

The Trinity Trumpet

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November 1

Annual Meeting
Daylight Savings Time Ends

November 3

Election Day

November 11

Veterans Day

November 12

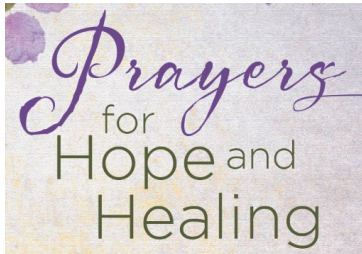
Blood Drive at Trinity

November 24

Newsletter Deadline

November 26

Thanksgiving Day



Prayer Concerns— Current and ongoing

- Sharon Wirrig—Health
- Jr Koos—Health
- Jody Burns—Cancer
- Holly McEldowney—Cancer
- Sarah Wolfe—In Hospice, kidney failure
- Kenny Hesler—General health
- Ev Kaiser—Heart problems
- Amanda Spahr—Brain issues
- Reese Addington—10 year old with auto-immune disease
- John Young—Cancer
- Mary Philpot—Cancer
- Aiden Snyder—Leukemia returned
- Ray Chester
- Zane Rhodehamel—Leukemia
- Kelly VanDeGrift—Cancer
- Bobby Jagielski—Cancer
- Auzzy Monroe—Diagnostic tests

- Janice Rosenberger—Stroke
- Tommy Scarlis—Brain tumor
- Dawn Oswald—Cancer
- Stephen Angles—Tourettes
- Dave Sroufe—Back surgery
- Jaimie Campbell
- Mary Ann Shellhaus—recovering from a stroke
- Pat Ferguson—Spinal surgery
- Jeanne Cassel—Alzheimers
- Susie Weisenbarger—Cancer
- Pat Netzley—Asthma, cold
- Ruth Baker—Mental health
- Jim Neitzelt—Heart issues
- Nancy Longo—Heart surgery
- Sierra Stryker—Sight /head trauma
- Sandra Williams—Eyes
- Sandy Booher
- Bob Tiborn
- Cindy Lou—Knee surgery
- Eric Snyder—Return of brain cancer
- Jerry Higgins—Cancer
- Janet Gilliland—Cancer
- Quana Tate—Complications from a stroke

- Jennifer Payne—Stroke & paralysis
- Irma Arling—Small stroke
- Gary Hill—Lung cancer beaten
- Jerome Axton—Leg amputation

World Concerns:

- All families suffering with addiction
- Victims of the coronavirus
- Any suffering from traumatic brain injury
- Relief from locusts in East Africa
- President, House, & Senate & other leaders
- Freezing children in Syria
- Bring people together in justice, decency, & dignity

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.

PRAYERS & SQUARES QUILTING

November 13
9 am to noon

(This is the last quilting day until the new year.)

Ladies
LUNCHEON

NO LUNCHEON GATHERING IN NOVEMBER.

DEADLINE FOR THE DECEMBER ISSUE OF THE TRINITY TRUMPET IS NOVEMBER 24th.



INDOOR WORSHIP GUIDELINES

Trinity Council has approved the following guidelines for our return to worship in the Church sanctuary. We want to start out conservatively following the CDC and state guidelines strictly and then change what we can as it is safe to do so. Please be patient with us as we may need to meet a few times before we are comfortable with allowing you to return to the area where you normally sat. Our goal is to keep all of our members as safe and healthy as possible. Normal just isn't what it used to be.

