

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,

What is the biblical basis for opposition to abortion? No specific commandment in the Old or New Testaments provides the answer. The pro-life stance must come from something more than a specific commandment.

There are commands, though, that do apply. At the very beginning of Genesis, God said, "Be fruitful and multiply..." Abortion would contravene this commandment though an argument from this text is less than cogent.

The Ten Commandments are found in Exodus and Deuteronomy. One of them is "You shall not murder." Although this commandment does not clinch the argument, it is important to it. The question here is, do the unborn fall under this commandment. The pro-life advocate would say yes. From conception the unborn is to be defined as a person. The pro-choice people deny this. If the unborn have no claim on us, the womb is one of the most dangerous places to be.

When is a person a person? The law of the land creates artificial boundaries that are hard to justify. In what week of pregnancy is the unborn a person? It is best to assume that one is a person from conception though many would disagree.

God gave the plants and, later, animals for humans to eat. In the Scriptures the killing of human beings except in war and capital punishment is prohibited. If the unborn are regarded as persons, though not outside the womb, abortion is murder.

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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.

From the Pastors

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Are the unborn, persons? If they are, the commandment against killing applies. If abortion is murder, then our country is responsible for the unjust deaths of sixty-one million people since *Roe v. Wade*. This is nightmarish.

What should be the church's position? If we consider Christian doctrine as a whole, we should be strongly inclined to the pro-life position. God brings human life into existence. It is precious to Him. It should thus be respected. A pro-choice position is unworthy of the church. Modern technology has made abortions safer. But, we must not conclude that because we can do it, we should. The life of the unborn, made in the image of God, should have greater weight among us than anything else.

Should exceptions be allowed? Here we tread on uncertain ground. If it is allowed, it should occur in very rare instances for very good reasons.

Pastor Mike has and will continue to go to Washington in January for the March for Life and to participate in the Life Chain at Abington-Jefferson Hospital every October. You are invited to accompany him.

Next time, we will discuss the culture of death.

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





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

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, Alexis, Allan, Allyson, Amanda, Ambre, Amy, Anita, Anna, Anne, Antoinette, Arlene, Art, Ashley, Asyl, Baby Hudson, Baby Mac, Barbara, Barbara Jo, Ben, Bethany, Betty, Betty Ann, Bill, Billy, Blair, Bob, Bonnie, Brenda, Brendan, Brian, Brianna, Bruce, Carolann, Carol, Carole, Caroline, Carolyn, Carter, Cathy, Cecilia, Celeste, Charles, Chris, Christopher, Chuck, Clark, Claudine, Colleen, Connie, Dale, Dale, Daliliah, Dallas, Dan, Dave, David, Deb, Debbie, Denys, Derek, Diane, Dolores, Don, Donna, Dorothy, Dot, Drew, Dru, Ed, Eda, Edda, Edgardo, Elaine, Elena, Elizabeth, Elyse, Emerson, Eric, Ernie, Esther, Frank, Gene, George, Gerda, Gladys, Glenn, Gloria, Greg, Hannah, Harper, Harry, Helen, Helena, Henry, Hildegard, 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, Luke, 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, Peter, Phil, Phillip, Rachel, Rae, Randie, Rick, Richard, Robbin, Robert, Robbin, Robin, Rodney, Roger, Ronnie, Rose, Rosemarie, Ruth Ann, Samantha, Sandy, Sarah, Scott, Sharon, Sahwna, 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, Wes, Xavier, Yvonne, Zach, Zachariah.

Please pray for the following families: Affleck, Alston, Andreassen, Bamberger, Barnes, Bell, Benincasa, Bertram, Blackwell, Bolig, Borkowski, Burns, Bush, Caputo, Carter, Casey, Chapman, Clarke, Costello, DiNapoli, Doyle, Drobish, Engelbert, Engelke, Etlén, 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, Ritter, 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

September 30, 2018 (For the Year 2018)

	Holy Trinity Ministries	Wider Church
Year to date received for current income	\$ 289,038.54	\$ 59,136.62
Carry over from 2017	\$ 0.00	\$ 16,646.83
Expenses paid to date	\$ 323,081.18	\$ 46,897.06
Surplus/(Deficit) 2018	(\$34,042.64)	\$ 28,886.39

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

"The Church ceases to be a spiritual society when it is on the lookout for the development of its own organization."

