LBAC's Family Calendar & Events

Sunday, December 23 9:00AM Morning Coffee 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service

Monday, December 24 6:00PM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous 6:30PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Tuesday, December 25 Merry Christmas! Office closed

Wednesday, December 26 Office Closed

Thursday, December 27 Office Closed

Friday, December 28 6:30AM Men's Bible Study 8:00PM Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday, December 29 9:00AM Compulsive Eaters Anonymous

Sunday, December 30 9:00AM Morning Coffee 9:30AM Worship & Celebration Service MISSIONS http://www.lbac.org/missions

GROWTH GROUPS http://www.lbac.org/gg

Mid-week Bible Studies for all Adults

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES http://www.lbac.org/children

Sunday Mornings Gospel Project @ 9:30AM Children's Musical Practice @ 11:15AM

> AWANA http://www.lbac.org/awana

Wednesday Nights through May

YOUTH MINISTRIES http://www.lbac.org/youth

JH & HS Foundations ~ Sundays @ 11:15AM The Process High School ~ Tuesdays @ 7:00PM Junior High Live ~ Thursdays @ 7:00PM

> WOMEN'S MINISTRIES http://www.lbac.org/women

Woman To Woman Mentoring Contact: sherylynnelbac@gmail.com

Lydia House Meals Ministry Contact: mcoliver789@msn.com

Women Connecting with Missions 3rd Tuesday of each month @ 7:00PM

Crafty Women 2nd Saturday of each month @ 10:00AM

> MEN'S MINISTRIES http://www.lbac.org/men

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Trinity Umit Welcome to Long Beach Alliance Church December 23, 2018



Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Tomorrow @ 6:30PM-7:30PM Christmas gifts for every child!

Note: Children & Parents remain together for this special family service; coloring pages provided (for your kids)

New Foundations Classes! All Classes Beginning

Walk The Walk

Continue an exciting journey through the biblical book of James Pastor Jesse Duckett, Room 202

Jesus & Demons

Living spiritually in a secular world! Pastor Scott Trickett, Room 102

Bedrock Basics

The foundational basiss of the Bible and our LBAC Family! Pastor Chris Lankford, Room 203

Fun-n-Funky

Nursery & Kids Activities for all Kids in Nursery & Gymi

LBAC Year-to-Date Financial Report

	Budget	Received	Budget %
Weekly:	\$11,977.03	\$21,914.53	183.0%
Month-to-Date:	\$35,931.09	\$51,375.44	143.0%
Year-to-Date:	\$191,632.48	\$187,265.66	97.7%
Disbursed YTD:	\$174,394.00	GOF Balance	\$12,871.66



Sunday, January 6, 2019



Trinity in Unity

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1) The Trinity Described

- A. What is the best way to describe the One God, eternally existing in perfect unity as three distinct Persons; the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit? The simple (perhaps even obvious) answer is: NOT EASILY!
- B. Is the Trinity like Water (H²O), or like a man who is a Husband, Father, and also a Son?
- C. Is the Trinity like an Egg, or like a 3-leaf clover, or maybe like a carton of Neapolitan Ice Cream?
- D. What is most important to keep in mind if I am going to attempt to understand and explain the Trinity?

2) Does The Trinity Really Matter

- A. The baptism of Jesus illustrates that all three persons of the Trinity are actively involved in the Christian life. (Matthew 3:16-17; Mark 1:9-11; Luke 3:21-22)
- B. The Great Commission illustrates that the message of the Gospel centers on making disciples of the Trinity "in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." (Matthew 28:18-20; Luke 24:44-49)
- C. Salvation is revealed and understood as actively provided by the Trinity. Appreciation and worship for God comes from understanding of and faith in God's trinitarian plan. (Galatians 4:4-6; John 3:5, 16; 17:15-19)
- D. The Trinity is the fountain of everything that is beautiful and extraordinary, and is most magnificent in the provision of Jesus Christ in His miraculous birth, death, and resurrection. (Luke 2:1-14; Ephesians 2:1-10; Hebrews 12:1-3)
- E. As we mature and grow in our relationship with God, so does our appreciation and wonder (intentional worship) of His trinitarian fullness and work.
 (John 17:3-5; 17-23; Ephesians 1:3-14; Revelation 22:1-17)

Unity in Trinity

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1) The Development of a Language

- A. When linguists study the development of languages, they have discovered that a language is <u>FIRST DEVELOPED</u> <u>ORALLY</u> before it is <u>PROGRESSIVELY</u> <u>UNDERSTOOD</u> <u>WELL ENOUGH</u> for <u>WRITTEN</u> <u>COMMUNICATION</u>.
- B. In the Bible, the "language of the <u>TRINITY</u>" was developed in the <u>SAME MANNER</u>. While the reality of "<u>ONE GOD IN THREE PERSONS</u>" has always been true, God's self-revelation took time to be <u>PROGRESSIVELY</u> <u>UNDERSTOOD</u>, and eventually be <u>CLEARLY WRITTEN</u>.
- C. The Trinity is revealed throughout the <u>OLD</u> & <u>NEW</u> <u>TESTAMENTS</u> as an <u>EXPERIENCED</u> <u>REALITY</u>, but can only be understood with "20/20 <u>CLARITY</u>" by looking <u>BACKWARDS</u>, from <u>ENDING</u> to <u>BEGINNING</u>.

2) The Trinity In Scripture

- A. All <u>THREE PERSONS</u> of the Trinity are individually present at the <u>BAPTISM OF JESUS</u>. God <u>SPEAKS</u>, the Spirit <u>PHYSICALLY DESCENDS</u>, and Jesus is <u>BAPTIZED</u> (Matthew 3:16-17; Luke 3:21-22).
- B. The <u>CREAT COMMISSION</u> is to be accomplished in the <u>SINGULAR NAME</u> of the <u>TRINITY</u>, "of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:18-20).
- C. The <u>PLAN</u>, <u>WORK</u>, and our <u>SECURITY</u> of <u>SALVATION</u> is accomplished <u>ENTIRELY</u> by the Trinity (Galatians 4:4-6).
- D. The blessings of Christian <u>GREETINGS</u> and <u>FAREWELLS</u> are <u>TRINITARIAN</u>, as well as the great final blessing of <u>ETERNAL TRINITARIAN</u> life in <u>HEAVEN</u> (2 Corinthians 13:14; Ephesians 1:3-14; Revelation 21:1-4, 22:1-5, 16-17).