



The Trinity Messenger

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Dates To Remember

- Sept. 2: Last day of Summer Worship Schedule (9:30 AM)
- Sept. 5: Choir rehearsals resume on Wednesdays (7:00 PM)
- Sept. 9: Return to the fall parish worship schedule (Sunday services 8:15 & 10:30 AM)
- Sept. 9: Monthly *Family Service of the Word* resumes at 9:15 AM (2nd Sunday of each month)
- Sept. 12: Trinity Women in Fellowship Bible Study/Lunch (12:00 PM)
- Sept. 16: Sunday School 9:25 AM
- Sept. 16: Adult Education Class (9:30 AM)
- Sept. 16: Welcome Back Pot Luck Luncheon (11:45 in parish hall)
- Sept. 24: Congregation Council Meeting (7:00 PM)
- Oct. 8: Congregation Council Meeting (7:00 PM)
- Oct. 14: Fall newsletter deadline (Projected mailing: October 24)



Fall Worship Schedule

Please remember that the Summer Worship Schedule will be in effect through the Labor Day weekend. September 2 will be the last 9:30 only Sunday. The Fall Worship schedule will begin on Sunday, September 9 with the following services:

8:15 AM	Worship Service
9:25 AM	Sunday Church School
9:30 AM	Adult Education Class (class resumes September 16)
10:30 AM	Worship Service

The monthly Family Service of the Word resumes at 9:15 AM on September 9. (Please note that for the 2018-19 Sunday School year this 20-25 minute service will be held on the 2nd Sunday of each month. It is followed by special all school events on those days.)

Choir

Do you love to sing? We are always looking to welcome new voices of all ages and now is a great time to join as we are heading back to the Fall Worship schedule and choir practices will resume Wednesday, September 5 at 7pm. Do you love to play an instrument? Talk to Jeremy about opportunities to accompany during a service. "Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord..." Ephesians 5:19



Welcome Back Pot Luck Luncheon

Here we are already welcoming all back to the Fall Worship schedule and a new Sunday school year. Trinity's annual pot luck luncheon will be held on Sunday, September 16 following the 10:30 service. Bring your favorite dish to share and rejoice in a new school year with family and friends. A sign-up sheet is posted in the church hallway as well as the bulletin board in the Sunday school area. You may also RSVP to the church office (570-587-1088 or email c.hamersly@TrinityLutheranCS.com). We look forward to sharing good food and fellowship with you.

Pastor Call Update

The Call Committee roster openings were filled at a special meeting of the congregation on Sunday, August 12 when Bill Oehler and Nelson Stauffer were confirmed to the committee and join Tammy Rade, Emily Klien, Suzanne Bolig, and Ken Nealon. Since then, the Congregation Council and the Call Committee have met twice to review and update the Ministry Site Profile. Once that is complete, it will be forwarded to the Synod.

Confirmation Ministry

If you have a student who is in the seventh or eighth grade (or higher and not confirmed) and is interested in Confirmation Studies, please contact Pastor Jeff for information.

Trinity Lutheran Men in Mission

Watch in bulletins and emails for upcoming events to be scheduled as the Men in Mission organize for the fall.

Vacation Bible School

"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you", Isaiah 43:2. Wow, did we have water!! In an abbreviated VBS, 60 children enjoyed stories, music, science, crafts, recreation and fellowship all in two and a half rain soaked days. The rains began on our first day and finally stopped by the end of our second day and allowed us a wonderful family picnic on the third day. Appreciation is extended to all of the volunteers who adapted to the full days and gave their all helping reinforce the themes for each day ensuring the children had a great time. Thank you to Emily Klien, Sydney Hauk, Joyce Schwabe, Laura Worrell, Nathan Worrell, Marci McDermott and Deenna Richmond. Keeping with the water theme, our offering was donated to **charity: water**, an organization that uses 100% of their donations to bring clean water to people in need around the in our country and around the world.



Sunday School News

Trinity's Sunday school program kicks off on Sunday, September 9th at 9:15 am in the church sanctuary. We will start our year with a NEW OPENING followed by a family activity and lesson in the gathering room downstairs. Family services will continue to take place every 2nd Sunday of the month through May.

This year we will have a few exciting changes to bring to Sunday school. First, we will be changing our curriculum! We are going to be using a new style which is much more like VBS in nature. The kids will be in the kitchen, doing art, music, science, drama, and more all while learning about the bible and our Lord and Savior. This should be a new adventure and we believe the kids are going to love it!

Secondly, we will be changing up the family worship service a little bit. Mrs. Klien will be doing the worship part of the service and she plans to mix some of the things we did years ago with some of the new things we are learning today. We are going to enjoy worshiping this year as we focus our attention on Jesus.