- Oswald Chambers

"God's Word is a flame that shines in the darkness... if we use this light, then God will no longer remain hidden from us."

- Martin Luther

"With thankful hearts, O Lord, we come to praise Thy name in grateful song. Accept the offering, Lord, we bring, and help us loud Thy praises sing."

- J. S. Mohler



Please remember your Church in your will.

"The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof; the world and those that dwell therein." Psalm 24:1

It's no secret: All we have comes from God. We hear talk from time to time about "self-made: millionaires, but most millionaires will tell you they didn't do it alone. We work for what we have in life. Actually, millionaires give back too. Every millionaire is responsible for creating 1,000 jobs. Every billionaire is responsible for 10,000 jobs created. But that said, work does not make it ours.

"The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof; the world and those that dwell therein."

Bottom line: it's all God's. It's all from God.

David Ramsey of the Financial Peace University has a good thought on this. "...being a steward - really isn't a Christian idea at all. It's actually an Old English concept drawn from the days of castles and realms and the people who ran them. In those days (think 'Braveheart'), people lived in realms- areas of land approximately the size of three countries today. In the middle of that realm was a castle, where the lord of the realm lived.

"Now, the lord owned everything in the realm. He owned all the land, all the farms, all the buildings, and all the commerce. Everything was under his control and authority. Of course, the lord's castle was the nicest home in the realm, but another house nearby was pretty nice as well. That's where the lord's steward lived. The steward didn't own anything, but he took care of everything that belonged to the lord. He managed the crop rotations, the labor force, the taxes, the banking, the commerce, and any of the lord's other interests.

"That's what stewardship was all about - asset management. So, in the early 1600s when the translators of the King James Bible needed a word to describe how God wants believers to handle money, the idea of stewards and stewardship was a natural fit. On one hand, God is the Lord. Psalm 24:1 says, 'the earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof.' He owns it all. On the other hand, we are responsible to manage His stuff for His glory. That makes us stewards - or managers- of His resources. And just like the Old English lord held the steward responsible for his stewardship, we are going to give an account of how we manage God's resources (1 Corinthians 4:2). As believers, we can't disconnect the ideas of ownership and stewardship. When we understand our responsibility as asset managers, we can gratefully receive what God passes to us and enjoy what He has entrusted to us. But if we start thinking of ourselves as owners, it becomes much harder for us to open our hands (and our hearts) to use His money for His purposes."

The Holy Trinity Stewardship Committee believes in the ministry of this church, as do we all. Please consider taking a step up in your giving this year. During the coming weeks, pray about this, and make your commitment to grow. No matter how you choose to grow, whether by a percent of income or by a flat dollar amount, seek the Lord's guidance. If it is God's will, you'll find a way.

Adapted from the NALC Stewardship Resources 2018



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.

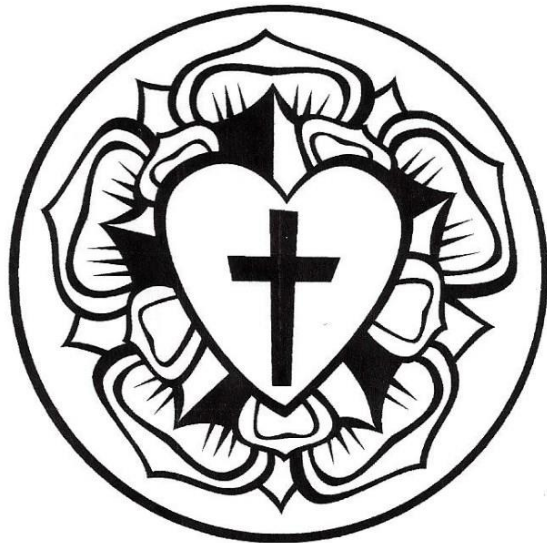
What are some banking advantages for using electronic fund transfers for church contributions?

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,

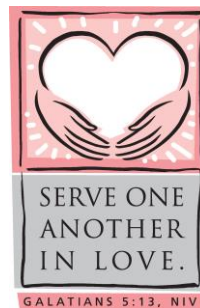
Thank you for your generous contributions to Blanket Sunday. We collected \$190 which was sent to Lutheran World Relief to buy blankets. We also received cash contributions, which will be sent to Cradle of Hope and Artman.