- ✝ Facebook Live and YouTube Worship Services will continue for the foreseeable future or you may sit in your car in parking lot—tune your radio to FM 88.3 (Service videos will be added to both YouTube and our Church Website after the live event concludes.)
- ✝ If you are over 65 years of age and have other health issues, you are strongly encouraged to stay home and enjoy any of the above options for worship.
- ✝ Limited bulletins will be printed since we will use the screen, but they will be emailed and posted to our website (www.pitsburgtlc.org) and made available on Facebook so you can print your own prior to worship.
- ✝ Offering plates will be located in a central location (indoor and outdoor)

Procedures for indoor worship

- Please wear a facemask at all times as you are able
- Hymnals, Pew Pads, pencils and pens etc. have been removed from the pew areas
- Extra measures will be taken to ensure good air circulation--all doors and windows will be opened as much as possible and air circulated
- Attendance is limited to 55 individuals in the sanctuary
- Please arrive near 10:00 AM so everyone can be screened and seated by our 10:30 start time
- Enter and exit only through glass doors on the north side of the Church building
- Your temperature will be taken as you enter the building--if you have a fever, you will be asked to return home
- Sanitizer will be available as you enter the building and in each pew being used
- You will enter after the group in front of you is seated in the Sanctuary
- Pews will be marked for availability and you should only sit in open pews
- Each family unit will maintain social distancing of at least six feet during the worship service

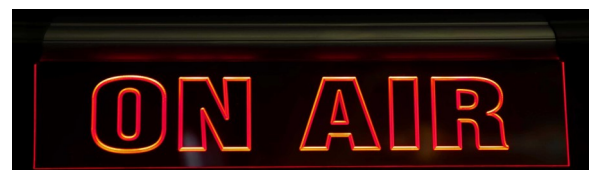
Feel free to contact Bev Erdmann, Pastor Mel, or any Council member if you have questions.



Holy Communion

November 1st





Trinity is on the Air at FM 88.3

If you are near the church on Sunday morning, you can tune in to FM 88.3 at 10:30 AM and hear the sermon from your car.



If you are unable to worship in-person with us, there are other ways to enjoy the worship service:

- ◇ At 10:30 am on Sunday morning listen to FM 88.3 on your car radio while sitting in the parking lot
- ◇ Watch the service LIVE on Facebook at 10:30 am
- ◇ Watch the service later on YouTube

SILENT AUCTION

With the situation that we have trying to maintain safe practices and keep everyone healthy, we have decided not to have our annual Christmas auction at the Erdmann house this

year. We will instead plan a silent auction to be held in the Church basement beginning on Sunday, November 15 (tentatively). Items will be placed on the tables with a sign-up sheet for your bid. There will also be a container upstairs and downstairs during the auction for donations. Trinity has been able to provide gifts for many needy families over the years, and we want to continue that this year. If you will have items to donate, please let Bev Erdmann or Roxanne Groff know so that we will know how to set up the tables for display. You may donate a card listing a food item that you will make or a service that you will provide for the buyer rather than have the item there for the auction.



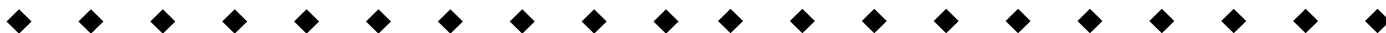
With the return to indoor services, we plan to have the Annual Meeting on our regular date, November 1, 2020.



PRAYER QUILT FOR JENNIFER PAYNE

Charlotte Payne holding the Prayer Quilt for her daughter, Jennifer Payne.. Jennifer had a stroke early this year and was not able to return to her home. She has been living at Shiloh Springs Care Center in Trotwood and was recently was moved to a room where she could see her Mom and Dad. Covid 19 has made her isolation very difficult. Charlotte said they began physical therapy and they are hoping Jennifer will become mobile and that it will lift her spirits. Keep her in your prayers. She is a single mom in her 40's with a son attending college at Thomas Moore in Kentucky.

Nina Unger made her beautiful quilt. Thanks, Nina!



And in Galatians 5:6 (NRSV), St. Paul writes, "For in Christ Jesus ... the only thing that counts is faith working through love." Amid all the worthy pursuits that fill your days, remember to choose rightly — by choosing love.

President's Perspective 2020

We're trying to find a new normal for our Church services and so far everyone has shown so much grace to all of us. At our services, we aren't ushering in, just asking you to sit a safe distance. We are singing and speaking the liturgy and prayers with masks on. (You have been really good about leaving the masks on during the service and many of us feel better about that.) We had a very nice Confirmation service on the 25th and were pleased to have 60 present. Those who came to the Fall Festival enjoyed the pumpkin bowling and decorating and were well entertained by Joseph. Treats and a yummy cookie were our parting gifts.

