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TRINITY TODAY

all
saints'
day

Sunday, Nov. 5
9 & 10:30 a.m.

Please join us to honor and celebrate Trinity's saints – both those whom we have welcomed into the Body of Christ through baptism, and those to whom we've said farewell as they've entered into life eternal.

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LEAD PASTOR CHRIS BELLEFEUILLE

Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Each year, the rostered leaders of each synod gather for their own “Bishop’s Theological Conference.” The Saint Paul Area Synod pastors and deacons met with our bishop in October at Madden’s Resort in Brainerd for a time of worship, learning, bible study and fellowship. Our speaker and bible study leader was Pastor Peter Marty, senior pastor of St. Paul’s Lutheran in Davenport, Iowa and the publisher of the *Christian Century*. (www.peterwmarty.com)

Among the many valuable discussions was when Pastor Marty talked about multi-tasking, and the difference between tasks that require one hand and tasks that require two.

We all multi-task: pushing a grocery cart as we select a can of soup. Scanning email on our phones while the kids play. Paying bills while watching the ball game.

Our speaker commented that manual transmission in cars seemed to have largely disappeared with the advent of the fast food drive-thru. Because it’s hard to manage a gear shift while eating a burger and fries. In our cars we drive, navigate, eat, listen to the radio, engage our kids and talk on the phone. All at the same time. (It’s frightening when you think about it.)

Our lives are full of things we can do with one hand. Eat, text, phone, drive, load the dishwasher (often with our phone in the other hand!), play fetch with the dog (see previous comment re: phone.)

But what about helping your elderly parent navigate her way to the bathroom. Changing a diaper. Guiding your little one learning to walk. Shoveling snow in the quiet of a starlit winter night. Stealing an intimate moment with your spouse. Gently massaging your grandma’s aching hands. Performing surgery. Typing a newsletter.

These are jobs that require two hands. Jobs that focus our attention on the necessary work in front of us. Jobs requiring two hands also require more of our hearts. Our attention. Our love. Our skill.

Life in a faith community requires two hands. Hands splashing baptismal water. Hands conducting the choir or playing the keyboard. Containing wiggly children. Cutting stars to paste on a construction-paper Christmas tree. Cradling Baby Jesus in the living Nativity. Hands hoisting buckets or serving lutefisk. Hands extended to receive the life-giving body of Jesus.

Whether you have one or two hands that work well, you know the difference between those things that demand your all, and those things that do not. Our life in Christ is a two-handed job; when we put down those things that demand only part of our attention and come ready to offer our all and ready to receive—with both hands—the abundance of blessings the Lord has to offer.

Being a church united in mission for the sake of the world, a church committed to loving one another and sharing our resources and time, a church ready to grow in faith, tell the stories of Jesus, worship and serve, *requires both hands*. Hand in hand, one together, all in.

After all, we are the work of the Creator who poured all into both hands shaping us for God’s loving purpose in the world. “Yet, O LORD, you are our Creator; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hands.” (Isaiah 64:8)

This time of year we move into a season of remembering, longing, celebrating, gathering with family and coming together around the table. Consider the ways you might lean in—at church, at home and at work—with both hands, giving and receiving. See what wonders may come.

In Christ.

Pastor Chris

Green Space Discussion *by Mary Claire Olson Potter & Gail Olson*

What can be the uses of Trinity’s “Green Space”? Trinity is blessed to have a large open space adjacent to the south side of our church building, facing Myrtle Street between 3rd and 4th Streets. This open space gives us a unique opportunity to consider how best to use it to support Trinity’s mission and ministry. The Worship Ministry Team formed a small task force to look at the Green Space. The task force has met over the past few months and developed the goals listed below, along with some near term, middle term, and long term ideas for its use. The goals and ideas were displayed at the Ministry Fair at TrinityFEST for comment and based on that, additional ideas were added.

GOALS

Goals were identified by the task force focus on what Trinity is trying to achieve through use of the Green Space:

- Strengthen Trinity Lutheran Church’s mission and ministry
- Stewardship of God’s creation
- Being a good neighbor
- Stewardship of the space/resource
- Visibility to our community
- Service to our community
- Being welcoming/invitational
- Having additional multiuse options for Trinity to use
- Increased transparency to the community

The task force sorted possible uses into near-, middle-, and long-term ideas. Near-term suggestions include those that can be done in the near future and with little or no structural changes. Midterm ideas include those lower-level structural changes that would not involve significant or permanent impact on other possible uses. Long-term ideas are those that would involve permanent structural changes and formal decision-making by the congregation before they could be implemented.

NEAR TERM IDEAS

- **Planning.** Develop a Comprehensive Master Plan for the space

- **Gathering Space.** Use as an outdoor “sanctuary” for worship, concerts, movies, educational programming, community worship. We have had several such events on the green space, including festival worship, a concert, and live Nativity events at Christmas.
- **Signage.** Install “permanent” signage to create greater visibility/recognition of Trinity
- **Art.** Use for art installations, displays
- **Visual appeal.** Add landscaping with trees, gardens
- **Bikes.** Install a bike rack

MIDDLE TERM IDEAS

- **Gardens.** Several types of gardens have been suggested, including community gardens, a rock garden; butterfly garden, or peace garden
- **Labyrinth.** A labyrinth to be used for prayer, meditation
- **Park.** Create a park setting with flower gardens and benches for prayer, meditation and community connection

LONG TERM IDEAS

- **Amphitheater/BandShell.** Create a permanent structure to accommodate gatherings.
- **Pick Up—drop off circle.** Provide a new entrance, drive-up access to the building.
- **Addition to the building.** Build a new addition. Plans to build an addition on Trinity were canceled several years ago. If an addition is considered in the future, a reassessment of the goals of such space and funding would be required.

NEXT STEPS

Please join us for the next Green Space meeting on Tuesday, November 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the Office Conference Room. We will review past discussions about possible uses of the Green Space and how those ideas fit into the ideas that have been recently developed. The Green Space task force will consider whether to make recommendations to

the congregational council about any structural changes to the green space.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Mary Claire Olson Potter, Worship Ministry Team Council Liaison at maryclaire.potter@gmail.com.

