

HOLY TRINITY

Evangelical Lutheran Church

ECHOES NEWSLETTER

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From the Pastor

November, 2020

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Pastor

The Rev. Lawrence Guenzel

Staff

The Rev. Dr. Dan Selbo,
*Bishop of the North American
Lutheran Church*

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M. Mus., Director of Music

Mrs. Deborah Mumford,
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Worship Services

Saturday at 5 p.m.

Sunday at 9 a.m.

*(Sunday Church School
at 10:30 a.m.)*

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.*

Dear Friends in Christ,

Continuing our discussion on the Interim Ministry, we find this can be a time for us as a congregation to discover who we are and to what God is calling us as we prepare for a new pastor. The second Developmental Task in this process is: **Discovering a New Identity.**

We all go through times of life when we are challenged to see who we are in a different way. Many years ago, when I had a moustache that was quite black, when the grey hairs started to appear, I quickly got rid of the facial hair. Now, I embrace it as a sign of distinction. (Please don't laugh!) 😊

At one time, Holy Trinity was a church family made up of young families. But now things have changed. We rejoice when we are able to welcome younger folk into the church family! The time of pastoral vacancy is a good time for a congregation to update its perception of itself.

At the same time, it is good to take a new look at the community in which we are located. This is a good time to do demographic studies of the area around the church. How has the economy changed? How has the ethnic and racial diversity changed in our area? What has happened to the age profile of the community? And, of course, how do those data fit with similar data from the membership of the congregation?

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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 Pastor

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We would find it important to our own identity to study the similarities and differences between our congregation and community. In examining that tension, we are likely to get new insight into what God is call us to pay attention to.

As we begin our pastoral search, this rediscovery of identity is an important ingredient in thinking about what we need leadership in facing.

May the Holy Spirit open the eyes of our hearts to see where and to whom we are called to witness and serve. We know that Christ has called us to proclaim the Gospel. Let us be open to honestly assess our identity and how that identity can serve the Gospel.

In Christ,
The Rev. Lawrence Guenzel





Healing Prayer Ministry

Prayer cards are available in a basket on the Altar in the Chapel of the Good Shepherd. Fill out your prayer requests and members of the Healing Prayer Ministry will pray for your needs. If you leave your contact information a team member will contact you.



† Women's Prayer Group

Holy Trinity's
Women's Prayer Group
meets once a month on the
1st Monday of each month.

We gather at **7:30 PM**
via Zoom. Email
RosemaryHinkle@comcast.net
to receive your Zoom invitation.
All women are welcome to join.

2020 Schedule **November 2** **December 7**

“All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.” Acts 1:14

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)*

Al, Alanna, Albert, Alessia, Alex, Alexandr, Alexei, Alan, Allan, Allyson, Alyson, Amanda, Amy, Ann, Antonette, Aubrey, Baby Brooklyn, Barb, Barbara, Barbara-Jo, Barry, Becki, Ben, Bette, Bill, Bob, Bobby, Bonnie, Brendan, Brett, Brian, Brianna, Carl, Carly, Charles, Charlie, Christopher, Cindy, Colin, Colleen, Dallas, Dan, Daniel, Dan-Ning, Dave, David, Deb, Denise, Dennis, Derek, Diane, Dick, Donna, Dottie, Drew, Ed, Eda, Edie, Edith, Edward, Ekaterina, Eleanor, Elva, Emma, Eric, Erica, Erika, Ernie, Frank, Gavin, Gene, Gina, Gloria, Greg, Guy, Hank, Hannah, Harry, Helen, Henry, Igor, Irina, Isabel, Jack, Jackson, Jaime, James, Jane, Janet, Jason, Jean, Jen, Jennifer, Jim, Joe, John, Johnny, Joseph, Joy, Joyce, Julia, Juwan, Karen, Kas, Kate, Katie, Kathy, Keith, Kelly, Kelsey, Kerry, Kim, Kyle, Lacy, Laura, Lauren, Laurie, Leo, Levi, Lily, Lina, Linda, Logan, Lorraine, Lyn, Lynn, Maggie, Mandy, Marge, Margaret, Marie, Marina, Mark, Marissa, Mary Ellen, Matt, Matthew, Maureen, Max, Mayet, Meg, Megan, Michelle, Mikhail, Mike, Mina, Myrna, Nancy, Nate, Neena, Nikki, Norman, Pat, Patsy, Paul, Paull, Peter, Ray, Rebecca, Regina, Rich, Rick, Rita, Robert, Roger, Rosemary, Russ, Russell, Ruth, Ruth Anne, Sam, Samantha, Sandy, Sara, Scottie, Sharon, Shelli, Sherri, Solomon, Stanislav, Stephen, Stover, Susan, Suzanne, Suzie, Thomas, Tiffany, Tina, Todd, Trudy, Tyler, Valentina, Vicki, Xave, Yana, Zac, Zach.

