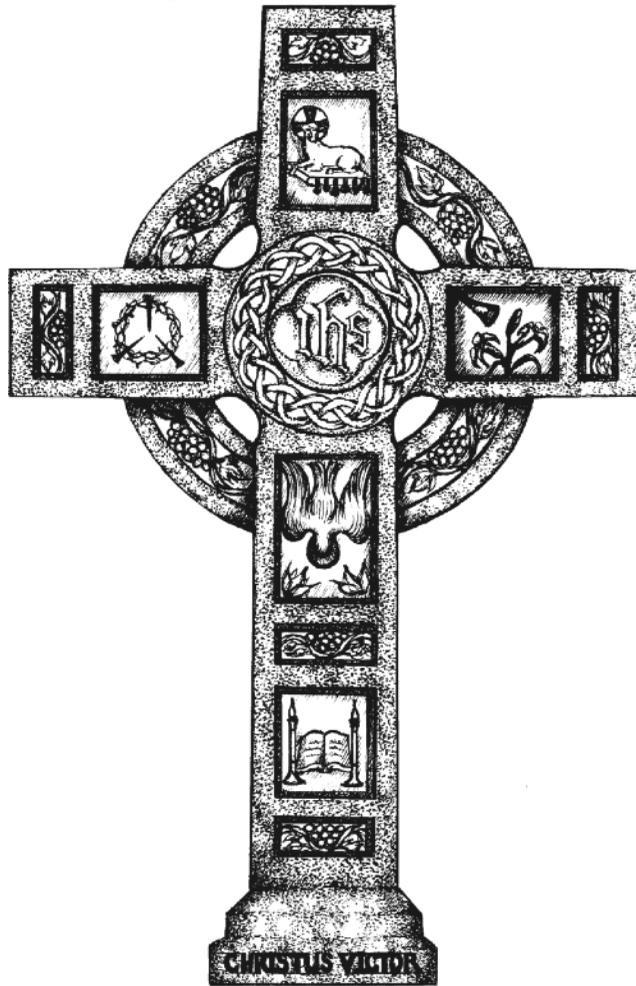


TRINITY CHURCH

The Presbyterian Church in America



To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire hope;
to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whoever will come;
this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in
the name of the risen Lord Jesus Christ.

March 5, 2023

A L O H A

All of us have this in common: we need God's grace.

Grace is not earned or deserved, but comes freely through God's gift of His Son Jesus Christ.
We desire for you to find this grace and live within its power.

Welcome to Trinity Presbyterian Church!

Are You New Today? We hope you sense our Aloha and welcome to you!
Use the **Aloha Welcome Card** today to indicate your interest in getting to know church, Pastor Todd,
or if you have any questions.

Coffee served before and after the service – others today want to meet you!

Cry Room Downstairs If needed, cry room is the library downstairs, where you can view the worship service livestream.

Promiseland Nursery Trinity's nursery is located in the building next to the Sanctuary. Parents are invited to trust their children, ages 0 - 3, to the loving care of our nursery volunteers.

Discoveryland Children's Instruction Children ages 4-9 can accompany their parents halfway through service, at which point they are dismissed to Discoveryland. Instruction includes Bible stories and discussions geared toward the application of God's Word to children's lives. Parents, you are always welcome to have your children with you throughout the service.