Next Sunday, November 1, is our Annual Meeting directly after the service. We would love to have good attendance so that we can complete the business of our Church. It should not be a long meeting as we did not complete the review of the proposed changes to the constitution with the virus interruptions, but we did get a start on that.

Let me tell you what I love about our modified service. Our plans to usher in and out just didn't work. You can't keep our Trinity family from caring about each other and from talking after the services – with our masks on. We are so glad to be with each other and to see the smiles behind the masks, and we just can't help ourselves. We share our love, and that, my friends, is what makes Trinity so great. Just keep on loving and caring and being there for each other. Come feel the love when you can.

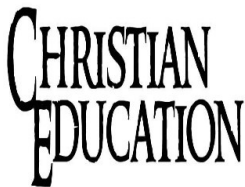
Stay healthy, stay happy, keep praying, and keep the faith. God is in control.

Bev Erdmann



October Meeting Summary

- Approved change return to indoor services to eliminate ushers seating and dismissing, singing and speaking are allowed by those wearing masks, we will offer communion at times
- Appliance Update—Fridge is installed and in use, but the freezer is still on order.
- Blood Drive is set for November 12—entire basement will be used
- Annual Meeting will be held November 1, 2020 after worship using social distancing and there will be no meal
- Mutual Ministry Team members are Joe Netzley and Julie Kossler. Still need one more member.
- Silent Auction will be set up after blood drive is over, tentatively November 15, 22, 29 IF we get items donated - other details to come from Linda Baker, Bev Erdmann & Roxanne Groff.



...News for Pre-K through 6th Grade



When possible, the Christian Education Team will plan a future fun event for the kids and their families.

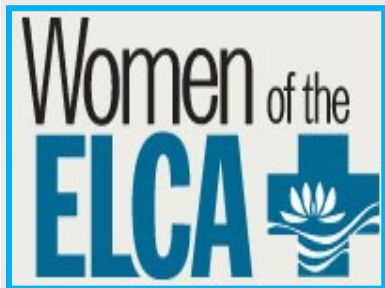
The Christian Education Team is unsure about the status of a Christmas program at this time.

Coming soon may be online Sunday School or limited Sunday School during church.

Let us know your thoughts and ideas. Call me with concerns. Please stay in touch with your church family.

Marge Warner, Christian Education Leader 937-623-2544

The Team - Pam Oswalt, Stephanie Kemp, Linda Baker, Michelle Groff, Pastor Mel



NOVEMBER NEWS

ON NOVEMBER 8, the women of Trinity will be leading the Thankoffering service as usual. Several women will help lead the service, and Katherine Jump will be singing two solos. Be prepared with a little extra cash for the Thank offering or bring several canned goods to donate to FISH.

A big thanks to Diane Warner for again getting us started on the Operation Christmas Child boxes. We are hoping to provide 75 boxes filled with goodies for children all over the world. Luckily we were given two Thrivent gift cards, valued at \$250 each, to be used for shopping.

Thanks to all who helped with quilts, school kits, and personal care kits!

I will be providing food in November unless someone else steps up. Consider attending the November 4 meeting. Receive parts for Thankoffering, too. We do practice social distancing and mask wearing at our meetings.

Marge Warner - WELCA President

2019-2020 WELCA OFFICERS

Pres. - Marge Warner
Secretary - PJ Musser
Wernle Rep. - Judy Ulrich
Dinner Chair - Katherine Jump
Sunshine Cards - Julie Kossler
Giving Tree - Pat Netzley & Pam Oswalt
Devotions—Marge Warner

Vice President—Katherine Jump
Treasurer—Portia Boord
Quilting - Judy Ulrich and Linda Baker
Christmas Party Committee - Portia Boord & Linda Baker
Luncheon Chair - Linda Baker
Mother-Daughter-Friend Committee - Vacant

WHO'S BEHIND THE MASK?