**Green Space Meeting
Tuesday, November 14
6:30 p.m.
Office Conference Room
All are welcome! Please join us.**



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Trinity Financial Update

September Year-to-Date - Fiscal Year 2018

	This Year	Last Year	'17 Budget	% of Budget
Contribution Income	65,837	72,561	1,300,000	5%
Other Income	76,091	39,388	465,899	16%
Total Income	\$ 141,928	\$ 111,949	\$ 1,765,899	
less: Expenses	205,826	167,752	1,776,145	12%
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ (63,898)	\$ (55,802)	(10,246)	

Long-Term Debt Summary:

Long-Term Debt - Beginning of Fiscal Yr.	2,921,532	3,050,204	
Increase (Decrease)	(10,533)	(9,972)	
Long-Term Debt - End of August	\$ 2,910,999	\$ 3,040,232	
 Line of Credit Balance-September 30	 \$ 843,394	 \$ 872,221	

Budget Forum

Sunday, November 12
10:15 a.m. in the Youth Center

The Budget Forum will be held in the Youth Center after the 9 a.m. worship service. If you have an interest in, or questions about Trinity's budget, this forum is for you! A budget will be approved the following week at the annual meeting.

The 2017 Annual Report will be available no later than Sunday, November 5.

Annual Meeting

Please join us at the regular annual meeting of our congregation. It is held in November because our fiscal year-end is August 31. You have an important role to play in the ministry and management at Trinity! Lunch is served at 11:45 a.m., meeting begins at noon.

Sunday, November 19
Garden Room
11:45 a.m. Lunch
Meeting begins at Noon

THANK YOU!

Dear Trinity Friends,

It was my great honor and privilege to serve as your interim pastor over the last 10 months. Saying goodbye is never easy but it was especially difficult to say goodbye to all of you. As my husband said, "this place feels like home." At the same time, I feel such excitement and hopefulness for you as you move into what I believe is a bright and exciting future! You are blessed with an amazing and gifted staff along with a visionary lead pastor that will help guide you as you seek to live into God's call. Thank you so much for all the cards and gifts along with your well wishes. As Paul says in his letter to the Philippians, "I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you." May God continue to bless Trinity and your ministry!

In Christ's Love,
Pastor Karri



STEWARDSHIP

by Claudia Swendseid, Stewardship Team Lead

As parents and grandparents, we love to give gifts to our children and grandchildren. Seeing the joy on their faces is our gift. No one has to teach them how to enjoy gifts they love and desire. And no one has to teach us how to give to them. We love our families, they are important to us, so we give—generously.

Generosity and joy in giving is innate to us all. It doesn't come as a surprise to Christians, as the Bible tells us that God made us in God's own image and our God is a generous God. "So God created humankind in God's image, in the image of God, God created them.... (Genesis 1:27). So too, God made us generous people.

We are now over half way through Trinity's annual stewardship campaign—Faithful Living, Faithful Giving.—and your generosity is evident in the pledges we have received so far. Thank you for the abundant joy you have expressed through your giving and your generous support to God's work through Trinity. It affirms that together we desire to bring forth the world that God has imagined and called us to—a world of abundance, equity, and peace.

For those of you who are still contemplating your pledge:

1. **Begin with prayer.** Generous God of overflowing abundance, we thank you for your continual provision for us and for all creation. Stir up your Spirit in us, that we might recognize these gifts, be thankful for them, and share your abundance. Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us, encourage many through us. In Jesus' name, Amen.
2. **Reflect on what is important to you about Trinity.** For me it's about the many ways I encounter God and participate in the body of Christ through Trinity. It's about the praise-filled worship services; faith formation for our children from baptism through confirmation and beyond; opportunities to care for our members during difficult times; opportunities to serve our neighbors in the St. Croix Valley

Faithful Living. Faithful Giving.

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.
— Matthew 6:21, Jesus speaking in the Sermon on the Mount

and throughout the world; and the extraordinary fellowship of my Trinity brothers and sisters that I experience every day—if not through in-person activities, then through prayer.

3. **Immerse yourself in gratitude.** True gratitude does not depend upon material possessions. It increases with giving more than receiving. It flourishes in our awareness of God's constant and unconditional love.
4. **Evaluate your giving.** If you have never established a giving plan, including for Trinity, please consider doing so. Begin by deciding how much money you are going to give to God's work. Select the recipients of your giving, including Trinity. Decide how much and when you will give. Create a file for your giving records and receipts.
5. **Make your annual pledge to Trinity.** Make your pledge online at www.trinitylc.org > then select GIVE > then select YOUR GIVING PLAN. Or fill out a paper pledge card. Put your pledge card in the envelope provided in your mailed stewardship packet and return it in the offering plate, the Church Office or in the mail by Sunday, November 12.
6. **Consider automated giving.** Automated giving from your savings or checking account or on your credit card is strongly encouraged. It helps fulfill your pledge and it brings consistency

to Trinity's cash flow. You can automate your giving online at www.trinitylc.org > then select GIVE > then select AUTOMATED GIVING. Questions? Contact Bob Eiselt at beiselt@trinitylc.org or Eric Trosdahl at etrosdahl@trinitylc.org.

Our stewardship campaign is an opportunity for us to give to God together through Trinity, to express our God-given generosity, to experience deep joy by giving the gift of life-affirming ministries to others. To provide help, comfort, encouragement, and thanksgiving. Through our smiles, hugs, and praise. And through our money.

As Christians we understand that all we have and all that we are, are gifts from God for us to share. We understand giving as stewarding God's gifts to us. Through our giving we allow God to flow through us. That's especially true in our collective giving to Trinity as the body of Christ. We are called to live a life in which every action is an intentional act of giving to God and living God's purpose for us. When we live as God created us, we are generous people. So, our treasure, and our hearts are safely and joyfully with God.

Thank you to those who have already pledged and are living and giving faithfully! For those still contemplating, please join us in faithful living, faithful giving.

Volunteer Visitation: Long Time A'Comin'



We're hoping to kick-off our Trinity Volunteer Visitation Program January, 2018. It's been a long time a'comin'... We have a group of individuals who have been faithfully meeting once or twice a month since June in order to get this "up and running." We've learned, among other things, it definitely, "takes a village."

Why is so much time and energy focused on building a visitation program for Trinity's faith community? As Christians, we are called to advocate for the disadvantaged and vulnerable

members of society - those least likely to stand up for themselves. The elderly, as a group, and the homebound, would fit into this category. We are also called to show compassion to the brokenhearted and the lonely. Again the homebound of all ages fit this description.