Mrs. Lee Ann will be doing the fun activities with the kids downstairs following each family service. The kids always enjoy her games and activities so we are blessed to have her share her talents with us again this year.

Miss Dee will be coming back to work with the younger half of our students but she will be in a new and bigger room across the hall from her old room. She will need the extra space with all the things that she will be doing this year.

Mrs. Klien will be working with the older students in room 105 (the youth group room). The older kids are going to be doing a cross of the new curriculum and a youth group style Sunday school. This newer style should bring some excitement to learning.

Sarah Harvey will continue to lead the adult Sunday school class on Sunday mornings at 9:30. It is an interactive class that is open to discussion. Grab a coffee and join the adults downstairs in the gathering hall for weekly education and discussion.



Youth Group

The youth group is winding up our summer of fun and games and looking forward to the events that fall brings with the shorter and cooler days. Soon we will be getting ready for "Fill the Bag" and the annual Thanksgiving dinner. We look forward to lots of time with our church family sharing in fun and fellowship each week. We look forward to serving our community and sharing the blessings of Christ with others.

As we move forward this fall we have planned our weekly meeting schedule as posted below. Tell your friends and neighbors about the fantastic group of young minds doing God's work in today's world. Tell them we have a place for them in our hearts and at our meetings.



Sunday – September 9th (9:25 – 10:15) Family Service & Family Activities

Tuesday – September 11th (6-7:30) @ Trinity

Tuesday – September 18th (6-7:30) @ Trinity

Tuesday – September 25th (6-7:30) @ Trinity

Tuesday – October 2nd (6-7:30) @ Trinity

Sunday – October 14th (9:25 – 10:15) Family Service & Family Activities

Tuesday – October 16th (6-7:30) @ Trinity

Tuesday – October 23rd (6-7:30) @ Trinity

Happy Halloween ---- Have a safe night Trick or Treating!!!

Library

SMILE, WE HAVE A CHURCH LIBRARY!



A new display of library books has been set up in the narthex. Books may be signed out right from the cart (place book card in blue bin). Also, please stop by the display outside of the elevator for the latest additions to our library.

Because of the generous donation to our library from National Library Week we were able to purchase new titles for adults which include: "Rise Above", how to go faster, farther, and higher in your faith; "Wake Up To Hope", devotional by Joel and Victoria Osteen; "Glory Days", Living With Your Promised Land Life Now; "Hope-Inspiration For Every Life"; "And the Angels Were Silent", Walking with Christ Towards the Cross; "Facing Your Giants-God Still Does the Impossible"; and "Who is Jesus-The Hope You Can't Resist" all by Max Lucado.

Don't forget to stop into our library in the education area (room 108) to browse through our many books, CD's, books on tape and videos for adults and children.

Open the door to wonder--visit the library.

Parish Register

Funerals

Announcement is made of the passing of long time parishioner Joan Sharpe who passed away at her home in Scranton on July 31. A was held on August 25 in Summit Hill, PA.

On August 8, Pastor Kenneth Trexler conducted a service at Young's Funeral Home for long time member Robert Wahlers. We extend our sympathy to the Wahlers family in their time of grief.

The Fellowship of Trinity Women

A Special Service is Being Planned for September 23: We are having a special service for the first time at Trinity, on September 23. This service is dedicated to the loyalty and dedication and hard work of all the woman in this congregation. And there are many of us. There will be only woman officiating and serving at this service. If you are interested in serving as an acolyte, lector, usher or communion assistant, please speak to Joyce or contact Carole in the office. Special music, and a quilt blessing will take place. Please plan to join us for this first time endeavor. Questions? Joyce 570-222-3041 or coolcats@nep.net

The Fellowship of Trinity Women will start the new season on Wednesday, Sept. 12, at noon. We will enjoy a shared pot luncheon, over fellowship. The group has been reorganized as a devotional meeting. Most devotions will be small short stories. The September meeting will be devoted to some of the different names of GOD, their meaning, and especially how they came into being. All are welcome. Questions? Joyce 570-222-3041, email coolcats@nep.net There will be no October meeting.

Preschool Programs

The summer zipped by in a flash and the teachers are gearing up for the new school year and will soon be ready to welcome some new friends as well as some old ones in just a couple of weeks. The three year old class and the afternoon four year old class have a couple of openings if you are interested, or know someone who might be interested in preschool for their child. Classes begin on September 10 and 11. Information may be found on the website at TrinityLutheranCS.com or by contacting the office at 570-587-1088. Be sure to take a moment throughout the school year to stop downstairs to enjoy the creativity of the students.



The Kindergarten Readiness Program will also get under way in a couple of weeks with a new group of students eager to learn about science, math, language arts, social studies and more. For more information, contact the church office.