Send your answer to Bev Erdmann at
erdfam3@gmail.com or
text/phone her at 937-621-6748.



I will be out of the office from November 18 thru 26 but will be working Monday & Tuesday, November 16 & 17 and then Friday, November 27 and maybe Saturday, November 28.

Your secretary,
Sharon Fourman




To all who generously donated to purchase the new water cooler, refrigerator and freezer. The



water cooler has been installed and working for some time now and the refrigerator has already been used to preserve the altar flowers for display more than one Sunday.



Word from Our Pastor



"Give thanks to the LORD of hosts, for the LORD is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!"
(Jeremiah 33:11)

Greetings, Trinity Church! Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from Our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ.

I love this time of year! November and December are the best months because we get to celebrate our major holidays of Thanksgiving and Christmas. At this time, more than any other time of the year, people become both more thankful and more generous.

There's so many other reasons to love this time of the year. November starts out with All Saints Day, the day we set aside to remember those we've lost over the years. It's such a powerful reminder of the promise of eternal life as we hear the names of those who have passed. I'm always moved when with one voice we respond, "Here with us!" Don't forget to provide the names of your loved ones to be remembered on Sunday November First. Please call, text, or email their names to our Church Secretary or to my cell phone.

November is the month we set aside to give thanks for all our blessings. Thankful people are those who recognize all we have and all we are come from God. God gave you the strength, the intellect, and the gifts to earn your living. The truth is, God even gave you life and God sustains you every moment of every day. I've noticed that I'm a much happier, satisfied person when I stop to count my blessings. Thankful people are happy people!

This time of year tends to make us more thankful for what we have, but we also get more generous as we prepare for Christmas. The Christmas Auction is a perfect example. This year we have to tone it back a little due to the Corona virus, but I know you will still be generous in your silent bidding this month. I look forward to going shopping with the confirmation students and their mentors to purchase gifts for our Christmas families. If being thankful makes you a happier person, then being a generous person makes you even happier. I believe thankful, generous people are the happiest people of all.

Growing up and even as an adult, I always looked forward to the season of Advent, that season before Christmas when we used to gather on Wednesday evenings for soup suppers and a worship service that was always different from the traditional Lutheran service. Sometimes we would have skits or stories instead of the sermon. I miss the fellowship and community that enriched my life as we broke bread and ate soup together. I pray someday we'll go back to gathering for soup and worship during the Advent season.

This year our celebrations and even our worship services will have to be much more subdued because of the pandemic restrictions. Despite all those restrictions and the fact that I still grieve the loss of our Advent soup suppers, November is still my favorite time of year! The anticipation of all that's to come, the memories of family and friends, and the fun of finding and giving that perfect gift, all combine to help us turn outward toward our neighbors in love.

May this season of thanksgiving and generosity not only bring you happiness, but also the peace and true joy of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Happy Thanksgiving!
Pr Mel





Our Confirmands in 2020

Confirmation Sunday was October 25th and four youth were received into membership at Trinity. Congratulations to these young folks and we are looking forward to all the great things you will accomplish in your life!

From left to right:

*Trudie Louise Arling,
Elayna Marie Ressler,
Aiden Jacob Myers,
Isabella Marie Harleman*

Community

Blood  Drive

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Thursday, November 12

3:00—6:30 PM

FALL FESTIVAL on October 25th

“Simply Joseph” Helfrich shows Marie Beard how to play a flute-like instrument. All who attended enjoyed a good time!



In November, Trinity will be collecting items for FISH and Wernle Home.





Just like all of us, Wernle has had to make changes in the care of their children. The resident numbers are down to 37 and isolation is difficult for staff and the youth. Providing education has changed and as many of you as parents can identify with the problems that arise almost every day. They have a project in the works to buy a van to transport the kids safely. Check out the bulletin board by the table at the church's front door for more info.



