



Activities and Opportunities

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August 13, 2017

Birth

A son, George Addy Crawford, to Trent and Jennifer Crawford on August 8

Hospital Patients

Jennifer Crawford - discharged

Announcements

Pastor Crowell is away today.

Amy Brown and Mandi Whitley are away today.

Prayer Requests. If anyone has a special request to share with Trinity's Prayer Ministry Team, please write your request on a Prayer Card located in the pew racks and place it in the wooden Prayer Box located on the table close to the Pulpit.

Wednesday Evening Worship - Wednesday, September 6, 6:15 pm. On the first Wednesday of each month beginning in September and extending through December, the congregation is invited to gather for worship in the Multipurpose Room at 6:15 pm. Holden Evening Prayer around the Cross is a contemplative, peaceful service that will focus on healing.

Day1 Preaching Broadcast - next Sunday, August 27, 8:00 pm. Each week the Day1 program, hosted by Peter Wallace, nationally broadcasts on the radio and online an inspiring sermon from an outstanding preacher in a mainline denomination in the United States. Pastor Crowell will be the featured preacher on Sunday, August 27. The message and interview can be accessed online at day1.org or on the radio at WELP 1360AM in Greenville on Sunday, August 27 at 8:00 pm.

Devotional booklets are available in the Narthex for adults and for children.

The August issue of the *Living Lutheran* magazine and the July/August issue of the *SC Lutheran* are available in the Narthex, the Pence Building hallway, and the Multipurpose Room.

Relational Groups

Prayer Group - Wednesday, August 16, 11:30 am, Library. A prayer group meets every Wednesday. The group meets for thirty minutes to share prayer concerns and celebrations and pray for individuals and ministries in the life of Trinity. Prayer requests may be placed in the Prayer Box or emailed to Merry Mulcahy at marmulcahy@icloud.com. All are invited to attend.

Book Group - Thursday, August 17, 7:00 pm. The Trinity Book Group meets in the Parlor on the third Thursday of even numbered months. Adults of all ages are invited to come and discuss a variety of books. At the August meeting, the group will discuss *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles.

Empowering and Encouraging Girls and Their Moms. Girls in grades three, four and five, and their moms are invited to gather in the Youth Center on Wednesdays, September 13, 20, and 27 from 6:00 to 7:15 pm for dinner, devotions, and relationship building activities. This group will be led by Pastor Crowell and Mandi Whitley, and will focus on encouraging, equipping, and empowering girls and their moms. Registration is \$15.00 per family, which will cover the cost of meals and supplies for all three sessions. To be included, please call the Church Office to register.

Music Ministry

Handbell Choir Rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, August 16 at 6:00 pm in the Handbell Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome

Adult Choir Rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, August 16 at 7:00 pm in the choir room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome.

Youth Choir, for Grades 6 through 12, will have its first rehearsal on August 20. The choir will start right away focusing on music for Youth Sunday which is early this year, September 24.

Children's Choir, for children in K5 through grade 5, begins fall rehearsals on September 10.

Education

Summer Sunday School. Summer Sunday School will be offered for all ages every Sunday this summer. Preschoolers (infants through K4 children who have not completed K5) will gather in the Nursery for play. Elementary aged children (those who have completed K5 through grade 5) will meet in combined classes (K5 through grade 2 and grades 3 through 5) on the first floor of the Pence Education Building. Youth who have completed grades 6 through 12 are invited to meet each Sunday outside Mandi Whitley's office immediately after the 9:00 am worship service to walk as a group to *Starbucks* for fellowship, devotions and prayer. Adults and college students will meet as one class during the summer, in the Assembly Room beneath the Sanctuary (through August 13). Next Sunday, August 20, the class will move back to the Multipurpose Room. Following Coffee and Conversation, the class will continue exploring the Reformation using the study *Ever Reforming: Lutherans Looking Back and Ahead*. This study will look at reformation history, people and theology from the past and into the present time. This class will continue through Labor Day.

Back to School Sunday - next Sunday, August 20. Trinity's new Sunday School year for children through grade 5 will begin on Sunday, August 20. The day will include a blessing of students and teachers during worship, the start of new Sunday School classes for children, and a recommitment to *Honor the Promise*, which encourages parents to honor the promises they made at their child's baptism.

First Faith. A new Sunday School class for parents and preschoolers will begin next Sunday, August 20. Called *First Faith*, this class will be a time for parents of children through age 3 to meet together with their children to build relationships. Each Sunday will include time for sharing and Bible stories. The classroom will be on the first floor of the Education Building, across from the additional nursery room.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study - Wednesday, September 6, 10:00 am. Adults are invited to a Wednesday morning Bible study on the gospel of *Mark*. The course will begin on Wednesday, September 6 at 10:00 am in Rooms 12 & 13 of the Activities Building and will be taught by Vicar Ellen Clough. The registration fee of \$20.00 can be paid in the Church Office.

