

# The Trinity Trumpet

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- Lutheran World Relief Health Kits, School Kits, and Quilts will be delivered to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Dayton on Friday, October 5th or Saturday, October 6th. Thanks to all who helped with these projects in any way.
- Our emphasis for giving for the next couple of months is canned goods, any type of food items, personal care items, etc. for FISH and Castine Food Bank. A collection basket is at the church entry.







# **Prayer Concerns** Current and ongoing and from the past month:

- Chet & Sharon Wirrig—Health
- Olis McKibben—Health
- Myrna Warner—Health
- Patty Sackett—Health
- Jim Neitzelt—Health
- Laszlo Koos—Health
- Buster Casto- Health
- Jody Burns-Battling cancer
- Mindy Brandon—Waiting kidney transplant
- John & Karen Davis & family— For John's kidney transplant
- David Allen Brumbaugh
- Shannon Hall—Battling cancer. Find a new medication that will work
- Jerry Higgins—Fighting cancer
- Ronda Hanes—Health
- Barry Ulrich—Eye problems
- Roxanne Groff—Thanks & praise for eye inflammation improvement
- Maxine Didier
- Kerry young-Coma & for wife, Julia
- Kenny Gates—Health issues
- Judi Peters—Surgery
- Ed Grice

- JR Alltop
- Larry Feitshans—Battling cancer
- Jackie Tricks—Heart trouble
- Sarah Wolfe-In Hospice, kidney failure
- Matt Martin—Father of 5, fighting aggressive thryroid cancer, relief from chemo side effects, continued healing
- Kenny Hesler—Recovering from stroke
- Frank Trimble—Illness
- Katie Cottrell—Healing
- Greg Perry—Heart problemsEv Kaiser—Heart problems
- Victims of Hurricane Florence
- Kenny Johnson— Heart and health issues
- Mary Lou Rosenberger— Battling cancer
- Jacob Riffle—Heart issues
- John Erdmann—Recovering from bike accident
- Ron Boord—Heart issues
- Bob Klinger
- Bob Mendenhall—Upcoming surgery for aortic aneurism



- Darlene Sadowsik
- John Gross—Upcoming heart surgery
- Connie Rowland—Battling cancer
- Gabriel Angles—Recovering from surgery
- Jim Castello—Recovering from surgery
- Becky McMullen—Recovering from surgery
- Crystal Schneider—Illness
- Aubree Myers—Lupus
- Denver Brown—Healing
- Baby Wytaa—Spina Bifida surgery & recovery

# Following their loss, we offer our sympathy to the families of

- Doris Lephart
- Carol Kessler
- Barb Cotner

Prayer requests may be emailed at anytime to **trinityprayers@woh.rr.com** and upon receipt your request will be shared so that many will be praying immediately.







Rally Day was a huge success with a great turnout. Thanks kids for your participation during church. Many positive comments were heard.

Our fundraiser, the Lemonade Stand/Bake Sale, which benefits Children's Medical Center is fast approaching. Baked goods, coffee and lemonade will be sold both before church at 10:00 AM and after church at 11:30 AM. The money will go to purchase toys and activities needed for patients. This is an excellent service project for the kids. BUT, guess what? We need the congregation's help. People needed on Bake day, September 29, and people needed to make purchases. Our work day, Sept. 29, is from 4-6 PM with pizza, snacks, and drinks provided for all attending. We needed mixers and nonstick cookie sheets to borrow!!!!

The Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat Day will be on Sunday, October 21, 4:30-6:30 PM. Please sign up ASAP to enter a trunk with a Disney theme. Lots of trunk are needed to make this event fun and a success for the kids!! Gift card prizes will be awarded to the top 3 vote-winning trunks. If you are decorating a trunk, please host a game and provide treats for the kiddos. Additional games and a costume parade will be part of this event. Other things happening: Bouncy house, prize bags for all kids, entertainment by Noah McCabe, free food (grilled hot dog meal), etc. Sign-up ASAP. As you know from the past, lots of helpers of all ages will be needed. This is a fantastic event to unite our church family!