Please pray for the following families: Beck, Bell, Bell-Powell, Blakes, Bolger, Brown, Cain, Caldwell, Cassidy, Cassidy, Colussi, Custer, Delash, Disimone, Drobish, Engelbert, Erb, Frank, Frezza, Greco, Gregg, Guckin, Hale, Harris, Heineman, Heller, Hendricks, Hoffmann, Johnson, Kromer, Lacy, Lewandowski, Lewis, Maieron, McCardle, Meyers, Minges, Moore, Novak, Powell, Reiff, Rosa, Schenck, Sears, Shikhvarg, Smith, Spring, Steinhofer, Sullivan, Tredinnick, Vargas, Ward, Werner, Yakscoe, Zaroli, Zaslow.

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.

For all those suffering from racial injustice, bigotry, and oppression in our nation and in the world.



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP IS NOW AVAILABLE LIVE ON YOUTUBE (HOLY TRINITY, ABINGTON) OR OUR WEBSITE HOLYTRINITY.NET OR OUR FACEBOOK PAGE. JOIN US AT 9 AM.

Treasurer's Report

September 30, 2020 (For the Year 2020)

	Holy Trinity Ministries	Wider Church
Year to date received for current income	\$ 303,797.19	\$ 51,431.21
Carry over from 2019	\$ 1,195.17	\$ 27,909.95
Expenses paid to date	\$ 295,356.04	\$ 45,418.17
Surplus/(Deficit) 2020	\$ 7,245.98	\$ 33,922.99

"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

"I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify Him with thanksgiving."

- Martin Luther



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

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
Jeremy Zar

Please remember your Church in your will.



Call Committee and Congregational Workshops

The Call Committee has confirmed plans for offering Congregational Workshops in order to gather your input for calling a pastor to Holy Trinity.

According to the Call Process Manual provided by the NALC, we believe that it is God who controls the call process of a pastor, and the congregation seeks to discern God's will through prayer, interviews, conversation and, finally, the vote of the congregation. This is why the congregational call process and the discernment of the pastor available for call must involve prayer, attention to God's Word, and a yielding to the work of the Holy Spirit.

It is vital that each and every one of you makes an effort to participate in the workshops being offered. There are three choices with two in-person seminars and one virtual seminar as follows:

First In-Person Seminar

Saturday, October 31
9:00a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Hilton Garden Inn
530 W. Pennsylvania Ave.
Ft. Washington, PA

Second In-Person Seminar

Saturday, November 14
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Hilton Garden Inn
530 W. Pennsylvania Ave.
Ft. Washington, PA

Virtual Seminar

Saturday, November 21
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
via Zoom

The in-person workshops will have all social distancing and mask-wearing protocols in place.

In the "From the Pastor" letter in the October Echoes, Pastor Larry wrote, "The past of this congregation is sometimes flawed but also the past is an enormous repository of experience, wisdom, and ministry that can become a ground upon which a new ministry can be built by clergy and laity serving together. Coming to terms with the past means the congregation comes to a place where it is able to look at its past, lay to rest its ghosts, value its heroes and heroines, honor its special story, forgive itself for its faults, and gain energy for a new stage of its journey. Talking about these things can help us unpack our emotional baggage, come to terms with our history, and get ready to move on.

The Call Process takes time. Calling a pastor is like a marriage, and the call process more similar to finding a mate for life. Developing a relationship is more important than lining up skills and needs. That's why we are going slowly and intentionally, seeking God's will. The workshops will give you an opportunity to talk about Holy Trinity's past, present and future in our shared call to ministry as Christians and the Body of Christ.

This week, you should have received two emails giving you the link to register for the seminar of your choice, please set aside some time to reflect on Psalm 27. The Psalmist writes, "Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!"

If you did not receive an email please contact Deb in the church office at (215) 659 - 2642 or by email at secretary@holytrinity.net.