Church Announcements

- NEW! Grief Support Group** Stephen Prusinski is leading a group study at Ivy Living Senior Community in Hawaii Kai. Tuesdays 10am-12pm. Excellent materials supplied. People can join in at any time. For more information see Stephen or see www.griefshare.org
- Welcome Table** Welcome Table New today? Please stop by the welcome table in the back of the sanctuary. Coffee and refreshments served.
- Trinity Connect** Become a TPC “insider” - important updates about life at TPC. Be sure to get an account by sending an email inquiry to church@trinitychurchkailua.org OR visit the church website at www.trinitychurchkailua.org.
- The Devotional Life** Saturdays 7:30am - Zoom Reflections! The “Saving Grace” daily devotional opens up great insights into the Christian Life. Zoom links are provided via Trinity Connect and arrive through email.
- Women’s Study** TPC Ladies Ministry had begun a study in January based on Jen Wilkin’s book *Women of the Word*. We all know it’s important to study God’s word, but sometimes it’s hard to know where to start. Lack of time, emotionally driven approaches and past frustrations can erode our resolve to keep growing in our knowledge of Scripture. Meets Second and Fourth Monday of each month.
- Men’s Study** Morning Mens Devotions: Join us every week at 6am in the Trinity Library. Get your copy of the Yellow Book on the book table.
- Small Group** Coconut Grove Small Group meets at the Lum Home, 678A Kihapai Street, in Kailua. Join us for food & fellowship as we discuss the previous Sunday’s sermon. Dates TBD, will resume in 2023.
- Trinity Youth Room** The Youth Room upstairs is open! The attic above the sanctuary has been renovated is ready to welcome kids in ages 4th grade and up. Kids ages 0 - 3rd grade are encouraged to continue using the gazebo following the service.
- Back Table** Sample curriculum and information about TPC is on the back table. Those interested in membership can find the membership manual used in membership classes.

Worship at Trinity

WHAT IS WORSHIP?

In his encounter with the woman of Samaria, Jesus explained that “God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and in truth.” (John 4:24). The reason Jesus says true worshipers must worship in this way is because God Himself “is spirit.” Here we discover the simple yet profound principle that true worship is a response to God as He has personally revealed Himself. Thus, conformity to God’s character is the key to true worship. “Great is the LORD,” as the psalmist puts it, “and greatly to be praised” (Psalm 48:1)! In worship, we seek to reflect this divine reality, declaring with our lips and demonstrating with our lives that God is supremely precious and therefore worthy to receive all glory and honor and praise.

Why Do We Worship This Way?

Entering God’s Presence

We gather in response to God’s call to worship, joyfully offering praise to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. With reverence and awe, we confess our sins and receive God’s forgiveness, which is declared in Jesus’ name.

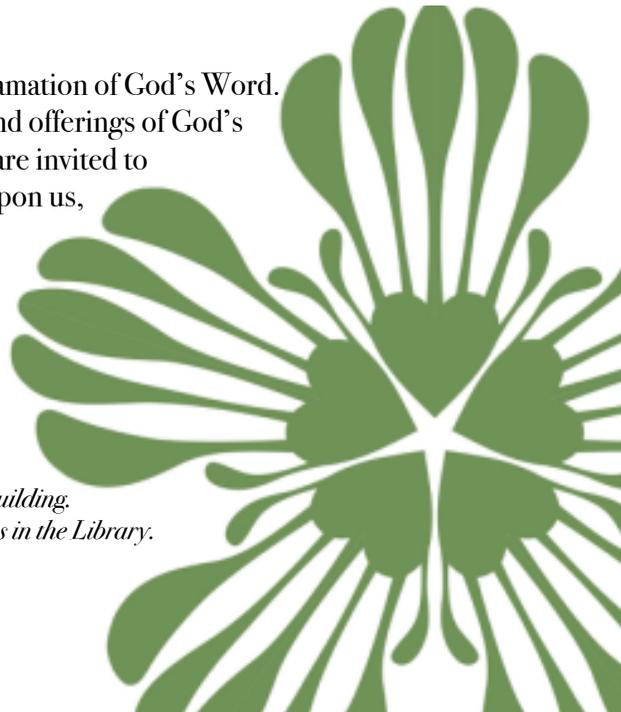
Renewing Our Faith

Worship continues with a focus on God’s Word. Our faith is renewed as we publicly confess the truth of God, join our hearts and voices in prayers and hymns of praise to God, and hear the good news of God powerfully proclaimed.

Responding in Thanks

As hearing becomes doing, we respond to the proclamation of God’s Word. Songs of praise continue to be raised and the gifts and offerings of God’s people are collected. On Communion Sundays, we are invited to celebrate the Lord’s Supper. With God’s blessing upon us, we are sent into the world to love and serve the risen Lord Jesus Christ!

*In consideration of other worshippers,
please program all communication devices to silent mode.
Parents, our nursery is available next door in the Preschool Building.
A Cry Room with a Livestream of today’s service is downstairs in the Library.
Babies and toddlers are always welcome in the sanctuary.*



“You only have power over people as long as you don’t take everything away from them. But when you’ve robbed a man of everything, he’s no longer in your power—he’s free again.”