St. Nicholas Day will be skipped this year just to give us a break. St. Nicholas Day to be celebrated during Sunday School.

Christmas Program - December 16 at 10:30 service. We may have found the program of the century, Nursery Rhyme Nativity! Let me know if your child can participate. More details later.

We still need Sunday School teachers and helpers!

Christian Education Team: Marge Warner, Christian Education Superintendent 937-623-2544 Pam Oswalt, Linda Baker, Michelle Groff, Stephanie Kemp



Trinity Giving Report as of 9/23/18 Given: \$98,487.25 Needed: \$106,080.00 (- \$7,592.75)





Trinity will hold their Trunk or Treat

Fall Festival on Sunday, October 21st at 4:30 pm. This year we are trying a trunk decorating theme of Disney Movies or Shows. Prizes will be awarded for the top 3 trunks.

- Food will be provided upstairs (Grilled hot dogs, chips, drinks)  $\Diamond$
- Musical entertainment by Noah McCabe  $\Diamond$
- ◊ Games for kids
- Ocostume parade with a treat for all participants
- **Bouncy House**  $\Diamond$

Start planning your trunks and costumes! The whole congregation is needed to make this community event a success.

You will find a sign-up sheet for "trunk participants" and

Our annual congregational meeting will be held Sunday, November 4th, following the worship service. Plan to attend to hear reports of the past fiscal year and plans for the next! Voting for the election of officers to fill various positions on the Trinity Church Council and the budget for the upcoming year will take place at this time.

All reports needed for the Annual Meeting must be received in the church office by Sunday, October 14th. You may mail them to P. O. Box 64, Pitsburg OH 45358, email to secretary@pitsburgtlc.org, or leave them in the Secretary's mail slot outside the church office.

> The Nominating Committee is currently working on the ballot for the Annual Congregation Meeting in November.

> If you are approached to be on the ballot for a position on the 2019 Church Council or as a Delegate or Representative, please prayerfully consider saying YES. If you would like to be considered for a position, contact any of the Nominating Committee listed below:

Pam Oswalt Linda Baker Bev Erdmann

564-0939 545-8410 or twobakers@roadrunner.com 621-6748 or erdfam3@gmail.com Dean Thompson 459-2791 or dean.t@earthlink.net

The positions open for the upcoming year(s) are: President (1 yr. term), Vice President (1 yr. term), Elder (1 yr. term), Trustee (3 yr. term), Deacon (2 yr. term), Building Fund Treasurer (1 yr. term), Nominating Committee (1 yr. term), Sunday School Superintendent (2 yr. term), Southern Ohio Synod Delegate (1 yr. term), Northwest Conference Delegate (2 yr. term), Graceworks Representative (1 yr. term), Wernle Home Representative (1 yr. term).







I will be out of the office from October 3rd through the 10th but will be working Monday & Tuesday, October 1 & 2 and then Thursday & Friday, October 11 & 12.

> Your secretary, Sharon Fourman



to Gary Obringer for making the new "Mail Box Station" outside the church office.

Please use the mail boxes for inter-church communication.

The Cheesemans send a brief note to Trinity Church:

"Dear Pitsburg Trinity Lutheran,

It's been nearly one year since we got to share with your church about our ministry in Thailand. God is continuing to raise up local men and women to come to our city and get Bible translation. Three more students started the program last week. We would not be here without God calling a team of individuals and churches



to pray for us and support this work. Thank you for the ways you have been a part of this.

When you face discouragement in your own church, remember that God is still using you not only in Darke County, but also around the world.

