



Disciples of Jesus Christ called to bring God's light into the world: through worship, serving, learning and sharing the Good News!

A Message from Trinity's Church Council

As fall deepens into winter, your Council continues to maintain high safety standards for in-person events, establish more ways to harness technology tools to keep us connected, and plan for the future. The October 25th Reformation and Confirmation in-person worship Sunday was successful, sent out to people at home via Zoom and Facebook while we worshipped. A big step forward for us, you can still watch that service by accessing the TLC website. Thanks to Justina Kane for her expertise in expanding our horizons, and for the volunteers who support our efforts.

In November, we are planning for two in-person services, **provided the county/regional Covid guidelines allow us to do so**. Reservations for each in-person worship service needs to be made prior to the service by calling Judy Sadlon at 315-429-9575. (Thank you Judy!) The services will also be offered via Zoom and Facebook. All CDC guidelines for places of worship will be followed, including wearing masks at all times, social distancing, temperature checks and not singing. Bathrooms will be open for use.

Date	Worship Leader	Format
November 1	Pastor Miranda Hammer	Zoom/Facebook
November 8	Deacon David Grindle	In Person and Online
November 15	Pastor Edwina Landry	Zoom/Facebook
November 22	Pastor Edwina Landry	Zoom/Facebook
November 29	Dean Gail	In Person and Online

In other Council news, a date for the Annual Meeting has been set for January 17, 2021 with a snow date of January 24, 2021. The meeting will be a hybrid with both in person attendance in the Sanctuary and via Zoom. Soon the TLC Office will again be staffed by a new Administrative Assistant, Cassie Becker. Cassie will be working flexible hours as she goes through orientation and training to support the work of the church. Congratulations and Welcome, Cassie!

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Sharing and Serving

This small but energetic committee continues to serve the community by delivering food to the local Food Pantry, cleaning up TLC's highway section, and serving meals through the "S.A. Cafe" program of the Salvation Army. TLC has not held a metal drive in some time and in order to do one, **a pick-up truck is needed**. If you can help with this recycling project, please contact Sue Harkins (harkinssusan649@gmail.com). Thanks in advance!

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER

This is an unusual time, and traditions this year feel more important than ever. One of those local traditions in Herkimer and Mohawk is the **free Thanksgiving dinner** that the area community has provided for more than forty years to those who may not be able to make their own, or may be eating alone on Thanksgiving. Dinner this year will once again be provided from Noon to 2 pm at the First United Methodist Church of Herkimer at 127 N. Prospect Street, Herkimer on Thanksgiving Day, November 26. Due to the Corona-19 pandemic, **meals will be provided for pick-up or delivery only**. Deliveries are made in the Herkimer/Mohawk area to shut-ins and people who are mobility-impaired.

This outreach is made possible through the generous hearts of many people. Over 300 people are fed through the generosity of volunteers and donations for this event. You can be involved in these ways:

- FOR DELIVERIES: Call to reserve - Office for the Aging at 315-867-1204
- FOR PICK-UP: Call to reserve - Reformed Church at 315-866-1523
- TO DONATE FUNDS: Mail a check, payable to Trinity Lutheran Church with memo for Thanksgiving Dinner to 443 Henry Street, Herkimer, NY 13350
- TO VOLUNTEER: Call the Herkimer Reformed Church office at 315-866-1523 to help by making pies (how many?), cooking, serving or making deliveries.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and support to once again provide this wonderful opportunity for our community!

Faith Formation/Learning

FRIENDS IN FAITH

No Friends in Faith activity planned for this fall. Look for us again next spring! In the meantime be sure and join some of the other activities Trinity offers. See you there!

BOOK CLUB

TLC Book Group members met at Denny's in October for a spirited discussion of **Becoming** by Michelle Obama. The group will meet again on November 20 at 10:00 am for a discussion of **The Book Shop on the Corner** by Jenny Colgan.. For planning purposes, please call/text Sue Harkins (315-868-0964) or Harriet Neff (315-868-9053) if you plan to attend. All book lovers are welcome to join us!

RACIAL JUSTICE AND ANTIRACISM WORK

An active discussion around the movie “42” was held in the Fellowship Hall one Sunday afternoon in October. Participants agreed that watching these movies is bringing a new understanding of racial differences that have not directly impacted many of us but have personal impact on many of our brothers and sisters. The group discussed the idea of having a guest speaker at one of the gatherings, which might also include the TLC Book Group. Ideas abound, with the eventual goal of finding action steps to be taken. On Sunday, November 15 at 3:00, a discussion of the movie “The Green Book” will take place, probably in Trinity’s Fellowship Hall. For planning purposes, please call/text/email Ann Maher (315-717-4257) or JoAnn Blaise (315-868-0291) if you are able to attend.