Mission Statement

Trinity Lutheran Church is a family of believers in Christ who grow in their faith and their relationships with God and each other by participating in common experiences of Worship, Christian Education, and Fellowship.

Inspired by Christ's love, we are called through our faith to witness to the Good News and reach out to serve the needs of people within our congregation, the community, and the world.

The Next Issue of the Newsletter

The next issue of the parish newsletter will be the "Fall 2018" edition. The deadline for articles will be Monday, October 15 the anticipated mailing date will be October 24. Please submit articles and announcements to the church office prior to Monday, October 15.

Quilting

The quilters were very busy over the summer creating quilts to donate anywhere they might be needed. Recipients have included St. Francis Commons Veteran's Transition Center; a home for rescued teenage girls and several prayer quilts were dedicated and gifted to persons in need of extra thoughts and prayers as they endure hardships. If you would like to join the quilters, they meet on Wednesday mornings from 10-12. If you would like to request a prayer quilt, please contact a quilter or the church office.

Summer Camps

Trinity Early Learning Center hosted two, one-week day camps over the summer that were enjoyed by area children who learned about Outer Space and things Under the Sea. Through crafts, stories, snacks and more, the children enjoyed exploring sea creatures and planets and are looking forward to new subjects for next year.

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Heather Klien
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Tammy Rade
ELCA Deacon

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Prayer Ministry Coordinator

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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

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August 26, 2018 - September 29, 2018

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<p style="text-align: center;">Aug 26</p> <p>9:30 AM Worship Service</p> <p>10:40 AM Coffee Hour</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Aug 27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Aug 28</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Aug 29</p> <p>10:00 AM Quilting Group</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Aug 30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Aug 31</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Sep 1</p>
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September 30, 2018 - November 03, 2018

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Birthdays and Anniversaries: August 26, 2018 - October 06, 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Aug 26 Shannon Sweeney	Aug 27 Kathleen Nealon	Aug 28 Muriel Gallo Cheri Graboski	Aug 29	Aug 30 Daniel Miller	Aug 31 Suzanne Bolig	Sep 1 Joyce Scott <i>Linda and William Sheehan</i>
Sep 2	Sep 3	Sep 4 Anna Mae Williams <i>Rebecca and Paul Corby</i>	Sep 5 <i>Chris and Robert Cipollina</i>	Sep 6 Alexia Stravinskas John Pacyna	Sep 7 John Hess	Sep 8
Sep 9 <i>Bonnie and Sam Lesko</i> Karina Stravinskas	Sep 10 Camrynn Albrecht	Sep 11	Sep 12 <i>Marion and Roy Hopkins</i>	Sep 13 <i>Christine and Louis Uslin</i>	Sep 14 <i>Carol and Fred Pencek</i> <i>Marci and Bill McDermott</i>	Sep 15 Lila Meoni <i>Mari and Gary Pacyna</i>
Sep 16 Chris Evans	Sep 17 Douglas Miller Ryan Sheffler	Sep 18 Dylan Grunza Lee Ross Brycen Hoffman	Sep 19 Dee Smith	Sep 20 Taryn Skojec William Walters	Sep 21 Emily Klien Madysen Bedford	Sep 22 William Sheehan, Jr.
Sep 23	Sep 24	Sep 25 Arja Duhigg Bob Smith Tom Himes	Sep 26 <i>Debra and Todd Smith</i>	Sep 27 Brittany Traub Evelyn M Walters	Sep 28 Gary Pacyna	Sep 29 Barbara Stich Todd Rehder Donna Fletcher
Sep 30 Meri Caputo Evelyn A Walters Ryan Saxe	Oct 1	Oct 2	Oct 3	Oct 4 Joyce Yoder Terry Bockelkamp Barbara Strangfeld	Oct 5 Marilyn Striepeck Ed Schwabe	Oct 6 <i>Sarah and Douglas Prawdzik</i>

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Names in **BOLD/ITALIC**: blank space in schedule filled in by volunteer

