

HOLY TRINITY

Evangelical Lutheran Church

ECHOES NEWSLETTER

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Pastors

The Rev. Dr. Michael G. Tavella

The Rev. N. Amanda Grimmer

Staff

The Rev. John Bradosky,
*Bishop of the North American
Lutheran Church*

Mrs. Jacqueline Smith, *B. Mus.
M. Mus., Director of Music*

Mrs. Deborah Mumford,
Parish Secretary

Worship Services

Saturday at 5 pm

Sunday at 9 am

*(Sunday Church School
at 10:30 am)*

Holy Communion

Saturday evening, Sunday morning
& Festival Days

*Deadline for submission of material
for the Echoes Newsletter is 9 am
the 15th of each month*

From the Pastors

Dear Parish Family,

We continue our journey through the social outreach ministry of Holy Trinity Church. This month we review our ministry with children and the elderly.

American society is focused on the care of the elderly and children, though one must wonder if such concern is wholehearted. The culture is particularly toxic to the upbringing and training of the young. The elderly are too often ignored by our culture that worships youthfulness and greatly fears death. (*O Youth and Beauty*, John Cheever)

Jesus loved people and reached out to them by preaching to them, visiting, teaching, healing and feeding them. The church's mission is an extension of His. Holy Trinity has several ministries to the young and old.

For many years Holy Trinity has reached out to Silver Springs/Martin Luther School where children live and learn. We have collected items for the Good Behavior Store and, every year, throw two parties for the children who have done well. We sponsor a child in Thailand through Child Fund. Every year we sponsor a Christmas Child collection that provides a shoe box full of good things for a child. The people of our congregation have made a great effort in this ministry. Many children are served by our food pantry.

Almost every week Pastor Mandy leads a sing-along at Artis nursing home, a memory unit. We collect items for Artman Home. Pastors Mandy and Mike regularly visit the elderly of the parish with Holy Communion. The Christophers visit shut-ins and those in the hospital.

Next month we will continue our series with a look at our ministry to the unborn and their mothers.

In Christ,
The Rev. Dr. Michael G. Tavella
The Rev. N. Amanda Grimmer

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Mission Statement

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church is a congregation of people of God, bound together in love for the purpose of glorifying God in worship and in fulfilling His will through spreading the Gospel of salvation in Jesus Christ to all humankind.



Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers have been presented to the Glory of God by the people of Holy Trinity. Altar Flowers must be ordered no later than the Tuesday afternoon preceding the Sunday they are presented. They may be ordered through the Church Office (215-659-2642). You may pay by placing \$20.00 in a small white pew envelope checked, "Altar Flowers." If you know it, indicate your envelope number.



At Annual Meeting this year, the first item of business will be the adoption of Rules of Procedure. This adoption of Rules of Procedure has always been done at the outset of every denominational or synodical convocation (LCA, ELCA, or NALC).

This adoption needs only a simple majority and is done to make the meeting run smoothly. Among other things, The Rules of Procedure say that Holy Trinity's Annual Meeting will be governed by Roberts Rules of Order, that all speeches will be limited to three minutes, and that anyone can present a resolution but that this resolution must be presented in writing to the Committee on Reference and Counsel by 3:00 p.m. on the Monday immediately prior to Annual Meeting.

At the time each resolution is presented to Annual Meeting, Reference and Counsel will advise the Annual Meeting as to whether or not the resolution should be adopted. Copies of these Rules of Procedure and Forms for Resolutions are available in the Narthex.





Healing Prayer Ministry

After the 9:00 AM Sunday Service, trained members of the Healing Prayer Team are available in the Chapel of the Good Shepherd to meet with you for healing prayer. Prayers are offered for your physical, emotional, and spiritual health.



† Women's Prayer Group

The Holy Trinity Women's Prayer Group meets the 1st & 3rd

Mondays of each month.

We gather at **7:30 pm** in the room over Rosemary Hinkle's garage. (See church directory for phone # and address)

This space offers privacy.

Coffee, tea, and dessert are served!

Every woman is welcome, please come as you are able.

Questions contact Rosemary @ RosemaryHinkle@comcast.net

2018 Schedule

Oct. 1 & 15

Nov. 5 & 19

Dec dates TBD

Prayer List



One of the beautiful aspects of Christian Fellowship is that we can share one another's concerns through prayer.

Please pray for the following individuals & their families: *(we cannot add last names)*

The families of the members Holy Trinity together with those they love, including: Albert, Alex, Alexa, Alexander, Allan, Allyson, Amanda, Ambre, Amy, Anita, Anna, Anne, Antoinette, Arlene, Art, Ashley, Asyl, Baby Hudson, Baby Mac, Barbara, Barbara Jo, Ben, Betty, Betty Ann, Bill, Billy, Blair, Bob, Bonnie, Brenda, Brendan, Brian, Brianna, Bruce, Carolann, Carol, Carole, Caroline, Carolyn, Cathy, Celeste, Charles, Chris, Christopher, Chuck, Clark, Claudine, Colleen, Connie, Dale, Dalilah, Dallas, Dan, Dave, David, Deb, Debbie, Denys, Derek, Diane, Dolores, Don, Donna, Dorothy, Dot, Drew, Dru, Ed, Eda, Edda, Elaine, Elena, Elizabeth, Elyse, Emerson, Eric, Ernie, Esther, Frank, Gene, George, Gerda, Gladys, Glenn, Gloria, Greg, Hannah, Harper, Harry, Helen, Helena, Holly, Howard, Ingrid, Irina, Jackie, Jamie, Jan, Jason, Jeanette, Jeff, Jen, Jennifer, Jenny, Jeremy, Jessica, Jim, Joan, Joanne, Joe, John, Julia, Justin, Karen, Kate, Katie, Kayla, Kelly, Kelsey, Ken, Keri, Kerry, Kevin, Kim, KJ, Kyle, Larry, Laura, Lauren, Leah, Levi, Linda, Lisa, Logan, Lori, Lorraine, Mae, Maeve, Maggie, Major Carol, Marissa, Mark, Marsha, Martha, MaryAnn, Maryanne, Matt, Matthew, Mary, Mary Ann, Maureen, Megan, Melissa, Michaie, Michelle, Mickie, Miles, Monica, Morris, Nancy, Nate, Niesha, Pam, Pat, Patti, Paula, Paul, Pauline, Perry, Peter, Phil, Phillip, Rachel, Rae, Randie, Rick, Richard, Robbin, Robert, Robbin, Robin, Rodney, Roger, Ronnie, Rose, Rosemarie, Ruth Ann, Samantha, Sandy, Sarah, Scott, Sharon, Sheila, Sherri, Stacey, Stephanie, Steve, Sue, Suzy, Tara, Teresa, Terri, Terry, Therese, Tim, Tina, Tish, Tony, Tonya, Travis, Tricia G., Trisha, Trudy, Tyler, Valentina, Vera, Vicki, Vivian, Walter, Wanda, Warren, Wayne, Xavier, Yvonne, Zach, Zachariah.