We all have a stock (present and future) in the well-being of each member of our society. Our homebound members hold particular risks that significantly impact their ability to live well. Consider these, "Not-So-Fun," facts about loneliness and isolation:

- Loneliness in seniors and homebound is a major risk factor for depression.
- Perceived loneliness contributes to cognitive decline and risk of dementia.
- Lonely people are more likely to engage in unhealthy behavior.
- Loneliness causes high blood pressure.
- Social isolation is linked to long-term illness.
- Socially isolated persons are more pessimistic about the future.

- Isolated seniors are more likely to need long-term care.
- Loss of a spouse is a major risk factor for loneliness and isolation.
- Transportation challenges can lead to social isolation.
- Social isolation makes seniors more vulnerable to elder abuse.
- Caregivers of the elderly and homebound are also at risk for social isolation.
"20 Facts about Senior Isolation That Will Stun You" May 5, 2017 by Sarah Stevenson

Trinity has thirty homebound members who need regular face-to-face contacts with others in our faith community. Might you feel called to steward your personal gifts in this way? Maybe you'd like to be matched with just one person, or perhaps you're open to two or three folks. Whatever the case, WE NEED YOU to be the connection to the Body of Christ and Trinity's faith community. Please contact Pastor Deb, 651-323-1309, dost@trinitylc.org; or Sue Peterson, Faith Community Nurse, 651-323-1335, speterson@trinitylc.org.

Open Arts Ministry

Do you love artistic endeavors, creative expressions and exploring your relationship with God? If so, please join in our new Open Arts Ministry (led by Zanny Johnson and Robin Cain).

Our opening time of contemplation and reflection is a short study of *Open the Door: A Journey to the True Self* by Joyce Rupp, followed by an art project to complete (or start and take home). You need not have any artistic "talent" to join us—just a desire to create, enlarge your own heart as a beloved child of God and explore ways to connect creativity with spirituality.

You will find us every second Wednesday of the month in the Living Room at Trinity from 10 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$5 each session.

Please RSVP to Zanny at zjohnson@trinitylc.org.

Coming up:
November 8: wooly acorns
December 13: stick stars

New Member Sunday is November 19!

On October 15 after 10:30 a.m. worship—during the Vikings vs. Packers game (such dedication!)—30 of us gathered for the Newcomer Luncheon of lasagna and Lutheranism. We enjoyed getting to know each other, hearing Pastor Chris speak about who we are as a congregation and our relationship to the larger church, meeting many staff, and touring our building for a peek behind the scenes and a quick history of Trinity.

The Newcomer Luncheon is a great opportunity (though not mandatory) in the steps toward membership. On Sunday, November 19 we will be welcoming new members into our congregation at both worship services. If you missed out on the luncheon, but are interested in joining on November 19, please fill out the membership form found on our website at www.trinitylc.org, or contact Zanny at zjohnson@trinitylc.org.

We welcome you in growing our family of God!



Zanny Johnson
 Care Coordinator
 New Member Development



All Saints – Cloud of Witnesses – One Body of Christ



By Pastor Deb Ost

The custom of commemorating the saints of the Christian church goes as far back as the third century. By decree of the pope, All Saints Day became an authorized Holy Day of Obligation in the eighth century. On this day, all the canonized saints, martyrs* and other “Holy Souls” were venerated. (*Martyrs of the Christian church are believers who suffer persecution and death for witnessing their faith in Jesus Christ.)

Fast forward, through many changes and reforms, to the Church of the twenty-first century. On All Saints Sunday, along with Christians around the world, we remember and give thanks for all saints of the Church. We are all counted among, “The Communion of Saints,” because we have been made holy in Christ, not because we have distinguished ourselves with holiness.

By celebrating *All* saints, we acknowledge that, in our baptisms, we are drawn into a community of faithful people who have committed themselves to working together as members of the *One* Body of Christ. We are also reminded that a “great cloud of witnesses,” living and dead,

known and unknown, connects and surrounds us, encouraging and cheering us on (Hebrews 12). On All Saints Sunday, we especially honor those who have died in Christ, those recently welcomed into the community of faith through baptism, and those who have guided and shaped us by their faith-filled words and actions.

Sunday November 5, during worship, we will remember, aloud, the names of all Trinity members who have died since All Saints last year. We will also honor those who have been welcomed into the Body of Christ through Holy Baptism at Trinity in the previous year.

Many of you experienced, this past year, the deaths of loved ones who belonged to other faith communities. If you would like to remember your loved one during our All Saints service, we will gladly include his/her name among the departed saints. Sign up at the All Saints registry in the narthex, or contact the church office at 651-439-7400 or info@trinitylc.org. (Please include: your name, your loved one’s name— with pronunciation— and their relationship to you.)

**Sunday, Nov. 5
9 & 10:30 a.m.**

Please join us to honor and celebrate Trinity’s saints – both those whom we have welcomed into the Body of Christ through baptism, and those to whom we’ve said farewell as they’ve entered into life eternal.



Come and experience God’s presence through the practice of yoga.

New session begins November 2

All classes in the Narthex (except when otherwise noted).

**YogaDevotion Chair/Flow
Combo Class**

**Thursdays 9-10 a.m.
November 2–December 28
(No class November 23)
\$64/8 weeks**

For women and men of all skill levels and abilities. Beginners welcome, no experience needed! Register and pay online at www.trinitylc.org > then select REGISTER > then select YogaDevotion.

Led by a trained yoga instructor, YogaDevotion is a practice of breath, prayer, and movement designed to encourage healthy living and a peaceful presence. For more information, contact Faith Community Nurse Sue Peterson at speterson@trinitylc.org or 651-323-1335.

Trinity’s Care Team

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Sue Peterson
Parish Nurse

High School Summer Mission Trip Meeting

Sunday, November 12
Noon in the Garden Room

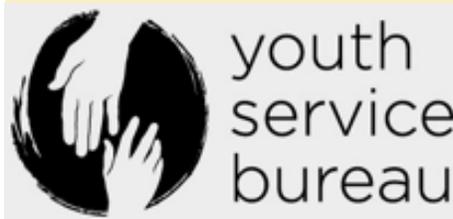
There will be a meeting about Trinity's new summer mission trip on Sunday, November 12 at noon in the Garden Room. This trip will be open to students who have finished 8th-12th grades and will take place the last week of June 2018. Come hear all about this new opportunity!

