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Alleluia. If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free. Alleluia. John 8:31-32

Reformation Video and Discussion

During the Adult Forums on October 29 and November 5 we will be viewing and discussing Rick Steves' video *Luther and the Reformation*. Please join us as we explore our Lutheran roots and discuss the impact the Protestant Reformation and Martin Luther and others had on not only Christianity but the broader society and its institutions.



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Thanksgiving Day Baskets

Thanksgiving is around the corner and once again the Social Ministry Committee will be collecting food items to make Thanksgiving Day Baskets. We were given the names of 20 area families in need from Ephrata Area Social Services. We need your help! Using your donations, we will provide these families with a Thanksgiving Dinner. Please bring in food items according to your last name.

A-D: canned peas or corn E-H: canned sweet potatoes

I-L: seasoned stuffing M-P: instant potatoes

Q-S: jello snack packs (premade jello in containers) or package cookies or applesauce

T-Z: apple juice or orange drink

We are also accepting donations of 10-14 lb turkeys. Contact the church office or Rob Gilbert if you can donate a turkey no later than **November 5**th. Monetary donations to purchase items will be greatly appreciated. Donations can be dropped off at the church and placed in the basket in the Gathering Area.

We have done this with Ephrata Area Social Services for several years and they need our help more than ever. Please let us not disappoint those in need. If you have any questions, please call Rob Gilbert at 721-3822.

Two Important Congregational Meetings

There will be an informational forum about the proposed 2024 Ministry Spending Plan (Budget) and our deficit financial situation Sunday, **November 19**, in the social hall following the worship service. Not only will current and projected financial information be shared at the meeting, but questions will be answered and ideas solicited.

The annual congregational meeting will be held Sunday, **December 3**, in the sanctuary following the worship service. At this meeting the 2024 Ministry Spending Plan will be presented for adoption.

Members are strongly encouraged to attend both meetings because of the financial implications.

Please send in any names of loved ones (family or friend) that you would like included in the name list for All Saints Sunday, November 5. **Members** who died in the last year will automatically be included, so you do not need to send those. Send to church office by October 31. **officeholytrinity@ephratalutheran.org**





Bible Study: The Revelation to John

You are invited to join Pastor Mark on Tuesday mornings, from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM, beginning November 7 for a study of the book of *Revelation* (*The Revelation to John*). The group will meet in the conference room next to the office. The class will run for six consecutive weeks. **The class will not be meeting on November 21**. You are invited to bring your own Bible to take notes if you wish (yes, writing in your Bible is okay); however, Bibles will be available. You are also invited to bring lunch with you in case you want to hang out afterward for more discussion on any topic or to enjoy fellowship time.

Birthdays

To the members of Holy Trinity who are 70 years and older and celebrating a birthday this month.

November

- 7 Janet Wiest
- 9 Bonnie Eberly
- 10 Dennis Wiest
- 11 Kathryn Sweigart
- 13 Burnell Henry

SEND THEM A BIRTHDAY CARD OR CALL THEM WITH YOUR GREETING. WE PRAY GOD GRANTS THEM MANY MORE YEARS IN THEIR PILGRIMAGE.





Pickleball News

Holy Trinity now has Pickleball equipment, and a court set up in the multi-purpose room. Anyone who is interested in learning how to play pickleball or who already is a pickleball player may use the court. There are two signup sheets on the table in the gathering area. One for beginners and one for those who already know how to play and want to sign up for times and dates. We need to know this info so we can coordinate the use of the area with other events that might be happening. See Ron Kerschner if you have any questions.

The Stewardship Committee is honored to present Clare House as the focus for Special Giving for the month of October.

Clare House transforms the lives of women and their children through an employment-focused program providing safety, housing, and supportive services with the goal of financial stability. Founded in 1980.

Our mission and vision

We believe dignity and value are the keys to helping women move forward. While women and their children are here, they can expect everyone at Clare House to treat them with respect, regardless of who they are or where they came from. We believe in our residents' success – and we'll provide the tools and opportunities to make it happen.