—*Alexander Solzhenitsyn*

“The world is charged with the grandeur of God.”

—*Gerard Manley Hopkins*

“If the world were merely seductive, that would be easy. If it were merely challenging, that would be no problem. But I arise in the morning torn between a desire to improve the world and a desire to enjoy the world. This makes it hard to plan the day.”

—*E.B. White*

“Desire is bridled when we acknowledge that all things given to us are given in order that we might know their author. This leads us to gratitude for His kindness toward us.”

—*John Calvin*

“God makes everything beautiful in His time, He makes everything happen at the right moment, at the moment He has fixed for it, so that history in its entirety and in its parts corresponds to the counsel of God and exhibits the glory of that counsel.”

—*Herman Bavinck*

GATHERING SONG

Great Are You Lord

You give life You are love
You bring light to the darkness
You give hope You restore ev'ry heart that is
broken
And great are You Lord

Chorus

It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise
We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only

And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing
Great are You Lord
(REPEAT)

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WELCOME - A Word of Grace

Pastor Todd Capen

Habakkuk 3:17-18

Though the fig tree does not bud
and there are no grapes on the vines,
though the olive crop fails
and the fields produce no food,
though there are no sheep in the pen
and no cattle in the stalls,
18 yet I will rejoice in the Lord,
I will be joyful in God my Savior.

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 51:2, and based on Exodus 20:1-2 35

Minister: Let us worship the triune God! Lord, open our lips!

People: And our mouths shall declare your praise!

Minister: When Moses gathered the people of Israel, God said, "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery."

People: As we gather here today, let us worship the Lord, who continues to be our God and who still brings us out of the places of our bondage.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

SONG OF PRAISE

Before The Throne Of God Above

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart

Chorus

Hallelujah
My life is found in Jesus Christ
Hallelujah
For I am His and He is mine

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin
Because the sinless Saviour died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me

Behold Him there the risen Lamb
My perfect spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace
One with Himself I cannot die
My soul is purchased with His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Saviour and my God
With Christ my Saviour and my God

I bow before the cross of Christ
And marvel at this love divine
God's perfect Son was sacrificed
To make me righteous in God's eyes
This river's depths I cannot know
But I can glory in its flood
The Lord Most High has bowed down low
And poured on me His glorious love
And poured on me His glorious love

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 37

Minister: What benefits do believers receive from Christ when they die?

People: When believers die, their souls are made perfectly holy and immediately pass into glory. Their bodies, which are still united to Christ, rest in the grave until the resurrection.

MINISTER'S EXHORTATION

from Psalm 139:23-24

Search me, O God, and know my heart!

Try me and know my thoughts!

And see if there be any grievous way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

based on Psalm 139:23-24 and Matthew 5:3-12

Minister: Father, search our hearts. You are “for” us in Jesus and you cannot be “against” us. Our Lord Jesus say, Blessed are the poor in spirit

People: ...but we have been rich in pride.

Minister: Blessed are those who mourn

People: ...but we have not known much sorrow for our sin.

Minister: Blessed are the meek

People: ...but we are a stiff-necked people.

Minister: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness

People: ...but we are filled to the full with other things.

Minister: Blessed are the merciful”

People: ...but we are harsh and impatient.

Minister: Blessed are the pure in heart

People: ... but we have impure hearts.

Minister: Blessed are the peacemakers

People: ...but we have not sought reconciliation.

Minister: Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness

People: ...but our lives do not challenge the world.

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Minister: Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me

People: ...but we have hardly made it known that we are yours.

Minister: Your Law is holy and your benedictions are perfect, but they are both too great for us. You alone are blessed.

People: We plead with you to forgive our sin and give us the blessing of your righteousness.

Individual Prayer of Confession

(Pause - for Silent Confession)

In this quiet moment, ask God to lead you to rest in His goodness.

Reflect on your complete salvation in Jesus.

What has become too important to you? What rules your heart?