Lois Hamilton and I took 4 blankets to Cradle of Hope. They were very appreciative as they are housed in an older home, which as we know can get drafty in the winter.

We also received a Christmas sack of gifts that will go to Shoe Night at Artman.

Thank you so much,

Katie Beyer, LCW Christian Action Chair



Dear Holy Trinity Congregation,
Many heartfelt thanks to my Holy Trinity family for the prayers, cards, flowers, emails and visits during my impromptu stay at Abington Hospital. I thank God for the blessings of being part of such a caring congregation!

In Christ,
Deb Mumford.



*In addition to All Saints Sunday
on All Saints Day, Thursday
November 1 at 9:00 AM*

*Holy Communion will be celebrated
in the Chapel of the Good Shepherd.*

All are welcome!



All Saints

November 4, 2018



Their Lights still shine!

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.

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.)

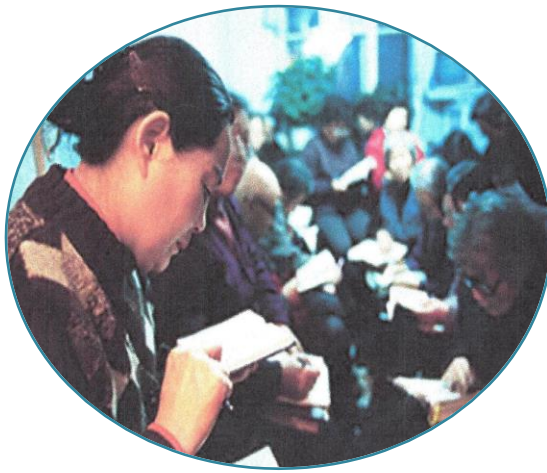
During the processional, you will carry your lit candle to the altar. You will then place your candle on the altar, as you speak aloud the name of the person whom you are remembering before God.

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

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

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY





Why Bibles? And, Why Bibles for China?

Imagine if no one at Holy Trinity had a copy of the Bible, including Pastors Mandy and Mike? Imagine them preaching without firsthand reference to the Scripture? What if we had to rely on word-of-mouth and memorization by those who came in contact with Scripture in other places?

This is the situation for many people groups living in China. These people have often come to Jesus through the underground house church movement and are praying desperately for a copy of the Holy Bible. **They are not begging for food and clothing but BIBLES!**

November 11 is the International Day of the Bible.

We at Holy Trinity have been partnering with Asia Harvest through our contributions each November to provide Bibles for our Chinese brothers and sisters. For only \$1.80, Asia Harvest can print and distribute a Bible. In fact, Asia Harvest can print and distribute 230,000 Chinese Bibles per month depending on incoming funds.

Please help equip our Chinese brothers and sisters in Christ and fuel the fires of revival that are burning throughout the world's largest nation. What might you be willing to give up this week to put \$5, \$10, or \$20 towards Bibles for believers?

Factoid: “something which becomes accepted as fact, although it may not be true”
Oxford English Dictionary

1. Many people believe China is now a rich country so people there no longer need our help.

90% of China's house church Christians live in rural areas thousands of miles away from modern cities like Beijing and Shanghai. The revival in China is burning bright in remote provinces where thousands are coming to Christ daily and they are among the poorest of the poor in China.

2. Many Christians have heard that Bibles are now legally printed inside China by the government approved Amity Press. However, in a country of more than 1,300 million people, allowing a trickle of legal Bibles only available in the registered churches cannot satisfy the need of 60 million + Christians who do not belong to the government-approved churches.



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 November 2018

November 5: *The War of the Worlds* by H. G. Wells

November 12: *Nine Stories* by J. D. Salinger

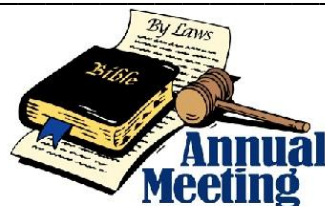
November 19 and 26: No Meeting.

December 3: *A Hero of Our Time* by Mikhail Lemontov

December 10: Short stories by Isaac Bashevis Singer
to be determined.



