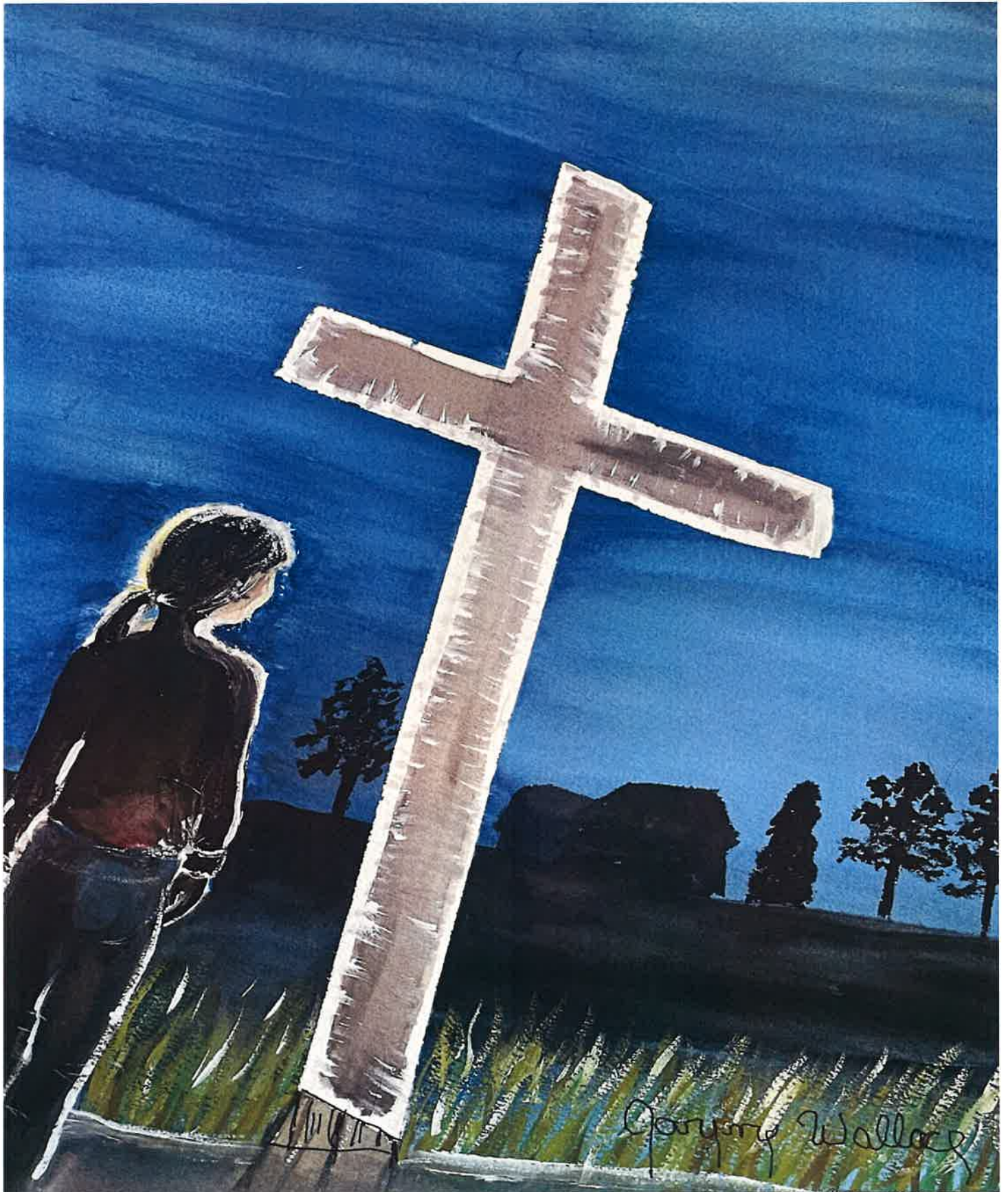
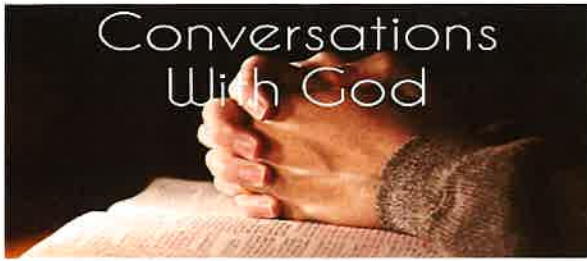


October

2022

# Trinity Trumpeter





“Dear Father, increase our faith. Remind us that Your authority is unchanging. Your Word is unerring. Your Goodness is unending. Remind us of the blessings You have bestowed, the prayers You have answered, and the miracles You provided. And remind us that faith is a logical choice to trust an unfailing God Who knows more that we do and understands things we do not. Lord, we trust in You with all our heart. We will not lean on our own understanding. We will acknowledge You and Trust You to Lead us in the ways we should go. Amen.”  
Dr. David Jeremiah

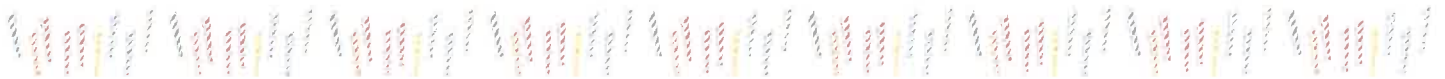
Isaiah 30:21 “When you turn to the right or turn to the left, you will hear His voice behind you to guide you, saying, “This is the right path; follow it.”

