

TRICON
VISION

GOD is calling us



to be a nurturing community of

FAITH

that HONORS GOD through
service & mission.

HONORING GOD SERVICE & MISSION

This past August I celebrated nine years of ministry at TriCon Church! During that time I have amassed a vibrant and wide-ranging collage of prized memories and rich blessings. The most vivid images are faces and places where I was able to be present and tangibly help someone in need. Sometimes it involves the Mission Committee agreeing to finance the rebuilding of a school in Zimbabwe. Other times it's sitting with a homeless man simply to hear his story, share a pizza and offer human contact without prejudice. I have learned that to serve others in the Way of Christ does not always mean that there is a problem I can immediately fix or solve. In fact, more and more I find that the most meaningful service is just showing up, joining in, and seeing what happens from there. I think serving others boils down to simply choosing kindness. To be rooted in compassion leads to respect and dignity for those you serve, even if you might not agree with their choices or choose their solutions. This is what I have come to know as "relational ministry". It means to seek out ways that genuinely engage the other without expectation of fixing, healing or self-gratification. The aim of relational ministry is focused solely on authentic connection that exposes the wonder of our shared humanity.

Service, to me, is mostly about relationships. The Youth Group Mission Trips have taught me that the relationships nurtured in community *before* we even leave for the trip are as equally important as the people we will meet and serve. What we *do* together is the spectacular delivery system for something far greater - relational ministry.

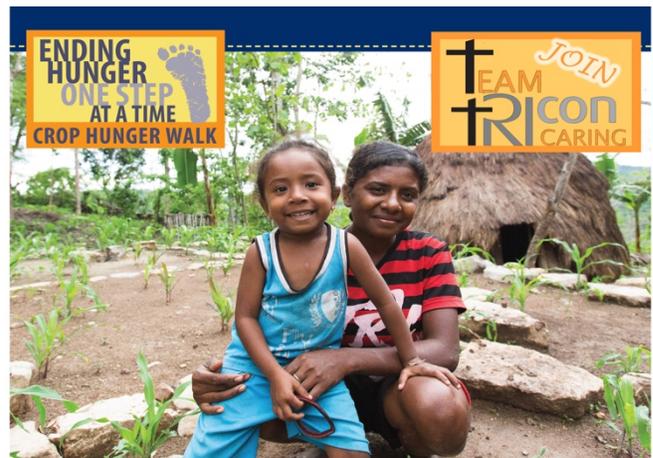
During the month of October we will begin to unpack the rich meaning embedded in the words from our Vision Statement, [to] "honor God through service and mission." What does "service" mean to you? How is it different than "mission"? What story can you tell about honoring God through service and mission, and what might you imagine we can do together that would stretch us beyond what has already been done?

We are going to literally walk our talk as well. This year's "Mission Sunday" is **Sunday, October 21**. **Open Table** Executive Director, Jeanine Calabria, will speak to us at our 10AM worship about rising hunger and poverty issues in our own community. *Then*, we plan to take our service and mission to the street! At 1:30pm we will reassemble at TriCon to participate in the annual **Concord Crop Hunger Walk**. (2 miles) This is an *all-church* invitation and activity. If you are unable to walk, we still encourage you to join us at the starting line ceremony to cheer on the walkers and show support for our own **Carol & Carl Miller** who will be honored for their years of dedication to Crop Walk. Our unified **Team TriCon** turnout and financial support of Crop Hunger Walk 2018 will be a tangible example of how TriCon Church **IS** a nurturing community of faith that honors God in service and mission. Save the date, just show up, join in and see what happens from there!

In faith, hope and great anticipation,

Bob

Rev. Robert Brown – Senior Minister



Yabes and her daughter, Sifraill proudly display the vegetable garden near their kitchen in West Timor, Indonesia. Photo: Ryan Shanley

VEGGIES, EGGS AND A SIDE OF HOPE.

Walkers, Donors, & Cheerleaders!
SUNDAY OCTOBER 21st

Come to TriCon at 1:30, and walk en masse to First Parish, representing our church as we bring awareness to ending Hunger.
Walk the route, or wave as they go!



Support **TEAM TRICON** as a **WALKER** and/or a **DONOR** at
<https://www.crophungerwalk.org/concordma/Team/View/85308/TriCon-Church>

MARKERS ALONG THE JOURNEY

REFLECTIONS FROM JEAN VANDERGRIFT

At the end of Tri Con's worship services Bob often says: "Our worship has ended; now our service begins." I've heard variations on this clever phrase across my lifetime in various church settings. It plays on the common language of "worship service" and reminds us of the two vital dimensions of the Christian life.