December 17 and 24: No Meeting

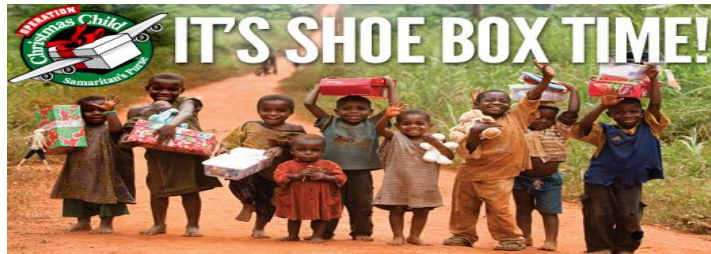


At Annual Meeting this year, **Sunday, January 27, 2019** the first item of business will be the adoption of Rules of Procedure. This adoption of Rules of Procedure has always been done at the outset of every denominational or synodical convocation (LCA, ELCA, or NALC). This adoption needs only a simple 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.



It's Time to Pack and Send Our Shoeboxes And Support Shipping Costs

3 Ways You Can Participate in Operation Christmas Child at Holy Trinity in November

1. **Come to our Breakfast and Shoebox Packing Party on Saturday, November 10, 9:00 AM, in Fellowship Hall.** The meal will be provided by our cooks for the monthly Adult Breakfast Fellowship. Experience the fun and joy of putting together boxes of gifts for children in need.
2. **Bring your personally packed shoeboxes to our ingathering at Saturday & Sunday worship services the weekend of November 10/11.** A special time in these services will be devoted to praying for the delivery of these boxes and the children who will receive them.
3. **Make a contribution to defray the shipping costs incurred by Samaritan's Purse.** Shipping shoe boxes is costly. Samaritan's Purse suggests a \$9 donation per box, which does not cover all their costs. Please help Holy Trinity cover the \$9/box for all the boxes that will be packed at our party. Please place your contribution in the white pew envelope and mark it "OCC". When writing a check, please make it out to Holy Trinity and write OCC in the memo section.

Thank you one and all for everything you do to make a multitude of filled shoe boxes possible for so many children!

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

After we pack our Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes & 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. 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 & 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.



Lutheran Church Women's Circle Bible Study



November

"The Diagnosis"

"Martha, Martha", the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things."
Luke 10:41

Most of us have worried about something or someone from time to time. Some people we know have turned worry into a full-time occupation. But what does God say about worry? This month our Circles will delve into such subjects as: "The Curse of Anxiety" and ways to combat it; how to overcome being "A Born Worrier" and what are the 10 signs of a "Big Worrier". We'll learn why the Bible tells us not to worry and why we shouldn't make worry a way of life. We'll discuss the difference between worry and concern. We'll conclude with the top 10 ways to tame a Worry Habit. Here are 3 steps to victory over Worry: Be anxious about nothing. Be prayerfully about everything. Be thankful for all things. Please plan to come and join us. Don't worry, be happy!

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, November 12 at 12:30 pm in the SS Peter & Andrew Study.
Leader: Sandy Schmidt (215) 657-5065 sandyschmidt19001@yahoo.com

Ruth Circle - Wednesday, November 14 at 7:30 pm at home of Donna Zar,
104 Loney Street, Rockledge, PA 19046

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

Sarah Circle - Thursday, November 8 at 12:00 pm in the SS Peter & Andrew Study.
Leader: Marsha Humphreys (215) 659-3373

Eve Circle - Thursday, November 8 at 7:30 pm in the SS Peter & Andrew Study.
Leader: Sharon Koch (215) 355-7875 sharonkoch1304@gmail.com

Hannah Circle - Monday, November 5 at 7:30 pm in the SS Peter & Andrew Study.
Leader: Marilynn Murphy (610) 304-7601

GIANT GIFT CARDS

Quality. Selection. Savings. Every Day.™

It's an easy way to shop and a great way to help...

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.

Just a
reminder...

Incense will be used during Worship
on Christ the King Sunday
November 25, 2018



Best Wishes from the Holy Trinity Library Staff
for a **BLESSED** and **HAPPY THANKSGIVING** ~
and remember you are always welcome to check out books
from our well stocked Library located in the Chapel.
Sign-out sheet is on the library cart in Fellowship Hall.

CHURCH LIBRARY

"Love the Lord your God with all your mind."





Youth Ministry -- Schedule 2018 / 19

All events are on SUNDAY unless otherwise noted

November 4, 2018



Youth Group (5 PM - 7 PM)

November 11, 2018

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

Today's Cooks: Call out for pizza

Today's Story: Thanksgiving Celebration

Craft: Thankful Turkey Craft

Thanks to all who sponsored me in the
North Penn CROP Walk Sunday, Oct. 21st.



