



Activities and Opportunities

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Announcements

Mandi Whitley is on parental leave.

Thanksgiving Dinner and Worship - next Sunday, November 19, 6:00 pm. The congregation will gather in the Multipurpose Room for dinner, followed by Holden Evening Prayer at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. There is no charge for the meal, but an offering will be received to provide food for people in need in the community. Reservations may be made through the Church Office this morning. No nursery will be provided as all are welcome to attend worship.

The November 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.

Annual Meeting of the Congregation - Sunday, November 26. The first session will be held immediately after each service this day. The proposed budget for 2018 will be introduced and nominations for Congregation Council will be finalized. The meeting will then be recessed until 10:00 am on Sunday, December 3. On that day, the Congregation will adopt a budget and elect members of the Congregation Council.

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.

Relational Groups

Lydia Group - Tuesday, November 14, 10:00 am, Parlor. The Lydia Group meet this Tuesday in the Parlor. Caroline Massey will be the hostess. Eliza Stockman will present a musical program. All women of the congregation are invited to attend.

Men's Group - Tuesday, November 14, noon. The group will meet on Tuesday, November 14 at noon at *Willy Taco* 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, November 15, 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.

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. 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. Youth gather for “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. The new member class will meet this morning for the final session. There are three additional adult classes being offered. *Advent Conspiracy: Can Christmas Still Change the World?* is a class to help prepare for advent and Christmas BEFORE December. A second class is called *Way of Life*. Based on the book *The Great Spiritual Migration* by Brian D. McLauren, this class will delve into ways the church can reevaluate beliefs, and turn again to the gospel of love as manifested by Jesus Christ. The final class is called *Unusual Questions: Studies in the Book of John* and will study four *unusual* questions that are asked in the gospel of John.

Confirmation Event - Today, 12:30 to 3:30 pm, Multipurpose Room. Lunch and *Catechism Event* for 8th or 9th graders and a parent. Speak with Amy Brown this morning if not already registered.

Children and Youth

Kids’ Stuff and Club 345 - Today, 1:30 pm. Kids’ Stuff is Trinity’s fellowship group for children in K5 through 2nd grade, and Club 345 is for children in 3rd through 5th grades. These groups gather with their church friends once a month for fun, food, service projects and learning. The groups will enjoy a downtown scavenger hunt this afternoon from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. Drop off and pick up is at the Red Canopy Door.

LCY - Today, 6:00 pm, Youth Center. After dinner, youth will divide into Middle School and High School groups to discuss healthy relationships with guest speakers from *Safe Harbor*.

Project Host Soup Kitchen - Sunday, December 10, 9:00 am. Youth in grades 9 through 12 will staff the Soup Kitchen. Youth need to be dropped off by 9:00 am and pick up at 12:45 pm. Spots are limited and are on a first come, first served basis. Youth must sign up through the Church Office no later than Sunday, December 3. Trinity adults will be at the Soup Kitchen to provide supervision.

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 youth in grades 6 through 12.

Handbell Choir Rehearsal - Wednesday, November 15, 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, November 15, 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.

Blood Drive - next 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 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.

Sharing Tree - The Outreach Committee will sponsor a Sharing Tree to provide Christmas gifts for needy persons in the community including Mental Health America clients, the teen girls at Pendleton Place, the boys at Generations Group Home, Trinity's Aids Care Team family, as well as other families through United Ministries/GAIHN. Trees with ornaments listing gift choices will be in the Church Parlor and Multipurpose Room beginning next Sunday, November 19. After taking an ornament and making a purchase, please place the item in a gift bag with the ornament attached and return to the Parlor by Sunday, December 10. If you have questions, please contact Brenda Bridges at 292-3640 or Melanie Wessinger at 228-0368.

Greenville Area Interfaith Hospitality Network - Sunday, December 3 - Sunday, December 10. 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, December 3.

Gifts of Hope - November 19 through December 17. *Gifts of Hope* is an alternative gift-giving program in the SC Synod (ELCA). This Christmas, give gifts to family and friends that give hope to others. The gifts are represented by institutions and Social Ministry Organizations affiliated with the SC Synod and South Carolina companion foreign synods. Every penny of *Gifts of Hope* will be distributed to help the poor, educate students from elementary school to seminary and support the elderly here and throughout the world. The Outreach Committee will be offering an opportunity to participate in *Gifts of Hope* through December 17. Catalogs will be available in the Narthex. Display and ordering information will be available in the Multipurpose Room. For each gift that is purchased, a gift card and an insert describing the chosen gift will be received. These may be sent to a friend or family member. Contact Bette Anderson at betteonthego@gmail.com or Paige Dillon at pdillon2@bellsouth.net with any questions.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 12 THROUGH NOVEMBER 19

TODAY - NOVEMBER 12

- 8:30 am Adult Choir Warmup
- 9:00 am Holy Communion
- 9:50 am Coffee and Conversation
- 10:10 am Sunday School and New Member Class
- 10:45 am Youth Choir Warmup
- 11:15 am Holy Communion and Reception of New Members
- 12:30 pm Confirmation - *Catechism Event*
- 1:30 pm Congregation Council
- 1:30 pm Kids' Stuff and Club 345
- 2:00 pm Junior Boys BB Practice @ 1st Baptist
- 3:30 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 5:00 pm Internship Committee
- 5:00 pm Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 pm LCY

MONDAY

- 9:00 am Staff Meeting
- 7:30 pm Sr Girls BB Game @ John Knox
- 8:00 pm Sr Boys 2 BB Game @ Trinity
- 8:30 pm Sr Boys 1 BB Game @ St. Mary's

TUESDAY

- 10:00 am Lydia Group
- 12:00 noon Men's Group
- 6:00 pm I-Mites BB Practice
- 6:00 pm Minor Boys BB Practice

WEDNESDAY

- 11:30 am Prayer Group
- 5:30 pm Junior Girls BB Practice @ St. George
- 6:00 pm Minor Girls BB Practice
- 6:00 pm Furman LSA
- 6:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm Discipleship Group
- 7:00 pm Senior Girls BB Practice
- 7:00 pm Adult Choir Practice

THURSDAY

- 6:00 pm Senior Boys 1 BB Practice
- 7:00 pm Senior Boys 2 BB Practice

NEXT SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 19

- 8:30 am Adult/Children's Choir Warmup
- 9:00 am Holy Communion
- 9:50 am Coffee and Conversation
- 10:10 am Sunday School
- 10:30 to 3:30 Blood Drive
- 10:45 am Adult Choir Warmup
- 11:15 am Holy Communion
- 2:00 pm Junior Boys BB Practice @ 1st Baptist
- 3:30 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 4:30 pm Outreach Committee
- 5:00 pm Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 pm Thanksgiving Dinner
- 7:00 pm Worship