We ask that you be in prayer for us and the congregational leadership. Please pray that God will be working in the heart and life of the pastor He wishes to call as your next pastor, that the pastor be open to the working of the Holy Spirit. Look for the email and sign up for a seminar. If you have any questions, please contact one of the Call Committee members.

Call Committee Members:

Nancy King-Berkovitz
Suzanne Brown - chair
John Cappel
Jody Cheeseborough

Rosemary Hinkle
Nancy Ischinger
Dean Lawrence
Tony Quici



Reflections on Stewardship...

In his explanation to the first article of the Apostle's Creed, Martin Luther wrote in the Small Catechism about all the blessings that God has given to us, and the appropriate response:

"I believe that God has created me and all that exists, that He has given me and still preserves my body and soul, my eyes and ears, my reason and all my senses, together with food and clothing, home and family, and all my property. Every day He provides abundantly for all the needs of my life. He protects me from all danger and guards and keeps me from every evil. He does this purely out of fatherly and divine goodness and mercy, though I do not deserve it. Therefore, I ought to thank, praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true."

The New Testament understanding of giving and generosity mirrors the Old Testament -- Jesus is both giver and receiver. In Philippians 2:7, Paul tells us that Jesus empties Himself and pours Himself into humanity. He emptied Himself until there was nothing left. Rather than save His life and living for His own self-interests, Jesus spent His life down. He who was filled with divinity and the Father's glory before the world began became a servant, a slave. Jesus left eternity and became like a man that He might reach man and bring the message of salvation to all people.

In this self-emptying, we hear the echo of Jesus' very challenging words:

- ♦ *"For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." Matthew 16:25*
- ♦ *"So the last will be first, and the first last." Matthew 20:16*
- ♦ *"Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave." Matthew 20: 26-27*
- ♦ *"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves." Philippians 2:3*

Building a culture of generosity begins with thinking clearly and more deeply about who God is in relation to us and all creation. In both the Old & New Testaments we acknowledge God is Owner of everything. We see Jesus as Co-Creator and Owner. There is nothing we own or possess that we have not first received from God. Colossians declares Jesus' work in creation: *"For in Him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through Him and for Him. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together."* Colossians 1: 16 - 17. Thus, time and creation live inside Christ alone. Nothing is outside Christ - nothing. Everything has its origin in Jesus.

So, when the love of Christ penetrates the human heart, it rebounds back to God in the form of generosity. As we are transformed in our generosity, we move from viewing giving as an obligation to viewing giving as a privilege. We recognize that everything God gives us flows through us. It is not ours; it never was ours. The gifts we receive are only on loan to us for a little while. Everything returns to God and is used to bring glory to Him -- Jesus Christ.

From RESET - "The Freedom of Living Generously" by Rev. Dona Johnson

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The living liturgy

November 1 is the day the church has set aside to remember the Saints of the church who have died. The church, from its earliest days, remembered those who died in the faith. By the late 8th century, November 1 had been established on the church year calendar as **All Saints Day**. Lutheran Christians believe that all who believe in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are saints, both living and dead. We learn this from the use of the term *saints* in the New Testament. Lutherans do not “canonize” any saints. All who have faith in Jesus Christ are saints by virtue of their baptism into Christ. Lutherans also do not pray to the saints as there is no instruction to do this in the Scriptures, the source of our teaching and doctrine. 1 John 2 tells us that Christ is our advocate: *But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.* Thus, the “Ave Maria” is not used in the Lutheran Church since it is a prayer to Mary.

On **All Saints Day**, which falls on a Sunday this year, we will include in our prayers, a prayer of thanksgiving for those who have died in our parish this past year. We also will have the opportunity to place a lighted votive candle on the altar during the Entrance Hymn. This is a tradition at Holy Trinity for many years. We will observe social distancing as we present our candles. Instructions will be given that day in our worship service.

“After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

Rev. 7: 9-10 First Reading, All Saints Day.



NOTES OF THANKS

Dear Holy Trinity Family,
 I am humbled by the thoughtful caring and concern shown by so many in our church family at the recent passing of my mother. Your cards, flowers, food baskets and prayers have shown God's tender love and mercy in a very concrete way. I and my family thank you.

In Christ,
 Deb Mumford



Dear Holy Trinity Congregation,
 Thank you for your wonderful response to The Bedding Sunday Collection. Nancy Necker and I just delivered 32 sets of sheets and 8 pillows plus some homemade blankets to Cradle of Hope. This was our best September Collection ever. Thank you for helping during these challenging times.

