



## Activities and Opportunities

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### October 28, 2018

#### Announcements

**Reformation Sunday - Today.** Reformation Sunday commemorates the nailing by Martin Luther of his 95 Theses to the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg in 1517. Trinity's celebration includes special music for organ, adult choir and the Capital City Brass. The Processional Cross being used today was crafted by Lou Ellen Beckham from broken pieces of the stained glass windows in honor of last year's 500th anniversary of the Reformation.

**To date, 129 household giving units** have committed \$812,140 to the 2019 Budget. This includes the amount pledged to Regular Budget and Debt Retirement. If you have not made your financial commitment for 2019 or turned in a time and talent sheet, please place those items in the offering or mail them to the Church Office as soon as possible. Additional forms are available from the Ushers.

**Spiritual Life Inventory - Sunday, November 11, at the conclusion of the 9:00 and 11:15 am services.** Bring your cell phones to worship on this Sunday to participate in this inventory by sharing your perspectives and insights into our spiritual life together at Trinity. Paper copies of the inventory will be provided for those who are more comfortable using pen and paper, rather than their phones. This inventory is a crucial part of Trinity's involvement in the Leadership for Faithful Innovation project sponsored by Luther Seminary in Saint Paul, Minnesota. Your participating via this inventory will be most helpful. Feedback from the inventory will be shared with the congregation early in the new year.

**All Saints' Sunday - next Sunday, November 4.** All Saint's Sunday, the memorial day of the Christian calendar, offers an opportunity to remember those who are now part of the Church Triumphant. All Saints' Sunday emphasizes the resurrection hope so central to our faith. Trinity remembers Laila McCormack, Tanya Cope, Paul Youse, Michelle Malushizsky, and Grace Cook.

**Honoring Amy Brown's 25 years of Ministry at Trinity - next Sunday, November 4, 10:10 am.** In honor of Amy Brown, Trinity's Director of Educational Ministries, and in celebration of her twenty-five years of ministry at Trinity, the Trinity family will gather in the Multipurpose Room for a reception. A presentation will be made at 10:30 am.

**Italy and the Oberammergau Passion Play, July 3 - 14, 2020.** Adults and families with teenagers and older children are invited to join Pastor Crowell and Amy Brown on a trip to Rome, Florence, Venice, Oberammergau, and Munich in the summer of 2020. Itinerary, cost, and reservation information are available online at [reformationtours.com/package/rsc20/](http://reformationtours.com/package/rsc20/). The trip is limited to 24 participants. Registration is currently open online. Questions may be directed to Pastor Crowell or Amy Brown. Five spaces are still available.

## Announcements (cont'd)

**New member class - Today.** *What Does It Mean To Be a Lutheran?*, is being taught during the Sunday School hour. This five week class, designed for those who are exploring the possibility of joining Trinity, is also a good refresher course for those who have been Lutheran for some time. Members will be received on Sunday, November 11 at the 11:15 am Service. Questions may be directed to Pastor Crowell.

**Hurricane Relief Efforts.** Prayers and gifts are urgently needed for the victims of Hurricanes Florence and Michael. 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.

**Grace Bags.** Bags containing canned food and snacks, as well as a list of agencies in the community who can help individuals move beyond poverty, are available in the Narthex for worship guests in need of a meal. In lieu of giving money, worshippers are encouraged to give Grace Bags to guests in need.

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

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

## Relational Groups

**Out to Lunch Bunch - Today, 12:45 pm.** The Out to Lunch Bunch is open to all Trinity adults who want to join in the fellowship. The group will meet at the *Flat Rock Grille* at Cherrydale. Speak with Amy Brown before the 11:15 am service if you would like to attend.

**Theology Roundtable - Today, 4:00 pm, Room 302, 2nd Floor of the Pence Building.** This group for adults usually 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](mailto:saluda171@yahoo.com) or 864-704-4616.

**TLC4TLC - Today, 4:00 pm, Parlor.** Adults are invited to gather to write notes and cards for members who are ill, grieving, or unable to attend worship, as well as for those who are celebrating joys. For additional information, please contact Mary Valenti at 322-5450.

**Quilting Group - Monday, October 29, 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. For more information, contact Amy Brown at 242-5702.

**Prayer Group - Wednesday, October 31, 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](mailto:marmulcahy@icloud.com) or Terry Morgan at [tfmorgan101@gmail.com](mailto:tfmorgan101@gmail.com). All are invited to attend.

**Congregational Book Discussion - Thursday, November 8, 6:30 pm, Rooms 12 & 13, Activities Bldg.** As Trinity strives to practice radical hospitality – extending love and welcome in Jesus' name to all people – all are invited to read *Tattoos on the Heart* by Gregory Boyles and to gather for discussion with members of Trinity. This book, that tells the story of *Home Boy Ministries*, a ministry to and with gang members in Los Angeles, will open hearts and minds to the power of being connected to a community. Please call the Church Office to register.

## Music Ministry

**Early Elementary Children's Choir - Today, 3:00 to 3:30 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd Floor of the Pence Building.** This choir is for children from K4 through grade 1.

