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Dear Trinity friends and family,

This has definitely been an interesting and unprecedented time through which we are living! Businesses closed. Easter done without people in the church. Technology stretched to its fullest length in order to keep us connected. These are unique times that have required many changes in plans and a lot of flexibility! This will continue to be the case for A Night of Abundant Blessings! This year, Trinity will not be able to host the event as we have in the past due to government restrictions surrounding COVID-19. The committee is working diligently to develop something special that supports the ministry of Trinity, engages the generosity of our community, and makes use of the wonderful donations that have been so graciously given to make A Night of Abundant Blessings an event to remember.

Event Outline

A Night of Abundant Blessings will be held as an online auction through 32auctions.com on June 2nd through June 5th. This auction will have two parts - the silent auction, and the live auction. The silent auction will make use of many of the donations (though some are being stored safely until next year's event) that pertain to this year (class baskets) or items that have expiration dates. This silent auction will provide you the opportunity to log into a secure auction site and bid on your items. The committee will also host a live auction event on June 5th at 7:30pm. While we want everyone to be safe and take appropriate precautions in celebrating this event in your home. You may want to get your table together and make a special night of it. Others may desire to get dressed up to make the evening special. No matter how you choose to set this night aside as a special event, the committee will be working hard to assist by creating a wonderful event!

- Silent Auction bidding will begin 8:00am, June 2 through 6:00pm June 5, 2020 with staggered closings on 32auctions.com.
- Live Auction June 5, 2020 at 7:30pm through Zoom and 32auctions.com.
- Payment will be made upon the exchange of goods at Trinity by cash, check, or credit card (should shipping be needed, cost will be billed to the recipient).
- Be creative in making this a special night; get dressed up or have your table over for dinner.
- Ticket holders will receive an email with event details and links.

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Further Considerations

While we know that this is not the ideal format for this wonderful event we have come to love and know as A Night of Abundant Blessings, there is little about this health crisis that is ideal! We thank you, our Trinity family and friends, for your patience and flexibility as we work through all the changes and learn through this process.

Some people have already talked to committee members or the church office and shared that they would like to give their ticket price as a donation. We are grateful for your generosity. We also realized others may want that ticket price refunded or desire it to be rolled over into next year's A Night of Abundant Blessings. Others have purchased a table and can make these same requests of the committee. If you would like this done, please contact the committee at ANOAB@TrinityCP.org and share your request.

As more information is developed, the committee will make it available on the website (Church.TrinityCP.org/auction). You can check here for a list detailing out all the items up for bid (all advertisements will be done on the auction website, this list will replace the auction booklet)! You will also find the link for the auction site and information on how to create a secure account in order to bid on items. I am sure there will be many questions, so please don't hesitate to direct those questions to the auction committee at ANOAB@TrinityCP.org, and they will answer them to the best of their ability!

Counting Our Blessings

This year's A Night of Abundant Blessings will be one for the memory books! The committee is working diligently to make it a memorable event full of wonderful items to bid on, memories to be made, and creative ways to bless the ministry of Trinity! I pray that you are able to see the silver lining in all of this change that has been foisted upon us and take this special night to count your blessings. Give thanks to the giver of every good gift! May Trinity's A Night of Abundant Blessings be numbered among those blessings as well as those people that you gather with for this special event!

Blessings in Christ

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