With both thankfulness and contrition, look to His grace.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON IN THE GOSPEL

From Isaiah 53:6

Minister: Our God holds forth the promise of complete cleansing of all unrighteousness to everyone who confesses. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

DOXOLOGY

Ho‘onani i ka makua mau
Praise God from whom all blessing flow

Ke Keiki me ka‘Uhane nō
Praise Him all creatures here below

Ke Akua mau ho‘omaika‘i Pu
Praise Him above ye heavenly host

Kō kēia ao, Kō Kēlā ao. ‘Amene.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but Thou art mighty;
Hold me with Thy powerful hand.
Bread of heaven,
Feed me now and evermore;
Bread of heaven,
Feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain,
Whence the healing waters flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through.
Strong Deliverer,
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield.
Strong Deliverer,
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death, and hell's destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee;
Songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee.

Chorus

Land me safe on Canaan's side
Bid my anxious fears, bid my anxious fears
Land me safe on Canaan's side
Bid my anxious fears, bid my anxious fears, goodbye

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

OFFERTORY

The offering plate can be found in the back of the sanctuary. Please consider taking the steps to establish an online giving practice to support the ministry. Visit the Trinity website for online giving.

The offering has always been part of God's worship. Our gracious God has lavished upon us His grace in Jesus. His grace is the action. Our giving is the reaction to grace. A financial response is only one of many responses to God's grace. We give because we are discovering the treasure of the kingdom and the King!



Trinity Church Kallus
General Fund
<https://www.givingwith.us>

Jesus said, "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" *Matthew 6:21*

SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 13:1-10

17 Then the dragon became furious with the woman and went off to make war on the rest of her offspring, on those who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus. And he stood on the sand of the sea.

13:1 And I saw a beast rising out of the sea, with ten horns and seven heads, with ten diadems on its horns and blasphemous names on its heads. 2 And the beast that I saw was like a leopard; its feet were like a bear's, and its mouth was like a lion's mouth. And to it the dragon gave his power and his throne and great authority. 3 One of its heads seemed to have a mortal wound, but its mortal wound was healed, and the whole earth marveled as they followed the beast. 4 And they worshiped the dragon, for he had given his authority to the beast, and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast, and who can fight against it?" 5 And the beast was given a mouth uttering haughty and blasphemous words, and it was allowed to exercise authority for forty-two months. 6 It opened its mouth to utter blasphemies against God, blaspheming his name and his dwelling, that is, those who dwell in heaven. 7 Also it was allowed to make war on the saints and to conquer them. And authority was given it over every tribe and people and language and nation, 8 and all who dwell on earth will worship it, everyone whose name has not been written before the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who was slain. 9 If anyone has an ear, let him hear:

10 If anyone is to be taken captive,
to captivity he goes;
if anyone is to be slain with the sword,
with the sword must he be slain.
Here is a call for the endurance and faith of the saints.

Minister: The grass withers, the flower fades, but the Word of our God will stand forever. This is the Word of God! Isaiah 40:8

People: Thanks be to God!

PRAYER FOR THE CHILDREN

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Today's Message

Text: Revelation 12:17-13:1-10

Current Series: Book of Revelation

“The Beast As Image Bearer of the Dragon”

Pastor Todd Capen

Notes:

Quote:

“The church participates in God’s kingdom, but since our pilgrimage to kingdom joy passes through the desert of affliction, our present responsibility is endurance (Rev 1:9). Persistence in the word of our testimony to the Lamb is the means of our victory over the dragon who empowers and authorizes the beast (12:11).” —*Dennis E. Johnson*.

“For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places” —Ephesians 6:12

Heart Questions: What’s it like for you to hear the call to persevere and suffer?

Next Lord's Day

March 12. Isaiah 65 “The New Heavens and New Earth”

MINISTERS WELCOME TO THE TABLE

—based on Luke 13:29, Romans 8:32

From east and west, from north and south, people will come and take their places at the banquet in the kingdom of God. He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Come then to the joyful feast of the Lord and be transformed.

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Minister: Great is the mystery of faith:

**People: Christ has died!
Christ has risen!
Christ is coming again!**

Minister: Praise to you, Lord Jesus:

**People: Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Minister: According to his commandment:

**People: We remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory.**

Minister: Christ the bread of life:

**People: When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.**

BLESSING BY THE MINISTER

As Paul said to the Corinthians, so I say to you, Christ the Passover Lamb is sacrificed for us. Let us keep the feast!