Katie Beyer
 LCW Christian Action Chair



Dear Friends,

It is hard to believe that it has now been twenty years since I first came on staff at Holy Trinity. A lot has happened over these years, in our personal lives, as well as at church. Our girls, who were 14, 5, and 3 at the time, are all grown up, two are married, and the youngest will be soon also. Kile and I are much older! We have made wonderful friendships here at Holy Trinity. I have years and years of memories of great hymn-singing by our choir and congregation, rousing festive services at Christmas, Easter, Pentecost, Reformation Sunday, and other special times of the year. I remember so many sacred concerts and Vesper services with my dear Chancel Choir and Bell Choir and lovely instrumentalists who are part of our extended musical family here at Holy Trinity. Children from the children's choirs are grown and it is so great to see them back at church from time to time.

In September you honored and blessed me with the most gorgeously framed piece of Luther art, with part of Ein' feste Burg on there. I love it and it is a perfect remembrance for me of all these years. Thank you for that and for the wonderful long and loud ovation you gave me at the end of that September 27 service. I still have all that love in my ears.

I pray for God's blessings on Holy Trinity, and that this church will continue on its journey as a vital, active, and loving community of faith.

In Christ's love,
 Jackie.





Welcome to God's World little
Chloe Grace Nedl

Born September 22, 2020
Weight: 7lb., 14 oz.
Height: 19 1/2"

Congratulations to:
Parents Lauren & Steve Nedl, big sister Penelope
and Grandparents Noreen and Tom Weld



Congratulations on your Baptism

Connor John Wyszomierski
Saturday, October 24, 2020

Son of Kelly & Steve Wyszomierski
and baby brother to Travis.

Welcome to the Lord's family !





Our Christian Sympathy to

Nancy, Deb, Trisha and the entire Hummel family
on the death of **Nancy Hummel, October 16, 2020**
Beloved mother, grandmother & great-grandmother

Barbara, Sandra, Susan, Kristin and family
on the death of **Bishop Paull Spring, October 18, 2020**
Beloved husband, father, grand & great-grandfather

Psalm 112:6

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

Bishop Emeritus Paull Spring

passed away on **October 18, 2020**

Bishop Spring and his wife Barbara were long time members of Holy Trinity from the date of the formation of the NALC in August of 2010. In November of 2015 Paull was instrumental in organizing Emmanuel Lutheran Church, an NALC Congregation at State College, PA. Although their attendance at worship here was limited to district/regional meetings, they gave financially to the ministry of this congregation with great generosity and faithfulness.



*A note from our current Bishop Dr. Dan Selbo
on Bishop Paull Spring's passing:

"His life and leadership were gifts to us and instrumental in the formation of the North American Lutheran Church (NALC). I ask for your prayers for his wife, Barbara, and their family, along with prayers of thanks for the life he lived and the life he now lives in Jesus."



Memorials have been received

Russell Tredinnick



Sunday, November 1, 2020

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.

Names of Saints who have died since November 3, 2019

Ruth Jones, January 2, 2020

Russell Tredinnick, September 30, 2020

Richard Erb, February 3, 2020

Joyce Cox, October 9, 2020

Robert Cox, March 18, 2020

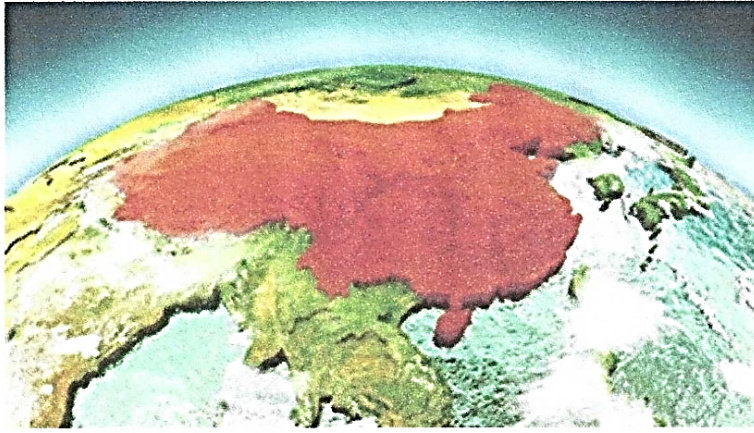
Nancy Hummel, October 16, 2020

Stephen Tasher, September 29, 2020

Bishop Paull Spring, October 18, 2020

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY





Bibles for China

What does your Bible mean to you? Have you owned it for many years as a personal or family treasure? Was it presented to you on a special occasion? How would your life in Christ have been different without having your Bible?