It was a beautiful fall day for the 5 mile walk.
It's not too late to join in to sponsor me.

Simply go to: www.crophungerwalk.org/lansdalepa/larryguenzel and click on "donate". With your help, I raised \$800 to help feed our hungry neighbors in the name of Christ. Thank you! Pastor Larry Guenzel.

Kensington

Needs:



Small tubes of toothpaste

Toothbrushes

Small bars of soap

Health kits of any sort

Peanut butter and jelly sandwiches

L and P CHALLENGE

Knowing that the competitive spirit runs deep in this congregation, we are pitting the **L(ectern)** section against the **P(ulpit)** section to see which side can provide the most ingredients for a Thanksgiving dinner.

These items will be used to fill bags for a holiday dinner for Bread of Heaven guests.

We are asking that you shop for the items needed for a typical holiday meal (list below), bring them to church and vote for the best section by placing them in the boxes in the back of the church. We will begin distributing bags on Nov. 1, but will collect food until Thanksgiving. Hate to shop? No problem - place a monetary contribution in a brown envelope marked "Bread of Heaven" and indicate L or P and we'll do the shopping. If you earn a free turkey from your grocery store and don't want it, we'll be happy to distribute it to one of our families.

Please see Heidi Simmons or Deb Mumford for help in storing it.



Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

Wednesday, November 21, 2018 7:30 PM

Please join your church family
in thanks and worship
Remember to bring your food donations
for our *Bread of Heaven* Food Pantry.



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!

2018 Social Ministry Holiday Appeals



Brighten the holiday season for our guests who frequent our *Bread of Heaven* Food Pantry by contributing money or food that will be distributed between Thanksgiving and Christmas. Please place contributions in the pew envelopes and mark "*Bread of Heaven*".

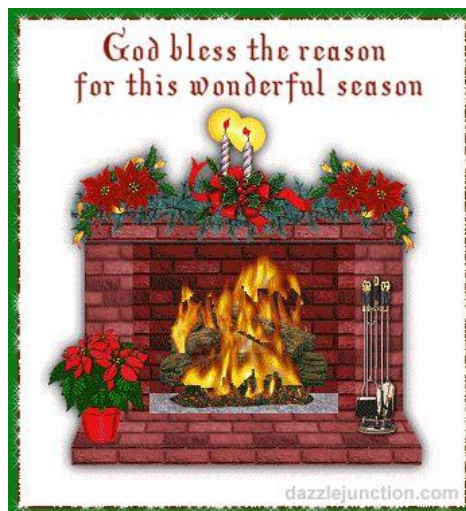


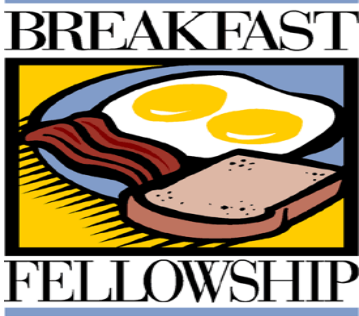
Make a wish come true for a *child* living at the Silver Springs/Martin Luther School or meet a *Heart's Desire* for a resident at Artman Home. A monetary contribution toward a gift would be welcomed. Please place in a pew envelope and mark "*SS/Artman Christmas Gift*". Lois Hamilton and Katie Beyer will shop for the gifts. Please have all contributions in by **November 11**.



We invite you to share your love and care by picking up a suggestion in the Narthex and purchasing the suggested item for the Good Behavior Store at SS/ML School. Purchases should be placed in the narthex by **December 16th**. Contributions provide positive motivation for the children to learn appropriate ways of acting.

Thank you so very much for extending God's love to others...
may your holidays be ones of love, joy and peace
as you acknowledge this blessed Season.





**Adult Fellowship Breakfast
Saturday, November 10, 2018**

Time: 9:00 AM

**The Adult Fellowship Breakfast is Honored to Host
the Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Breakfast again!**

**Come in, join the fun and camaraderie and stay afterwards
to help pack the shoeboxes for a very worthy cause.**

**\$5.00/pp suggested donation to help defray
the cost of food is greatly appreciated.**



Men's Devotional Group

Remember we are at our new night -

Wednesday, November 14th at 7:00 PM

Meet in the Youth room

If you've never joined us before, now is the time to start
and see what we are all about! Hope to see you all there.