Please pray for the following families: Alston, Andreassen, Bamberger, Barnes, Bell, Benincasa, Bertram, Blackwell, Bolig, Borkowski, Burns, Bush, Caputo, Carter, Casey, Chapman, Clarke, Costello, DiNapoli, Drobish, Engelbert, Engelke, Etlen, Frey, Gaw, Gehris, Gill, Gregg, Grifferton, Hall, Hawkins, Hill, Ingerson, Jackson, Kelly, Koch, Lyons, Maddox, Martin, McFall, Meade, Miller-Blakes, Minges, Mumford, Myers, Naylor, Ortolani, Oxman, Paranti, Paul, Powell, Quinn, Raiguel, Reid, Reiff, Robinson, Rose, Scarbor, Sears, Selman, Sheehan, Shinn, Singrella, Smith, Smyser, Springs, Vandersluis, Vile, Wolfe, Yakscoe and Young.

Please pray for the following petitions:

That God would bless and protect all members of Holy Trinity, together with those they love and pray for. That God would guide each of us to grow in grace and that He would please send workers into the Harvest.

For all who are chronically ill and/or shut-in. For all who are fighting addiction to drugs and alcohol.

For the sick and the grieving.

For all congregations of the NALC.

For all travelers and for the dying.

For the military and their families.

The unemployed, the underemployed & the uninsured, especially those in our own families.

All Caregivers, rescue workers, doctors, nurses, firefighters, EMTs,

For the members of the Mekane Yesus Lutheran Church in Ethiopia, and for the Nifas Silk Congregation.

For our sister congregations: Nifas Silk in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia and First Lutheran in Kirkland Illinois.

For all Christians who are being persecuted for the faith throughout the world.

For the victims of rains, wildfires, earthquakes, hurricanes; for favorable weather & an abundance of crops.

For all in financial difficulty that they may be totally restored.

Join the Conversation!

We want to hear from you! Pastor Mandy has a blog on which she posts regularly. This blog is embedded right in our website at www.holytrinity.net. Your feedback is wanted! Please come on in and check us out. At the bottom of each blog there is space for your comments. Let us hear from you.

Support Us

Please consider a gift of appreciated securities to Holy Trinity as you do your tax planning for this year. You may direct questions about how to do this to Alan Hinkle at alanhinkle@comcast.net

Treasurer's Report

August 31, 2018 (For the Year 2018)

	Holy Trinity Ministries	Wider Church
Year to date received for current income	\$ 255,901.46	\$ 39,137.13
Carry over from 2017	\$ 0.00	\$ 16,646.83
Expenses paid to date	\$ 290,689.40	\$ 37,551.14
Surplus/(Deficit) 2018	(\$34,787.94)	\$ 18,232.82

Keep in your prayers the following individuals serving in the armed forces:

Christopher Biehl
Michael Boerner
Connor Gowton
Shaun Hall
Eric Henderson
C.J. Hess
John Quici
Nathan Quinlan
Vikas Shah
Jonathan Skilton, MD

"Preach the Gospel at all times and when necessary use words."

- Francis of Assisi

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about the things that really matter."

- Martin Luther

"I see nothing in Scripture except Christ crucified."

- Martin Luther



Please remember your Church in your will.

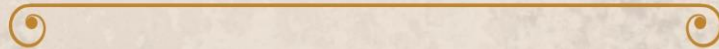
GALA SACRED CONCERT

raising funds for Holy Trinity's new steeple digital bells



MUSICA CONCORDIA
BELLS OF HOLY TRINITY
BRASS AND STRINGS

REFORMATION SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 28, 2018 3:00 PM



HOLY TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Music of Berger, Buxtehude,
Christiansen, Smith,
Tschesnokoff, and others

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Free will offering
Reception follows