Worship, Music and Prayer

BLESSINGS of PRAYER:

"The Lord is near to all who call upon HIM, to all who call upon HIM in TRUTH" (Psalm 145:18)

PRAYER NOTES:

What does it mean to call upon HIM in TRUTH?

Webster's dictionary describes TRUTH as: loyalty; trustworthiness; sincerity; genuineness and honesty.

Now let's look to God's Word to see what our Lord says about TRUTH:

John 14:6a-Jesus said "I am the way, and the TRUTH"

John 8:32-Jesus said "You shall know the TRUTH, and the TRUTH shall make you free"

Galatians 2:5b-Jesus said "The TRUTH of the Gospel might remain with you"

Ephesians 4:15a- "Speaking the TRUTH in love"

Psalm 119:160a- "The sum of Thy Word is TRUTH"

Now let's look at our inner-self in prayer, asking the Holy Spirit to help us to live in God's TRUTH!!!!

OH!!!! What an awesome place to be

In the loving arms of JESUS!



In His Service,
Prayer Ministry

Volunteer Schedule

As needed, the following have volunteered as counters:

- November 1 & 8 - Wendy Catera & Judy Sadlon
- November 15, 22 & 29 - Ann Maher & Cathy Mayton-Collins
- December 7 & 14th - Ann Maher and Phillis Becker
- December 21 & 28th - Sue Harkins and Cathy Mayton-Collins
- January 4 & 11th - Wendy Catera and Judy Sadlon

Additional counters are always welcome. If you would like more information please contact Wendy DeLuca.

Stewardship

Thanks to everyone who has continued to mail offerings to church (443 Henry Street, Herkimer, NY 13350) or continue to use Simply Giving. The mission of the church continues throughout the pandemic. If you wish to receive more information about giving directly to Trinity through the Thrivent Simply Giving Program, please contact Wendy DeLuca at trinityherk@verizon.net.

Our Church Family

God's children in need of prayer and support: Steve Crane, John Sadlon, Norm Glista, Rich Becker, Rose Snow, Judy, Peter, Janet, Bev, Loren Jr., Ann, Ron Cole, Charlie, and all those on Trinity's prayer chain.

Our prayers are with Lura and the family of Al Camardello, who went to be with our Lord on October 14th. Al was 97 years old. May they be lifted up by the powerful presence of God's comfort and the promise of life eternal in Christ Jesus.

Sending Caring Prayers to Our Friends: Our frequent worship leader and friend Patsy Glista has asked for our prayers for her husband Norm, who is gravely ill. If you would like to send Patsy a card, their mailing address is 287 Main Street, New York Mills, NY 13417.

If you have concerns for the prayer chain or other personal/family matters, please call Phillis Becker at 315-866-2379.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

John Skandera	Julie Gavalo	Joseph Joy
Dennis Shaut	Kelly Ivanchak	Karen Bruns
Kerissa Marquissee	Benjamin Kapusta	Daniel Fleming
Brian Macri, Jr.	Harper P. Jones	Dominick George
Daniel Engert	Colleen Gross	Nathan Farrington
Harriet Neff	Brandon King	Austin Becker
James Lynch	Arlene Fisher	Megan Miller
Sandra Marusic	Brice Griffin	Erlene Manning
Jeff Osley	Frank Kapusta	Chad Blaise
Kyle Austin	Sandra Mizerak	Ethan Madison
Olivia Derleth	Elizabeth Kennedy	Abigail Becker
Sarah Taylor	Yvonne Winter	

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Kim and Gary Davis	Elaine and Dan Fleming
Erlene and Glenn Manning	Nancy and Dan Pollak

Safe Use of Trinity's Space During This Time

Thank you to those who have used our new Safety Procedures when in the church building. Since we don't clean the building after each person exits, compliance with safe practices is important. The latest CDC information indicates that the virus can remain airborne for many hours. Therefore, wearing a face covering is **MANDATORY IN ALL PARTS OF THE BUILDING**, even if you are ALONE! **NO EXCEPTIONS!** Please sign in on the form at the bottom of the stairs. Use the hand sanitizer. Don't touch your face. If you are with other people, maintain social distance.