

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 18 THROUGH NOVEMBER 25

TODAY - NOVEMBER 18

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
 3:00 pm Internship Committee
 3:00 pm Early Elementary Children's Choir
 3:30 pm Upper Elementary Children's Choir
 4:00 pm Theology Roundtable
 4:30 pm Outreach Committee
 5:00 pm Youth Choir
 5:00 pm Property Committee
 6:00 pm Thanksgiving Dinner
 7:00 pm Worship

MONDAY

9:00 am Staff Meeting
 7:30 pm Senior Girls Basketball Game
 @ Edwards Road Baptist
 7:30 pm Senior Boys II Basketball Game
 @ St George
 8:30 pm Senior Boys I Basketball Game
 @ Edwards Road Baptist

WEDNESDAY

Church Office Closes at Noon

THURSDAY

Church Office Closed

FRIDAY

Church Office Closed

NEXT SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 25

8:30 am Adult Choir Warmup
 9:00 am Holy Communion
 9:50 am Coffee & Conversation
 10:10 am Sunday School
 11:15 am Holy Communion
 12:45 pm Out to Lunch Bunch



Activities and Opportunities

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November 18, 2018

Announcements

Pastor Crowell is away today.

Amy Brown is away today.

Thanksgiving Dinner and Worship - Sunday, November 18, 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. Speak with Karen Craig in the Church Office before 11:00 am this morning if not already signed up for the meal. No nursery will be provided as all are welcome to attend worship.

The Church Office will be open from 8:30 am to noon on Wednesday, November 21 due to the Thanksgiving holiday. The office will also be closed on Thursday and Friday.

Annual Meeting of the Congregation - next Sunday, November 25. The first session will be held immediately after each service this day. The proposed budget for 2019 will be introduced and nominations for Congregation Council will be finalized. The meeting will then be recessed until 10:00 am on Sunday, December 2. On that day, the Congregation will adopt a budget and elect members of the Congregation Council.

Spiritual Life Inventory. Anyone who did not participate in the Spiritual Life Inventory last Sunday is encouraged to do so either online at z.umn.edu/SLI-Trinity-Greenville or by filling out a paper copy, available in the Church Office. The survey takes approximately eight minutes to complete. All surveys must be completed by Monday, November 26.

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

2018 Poinsettia Order Form

Poinsettias will be used to decorate the Church at the 10:00 am, 5:00 and 7:00 pm Christmas Eve Services. If you would like to give a poinsettia in honor or memory of someone, complete the form below and return it with \$16.00 for each poinsettia no later than Wednesday, December 12. Poinsettias may be picked up immediately following the 7:00 pm Service on Monday, December 24 or on Thursday, December 27.

Enclosed/attached is my \$16.00 for each poinsettia given.

Total Amount Enclosed: \$_____

In () honor of, In () memory of

Given by: _____

Announcements (cont'd)

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.

Relational Groups

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 or 864-704-4616.

Out to Lunch Bunch - next Sunday, November 25, 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 *City Range* on Haywood Road. Speak with Amy Brown if you would like to attend.

Christmas Party and Ornament Exchange - Friday, December 7, 6:30 pm. Trinity adults are invited to gather for the annual Christmas Party and Ornament Exchange at the home of Chris and Karine Lawrence, 306 Henderson Road. Participants are asked to bring an appetizer or dessert to share with the group and a wrapped Christmas tree ornament for the gift exchange. Soft drinks will be provided. Reservations can be made by calling the Church Office by Monday, December 3. The ornament exchange will begin at 7:00 pm.

Children and Youth

LCY will resume on Sunday, December 2.

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 - Monday, November 19, 6:00 pm, Handbell Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome.

Adult Choir Rehearsals - Monday, November 19, 7:00 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome.

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. One adult class will meet in the Multipurpose Room for a *pre-Advent* study. *Home for Christmas: Tales of Hope and Second Chances* is a study which will help participants to get their hearts and minds in the right place for the Advent season.

Outreach Opportunities

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.

Gifts of Hope - November 25 through December 16. *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.

Sharing Tree - The Outreach Committee is sponsoring 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, Sole Hope, GAIHN/United Ministries families, and Serenity Place. Trees with ornaments listing gift choices will be in the Church Parlor and Multipurpose Room. 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 9. If you have questions, please contact Brenda Bridges at 292-3640 or Melanie Wessinger at 616-1725.

Greenville Area Interfaith Hospitality Network - Sunday, December 16 through Sunday, December 23. Volunteers are needed in all areas including setup, breakfast and dinner preparation, evening and overnight hosts, day center, and takedown. Contact Cathy Westbrook at cwestbrook8114@bellsouth.net or 370-8114 or Louise Fletcher at lfletcher@c3cp.com or 420-5494 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 will be located in the Parlor beginning on Sunday, November 25. The items should be returned to the Kitchen in the Activities Building no later than 11:00 am on Sunday, December 16.