

# HOLY TRINITY JUTHERAN CHURCH



#### **Trinity Messenger**

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Alleluia. They are before the throne of God, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. Alleluia. Rev. 7:15

## Stewardship Special Giving for November: Lancaster VETERAN'S center

The Veteran Center located in the Greenfield Industrial Park in Lancaster began its programs for Veterans in 1979. The primary mission of the center is to provide quality readjustment service for veterans and their families to civilian life.

Since the month of November includes Veteran's Day, the Stewardship Committee decided to honor Veterans this month.

The center serves all veterans, those who have completed their service but also activeduty veterans. The team that staffs this center has a goal of providing whatever a veteran may need in their lives, including connecting them with services either with the VA or in our community. The help provided is geared to help the veteran readjust to their current situation. Some of the situations can be Post Traumatic Stress, Sexual Trauma, Bereavement, Drug and Alcohol, referral for VA benefits, referral for homeless veterans, or any other barrier to the veteran getting care. Some of these cannot be completed with government funds so donations are very welcome.

Christopher Burchett, Veteran Outreach Program Specialist will present a Temple Talk on November 3rd.

Birthdays

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

## November

- 7 Janet Wiest9 Bonnie Eberly
- 10 Dennis Wiest
- 18 Kathryn Sweigart



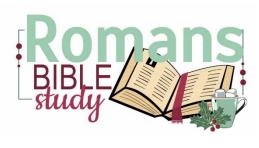
SEND THEM A BIRTHDAY CARD OR CALL THEM WITH YOUR GREETING. WE PRAY GOD GRANTS THEM MANY MORE YEARS IN THEIR PILGRIMAGE.

Parents have determined that holding Sunday Church School classes for their children every other week works best for their families. Children ages 3 and up will meet for class with Donna in her classroom on the following dates:

November 3 & 17 December 1 & 15 January 5 & 19 Classes begin at 10:20 AM.

#### **Organist Search Committee Formed**

A search committee has been assembled to begin identifying and interviewing candidates for the position of church organist to serve at Holy Trinity following Donna's retirement. Those faithfully serving in this capacity are Deb Olson, Donna Dinger, Judy Williams, and Barry Kreider. Pastor Mark will serve as a de facto committee member, offering leadership and guidance throughout this process. Please keep these persons, each other, and the process in your prayers.



#### **Bible Study**

The weekly study of Paul's letter to the Romans will be on Tuesdays, at 11:00 AM. All are welcome to come and explore this relationship-defining epistle with much to teach us about God's grace and the depth of God's relationship with us through the gift of His Son. See you soon!

#### **Sharing Upcoming Events and Information**

Congregational committees and other ministries of Holy Trinity are invited and encouraged to share the details of upcoming happenings with the congregation and beyond via our recently updated Facebook page and our webpage. If you have anything that will be occurring between now and Christmas and needs sharing, please contact Theresa Mull (theresakmull@gmail.com), our Facebook page administrator, and Adam Doughty (adamc.doughty@gmail.com or 717-445-0007), our webpage administrator if you would like your group's activities shared. They are waiting to hear from you to help share your information with a broader audience.

#### Take up the cross and lead

A recent gospel from Mark is the lesson from Jesus about taking up the cross and following him. How scary that must have been for the early Christians to respond to that call at a time of persecution. Church council is a cross that needs to be taken up. We need leaders to guide our church. It is not nearly as scary as the call to early church leaders – we guarantee you will not forfeit your life, just a few hours every month! Won't you answer God's call to fill a vacant or soon-to-be vacant church council position? There are three positions that will be vacated at the end of the year and need to be filled in addition to two other seats that have remained unfilled. Please consider a place on church council to help lead our congregation. We need a diversity of viewpoints to lead effectively. You may contact Lisa Garrett or any other current council member with any questions and to express your interest in being a doer who acts. Thank you!

#### All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast Buffet

## Saturday, November 16, 2024 7:00-10:00 AM

BREAKFAST INCLUDES: EGGS, HOME FRIES, CREAMED CHIPPED BEEF, PANCAKES, FRENCH TOAST, BACON, SAUSAGE, HAM, COFFEE, TEA, JUICES, VARIOUS PASTRIES AND FRUIT.