Impact Parenting Session Tackle Stress and Anxiety

presented by Youth Service Bureau

Stress or anxiety? What is the difference between these and how do you recognize signs? Join youth and family therapists from Youth Service Bureau as we explore ways to help teens and their families manage their stress.

Wednesday
November 15
6-7:30 p.m.
Garden Room



The mission of YSB is to help youth and families learn the skills they need to be more successful at home, in school and throughout their community.

2-year olds receive Bibles

Sunday, November 12

In grateful response to God's promise of new birth into a living hope through the Sacrament of Baptism, and our promise to "place into their hands the holy scriptures," Trinity is excited to connect with all 2-year old children and their parents. Age-appropriate Bibles will be distributed at this event as well as tips to help parents make Bible stories become alive for their children. We will chat about everyday faith and life and ways Trinity can be a supportive partner. Parents and children will have the opportunity to get to know others in the same stage of life.



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Mexico Mission Celebration Team
We need you! Trinity is putting together a small team to help plan a celebration/reunion of the Mexico Mission trip over the years. This event will likely take place late Spring 2018, so time commitment would be from November to May, with monthly or bi-monthly meetings. We are looking for people to track down past participants, photographs, and videos from the 30+ years of the trip. If interested, please contact Kelsey Crusinberry at kcrusinberry@trinitylc.org or Arlyce Melheim at ajmelheim@faithink.com for more information.

We're BACK on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings!

Sixty-five PreK-2nd grade children, nine adult women and five teenage women meet in the Garden Room with Julie Jolivet for Sunday Morning Faith Formation. The typical hour includes our opening ritual (awareness of God with us, offering, gratefulness practice and prayer), singing, Bible Story, and craft/activity.



LAKE AREA Discovery Center

By Sarah Adams

I love the word "grateful". I like it even more than "thankful", I think because it conjures up the word "grace" for me which is really at the root of all things worthy of Praise and Thankfulness, don't you think?

We give thanks for many things in our lives, especially at this time of year starting with Thanksgiving through the Christmas Season; our families, our homes, our jobs, our friends, our health. We use the word "thanks" daily in common courtesy, as we interact with the people around us. Perhaps that is also why the word "grateful" and "gratitude" strikes me as full of meaning... it is not used as often in our everyday lives.

To live with Thanksgiving is to see and accept all the blessings in your life, large

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and small, as Gifts of Grace from God. Grace is such a beautiful word. The free, unmerited favor of God. Do your children know this word? All the things we give thanks for flows from this fountain of love and blessings.

So how can we infuse this "Attitude of Gratitude" into our Family Home all year long? A fun and interactive way is to create/decorate a "Jar of Gratitude". Decorate a jar or other container as a family; use fabric/paper scraps, wire, beads, etc. Place the Jar in a highly visible area of your home, next to some scrap paper, pens and stickers. Throughout the week, when something strikes your heart with feelings of praise, joy, grace and thanks... take the time to write it down. Encourage your children to write and/or draw a picture. Place into the jar.

As a family, choose a time during the

week that the jar is emptied and the notes shared. Maybe it's during your weekly Pizza/Game/Movie night, or Sunday Brunch after church. Can't fit it in weekly? Choose a day each Month. (The larger the jar, the more space for Grace!)

Another way to heighten the awareness of Gratitude in your everyday is to change your language; for one week, try using the phrase "I am Grateful for you" during an interaction with a peer, coworker or family member. You may find the word truly touches the person's heart, as well as your own.

There's just something about Grace.

For more information on Trinity's Lake Area Discovery Center, visit www.ladcfamilies.org, or call Site Director Sarah Adams at 651-323-1264.







Trinity **FEST** 2017



On September 16 and 17 more than 600 gathered for Hymns & Hops and TrinityFEST worship and ministry fair outdoors on our green space. It was a festive time of reconnecting and energizing for the shared work and fellowship ahead of us as the Body of Christ!

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For Everyone Born

By Renae Oswald-Anderson, Missions & Outreach
Ministry Team Chair

The choir recently sang a powerful song, *For Everyone Born*. The verse goes like this:

*For everyone born, a place at the table
For everyone born, clean water and bread
A shelter, a space, a safe place for growing
For everyone born, a star overhead
And God will delight when we are creators of justice, joy, passion
and peace*

This song beautifully illustrates the reason our mission work in the community and around the world is so critical at this time of global turbulence from both natural and manmade disasters. People are suffering beyond measure as lives have been lost from senseless shootings as well as from natural disasters as homes, schools, and businesses are destroyed by hurricanes and fires. On behalf of Trinity, the missions team approved funds to be sent via the Lutheran Disaster Fund.

What continues to amaze me is the resiliency of the human spirit and compassion of others in these challenging times. Our new friends, the Anuak refugees from Ethiopia have experienced civil war, drought, and religious persecution fleeing to refugee camps in Uganda. They arrived in Minnesota in December and January in the bitter cold leaving loved ones and all that was familiar. We will forever be grateful to Pastor Deb for connecting us to Gilo and the Anuak refugees. Gilo was recently ordained and has lived in Stillwater for the past 6 years. He works as a nursing assistant at the Good Samaritan Center and now part-time as the chaplain. See the link that follows about an exciting partnership between the Lutherans and Presbyterians.
-<http://pres-outlook.org/2017/07/lutheran-presbyterian-partnership-welcomes-african-refugees-minnesota/>

On October 15, Pastor Deb, Heidi Kriesel-White, Liam White and myself attended an Anuak service in Roseville as the refugees worship in the afternoon after the services at Calvary Baptist are finished. Roseville is a central location as the refugees are scattered

throughout the Twin Cities due to the lack of affordable housing. They were celebrating the translation of the Bible into the Anuak language as there are 82 tribes in Ethiopia with different languages and dialects. The first verse that was translated by the Talking Bibles International staff was John 3:16. "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

What joy filled the sanctuary especially as the choir sang despite all that families have endured. (Carol Carver would especially appreciate the whole-body singing of their enthusiastic choir.)

There is another upcoming opportunity for all of us to learn with our brothers and sisters from around the globe.