Chinese Christians have been undergoing a horrific wave of ramped up persecution since 2018. This persecution is so destructive that it has been compared to the terrors of China's Cultural Revolution over half a century ago. Xi Jinping, China's current leader for life, is bent on destroying all traces of Christianity in his country.

In this current atmosphere of deadly threats and physical and mental persecution, many professing Christians and missionaries have been forced from the country. Chinese Christians must now conceal their worship by meeting in very small groups—4 to 5 people in a house—as their churches are being demolished. Having the living Word of God is vital as they struggle against those who are trying to destroy their faith.

According to a 10-years-earlier study by the Christian organization Asia Harvest, it was believed that there were approximately 103 million believers in China. The study was revisited and updated last year. The best information and estimates now place the number of Christians at 129.6 million. That is more than one third of the U.S. population. Asia Harvest has distributed more than 13.3 million Bibles in recent years. You can do the math to realize how many more Bibles are needed.



For \$1.80, a Chinese Bible can be printed and delivered to a Chinese believer. Asia Harvest has the capacity to continue printing Bibles secretly inside China. Consider the amount of money we each “leak” every week on little things. Would you miss \$18 to provide 10 Bibles for fellow Christians?

If the desire to provide the Word of God to your Chinese brothers and sisters tugs at your heart, please make a contribution during November when we celebrate Bible Sunday and provide individually inscribed Bibles to our third graders. **Mark you check and/or envelope “Bibles for China.”**



3 Ways to Participate in Operation Christmas Child

1. You can help defray the \$9/box Samaritan’s Purse shipping cost for our 264 shoeboxes by making a contribution marked “OCC Shipping.”
2. You can pack your own boxes and bring them to church November 14 or 15 or leave them in the office.
3. **You can volunteer to help receive shoeboxes from area individuals and churches and pack them in cartons November 16-23.**
Virus protocols will be followed with contactless drop-off.
Most shifts need a third person. To volunteer, contact Rosemary Hinkle at arhinkle@comcast.net or Deb in the office.

Shift Hours:

- Mon., Nov. 16 & Tues., Nov. 17: 6:30-8:30 PM
- Wed., Nov 18: 3:00-5:00 PM Thurs. Nov. 19: 6:30-8:30 PM
- Fri., Nov 20: 4:00-7:00 PM Sat., Nov. 21: 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
- Sun., Nov. 22: 12:00-3:00 PM Mon., Nov. 23: 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Thanksgiving Plans from Bread of Heaven

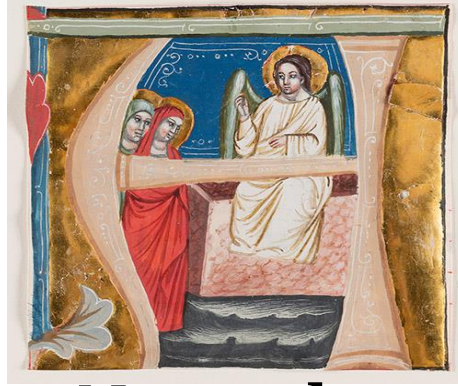
Thanks to all of you who faithfully support this ministry with monetary gifts and actual foodstuffs. We are gearing up for the two big holidays in the coming months. We still must be concerned with viral precautions, so everything will be pre-packed, however, we will offer ingredients for most of the traditional Thanksgiving side dishes and dessert as well as a gift card to purchase a turkey. The items we plan to use are:



green beans, cream of mushroom soup, stuffing, yams, pumpkin pie mix, cranberry sauce, mac and cheese, and evaporated milk.

We will also include a **gift card, paper towels, and dish soap.** These are the items that we are requesting for November. The holiday bags will be in addition to their staple bags. If you receive a turkey and don’t plan to use it, we will be happy to re-home it with one of our guest families. Thanks to all of you who share so generously with our less fortunate neighbors.

Lutheran Church Women's Circle Bible Study



November

Topic - Our Daily Bread

"Give us this day our daily bread" Matthew 6:11

Artist prepares the Image and paints the canvas: Das Vater Unser: Unse täglich Brot gibe uns heute (The Lord's Prayer: Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread), Max Pechstein

Reflection frames the art: Luke 11: 1-4; "Now Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when He finished, one of His disciples said to Him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.'"

