

Trinity Tidings

October 20, 2022 News

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October FREE Community Meal



The Acker and Moser families are serving chili and grilled hot dogs to the New London community on **Wednesday, October 26, 5 to 6 pm.**

Donations needed for October meal are:

- Healthy snacks (e.g. apple sauce, raisins, craisins, fruit cups, granola/protein bars, jerky, etc.)
- Cookies (packaged or homemade)

PLEASE NO NUTS and NO ITEMS REQUIRING REFRIGERATION. Place donations in the orange bin outside of church.

We are in need of donations of chili. Containers located in the Narthex. Please take one and return your chili to church during office hours or during Sunday services. Please place the chili in the upright freezer in the storage room in the Fellowship Hall by Sunday, October 23.



Fall Clean Up
Sunday, October 23
After worship
Indoors & Outdoors

Many hands make light work!

Stewardship campaign, 2023

: **Stewards of God's Grace**

As we look to fund the many ministries here at Trinity:

Take some time and ponder God's gracious gifts, and how to show thankfulness to God with generosity in 2023



As each has received a gift,
Use it to serve one another,
As good stewards of God's varied grace.

1Peter 4:10

October 2022

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Sunday, October 23 - *Bible Presentation*

- Adult Sunday School 8 AM
- Worship 9 AM
- Fall Clean up 10 AM
- Sunday School 10 AM

Monday, October 24

- 73rd Anniversary of Trinity's 1st worship

Tuesday, October 25

Wednesday, October 26

- Community Meals 5 PM
- Confirmation Class 6:30 PM

Thursday, October 27

- Bible Study 9 AM
- Quilting 10 AM
- Comfort Crafts 5:30 PM
- Carport Clutch 6:00 PM
- Dartball - bye

Friday, October 28

Saturday, October 29

Sunday, October 30 - *Confirmation*

- Bake Sale
- Adult Sunday School 8 AM
- Worship 9 AM
- Sunday School 10 AM

Click [here](#) for the most current calendar.

Click [here](#) for the livestream of Sunday's worship service.



HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

Email or call with your request.

Healing:

- Patti Natzke - recovering from surgery
- Woody Haag - recovering from surgery
- Bill Krejcarek - recovering from surgery
- Carrie Doughty - illness
- Mary Snyder - recovering from surgery
- Dixie Hill - health concerns
- Jill Maus - sister-in-law of Denise Knudsen, cancer
- Adam Lehmann - health concerns
- Carole Ebert - cancer
- Larry Leatz - friend of Tom & Sue Luba, cancer
- Trista Jo Blank - health concerns
- Bonnie Wegner - cancer
- Tina Bartelt - cancer
- Kathy Feeney Rueckert - friend of Sue Luba, medical issues
- Helen Massey - health concerns
- Jackie Janke - health concerns
- Dawn Haag - cancer
- Ginger Massey - relative of Helen Massey
- Anna Roberts - cancer
- Sam Ives - health issues

Those in the military:

- Shane Borree
- SSGT Zachary Abel

Patti Natzke
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ALL SAINTS DAY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7

If you have a loved one who passed away this past year and would like to honor them on All Saints Sunday, please email or call the church office with your name, the name of the one to be remembered and that one's relationship to you by Monday, October 31.



We need your help with a bake sale!



On Confirmation Sunday, October 30 the TWELCA group will be having a bake sale, with proceeds benefitting the youth group.

Our sale to benefit the youth will be on Sunday, October 30, before and after the service at 9:00 am. **THANK YOU!**



Thank you!



Please consider baking goods and signing up to help sell the baked goods on Sunday, October 30.