So there *is* a relationship between worship and service/mission. What is it? What should it be?

This is a live question in healthy congregations, and a good deal of experimentation is currently going on in 'churchland' in this regard. For example, some existing congregations are systematically exploring the question "Who are our neighbors?" A few are remodeling their buildings to be more open to the outside world. Others just starting out are intentionally *not* building traditional structures, opting instead to locate in storefronts, homes, flexible spaces, or even outdoors, aiming for more visibility in the public square and ease of movement from worship to mission and service. A few are occasionally suspending their Sunday worship service to go out into the community and carry out a mission project in place of it.

My ecclesiology is that church is not only for *us* but for *witness*, and my view is that ideally vibrant worship organically leads us into outreach. It inspires and equips us for engaged service and mission in the world. Authentic worship is not insular, nor simply about 'warming the pew;' it doesn't end at the walls of the worship space.



I also believe that service and mission activities can be defined and designed as worshipful work. In other words, when our giving to others is consciously offered up to God and out of love for the other, it is worship. When it is saturated with prayer, anchored in the Word, and culminates in a Sacramental meal, allowing all the parties to be mutually transformed, then isn't it worship?

What is your perspective? September's sermons took up the theme of vibrant worship and October's will focus in on mission and service. Bob and I look forward to hearing how you view and live the relationship between the two.

Jean



Please turn the page to read the update from the Search Committee for the Minister of Congregational Life.



SEARCH COMMITTEE Minister of Congregational Life

On August 5, the congregation elected the ministerial search committee: Matt Boger, Phyllis Clarke, Leslie Feigh, Michele Forinash, Suzanne Giles, Paul Mahoney, Prescott Stewart, Charity Tremblay, and Lucas Wilbur. Rev. Bob Brown is also a member. Paul Mahoney is the chairperson.

Commissioned on September 9, the search committee enthusiastically undertakes its task to evaluate candidates for the open ministerial position. Following the advice in Proverbs to "...get wisdom: and with thy getting get understanding", the committee seeks to know each candidate's qualifications and talents and to understand how those gifts can advance TriCon's goals described in the Local Church Profile. The committee will recommend a candidate to the congregation.

Throughout this process, please hold the work of the committee in your prayers, stay informed, and let the committee know your questions and comments as the search unfolds.

The committee has:

- Determined the title of the open ministerial position: Minister of Congregational Life. The title reflects the collaborative nature of this position. The Minister of Congregational Life will work with Rev. Bob Brown and lay leaders to nurture the spiritual development and welfare of the congregation. The Minister of Congregational Life will report to Rev. Brown.
- Met with Wendy Vander Hart, Associate Conference Minister, who talked with the search committee about maintaining confidentiality, available conference resources, and the process of recommending a candidate to call as the Minister of Congregational Life.

Adhering to UCC standards, the search committee will: "Strictly respect the confidentiality of the candidates and maintain that confidentiality in discussions with others outside the Search Committee."

Wendy Vander Hart and conference resources are available to the search committee to evaluate the job description, advertise the position, provide names of qualified candidates, offer instruction in reading and evaluating profiles, and otherwise aid the search process.

Your turn:

See the chart on the following page to follow our progress. The search committee welcomes your questions and comments. Send them to Paul Mahoney (Paul@mahoneyarchitects.com).

FOLLOW OUR PROGRESS
www.triconchurch.org

**PREPARING
for the Search**

Our government body seeks out resources from the conference for a fruitful transition.

With conference support, our governing body identifies transitional pastoral leadership.

We prepare a local church profile together, asking:

- Who are we?
- Who is our neighbor?
- Who is God calling us to become?

We form and commission a search committee.

**DISCERNING
through the Search**

The search committee meets with the conference to begin a Spirit-filled search.

The conference posts our open position on UCC Ministry Opportunities.

The search committee considers ministerial profiles received from the conference.

The search committee holds interviews to narrow the candidate pool.

The search committee identifies a final candidate.

Our governing body negotiates a compensation package with the candidate.

**COMPLETING
the Search**

The search committee introduces the final candidate to us.

We meet the candidate and worship together, listening for the Spirit among us.