MARTIN LUTHER: The Three Necessary Conversions

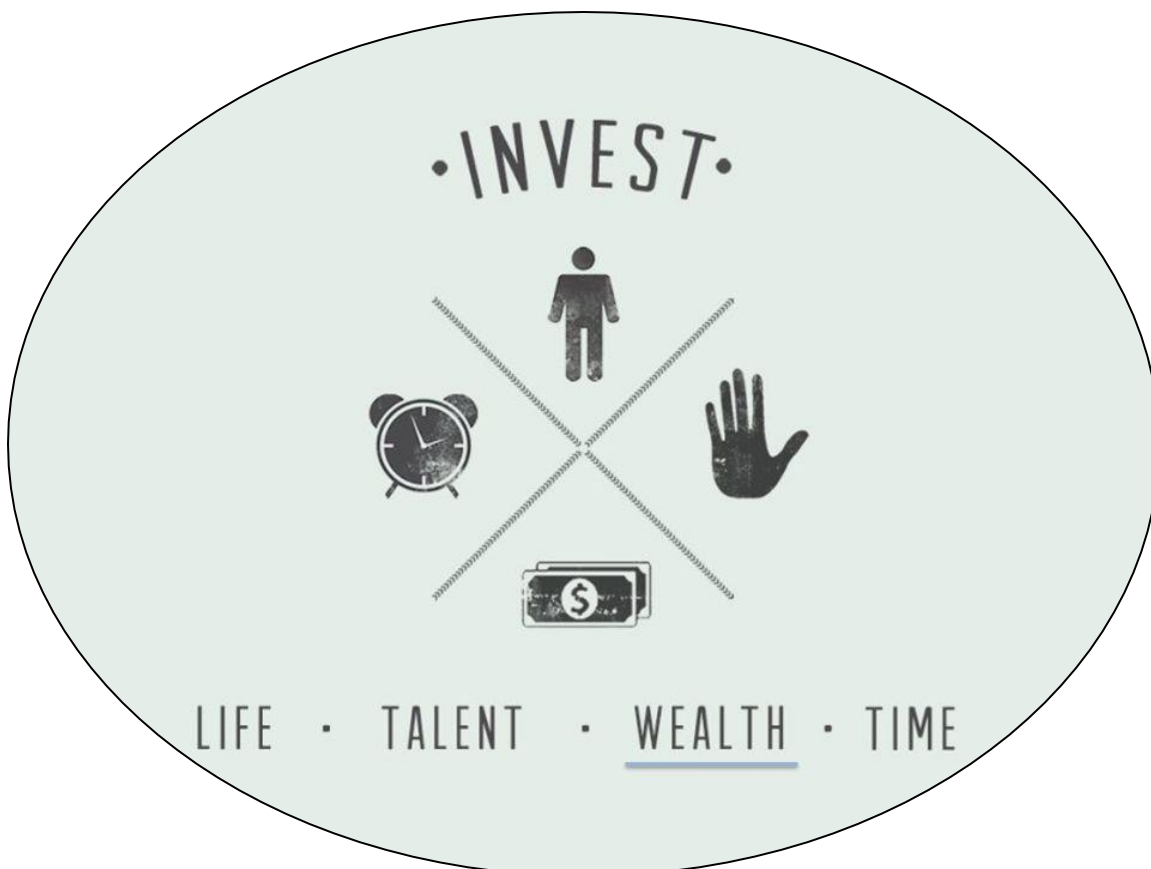
"There are three conversions necessary,"
Martin Luther wrote of Christian discipleship,
"the conversion of the heart, the conversion of the mind,
and the conversion of the purse."

Luther was experienced enough in the affairs of the world to add, "Of these three, it may well be that we moderns find the conversion of the purse the most difficult." Five centuries later, Luther's words still ring true.

Although "stewardship" involves the proper use of all the gifts that God has given us ~ time, health, intelligence, talents, friends, family, church ~ and the list goes on ~ God wants us to share our financial gifts with others as well.

God gives us these gifts to minister to the world around us with the love of Christ. When people are generous with their money, it often indicates their hearts and minds are also in the right place. That's what Jesus meant when He taught "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

As you reflect on the gifts God has given you, please ask yourself: Is your giving an adequate reflection of what you treasure?



Stewardship Weekend will be November 10 & 11, 2018

What do we mean by the term *Stewardship*

Weekend? It is the name we use for the Weekend on which we return our *Pledge Card* for the support of the church program in the New Year beginning in January.

How do I get a *Pledge Card*? You will get one via e-mail during October. Others will be available in the narthex.

Why should I return a *Pledge Card*? Can't I just put my offering in the offering plate at worship?

The church has many expenses for curriculum materials, heat, light, building upkeep, salaries, insurance and other things. These expenses must be budgeted in order that we may know what kind of program of worship, fellowship, education, music, evangelism and other parts of our witness can be carried out -- and what we can do for others. Unless our members decide in advance the amount they can give we can't plan an effective ministry.

What if I return a *Pledge Card* and then suffer financial reverses during the year that make it impossible to pay that amount?

The Church is the Body of Christ; it is not a loan company. If circumstances you did not foresee make it necessary to reduce or even cancel the amount you thought you could give, all you need to do is to tell God. True Christians also make adjustments upward when their incomes are increased or they receive unexpected additional income during the year.

Will I be solicited personally in my home?

No. You will never receive a telephone call or visitor soliciting you for money. You will receive e-mails that we hope you will read carefully and prayerfully.

Does this church talk about money all the time?

No. This church is not always talking about money. The church is always talking about Jesus Christ. It is only with money that the program of the church as we know it today can continue to exist.

Why does the church ask for an increase in giving from each of us every year?

Every year deeply committed Christians who gave substantially either die, experience grave financial reverses, or move to other communities. It is only with new and increased pledges that we can replace this loss. We especially hope that those who give \$5 a week or less will increase their giving by \$2 or more a week.

How much should I give? Did you know that Holy Trinity presently receives offerings from approximately 320 households. Of these, 240 households give \$1 - \$25 per week.

If each of these households were to increase their giving by \$2.00 per week, Holy Trinity would have \$20,000 more per year. The remaining 80 households give more than \$25 per week. If each of these households were to increase their giving by \$5.00 per week, we'd have another \$20~000. A small amount from many families would make a huge difference to Holy Trinity for next year's budget.

When is Stewardship Sunday?

Stewardship Sunday is the Second Sunday in November. Please prayerfully consider increasing the amount you give to Holy Trinity by just \$2 to \$5 a week. Please also think about participating in Simply Giving.



