

THE GOING FORWARD YEARS: 2017-present

Special Acknowledgement and Thanks

- Pastor Stanley & Monica Groothof (October 28, 2012-)
- Pastor Henry & Grace Lengkeek (October 1, 2017-)
- Pastor Stanton & Sharon Visser (October 13, 2019-
Commissioned Pastor to area prisons)

Memories of this Era

- Pastors Henry and Stanley led the congregation through “The Story” for a full year
- Stanton Visser was ordained as a Commissioned Pastor in 2019 to serve prison ministries in the area
- We identified our Core Values, namely:
“We are called to be an authentic, compassionate, worshiping, and growing community.”
- Members approved a new sound system for the sanctuary at an approximate cost of \$81,000

Recognition

- Everyone who has worked in the crow’s nest as a sound, camera, and power point technician

Special Performance Trinity CREW

Trivia Moments

Recognition

- Everyone who played the organ or piano for worship

Video Karissa Walhof
(A song she wrote commemorating
Trinity’s 50th Anniversary)

Open Mic

Closing Remarks and Prayer Pastor Henry Lengkeek

Favorite Song of this Era “My Friends,
May You Grow in Grace”
accompanied by Anita Termaat
(joined Trinity 3 years ago)



**How wonderful are your works, O Lord.
They are more than can be numbered.**

Psalm 40:5

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Celebrating 50 Years of God's Faithfulness September 25, 2021

Prelude	Sharon Visser, Deb Vogel
Welcome	Doug Kooima (Charter Member)
Opening Prayer	Dale Bakker (Charter Member)

THE EARLY YEARS: 1970-1982

Recognition

- All charter members and baptized members
- First Council members
- Pre-organized pastors

Memories of this Era

- We met in the Rock Valley Christian School gym from May 3, 1970-December 23, 1973
- The congregation moved into the new church building on Christmas Day- December 25, 1973
- We bought the Artley House in 1979 for additional classrooms and more space for Family Night
- Under the leadership of Pastor Dan DeGroot, Justice For All (JFA) was organized in 1980
- Our first organ was graciously donated by Ben & Trudy Huisken and was dedicated on February 20, 1972

Special Acknowledgement and Thanks

- Pastor James & Rita Admiraal (September 26, 1971- February 22, 1976)
*celebrating 50 years of ministry on September 26, 2021
- Pastor Dan & Mary DeGroot (October 24, 1976- July 19, 1982)

Special Music	Walt Blom (Charter Member) playing accordion
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Video Greeting	Pastor Dave VanKley (Charter Baptized Member) Bethel Reformed Church, Sheldon
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Trivia Moments

Favorite Song of this Era	“I Love to Tell the Story” accompanied by Joyce Bakker (Charter Member)
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Open Mic

THE GROWING YEARS: 1983-2002

Recognition

- In 1994, Trinity added a part-time Worship Coordinator
(There have been 10 Worship Coordinators since 1994)

Memories of this Era

- The second building project was completed in the Fall of 1998 at a cost of \$237,000
- In 1990, the position of Youth Elder was added to the church Council and Warren Vander Pol served as the first Youth Elder
- In 1998, Paul (Sue) Van Stelle was hired as our first Ministry Coordinator
- On New Years Eve- December 31, 1999- we held a special prayer service at midnight as we moved into the 21st century
- MOPS was organized in 1987 and Youth ROC was established in 2001

Special Acknowledgement and Thanks

- Pastor Bob & Carol Timmer (August 31, 1983- May 30, 1990)
- Pastor Jelmer & Diane Groenewold (May 9, 1991- July 29, 2001)

Special Music	Sharon Visser, Deb Vogel piano/organ duet (Worship Coordinators 1999-2009)
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Spring Fling Poem	written by Arnie Van Kley read by Dave Van Kley
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Trivia Moments

Favorite Song of this Era	“Lead Me, Guide Me” accompanied by Von Postma (Von is a Charter Baptized Member and has played the organ and piano for our worship services all 50 years)
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Open Mic

THE MATURING YEARS: 2003-2016

Special Acknowledgement and Thanks

- Pastor Mark & Brenda Beernink (June 27, 2003- May 18, 2014)
- Pastor Al & Jan Kuiper (September 2, 2004- June 30, 2010)
*celebrating 50 years of ministry in September 2021
- Pastor Bobby & Bonita Van Otterloo (September 16, 2010- July 24, 2016)

Memories of this Era

- The third building project was completed in 2005 at a cost of approximately \$1,500,000
- We launched the “40 Days of Purpose Driven Life” campaign and numerous long-lasting Bible study groups were established
- We became a sister congregation to Abide in the Vine Disciples Church located in Harbel, Liberia through our relationship with One Body One Hope
- The Director of Youth and Family Discipleship position was created in 2014 and Shelli Kollis was hired for this position
- We held a special worship service on September 16, 2007 to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the CRC

Special Music	Valley Male Chorus accompanied by Melissa Boer directed by Dan Barkel (22 current members of Trinity sang with the Valley Male Chorus)
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Trivia Moments

Favorite Song of this Era	“Jesus, All for Jesus” accompanied by Pat Vander Pol (member of Trinity since 1972)
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Open Mic

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

TRINITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH TRIVIA QUESTIONS

EARLY YEARS: 1970-1982

1. What was the official name of our church when we were organized on September 30, 1970?

2. At the organizational meeting on September 30, 1970, what was the total number of charter members who joined the church? _____
3. Who were the proud parents of the first baby born in the organized church? _____
Name of the baby? _____
How soon was the baby born after the church was organized? _____
4. What was the cost of our first church building project? _____
5. Who donated the property for the church building and parsonage? _____

GROWING YEARS: 1982-2002

1. We received our pipe organ from what church? _____
Cost of the organ? _____
Total cost of the organ after moving, installation and purchasing several additional ranks?

2. Who recommended Pastor Jelmer and Diane Groenewold to our search committee? _____
3. What kind of pop (instead of water) was placed on the pulpit for Pastor Timmer? _____
4. What was draped over the pulpit Bible for Pastor Timmer? _____
5. Can you name the first signing interpreter for worship services? _____
Can you name at least 4 other interpreters we have had? _____

MATURING YEARS: 2003-2016

1. What pastor (s) led us from the old sanctuary into the new sanctuary on October 4, 2003 carrying with us the pulpit Bible, Lord’s Supper furniture and dishes, offering plates, and the flags?

2. What pastor led us through a series of sermons on the tabernacle and its furniture? _____
3. Pastors Mark & Bobby are graduates of what seminary? _____
4. For several years we incorporated SCOOP night into our church activities.
What did SCOOP stand for? _____
5. What 2 associate pastors led us through many of our worship services for the two plus years during our vacancy from 2001-2003? _____

GOING FORWARD YEARS: 2017– present

1. Besides Ben Huisken and Paul VanStelle, what two men played the organ for our worship services?

2. Who was Pastor Henry’s elementary school teacher in Volga, SD? _____
3. Who was Pastor Henry’s elementary school principal in Volga, SD? _____
4. Who attended Trinity church faithfully everyday for six weeks (April-May) during the COVID-19 shut down in 2020? _____
5. Who were the prominent three members of the Praise Team during the COVID 19 shut down in 2020?

Number of CORRECT answers: _____