



Activities and Opportunities

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Hospital Patients

Brad Wood - 530, St. Francis Downtown

Announcements

Amy Brown is away today.

A Congregational Beach Retreat will be held June 16 through June 23 at the Coastal Retreat Center on the Isle of Palms. All members are invited to participate. Options for the beginning of the week, end of week, or full week are available. Reservation forms will be sent to those who participated in last year's retreat. Others may request forms by contacting the Church Office in January at kmcook@trinitylutheran.ws or 242-5702.

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

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 are available in the Narthex for adults and for children.

Relational Groups

New G.I.F.T. Group Forming. A new G.I.F.T. Group will be forming for those who missed the fall registration deadline. G.I.F.T. (Growing in Faith Together) groups are adult small groups that meet monthly for food, fellowship, Bible study and spiritual growth opportunities. Adults who would like to participate in a week-night meeting at the Church should contact Amy Brown through the Church Office.

Quilting Group - Monday, January 14, 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, January 16, 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 or Terry Morgan at tfmorgan101@gmail.com. All are invited to attend.

LGBTQIA Fellowship Group - Thursday, January 17, 6:00 pm, Assembly Room. Trinity invites members and friends who identify as LGBTQIA+ to a fellowship group. Participants will share dinner and conversation. Please contact Bob Whitley at 610-620-5921 or Vicar Mary Dickman Parris at 242-5702 with any questions. The meal will be provided.

Congregational Book Discussion - Thursday, January 24, 6:30 pm. All members of the congregation are invited to read *Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life* by Richard Rohr and to gather at the Church for a book discussion. In *Falling Upward*, Father Richard Rohr seeks to help readers understand the tasks of the two halves of life and to show them that those who have fallen, failed, struggled, or deeply transgressed are the only ones who can understand and grasp the reality of “up.” According to Rohr, what looks like falling down, can largely be experienced as “falling upward.” All members and friends are invited to participate in this discussion.

Welcoming ALL of God’s Children - Thursday, February 21, 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Do you or someone you love identify as LGBTQIA+? Are you striving to be an ally? Are you seeking knowledge or a deeper understanding of our LGBTQIA+ siblings in Christ? Please join our congregational family for learning and conversation, led by Mandy Achterberg, a candidate for ordained ministry in the ELCA and a Chaplain for *Reconciling Works*. This educational opportunity will help the Trinity family continue to embrace our identity as a Reconciled in Christ congregation and encourage and empower our efforts to truly and authentically love, honor, value, welcome, and celebrate all of God’s people. Please register for this event through the Church Office by Tuesday, February 19.

Education

Sunday School - Today. 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 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 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 always begins with Coffee and Conversation in the Multipurpose Room beginning at 9:50 am. There are two adult classes offered. *Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times* looks at our struggles with fear and Jesus' command to not be afraid. *God's Messy Family: Finding Your Place when Life Isn't Perfect* is a study of brokenness and redemption in the families we find in the book of Genesis.

Confirmation Events - Saturday, February 9, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. A Bible Event for 8th graders and at least one parent, as well as a Cross Event for 9th grade students will be held. The deadline to sign up for these events is Sunday, February 3.

Music Ministry

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, January 16, 6:00 pm, Handbell Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome.

Adult Choir Rehearsals - Wednesday, January 16, 7:00 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome.

Children and Youth

Kids' Stuff & Club 345 / Baptism Event - Today, 1:30 to 3:30pm. All children in grades K5 through Grade 5 are invited to meet in the Activities Building for a *Baptism Celebration*, sponsored by the Education Committee. There will be crafts, skits, stories and food to help learn about and celebrate each person's baptism.

LCY - Today, 6:00 pm. After dinner, youth will divide into groups to talk about the baptism of Jesus. The group will also have gym time from 7:30 to 8:00 pm.

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.

Greenville Area Interfaith Hospitality Network - Sunday, February 24 through Sunday, March 3. Volunteers are needed in all areas including setup, breakfast and dinner preparation, evening and overnight hosts, day center, and takedown. Contact 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, February 3. The items should be returned to the Kitchen in the Activities Building no later than 11:00 am on Sunday, February 24.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 13 THROUGH JANUARY 20

TODAY - JANUARY 13

8:30 am Adult Choir Warmup
9:00 am Holy Communion
9:50 am Coffee and Conversation
10:10 am Sunday School
10:45 am Adult Choir Warmup
11:15 am Holy Communion
1:30 pm Congregation Council
1:30 pm Kids' Stuff / Club 345 Baptism Event
5:00 pm Youth Choir
6:00 pm LCY

MONDAY

9:00 am Staff Meeting
9:30 am Quilting Group
6:30 pm Senior Girls BB Game @ John Knox
6:30 pm Senior Boys 2 BB Game @
Buncombe St UMC
8:30 pm Senior Boys 1 BB Game @
St. Matthew UMC

TUESDAY

6:30 pm Senior Girls BB Game @
Edwards Rd Baptist
7:30 pm Senior Boys 1 BB Game @
Buncombe St UMC

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

6:00 pm LGBTQIA Fellowship Group
7:00 pm Senior Boys Basketball Practice

NEXT SUNDAY - JANUARY 20

8:30 am Adult Choir Warmup
9:00 am Holy Communion
9:50 am Coffee and Conversation
10:10 am Sunday School
10:45 am Adult Choir Warmup
11:15 am Holy Communion
4:00 pm Internship Committee