

## Activities and Opportunities

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### Hospital Patient

Mary Brown - Discharged

**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.

**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](http://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.

**Communion.** In an effort to further embrace Trinity's mission of welcome, affirmation, and hospitality, both wine and grape juice are available in the split chalice. The addition of grape juice enables God's beloveds for whom alcohol is problematic to participate fully.

**Worship Bags** are available in the Narthex or the Gym 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.

**The Welcome Table.** September's meal will take place on Wednesday, September 24 at 11:30 am in the Multipurpose Room. An RSVP is not required to attend. All are welcome and encouraged to come for lunch! Future dates include October 22 and November 19. If you would specifically like to volunteer, please reach out to Patrick Preacher at [pdpreacher@trinitylutheran.ws](mailto:pdpreacher@trinitylutheran.ws).

**Adult Faith Exploration.** All adults are invited to attend an ever growing and changing educational opportunity at 9:00 am on Sunday mornings in rooms 12 and 13 that includes a variety of topics and facilitators. The class finishes the lesson and discussion in time to attend worship at 10:00 am. Attending remotely via Zoom is also a possibility. A schedule of topics and facilitators is as follows:

September 28 *The unseen pain for children in foster care and our compassionate response as Christians* David White  
(from Fostering Great Ideas)

**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.

**Foundation Grants.** The Trinity Lutheran Church Foundation is receiving grant applications from September 1 to 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 at 864-242-5702 or reaching out to Kay Cook at [kmcook@trinitylutheran.ws](mailto:kmcook@trinitylutheran.ws).

**New Member Class.** Are you interested in learning more about Trinity? More about what it means to be Lutheran? Are you considering becoming a member of this community of faith? Pastor Crowell and Patrick Preacher will teach a class on two consecutive Sundays, today and September 28, on Lutheran Faith and Theology. These gatherings will be held after worship on each of these Sundays and will include lunch in the Multipurpose Room followed by an hour-long class for youth and adults in Rooms 12 and 13. Childcare for infants, preschoolers, and elementary-aged children will be provided. All are welcome to join the group after worship today.

**New Members Joining.** Trinity will receive new members on Sunday, October 19 during worship at 10:00 am in the Gym. If interested in becoming part of this community of faith on this date, please reach out to Pastor Crowell at [sjcrowell@trinitylutheran.ws](mailto:sjcrowell@trinitylutheran.ws).

**Trinity Children (K5 -5th grade).** On September 28, the group will enjoy lunch together, followed by a lesson, discussion, and activities based on Luke 16 - *Lazarus and the Rich Man*. Reach out to Angie Mc Cormack at [ahmccormack@trinitylutheran.ws](mailto:ahmccormack@trinitylutheran.ws) to help with this event.

**The TLC History Reading Group** will meet today after lunch at 12:15 pm in the Parlor as part of the Together @ Trinity events, to discuss David McCullough's *The Pioneers*. Anyone interested in history is invited to attend; completion of the book is helpful but not required to join discussions. Contact Bob Schirmer at [rwschirmer@gmail.com](mailto:rwschirmer@gmail.com) or Don Todd at [dk todd47@gmail.com](mailto:dk todd47@gmail.com) for more information.

**Mahjong Group.** A group of Trinity members and friends gather each Friday morning at 10:00 am in the Assembly Room to spend time together and play Mahjong. It's a non-competitive group with folks willing to teach others to play the game. Questions may be directed via text to Penny Bostain at 864-630-8798 or Lani Ludian at 864-419-9574.

### **GOAL House Meetings**

GOAL is excited to begin the fourth cycle of justice work this fall with congregational House Meetings. While the work on affordable housing and mental health continues to be important and ongoing, fresh perspectives are needed as GOAL discerns the community issues that are currently negatively impacting those on the margins. Help us continue to work to make Greenville a more just and equitable place for all by participating in one of the House Meetings to share your stories, passions, and concerns. House meetings will last about 90 minutes and will be an opportunity to build relationships with other Trinity members as justice concerns are shared. All events are held at Trinity, unless otherwise noted. Please make arrangements to attend one of the following:

Tuesday, September 23 at 5:30 pm, hosted by Tori Hilbourn and Lane Lewis at Lanes's home, 403B East Camperdown Way. Please reach out to Tori at [toribice99@gmail.com](mailto:toribice99@gmail.com) or 843-250-2705 or Lane at [lane.t.lewis@gmail.com](mailto:lane.t.lewis@gmail.com) or 847-284-4729 to register.

Wednesday, September 24 at 2:00 pm, hosted by Cathy O'Neill in the Multipurpose Room. Please reach out to Cathy at [cathycate51@gmail.com](mailto:cathycate51@gmail.com) or 706-461-0248 to register.

Sunday, September 28 at 11:30 am hosted by Deirdre Hixson and Emily Kerbuski in the Parlor. Please reach out to Deirdre at [dhixson0230@gmail.com](mailto:dhixson0230@gmail.com) or 864-906-5038 or Emily at [ebkerbuski12@gmail.com](mailto:ebkerbuski12@gmail.com) or 803-394-3090 to register. Childcare will be available.

Tuesday, September 30 at 6:00 pm hosted by Kerrie Seymour in the Parlor. Please reach out to Kerrie at [kerrie.seymour@gmail.com](mailto:kerrie.seymour@gmail.com) or 864-275-6913 to register.

Monday, October 6 at 6:30 pm in the parlor, hosted by Andrew and Drake McFadyen. Please reach out to Drake at [k.drake.powell@gmail.com](mailto:k.drake.powell@gmail.com) or 828-719-9955 to register.

Monday, October 13 at 5:30 PM in the parlor, hosted by Margaret Roth. Please reach out to Margaret at [rothmargaret@icloud.com](mailto:rothmargaret@icloud.com) or 864-918-2922 to register.

**Book Discussion.** On Thursday, October 9 at 10:00 am please join Pastor Crowell in Rooms 12 and 13 of the Activities Building for a book discussion of Liane Moriarty's novel, *Here One Moment*. The book shifts commonly held understandings of community and connection and questions how lives would change if the future was known. It is a quick read with themes that challenge the typical ways of seeing the world and the faith. Copies are available to borrow through the Greenville County Library System or for purchase on Amazon. Coffee and refreshments will be provided. Childcare will also be provided. Reach out to Pastor Crowell at [sjcrowell@trinitylutheran.ws](mailto:sjcrowell@trinitylutheran.ws) to register for this event.

### September Worship Schedule

Sunday, September 21  
Worship at 10:00 am in the Gym  
Refreshments and Fellowship to follow in the back corner of the Gym  
Followed by *Together @ Trinity*

Sunday, September 28  
Worship at 10:00 am in the Sanctuary  
Refreshments and Fellowship to follow on the front lawn



### Stewardship Celebration Sunday

*Investing in Trinity:  
A Community of Belonging Living Out  
the Inclusive Gospel*

Please save the date to join Trinity family and friends to celebrate the 2025 Stewardship Invitation in worship.

**Sunday, October 5 at 10:00 am  
in the Sanctuary**

A celebratory catered community meal  
*in the Gym*  
will follow worship.