November Worship Assistants Schedule

November 4

Usher 2	Greeter Don & Linda Borkowski	Presenters of Gifts	The Brown Family
Count 4	Acolyte Kevan Berkovitz		
Christophers Deb Mumford	Crucifer Eric Gregg		
Healing Prayer Sue Tolton	Lector- Sat George Powell	Communion Assistants	Gil & Betsy Zimmermann
	Sun Stephen Brown	Setup	Maryann Leventhal

November 11

Usher 3	Greeter Allan Shikhvarg Charlie Tolton	Presenters of Gifts	Jim & Nancy Necker, Linda Frezza
Count 1	Acolyte Charlie Tolton		
Christophers Nancy Necker	Crucifer Sherry Breslin		
Healing Prayer Nancy Ischinger	Lector - Sat Linda Cassady	Communion Assistants	Linda Bell-Powell, Linda Frezza
	Sun Nancy Berkovitz	Setup	Deb Mumford

November 18

Usher 4	Greeter SS Classes K - 5th grade	Presenters of Gifts	Janice Donnelly, Deb Mumford, Dani Rowley
Count 2	Acolyte Steph Powell		
Christophers Chris Quici	Crucifer Charlie Tolton		
Healing Prayer Deb Mumford	Lector-Sat Karen McGovern	Communion Assistants	Al & Pam Eisenmann
	Sun Jody Cheeseborough	Setup	Sue Tolton

November 21 Thanksgiving Eve Usher 1 Lector Eric Gregg

November 25

Usher 5	Greeter Rich and Lois Hamilton	Presenters of Gifts	Charlie & Sue Tolton, Ann Frey
Count 3	Acolyte Hannah Mumford		
Christophers Mike Breslin	Crucifer Frank Ganther		
Healing Prayer Barbara Harvey	Lector-Sat Linda Cassady	Communion Assistants	Tom Schied and Rob Ischinger
	Sun Larry Guenzel	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*



NOVEMBER 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 9:00 Holy Communion 9:30 Theology 10:00 Bread of Heaven 1:30 Artis 6:30 Handbell Choir 8:00 Chancel Choir	2 7:30 AA	3  5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
4 ALL SAINTS 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult SOT Youth Group 5 - 7 PM	5 6 - 8:30 Jr. Girl Scouts 7:30 Hannah Circle 7:30 Coram Deo 7:30 Women's Prayer Group	6 ELECTION DAY	7 Council 7:30	8 10:00 Bread of Heaven 12:00 Sarah Circle 6:30 Handbell Choir 7:30 Eve Circle 8:00 Chancel Choir	9 7:30 AA	10 9 AM OCC SHOEBOX PACKING PARTY 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
11 PENTECOST 24 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult 11:30 Lunch Bunch 	12 12:30 Miriam Circle 6 - 8:30 Jr. Girl Scouts 7:30 Coram Deo	13	14 10:00 - 12:00 PB&J 7:00 Men's Group 7:30 Ruth Circle at home of Donna Zar	15 10:00 Bread of Heaven 1:30 Artis Sing along Via de Christo Retreat Nov. 15-18 6:30 Handbell Choir	16 7:30 AA	17 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
18 PENTECOST 25 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult	19 SHOP & COOK AIDS DINNER 6 - 8:30 Jr. Girl Scouts 7:30 Women's Prayer Group	20 DELIVER AIDS DINNER	21 7:30 Thanksgiving Eve Service	22 	23 1 -6 p.m.  BLOOD DRIVE 7:30 AA	24 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
25 Christ the King 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult	26 6 - 8:30 Jr. Girl Scouts	27	28 10:00 - 12:00 PB&J	29 10:00 Bread of Heaven 1:30 Artis Sing along 6:30 Handbell Choir 8:00 Chancel Choir	30 7:30 AA	

Special Dates:

- ♦ All Saints' Day, November 1, 2018
- ♦ Daylight-Saving Time ends, November 4, 2018
- ♦ Election Day, November 6, 2018
- ♦ Veteran's Day, November 11, 2018
- ♦ Thanksgiving, November 22, 2018
- ♦ Christ the King, November 25, 2018

