

Activities and Opportunities

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Hospital Patient

Mary Brown - 222, St. Francis Downtown

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.

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 following worship at *Corona's Mexican Restaurant*, 2119 Wade Hampton Blvd.

Greenville Organized for Accountable Leadership. Just a reminder that this month marks the annual community issue cycle for GOAL and the first step is hearing concerns about our community. Please say “YES” when invited to a house meeting to be able to share concerns and hear from others. Contact Cathy O’Neill at 706-461-0248 or at cathycate51@gmail.com if interested in attending a house meeting. Dates, times, and places of house meetings will be announced soon.

Adult Faith Formation. 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 14 <i>Holy God, Holy Bible, Holy Humor</i>	Melissa Kolb
September 21 <i>Addiction: Recovery, Healing, and Spirituality</i>	Michael Crouch
September 28 <i>The unseen pain for children in foster care and our compassionate response as Christians</i>	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.

Trinity preschool children (infant to K5) and their siblings are invited to gather today in the children’s classroom in the Pence Building following worship. The group will enjoy lunch together followed by a story, a song, a craft, and playground time if the weather cooperates. The theme of the day is Growing with God. A parent or caring adult is encouraged to attend along with children. Reach out to Angie McCormack at ahmccormack@trinitylutheran.ws for more information.

Fiber Arts Group. Those who enjoy (or want to learn) crochet, knitting, cross-stitch, sewing, latch hooking, or some other fiber-based craft not listed here are invited to come together for a time of crafting and community. Really, all crafts that travel well are welcome! Attendees should bring supplies to craft. The group will meet on Monday, September 8 at 6:00 pm in the Multipurpose Room. Contact Jenn Jordan at 314-605-2605 with questions.

Trinity Youth will walk downtown on Sunday, September 14, for lunch and mini-golf at Group Therapy. Youth should meet at Angie’s office, following worship. Pick up time is 1:30 pm at Group Therapy, 320 Falls Street. Parents may reach out to Angie McCormack at ahmccormack@trinitylutheran.ws to help with this event.

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, September 21 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. Please reach out to Pastor Crowell at sjcrowell@trinitylutheran.ws to register for these sessions and to share any dietary restrictions.

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.

Men's Reflection and Fellowship Group. A Reflection and Fellowship Group for men meets on the second Wednesday of the month from 7:00–8:00 am in the Parlor. Calvin Harmon leads and facilitates this group with the intent of providing a brave, safe space for mutual sharing and encouragement. The morning includes a light breakfast as well as time for devotions and prayer. Upcoming meeting dates include September 10 and October 8.

Love Wins is a group that meets monthly to discuss a book/podcast and to enjoy some social time together. The group will rotate monthly between meeting at the church to discuss a podcast or book, and a social night out. This month the group will meet on Thursday, September 18, in the Parlor at 6:30 pm to discuss the book, *The Let Them Theory*, by Mel Robbins. Participants are asked to bring a simple snack to share. For more information, or to sign up, contact Angie McCormack at 864-630-4026 or ahmccormack@trinitylutheran.ws.

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 reach out to Kay Cook at kmcook@trinitylutheran.ws.

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.

September Worship Schedule

Sunday, September 14
Worship at 10:00 am in the Gym
Refreshments and Fellowship to follow in the back corner of the Gym

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.