



Activities and Opportunities

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Hospital Patients

Cathy Rice - discharged

Announcements

Youth Sunday - next Sunday, September 22, 10:00 am, Gym. All are invited to join the youth of the congregation for *Jesus, Justice, Joy*. This specially designed service will feature the Lutheran Liturgy set to music from the Beatles. Trinity's youth will serve in leadership roles and Holy Communion will be celebrated. At the conclusion of worship brunch will be served in the Multipurpose Room. This will be the only worship service on this day. There will be no Sunday School.

REALM - The Church Staff needs your help in populating the REALM community. Please email Kay Cook at kmcook@trinitylutheran.ws, including your name, address, email address and birth date. You will then receive an email from Trinity/REALM with the subject **Trinity Lutheran Church: Our Ministry Needs You**, which will provide a link to take you to onrealm.org to change your password. Your email address will be your user id. Contact the Church Office with any questions.

Foundation Grants. The Trinity Lutheran Church Foundation is receiving grant applications through October 15. 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.

Stewardship Event *Here in This Place* - Sunday, September 29, 10:10 am, Multipurpose Room. The Stewardship Committee invites the congregation to gather for refreshments and a video presentation featuring Trinity members sharing thoughts about how God's light is shining at Trinity.

New Member Class - Sunday, October 6. A new member class, entitled *What Does It Mean To Be a Lutheran?*, will be taught during the Sunday School hour beginning Sunday, October 6 and extending through November 10. This six 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 10. Questions may be directed to Pastor Crowell.

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.

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 and the Pence Building hallway for adults and children.

Announcements (Cont'd)

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

Relational Groups

Quilting Group - Monday, September 16, 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.

LAUNCH Group - Wednesday, September 18, 7:00 pm. Launch is Trinity's fellowship group for young adults who are recent college graduates through around age 30. The group will enjoy a game night at the home of Matt Wessinger, 11 Langley Drive. Contact Mandi Whitley with any questions.

Congregational Book Discussion - Thursday, September 19, 6:30 pm. All members of the congregation and friends are invited to read Rachel Held Evans' book entitled *Searching for Sunday* and to gather at the Church from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. In the book, Rachel Held Evans does not want to go to church anymore. She is frustrated and overwhelmed by the hypocrisy, the politics, the huge building budgets, and the scandals. The church seemed so far removed from Jesus. The book explores how, despite her cynicism and misgivings, something kept drawing her back to church. Penny Bostain will be leading the discussion. To register, please call the Church Office by Monday, September 16.

TLC4TLC - next Sunday, September 22, 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.

Manna for Mamas - Tuesday, October 1, noon, Library. This study group for mothers with children still at home will continue on the first Tuesday of each month. The group will read and discuss the book *Loving My Actual Life* by Alexandra Kuykendall. Participants may bring their lunch. Questions may be addressed to Jennifer Fenske or Lura Godfrey.

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. This class meets on the first floor of the Education Building, across from the nursery. 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, learning, and service projects

Adults will meet as one class, in the Multipurpose Room. Following Coffee and Conversation, members of the Hospitality Working Group will lead the class in exploring how to become a more welcoming congregation.

Music Ministry

Early Elementary Children's Choir - Today, 2:45 to 3:15 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. This choir is for children in K5 through Grade 1.

Upper Elementary Children's Choir - Today, 3:15 to 4:00 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. This choir is for children in Grades 2 through 5.

Youth Choir Rehearsal - Today, 4:15 pm, Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. The choir will continue preparing music for Youth Sunday.

Handbell Choir Rehearsals - Wednesday, September 18, 6:00 pm, Handbell Rehearsal Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome.

Adult Choir Rehearsal Wednesday, September 18. 7:00 pm, Choir Room on the 2nd floor of the Pence Building. Youth are also welcome.

Children and Youth

LCY - Today, 5:00 pm, Youth Center. After dinner, youth will continue to prepare for Youth Sunday.

LCY - Saturday, September 21, 9:00 to 11:00 am, Gym. All youth who have roles in Youth Sunday should attend.

LCY - next Sunday, September 22, 9:00 am, Gym. All youth who are participating in Youth Sunday should meet in the Gym.

Basketball Registration. Trinity participates in a basketball program through Church League Basketball for Youth (CLBBY). Teams are available for youth in grades K5 through 12 and adult men. While the games do not start until mid-November, early registration is key for creating teams, ordering jerseys, recruiting coaches and setting practice schedules. Registration forms have been emailed. Speak to Mandi Whitley if not already registered.

Empowerment Event for Middle and High School Girls and their Moms - Wednesday, September 25, 6:00 to 8:00 pm, Youth Center. Middle and high school girls and their moms are invited to attend a female empowerment event. Led by Pastor Crowell and Mandi Whitley, this event will focus on empowering and encouraging women. Dinner is provided and an RSVP is needed no later than Sunday, September 22.

Outreach Opportunities

LWR School Kit Collection - Sundays in September. A collection basket for items donated will be in the Breezeway near the Church Office. Today, blunt scissors for children will be collected. On September 22, unsharpened #2 pencils and black or blue ball-point pens will be collected. On September 29, 2 1/2 inch erasers will be collected.

Interfaith Hospitality Network - Sunday, September 29 through Sunday, October 6. 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 or Paige Dillon at pdillon2@bellsouth.net or 982-2141 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 September 8. The items should be returned to the Kitchen in the Activities Building no later than 11:00 am on Sunday, September 29.

Outreach Opportunities (Cont'd)

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. From now until the end of the year is the highest demand on the United Ministries Food Pantry, so please be generous during this time of increased need.

Rebuild Upstate Build Day - Saturday, October 5. Please plan to join in working on a local house to help a homeowner with needed repairs to keep their home safe. *Rebuild Upstate* works in the Greenville area to help homeowners with repairs like roof leaks, floor repairs, ramps, new windows, etc. to allow the homeowner to stay in their home, keeping communities whole and property values intact. The work day will take place on October 5th and will start at 9:00 am. Plan to stay all day and bring your lunch! Children are welcome to come along with adult supervision. (This is a wonderful opportunity for children who need service hours!) If interested in volunteering, please contact Lura Godfrey at luradg@charter.net or 864-423-7567.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 22

TODAY - SEPTEMBER 15

- 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
- 1:30 pm Parish Life Committee - Assembly Room
- 2:45 pm Early Elementary Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 3:15 pm Upper Elementary Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 4:00 pm Internship Committee - Library
- 4:15 pm Youth Choir Rehearsal
- 5:00 pm LCY

MONDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

- 10:00 am Wednesday Morning Bible Study
- 2:00 pm Bingo for Towers East
- 11:30 am Prayer Group

WEDNESDAY (CONT'D)

- 6:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:15 pm Furman LSA
- 6:30 pm Bible 101
- 7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 pm LAUNCH Group

THURSDAY

- 6:30 pm Congregation Book Discussion

SATURDAY

- 9:00 am Youth Sunday Rehearsal

NEXT SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 22

- 9:00 am Youth Choir Warmup
- 10:00 am Youth Sunday Worship in Gym followed by brunch
- 11:45 am Education Committee
- 1:30 pm Outreach Committee
- 2:45 pm Early Elementary Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 3:15 pm Upper Elementary Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 4:00 pm TLC4TLC
- 5:00 pm Property Committee