Simply Giving

What is *Simply Giving*? It is a convenient, safe, and simple way for you to handle church offerings through electronic fund transfers directly from your checking or savings account. This automated program allows payments to be deposited directly into Holy Trinity's account on a steady, uninterrupted basis, providing the church with greater financial stability, less bookkeeping, and more confidence in meeting financial obligations. Many people already know how convenient electronic fund transfers are in paying bills and simplifying their records.

How does *Simply Giving* work? Church members who wish to give their offering through electronic transfer fill out a Member Enrollment and Authorization Form, indicating the amount they wish to have withdrawn and the frequency B weekly (Monday), semi-monthly (1st and 15th), or monthly (1st or 15th). They also attach a voided check or savings deposit slip. These forms may be placed in the

Jehoiada Chest at a service on the second Sunday in November, turned in to the church office, or placed in the offering plate at any time. The church submits this information to Vanco Services, LLC, a Minnesota-based financial-technology services company.

Who sees the information on the Member Enrollment and Authorization Form? The church secretary and financial secretary process these forms for Holy Trinity and keep this information confidential. Vanco Services, LLC employees who process the information at their end are bonded and have signed confidentiality agreements. None of the participant information is shared with any other organization.

How much does this program cost?

All *Simply Giving* transaction fees are paid by Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Donors pay nothing to use this service.

Is there a minimum amount? Yes. \$5 is the minimum amount per transaction.

If participants have a joint signature account, do both parties need to sign the form? Only one signature is required.

How do participants change the amount, account and/or frequency of their contribution, and how quickly is it processed? You can change the amount, the account from which it is withdrawn, and/or the frequency of withdrawal by completing a new authorization form. You request this form from the church office, fill it out, and return it. If you are changing the account, you must also attach a voided check or withdrawal slip. Within a week, your request is faxed and processed.

When and where should I turn in my Member Enrollment and Authorization Form?

You may bring your completed form with the attached voided check or deposit slip to one of the worship services during Commitment Weekend, the second weekend in November. A time will be provided at each worship service to place your information in the Jehoiada chest. Or you may place your information in the offering plate at any worship service that is convenient for you. Or you may bring it to the church office at any time.

How do participants keep a record of the amounts they have contributed?

The participant's bank statement will include an itemized list of all electronic fund transfers from their account. A record of these transactions will also be provided on annual offering statements.

What if a transaction is rejected due to non-sufficient funds, closed account, etc.?

This information will be e-mailed or faxed to the congregation immediately after Vanco Services, LLC receives notification from the bank. The church financial secretary will contact the person to determine together how to proceed.

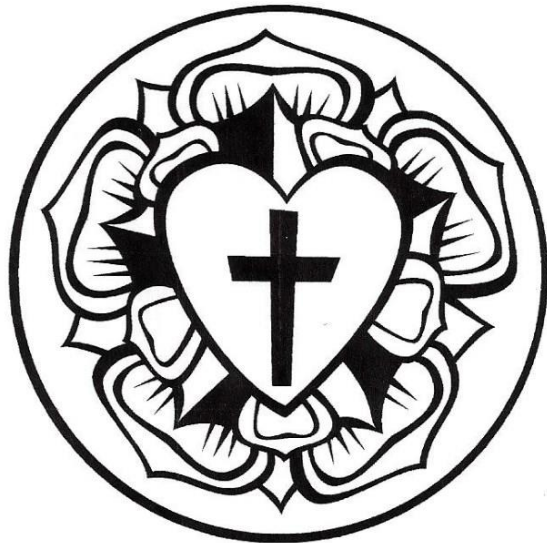
What are some banking advantages for using electronic fund transfers for church contributions?

Electronic fund transfers are safe, reliable, and convenient. All such transfers are governed by strict national rules and guidelines set by the Automated Clearing House Network and

governed by Regulation E of the Federal Reserve. More than four billion electronic fund transfers are processed annually in the United States. This process is more efficient, more secure, and less expensive than credit card transactions and more efficient and timely than check collection.

Some years ago, our Church Council and finance-people examined this program and found it to be a good one. Since then *Simply Giving* has been offered as a way that members could support Holy Trinity's ministries.

Our financial gifts through the Church are a response to God's abundant gifts to us. Ministries flourish at Holy Trinity because of your faithful giving in response to the gifts of God.





NOTES OF THANKS

Dear Holy Trinity Family,

Again the outpouring of love from you is just a blessing from God. Pastor Mandy's visits and Sudoku book kept me busy. The altar flowers delivered by Charlie and Sue brightened the room. The Heidi visits with chocolate and the lovely cards were a welcome break. Nancy Ischinger's Bible School Challenge class included little notes and verses that brought tears to my eyes. Then the Ruth Circle fruit bouquet was just perfect. Our Lord has truly blessed me with a wonderful family. Thank you so much.

Yours In Christ,
Tina Bednarczyk.



Dear Holy Trinity Congregation,

Thank you to everyone for your generous response to the school supplies collection for the children at the People's Emergency Center. The children will get off to a great start due to your generosity. Here's what we collected:

45 Composition books	15 rulers
24 packs of crayons	5 packs of erasers
11 pairs of scissors	1 Sheet protector set
9 Backpacks	20 folders
14 boxes of pencils	5 folder organizers
11 packs of glue	2 pencil boxes
13 packs of pens	1 pack of index cards
2 spiral notebooks	1 pack of highlighters
12 boxes of colored pencils	6 compasses
6 Loose leaf paper packs	8 packs of markers
4 packs of sharpeners	2 ponchos
3 scotch tapes	5 boxes of tissues
1 Dictionary	Binder pouches

Thank you again,
Your Social Ministry Committee.