Nate & Ivy Cheeseman"

# Lutheran Memorial Camp's 44th

October 14

11:00 am-4:00 pm



2790 St. Rt. 61 Fulton OH 43321

(Just 1/2 mile south of Fulton)

For an afternoon of family fun, don't miss the Lutheran Memorial Camp's 44th Apple Butter Festival on October 14 from 11 am - 4 pm. This afternoon of food, fun and games for the entire family will provide "Camperships" (financial assistance) to children who want to participate in the camping experience. Best of all, there is no admission charge!

A highlight of the day will be the "Grand Auction" from noon to 3 pm. Silent bids will be collected in the Auction Tent and winners will be announced shortly after 3 pm. Registrations are still being accepted from Crafters for "Artisans' Alley" - all quality hand-made Americana gifts for sale.

A vast array of desserts will be available including some sugar and gluten-free. As always, there will be tasty foods (including our famous homemade bean soup and cornbread), an outstanding arts and crafts show, yard games and carnival games with prizes, as well as hayrides through the camp. Entertainment includes live music, free lawn games to play, a petting zoo from the Morrow County 4H Extension, craft and cider demonstrations, face painting, pumpkin painting, cupcake decorating, a scarecrow making competition (prizes awarded) and of course, apple butter and cider making! The folk-rock ensemble Avalon Nine will be rendering tunes by the Cedar Lodge. Mums and gourds will be available to purchase and pumpkins to decorate.

Donations to the "Grand Auction" may be made at the camp office. Lutheran Memorial Camp is located at 2790 State Route 61, just 1/2 mile south of Fulton. Information and applications for auction donations, volunteers, and craftspeople are currently available online at <u>www.lomocamps.org</u>. Check under Events. Questions may be emailed <u>tolmc@lomocamps.org</u>, or you may call the office, weekdays from 9am to noon: 419-864-8030.

Folks, this camp is located lass that 2 hours away and offers so much to enjoy. Anyone interested in making the trip with Pr Mel and PJ? Please let Pr Mel know in person, by text, email or smoke signals...

Mel Musser, Pastor Trinity Lutheran Church P.O. Box 64 8520 Oakes Rd, Pitsburg Ohio, 45358 Cell: 937 626-7100 Email: pastor@pitsburgtlc.org

# From Our Pastor ....

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." (Rev. 21:5 NRS)

Grace and peace to you from the one who makes all things new, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, amen.

It's hard to believe just how fast time goes by. In August this year I marked 5 years here at Trinity and September 7<sup>th</sup> was the tenth anniversary of my Ordination into the Ministry of Word and Sacrament. Both events seem like they happened yesterday and I continue to thank God for allowing me the privilege of serving.

Since I have taken a moment to notice the passage of time it's also appropriate for us, as a congregation, to take a moment to assess where we are and where we're headed. In terms of our worship life, your worship team has spent some time thinking, brainstorming, and debating how to improve our Worship service. Overall the team felt our Worship was top notch and only needed a few adjustments to make it even better.



The first area we wanted to improve was the way we Share the Peace of Jesus Christ. We noticed when Jesus came back to the Upper Room where the Disciples were huddled, afraid for their own lives, the very first thing Jesus said to them was, "Peace be with you." We thought if it was that important to Jesus it should be so with us as well. So, starting immediately, when you arrive at Church for worship, please begin by sharing the Peace of Jesus Christ with those you meet. After that, you can catch up on the happenings from the past week or make your plans for dinner after the service, but please begin by sharing the Peace of Christ with each other. We're asking our Greeters to be intentional about this as well. When it comes time for the Sharing of the Peace during Worship, since you already have shared with each other, all that's left is for the congregation and the Pastor to do likewise. Therefore, I will not be coming out, into the pews. We will simply share the peace and move on in the liturgy.

The second area we tinkered with is the announcements. In order to provide a more reverent time of thanksgiving during the collection of our offering, we're moving the announcements toward the end of the service. Please remember to keep your announcements short and to the point. If possible, have them written out in advance to make them sound as clear and concise as possible.

Finally, as we move more into the newer Evangelical Lutheran Worship Book settings for worship we noticed they no longer sing the "Glory to you O Lord," and the "Praise to you O Christ" before and after the reading of the Gospel. These will now be spoken rather than sung.