Discipleship Group - Wednesday, September 6, 6:30 pm. A fall discipleship group will begin on Wednesday, September 6 at 6:30 pm in the Assembly Room. Led by Philip Wessinger and Amy Brown, this group will read and discuss the book *Crafting a Rule of Life* by Stephen A. Macchia. *Crafting a Rule of Life* is a twelve week exploration of gifts, values, vision and priorities. Participants will be expected to complete reading and writing assignments in the book prior to participating in the group each week. The goal will be for each group member to craft a personal rule of life. More information about the book is available at www.ruleoflife.com. The registration fee of \$15.00 includes a book, and the registration deadline is Monday, August 28. Those with questions may speak to the leaders.

Children and Youth

Youth Gathering Lunch - Sunday, August 20, 12:30 pm, Multipurpose Room. The ELCA's National Youth Gathering is June 27 - July 1, 2018 in Houston, Texas. This is a gathering where 30,000 Lutheran youth from across the country participate in fellowship, worship and service. Trinity youth who are going into grades nine through twelve, along with their families, are invited to an informational lunch on Sunday, August 20 immediately following the 11:15 worship service. There is no cost for the lunch, but those planning to attend are asked to sign up in the Church Office this morning.

LCY Sixth Grade Orientation - Sunday, August 20, 5:00 pm, Youth Center. Rising 6th graders and their parents are invited to attend an LCY orientation to learn about some LCY basics and meet the group's advisors.

LCY Kickoff - Sunday, August 20, 6:00-8:00 pm, Youth Center. Youth who are about to start grades six through twelve are invited to attend LCY's kickoff in the Youth Center. After dinner, the group will enjoy fun, fellowship, and prayer.

LCY Fall Retreat - Saturday, August 26 through Sunday, August 27, Lutheridge. This event is for youth who will be in grades six through twelve in the 2017-2018 school year. The group will enjoy fellowship, swimming, games, and worship. The cost is \$100.00 per person. Registration information has been emailed to families. Sign up in the Church Office this morning. There will be no evening LCY on Sunday, August 27.

Basketball Registration. Trinity participates in a basketball program through Church League Basketball for Youth (CLBBY). Teams are available for youth in grades K5 through 12 and adult men. Registration information has been emailed to potential participants. Registration forms and payment are due no later than Sunday, September 10.

Outreach Opportunities

United Ministries. Trinity continues to receive food for the United Ministries Food Pantry on the first and third Sundays of each month. There is a particular need for beef stew, green beans, canned fruit and ramen noodles. Other items are appreciated as well.

Elizabeth Ministry. In an effort to find new ways to reach out in love and care to families in our congregation who are celebrating the birth or adoption of a child, volunteers are needed to prepare or purchase and deliver a meal to these families. If you are willing to serve on this team, please contact Karen Craig in the Church Office.

Greenville Area Interfaith Hospitality Network - Monday, September 4 - Sunday, September 10. Please note that this is a change from the original dates. Volunteers are needed in all areas including setup, breakfast and dinner preparation, evening and overnight hosts, day center, and takedown. Contact Rachel Balck at rachel@balckfamily.org or 915-6039 or Cathy Westbrook at cwestbrook8114@bellsouth.net or 370-8114 for additional information. Contact volunteer coordinators, Amanda Cook at amanda.cook@fluor.com or 905-7940, or Lara Wannemacher at wannemacherc@bellsouth.net or 630-5325 if you would like to volunteer.

Food items are needed to pack lunches and provide snacks for GAIHN guests during host week. A display containing a list of needed items as well as a sign up sheet is located in the Parlor. The items should be returned to the Kitchen in the Activities Building no later than 11:00 am on Sunday, September 3.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 13 THROUGH AUGUST 20

TODAY - AUGUST 13

9:00 am Holy Communion
9:50 am Coffee & Conversation
10:10 am Sunday School
11:15 am Holy Communion
5:00 pm Stewardship Committee

MONDAY

9:00 am Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY

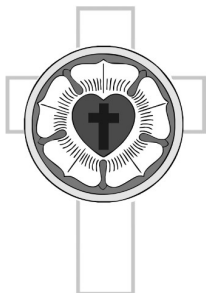
11:30 am Prayer Group
6:00 pm Handbell Choir Practice
7:00 pm Adult Choir Practice

THURSDAY

7:00 pm Book Group

NEXT SUNDAY - AUGUST 20

8:30 am Adult Choir Warmup
9:00 am Holy Communion
9:50 am Coffee & Conversation
10:10 am Sunday School
10:45 am Adult Choir Warmup
11:15 am Holy Communion
12:30 pm Youth Gathering Lunch
1:30 pm Congregation Council
5:00 pm Youth Choir Rehearsal
5:00 pm 6th Grade Orientation to LCY
6:00 pm LCY Kickoff



Save the Date!

**Reformation Road
Journey Through Luther's Life**

October 1, 2017

11:00 am-2:00 pm

Activities Building

**A hymn festival with Holy Communion
will be held in the Sanctuary at 10:00 am**

A Trinity event not to be missed!