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Trinity's Worship Team

I have always loved autumn.
Rich, righteous colors, a shedding of weight and submission to a force larger than you.
The revelation of one's true self. Bare and unafraid.
It's the knowing that this is as it must be and everything will pass.
It's the letting go, you see. Let it go.
— Excerpt from *Autumn* by Donna Ashworth

Dear Beloved Trinity Community,

I am freshly home from a trip to Disney World and yet another experience of my favorite attraction *Frozen Ever After* where Queen Elsa sings her signature song entitled *Let it Go* as the boat of Disney fans dramatically descends. While Queen Elsa is able to let it go, the rich young ruler in the gospels could not. He loved what he possessed so much that he could not let it go and follow Jesus. Choosing to tighten his grasp on his current life, scripture says that he walked away sad.

Autumn is the season of letting go. Letting go does not mean dismissing the past or abandoning the people and practices that have nourished us. Letting go means trusting that the God who has accompanied us this far is still at work creating a beautiful future for us.

In this season of change, what is God calling our community of faith to release? What old ways of thinking and traditions that no longer hold meaning is God calling us to let go? And what about our individual lives? What past hurt, regret, painful relationship, or façade needs to be released so that we can more fully and authentically lean into the life that God is preparing for us?

The Autumn trees remind us that release is not the end of the story. The letting go creates space for new life, new opportunities to serve, new relationships, and new ways to follow Jesus. May God give us the strength to open our hands, to pay attention, and to trust that even now, something new and meaningful is beginning to grow.

With love and fierce hope,

Susan

Pastor Susan Crowell

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COUNCIL AND BUSINESS

Council Notes

At the October meeting of the Congregation Council, the council...

- received a report from Vice-President Richard Moose, noting that expenses for September were $3,379 more than expected;
- received a report from the Executive Committee on the progress toward the sale of the 429 property;
- received an update on staffing in this season of retirements; and
- approved a slate of nominees from the Nominating Committee for potential leadership on council.

Church Office Hours

Monday | Church Office Closed
Tuesday — Friday | 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Our pastors are away from ministry responsibilities observing Sabbath on the following days each week:

Pastor Crowell – Tuesday
Pastor Parham – Friday
Pastor Preacher – Tuesday

Attendance for October

Sundays	10/4	10/11	10/18	10/25
Online Devices	114	109	115	116
On Campus	112	104	120	159
TOTAL	226	211	235	275

Queer-Led Worship: Online Devices 87; On Campus 19

Offering Summary for September

Giving	August 2026	YTD
Needed for Budget	$100,857	$907,713
Given to Budget	$63,713	$822,356
Difference	($37,144)	($85,357)
Given to World Hunger	$47	$11,171

The offering totals reflected below include the total amount of offering received in September. The October total income will be included in the December Tidings.

Annual Meeting of the Congregation

The first session of the Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held immediately after worship in the Gym on **Sunday, November 29**. At this time the proposed ministry plan for 2027 will be presented and nominees for Congregation Council will be introduced. The meeting will then stand in recess until 11:30 am on Sunday, December 6 when the congregation will meet after worship in the Gym to adopt a ministry plan for 2027 and to elect members of Congregation Council. The ten nominees for the five three-year terms and the nominee for the one one-year youth term will be announced via e-mail soon. Everyone is invited to bring a brunch finger food to share during the meeting. Coffee and juice will be provided.

TRINITY
LUTHERAN CHURCH 1909

Our Shared Calling

We are a diverse faith community proclaiming the inclusive gospel of Christ by practicing love through hospitality, justice, and belonging.

Core Commitments

Relevant Worship
Radical Welcome
Queer Affirmation
Authentic Community
Justice and Advocacy
Faithful Giving
Spaces of Belonging

WORSHIP AND FAITH EXPLORATION

Adult Faith Exploration

Adults meet each Sunday at 9:00 am in Rooms 12 and 13 to engage in lively discussion around matters of faith and the current reality in which we live. A new Advent series begins **Sunday, November 29.** The series called From Generation to Generation will be led by Jon and Renee Heiliger. Make your journey to the manger more meaningful this Advent with these weekly discussions which will include a simple craft project to complete during class each week. Please reach out to Pastor Preacher at pdpreacher@trinitylutheran.ws with questions or to volunteer to lead.