In another area of our faith life together, I've been thinking a lot about how to improve the communication between you, the congregation and me, the pastor. The ELCA, the Southern Ohio Synod, and our constitution all require a Mutual Ministry Team to be formed and active. The purpose of a Mutual Ministry Team is to pro-



vide an accessible way to voice issues, concerns, problems, suggestions, and maybe even once in a while encouragement to the pastor and to the leadership of the congregation. We have now formed our Trinity Mutual Ministry Team. My special thanks go out to Julie Kossler, Joe Netzley, and Linda Baker for stepping up to this new role in our congregation. Over the coming weeks and months, we will be meeting to iron out the specific roles and responsibilities for how this team will interact with you and bring forth your concerns. Watch for more to come from this Mutual Ministry Team in the future. For now, if God has placed an issue on your heart that affects any aspect of our Congregational life, please bring it to either Linda, Joe, or Julie. This might be anything from how we do carry-in, pot luck dinners, to the songs we sing, or the style of our worship service. It might be something I'm doing or not doing that you think is

important, but were afraid to voice your opinion. This Mutual Ministry Team will now be your safe, nonjudgmental way for you to make your opinions known. Let's all use these people and wear them out!

I want you all to know this. These past five years I've been with you all here at Trinity have been the most blessed five years of my life. I want to ensure my ministry here with you is a blessing for each and every one of you as well. My prayer is that these changes will help to make that hope an even closer reality so we can all enjoy our "Mutual Ministry" together for a long, long time to come. Amen.

In Christ's Love,

# WELCA News for October

Dear Sisters in Christ,

Fall has arrived and the smell of pumpkin spice fills the air. The leaves are changing colors and students have returned to class. Every day when I walk outside I am in awe of the wonders of the world around me. This is the time of year I slow down and take time to enjoy those wonders around me. I encourage you to take a moment out of your busy day and just stop and look at God's glorious landscape.



Our October meeting will be on Wednesday, October 3rd at 6:30-8:30ish. Snacks will be provided by Katherine Obringer.

I invite each and every one of the women here at Trinity to come out to our monthly meetings for a time of fellowship and spiritual growth. At our October meeting we will be assigning roles to all those women who would like to participate in the Thank Offering Sunday on November 11<sup>th</sup>. If you cannot attend the October meeting and would like to participate on the Thank Offering Sunday-please let me know.

We are watching *Pray the Devil Back to Hell* a documentary film. This film documents a peace movement called Women of Liberia Mass Action for Peace. Organized by social worker Leymah Gbowee, the movement started with praying and singing in a fish market. Leymah Gbowee organized the Christian and Muslim women of Monrovia, Liberia to pray for peace and to organize nonviolent protests. During September we watched as why these women came together, this month we will watch what happens when the women unit for peace.

> Upcoming WELCA Events: September 27<sup>th</sup>- Chicken Dinner Fund Raiser October 3<sup>rd</sup>- Meeting October 21<sup>st</sup>- Assist with Fall Celebration November 7<sup>th</sup>-Meeting November 11<sup>th</sup>- Thank Offering Sunday

> > God Loves you and so do I!

PJ Musser-WELCA President

# **President's Perspective**

Good afternoon,

Well, it is a rainy afternoon. Harvest is upon us and the farmers are not only in the fields but need to travel the roads as well. For sake of safety, please respects their travel. It works best for all.

In preparation for the November congregational meeting, treasurers, if you don't know what you need for the meeting, contact the church secretary so she can tell you what she needs and when she needs it to prepare the packet for our meeting.

I really want to stress this. We, as a church family, continue to stroll down many different avenues to arrive at the same place. In doing this, at times we try different ways to accomplish this.