Requested donations for Clare House: Clare House Wish List Laundry - Detergent, Disinfecting Wipes, *Bathroom Cleaner, All Purpose Cleaner, Toilet Cleaner, *House Brooms, Casserole Dishes, Nonstick Baking Pans (Metal), Pots/Pans sets, Sturdy laundry baskets, Scrubber dish sponges, Dish Drying Racks w/ drain tray, Personal Items: RRTA Bus Passes (10 trip), Gift Cards (UGI, Giant, Weis, Target, Wal-Mart, Lowes, Home Depot.)

Phone: (717) 291-8967 | Fax: (717) 291-6830 www.ClareHouseLancaster.org **Clare House is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Your donations are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.**

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Our vision is a community where all women and their children are empowered to build a stable foundation.



THE ADULT (all adults are welcome) LUNCH BUNCH Will be going to Oregon Dairy after the liturgy on November 12. We'll meet downstairs after the liturgy. All are welcome. For reservations, please call Cheryl Plummer by November 11 at 625- 3187. Plan to join us!



Calling all Singers!!

There are so many good singers in this congregation, so we are going to try something new. We will be forming a Celebration Choir (in addition to Senior Choir) here at Holy Trinity that will sing approximately once a month! The music will be easy to learn and the time commitment will be minimal.

Please consider joining us ®

Celebration Choir Schedule for October

*Wednesday, Oct. 25 – Celebration Choir rehearsal at 7:15 PM in the church sanctuary
*Sun, Oct. 29 – Reformation – Celebration Choir – 8:15 AM rehearsal - Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Senior Choir rehearsals are Wednesdays at 6:45 PM! All are welcome!!!

BELL CHOIR Rehearsals are Tuesdays at 7:00 pm.

Luther Acres Holiday Bazaar and Pancake Breakfast
Saturday, November 18th at Luther Acres Towne Center 250 St. Luke Drive, Lititz
Holiday Bazaar 8AM- 2PM Pancake Breakfast 8-10AM
If you are interested in more info, pick up a flyer on the table in Gathering Area.

October 29-November 4 Calendar

Saturday, October 28		
7:30am	Walking Group	
Sunday, October 29		
9:00am	Worship	
10:00am	Coffee Hour After Worship	
10:15am	SCS	
8:15pm	Celebration Choir	
Monday, October 30		
10:00am	Women's Prayer Group	
6:30pm	Yoga	
Tuesday, October 31		
3:30pm	Trini Mini	
7:00pm	Bell Choir	
Wednesday, November 1		
6:45pm	Senior Choir	
Thursday, November 2		
3:30pm	Trini Mini	
7:00pm	Property Committee	
7:00pm	Yoga	
7:00pm	Thursday Worship	
Friday, November 3		
6:00pm	Friday Night Dinners	
Saturday, November 4		
7:30am	Walking Group	

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October 29th Servers

Council: Kevin Gingrich, John Fuehrer **Assisting Minister:** Kathy Kuhns

Lector: Norm Wangman Acolyte: Anya Gilbert

Ushers: John Fuehrer, Candy Snyder,

Mark Mull, Whip Zimmerman
Altar Guild: Barb-Steve Sweigart,

Andy Sweigart

Linen: Patricia Fassnacht Deliver Flower: Dan Doremus



Office Hours: October 30-November 3

We recommend you call the office prior to stopping in to ensure hours have not changed. Office Phone: 717-733-4134 Pastor's Cell: 315-317-8517 Donna's Cell: 717-669-7831

Day	Sue	Pastor
Monday	8:00 AM-12:00 noon	9:00 AM - 12:30 PM
Tuesday	OFF	9:00 AM - 12:30 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM- 4:00 PM	9:00 AM - 12:30 PM
Thursday	8:00 AM- 4:00 PM	9:00 AM - 12:30 PM
Friday	8:00AM -12:00 noon	OFF

Make Your Regular Offering Electronically

On the Holy Trinity website (www.holytrinityephrata.org), a tab on the menu bar called "Online Giving" will take you to a secure web site for you to give. You can give your Regular Offering, your Special Appeal donation, and your Capital Campaign donation... ONLINE. Or, you can use your Smart Phone and follow the QR code.



Thanks for reading! Have a great week ahead!



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