Discussion ads to the art in the gallery: The disciples' request in Luke 11 was, "Teach us to pray." They yearned not for the right words but for the intimate *relationship* they observed when they saw Jesus completely immersed in conversation with God. Teach us to pray like *that*. Jesus begins His prayer with the words: Our Father. Abba. Daddy. Papa. Essential to each of the petitions is a deep trust in God's generous provisions right here and now, as any loving parent provides for his children.

We encourage all Holy Trinity women to consider attending a circle. If you are not yet attending a circle, please contact Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Women President Rosemary Hinkle @ 215.704.3701 or rosemaryhinkle@comcast.net OR contact church secretary Deb Mumford @ 215.659.2642 to explore what might work best for you.

Miriam Circle - Monday, November 9 at 12:30 p.m. in the SS Peter & Andrew Study.
Leader: Sandy Schmidt (215) 657-5065 sandyschmidt19001@yahoo.com

Ruth Circle - Wednesday, November 11 at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom.
Leader: Nancy Necker (215) 884-2123 nnecker52@gmail.com

Eve Circle - Thursday, November 12 at 7:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall and Zoom.
Leader: Sharon Koch (215) 355-7875 sharonkoch1304@gmail.com

Hannah Circle - Sunday, November 15 at 10:30 a.m. in the Bread of Heaven Café.
Contact: Deb Mumford (215) 443-5132 Debssam@msn.com

Women of Holy Trinity

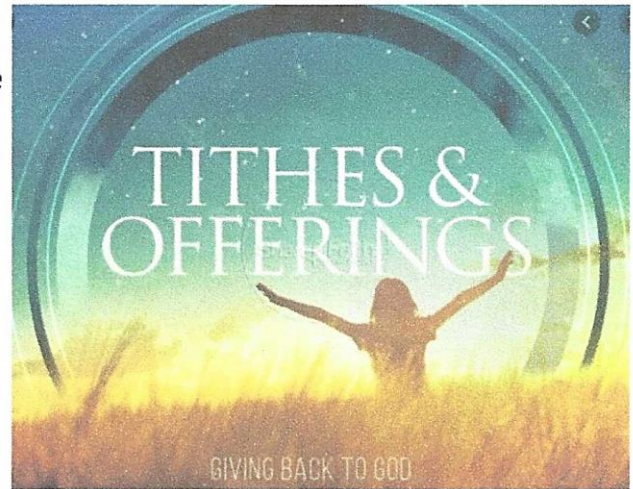
Please Contribute Your Thank Offering this Month

November is one of the two times each year that the women of Holy Trinity are asked to contribute their Thank Offering. This is the money you set aside in a special place each time you feel thankful to God for a special blessing in your life.

The Administrative Board (officers, committee chairs, and circle leaders) of the Lutheran Church Women of Holy Trinity have voted to use this fall Thank Offering to meet a need at Christ's Home with whom Holy Trinity is now partnering.

Since we have so few in-person gatherings, we are inviting all Holy Trinity women to **please be proactive and send your Thank Offering to Holy Trinity, c/o our treasurer Joy Alderfer, 2086 Parkview Avenue, Abington, PA 19001 OR place your envelope marked "Thank Offering" in the collection plate.** When our collection is complete, we will announce how the Thank Offering has specifically been used.

Psalm 50:23 "He who offers a sacrifice of thanksgiving honors Me; And to him who orders his way aright I shall show the salvation of God."



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

Holy Trinity LCW have Giant Food Stores Gift Cards for purchase. If you are interested in obtaining Giant Gift Cards, there is an order form in the Narthex. Fill it out and leave it in the box. (No money with order form please). Or contact Joy Alderfer, 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.



Youth Ministry -- November 2020

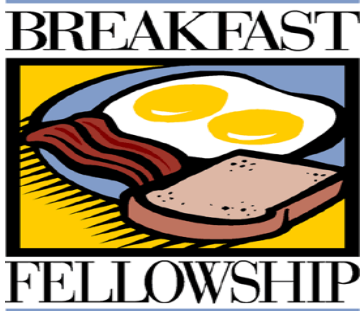
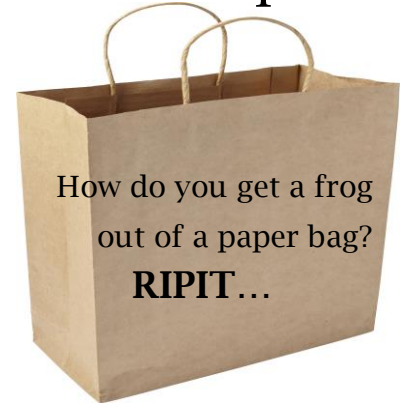
All events are on SUNDAY unless otherwise noted

November 1, 2020
5 PM – 7 PM



Youth Group

Join us for a pizza night & fellowship
Bring your mask & help us pack the
Thanksgiving Bread of Heaven Food bags.