• The first is the projections of our service on the wall. Most of the comments have been favorable. For a while and in attempting to save money for paper, we will print just a few paper bulletins for those of you who feel the need for the hard copy. If the most of you would, just take the paper with announcements and order of service. Use the projected service for the rest.

• The second is the greeters will be sharing the peace as you enter for our service.

• The third is that announcements will be done toward the end of the service instead of during the offering.

Please feel free to share any feelings toward any of these things with me or any council member.

God bless you all, Dean Thompson



# No More Excuses: You Need a Flu Vaccine Get the Facts

The Flu season is upon us- Protect yourself and the others around you.



The flu vaccine is safe, does not cause the flu, and can protect the ones you love. Spread the word and GET VACCINATED! Even healthy people need a flu vaccine. Influenza (flu) is a contagious disease which can lead to serious illness, including pneumonia. Even healthy people can get sick enough to miss work or school for a significant amount of time or even be hospitalized. An annual flu vaccine is recommended for everyone 6 months of age and older. Pregnant women, young children, older people, and people with certain chronic medical conditions like asthma, diabetes and heart disease are at increased risk of serious flu-related complications, so getting a yearly flu vaccine is especially important for them. Is the flu vaccine safe? **Yes. The flu vaccine is safe**. Hundreds of millions of Americans have safely received flu vaccines over the past 50 years, and there has been extensive research supporting the safety of seasonal flu vaccines. Each year, CDC works closely with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and other partners to ensure the highest safety standards for flu vaccines.

The most common side effects of flu vaccines are mild. The flu vaccine cannot cause flu illness; however, it can cause mild side effects that may be mistaken for flu. Common side effects from the flu shot include soreness, redness, and/or swelling from the shot, headache, fever, muscle aches, and nausea. These side effects are NOT the flu. If experienced at all, these effects are usually mild and last only 1-2 days. Even if I get sick, won't I recover quickly? Not necessarily. Influenza can be serious and anyone can become sick with flu and experience serious complications, including active and healthy kids, teens and adults. Even if you bounce back quickly, however, others around you might not be so lucky. You could spread your illness to someone who is more vulnerable to flu. Some people can be infected with the flu virus, but have no symptoms. During this time, you can still spread the virus to others. Don't be the one spreading flu to those you care about.

Can't I wait and get vaccinated when/if flu hits my community? It is best to get vaccinated before flu begins to spread. It takes about two weeks after vaccination for antibodies to develop in the body and provide protection against the flu, so the sooner you get vaccinated, the more likely it is that you will be protected once flu begins to circulate in your community. **Flu vaccines can't give you the flu**. Even if you got a flu vaccine, there are reasons why you might still get flu or a flu-like illness. • You may have been exposed to a non-flu virus. The flu vaccine can only prevent illnesses caused by flu viruses. It cannot protect against other viruses that may cause symptoms similar to flu, like the common cold. You might have been exposed to flu after you got vaccinated, but before the vaccine took effect. It takes about two weeks after you receive the vaccine for your body to build protection against the flu. You may have been exposed to an influenza virus that was very different from the viruses included in that year's vaccine. The flu vaccine protects against the influenza virus that research indicates will cause the most disease during the upcoming season, but there can be other flu viruses circulating. Unfortunately, however, some people who get a flu vaccine may still get sick. How well the flu vaccine works (or its ability to prevent flu) can range from season to season and also can vary depending on who is being vaccinated. However, if you do get sick, flu vaccination might make your illness milder than it would have been otherwise.

Don't avoid getting a flu vaccine because you don't like shots. The minor pain of a flu shot is nothing compared to the suffering that can be caused by the flu. A flu vaccine reduces your risk of illness, hospitalization, and can prevent you from spreading the virus to your loved ones. So, whatever little discomfort you feel from the minor side effects of the flu shot is worthwhile to avoid the flu. **You need to get a flu vaccine every year**.