PEOPLE'S EMERGENCY CENTER
Nurturing Families, Strengthening Neighborhoods, Driving Change.

A Letter Received from a Shoe Box Recipient's Mother



With much joy and prayer, we pack our shoe boxes each year. For those of us who include our address, we are ever just a little hopeful that we might hear from one or two recipients. On September 17, well beyond a timeframe of hope, Rosemary Hinkle received a letter from Kenya. It reads in part:

Praise be to God. I hope all is well with you. I am well. My name is Sophia from Kenya. My son was in the Billy Graham programs and he really learnt a lot. He got his present that you sent over, and we were delighted to see all the beautiful things that you got for him. My son's name is Kelvin, and he is 12 years old. Thank you so much for everything. I would like to communicate with you and send you our pictures on WhatsApp. I really appreciated everything. God bless you and my son will always remember you in prayers as you pray for us too. I saw your picture in the shoe box, and we were happy to receive it.

*May the Most High God bless you much.
Yours Faithfully, Sophia*

Congratulations to Holy Trinity Grandparents

Children
are
A **gift**
FROM THE
Lord.
THEY are
A
reward
from Him.
PSALMS 127:3

Ben & Linda Frezza on the
birth of their granddaughter,
Reagan Emi Hall, born August 30, 2018
in Okinawa, Japan Height: 20" Weight: 6 lbs., 9 oz.
To parents Shaun & Katie (Frezza) Hall and big sister Riley



Kathy Ingerson on the
birth of her granddaughter,
Everett Kathleen Engelke, born September 5, 2018
Height: 19 1/8" Weight: 6 lbs., 2 oz.
To parents Eric & Jamie (Ingerson) Engelke



*Congratulations
on your baptism*

August Ross Reynolds
Sunday, October 7, 2018

*Son of Andrew & Alexandra
Reynolds*

Welcome to the Lord's family !



Our Christian Sympathy to

To Elly, Tony and Chris Quici
and the entire Quici family
on the death of
John Quici, August 27, 2018

Beloved husband, father and grandfather.

Psalm 112:6

“For the righteous will never be moved;
they will be remembered forever.”



NALC

North American Lutheran Church

2018 NALC CONVOCATION SUMMARY

About 600 delegates and visitors gathered August 15 - 17 in Denver, Colorado for the 2018 Convocation of the North American Lutheran Church around the theme, "The Holy Spirit: Calling, Gathering, Enlightening, Sanctifying."

The Mission Festival began with a focus on discipleship. Featured speakers Sherry Weddell and Katherine Coolidge of the Catherine of Siena Institute in Colorado Springs, Colo., talked about ways congregations can form intentional disciples. The Mission Festival also featured a variety of breakout sessions to equip members for mission.

Pastor Gemechis Bubba, Assistant to the Bishop for Missions, offered presentations at the Mission Festival and Convocation sessions. He told inspiring stories of God's work in providing buildings for some NALC mission congregations serving Oromo people.

Bishop John Bradosky will not be seeking reelection as Bishop of the NALC when his term expires in 2019. The Bishop talked about "passing the baton" of the office of Bishop and pointed out the need for all of us to "pass the baton" of faith and discipleship.

To prepare for the nomination and election process for Bishop, a packet of information was provided to congregations including a booklet of prayers encouraging NALC members to engage in a year of prayer and discernment leading up to the election at the NALC Convocation August 7 - 9, 2019 in Indianapolis, Ind.

Elections: Richard Jansak of Hendersonville, N.C., and Pastor Melinda Jones of Summerville, S.C., were elected to four-year terms on the Executive Council. Pastor John Moffett of Ashland, Ohio, and James Gale of Washington, D.C., were elected to the Court of Adjudication. Ralph Wold of Red Deer, Alberta, and Pastor Rolf Bhornstad of Sherwood Park, Alberta were elected to the NALC Canada Section Governing Board. Pastor Wendy Berthelsen of Midlothian, Texas; Pastor Dennis Di Mauro of Herndon, Va., and Pastor Phillip Gagnon of St. Albert, Alberta, were elected to six-year terms on the North American Lutheran Seminary Board of Regents.

The North American Lutheran Seminary will be seeking a new president. The Rev. Dr. Amy Shifrin, president of the NALS, has been serving as both president and seminary faculty. She will continue as full-time faculty and transition out of her position as president after the 2018-2019 school year or when someone is called as president.

2019 budgets were approved. The Convocation approved a \$2.1 million Operating Budget for the NALC. Budgets were also approved for NALC designated funds: \$589,000 for the Theological Education Fund (which includes the seminary); \$175,000 for the Great Commission Fund; and \$89,000 for the Disaster Response Fund. Most of the budgets anticipate spending some cash reserves.

A resolution regarding ecumenical consultation between the NALC and the Roman Catholic Church was approved. The resolution inviting the Roman Catholic Church into conversation and cooperation was proposed by the NALC's Commission on Theology and Doctrine.

A new NALC Global Worker, James Puotyual, who will serve in South Sudan, was commissioned by the Convocation.

Stuff the Tonka Truck for NALC Disaster Response received more than \$11,000 worth of gift cards to assist those recovering from disasters. The effort was organized by the Women of the NALC.

Reports of the work of the NALC's staff, teams, task forces, ministries and ministry partners were warmly received.

Events preceding the Convocation were the Braaten-Benne Lectures in Theology, Women of the NALC Annual Gathering, Discipleship Coaching workshop and the Ventures in Youth Ministry Symposium. The Convocation and the events preceding it comprise the NALC's annual Lutheran Week.

Documents, photos and videos from the Convocation and other events of Lutheran Week will be posted at lutheranweek.com.

