

Youth Event. On Saturday, January 25, youth and families will travel to Moonshine Mountain in Hendersonville, NC for snow tubing. All youth must have one parent or guardian attending and carpooling is encouraged. Reservations have been secured for 1 hour and 45 minutes of tubing starting at 2:00 pm. The cost is \$20.00.

2025 Envelopes. The offering envelopes for this year are available this morning to those that requested envelopes. Please see Kay Cook in the Narthex to receive your envelopes and contact the Church Office with questions.

Everyone is invited to gather for a
Congregational Baptismal Celebration

Sunday, January 26, 2025
11:30 am
in the Multipurpose Room

A taco bar lunch will be provided
as well as activities to remember and celebrate
God's naming and claiming us as God's beloved, precious, baptized children.

Contact Angie McCormack at 864-630-4026 or ahmccormack@trinitylutheran.ws
for more information or to sign up for this event.



Activities and Opportunities

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Hospital Patients

Sheryl Schirmer - Discharged
Connie Stieghan - Discharged

Death

Our Christian sympathy is expressed to Julie Brightwell and her family at the death of her mother.

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 pew racks or baskets. Thank you for your presence among us.

Pastor Crowell is away today.

Patrick Preacher is away today.

We welcome Julie Florin as our guest organist today.

The Church Office will be closed Monday, January 20, in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

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 Activity. Accompanied by Child Protection trained adults, children are invited to leave worship after the children's sermon to go hear the scripture read in ways more appropriate for their age. Using lectionary stories heard in worship each Sunday, the children not only hear scripture, but enjoy a related activity such as a game, craft, or music. Children return to worship during the sharing of the peace and in time to participate in the celebration of Holy Communion.

Worship Bags are available in the Narthex for children. Bags for preschoolers are tied with a white ribbon. Bags for elementary age children have no ribbon. After worship, used bags may be placed in the baskets next to the stands.

Communion. In an effort to further embrace Trinity's mission of welcome, affirmation, and hospitality, both wine and grape juice are available. The addition of grape juice enables God's beloveds for whom alcohol is problematic to participate more fully. Raise a finger at the altar so the pastor will know of your desire for grape juice.

Nursery for infants and toddlers. A nursery hosted by a member of the Trinity staff, Beth Oswald, as well as a small group of rotating volunteers who have been trained in Trinity's Child Protection Policy is available each Sunday morning beginning at 9:45 am to care for infants and toddlers who would prefer enjoying play time instead of attending 10:00 am worship. The nursery is located on the first floor of the Pence Building. Please reach out to a greeter or usher if you need assistance.

Children of Trinity!!!

Please Join Us

on Sunday, January 26 at 9:00 am

In the Education Building

(enter through the breezeway doors)

for the Kick-Off

of Trinity's new Faith Formation program

for infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and elementary-aged children

There will be a class for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers who should bring a parent or caring adult with them.

Another class will be offered for children in K5 through Grade 2 as well as a class for children in Grades 3 through Grade 5.

This first series of Faith Formation for children will take place on Sundays, January 26, February 2, and February 9.

All adults leading the program are trained in Trinity's Child Protection Policy.

Please reach out to Patrick Preacher at pdpreacher@trinitylutheran.ws or Pastor Crowell at sjcrowell@trinitylutheran.ws with questions.

Adult Faith Formation: A new series will begin Sunday, January 26. Taught by Penny Bostain, *Together by Grace: Introducing the Lutherans* will explore foundations of Lutheranism, including theology and history, in ways that are informative and interactive. Participants may choose to purchase the book by searching the title, *Together by Grace: Introducing the Lutherans* on Amazon, but this is not required for full participation. A study guide will be provided.

Trinity Children and Youth will join together for lunch on Sunday, January 26. Following lunch, the groups will divide for "Exploring the Faith: Miracles of Jesus." Pastor Parham will lead the youth and Angie McCormack will be with the children. The event will end at 1:00 pm. For more information or questions, contact Angie McCormack at ahmccormack@trinitylutheran.ws or 864-630-4026.

Festival of Queer Books. Trinity will host Greenville's first ever Festival of Queer Books on Saturday, February 22 from 10:00 am to noon in the Activities Building. With public schools and libraries limiting access to books representing queer families, this is an important step in providing queer youth, children, and families access to books about characters and themes they can relate to. In collaboration with other LGBTQIA+ affirming organizations, the day will have something for everyone - a bounce house, a silent disco, read-alouds, and of course FREE BOOKS! Each family will leave with a selection of books about LGBTQIA+ and/or other marginalized peoples. The focus of the day is on children's picture books in an effort to make literacy accessible for all ages. Please contact Patrick Preacher at pdpreacher@trinitylutheran.ws if interested in being a part of this exciting event.

The TLC History Reading Group will now meet at 11:30 am on the third Sunday of each month. The next meeting is today, January 19 in Rooms 12 and 13 at 11:30 am after worship. The group will discuss *Patriots: The Men Who Started the American Revolution* by A. J. Langgath. Newcomers are always welcome. Contact Bob Schirmer at rwschirmer@gmail.com or Don Todd at dktodd47@gmail.com for more information. Participation via Zoom will be available.

Trinity's Out to Lunch Bunch is open to all adults who would like to enjoy fellowship and a meal together after worship. The group will gather today, January 19 at Moe's BBQ, 109 W Stone Ave, Greenville. Please reach out to Angie McCormack at 864-630-4026 this morning if you would like to join the group.