Even though it has complicated interaction with Wernle, Trinity has still been able to donate quite a few items. I thought you would be as amazed as I was when I called Chris Parker to pick them up. Here is a list that shows your generosity and is an example to others of what can be given:

- 3 Fleece blankets ties by Helena, Lexie, and Kate. Thanks girls!!!
- 90+ Men's novelty T-shirts given by Portia from Ron years of collecting
- 8 Body washes, moisturizing lotions in bottles and tubes
- 3 Pair of jeans—size 34-29
- 1 Pair of winter leather fur lined gloves
- 3 Sets of new towels with wash cloths
- 3 Women's knit tanks and jeans
- 1 Sheet set for twin size bed
- 4 Pair of lightly used pillowcases
- 1 Bag filled with a Scrabble game, straw hat, pair of lightly colored running shoes, pair of flip-flops, belts

Thank you for all that you do for our Wernle family of youth.

Want to brighten up the lives of the Wernle youth by sending a card to one of them during the upcoming holidays? Just place a signed Halloween, Thanksgiving or Christmas card (don't seal the envelope) in the basket on the table in the entry and I'll add their name to the envelope and make sure they receive them.

November birthdays:

Anthony B	11/5/04	Lucas C	11/19/07	Clayton H	11/20/01
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Check out the Wernle Facebook page or their website at www.wernle.org for news and information.



Ready for the 2019
Christmas celebration
at Wernle





LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF



Trinity has once again come through with donations for Lutheran World Relief. Shown here are our assembly lines for the Personal Care Kits and the School Kits. Also shown are the many quilts made and donated.



All packed up and ready to load for delivery to Lutheran World Relief! Way to go, Trinity family!

Thanks to everyone who donated, helped assemble, and pack for the pickup!

Comfort for Advanced Cancer Patients: Palliative Care and Hospice

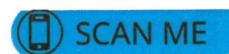
A diagnosis of advanced cancer – with little chance for a cure – can place a severe strain on you and your family. However, even when a cure is not likely, you have several care options to help you address physical, emotional, spiritual and practical needs of everyday living. A type of care that focuses on making you more comfortable, at all stages of treatment, is called palliative care. Palliative care focuses on managing pain and other symptoms – rather than providing a cure – so you can enjoy life more fully. Hospice care is a type of palliative care generally reserved for the last months of life. Hospice is used when curative treatments are not working and you are expected to live about six months or less. The options of palliative care and hospice care become more important as prolonging life becomes less of a focus and living the highest quality of life each day becomes your priority.

Benefits of Palliative Care

Palliative care, often called comfort care, focuses on the symptoms and effects of both cancer and cancer treatment. There are doctors who specialize in palliative care, and your primary care and cancer doctors may also have ideas about what you can do for your physical, emotional and spiritual well-being. You can receive this type of care throughout your cancer treatment and even when you stop receiving treatment. With palliative care, you can expect to receive help and support with the following issues:

- Managing physical symptoms, such as pain, nausea, vomiting, fatigue, shortness of breath and insomnia
- Dealing with emotions of fear, depression and anxiety
- Helping family members cope with caregiving responsibilities and keeping their own lives balanced
- Providing support and resources for financial, legal, insurance and end-of-life concerns

Private insurance, Medicare and Medicaid all provide some coverage for palliative care services. Check your plan to learn what is covered.



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When to Contact Hospice

Hospice care generally is reserved for the last six months of life – to improve the quality of your time with family and friends once curative treatment stops. You may find it difficult to end disease-focused treatment, even if you have received multiple types of treatment that have not stopped the growth or spread of your cancer. To help you decide if it is time to start hospice, ask your doctor to clearly explain the chance that treatment will help you feel better or live longer.