For more information on the NALC
please visit their website at <https://thenalc.org>



A LOOK at the BUDGET

Calling all Committee Chairpersons

Start thinking of your **budgets for 2019**
Rich Hamilton, chair of Finance/Budget
needs your budgets by
the beginning of **October.**

Many thanks for your attention to this important matter.

Care Package Addresses Needed...

If you know of a college/grad student
Or anyone serving in the military
Please contact Cindy Biehl at cindybiehl@msn.com
or by phone (267) 475-5435
Or contact Deb in the office at secretary@holyltrinity.net
or by phone (215) 659-2642



Abington Life Chain event

**Celebrate Life;
Make a Difference.**



Sunday, October 7, 2018

2 to 3 p.m.

Old York Road
between Keith & Horace Roads

Spend one hour walking in
silent prayer for the unborn.

Signs will be provided at the two
corners of Horace and Keith.

We will end in communal prayer and hymn.



Coram Deo

Living in the Presence of God

We meet in the SS Peter & Andrew Study on most Mondays at 7:30 PM.
You do not have to read the selection in advance,
and can drop in for any or all sessions.

List of Readings for October 2018

October 1: *Do Androids Dream of Electric Sleep?* by Philip K. Dick

October 8: The poetry of Gerard Manley Hopkins (to be read day-of)

October 15: *The Brothers Karamazov* by Fyodor Dostoevsky: Part 1

October 22: *The Brothers Karamazov* by Fyodor Dostoevsky: Part 2

October 29: *The War of the Worlds* by H. G. Wells



Pastor Mike will be holding
New Member Orientation
Sunday, October 21st
at **11:30 a.m.**

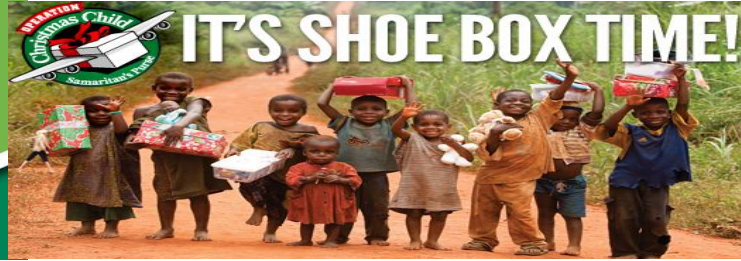
Lunch will be served.

There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

Email Pastor Mike for more info.
MGTavella@msn.com



the *power* of
a simple *gift*



Collection of Shoebox Items Continues

Our goal for our church Packing Party on Saturday, November 10, is to fill 220 boxes! That breaks down to 35 in each age category both for boys and girls. With prayers to meet this goal, we ask you to consider your contributions to needed items.

October Wish List

Although all contributions are welcome at any time, please especially consider these needs in October:

Toys and Accessories

Please supply two rounds of batteries for any item that requires them.

Balls, marbles, yoyos, jump ropes, balloons, small Etch-a-Sketches, puzzles, Lego kits, small dolls, stuffed animals (such as Beanie Babies, My Little Pony) plastic animals, dinosaurs, coloring books, flashlights with 2nd set of batteries, all kinds of vehicles, cars, trucks, engines, boats, etc. Jewelry for all three age groups (2-4; 5-9; 10-14) bead making kits, T-shirts, socks, gloves, scarves/bandanas, small purses or cosmetic-size cases.

Shoe Box FAQ for Your Personal Boxes

In general, Samaritan's Purse receive more boxes for girls than boys.

Overall, they receive the most shoebox gifts for girls 5-9 and the fewest number of boxes for boys 2-4 and 10-14.

Reminder: NO food/candy or toothpaste, liquids (lotions), or military toys.

Please consider these contributions BEYOND the boxes you choose to pack individually.

We do not want to take anything away from your personal, loving efforts.

We hope you will consider also having the joy of participating in packing the general boxes on **Saturday, November 10th** beginning at 9:00 AM in Fellowship Hall. Brunch will be served!

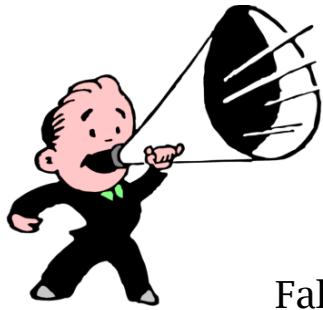
See the Operation Christmas Child shoe box display and pick up a brochure in the Narthex.

BE A HOLY TRINITY VOLUNTEER TO INSPECT SHOE BOXES AT BALTIMORE PACKING CENTER

After we pack our Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes and deliver them to a local collection church, they are trucked to the Baltimore packing center for inspection and final preparation for overseas travel.

Holy Trinity has been granted early access (prior to a public registration) for volunteer afternoon time slots at the Baltimore Packing Center two hours away. As in the past, we would like to send a couple groups for this special hands-on mission opportunity. We make it a day trip and carpool, sharing gas and toll expenses and eating a meal together after our volunteer time.

There are two afternoon time slots available: Sat., Dec. 1 and Fri., Dec. 7. Please contact **Rosemary Hinkle** at 215-704-3701 or Rosemaryhinkle@comcast.net to learn more and, if interested, indicate your date preference. To take full advantage of this early offering, we will need to sign up early.



Calling all LCW Women

Please make every effort to attend our
Fall General Meeting on **Saturday, October 6th**

Beginning at 9 AM with a program
on Silver Springs/ Martin Luther School

Featuring our speaker, Amanda Bryant,
Director at Silver Springs/ Martin Luther School

Circles will be providing the breakfast food
as we host the monthly Adult Fellowship Breakfast

A brief meeting will take place after the program.



Lutheran Church Women's Circle Bible Study



OCTOBER

WARNING SIGNS OF A MARTHA OVERLOAD

In October, our Circles will continue our study of "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World" by Joanna Weaver. Life is hard and rarely fair. This month we'll be discussing the "Warning Signs of a Martha Overload", the three deadly Ds and 5 Strategies for Fighting Discouragement.