The annual Bega-Kwa-Bega (BKB) Fall Festival celebrating the Tanzania -Minnesota partnership is scheduled for Saturday, November 11 at Our Savior's here in Stillwater. The new bishop, Bishop Gaville from Tanzania will be here. In addition, our Tina Erickson who participated in a young adult exchange this spring will be speaking. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. with the program beginning at 9 a.m. and concluding at noon. Connect with Michele Hermansen at Michele2255@gmail.com or call 612-868-2255 if you have questions.

All are welcome. Many of us from the Outreach Missions team are attending and we would love to have you join us.

Now more than ever we are called to action, as we sang in *For Everyone Born*.

*Revising the roles, deciding the share with wisdom and grace
Dividing the power, a system that's fair.*

There's room for all here at Trinity. Our faith calls us to action to walk alongside our brothers and sisters sustaining hope for justice, joy, passion and peace.



Arusha Lutheran Medical Centre in Tanzania

UNDIE WEEK SUNDAY

Thank you!

In October we joined our community and other area churches in the 5th Annual Valley Outreach Undie Sunday. Thank you for your donations of new underwear and socks. Trinity brought 465 pairs of socks and underwear to Valley Outreach who distributed to those who need them.



Angel Tree

Trinity's Angel Tree ministry provides Christmas gifts to children whose mom or dad is incarcerated. Look for the Angel Tree in the Narthex after worship on Sunday, November 26. The tree will be filled with tags bearing the names of children. Your gift will fill a child's heart with joy! You can participate in the following ways:

- Select an "Angel's" information tag from the tree in the Narthex and purchase a gift.
- Wrap the gift and bring back to church.
- Help sort and deliver the gifts.
- Donate money to help buy gift cards for the children's caregivers.

Pick up a tag on Sunday, November 26. Return gifts to Trinity for delivery by Sunday, December 10!

For more information, please contact Gloria Williamson at 651-439-1001.

Meals from the Heart to Host Thanksgiving Dinner at Trinity

This year Trinity Lutheran will be the host site for the Meals from the Heart Thanksgiving Dinner. As the hosts, we are invited to participate in all aspects of this great ministry, including sharing in the meal itself. Below you will find the list of volunteer opportunities, as well as links to sign up to volunteer or participate in the meal. For more information contact Pastor Chris at cbellefeuille@trinitylc.org.

Volunteer information:

Cooking & Meal Prep on Saturday November 18:
6 people 7 a.m. – 11 a.m.
4 people 12 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Peel Potatoes on Wednesday November 22 at 6 p.m.:
6 people (Bring your own peeler)

Setup & decorate dining room Wednesday November 22, time TBD:
2-6 people

Thanksgiving Day November 23:
4 people to Cook & Plate 6:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

The Host, Serve, and Clean-Up volunteers need to arrive at 11:30 a.m. for training, work and to eat.

10 people to Host (greet and seating), please arrive at 11:30 a.m.

15 people to Serve, please arrive at 11:30 a.m.

20 people to help Clean Up, please arrive at 11:30 a.m.

Volunteers, please sign-up at:

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090848ABA72AA3F49-thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Day Meal Reservation information:

Everyone is invited to share in the meal, serving begins Thursday, November 23 at 11:45 a.m. Please sign-up at:

Dine-In- www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090848ABA72AA3F49-thanksgiving1

To-Go- www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090848ABA72AA3F49-thanksgiving2

- Check the Sign Up box next to Dine-In
- Click on the Submit and Sign Up box at the bottom of the page
- Enter: Required Name and phone. Optional: Email (this will generate a reminder)
- Enter a quantity for the number of guests under name
- Enter (Trinity) in the My Comment section, so we know the connection
- Click the Sign Up Now button



MEALS FROM THE HEART.

Hope starts when hunger ends

we gather
Together
Thanksgiving 2017

we gather *Together*

Thanksgiving Worship – November 22

November 22, 2017 offers two opportunities to celebrate Thanksgiving with worship. At noon we will worship in our Heritage Chapel. Pastor Deb Ost will speak, we will sing songs of thanks, offer prayers for the good of all and enjoy fellowship with pie and coffee. At 7 p.m. we will gather for worship with our next door neighbors at Ascension Episcopal Church. This will be a wonderful occasion to worship together giving thanks for what God has done and is doing in our community. Pastor Chris Bellefeuille will preach, and we will sing, pray and enjoy fellowship together.

Noon – Worship & Fellowship in the Heritage Chapel at Trinity

7 p.m. – Shared Worship with our neighbors at Ascension Episcopal Church, 215 4th St. N

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Worship Texts

Below are the scripture texts (from the Narrative Lectionary) that will be used on the date listed to prepare the message for worship.

November 5 **1 Kings 19:1-18**
God Speaks to Elijah

November 12 **Amos 1:1-2; 5:14-15, 21-24**
Amos: Justice Rolls Down

November 19 **Isaiah 9:1-7**
Isaiah: A Child is Born

November 26 **Jeremiah 29:1, 4-14**
Jeremiah's Letter to Exiles

St. Olaf Alums!

The choir is coming — the choir is coming! January 21, 2018. If you are an alum and would be willing to assist with serving the choir lunch, be in touch with Carol Carver at ccarver@trinitylc.org or 651-439-7400, ext. 307.



*Carol Carver,
Worship Director*

Sunday Morning Hospitality

by Ann Wolff, Hospitality Coordinator

A warm welcome. A big smile. The little things are never little. Sign-up your family to greet, usher, or make and serve coffee. All ages are welcome. No experience necessary. Contact Ann Wolff, Hospitality Coordinator, at 651-260-3855 or wolff701@msn.com.