There are two reasons for getting a flu vaccine every year: a) Flu viruses are constantly changing and so flu vaccines may be updated from one season to the next. You need the current season's vaccine for the best protection. b) A person's immune protection from the vaccine declines over time. Annual vaccination is needed for the best protection. Get a Flu Vaccine Flu vaccines are offered in many locations. Even if you don't have a regular doctor or nurse, you can get a flu vaccine somewhere else, including doctor's offices, clinics, health departments, retail stores, pharmacies, and health centers, as well as by many employers and schools.

For more information, visit http://www.cdc.gov/flu or call 1-800-CDC-INFO (800-232-4636)

## Together we live into the mission of sharing God's grace.

#### PJ Musser RN, MSN, CNRN, RN-BC



# **October Health Tips**

# **Health Ministries**

# **Knowledge is Power: Breast Cancer Types**

When you or someone you know is diagnosed with breast cancer, knowledge is power in choosing the best treatment option(s) for you. Begin by understanding the type of breast cancer you have. The type is determined by the way the cancer cells look under the microscope. "Most breast cancers are carcinomas, a type of cancer that starts in the cells within the breast," says Thomas Heck, MD, Surgical Director at the Breast Center. "Knowing precisely what type the cancer is — and where it is — enables us to attack just those cells."

Three common types of carcinomas are:

#### DCIS: ductal carcinoma in situ

DCIS is considered non-invasive or pre-invasive breast cancer. Cells that line the ducts have changed to look like cancer cells. The difference between DCIS and invasive cancer is that the cells have not spread (invaded) through the walls of the ducts into the surrounding breast tissue.

**How common?** About 1 in 5 new breast cancer cases will be DCIS. Nearly all women diagnosed at this early stage of breast cancer can be cured.

#### IDC: invasive ductal carcinoma, also called infiltrating ductal carcinoma

"This is the most common type of breast cancer," says Dr. Heck. IDC starts in a milk duct of the breast, breaks through the wall of the duct, and grows into the fatty tissue of the breast. At this point, it may be able to spread (metastasize) to other parts of the body

How common? About 8 of 10 invasive breast cancers are IDCs.

#### ILC: invasive lobular carcinoma, also called infiltrating ductal carcinoma

An ILC starts in the milk-producing glands (lobules). Like IDC, it can spread (metastasize) to other parts of the body. **How common?** About 1 in 10 invasive breast cancers is an ILC. Less common types of breast cancer include:

Inflammatory breast cancer (IBC). IBC cancer cells block the lymph vessels in the skin an can cause inflammatory symptoms like swelling and redness. It is aggressive and spreads more quickly than other more common types of breast cancer. Paget disease of the nipple. This rare cancer starts in the breast ducts and spreads to the skin of the nipple and then to the areola (the dark circle around the nipple).

Phyllodes tumor. These are usually benign, but in very rare incidents cancer can develop in the stroma (connective tissue) of the breast.

Angiosarcoma. This extremely rare breast cancer starts in cells that line blood vessels or lymph vessels.

Source: Thomas Heck, MD, Surgical Director, Breast Center; American Cancer Society; Inflammatory Breast Cancer

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## Following are some excerpts from Jody Hesler's most recent newsletter:

(If you would like to receive her newsletters directly, contact Jody at jojo.hesler@gmail.com)

# The Journey - Fall 2018

Thinking about seasons and not just the equinox related kind...



My winter and early spring were travel heavy but the Lord was so faithful in renewing my strength trip to trip. I was in 6 different countries caring for missionaries and teaching by the end of May.

I was back in the US for the late spring and crammed a lot into a relatively short amount of time. I met with newly appointed missionaries at TEAM's Mobilization Orientation (MO) as well as with missionaries who were just getting ready to leave for the field for their first term at TEAM's Predeparture Orientation (PDO). Those conferences take place simultaneously. Which makes it both easier and more difficult depending on the number of folks I'm meeting with. The director of member care and I also co-taught a couple of seminars. Steve Maybee is the director of member care at TEAM. He and I had worked together for several years at Alongside. We make a good teaching team as our styles are quite similar and we can roll with each other's rather freestyle teaching methods! I enjoy meeting with all these new missionaries. Those meetings did increase my paperwork by quite a bit though. And, for those of you who know me well, you know how much I hate the paperwork. I persevered. :-)

I returned to Poland in early July and got some rest. I have had many visitors this year from the US. I've enjoyed their visits and continue to learn a lot about my host country as I take my guests around.