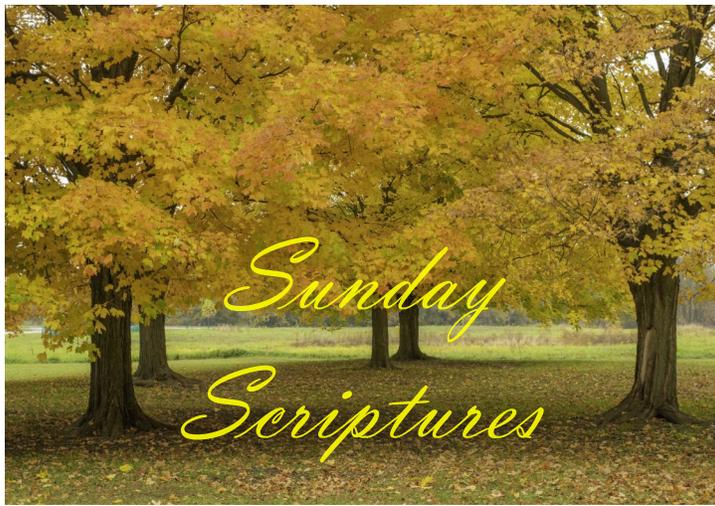
DON'T MISS OUT! SIGN UP NOW!

TRUNK OR TREAT

decorate your car and hand out goodies to our local children as they safely trick or treat through our parking lot at the beginning of the city's trick or treat!

October 31, 2020 | 4:30-5:30 PM | Trinity Parking Lot

Sign up with Madalyn or the office come around 4/4:15 on Halloween to prepare your car as needed



First Reading: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

In a time of drought, the people pray for mercy, repenting of their sins and the sins of their ancestors. They appeal to God to remember the covenant, to show forth God's power, and to heal their land by sending life-giving rain.

⁷Although our iniquities testify against us,
act, O LORD, for your name's sake;
our apostasies indeed are many,
and we have sinned against you.

⁸O hope of Israel,
its savior in time of trouble,
why should you be like a stranger in the land,
like a traveler turning aside for the night?
⁹Why should you be like someone confused,
like a mighty warrior who cannot give help?
Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us,
and we are called by your name;
do not forsake us!

¹⁰Thus says the LORD concerning this people:
Truly they have loved to wander,
they have not restrained their feet;
therefore the LORD does not accept them,
now he will remember their iniquity
and punish their sins.

¹⁹Have you completely rejected Judah?
Does your heart loathe Zion?
Why have you struck us down
so that there is no healing for us?
We look for peace, but find no good;
for a time of healing, but there is terror instead.

²⁰We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD,
the iniquity of our ancestors,
for we have sinned against you.

²¹Do not spurn us, for your name's sake;
do not dishonor your glorious throne;
remember and do not break your covenant
with us.

²²Can any idols of the nations bring rain?

Or can the heavens give showers?
Is it not you, O LORD our God?
We set our hope on you,
for it is you who do all this.

Psalm: Psalm 84:1-7

¹How dear to me is your dwelling,
O LORD of hosts!

²My soul has a desire and longing for the
courts of the LORD;

my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living
God.

³Even the sparrow has found a home, and the
swallow a nest where she may lay her young,
by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts,
my king and my God.

⁴Happy are they who dwell in your house!
They will always be praising you.

⁵Happy are the people whose strength is in
you,
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

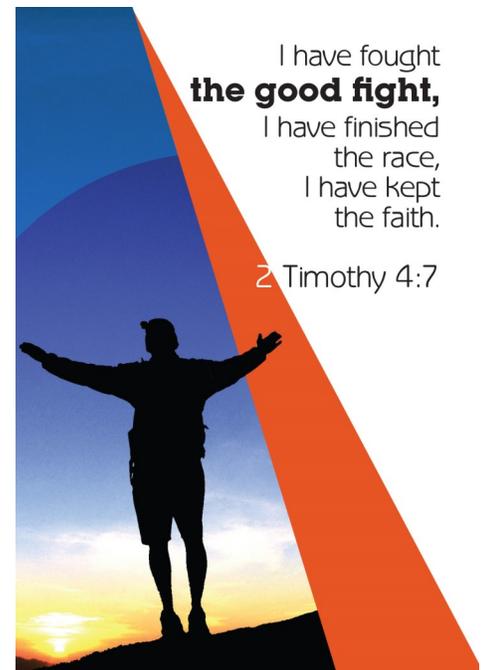
⁶Those who go through the balsam valley will
find it a place of springs,
for the early rains have covered it with pools
of water.

