



Activities and Opportunities

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Announcements

The Church Office will be open from 9:00 to 9:55 am this morning.

2018 Stewardship Campaign. In the coming weeks the congregation will be learning more about *Trinity 501 - the Reformation Continues* - Trinity's annual stewardship campaign. How will you celebrate the gift of 500 years of Reformation in your life and in the life of our Trinity family? Learn more about this campaign by visiting the Stewardship Celebration Room at *Reformation Road: Journey Through Luther's Life* this morning from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm in the Activities Building.

New Member Class. A new member class, entitled *What Does It Mean To Be a Lutheran?*, will be taught during the Sunday School hour beginning next Sunday, October 8. This six week class is designed for those who are exploring the possibility of joining Trinity. Members will be received on Sunday, November 12 at the 11:15 am Service. Questions may be directed to Pastor Crowell.

Wednesday Evening Worship - Wednesday, October 4, 6:15 pm. - Multipurpose Room.

All are invited to gather for this contemplative worship service that includes silence and singing, light and darkness, stillness and movement, and culminates with prayer around the cross and the lighting of candles. This peaceful, calming service will focus on healing. Gathering music will begin at 6:07 pm.

Loyalty Sunday - next Sunday, October 8.

Everyone will have an opportunity during worship to make their ministry commitments for 2018. Commitment packets, which include time and talent sheets as well as financial commitment cards, will be available at the Stewardship Event this morning. All others will be mailed on Monday, October 2. Everyone is encouraged to complete these materials and bring them to worship on October 8.

Announcements (Cont'd)

The Trinity Lutheran Church Foundation is receiving grant applications through Monday October 16 at 4:30 pm. The purpose of the foundation is to enhance the outreach ministry of the congregation by making grants to community human service agencies to which the congregation relates, institutions and agencies of the South Carolina Synod of the ELCA, and members of the congregation who attend an ELCA seminary or church-related educational, leadership, or service event. Grant applications may be obtained by calling the Church Office.

Hurricane Relief Efforts. Prayers and gifts are urgently needed for the victims of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. Checks should be written to Trinity Lutheran Church and clearly marked for the Hurricane Relief Fund. Monies will be forwarded to the ELCA Disaster Response.

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.

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

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

Relational Groups

Theology Roundtable - Today, 4:00 pm, 2nd Floor of the Pence Building. This group for adults gathers on the first and fourth Sundays of the month. The group will continue the discussion of *Quest for the Living God* by Elizabeth A. Johnson. All adults are welcome to participate. Joe Rice facilitates the discussion. Questions may be directed to him at saluda171@yahoo.com or 864-704-4616.

Quilting Group - Monday, October 2, 9:30 am, Activities Building. The group makes quilts which are distributed by Lutheran World Relief. Participants do not need to know how to sew in order to make quilts. Willing volunteers who can cut fabric, iron, thread a needle or tie knots are welcome. Participants may bring their lunch, and can work as little, or as long, as they would like. The group will meet each Monday through October. For more information, contact Amy Brown at 242-5702.

Prayer Group - Wednesday, October 4, 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.

Women's Bible Study and Fellowship Groups - Thursday, October 5, 9:30 am and 6:30 pm, Rooms 12 & 13 of the Activities Building. These groups, led by Pastor Crowell, will continue to gather on the first Thursday of the each month. *Another Look at Spiritual Practices* is the theme for the year. All women of the congregation are invited to enjoy refreshments, study, prayer and fellowship. Muffins and coffee are provided at the morning session. At the evening gathering, participants are invited to bring refreshments to share with the group.

Education

There will be no Sunday School classes this morning, due to Reformation Road.

My First Bible - Sunday, October 15, 2:00 to 3:30 pm, Multipurpose Room. Third graders and their parents are invited to attend a special event called *My First Bible*. This event, planned by the Education Committee, will be a time for parents and children to explore the Bible together and talk about what it means. The afternoon will include various stations and games, and a chance for parents to inscribe and present a Bible to their child. Children in grades 4 and 5 who have not previously attended are also invited to attend. Parents may register through the Church Office by Sunday, October 8.

Music Ministry

Adult Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, October 4, 7:15 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome.

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.

Miracle Hill Yellow Bag Project. During the month of October, please pick up Miracle Hill Yellow Bags in the Breezeway and Multipurpose Room. Fill these bags with gently used clothes (any size), and return them to the Library. Collection culminates on November 5 during Operation InAsMuch. Trinity will be given vouchers, which will be distributed to Outreach Ministries. Contact Paige Dillon with questions at pdillon2@bellsouth.net.

Operation InAsMuch - Sunday, November 5, 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Trinity will join other Lutherans across South Carolina for a day of mission work. Please look for sign-up forms near the red boxes located around the church.

Blood Drive - Sunday, November 19, 10:30 am to 3:30 pm. The Outreach Committee will sponsor a blood drive in the Gym. For every pint of blood collected, up to 3 lives can be saved. Reservations may be made in the Narthex after worship each Sunday or by contacting Bob Whitley at 610-620-5921 or wapgit@gmail.com. Donors should remember to bring a driver's license or donor card.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 1 THROUGH OCTOBER 8

TODAY - OCTOBER 1

- 9:15 am Adult Choir Warmup
10:00 am Reformation Hymn Festival
with Holy Communion
11:00 to 2:00 Reformation Road: Journey
through Luther's Life
and
Trinity 501 - The Reformation
Continues
4:00 pm Theology Roundtable

MONDAY

- 9:00 am Staff Meeting
9:30 am Quilting Group

WEDNESDAY

- 10:00 am *Mark* Study - Rooms 12 & 13 of the
Activities Building
11:30 am Prayer Group
6:00 pm Furman LSA
6:15 pm Holden Prayer Around the Cross
7:00 pm Discipleship Group
7:15 pm Adult Choir Practice

THURSDAY

- 9:30 am Women's Bible Study and
Fellowship Group
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Fellowship Group

NEXT SUNDAY - OCTOBER 8

LOYALTY SUNDAY

- 8:30 am Adult / Children's Choir Warmup
9:00 am Holy Communion
9:50 am Coffee & Conversation
10:10 am Sunday School and New Member Class
11:15 am Holy Communion
1:30 pm Congregation Council
3:30 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal
5:00 pm Youth Choir Rehearsal
6:00 pm LCY