Festival of All Saints

Trinity will celebrate All Saints Day on **Sunday, November 1** at 10:00 am in the Gym. All Saints Day is an ancient Christian feast that remembers the whole communion of saints – both those who have gone before us in faith and those living now in Christ. This festival emerged in the early church to honor martyrs but broadened to include all people of God. For Lutherans, the saints are not just extraordinary people, but all the baptized in Christ, living and dead. Trinity marks this holy day by remembering Trinity members who have joined the Church Triumphant during the past year to include Marilyn Boeker, Tad Boland, Jo Glymph, Herb Lembcke, Edward Templin, and Eddie Woodward. Everyone is invited to bring photos of beloved ones who have died to include on the Saints Table in the Gym.

Blue Christmas Worship

Does this holiday season feel too rush-rush-rush and holly jolly? If the season feels heavy for you this year, join us for a quiet, prayerful Blue Christmas/Longest Night service on **Monday, December 21** at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. This intimate candlelight worship makes space for the grief that so often travels with us this time of year. Musicians who would like to share their gifts for this service are invited to contact Pastor Preacher at pdpreacher@trinitylutheran.ws.

November Worship Schedule

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1 at 10:00 am | Gym
All Saints Sunday
Refreshments and fellowship in the back corner of the Gym
Congregational Lunch in the Multipurpose Room

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5 at 6:30 pm | Gym
Queer-led Worship Homecoming
A Celebration Meal will be provided following worship

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8 at 10:00 am | Sanctuary
Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Refreshments and fellowship on the front lawn

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15 at 10:00 am | Gym
Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Retirement Celebration for Kay Cook in the Multipurpose Room

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22 at 10:00 am | Sanctuary
Reign of Christ Sunday
Community Thanksgiving Lunch in the Gym

SUNDAY, November 29 at 10:00 am | Sanctuary
First Sunday in Advent
Opening Session of Annual Meeting
Refreshments and Fellowship in the back corner of the Gym

Christmas Decorating

'Tis the season to deck the halls of Trinity! Trinity has been celebrating Advent and Christmas with a Chrismon Tree since 1964. That's 62 years of Chrismons at Trinity. If you enjoy holiday decorating, Christian symbolism, and history, you will love being a part of the Chrismon Tree decorating day. No experience needed. Just join the Worship Circle on **Saturday, November 28** at 10:00 am in the Sanctuary. There will be donuts! Contact Jaime Fivecoat at jaime5gvl@gmail.com with questions.

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES

Youth Ministry

Youth will meet on **Sunday, November 8** following worship in the Youth Room for lunch and to discuss ways to give thanks, write thank-you cards, and play messy, fun Thanksgiving games. Lunch will be provided. Reach out to Angie McCormack at ahmccormack@trinitylutheran.ws with questions. The event will conclude at 1:00 pm.

Preschool Play Group

Preschoolers, their siblings, and parents (or a caring adult) are invited to gather in the Pence Building in the Children's Room on **Sunday, November 22** following the Community Thanksgiving Lunch for thirty minutes of play, activities, and a fun time of relationship-building. Reach out to Angie McCormack at ahmccormack@trinitylutheran.ws with questions.

Children's Worship Opportunity

Children are a gift to Trinity's worship. Children's Worship Opportunity gives kids room to move, ask questions, and explore the week's stories through play, sight, sound, and taste, led by adults trained in our Child Protection Policy. Lessons are ready-made, so leading is easy. Want to help? Contact Pastor Preacher at pdpreacher@trinitylutheran.ws.