I also had an opportunity to serve as a volunteer with the ministry that so graciously hosts me here – Proem. For 2 weeks I helped out with riding lessons for their campers. The weather was glorious. I was outside with horses, donkeys and ponies. Basically in my happiest of happy places!

And sprinkled in all of that I maintain contact with my ministry areas and the workers. I debrief, advise, coach and pray with missionaries. I have been asked to provide supervision for a worker who is getting her biblical counseling degree; and to mentor another worker who is studying in a leadership program. I also counsel a couple of missionaries who work with other agencies.

It's a full and beautiful life. I am often struck with the thought of "who am I that you should be mindful of me?" God continues to pour out his blessings.

You are called to be a part of the harvest! Sometimes that means that you go. (Let me know if you feel led and I'll connect you with a great organization!) Sometimes you give to those who are going. And, **all** of us are called to pray for the harvest.

## Praises

- God has answered your prayers that my cozy little house has provided brief respite for other missionaries.
- God has faithfully and steadily provided for my needs. See prayer requests for how God can use you to be a part of that.
- The families in transition that you have been praying for are settling into life in the US. Please continue to pray for them as the Lord leads. Just as the first year on the field is critical and often difficult, so often goes the first year back "home". In quotes because while it might be home home to mom and dad, often the children think of their previous host country as home!
- Thank you to the dear couple who donated frequent flyer miles for this trip back to the US! Along with the conference in Toronto, I'll also be attending a reunion of the singles ministry I was a part of in the early 90's in Dallas, TX. This is the ministry that launched me into missionary service! I can't wait to see all of my "A Company of One" friends!!
- Thank you to my sister and brother-in-law who are so generous with their hotel points, making my travels so much easier and safer!

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Jody Hesler newsletter cont'd from page 9.....

## **Prayer Requests**

- Its been a while since I've directly asked if you'd like to partner with me prayerfully and financially. In the past year, I have experienced some attrition in my support base. Would you prayerfully consider being a part of my support team? My goal is to raise an additional \$1000.00 per month. This will allow me to put a bit more away for retirement and supplement my travel budget. Since my territory has increased to cover north Africa and the diaspora work in southern France, my TEAM travel budget will not cover it all. If you'd like to donate frequent flyer miles and/or hotel points, that is extremely helpful, too!
- I return to the US on September 24th and within a couple of days I head to Toronto for a week for TEAM's Fall MO/PDO. I will be meeting with missionaries, discussing their assessments, making recommendations and requirements if necessary; as well as teaching.
- During my time in the US, I'll also be sorting and packing up my childhood bedroom 44 years of accumulated memories - and putting them into storage. Its a task that I am simultaneously looking forward to and dreading.
- I have applied for my resident card here in Poland! The paperwork is in! The optimists say it will be 3 months. The pessimists (and experienced) say pray for getting it within at least 6 months. I'm COMENSERV is a 501(c)3 with most workers focused on outgoing with the optimists for now! :-) reach to Muslims. All donations are tax deductible and 100%

## Will you please consider partnering with me? You can contact me at: jojo.hesler@gmail.com

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of your donations sent to the address above come directly to me.

Your generosity allows me to minister to missionaries in my region of Central Asia, the Middle East, northern Africa, the Muslim diaspora in southern France as well as to others as the needs arise.

THANK YOU FOR GIVING!



# Monday, October 8th



Celebration of Columbus's voyage in the early United States is recorded from as early as 1792, when the Tammany Society in New York City (for whom it became an annual tradition) and also the Massachusetts Historical Society in Boston celebrated the 300th anniversary of Columbus' landing in the New World.

