

Activities and Opportunities

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Welcome to worship at Trinity, a place of love, grace, and belonging where all, without exception, are loved, honored, valued, affirmed, welcomed, and celebrated. If you are new to Trinity, we are thrilled to have you here. If you would like to know more about this congregation and our ministry please share your contact information with us by filling out a Connection Card which can be obtained from the baskets. Thank you for your presence among us.

Contributions. Trinity is grateful for all the prayers, contributions, and displays of support from members, friends, and guests. Financial contributions can be placed in the offering plates during worship, mailed to the church, or given electronically by going to our website trinitylutheran.ws, by scanning the QR code, or texting TLCGIVE to 73256.



Children's Worship Opportunity. Accompanied by Child Protection trained adults, all children are invited to leave the worship space after the children's sermon to go to either the Assembly Room (located underneath the Sanctuary) or to the Multipurpose Room (located in the Activities Building) depending on the location of worship to enjoy a story related to the scripture texts, games, interactive activities, and a craft before returning to the worship space during the Sharing of the Peace and in time to participate in the congregation's celebration of Holy Communion.

Worship Bags are available in the Narthex or Gym for children to use and enjoy during the Service. After worship, used bags may be placed in the baskets next to the stands.

Queer-led Worship: Taize Around the Cross, Thursday, September 7, at 6:30 pm in the Gym. In September we welcome Jon-Phil Winter as our guest preacher. New queer leaders are always welcome. Please email Patrick Preacher at pdpreacher@trinitylutheran.ws if you are interested. This service will be live-steamed.

Faith Formation for All Adults. An adult faith formation class meets at 9:00 am in Rooms 12 and 13 of the Activities Building. Penny Bostain is leading the group in exploring *Bible Stories for Grown Ups: Reading Scripture With New Eyes*. The class ends in time for worship at 10:00 am. Those interested in participating in the class via Zoom should contact Deacon Amy Brown for sign-in information.

Faith Formation for Youth. Youth in grades 6 though 12 this fall are invited to stay after worship once a month for Lunch and Learn, a time for fellowship building and faith formation lessons and activities. Youth will gather on Sunday, September 10 in the Youth Room. Pick up time is 12:30 pm.

Children's Ministries. Trinity Children (preschool - grade 5) will meet on Sunday, September 10, following worship. Lunch will be provided. Participants will work together on a kindness activity. This event will benefit both those in attendance and as outreach for our church family. Volunteers are needed for lunch and to assist with the event. Please reach out to Angie McCormack at ahmccormack@trinitylutheran.ws for more information, to sign up, or to help!

Upcoming Youth Ministry Event. An ELCA Youth Gathering Event information session for grades 6 - 12 will be held on Sunday, September 17 from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm in the Multipurpose Room. Lunch will be provided. The Youth Gathering will be held July 16 - 20, 2024 in New Orleans, LA. Contact Angie McCormack at ahmccormack@trinitylutheran.ws for more information.

New Member Class and Reception of New Members. In September, Pastor Crowell will be teaching a new member class via Zoom for anyone interested in exploring the possibility of joining Trinity. These classes will take place from 6:30 to 7:30 pm on Wednesdays, September 6 and 13. Please call the Church Office if you would like to attend these classes that will be taught remotely. New members will be received on Sunday, September 17 at the 10:00 am worship service in the Gym.

Love Wins, a fellowship group for adults passionate about justice, will meet on September 14 at 6:30 pm. The group will meet at *Birds Fly South*, 1320 Hampton Avenue, Greenville. The group will enjoy fellowship, and, rather than reading a book or listening to a podcast, the group will share some favorites and recommendations. A recommended list will be started that can be shared with one another. Contact Angie McCormack at ahmccormack@trinitylutheran.ws or 864-630-4026 for more information or to get involved.

September Worship Schedule

Sunday, September 3
Worship at 10:00 am in the Sanctuary
Refreshments and fellowship to follow on the front lawn

Sunday, September 10 Worship at 10:00 am in the Gym Refreshments and fellowship to follow in the back corner of the Gym

Sunday, September 17
Worship at 10:00 am in the Gym
Reception of New Members
Refreshments and fellowship to follow in the back corner of the Gym

Sunday, September 24
Worship at 10:00 am in the Sanctuary
Refreshments and fellowship to follow on the front lawn

Praying for Possibilities is a new program at Trinity dedicated to praying for the ministries of the congregation. The written prayers highlight areas of the church where various ministries occur, specific programs, and members of the church staff. Members and friends of the congregation are invited to sign up for a specific week during the year when they are encouraged to pray through the prayers one time from home or while walking the grounds of the church or sitting in the Sanctuary. Prayers can be lifted up from home, while travelling, or at the church. Praying the prayers can be done at one time or spread out over the week. On the Sunday of the designated week, prayer volunteers are asked to pray for the worship service and the members in need of special love and care who are lifted up in the prayers during worship. A hard copy of the prayers is available along with an electronic copy. This new ministry requires a small amount of commitment with the possibility of tremendous blessing. To ask questions about the ministry or to sign up to participate, please reach out to Beth Bennett-Hill at 704-307-0521 bethbhnc@yahoo.com or or to Terry Morgan tfmorgan101@gmail.com or 864-230-6252.

Mental Health Matters

Please join the Trinity Family on Sunday, September 24 following worship from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm in the Multipurpose Room

for Mental Health Matters an event that includes lunch and activities that support and promote positive mental health

Activities will include:

- creating cards and encouraging notes and assembling care packages for Trinity's college students
- making personal encouragement journals as a resource for bad days
 - and an opportunity to pet and snuggle with several friendly pups.

Lunch menu includes sub sandwiches, pasta salad, fruit salad, and dessert.

This event is for children, youth, and adults.

There is no cost for the meal.

Please reach out to the Church Office to register.

Save the Date!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

A Special Worship service in the Sanctuary at 10:00 am followed by a Catered Congregational Lunch In the Gym