We vote on whether to call this candidate to share in who we are, who our neighbor is, and who God is calling us to become.

If the vote is affirmative, a call-agreement is signed.

We relocate (if needed) our new pastor and welcome this new season of our ministry.

With our association and our new pastor, we sign a covenant and plan an installation.

WHAT PROGRESS ARE WE MAKING IN THE TRANSITION TO A NEW PASTOR?



UNDERSTANDING THE PROCESS: The CONFERENCE supports the congregation's search with transition resources and a diverse pool of ministerial profiles. The ASSOCIATIONS across the United Church of Christ provide ministerial authorization and oversight, as reflected in the ministerial profile. The search committee holds the ministerial profiles, including names and details of candidates, in CONFIDENTIALITY during its discernment. More information ONLINE at ucc.org/ministers_search-and-call.



Updated 9/19/18



OCTOBER WORSHIP

October 7 WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY	Service at 10:00 a.m.	Rev. Dr. Jean Vandergrift preaching
October 14	Service at 10:00 a.m.	Rev. Robert Brown preaching
October 21 MISSION SUNDAY	Service at 10:00 a.m.	Jeanine Calabria, Executive Director of Open Table preaching
October 28	Service at 10:00 a.m.	Rev. Robert Brown preaching

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, December 2 at 3:00 p.m.

Installation of

Rev. Robert Brown

as Senior Minister of Trinitarian Congregational Church, UCC

On September 13, 2018, Rev. Robert Brown, TriCon Moderator, Russell Sanna, Diaconate Chair, Matt Boger and Search Committee Chair, Paul Mahoney, met with the Metropolitan Boston Association (MBA) of the Massachusetts Conference, United Church of Christ, Committee on Ministerial Standing (COMS) to celebrate with the MBA TriCon's new beginning in ministry for both clergy and congregation. The committee enthusiastically endorsed TriCon's discernment in calling Rev. Robert Brown as their Senior Minister.

The service of installation will be followed by a reception. We hope you will plan on joining us for this very special event.

EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES



WELCOME TO TRICON!

Whether you are just visiting, looking to find a church home or still feeling your way after several visits, we encourage you to pick up brochures and other information in the parish hall or the church entry, and to come for refreshments in the parish hall following the service.

You are welcome to participate in any of our church programs and activities and to sign up your children for Children's Ministry or youth programs. Call the church office with any questions.

ATTENTION MEN OF THE CHURCH Join the Anchor Group

The Anchor Group meets on the **first and third** Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 a.m. in the church parlor. The Anchor Group is a group for men of all ages who discuss and share issues of religion and spirituality in light of contemporary culture. Any questions, email Greg Howes at howes2012@gmail.com.

The deadline for the
November Newsletter
is October 15.

CAREGIVERS GROUP

The TriCon Caregivers Group is an opportunity for parishioners and friends in caregiving roles to come together to share accomplishments and failures, joys and sorrows, laughter and hope, as well as information about caring for others and ourselves.

If the role of caregiver is part of your life, please consider joining the TriCon Caregivers Group. **We will meet on Wednesdays, October 3 and 17 at 10:00 a.m. in the church parlor.** Call the church office (978 369-4837) for more information.



THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Sundays, October 14 and November 18

We will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism during the services on Sundays, October 14 and November 18. If you would like to have your child baptized, or you would like to be baptized yourself, please call the church office at 978 369-4837 by October 5 for the October baptism and by November 9 for the November baptism.



Knitwits

**Wednesday,
October 24
at Noon
in the
Church Parlor**

All knitters at any skill level are welcome to join us. Come and get help, give help, share projects, get new ideas or just enjoy the conversation. If you are new to knitting, we are happy to welcome you and teach you some basic stitches. If you need a project, we can make suggestions. As a group, we make prayer shawls for the Caring Connection, plus donations of hats, mittens, and scarves for City Mission Society.



SERMONS ON LINE

You can HEAR SERMONS
on line by going to
www.triconchurch.org
OR

Facebook.com and search
Trinitarian Congregational Church

REMINDER: FIND IT ON OUR WEBSITE TRICONCHURCH.ORG

If you have recycled your paper copy of this Newsletter and then remember an article you wanted to save or are looking for a date you forgot to put on your calendar, you can always find it on our website. Past and current newsletters are available there as well as a complete calendar of church events and lots of other important information about the church.



