

To all our Sunday school teachers and families: As you are now aware, all services and on-site gatherings at Trinity are canceled for the present time. This includes our weekly Sunday school program for the children at Trinity.

As a result, the Board of Christian Education would like to provide you with a weekly, on-line resource for our Trinity families to help us continue teaching our children God's word.

Each week, the Board will provide you with a link to a Bible story or lesson for the upcoming Sunday. The story will be available through the website, **bibletelling.org**. We plan to complete the remaining two lessons within our current curriculum and then follow the church calendar, when possible. For example, we will plan to follow lessons/stories for Palm Sunday, the Passion of Christ, the Last Supper, the Resurrection, etc.

The available website allows you to read the story and/or listen to it. It also provides you with some "Story Insights" that you and your family can follow to gain a better understanding of the story you have just heard. Please follow the directions below for the lessons for Sunday, March 22 and March 29.

At first glance the instructions seem long. However, once you try them, it will be easy to follow them in upcoming weeks, as needed.

Sunday, March 22: The Anointing of David: I Samuel, 16:1-23

Sunday, March 29: Building an Empire: 2 Samuel, 7-8, 4:4

Instructions: Log into bibletelling.org. Scroll to the bottom of the page to the three orange rectangular boxes. Click on the third box labeled "View Online: All of the Stories of the Bible" (Free). You will then be directed to BTstories.com.

Once on BTstories.com, scroll again to the bottom of the page to "Where Would you Like to Begin?" and click on the first box, "Take Me to The Stories." There are a series of blue boxes at the top, and for these two lessons about David, click on "David's Dynasty."

You will then be given a listing of Bible stories by number. The story for **Sunday, March 22 is # 86**, Anointing of David. The story for **Sunday, March 29, is # 102**, Building an Empire.

When you click on these lessons, you have the option to read the story as written on the screen, or you can listen to the story as told by John Walsh. Mr. Walsh is a dynamic speaker and we encourage you to listen to his retelling of each Bible story. You can also read along with him by following the story on the screen.

Once you have listened to the story, we also encourage you to click on "Story Insights." Again, Mr. Walsh gives the listener interesting facts and things to consider about the story you have just heard. Discuss the story with your children and ask them questions. Each story is something children and adults alike can enjoy and learn from.

The BOCE will send out additional lessons/stories for the upcoming weeks.

If you have any questions about the material above or about accessing the stories on bibletelling.org, please contact Mary Frerking at mfreking@mediacombb.net.