Children's Ministry

Children (Kindergarten–5th grade) will gather after worship on **Sunday, November 15** to enjoy lunch together, make a Blessing Chain, and enjoy some Thanksgiving games. It would be helpful for younger children to be accompanied by a parent or other caring adult.

Music Moments for Children with Pastor Parham

On **Sunday, November 8**, we will offer our third Music Moments for Children. Children ages three to fifth grade and a parent or caregiver are invited to gather with Pastor Parham following worship in the Choir Room for twenty minutes of music-making.

Pray and Play Area in the Gym

The Pray and Play area continues to grow and thrive. Depending upon the Sunday, there have been as many as ten children gathered in that area enjoying being at church as they play, pray in their own ways, and dance to Trinity's songs of praise. This area is a visible sign of Trinity's love for family and children.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Adult Choir

Adult Choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:15 pm in the Choir Room on the second floor of the Pence Building. During Thanksgiving week, rehearsal will move from the Wednesday to **Monday, November 23** at 7:00 pm. Everyone with a love of singing is invited to join this community of musical mission partners. There are no auditions. New singers are invited to schedule an orientation meeting with Pastor Parham prior to their first rehearsal.

Share Instrumental Gifts

Do you play an instrument? Are you interested in playing during worship? Opportunities to use your gifts in this way are available.

Save the Date - Christmas Pagaent

Trinity's annual interactive, intergenerational Christmas Pageant will be held on **Sunday, December 13** at 10:00 am in the Gym. An orchestra of Trinity members and friends comes together each year for this musical opportunity.

Handbell Choir

Handbell Choir rehearsals continue on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm in the Handbell Rehearsal Room on the second floor of the Pence Building. We will not rehearse on Wednesday, November 25.

Reach out to Pastor Parham at jcparham@trinitylutheran.ws if interested in participating in any of these musical opportunities.

THE TRINITY FAMILY

November Birthdays

In an effort to stay connected, please consider extending birthday greetings to the following members. If you would like the church to know your birthdate please contact the Church Office to submit this information through Realm.

Lynn Andrews – November 20
Adrian Bigby – November 2
Jim Blalock – November 29
Mike Boliek – November 18
Wynne Boliek – November 28
Harris Brightwell – November 17
Roger Brown – November 30
Jordan Forbes – November 17
Rachelle Holmes – November 26
Pattimarie Janssen – November 7
Mary Lampson – November 1
Evan Otten – November 9
Margo Otten – November 7
Christine Parham – November 17
Willie Pittman – November 1
Cathy Rice – November 20
Cara Yunker – November 6
Chris Tidwell – November 28
Emmie Wannemacher – November 13
Mac Wannemacher – November 13
Owen Wannemacher – November 13
Jack Wolff – November 4

Within the Trinity Family

Hospitalized in the past month:
Luther Boliek, Lani Wise

Baptisms:
Hannah Elise Thompson, daughter of Keith and Elizabeth Thompson on October 18

Daniel John Wessinger, son of Matthew and Grace Wessinger on October 25

Deaths:
Jo Glymph on October 15

Membership Changes:
Dora Welch to Christ the King in Gladwin, MI.

Please join the Trinity family
on Sunday, November 15 following worship
in the Multipurpose Room
for a Retirement Celebration

in honor of Kay Cook
and her twenty years of ministry
as Trinity's Office Manager



Upcoming Events at TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH 1909

11/22	COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING LUNCH	Sunday, November 22 following worship
12/4	CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTMAS PARTY AND ORNAMENT EXCHANGE	Friday, December 4 at 6:30 pm, at the home of Stoppy Stoppenhagen
12/13	CHRISTMAS PAGEANT	Sunday, December 13 at 10:00 am, followed by brunch
12/21	BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE	Monday, December 21 at 6:30 pm
12/24	CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES	Thursday, December 24 at 3:00 pm and 5:30 pm