**www.triconchurch.org
has a new look with easier
navigation!**

Now you can find our
Latest News, Sign Ups, Sermons,
Welcome Brochure, Calendar, and
Payments button all on our
homepage **triconchurch.org**
Check it out!

LIFE CHANGES

NEW BABY



We welcome Charlotte Lydia born in CA on September 6 to Phillip and Megan Huyett. Beaming grandparents are Lauren and Bill Huyett.

WITH SYMPATHY

Heartfelt condolences to the family of our long-time member, Edward Jones. Ed died on September 1 and a service was held at TriCon on September 8.

Sincere sympathy to Brooke and Patrick Redmond and their family. Brooke's mother, Nancy Gaffney, died on September 2. A service was held in Manchester by the Sea on September 22.

We were saddened to learn of the death of our former member, Dorothy Barstow, on September 3 in Cape Elizabeth, ME.



Our church is funded from three sources, by far the largest of these is the income from donations made by our parishioners. Endowment fund interest and rental fees are the only other two sources. Each fall, during our Stewardship Campaign, we ask worshippers to make a pledge – to tell us what they are planning to give in the coming year.

We realize that nurturing our community is as much a part of sharing and caring as giving our gifts. To that end, this year we want to gather in small groups, enjoy mingling and talk about what is really important to us on our faith journeys and how we can support that with our time, our talents and our gifts. The Campaign will start in early October when a brochure with information about the church and its finances will be mailed.

Over the next six weeks, the Stewardship Committee is sponsoring a series of “**pie parties**” – occasions when you will be invited to meet in a parishioner’s home or at church, to share refreshments and conversation, to get some information and ask questions on pledges and pledging and to the offer input on what the church means to you.

Q. How will the parties be organized?

A. There will be a sign-up both at church and on-line after October 1st.

Q. Why are they called “pie parties”?

A. The Committee had fun envisioning serving apple pie, quiche, pizza, pumpkin, etc. - no promises but you are likely to get pie!

Q. What are these gatherings really about? Will I be asked to make a pledge?

A. The parties are about supporting the church and why we support the church, but you will not be asked to make a pledge.

Q. Who should attend these parties and why?

A. Anyone who cares about the church and wants to support it should attend – they will be fun opportunities to get to know other parishioners, to deepen your knowledge of the church and its mission, to ask questions and to enjoy pie!

Q. Who should make a pledge?

A. Whether you are a long-time member, a new worshipper or an infrequent attendee, we need your support to pay our clergy and staff, to maintain the property and to continue our commitment to help those less fortunate through our mission and outreach work.

Q. Why should I pledge rather than just contribute when I attend?

A. We need pledges to plan a budget and schedule programming and make commitments to personnel.

Q. What if I make a pledge and find I cannot fulfill it?

A. A pledge to the church is not a legal obligation. If your circumstances change and you cannot fulfill a pledge, it is understood.

Q. How much should I pledge?

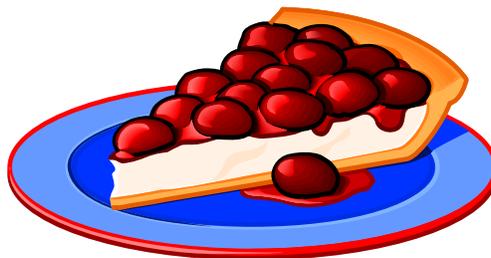
A. Obviously, your personal finances and circumstances will influence that decision. The Stewardship Committee will be furnishing information on the average pledge and the range of pledges and you will have an opportunity to ask questions which may help you to make that decision.

Q. When and how will pledges be collected?

A. Pledge cards will be mailed in mid-October and on-line pledging will also be available at that time. Parishioners will be asked to bring the completed cards to the service on Sunday, November 18th or earlier or to make an on-line pledge.

Q. Who should I contact if I have questions?

A. Any member of the Stewardship Team – Jeff Campbell, Chair; Liz Crowell, Jon Piper, Becky Schwenk, Beth Vause, Judy Walpole or Amy Bruning.



Please look for the sign-ups on-line and in the parish hall starting October 1st and sign up to **Nurture Community** - meet other parishioners, enjoy fellowship, stimulating conversation and pie!

CROP HUNGER WALK

ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME



Walk. Give. Cheer.