### October 2022 Preaching Schedule

- 10/2 - Pastor Jack Doorlag (Communion will be served)
- 10/9 - Mike Ennis, Western Seminary & Pastor Dick VanDop
- 10/16 - Peter Wilkinson, Western Seminary
- 10/23 - Pastor Dick VanDop
- 10/30 - Nasario Peña, Western Seminary & Pastor Dick VanDop

### Missions and Outreach

The October 2022 Mission of the Month is Operation Christmas Child. See additional information in the rack by the entrance to the Sanctuary or attached to this Trumpeter.



### October Celebrations!!

#### Happy Birthday

- |                  |                   |
|------------------|-------------------|
| 2 Tim Wallace    | 15 Karen Weersing |
| 5 Joseph Bierman | 29 Margaret Kraai |
| 14 Kimberly Carl |                   |

#### Happy Anniversary

- 2 Elmer & Julie Klop
- 10 Brian & Hilary Phillips
- 28 Jay & Julie Hoebeke

### Announcement Highlights

TRC's last Prayer Vigil for the year will be held on Wednesday, October 19 from 10AM to 4PM. Please sign up on the sheet in the Fellowship Hall for a half hour time slot and mark whether you will be praying at church or at home. Please pray for our individual members and for our church as a whole. Please pray for our country and that the people who God wants to run our governments will be the people who are elected and put into office. Please pray for the world. All of us need God's guidance and help. Thank you for taking the time to pray! Jan H and Mary G

GOD USES SHOEBOXES IN  
EVANGELISM, DISCIPLESHIP, AND MULTIPLICATION.

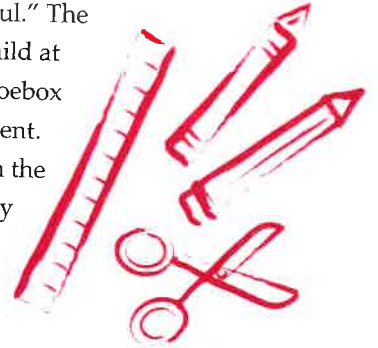


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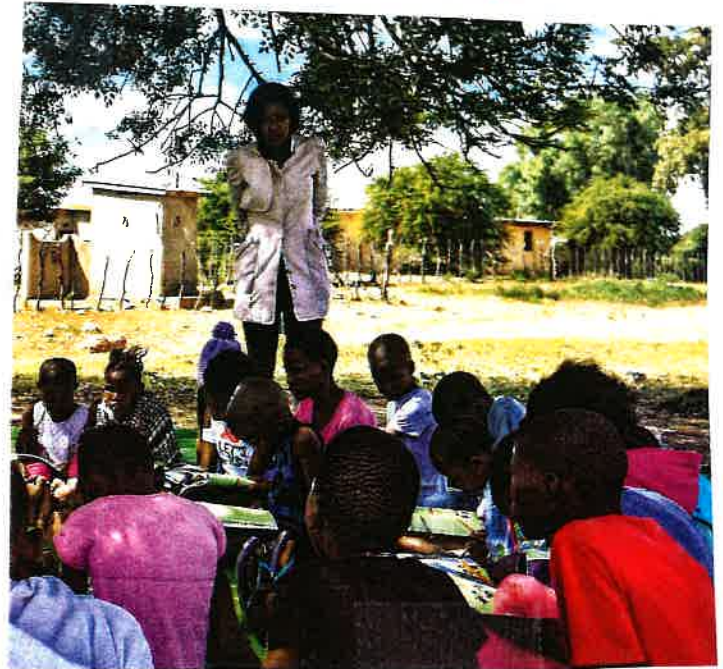
#### GOD PROVIDES SCHOOL SUPPLIES

When Tatenda told his mother that he needed pencils, pens, an eraser, and a ruler to take an exam at his school in Zimbabwe, she replied, "God is faithful." The following Sunday, each child at their church received a shoebox gift during an outreach event. Tatenda opened his gift on the way home, shouting for joy at the 12-pack of pencils, 10-pack of pens, erasers, and a ruler—



These boxes go to the poorest of the poor in over 100 countries. We include in each box; Toys, toothbrush, bar of soap, comb, tablet, sharpened pencils, pencil sharpener, small scissors, crayons, coloring book, flashlight with extra batteries, t-shirt, socks, washcloth, a stuffed animal.

**SHOEBOX RECIPIENTS** aren't the only ones coming to faith in Jesus Christ through The Greatest Journey—family members also are being drawn to the Gospel message.



# After the shoe box,

*the Greatest Journey begins.*

It's a 12-lesson Bible study created specifically for children around the world

PRAYER

From the shoebox packers who pray for the boys and girls who will receive their gifts to the local teachers who pray for the children who attend The Greatest Journey discipleship classes, prayer is key to the work of Operation Christmas Child.



