TRINITY
LUTHERAN CHURCH 1909

Activities and Opportunities

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Hospital Patient

Herb Lembcke, 4223 — Prisma Health Greenville Memorial

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 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.

Queer-Led worship. On Thursday, October 2 worship will begin at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. New queer leaders are always welcome. Please email Patrick Preacher at pdpreacher@trinitylutheran.ws if interested. Absolutely all people, queer and allies alike, are welcome to worship. This service will be live-streamed. Refreshments and fellowship to follow.

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.

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 the second class today on Lutheran Faith and Theology. The gathering will be held after worship 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.

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.

Trinity Children (K5-5th grade). Today, 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 McCormack at ahmccormack@trinitylutheran.ws to help with this event.

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.

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 to register for this event.

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:

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 or 864-906-5038 or Emily at 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 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 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 or 864-918-2922 to register.

Two additional GOAL house meetings have been scheduled in partnership with Gethsemane Baptist Church, 711 Worley Road, Greenville. Gethsemane is a predominantly black congregation pastored by the Rev. Emmanuel Duncan located near Trinity. The gatherings will be at Gethsemane on Wednesday, October 1 at 7:30 pm hosted by Cathy O'Neill and on Monday, October 6 at 2:30 pm hosted by Margaret Roth. If you have an interest or passion for racial justice, please reach out to Cathy O'Neill at cathycate51@gmail.com or 706-461-0248 at your earliest convenience to make arrangements to attend one of these gatherings in cooperation with other downtown neighbors.

October Worship Schedule

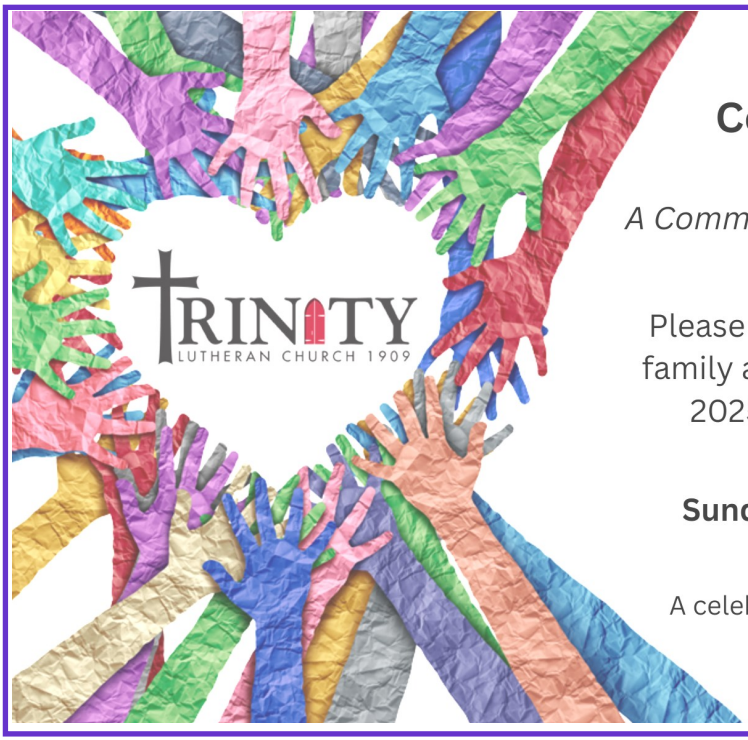
Thursday, October 2
Queer-led Worship in the Sanctuary at 6:30 pm
Refreshments and fellowship soft drink to follow on the front lawn

Sunday, October 5
Stewardship Worship Celebration at 10:00 am in the Sanctuary
Refreshments and Fellowship to follow on the front lawn
followed by a catered Celebration Lunch in the Gym

Sunday, October 12
Worship at 10:00 am in the in the Gym
Refreshments and Fellowship to follow in the back corner of the Gym

Sunday, October 19
Worship at 10:00 am in the Gym
Reception of New Members
Refreshments and Fellowship in honor of New Members
to follow in the back corner of the Gym

Sunday , October 26
Festival Worship with brass at 10:00 am in the Sanctuary
Refreshments and fellowship to follow on the front lawn
followed by Together@Trinity: A Reformation Celebration in the Multipurpose Room



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.