Sunday October 21

Join TEAM TRICON ... whether you are a Walker, a Donor, or a Cheerleader! Come to TriCon at 1:30, bring your HATS**, and walk en masse to First Parish, representing our church as we bring awareness to ending Hunger. Walk the route, or wave as they go!



Support the TRICON TEAM as a WALKER and/or a DONOR at

www.crophungerwalk.org/concordma/Team/View/85308/TriCon-Church

Meet at TriCon at 1:30 to walk over to First Parish together, wearing our NEW TriCon FAITH SERVICE MISSION HATS!**

The 2 ¼ mile CROP Walk route starts and ends at First Parish.

The Walk goes through the historic National Park, across the North Bridge. It takes about one hour to walk. Pets on leashes welcome.

**As we move forward living out our Vision Statement, we have TriCon HATS that identify us as joining together in FAITH, SERVICE, AND MISSION. One of the FIRST occasions to use them will be the CROP Walk.

The hats will be sold for \$12 each in the Parish Hall after church. Or, you can pick one up in the church office during the week. We hope you'll purchase one and look forward to many opportunities to DON our VISION HATS!

A Hands-On Outreach Opportunity right here at TriCon Church!

ANTIQUES SHOW
November 2nd and 3rd, 2018
 Friday, 10am - 5pm
 Saturday, 10am - 4pm

Admission \$10
 Visit our TriCon Café for lunch or a sweet!

Show this AD for
\$1.00 off one admission
 (cut it out or take a pic on your phone)



This is TriCon Church's
49th annual Antiques Show. ALL PROCEEDS go to outreach efforts.



Trinitarian Congregational Church
 54 Walden Street
 Concord, Massachusetts
triconchurch.org

Our 49th Annual Antiques Show and Cafe needs help from many **volunteers** to make the show a success.

- **Move furniture** to make room for the three floors of dealers
- **Porter** the dealers' wares into and out of the show
- **Bake a homemade treat** to be sold at the cafe
- **Purchase grocery items** to be used by the cafe when they make their delicious soups and sandwiches
- **Work in the cafe**
- **Donate cash** to use at Crosby's and Idylwilde for produce and grocery purchases
- **Advertise** your company in our Show Booklet (contact abruning@triconchurch.org if you wish to advertise.)

**Please go to our church website to find the SIGN UP
for the many areas you can help support this
ongoing outreach mission!**

ATTENTION, PARISHIONERS WITH A LOCAL BUSINESS

Would you like to get visibility with 600+ potential customers while helping a worthy cause? Consider advertising in our Antique Show booklet. Ads range from business card size (\$50) to half (\$100) or full (\$200) page and, as you know, all the proceeds go to mission, supporting agencies that help those less fortunate. Ad copy is needed by October 15th. Contact Amy Bruning in the church office or at abruning@triconchurch.org for more information.

ITEMS OF INTEREST



Open Table gives out kids' bags filled with healthy items. Please bring some of these items during the month of October and the Voyagers (5th/6th Grade) will be assembling the bags in early November.

You don't need to bring all the items i.e., you might bring 2 six-packs of juice and someone else might bring granola bars or chicken noodle soup cups.

Please leave donations in the marked bin in the Parish Hall.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!

We are in need of one or two volunteers to straighten up the sanctuary each week. The work takes about an hour, your schedule can be flexible and the job runs from September through June. If you would like to help keep the sanctuary neat and orderly, please contact the church office.

HEARING AID UNITS

Available on Sunday Mornings

Individual hearing units that are part of our sound system are available on Sunday mornings. Just ask an usher for help.

We also have a hearing loop in our sanctuary for those whose hearing aids are compatible.

For more information, call the church office.

MUSIC PROGRAM NEWS

This Fall, Vickie Wagner will be spending a few weeks on sabbatical in Sicily where she'll participate in an Italian immersion study program. During her absence, musical leadership will pass into the able hands of our own Matt DiBattista and Pat Bentley, as well as those of guest organist, Lee Ridgway.

Lee Ridgway has been active in the Boston area as an organist, harpsichordist, and choral director for over 40 years, including 25 years at First Parish in Lexington. Holding degrees from the University of Oklahoma and New England Conservatory, he has given concerts throughout North America and Europe. Now semi-retired, Lee continues to be active both locally and nationally in the American Guild of Organists. We are fortunate to have him with us!

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to donate flowers for a Sunday service in 2018, you may sign up on the flower chart in the parish hall or on our website.

LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL PARENT/CHILD TEAMS

for a
meaningful
service project!



What: Several families share the responsibility for delivering the food that we collect for Open Table to the food pantry on Everett Street in Concord.

When: The delivery can be made between 2 and 5pm on Tuesdays. With several families involved, each only needs to take a turn once a month.

Why: Open Table depends on, and is very grateful for, our generous continuing support. Your children will be able to see the tangible results and benefits of providing for others.

If you want to join the rotation, please contact Judy Walpole (jwalpole@triconchurch.org) in the church office.

ON-LINE GIVING AVAILABLE AT TRICON

We are able to accept on-line donations and payments via our website – triconchurch.org. On the homepage, you will see “Click here to make donations and pledge payments”. Any questions, please call or email Judy or Amy at the church office: jwalpole@triconchurch.org or abruning@triconchurch.org.

TRICON’S QR CODE

This QR code automatically opens a special webpage on mobile devices (phones, iPads, etc.) that’s designed for smaller screens. You can scan the code with your phone to make the process of giving to the church that much simpler.



Your Generous Mission Dollars at Work MONTHLY SPOTLIGHT



Open Table

*Caring for Families
& Creating Community*

Open Table’s mission is to provide healthy food, friendship, and support to 650 individuals from Concord, Maynard and surrounding communities each week. Guests are welcomed to dinner and the pantry under an “all are welcome, no questions asked” policy with respect for their privacy and dignity. Guests are also provided access to legal and health services.

TriCon volunteers help serve dinner at the Maynard location on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. And in 2016, the Mission Committee voted to commit a one-time grant of \$5,000 to Open Table to fund a convection oven for their new facility in Maynard.



TRICON
OUTREACH

Learn more at:
triconchurch.org/mission-outreach

THANK YOU FROM OPEN TABLE

....Our families have a warm, clean and modern facility to access food and support and meet with friends old and new. Welcoming volunteers provide a helping hand and plenty of resources. This has all been made possible by your continuous generosity....Open Table is where we are today because of your support. Thank you so much....

Jeanine Calabria, Executive Director

BACK PACKS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Thanks to everyone who donated, we collected 42 back packs and many school supplies. With the donor match, 84 children will have new back packs for school this year.

THANK YOU ALL!

To Members and Friends of TriCon,
Please accept my warmest and sincerest
thanks for the huge number of birthday
wishes over the past two weeks in the
form of visits, telephone calls, cards, notes
and prayers. It has been an experience I
will always treasure.

Love and peace,
Bob Watson

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Sunday, October 14 - 3:00 pm
at TriCon Church

Doris Kearns Goodwin
presents her new work

Leadership: In Turbulent Times

Free tickets may be picked up at the back door
of Concord Bookshop (65 Main Street,
Concord) beginning at 12:00 p.m. on the day
of the presentation. **Two tickets per person.**
Capacity crowd expected. Church doors open
at 2:15.

For more information, go to
concordbookshop.com

CONCORD PRISON OUTREACH 50th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday October 27 - 4pm to 7pm
Trinity Episcopal Church
81 Elm Street, Concord

Honor the founders of CPO and celebrate half a
century of work behind bars!

Tickets and information about donation/
sponsorship at concordprisonoutreach.org.
Questions:
events@concordprisonoutreach.org.

LET'S GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER BETTER!!



BETH AND CARL VAUSE joined TriCon seven years ago, when their son Max was 5 and their daughter Cate was 3.

Beth grew up near Kalamazoo, MI with one sister and two brothers. She has a BA in Communication and a Master's in Labor and Industrial Relations.

Carl grew up with two sisters in Mobile, AL. He has a BS in Electrical Engineering from Virginia Military Institute and was a navy pilot for over 10 years before attending London Business School for his MBA.

Beth and Carl met in Chicago, working for Nestle. They moved 5 times in 5 years (Chicago, Minneapolis, Kansas City, Chicago) before settling in Concord. When they moved to Concord, Beth was working as a VP of Human Resources, a position she left to stay home with Max and Cate. Carl is currently the CEO of a start-up robotics company, Soft Robotics.