**Upper Elementary Children's Choir - Today, 3:30 to 4:30 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd Floor of the Pence Building.** This choir is for children from grade 2 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 Rehearsals - Wednesday, October 31, 6:00 pm, Handbell Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building.** Youth are also welcome.

**Adult Choir Rehearsals - Wednesday, October 31, 7:00 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building.** Youth are also welcome.

## Children and Youth

**LCY - Today, 4:30 pm, Activities Building.** Advisors are asked to arrive in the Activities Building at 4:00 pm, and youth at 4:30 pm to finish preparations for the Halloween Carnival. Youth can be picked up at 7:00 pm, once the Gym is cleaned up. There will be prizes for best costumes.

**Halloween Carnival - Today, 5:00 to 6:30 pm Gym.** All children of Trinity are invited to LCY's annual Halloween Carnival. A hot dog dinner with fries and a drink will be available for purchase (\$3.00 for one meal, 2 meals for \$5.00). All children attending must be accompanied by a parent. All are encouraged to dress in costumes.

**Safe Sitter - Saturday, November 10, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, Assembly Room.** Youth who volunteer in the Church Nursery must be both Safe Sitter and Child Protection Policy trained. Youth in grades 6 through 12 are encouraged to take this class, which will conclude with Child Protection training. The cost is \$25.00 per person, which includes supplies, snacks and lunch. Those interested in taking the class are asked to sign up through the Church Office no later than Sunday, November 4.

## 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. Children under the age of four may attend the *First Faith* class with their parents, for fellowship and Bible stories. A nursery is also available. Children's Sunday School for those who will be 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 who have completed grades 6 through 12 will meet in the Youth Center to enjoy food and fellowship, faith sharing and hands on service projects. Adult Sunday School begins each Sunday at 9:50 am in the Multipurpose Room for coffee, conversation, announcements and prayer. There are three adult classes offered this morning. *Hollywood Jesus: Christ and Culture* is a study that explores how Jesus is interpreted in film. *Before Amen: The Power of a Simple Prayer* considers how a very simple prayer is enough both for us and God. *What Does it Mean to be a Lutheran?* is a class on the Christian faith from a Lutheran perspective.

**Confirmation Event - Saturday, November 10, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm.** There will be a *Catechism Event* for 8th or 9th graders and at least one parent. The registration deadline is Sunday, November 4. For more information, contact Amy Brown at the Church Office.

## Outreach Opportunities

**Blood Drive - Today, 9:00 am to 12:30 pm, Parlor.** Speak with Bob Whitley this morning to arrange a time. Donors should remember to bring a driver's license or donor card.

**Operation InAsMuch - Sunday, November 11, 2:00 to 4:00 pm.** Please note that one project is on Saturday, November 10. Participants will meet in the Multipurpose Room at 2:00 pm prior to going into the mission field. Sign up online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054aa9ae2ca64-operation> or fill in the OIAM sign up form found at various locations throughout the Church. All projects are filled on a first come, first served bases. Questions may be directed to Paige Dillon at [pdillon2@bellsouth.net](mailto:pdillon2@bellsouth.net).

**United Ministries.** Trinity continues to receive food for the United Ministries Food Pantry on the first and third Sundays of each month. A list of suggested items may be found in the Breezeway.

### CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 28 THROUGH NOVEMBER 4

#### TODAY - OCTOBER 28

##### REFORMATION SUNDAY

- 8:30 am Adult Choir Warmup
- 9:00 am Holy Communion
- 9:00 am to 2:00 pm Blood Drive
- 9:50 am Coffee & Conversation
- 10:10 am Sunday School & New Member Class
- 10:45 am Adult Choir Warmup
- 11:15 am Holy Communion
- 12:45 pm Out to Lunch Bunch
- 1:30 pm Outreach Committee
- 3:00 pm Early Elementary Children's Choir
- 3:30 pm Upper Elementary Children's Choir
- 4:00 pm Theology Roundtable
- 4:00 pm TLC4TLC
- 4:30 pm LCY
- 5:00 pm Halloween Carnival

#### MONDAY

- 9:00 am Staff Meeting
- 9:30 am Quilting Group
- 6:30 pm Financial Peace University

#### TUESDAY

- 6:00 pm Minor Boys Basketball Practice
- 7:00 pm Senior Girls Basketball Practice

#### WEDNESDAY

- 11:30 am Prayer Group
- 6:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 pm Furman LSA
- 7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

#### THURSDAY

- 9:30 am Women's Morning G.I.F.T. Group
- 6:30 pm Women's Evening G.I.F.T. Group
- 7:00 pm Senior Boys Basketball Practice

#### NEXT SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 4

##### ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

- 8:30 am Adult Choir Warmup
- 9:00 am Holy Communion
- 9:00 am Project Host Soup Kitchen
- 9:50 am Coffee & Conversation
- 10:10 am Celebration in honor of Amy Brown's 25 Years of Ministry at Trinity
- 10:45 am Adult Choir Warmup
- 11:15 am Holy Communion
- 4:00 pm Theology Roundtable