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 **All Saints Day** 9:00 am | Faith Exploration for Adults 10:00 am | Worship in the Gym and Live-stream Refreshments and Fellowship to follow 11:30 am | Congregational Lunch and PeaceCYCLE	**2** 6:30 pm | Candlelight Yoga in the Gym 6:30 pm | Fiber Arts Group	**3** Pastor Crowell - Sabbath Pastor Preacher - Sabbath 6:00 pm | Youngish Group	**4** 1:00 - 3:00 pm | Game Day 6:00 pm | Handbell Choir 7:00 pm | Adult Choir	**5** 6:30 pm | Queer-Led Worship Homecoming and Community Meal	**6** Pastor Parham - Sabbath	**7**
8 **Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost** 9:00 am | Faith Exploration for Adults 9:30 am | Second Sunday Food Drive 10:00 am | Worship in the Sanctuary and Live-stream, Refreshments and Fellowship to follow 11:30 am | Trinity Youth 11:45 am | Period Project Packing Party 1:30 pm | Congregation Council	**9**	**10** Pastor Crowell - Sabbath Pastor Preacher - Sabbath	**11** 7:00 am | Men's Reflection Group 1:00 - 3:00 pm | Game Day 6:00 pm | Handbell Choir 7:00 pm | Adult Choir	**12** 6:30 pm | Board Game Night	**13** Pastor Parham - Sabbath	**14**
15 **Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost** 9:00 am | Faith Exploration for Adults 10:00 am | Worship in the Gym and Live-stream 11:30 am | Reception for Kay Cook 11:30 am | History Reading Group	**16** 6:00 pm | SMART Recovery Group 6:30 pm | Candlelight Yoga in the Gym	**17** Pastor Crowell - Sabbath Pastor Preacher - Sabbath 6:00 pm | Grief Support Group	**18** 1:00 - 3:00 pm | Game Day 6:00 pm | Handbell Choir 7:00 pm | Adult Choir	**19** 6:30 pm | Love Wins Group	**20** Pastor Parham - Sabbath	**21**
22 **The Reign of Christ Sunday** 9:00 am | Faith Exploration for Adults 10:00 am | Worship in the Sanctuary and Live-stream; Refreshments and Fellowship to follow 11:30 pm | Community Thanksgiving Meal 12:15 pm | Preschool Play Group	**23** 6:00 pm | SMART Recovery Group 7:00 pm | Adult Choir	**24** Pastor Crowell - Sabbath Pastor Preacher - Sabbath	**25** **Church Office Closes at Noon**	**26** **Church Office closed**	**27** **Church Office closed**	**28** 10:00 am | Christmas Decorating in the Sanctuary, Gym, and Breezeway
29 **First Sunday of Advent** 9:00 am | Faith Exploration for Adults 10:00 am | Worship in the Gym and Live-stream; Refreshments and Fellowship to follow, followed by Opening Session of Annual Meeting 11:30 am | Out to Lunch Bunch	**30** 6:30 pm | SMART Recovery Group 6:30 pm | Candlelight Yoga in the Gym					

GROUPS AND COMMUNITY LIFE

Game Day Group

The Game Day Group meets on **Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm**. Mahjong is regularly played and learners are welcomed. Other card games and board games are also included in this fun afternoon of fellowship, laughter, and community building that meets in the Parlor. We even have coloring books! If you are interested or have questions, please reach out to Lani Ludian at 864-419-9574 or Suzanne Rudisill at 864-905-4119.

Board Game Night

Ready for a little friendly competition? Come gather with Trinity friends to enjoy some classics like Uno and Jenga as well as games like Catan for the more strategic-minded players. Bring a favorite game or just bring yourself as the group gathers in the Parlor at 6:30 pm on **Thursday, November 12**. Reach out to Drake McFadyen at dmcfadyen@trinitylutheran.ws for moreinformation or to register.

