

Activities and Opportunities

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Hospital Patients

Barbara Corell - discharged Laila McCormack - 4301, Greenville Memorial Mandi Whitley - discharged

Birth

A son, Alton Clinton "Clint" Whitley, IV, to AC and Mandi Whitley on October 2

Announcements

Mandi Whitley is on parental leave.

Loyalty Sunday - Today. Each year members are asked to make a commitment to be involved in the life of the Church during the coming year through gifts of time, talent and money. Making your commitment today will help the congregation plan for ministry in 2018. Time and Talent sheets and pledge cards are available from the ushers and will be brought to the altar during worship today.

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 today. 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.

Disaster Relief Efforts. Prayers and gifts are urgently needed for the victims of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma, as well as the earthquake in Mexico. 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.

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.

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

Quilting Group - Monday, October 9, 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.

Lydia Group - Tuesday, October 10, 10:00 am, Parlor. The Lydia Group will resume meeting this Tuesday in the Parlor. Nancy Jones will be the hostess. Rose Mary Bell will present a program about the *Period Project*. All women of the congregation are invited to attend.

Men's Group - Tuesday, October 10, noon. The group will meet on Tuesday, October 10 at noon at *Kitchen Sync* on Laurens Road. Contact Joe Rice with questions at saluda171@yahoo.com or 864 -704-4616. All men of the congregation and friends are invited.

Prayer Group - Wednesday, October 11, 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.

Children and Youth

LCY - Today, 6:00 pm, Youth Center. After dinner, youth will play Bunco in the Youth Center.

Halloween Carnival - Sunday, October 29, 5:00 to 6:30 pm, Gym. Trinity families of all ages are invited to attend LCY's annual Halloween Carnival. A hot dog and french fry meal will be available for purchase (\$3.00 for one meal, \$5.00 for two meals). Children must be accompanied by an adult. All are encouraged to come in costume.

Safe Sitter - Saturday, November 4, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Trinity is now a registered Safe Sitter training site. Trinity youth who wish to volunteer in the Church Nursery must be Safe Sitter certified as well as trained in Trinity's Child Protection Policy. The cost is \$25.00 per person, which covers the training materials and a light lunch. Trinity members Rachel Balck, Terry Batts and Cathie Landreth are the instructors. Youth who wish to attend the November 4 training must sign up through the Church Office no later than Sunday, October 29.

Middle Schoolers at the Soup Kitchen - Sunday, November 5, 9:00 am. Youth in grades 6 through 8 will staff Project Host Soup Kitchen. Youth need to be dropped off at the Soup Kitchen by 9:00 am and picked up at 12:45 pm. Spots are limited and are on a first come, first served basis. Youth must sign up no later than Sunday, October 29. Trinity adults will be at the Soup Kitchen to provide supervision. Sign up is through the Church Office.

Education

Sunday School - **Today, 10:10** am. Sunday School is offered for all ages every Sunday between the 9:00 and 11:15 am services. Preschoolers (infants through children under the age of four) may attend the *First Faith* class with their parents. A nursery is also available. Children's Sunday School for those who were four or five on September 1 meets on the first floor of the Education Building, across from the elevator. Children in grades 1 through 5 meet in *Grace Place*, upstairs in the Education Building. Youth Sunday School for middle and high school students meets in the Youth Center. Meeting as separate groups, youth will enjoy "pick up" breakfast items, games, fellowship and devotions in a new format for this school year.

Adult Sunday School always begins with Coffee and Conversation in the Multipurpose Room beginning at 9:50 am. There are currently four adult classes begin offered. The class *Right Click: Parenting Your Teen in a Digital Media World* is a class recommended for parents of children of any age. This class is exploring and discussing issues related to digital media including cell phone usage, gaming and social media, as well as setting limits, bullying and responsibility. A second class is called *Wearing God.* Based on the book by Lauren F. Winner, this class delves into overlooked ways of meeting God. The third class is *Reformation Through the Lens of Scripture*. This class is studying texts and hymns related to the Reformation and Martin Luther. The final class is entitled *What Does It Mean to be a Lutheran?* This six week class is designed for those who are exploring the possibility of joining Trinity, and examines the Christian faith from a Lutheran perspective.

My First Bible - next 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

Children's Choir - Today, 3:30 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. This choir is for children in K5 through grade 5.

Youth Choir - Today, 5:00 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. This choir is for you in grades 6 through 12.

Handbell Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, October 11, 6:00 pm, Rehearsal Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. This choir is open to youth and adults.

Adult Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, October 11, 7:00 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 pdfllon2@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 8 THROUGH OCTOBER 15

	TODAY - OCTOBER 8		WEDNESDAY (CONT'D)
	LOYALTY SUNDAY	6:00 pm	Minor Girls BB Practice
8:30 am	Adult / Children's Choir Warmup	6:00 pm	Furman LSA
9:00 am	Holy Communion	6:00 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
9:50 am	Coffee & Conversation	6:30 pm	Discipleship Group
10:10 am	Sunday School and New Member Class	7:00 pm	
10:45 am	Adult Choir Warmup	7:00 pm	Adult Choir Practice
11:15 am	Holy Communion		
1:30 pm	Congregation Council		Thursday
3:30 pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal	6:00 pm	Senior Boys 1 BB Practice
5:00 pm	Youth Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm	Senior Boys 2 BB Practice
6:00 pm	LCY		
	MONDAY		NEXT SUNDAY - OCTOBER 15
9:00 am	Staff Meeting	8:15 am	Handbell Choir Warmup
9:00 am 9:30 am	Staff Meeting Quilting Group	8:30 am	Handbell Choir Warmup Adult Choir Warmup
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