Choosing hospice doesn't mean that you or your family is giving up hope. Instead, hospice care focuses on you as a whole person, helping you take steps to live as comfortably and as fully as possible, and be aware that you can leave hospice at any time to return to active cancer treatment. Hospice care typically provides care administered by a team of doctors, nurses, aides, social workers, chaplains, therapists and family. Hospice care includes:

- Symptom control for pain, nausea and other side effects of cancer and its treatment. This includes medicines that balance making you feel better with keeping you alert to life around you.
- Medical equipment, such as a hospital bed or wheelchair, to make you more comfortable
- Home care, surrounded by family and friends. If your caregivers are unable to keep you at home, hospice care also can be provided in a hospital, a long-term care facility or an inpatient hospice center.
- Spiritual care, giving you the opportunity to discuss death and religious beliefs, as well as plan or discuss a ritual or ceremony.
- Care coordination of all members of your care team, seven days a week, 24 hours a day
- If your family needs a break from caregiving, hospice provides respite care in an inpatient facility or inpatient hospice center. Caregivers can receive a much-needed break or take time out for an important event or trip.
- The hospice team often provides bereavement care after a hospice patient dies, helping family through the grieving process, often for up to a year.

Most insurance plans, including Medicare, cover hospice care if your doctor determines your life expectancy to be six months or less. You or your health care power of attorney must agree for you to receive hospice care.

Source: American Cancer Society; National Cancer Institute; Choosing Wisely; American Society of Clinical Oncology

The material above is general medical information provided for informative and educational purposes only. General medical advice can never substitute for personal, professional advice given based on your medical history, your family medical history, your medication history, and other factors. Because these factors are different for every person, you should always consult your physician before relying on this information. These health tips should not be construed as establishing a patient-physician relationship between you and Premier Health and/or any staff members. If you need medical assistance, contact (866) 608- 3463 to make an appointment with a physician, or call 9-1-1 immediately if it is an emergency.



November Celebrations



Birthdays

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| 1 Paul Jasinski | 10 Lexi Wright | 26 Shawn Hein |
| 2 Bethany Nickol
Trent Groff | 13 Vicki Ressler | 27 Rilyn Warner |
| 3 Monica Heckman | 13 Michelle Dornbusch | 29 Andrew Parlett
Rob Arling |
| 6 Brooke Chapman
David Netzley | 16 Jack Mehaffie | |
| 7 Barbara Sease
Kayla Garwood
Ruth Collins | 18 Alaina Merzke | |
| | 20 Steve Mehaffie | |
| | 21 Connie Gilmore | |
| | 25 Jordan Mattox
Michael Mehaffie | |



Anniversaries

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| 7 Nick & Angela Morelli | 15 Ron & Barbara Gettinger | 20 Chad & Cindy Bruner |
| 8 Wesley & Jenna Harleman | 16 Rod & Deb Sease | 22 Larry & Linda Feitshans |
| 13 Kent & Shirley Thompson | 18 Craig & Holly Cotner | 24 Bucky & Lori Burrell |



Baptisms




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| 1 Lisa Garwood
Rose Lucas | 12 Trevor Shelley | 28 Antonia Baker
Patti Troutwine
Troy Troutwine |
| 5 Karen Hoblitt
Brynlee Groff | 16 Brandon Groff
Brittani Groff | 29 Holly Merzke
Mollie Watson |
| 9 Kevin McKibben | 17 Crew Diceanu | |
| 10 Eva Stephens | 18 Austin Harleman | |
| 11 Brydon Diceanu
Sheila Campbell | 24 Judy Howard | |
| | 27 Donna Stickley
Hannah Nickol | |

November 2020						
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November



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
1 Daylight Savings Time Ends .. Fall Back 1 hr. at 2 am 10:30 am Worship All Saints Sunday	2	3 	4 6:30 pm WELCA Meeting 7:00 pm Trinity Bible/ Book Club	5 6:30 pm Worship Team Meeting (if needed)	6 3:30 pm FISH Choice Food Pantry	7	
8 10:30 am Worship Thanksgiving Sunday	9	10	11 VETERANS DAY 11:30 am ladies lunch 6:30 pm Christian Education Team Meeting 7:00 pm Trinity Bible/ Book Club	12 3:00 pm Blood Drive at Trinity	13 9:00 am Prayers & Squares Quilting 3:30 pm FISH Choice Food Pantry	14	
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