Sound Bath

Take a break from the busyness of everyday life and join Trinity member, and certified sound healer Jaime Fivecoat for a relaxing sound bath on **Wednesday November 18** at 2:00 pm. Using soothing sounds and gentle vibrations from crystal singing bowls, this sound and guided meditation experience offers an opportunity to slow down, release tension, and enjoy a moment of peace and restoration. We're excited that Jaime is sharing this calming experience with our Trinity community, and everyone is welcome, whether you're new to sound baths or already enjoy them!

Youngish Group

Join Trinity's Youngish group on **Tuesday, November 3** for dinner and a little adventure! We'll meet at the church at 6:00 pm and walk 1.5 miles to The Commons at Unity Park, where you can choose from a variety of dinner options. Not up for the walk? No problem! Feel free to meet us at The Commons around 6:35pm instead. Come enjoy some good food, fresh air, and great company! Reach out Drake McFadyen at dmcfadyen@trinitylutheran.ws if you have any questions or want to sign up!

History Reading Group

The Trinity Lutheran Church History Readers will meet on **November 15, 2026** at 11:30 am in the Parlor to discuss *The First World War* by John Keegan. A video link will be available. Contact Don Todd at either 803-517-8129 or dktodd47@gmail.com or Bob Schirmer at 419-348-6508 or rwschirmer@gmail.com with questions.

SMART Recovery

Smart Recovery is an evidence-informed recovery program grounded in Rational Emotive Behavior Therapy (REBT) and Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT). It supports people with substance use or other addictive behaviors to build and maintain motivation, cope with urges and cravings, manage thoughts, feelings, and behaviors, and live a balanced life. SMART Recovery addresses all kinds of addictive behaviors, is affirming of the LGBTQIA+ community, and avoids harmful labels. Jaime Fivecoat, a certified SMART facilitator, will begin hosting SMART meetings at Trinity in Rooms 12 and 13 on Mondays from 6:00–7:30 pm, starting **November 16.** Meetings are free and open to all. Reach out to Jaime Fivecoat with questions at jaime5gvl@gmail.com

Men's Reflection and Fellowship Group

A Reflection and Fellowship Group for men meets on the second Wednesday of the month from 7:00 am to 8:00 am in the Parlor. David Potts and Gene Lynch lead and facilitate this group with the intent of providing a brave, safe space for mutual sharing and encouragement. For more information, contact David Potts at 864-423-0069 or davepotts311@gmail.com. The morning includes a light breakfast as well as time for devotion and prayer. The group will meet next on **Wednesday, November 9.**

Christmas Party and Ornament Exchange

All Trinity adults are invited to attend a Christmas Party and Ornament Exchange on **Friday, December 4** at 6:30 pm at the home of Stoppy Stoppenhagen, 500 East McBee Avenue, Unit 204, Greenville. All participants are encouraged to bring a wrapped Christmas ornament for the exchange as well as an appetizer or dessert to share with the group. Soft drinks will be provided. Reach out to Drake McFadyen at dmcfadyen@trinitylutheran.ws to register for the event.

GROUPS AND COMMUNITY LIFE, cont.

Love Wins Fellowship Group

Love Wins will meet on **Thursday, November 19** at 6:30 pm in the Parlor to discuss Rob Bell's book *What We Talk About When We Talk About God.* New folks are always welcome. Refreshments will be provided. Reach out to Angie McCormack at *ahmcormack@trinitylutheran.ws* for more information.

Candlelight Yoga

Because of ongoing interest in yoga at Trinity, gentle yoga classes led by Jill McBurney will continue in November and December. If you are weary, anxious, stressed-out, and burdened by the demands of life and craving some time to relax, then this may be just the event for you! Participants might enjoy bringing a pillow, blanket, and mat. Extra mats are available to borrow. Participants may choose to practice from a chair. Childcare is available. Upcoming classes will be held at 6:30 pm on **Mondays, November 2, November 16, November 30, and December 14**. Invite your friends and come and rest in the glow of candlelight, do some simple stretching, breathe deeply, experience restoration, and open your mind to this spiritual practice. All bodies and abilities are encouraged to participate. Reach out to Pastor Crowell at sjcrowell@trinitylutheran.ws with questions.