⁷They will climb from height to height,
and the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

The conclusion of this letter to a young minister offers a final perspective on life from one who faced death. Though others let him down, Paul was sure of his faith in the Lord, who stood by him and lent him strength.

⁶As for me, I am
already being
poured out as a
libation, and the
time of my de-
parture has
come. ⁷I have
fought the good
fight, I have fin-
ished the race, I
have kept the
faith. ⁸From now
on there is re-
served for me
the crown of
righteousness,
which the Lord,
the righteous
judge, will give
me on that day,
and not only to me but also to all who have
longed for his appearing.



I have fought
the good fight,
I have finished
the race,
I have kept
the faith.

2 Timothy 4:7

¹⁶At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! ¹⁷But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

The coming reign of God will involve unexpected reversals of fortune with judgment rooted in mercy. Jesus tells a parable in which the one who humbles himself is exalted and the one who exalts his own righteousness is humbled.

⁹[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ ¹³But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

“For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”



LUKE 18:14, NIV



A prayer for a new day

Dear Lord, so far today I've done well...I haven't gossiped, I haven't lost my temper, I haven't been greedy, grumpy, nasty, selfish, or overindulgent. I'm very thankful for that. But in a few minutes, Lord, I'm going to get out of bed, and from then on I'm probably going to need a lot more help. Amen

I know that I need a lot of help. It does not take long for me to mess up. I often wake up in the morning with my mind racing about what I need to do that day. Then I pray and ask God for help to handle whatever challenges I face.

Today we see two contrasting prayers. One from a Pharisee and one from a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’

I would like to think I am the tax collector. I find myself praying “Lord I need help. Have mercy on me, a sinner.” After all, Jesus says “I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

We try to be humble people. Surely we do not act like the Pharisee! He was doing what he was supposed to do with giving a tenth of his income and fasting, but he did not humble himself. All of us do the best we can to be good, faithful godly people.

Would any of US ever pray "Thank God I am not like THOSE people?"

I think not.

But if we are honest, we do compare ourselves to others.

We all sin.

We all can be self-centered.

There is a story of a mother who was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin, 5 and Ryan, 3. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake. The mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson: 'If Jesus were sitting here He would say, 'Let my brother have the first pancake, I can wait.' Kevin turned to his younger brother and said, 'Ryan, you can be Jesus!'

It is human nature to be self-centered.

Sometimes we try to justify our wrong actions by saying "what I have done is not so bad, at least not as bad as what they did!"



And when we label other people as judgmental are WE not being judgmental?

Finally, do we not have difficulty admitting that we are not total-

ly self-sufficient?

None of us are righteous before God.

We all fall short of what God expects of us.

It is not up to us to fix other people.

We ALL need help.

We all need GOD'S help!

Because of Christ we do not need to justify ourselves or look good to others.

Christ humbled himself so that we will all be exalted.

We do not need to beat ourselves up when we fail either.

Just be honest with ourselves.

There is some Pharisee and tax collector in all of us.

Jesus died for ALL of us!

We can wake up each day trusting that God is with us.

As Holocaust survivor Corrie Ten Boom said, "If you look at the world, you'll be distressed. If you look within, you'll be depressed. If you look at Christ, you'll be at rest."

Amen

Serving at worship on Sunday

Ushers

Ron & Joy Flohr

Lector

Ron Flohr

Communion Assistant

Ron Flohr

Slides

Lila Wesenick

Livestream

Tom Vigil

Altar Guild

Joy Flohr

Trinity will be hosting an ecumenical Thanksgiving Eve Service followed by a Pie Social on Wednesday, November 23 at 6:30 PM.

We will need a livestream operator, a slides presenter, and two ushers for the service. If you are available to help, please notify the church office. We will also need bakers to contribute your creations for the pie social.