Please join us as we remember who Jesus is. Emmanuel. God with us.

"Trust me, my child", he whispers,
"I have your ultimate good in mind."

We encourage all Holy Trinity women to consider attending a circle. This forms your special small group of women who study the Word and share with each other, and support one another. If you are not yet attending a circle, please contact Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Women President Nancy Ischinger @ 267.803.1384 or nancymaeisch@yahoo.com OR contact church secretary Deb Mumford @ 215.659.2642 to explore what might work best for you.

Miriam Circle - Monday, October 8 at 12:30 pm in the SS Peter & Andrew Study.

Leader: Sandy Schmidt (215) 657-5065 sandyschmidt19001@yahoo.com

Ruth Circle - Wednesday, October 10 at 7:30 pm at home of Audrey Ruddy,
2545 Martin Road, Willow Grove, PA 19090

Leader: Nancy Necker (215) 884-2123 nnecker52@gmail.com

Sarah Circle - Thursday, October 11 at 12:00 pm in the SS Peter & Andrew Study.

Leader: Marsha Humphreys (215) 659-3373

Eve Circle - Thursday, October 11 at 7:30 pm in the SS Peter & Andrew Study.

Leader: Sharon Koch (215) 355-7875 sharonkoch1304@gmail.com

Hannah Circle - Monday, October 1 at 7:30 pm in the SS Peter & Andrew Study.

Leader: Marilyn Murphy (610) 304-7601 mvetal4@verizon.net

GIANT GIFT CARDS

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The **Holy Trinity LCW** have Giant Food Stores Gift Cards for purchase. Cards are available in denominations of \$5, \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50 and \$100.

If you are interested in obtaining Giant Gift Cards, there is an order form in the Narthex.

It can be completed and left in the box or turned into the Church office. (No money with order form please).

Joy Alderfer is coordinating this project for HTLCW. She will complete your orders. Cash purchases are always welcome. All checks for gift cards should be made payable to "Holy Trinity Giant". Joy will be available in Fellowship Hall after Church to take orders, payment and deliver cards.

HTLCW receives a 5% cash back award for each card sold which goes to our scholarship fund. Our scholarship fund is utilized to offset the cost of any LCW related function for any Church women who may want to attend but needs financial assistance.

Thank you for your support.

STUFF THE TRUCK

~ 2018 ATLANTIC MISSION DISTRICT CONVOCATION ~

With current disaster response supplies depleted, your tangible donations of money and/or gift cards from Home Depot, Lowe's, Target and Walmart are urgently needed.

Help us Stuff The Truck!

Take your donations to the box marked **STUFF THE TRUCK** located in Fellowship Hall by **Sunday, October 14th**, so Pastor Mandy & our delegate can take them along with them to the Convocation held at Messiah Lutheran Church, Lebanon, PA **Oct. 19 -20, 2018**





**This important ministry
is in need of volunteers!**

No meetings to attend
No uniform required

Just a willingness to serve at worship

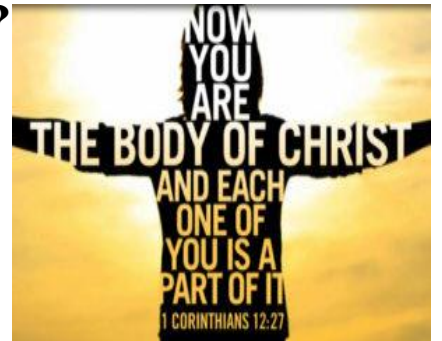
Email Phil Diener for more information

Weather-or-not@comcast.net

How will you serve the Lord in worship?

We are in need of additional adult
Acolytes and Crucifers.

Interested persons contact Charlie Tolton
at (215) 659-7054 or **ctolton@comcast.net**



Holy Trinity is accepting donations
through the NALC Disaster Response
in the ongoing aftermath
of Hurricane Florence.

Checks can be made out directly to "LDR"
and placed in the offering plate.

"Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ."
Galatians 6:2



Youth Ministry -- Schedule 2018 / 19

All events are on SUNDAY unless otherwise noted

October 7, 2018



Youth Group (5 PM - 7 PM)

October 14, 2018

Lunch Bunch (11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.)

Today's Cooks: Call out for pizza
Today's Story: Daniel in the Lion's Den
Craft: Daniel in the Lion's Den

October 14, 2018

Annual Confirmation Field Trip 10:15 a.m.
Our Lady Help of Christians
1500 Marian Road, Abington, PA 19001
215-886-3456
www.olhc-parish.org

All Saints

Sunday, November 4, 2018



On All Saints Sunday, families (and individuals) who wish to commemorate a loved one are invited to join the procession and place a lighted memorial candle on the altar. Come to the narthex before the beginning of the service to join the formation of the procession.

Their Lights still shine!

**If you wish to participate, be sure to bring a votive candle with you from home.
Your votive candle must be in a glass votive candle holder.
(Suggested colors for the glass candle holder are clear, red, or white.)**

During the processional, you will carry your lit candle to the altar. You will then place your candle on the altar, as you speak aloud the name of the person whom you are remembering before God.

These are the saints. Their lights still shine before the throne of God.

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

**After worship, please remember to take your candle home with you,
to use during your personal or family devotions.**





Red Cross Blood Drive at Holy Trinity
Black Friday, Nov. 23rd
1:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Call Karen McGovern (267) 968 – 4585 to schedule an appointment

- ✓ Every unit donated can save up to 3 lives!
- ✓ Every 2 seconds someone in the US needs blood!

OCTOBER WYLDLIFE CLUB!!