President Benjamin Harrison called upon the people of the United States to celebrate Columbus's landing in the New World on the 400th anniversary of the event. During the anniversary in 1892, teachers, preachers, poets and politicians used rituals to teach ideals of patriotism. These rituals took themes such as citizenship boundaries, the importance of loyalty to the nation, and the celebration of social progress.

Many Italian-Americans observe Columbus Day as a celebration of their heritage, and the first such celebration was held in New York City on October 12, 1866.<sup>[</sup> The day was first enshrined as a legal holiday in the United States through the lobbying of Angelo Noce, a first generation Italian, in Denver. The first statewide holiday was proclaimed by Colorado governor Jesse F. McDonald in 1905, and it was made a statutory holiday in 1907. In April 1934, as a result of lobbying by the Knights of Columbus and New York City Italian leader Generoso Pope, Congress and President Franklin Delano Roosevelt proclaimed October 12 a federal holiday under the name Columbus Day.

Since 1971 (Oct. 11), the holiday has been fixed to the second Monday in October, coincidentally exactly the same day as Thanksgiving in neighboring Canada fixed since 1957. The traditional date of the holiday also adjoins the anniversary of the United States Navy (founded October 13, 1775), and thus both occasions are customarily observed by the Navy (and usually the Marine Corps as well) with either a 72- or 96-hour liberty period.





# **OCTOBER CELEBRATIONS**



		Birthdays				
1	Deborah Thompson	11 Autumn Myers	27 Allison Warner			
	Morgan McKinney	12 Parker Hesler	Mallory Long			
2	Connor Jasinski	Sarah Erdmann	28 Alexis Merzke			
	Miranda Harleman	13 Sharon Grice	Dylan Sagan			
3	Becky Daniels	16 Jennifer Spalding	31 Rose Lucas			
1	Ronnie Bridenbaugh	18 Jason Clauss	Becky Daniels			
4	Claudette Diceanu	19 Brenda Canan				
7	Karen Hoblitt	20 Melissa Sagan	<u>Máppy</u>			
	Sheila Campbell	21 Bill Clauss				
9	Carlee Kemp	22 Christopher Chapman				
10	Holly Cotner	23 Beau Nickol				
	Tori Wright	26 Katherine Obringer				
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- 1 Darrell & Sanny Schneider
- 10 Tyler & Kara Hofacker
- 13 Larry & Susan Harter
- 18 Paul & Rita Erdmann
- 20 Kent & Sherri Shelley
- 22 Bill & Betsy Clauss
- Jack & Pat Rademachir
- 23 Keith & Jill Witters
- 25 Gary & Katherine Obringer Jason & Sara Moberly
- 26 Kevin & Vicki Ressler



- 1 Jill Witters Paul Erdmann
- 2 Bill Ulrich
- 3 Angela Morelli
- 11 Rick Myers
- 12 Miles Baker
- 15 Mary Lamb

## **Baptisms**

- 16 Leah Witters
- 18 Cory Campbell Noelle Murray
  - Quinton Muhlenkamp Riley Sagan
- 19 Emily Jordan

- 20 Amber Thacker
- Madison Sagan
- 21 Michael Long
- 24 Connor Jasinski
- 29 Stephanie Burrell
  - Teresa Neitzelt

OCTOBER						
DATE	GREETERS	READERS	ACOLYTES	FLOWERS		
7	Steve & Julie Kossler	Christi Jasinski				
14	Shirley Rhoades & Chris Cassell	Jennifer Arling				
21	Trent & Michelle Groff	Diane Warner				
28	David & Pat Netzley	Connor Jasinski & Emily Campbell				

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SUNDAY MO	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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			6:30 pm WELCA Mtg.	7:00 pm Worship Team Meeting (as needed)	3:30 pm FISH Choice Food Pantry	LUTHERAN CHURCH
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