Fiber Arts Group

During these anxious times, research shows that being in community and having social support produces significant positive effects to mental and emotional well-being. Those who enjoy (or want to learn) crochet, knitting, cross-stitch, sewing, latch hooking, or some other fiber-based craft are invited to come together for a time of crafting and community on **Monday, November 2** at 6:00 pm in Rooms 12 and 13. Participants should bring supplies. Beginning in December, this group will meet in the Meeting Room (across the hall from the Parlor). Those who are interested in learning a craft, but do not have supplies, are welcome too. Contact Jenn Jordan at 314-605-2605 with questions.

Community Thanksgiving Meal

On Reign of Christ Sunday we celebrate with a meal where everyone has a seat at the table. Trinity's Annual Community Thanksgiving Lunch will take place in the Gym on **Sunday, November 22** following worship. This annual meal celebrates the ways God has blessed our corner of Main Street while welcoming our downtown neighbors to break bread with us. Please consider bringing a side item or dessert to share. Sign-ups for dishes are available online (contact the Church Office if you need the link). Reach out to Terri Sullivan with any questions and to volunteer to help serve at sullivt26@aol.com.

Out to Lunch Bunch

Looking to build relationships at Trinity? Join the Out to Lunch Bunch after worship on **Sunday, November 29** for lunch at Moe's Original BBQ, 109 W Stone Ave Greenville. To reserve a space, please text Angie McCormack at 864-630-4026

Book Discussion Group

Please join Pastor Crowell for a discussion of the book *The Book of Longings* by Sue Monk Kidd on **Thursday, December 10** at 10:00 am in Rooms 12 and 13 of the Activities Building. Anyone who loves reading and discussing books and is eager to make connections and build community is encouraged to attend. Reach out to Pastor Crowell at sjcrowell@trinitylutheran.ws with questions or to register for the event.

CARE, JUSTICE, AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT

PeaceCYCLE coming to Trinity!

Make plans to be at Trinity on **Sunday, November 1** to experience a little taste of the Wild Goose Festival and to meet Amber "Rose" Heimann, founder of PeaceCYCLE, a social business in Haiti designed to provide dignifying and purposeful work to the unemployed while teaching about and cleaning the environment ultimately producing high quality upcycled products. Amber will speak briefly during worship and will offer more information about this ministry during a congregational lunch after worship. An opportunity to support this ministry by purchasing hand-crafted, upcycled items will be available before and after worship.

Queer-led Worship

We are celebrating 5 years of Queer-led Worship at Trinity this year! Please mark your calendars for this exciting milestone. Worship will take place **Thursday, November 5** at 6:30 pm followed by a celebratory community meal. Please contact Pastor Preacher to assist with the meal and celebration.

Trinity Food Pantry

As the Pantry grows to serve more neighbors, it's moved to Pence 206 (across from the elevator on the first floor of the Pence Building). The new space lets guests "shop" for what they need during Welcome Table Distribution, rather than receiving a prepacked bag — with room for a wider selection of items. Keep the donations coming! To help organize, collect donations on Second Sundays, or assist guests while they shop, contact Volunteer Pantry Coordinator Valerie Foote-Patrick at valeriefoote@msn.com.

Let's Host a Period Party!

In collaboration with the Period Project, Trinity collected feminine hygiene products throughout the month of October. Now it's time to pack these items into donatable packages to send to the Period Project for distribution. A Packing Party will be held on **Sunday, November 8** in the Assembly Room beginning at 11:45 am. Donations of pads, tampons, and liners will continue to be accepted through November 8. Please contact Kerrie Seymour with any questions at kerrie.seymour@gmail.com.