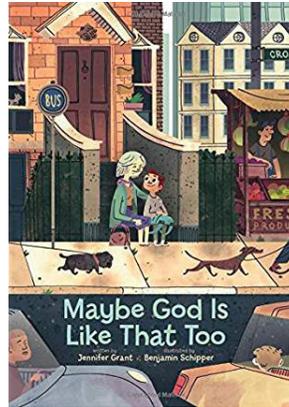
Greeter
Charlie Hong

From the Trinity Library by Norma Wilson, Library Volunteer

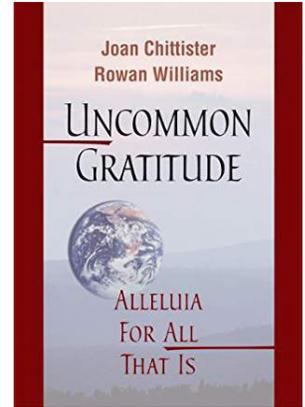


It is good to say thank you to the Lord. Every morning tell God, thank you for your kindness, and every evening rejoice in God's faithfulness. – Psalm 92:1-2

The question, "Where did you see God this week?" was recently posted on the chalkboard in the Trinity Commons. *Maybe God is Like That Too* (E J), describes how God's Spirit is all around us. "Where love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control are, there too is God. A young boy sees God in the kindness of a doorman holding the door for a man using a wheelchair, and in the patience of his teacher helping him tie his shoes. An ordinary day in his city opens this young boy's eyes to God's Spirit at work all around him. (Sparkhouse Publishers)



- *Gratefulness, The Heart of Prayer: An Approach to Life in Fullness* (248.6 STEI)
- *Growing Grateful Kids: Teaching Them to Appreciate an Extraordinary God in Ordinary Places* (248.8 LARS)
- *Thanks! How Practicing Gratitude can Make you Happier* (248.6 EMMO)
- *Uncommon Gratitude: Alleluia for All That Is* (248.6 CHIT)
- *Words of Gratitude for Heart, Mind and Soul* (248.6 EMMO)



Picture books are relevant for all ages. Read *Maybe God is Like That Too* and purposefully look for God's Spirit at work in Stillwater.

Seeing God at work in your life, your family and community can help discover a sense of gratitude.

M.J. Ryan's book, *Attitudes of Gratitude: How to Give and Receive Joy Every Day of Your Life* (248.6 RYAN), provides suggestions to help us focus on what we have and not what we perceive to be lacking. Research has shown that an attitude of gratitude even provides health benefits for adults and children. Be thankful for everyday blessings. Again, children's books are good for all ages. Read the children's book, *Thankful* (E S) and be grateful to "God for every green sprout, the fireman for putting the fire out, the artist for color and light..."



Start a new Thanksgiving Tradition by adding a white table runner to your Thanksgiving table. Using a permanent marker and have each person write one thing for which they feel grateful. Continue this each year and you will be reminded of

God's work in your lives.

To whom are you grateful? God is the source of all that we have. "It is good to say thank you to the Lord." (Psalm 92) The Trinity Library provides resources that provide inspiration to living a life of gratitude and generosity.

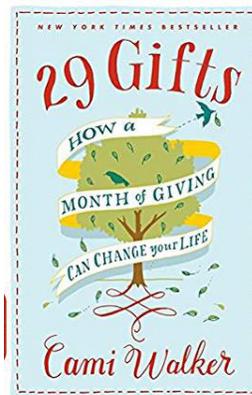
Need an Idea? Take the following Checklist with you, go to the Trinity Library on the lower level, look for the Gratitude sign in the 248 sections and begin to nurture your life living in gratitude and generosity!

Personal Gratitude Reading Checklist

Gratitude

- *Always Looking Up: The Adventures of an Incurable Optimist* (248.6 FOX)
- *Attitude of Gratitude: How to Give and Receive Joy Every Day of Your Life* (248.6 RYAN)

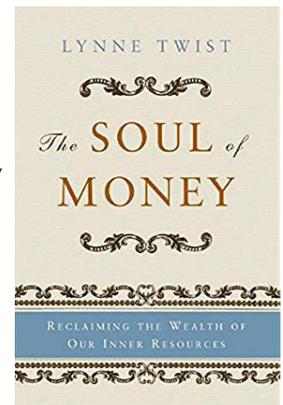
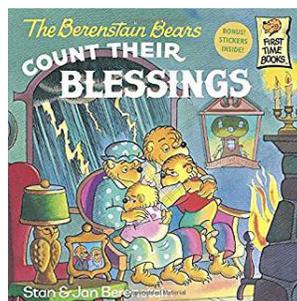
Generosity



- *29 Gifts: how a Month of Giving Can Change Your Life* (248.6 WALK)
- *Giving—The Sacred Art: Creating a Lifestyle of Generosity* (248.6 WRIG)
- *Raising Charitable Children* (248.6 WEIS)
- *The Soul of Money: Reclaiming the Wealth of Our Inner Resources* (248.6 TWIS)
- *To Give and Give Again: The Christian Imperative for Generosity* (248.6 HINZ)

Gratitude and Children

- *Alexander Who Used To be Rich Last Sunday* (E V)
- *Bear Says Thanks* (E K)
- *Dear God, Thank You For My Family* (E F)
- *Splat Says Thank You* (E S)
- *The Bernstein Bears Count Their Blessings* (E B)
- *The Most Thankful Thing* (E M)



 You are invited to lead or host an...

Advent PAUSE

Peace And Understanding —
a Season to Embrace

Gathering

The special season of Advent is drawing near, and with it comes the Advent PAUSE gatherings for women.

If you are interested in leading or hosting an Advent PAUSE gathering, or would like more information regarding being a leader or hostess, please contact Karen Gieseke at 651-492-6610 or kgieseke@live.com, prior to November 12.

Advent PAUSE gatherings will occur around the week of December 3-9.

Reformation Roots

Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in the Living Room continue!

October 31 is a special date for Protestants, especially this year, when we celebrate the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther's nailing of the 95 Theses on the Wittenberg church door. Like Pastor Karri said in her last sermon with us, 500 years flew on by!

Our adult ed studies in October introduced us to the many forces that all came together to enable this reformation to occur. Martin Luther and his endless study of scriptures, the advent of the printing press, and medieval church practices all played a part in us becoming Lutherans! A particularly eventful ahh-hah moment in class was when Luther fully realized the enormity of Jesus taking all of our sins on him...all of them, even Luther's...and the freedom and grace of forgiveness we have because of that.

Join us in November as we explore Luther, the heretic moving to hero, Luther the scholar moving toward becoming a family father, and the growth of a new church as it seeks to find common ground.

And then contemplate with us how we too can be a part of reforming the church. A pop-up book from our Trinity library, *The Life of Martin Luther* by Agostino Traini, ends with these words: "Even today, Christians reform the church as we read the Bible, listen to the Holy Spirit, and follow Jesus in faith." Let's be part of the new church for the next 500 years!

Questions? Contact Kristie Anderson at jkjsa@hotmail.com.