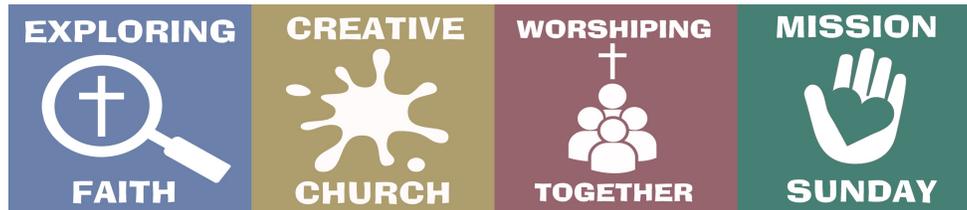
Max and Cate have participated in the TriCon Children's Ministry and are looking forward to being part of youth group. Max is particularly interested in mission work. For several years, Beth has been a church school liaison and she has served on the Stewardship committee for the past two years.

Travel for the Vause family is mainly to Michigan or Alabama where most of their families still live. Beth and Carl spend much of their free time keeping up with their kids and their activities and training their new puppy, Peyton (named after Peyton Manning).

Beth and Carl feel blessed to belong to such an open and affirming community of faith as TriCon where they have made many friends..

October 2018

Our Children's Ministry Program in October



Sunday, October 7th

10:00am Columbus Day Weekend
Childcare available up to age 5

Sunday, October 14th

10:00am Mission Projects Sunday

Sunday, October 21st

10:00am Worshiping Together
1:30pm SEEKERS and CROP Walk

Saturday, October 27th

4:30pm SEEKERS Cake Decorating

Sunday, October 28th

10:00am Kindergarten Bibles
11:15am UNICEF Cake Walk

**IMPORTANT NOTE
for PARENTS**

We would like to know who will be joining us on Sunday mornings. It is important to register your family for our Children's Ministry program. The Registration Form can be found on our TriCon website at www.triconchurch.org.

Check out our October on-line Children's Ministry newsletter for detailed information about calendar programming as well as news, photos and announcements.

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If you are a new family and would like information about our Children's Ministry program, please contact our Children's Ministry Director Carrie O'Brien at cobrien@triconchurch.org. You may also visit our website at www.triconchurch.org and click the Christian Education tab.

Children's Ministry Morning Routine

Before the 10:00AM service, nursery age children, up to age three, are dropped off in the nursery on the first floor of the Children's Ministry wing. Pre-Kindergarten through 8th Grade join worship with their families for the first part of the service before leaving for programming.



YOUTH GROUP MISSION TRIP



We have *lots* of **fun** things planned for OCTOBER!

Youth Group **Retreat**: we will be going on a **Zip Line** tour and staying overnight at **Zoar Outdoor** in Charelmont, MA, Oct. 6th - 7th. Details, and permission form and waiver were mailed. They are also on the WEBSITE. Please return ASAP if you wish to go!



OCTOBER 21st Team TriCon will WALK together ... from the Voyagers and Seekers, the Confirmants and Mentors, to young and old and all in-between ... please lace your sneakers and join us! NO Youth Group that evening ... enjoy the rest after your walk through gorgeous Concord. LOOK FOR INFORMATION IN THIS NEWSLETTER ON HOW TO SUPPORT THE TEAM!

**Mission Trip, April 2019,
to Puerto Rico application
and deposit are DUE on
Monday, October 15th!
Forms are on our website
at triconchurch.org**

Christine Kelley,
Youth Group Leader
ckelley@triconchurch.org
978.337.6171 call or text

Bob Brown
revbobbrown@triconchurch.org
978.204.7739 call or text

Nick Bruning
Mission Trip
nbruning@triconchurch.org
978.618.1629 call or text



October

Youth Group Meets Sundays, 7:00 - 8:30 PM
October 14th and 28th
(NO YG on 7th & 21st)

MISSION TRIP APPLICATION - due Oct. 15th

CROP WALK - Oct. 21st 1:30 meet at TriCon

Discussion Group Meets Wednesdays, 7:30 - 8:30PM
October 3rd, 10th, 17th, and 24th
(NO DG on 10/31 - Happy Halloween!)



Serve *Dinner* at Open Table in Maynard



Hands-On Mission Opportunity

TriCon volunteers get together every third Tuesday at the new kitchen facility in Maynard where we spend a few hours helping set up and serve a Community Supper to 50-80 people.

Please help serve this Fall!

Tuesdays: October 16th, November 20th, and December 18th
5:30 - 7:30PM

Please sign up through the church website, on the paper sheets in the Parish Hall, or by calling the church office.

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You can find all current sign-up opportunities at the top of the home page.