COMMUNION AT TRINITY

WHO IS INVITED TO TAKE PART? All baptized believers who have professed their faith before the leadership of a Bible believing congregation that teaches the Christian faith in terms of faith alone in Christ are invited to join us at the Lord's Table. We ask that children wait to partake in the Lord's Supper until they have met with the Elders and professed faith publicly.

WHAT IF I AM NOT READY? If you or your children are not ready to partake in the Lord's Supper, you are invited to come forward and ask the Elders to pray for you. You may also remain in your seat to sing, pray or meditate.

WHAT IS THE PROCESS? We dismiss by rows and come forward, beginning with the middle sections, then moving to the outer sections. With the elements of the Supper in hand, return to your seat and take the elements when you are ready. We encourage you to sing, pray or meditate on the finished work of Christ at this time.

PRAYER OF SEARCHING FOR TRUTH: Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing and leads to the life you promise. Amen.

PRAYER OF BELIEVING IN JESUS: Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed. But through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen.

PRAYER FOR STRUGGLING AGAINST SIN: Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you - the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely to me, and run with perseverance the race that you have set before me, looking only to you, the pioneer and champion of my faith. Amen

SONG OF DISMISSAL

O Sacred Head

O sacred Head now wounded
With grief and shame weighed down
Now scornfully surrounded
With thorns Thine only crown
O sacred Head what glory
What bliss till now was Thine
Yet tho' despised and gory
I joy to call Thee mine

What Thou my Lord hast suffered
Was all for sinners' gain
Mine mine was the transgression
But Thine the deadly pain
Lo here I fall my Savior
'Tis I deserve Thy place
Look on me with Thy favor
Vouchsafe to me Thy grace

What language shall I borrow
To thank Thee dearest friend
For this Thy dying sorrow
Thy pity without end
O make me Thine forever
And should I fainting be
Lord let me never never
Outlive my love to Thee

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Bernard of Clairvaux | Hans Leo Hassler
James Waddell Alexander | Paulus Gerhardt
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BENEDICTION

Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

New to TPC? Text "hello" to 808.224.2010

Please help keep our church clean by checking your row before you leave. Your assistance is appreciated!

Leadership

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Todd Capen, Senior Pastor
 Brandon Edmonds, Associate Pastor
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 Daniel Lutz, Elder
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Received: \$18,966.70
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YTD 2023

Received: \$38,280.56
Budgeted: \$58,500.00
 -\$20,219.44

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- Cash/Check During Sunday Collection
- Online at www.trinitychurchkailua.org/giving/
- Donate by texting "Trinity Kailua" to 77977
- Special Donations (Contact Brittany Lum)



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\$56,347 as of December 31st

Included in missions is rent free facility use for Trinity Christian School since 1982.

For a full budget, please contact the Church office.

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Trinity Christian School

Joining our God on His mission to the world and to disciple young lives, Trinity Presbyterian Church established Trinity Christian School in 1981. At the direction of the elders, TCS became a Christian Classical School in 2007 and expanded to 12th grade. Interested in having your child be a part of this education? See any of the elders today, they would love to talk with you.

Trinity Christian School (TCS) is a Christ-centered classical school committed to partnering with parents to engage the minds and transform the lives of students for the glory of God.

We strive to be:

- Christian in our thinking
- Gospel-focused in our motivation
- Classical in our method
- Partnered with parents in our community

Christ forms the center of our purpose and practice at Trinity. Our intellectual pursuits are satisfied by Him, “in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge” (Col 2:3). And our moral pursuits are motivated by the life He lived, the cross He bore, and the gift He secured. It is through Christ that we find our ultimate purpose in education.

If you are considering joining Trinity Christian School, you should know that we feel a lot like an ‘ohana, or a family. While we have experienced recent growth in size, we are still a welcoming fellowship, striving to know and care for our students and their families by name, with mindful intention.

One of Trinity’s core convictions is to partner with parents as they raise their children. We believe that parents are the primary educators of their children and that this partnership can be a nurturing source of support, spiritually, educationally, and socially. Please let us know how we can be of service.

We love having prospective families and students visit Trinity Christian School. We’re pleased to offer campus tours at your convenience.

To schedule a visit, please visit our website or call our Admissions line at 808-690-9537.

Openings are available and limited in certain grades!





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