Trinity's Christmas Garden & Local Benevolences Gift Opportunities

Form and payment must be turned in by Sunday, December 10, 2017



In the spirit of honoring/memorializing loved ones this Christmas, we welcome donations toward a Christmas Garden. However, we would love to have the majority of the honors/memorials directed toward Local Benevolences such as St. Croix Chaplaincy, Valley Outreach Emergency Fund and Food Shelf. Donor names will be available at Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services and in the January issue of Trinity Today. Please fill out the form below and either bring it to the Church Office, mail it, or place it in the offering plate.

Local Benevolences \$ _____

Christmas Garden (suggested donation \$15) \$ _____

In memory of _____ In honor of _____

Given by _____

Phone # (_____) _____ Total amount enclosed \$ _____



God Loving Outdoor Women

Winter Weekend Getaway

February 2-4, 2018

Giants Ridge Villa near Biwabik, MN
(3.25 hours from Stillwater)

Cost: approximately \$125 - \$150
(depending on how many sign up)

Enjoy a weekend of winter activities and relaxation in the Northwoods. Possible activities include downhill and cross country skiing, snow shoeing, hiking and being in fellowship with other fabulous women. Limited to 12 women. There will be a pre-trip planning meeting TBD. A commitment is required by Sunday, December 17, 2017.

If you're interested and want more information please contact Laura Holmes at mslaurabeth@comcast.net or Sarah Nelson at sarbaernelson@gmail.com.



The photo above is from the Retired Men's Group September event, a tour of the Minnesota State Capital. Our tour guide was State Representative Cheryl Youakim (front row in the black jacket), daughter of Trinity members Roger and Lynne Funk.

RETIRED MEN



The Retired Men's Group invites you to:

New Stillwater Army National Guard Training Center & Stillwater Fire Station Tour
Tuesday, November 14 at 8:30 a.m.



Join us for a tour of the new Army National Guard training center and adjoining Stillwater Fire Station. Meet at the church at 8:30 a.m. and we will car pool to the new facility at 8:45 a.m. We will tour the Army National Gaurd Training Center first and then the Stillwater Fire Station at 10 a.m.

Questions? Please contact Roger Funk at 651-253-7708 or rlfunk67@me.com.

BAPTISMS

- Emma Rose Hanson, daughter of Jacob Swanson & Katelynn Hanson
- Logan Donald Jablonski, son of Daniel & Lynsey Jablonski
- Brady Gerald Thomas, son of Dylan & Lyndsey Thomas

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

- To the family and friends of Evelyn Peterson.
- To the family and friends of Marcia Mulhausen.
- To the family and friends of Nancy Snow.
- To the family and friends of Vince Turnblad.

WORSHIP

ATTENDANCE

September 24	5 p.m.
9 a.m.	210
10:30 a.m.	158
October 1	9 a.m.
9 a.m.	248
10:30 a.m.	152
October 8	9 a.m.
9 a.m.	312
10:30 a.m.	93
October 15	9 a.m.
9 a.m.	218
10:30 a.m.	175
October 22	9 a.m.
9 a.m.	182
10:30 a.m.	131

Literature Lovers' Night Out

Friday, November 10 at 7 p.m.
Garden Room

Tickets: \$11 available through
Valley Bookseller

Literature Lovers' Night Out at Trinity! Hosted by Valley Bookseller, this is a moderated program featuring authors William Kent Krueger, Michael Perry, Jacqueline Vincenta, Stephanie Gangi and Nicole Baart. Wow, what a lineup!

\$11 includes the program with fantastic authors, light refreshments and prize drawings. Reserve a spot by stopping in or calling Valley Bookseller at 651-430-3385.



Bridge for Trinity

Monday, November 6, 8:45-11:45 a.m.
Garden Room, \$5

Come and bring friends for a morning of casual, fun bridge with men and women of all levels. Advance notice is not necessary.

WORSHIP

OPPORTUNITIES

Regular Sunday Worship
9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Second Sunday Contemplative
Worship
November 12 at 5 p.m.

Watch Worship on Valley Access
Channel 18

Wednesdays: 1 p.m., 7 p.m.

Thursdays: 1 a.m., 7 a.m.

Fridays: 4 p.m., 10 p.m.

Saturdays: 9 a.m.

Sundays: 11 a.m.

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CALENDAR NOVEMBER 1 - 30, 2017

Wednesday, November 1

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 9:15 a.m. Christian Moms Fellowship (formerly Hearts of the Home Moms): Lower Level
- 5 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room/Worship Center
- 5:30 p.m. Family Pizza-Picnic Style: Commons
- 6:15 p.m. Family Worship: Worship Center
- 7 p.m. Trinity Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room/Worship Center

Thursday, November 2

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 9 a.m. YogaDevotion Chair/Flow: Narthex
- 11:30 a.m. Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner: Garden Room
- 7 p.m. Al-Anon & Alateen Meeting: Room 108, Youth Center

Friday, November 3

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 10 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Room 108B

Saturday, November 4

- 8 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 8 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Room 108B

Sunday, November 5—All Saints' Day

- 9 a.m. Sunday Faith Formation (Age 4-Gr. 2): Garden Room
- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship, Communion, Nursery: Worship Center
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Communion, Nursery: Worship Center
- 10:30 a.m. Lifelong Learning Reformation Roots: Living Room
- 11:45 a.m. Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner Follow-up Meeting: Living Room
- Noon Mexico Mission Adult Leader & Parent Meeting: Garden Room

Monday, November 6—No GLOW book study

- 8:45 a.m. Bridge for Trinity: Garden Room
- 6 p.m. Jubilate Bells: Heritage Chapel
- 6:30 p.m. Tai Chi: Gym
- 7 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Library

Tuesday, November 7

- 8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study: Living Room
- 9 a.m. Women's Book Group: Library
- 1 p.m. Prayer Group: Church Office
- 4 p.m. Quilting Group: Living Room
- 6 p.m. AA Meeting: Library

Wednesday, November 8

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 9:30 a.m. Boutwell's Sr. Communion: Boutwell's Landing
- 10 a.m. Open Art Ministry: Living Room
- 1 p.m. Marion Circle: Members' Homes
- 5 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room/Worship Center
- 5:30 p.m. Family Pizza: Garden Room
- 6:15 p.m. Wednesday Faith Formation (Gr. 3-5): Lower Level
- 6:15 p.m. Middle School Faith Formation (Gr. 6-8): Worship Center
- 6:15 p.m. 9th Gr. Faith Formation: Garden Room
- 7 p.m. Trinity Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room/Worship Center