## Operation Christmas Child Takes Off!



**ABOVE** Rachel (center) was one of four grandchildren that Franklin Graham brought with him to distribute shoeboxes.



what matters  
most is that boys and girls  
are hearing the Gospel through  
the simple gift of a shoebox.

SEND YOUR SHOEBOX GIFT  
**AROUND THE  
WORLD**

**A DONATION OF \$9**  
IS CRITICAL FOR THE PROJECT

YOUR DONATION COVERS:



Collection



Processing



Shipping to Over  
100 Countries



Training  
Local Churches



The Greatest Gift  
Gospel Booklets

and Other Project Costs

PACKING  
PARTY  
OCT 23  
4 P.M.

"Thank you for your work.  
Thank you for your time.  
Thank you for making it  
possible to get these shoebox  
gifts into the hands of children  
around the world," said  
Samaritan's Purse President  
Franklin Graham.

# October

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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<b>2</b> 10:00am Worship Pastor Jack Doorlag <b>COMMUNION</b> 11:15am Bible Study  <u>Birthday:</u> Tim Wallace <u>Anniversary:</u> Elmer & Julie Klop	3	4	<b>5</b> 7:00am Men's Bible Study @Hendrick's office  <u>Birthday:</u> Joseph Bierman	6	7	8
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<b>16</b> 10:00am Worship Peter Wilkinson - Western Seminary 11:15am Bible Study  <i>Trumpeter            Articles Due</i>	17	<b>18</b> 6:00pm Elders 6:30pm Consistory	<b>19</b> 7:00am Men's Bible Study @Hendrick's office  10am-4pm TRC Prayer Vigil	20	21	22
<b>23</b> 10:00am Worship Pastor Dick VanDop 11:15am Bible Study  4pm OCC Packing Party	24	25	<b>26</b> 7:00am Men's Bible Study @Hendrick's office	27	<b>28</b>  <u>Anniversary:</u> Jay & Julie Hoebeke	<b>29</b>  <u>Birthday:</u> Margaret Kraai
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# 2022



**Trinity Sunday Worship Options:** For those unable to attend services on Sundays, CD copies are available upon request so you are able to listen at home. Please contact the church office (616.842.9480) to request a CD copy.

Consistory Agenda  
Trinity Reformed Church  
September 20, 2022

God's Vision for TRC (Who We Are) – "We see a committed community of Christians seeking, teaching, growing, and serving our neighbors to join us as Christ followers."

God's Mission for TRC (What We Do) – "Loving and Bringing people to Jesus"

Core Values for TRC (Why We Do What We Do) – Grounded in the Bible, Faithful Prayer, Loving Hospitality, Compassionate Outreach, Inspiring Worship

Devotions: Pastor Dick Life lessons from a squirrel Heb 4:16

Prayer: Pastor Dick

Approval of agenda:

Old business

1. On-line presence –still working on it. Need to get Google to allow access.
2. Kim's Cupboard account has over \$3,000. Moved and passed that the remaining funds to go to Beautiful Souls Ministry.

Ministry Team updates

Worship Pastor

- Jack preaching Oct 2. Pastor Dick preaching Oct 16. Western Sem students covering the other three weeks.
- Town Hall to be scheduled for Oct 16 or 23 to update congregation on denominational issue.

Discipleship - Bible study started on Sunday morning

Hospitality/Church Life – no report

Outreach - no report

Search Team -

No progress on Search Team. We need to resolve the RCA issue first, and maybe the church's future second, to give more clarity for the job description we do not yet have, so we find a pastor whose vision aligns with ours.

Property -

- Security - Bob H. recommended we spend approx. \$12,300 on new security system as previously described in the Sept 4 town hall. Approved
- Dumpster - After the current contract ends in November we will renegotiate for smaller less-expensive container.

New Business

5. ARC presentation - Tim Vink spoke for over an hour describing what the ARC is and how it works. Consistory voted unanimously to proceed with application to join ARC. Final approval by congregation, as witnessed by Classis representatives, to be scheduled later this year or early next year before the March Classis meeting. Action Item - Jan H. and Pastor Dick
6. Consistory nominations
  1. Moved and passed to reduce number to 3 elders and 3 deacons since we have a smaller pool from which to draw candidates. Since Art 5 Sec 1 of our bylaws state "4-8" we'll need a 2/3 vote of congregation to set aside for one year our church bylaws on this issue.
  2. Since we've tentatively decided to leave the RCA, we'll have to redo the bylaws anyway so we only need a one-year variance.

3. Elders – Jim Musgrave’s term expires at the end of 2023. Cal Garbrecht’s term expires at the end of 2024. Therefore, we only need on person to fill a normal three-year term ending 2025.
  4. Deacons – Kim Carl’s term expires 2023. Bob Hendrick’s term expires 2024. Therefore, we only need on person to fill a normal three-year term ending 2025.
  5. When the nominations are in the Elders will review them. We will provide the results to the Consistory via email and hopefully be able to approve the final list at the October meeting.
7. Budget
1. Pastor Dick provided the first draft of the proposed budget. Assuming we pass it at the October meeting we still have adequate time to advertise it.