Friday, October 19, 2018

7:30 ~ 9:30 PM

6TH ~ 8TH GRADERS

**1714 BROOKE ROAD
RYDAL, PA**

Questions? Contact Jeff Pearson 845~239~3518

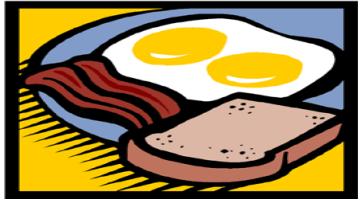


Donations most needed for *Bread of Heaven* Food Pantry



Spam, Salmon, Beef Stew, Sardines, and Chili
Hamburger Helper, Pasta sauce, 1 lb. bags of rice,
peanut butter & jelly, Pancake mix & syrup,
muffin mix, Ketchup, mustard, and mayonnaise.

BREAKFAST



FELLOWSHIP

Adult Fellowship Breakfast

Saturday, October 6, 2018

Time: 9:00 AM

Topic: The History of Silver Springs/Martin Luther School

Presenter: Amanda Bryant, SS/ML school Director



Join us for a delicious breakfast and educational topic about a ministry long supported by Holy Trinity.

Graciously hosted by the Lutheran Church Women of Holy Trinity.



Men's Devotional Group New Meeting Night! Wednesday!!

The Holy Trinity Men's Devotional Group
will be changing things up in 2018-19.

We have changed our meeting nights
to Wednesday nights. Please join us at our next meeting:

Wed., October 10th, 7 PM
in the Sons of Thunder Youth Room

Hope to see you there!!!



October Worship Assistants Schedule



October 7

Usher 3	Greeter Kevan Berkovitz Linda Frezza	Presenters of Gifts Janice Donnelly, Al & Pam Eisenmann
Count 4	Acolyte Charlie Tolton	
Christophers Nancy Necker	Crucifer Mike LaRocca	
Healing Sue Tolton Prayer	Lector- Sat George Powell	Communion Assistants Deb Mumford Linda Borkowski
	Sun Betsy Zimmermann	Setup Maryann Leventhal

October 14

Usher 4	Greeter George & Sandra Powell	Presenters of Gifts Jody Cheeseborough, Barbara Harvey, Kevan Berkovitz
Count 1	Acolyte Rob Ischinger	
Christophers Chris Quici	Crucifer Kevan Berkovitz	
Healing Nancy Prayer Ischinger	Lector - Sat Karen McGovern	Communion Assistants Eric Gregg Dean Lawrence
	Sun Linda Bell-Powell	Setup Deb Mumford

October 21

Usher 5	Greeter Jim & Nancy Necker	Presenters of Gifts The Nilsen Family
Count 2	Acolyte Matthew Gregg	
Christophers Mike Breslin	Crucifer Charlie Tolton	
Healing Deb Mumford Prayer	Lector-Sat George Powell	Communion Assistants Charles Tolton Marilynn Murphy
	Sun Kevan Berkovitz	Setup Sue Tolton

October 28

Usher 1	Greeter Confirmation Students	Presenters of Gifts Cindy Biehl, Sherry Breslin George Powell
Count 3	Acolyte Charlie Tolton	
Christophers Sue Tolton	Crucifer Ryan Schied	
Healing Barbara Harvey Prayer	Lector-Sat Linda Cassady	Communion Assistants Kevan Berkovitz Allan Shikhvarg
	Sun Linda Borkowski	Setup Deb Mumford

If you cannot serve please contact someone on the list for that particular service team and find a replacement.
If you can't find a replacement simply contact the office (215) 659-2642 or email Deb at secretary@holyltrinity.net

Called to *Serve*

OCTOBER 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Special Dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● World Communion Sunday, <i>October 7, 2018</i> ● Reformation Sunday, <i>October 28, 2018</i> ● Reformation Concert, <i>October 28, 2018</i> at 3:00 PM here at Holy Trinity ● Reformation Day, <i>October 31, 2018</i> 						
	1 6 – 8:30 Jr. Girl Scouts 7:30 Hannah Circle 7:30 Women’s Prayer Group 7:30 Coram Deo	2 7:00 Great Christians Class	3 7:30 Council	4 10 am - 12 pm Bread of Heaven 1:30 Artis Ministry 6:30 Handbell Choir 8:00 Chancel Choir	5 7:30 AA	6 9:00 Adult Breakfast Fellowship 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
7 PENTECOST 18 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult SOT Youth Group 5 – 7 PM	8 12:30 Miriam Circle 6 – 8:30 Jr. Girl Scouts 7:30 Coram Deo	9 7:00 Great Christians Class	10 7:00 Men’s Group 7:30 Ruth Circle at the home of Audrey Ruddy	11 10 am - 12 pm Bread of Heaven 12:00 Sarah Circle 6:30 Handbell Choir 7:30 Eve Circle 8:00 Chancel Choir	12 7:30 AA	13 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
14 PENTECOST 19 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult 10:15 Confirmation Retreat to Our Lady Help of Christians 11:30 Lunch Bunch	15 SHOP & COOK AIDS DINNER 6 – 8:30 Jr. Girl Scouts 7:30 Coram Deo 7:30 Women’s Prayer Group	16 DELIVER AIDS DINNER 7:00 Great Christians Class	17 7:00 Evangelism	18 10 am - 12 pm Bread of Heaven 1:30 Artis Ministry 6:30 Handbell Choir 8:00 Chancel Choir	19 7:30 AA	20 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
21 PENTECOST 20 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult 11:30 New Member Orientation Class	22 6 – 8:30 Jr. Girl Scouts 7:30 Coram Deo	23 7:00 Great Christians Class	24 7:30 LCW Admin. Meeting	25 10 am - 12 pm Bread of Heaven 1:30 Artis Ministry 6:30 Handbell Choir 8:00 Chancel Choir	26 7:30 AA	27 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
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