ADMISSION BY DONATION PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: NORTH LANCASTER CONFERENCE DEAN'S FUND

Proceeds benefit Lower Susquehanna Synod Lutheran Disaster Response Ministry in 2025. SWAMP LUTHERAN CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL 275 SWAMP CHURCH ROAD, REINHOLDS PHONE 717-336-2849

HOLY TRINITY HAS A NEW FACEBOOK PAGE!! Please follow this link to the new page: https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61563831542098&mibextid=LQQJ4d



### **Celebration Choir Schedule**

Wednesday, November 13 – 7:00 PM – Rehearsal Sunday, November 17 – "Jesus Loves Me/Oh, How He Loves You and Me"

Wednesday, November 27 – Thanksgiving Eve Service – 7:00 PM Sing "We Gather Together"

Wednesday, December 11 – 6:30 PM – Rehearsal Sunday, December 15 – "First Song of Isaiah"

Please consider joining us and sharing your musical talents! All are welcome!!

Pickleball Update-Tuesday AM pickleball has officially moved to Tuesday nights. Open to any skill level. Court time is from 6pm to 8pm





THE ADULT (all adults are welcome) LUNCH BUNCH will be going to The Ephrata Diner after the liturgy on November 10. We'll meet downstairs immediately after the liturgy. All are welcome. Plan to join us! Please call Cheryl Plummer at 625-3187 to reserve your place!

Music at Jerusalem: Trio Jolie: Crystal Jordan, cello; Robin Lilarose, flute;

Kirsten Myers, oboe. Sunday, November 10, 3PM at Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church, 36 Church Street, Rothsville, PA.

## Help Wanted: Bergstrasse Community Clothing Closet

Bergstrasse Community Clothing Closet is open the first full weekend of every month for persons in need of clothing and other household goods. Entrance is accessible via the door off the lower parking lot. Hours are Saturday noon – 2pm and Sunday 11am – 1pm.



Fall/Winter Schedule:

Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>

## Dec 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>

**Donations**: Currently there is a desperate need for men's pants, shorts and shoes. There is always a need for children's clothing. All clothing in good shape is accepted as are household items like sheets, towels, etc. Donations may be dropped off directly at Bergstrasse when the Community Clothing Closet is open or in the box at the back of the narthex in Holy Trinity.

**Volunteers**: sort clothing, hang it and tag it by color to keep track of what is moving and what is not, and greet shoppers at the courtesy desk. Shoppers check in and specify how many people they are shopping for and what items are of particular interest. Volunteers meet at 6-7:30pm on the Friday before the Closet is open to sort donations and get them ready for the next day. When the Closet is open, volunteers are needed from 11:30 – 2:30 on Saturdays and 10:30 – 1:30 on Sundays. You do not need to be there the entire time to volunteer – whatever time you have available within those times is fine. If you have further questions, you may either stop by the next time the Closet is open and have a look around or call Pattie Martin at 717-344-1347.

Sunday, November 3		
9:00am	Worship	
10:00am	Coffee Hour After Worship	
10:20am	SCS	
Monday, November 4		
10:00am	Women's Prayer Group	
6:30pm	Yoga	
7:00pm	Evangelism	
Tuesday, November 5		
11:00am	Bible Study	
3:30pm	Trini Mini	
6:00pm	Pickleball	
6:15pm	Handbell Ensemble	
7:00pm	Bell Choir	
7:00pm	Fellowship Committee Meeting	
Thursday, November 7		
3:30pm	Trini Mini	
7:00pm	Property Committee	
7:00pm	Yoga	
7:00pm	Thursday Worship	
Saturday, November 9		
7:30am	Walking Group	

## View This Month's Interactive Calendar Here

November 3rd Servers: Council Team: Lisa Garrett, Christy Boos Assisting Minister: Ed Quirke Lector: Norm Wangman Acolytes: CH: Judy Williams, CR: Ava Morgan T: Patrice Mull, Anya Gilbert Ushers: Dave Bowers, Ann & Bob Snader Altar Guild: Brenda Wangman, Heather Zimmerman, Lisa Garrett Linens: Patrice Mull Flowers: Heather Zimmerman



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 Office email: officeholytrinity@ephratalutheran.org

Day	Sue	Pastor
Monday	8:00 AM- 4:00 PM	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	8:00 AM- 12:00 PM	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 also give your Regular Offering, your Special Appeal donation, your building fund, or your Homes of Hope fund donation by using your Smart Phone and following the QR code.



Thanks for reading! Have a great week ahead!