Adult Fellowship Breakfast

Saturday, November 7, 2020

Time: 9:00 AM

Topic: Miracles of 9/11
Presenter: Laurie Shikhvarg



COVID-19 regulations are in place.

Wear mask anytime you are not sitting at the table.

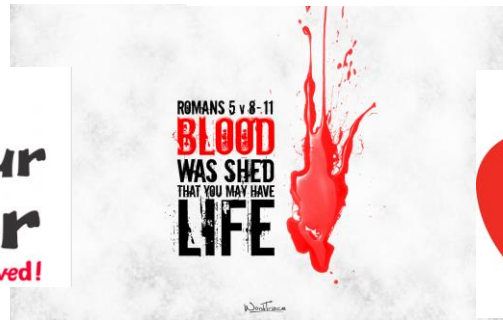
Maintain social distancing (tables are set up to accommodate)

Bagels & cream cheese will be served.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

Wednesday, November 25, 2020 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. 27th

1:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Call Stephanie Powell (215) 441-4283
to schedule an appointment

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



November Worship Assistants Schedule



November 1

Usher 1	Lector- Sat Linda Cassady	Communion Assistants Eric Gregg Allan Shikhvarg
Stream Team Ryan Schied	Sun Charlie Tolton	

November 8

Usher 2	Lector - Sat Karen McGovern	Communion Assistants Jim & Nancy Necker
Stream Team Alyson Kuenstner	Sun Allan Shikhvarg	

November 15

Usher 3	Lector-Sat Karen McGovern	Communion Assistants Tom Schied Rob Ischinger
Stream Team Hannah Mumford	Sun Kile Smith	

November 22

Usher 4	Lector-Sat Linda Cassady	Communion Assistants Dave Tolton Deb Mumford
Stream Team Frank Ganther	Sun Betsy Zimmermann	

November 25

Thanksgiving Eve Usher 2	Lector Jim Necker	Stream Team Charlie Tolton
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November 29

Usher 5	Lector - Sat Karen McGovern	Communion Assistants Mark & Erica Affleck
Stream Team Rob Ischinger	Sun John Bleimaier	

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

Called to *Serve*



NOVEMBER 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1 ALL SAINTS SOT Youth Group 5 – 7 PM	2	3 ELECTION DAY 	4 Council 7:30	5 10:00 Bread of Heaven 6:30 Handbell Choir 8:00 Chancel Choir	6	7 9:00 Adult Fellowship Breakfast 5:00 Holy Communion	
8 PENTECOST 23 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult	9 12:30 Miriam Circle 7:30 Women's Prayer Group	10	11  7:30 Ruth Circle	12 10:00 Bread of Heaven 6:30 Handbell Choir 7:30 Eve Circle 8:00 Chancel Choir	13	14 9 - 12 Congregational Workshop At Hilton Garden Inn 5:00 Holy Communion	
15 PENTECOST 24 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult 10:30 Hannah Circle	16	17 7:00 PM Evangelism	18	19 10:00 Bread of Heaven 6:30 Handbell Choir 8:00 Chancel Choir	20	21 9 - 12 Virtual Congregational Workshop 5:00 Holy Communion	
22 Christ the King 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult	23	24	25 7:30 Thanksgiving Eve Service	26 Happy Thanksgiving Office Closed  Happy Thanksgiving!	27 1 - 6 p.m. 	28 5:00 Holy Communion	
29 Advent 1 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult	30 7:30 PM Stewardship	Special Dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ All Saints' Day, <i>November 1, 2020</i> ♦ Daylight-Saving Time ends, <i>November 1, 2020</i> ♦ Election Day, <i>November 3, 2020</i> ♦ Veteran's Day, <i>November 11, 2020</i> ♦ Christ the King, <i>November 22, 2020</i> ♦ Thanksgiving, <i>November 26, 2020</i> 					