Thursday, November 9

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 9 a.m. YogaDevotion Chair/Flow: Narthex
- 1 p.m. Martha Circle: Room 108B
- 1:30 p.m. Dorcas Circle: Members' Homes
- 7 p.m. Al-Anon & Alateen Meeting: Room 108, Youth Center
- 7:30 p.m. St. Paul Chamber Orchestra Concert: Worship Center

Friday, November 10

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 10 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Room 108B

- 7 p.m. Literature Lover's Night Out: Commons/Garden Room

Saturday, November 11

- 8 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 8 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Room 108B
- TBD Food for Thought: Group Members' Homes

Sunday, November 12

- 9 a.m. 2 year-olds Recieve Bibles: Youth Center
- 9 a.m. Sunday Faith Formation (Age 4-Gr. 2): Garden Room
- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship, Communion, Nursery: Worship Center
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Communion, Nursery: Worship Center
- 10:30 a.m. Lifelong Learning Reformation Roots: Living Room
- Noon High School Summer Mission Trip Info Meeting: Garden Room
- 5 p.m. Contemplative Worship: Heritage Chapel

Monday, November 13

- 1 p.m. Rebekah Circle: Library
- 6 p.m. Jubilate Bells: Heritage Chapel
- 6:30 p.m. Tai Chi: Gym
- 7 p.m. GLOW Book Study: Living Room
- 7 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Library

Tuesday, November 14

- 8:30 a.m. Retired Men's Group Tour of Army National Guard training center: Carpool from Trinity
- 8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study: Living Room
- 9 a.m. Women's Book Group: Library
- 9:15 a.m. Leah Circle: Narthex
- 1 p.m. Prayer Group: Church Office
- 4 p.m. Quilting Group: Living Room
- 6 p.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 6:30 p.m. Green Space Follow-up Meeting: Office Conference Room
- 7 p.m. Anna Circle: Members' Homes

Wednesday, November 15

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 9:15 a.m. Christian Moms Fellowship (formerly Hearts of the Home Moms): Lower Level
- 1 p.m. Caring Friends planning meeting: Narthex
- 5 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room/Worship Center
- 5:30 p.m. Family Pizza: Garden Room
- 6:15 p.m. Wednesday Faith Formation (Gr. 3-5): Lower Level
- 6:15 p.m. Middle School Faith Formation (Gr. 6-8): Worship Center
- 6:15 p.m. 9th Gr. Faith Formation: Garden Room
- 6:15 p.m. Impact Parenting Session: Garden Room
- 7 p.m. Trinity Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room/Worship Center

Thursday, November 16

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 9 a.m. YogaDevotion Chair/Flow: Garden Room
- 10 a.m. Knitting Ministry: Narthex
- 6:30 p.m. Congregational Council Meeting: Office Conference Room
- 7 p.m. Al-Anon & Alateen Meeting: Room 108, Youth Center

Friday, November 17

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 10 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Room 108B

Saturday, November 18

- 8 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 8 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Room 108B

Sunday, November 19

- 9 a.m. Family Worship for Sunday Faith Formation: Worship Center
- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship, Communion, Nursery: Worship Center
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Communion, Nursery: Worship Center

- 10:30 a.m. Lifelong Learning Reformation Roots: Living Room
- Noon Annual Meeting: Garden Room

Monday, November 20

- 9 a.m. Ruth Circle: Living Room
- 6 p.m. Jubilate Bells: Heritage Chapel
- 6:30 p.m. Tai Chi: Gym
- 7 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Library

Tuesday, November 21—No Women's Bible Study

- 9 a.m. Women's Book Group: Library
- 1 p.m. Prayer Group: Church Office
- 4 p.m. Quilting Group: Living Room
- 6 p.m. AA Meeting: Library

Wednesday, November 22—No Choir Rehearsals or Faith Formation

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 11:30 a.m. Supporting Women As Professionals (SWAP): Offsite
- Noon Thanksgiving Worship, pie following service: Heritage Chapel
- 7 p.m. Thanksgiving Shared Worship: Ascension Episcopal Church

Thursday, November 23—Happy Thanksgiving! No Yoga or Knitting

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library

Friday, November 24—Staff Holiday, Building/Office Closed

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 10 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Room 108B

Saturday, November 25

- 8 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 8 a.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Room 108B

Sunday, November 26—Advent 1, No Faith Formation or Lifelong Learning Reformation Roots

- 9 a.m. Traditional Worship, Communion, Nursery: Worship Center
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship, Communion, Nursery: Worship Center

Monday, November 27

- 6 p.m. Jubilate Bells: Heritage Chapel
- 6:30 p.m. Tai Chi: Gym
- 7 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting: Library

Tuesday, November 28

- 8:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study: Living Room
- 9 a.m. Women's Book Group: Library
- 1 p.m. Prayer Group: Church Office
- 4 p.m. Quilting Group: Living Room
- 6 p.m. AA Meeting: Library

Wednesday, November 29

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 9:15 a.m. Christian Moms Fellowship (formerly Hearts of the Home Moms): Lower Level
- 5 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room/Worship Center
- 5:30 p.m. Family Pizza: Garden Room
- 6:15 p.m. Wednesday Faith Formation (Gr. 3-5): Lower Level
- 6:15 p.m. Middle School Faith Formation (Gr. 6-8): Worship Center
- 6:15 p.m. 9th Gr. Faith Formation: Garden Room
- 7 p.m. Trinity Choir Rehearsal: Choir Room/Worship Center

Thursday, November 30

- 7 a.m. AA Meeting: Library
- 9 a.m. YogaDevotion Chair/Flow: Narthex
- 10:30 a.m. Volunteer Visitation Ministry Meeting: Office Conference Room
- 7 p.m. Al-Anon & Alateen Meeting: Room 108, Youth Center



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**Thursday
November 2
2017**

Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner

Seatings at:

11:30 a.m., 12:45, 4:15, 5:30 & 6:45 p.m.

Guests will be served at the hour indicated on ticket. Take out meals also available.

Ticket prices: Adults \$20; Children K-Grade 6-\$6, Under 5-Free. Cash or check only. Order tickets via email at: lutefisk@trinitylc.org

Proceeds benefit Trinity's Missions & Outreach.



Celebrate the Tradition!