Calendar Update: 8/29/2018

DATE	COMMUNION				OFFERING	ALTAR
	ACOLYTES	USHERS	ASSISTANTS	LECTORS	COUNTERS	GUILD
Aug 26 (9:30am)	Suzanne Bolig	Bill Oehler Bob Klien	<i>(intinction)</i>	Elyse Rehder Todd Rehder	Suzanne Bolig JR Bolig	Barbara Stauffer
Sept 2 (9:30am)	Evan Rade	JR Bolig Larry Wood	<i>(intinction)</i>	Mike Krahlung	Marci McDermott Maxine Gilligan	Pat Kiefer Kitchie Strauch
Sept 9 (8:15am)		John Pacyna	<i>(intinction)</i>	Ronald Rade		Pat Kiefer Kitchie Strauch
Sept 9 (10:30am)	Suzanne Bolig	Ed Schwabe		Joyce Schwabe Dee Smith	Linda Sheehan Larry Wood	Pat Kiefer Kitchie Strauch
Sept 16 (8:15am)	Emily Klien	Bob Klien	<i>(intinction)</i>	Debbie Miller		Pat Kiefer Kitchie Strauch
Sept 16 (10:30am)	Suzanne Bolig	JR Bolig Larry Wood		Suzanne Bolig Cathy Sheffler	Diane Remetta Carole Hamersly	Pat Kiefer Kitchie Strauch
Sept 23 (8:15am)		Bill Oehler	<i>(intinction)</i>	Elyse Rehder Todd Rehder		Pat Kiefer Kitchie Strauch
Sept 23 (10:30am)	Emily Klien Elizabeth Harvey	Linda Sheehan Sarah Harvey	<i>(intinction)</i>	Sarah Harvey Marilyn Striepeck	Suzanne Bolig JR Bolig	Pat Kiefer Kitchie Strauch
Sept 30 (8:15am)	Evan Rade	John Pacyna	<i>(intinction)</i>	Tammy Rade		Pat Kiefer Kitchie Strauch
Sept 30 (10:30am)	Dee Smith	Lrary Wood Ed Schwabe	<i>(intinction)</i>	Joyce Schwabe Mike Krahlung	Maxine Gilligan Linda Sheehan	Pat Kiefer Kitchie Strauch
Oct. 7 (8:15am)			<i>(intinction)</i>	Debbie Miller		Pat Kiefer Kitchie Strauch
Oct. 7 (10:30am)	Suzanne Bolig	JR Bolig Dave Hamersly	<i>(intinction)</i>	Dee Smith	Carole Hamersly Dave Hamersly	Pat Kiefer Kitchie Strauch
Oct. 14 (8:15am)	Evan Rade		<i>(intinction)</i>	Elyse Rehder Todd Rehder		Pat Kiefer Kitchie Strauch
Oct. 14 (10:30am)	Emily Klien Elizabeth Harvey	Larry Wood Bob Klien	<i>(intinction)</i>	Cathy Sheffler Emily Klien	Linda Sheehan Larry Wood	Pat Kiefer Kitchie Strauch

The Service: The Hidden Glory of God

Look around when you enter the sanctuary of your church. What catches your eye? If you were to walk with one of the saints from the Old Testament and go to the service in the tabernacle with them, you may have more in common with them than you think.

As you enter the tabernacle one element stands apart. The bronze altar lit up daily with consuming fire. The glory of the Lord came to the people through this altar. On this altar their iniquities went up in smoke. Their sins were burned up. On this altar, the priest made atonement for the transgressions of Israel.

In Leviticus, the Lord instructs the priests through Moses to bring several offerings to this altar. “Moses said: ‘ This is what the Lord has commanded you to do, so that the glory of the Lord may appear to you. Then Moses said to Aaron: “Approach the altar and perform the ritual for your sin offering and your burnt offering: make atonement for yourself and for the people. Then perform the ritual for the offering of the people; make atonement for them—just as the Lord has commanded” (Leviticus 9: 6–7)

The Lord commanded these offerings be brought by the people and He commanded the priest to offer these up on the altar, not for the sake of Himself, but for the forgiveness and reconciliation of His people to Himself. The Lord promised that the sins His people committed against Him would be wiped away, destroyed, forgiven.

The sins of Israel would be atoned for and the glory of the Lord would appear to them. This was the center and focus of the Old Testament service—and the center and focus of the service today.

The Apostle Paul writes, “These are a shadow of the things to come, but the substance belongs to Christ” (Colossians 2:17). As we come into the sanctuary of our churches, we may not see an altar lit with flames to which we bring beast and grain offerings. But, the service remains the same. It is through the sacrifice, the offering of atonement in which we are saved from the penalty of our sins, granted peace, and through which the glory of the Lord appears to us.

On the altar of the cross atonement has been made for our sins, just as the Lord first promised (Genesis 3:15). In Jesus’ death our sins are also dead in their power over us. The glory of God is hidden and revealed to us in Christ. He is the fulfillment of the Law and prophets, including Leviticus!

The center of Leviticus is Christ, our Priest, crucified for us on the altar of the cross. God had instituted the service in ancient Israel so that he could manifest his glory to his people on earth and bless them...In the new covenant, God’s glory is hidden in the humanity of Jesus and revealed to the saints through God’s Word.”

In the service we praise God in the Gloria in Excelsis for revealing His glory, His saving work for us in Christ, to us. In the absolution, in baptism, in the Lord’s Supper the atoning work of our Great High Priest is revealed to us. The glory of God dwells among us. Our Lord meets to forgive, sanctify, and bless us. Glory to God in the highest!