Grief Support Group

Trinity will host a grief support group on **Tuesday, November 17** from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. The group will be led by Jerry Wesley LMFTA, Trinity's Mental Health Wellness Advocate. Jerry will guide the discussion for a safe and respectful way for participants to ask questions, exchange experiences, and build connection in an effort to feel supported and find healing. Grief can come from the loss of a loved one, an end to a relationship, or changes in life stages such as children leaving the home for school or marriage. Come join the conversation and begin replacing grief with healing. Contact Jerry at jrwesley@trinitylutheran.ws for more information.



Second Sunday Food Drive

Pantry items will be collected on **Sunday, November 8** at the Red Canopy Door from 9:30 to 10:00 am. Items may also be brought to the Church Office during the week. Rising food costs impact everyone, but Trinity's downtown neighbors really feel the pinch. Items of most need are included in the list below. Items marked with an asterisk have been specifically requested by our neighbors.

- Cereal (especially Honey Nut Cheerios)
- Grits
- Oatmeal
- Pasta Sauce (preferably in plastic bottles or cans)
- Pasta
- Cooking oil
- Crisco
- Small Bags of Flour
- Cream of Chicken, or Mushroom Soup and various other canned soups
- Canned beets*
- Canned spinach*
- Canned Fruit (preferably in plastic containers)
- Chicken or Tuna Helper
- Small bags of granulated sugar
- Stevia
- Canned milk
- Mayo (not Miracle Whip)
- Yellow Mustard
- BBQ Sauces
- Toilet Paper
- Plastic shopping bags to wrap fragile items

Currently, the Pantry is well-stocked with rice, beans, canned corn, and cans of green beans. Reusable shopping bags are a welcome donation as the Pantry begins inviting guests to shop for items of their choice. Contact Valerie Foote-Patrick, Volunteer Pantry Coordinator, at valeriefoote@msn.com with questions.

The Welcome Table

The next monthly meal will be held on **Wednesday, December 9** at 11:30 am in the Multipurpose Room. With help from Project Host Soup Kitchen, guests enjoy a hot protein-based casserole along with healthy sides, bread, and dessert. New volunteers, especially in the kitchen, are always needed. Please reach out to Pastor Preacher at pdpreacher@trinitylutheran.ws with interest in serving. There will be no Welcome Table in November as we will celebrate Thanksgiving with our neighbors on **Sunday, November 22**.



Operation Santa Claus

For ten years, Trinity has proudly supported Mental Health America of Greenville County's Operation Santa Claus. This vital program provides holiday gift bags filled with everyday essentials and items of comfort to individuals living with mental health conditions, including those who are unhoused or living in supportive housing. Through this ministry of generosity and compassion, we remind our neighbors that they are valued, cared for, and never forgotten. Trinity will be collecting donations through December 3. All donated items must be new. Items for all genders are welcome. Donations may be dropped off in the Church Office or placed in collection boxes located in the Breezeway and near worship entrances.

Items Needed:

- Thick, warm socks
- Large bottles of lotion
- Large bottles of body wash
- Journals, pens, colored pencils, and crayons
- Adult coloring books or puzzle books
- Warm hats and gloves
- Sweatshirts (sizes L–XL)

LAS VEGAS GAMES NIGHT









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OUR BELOVED TRINITY FAMILY



Trinity's First-Ever Blessing of the Animals













Poinsettias will be used to decorate the Church for the Christmas Eve Service. If you would like to give a poinsettia in honor or memory of someone, complete the form below and return it with $20.00 for each poinsettia no later than Tuesday, December 15. Poinsettias may be picked up after the 5:30 pm worship service on Christmas Eve and after worship Sunday, December 27. They may also be picked up Tuesday, December 29 through Thursday, December 31 from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Any remaining Poinsettias will be shared with our Towers East neighbors.

SCAN TO PAY

Enclosed/attached is my $20.00 for each poinsettia given. The Online Giving link on the homepage of the website may also be used.

☐ In honor of _____

☐ In memory of _____

Given by: _____

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Giving to Trinity

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 trinitylutheran.ws, by scanning the QR code, or texting TLCGIVE to 73256.