



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

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### IT'S GOING TO BE AN EXCITING MONTH!

#### Sharing Our Worship Experiences

As you will remember, we shared Zion's worship service on July 3rd. It is our turn to host, so on **Sunday, September 4th**, our Lutherans friends from Zion will join our service, either in person or via Zoom. Dean Gail Wolling will lead us in worship. We are excited to have them join us both virtually and in person!

#### And then we socialize...



## Join Us

Sunday, September 18, 2022 from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Frankfort Marina and Park Pavilion

**Make Your Own Sundaes - Corn-Hole Tournament - Fishing - Small Playground**

**Fellowship with Lutherans**

From Trinity, Zion & Our Saviour Churches

Please bring a dish to pass, condiment for sandwiches, chips, salad or dessert. The churches will provide table coverings, paper supplies, utensils, drinks, cold cuts and ice cream.

RSVP by signing up at church or calling the office. Be sure to let us know how many and what you plan to bring. Need a ride? Let us know when you RSVP.



If you own Corn-Hole please bring it with you that day.

If you are able, please bring a canned good for local food banks



From Route 5 turn at the North Frankfort Bridge and take your first right- hand turn (Brewery Sign) or the second right-hand turn onto Fox St. - Frankfort Marina and Park is right there.  
Bathrooms are available.

#### Still More Fellowship at Herkimer Chowdown

Due to the poor weather at our August event, Trinity has been offered a second event to sponsor. Join us on **Monday, September 26, 2022 from 4:30pm – 7:30pm**. There will be live music by Kevin Alexander. Bring your lawn chair and join us for more fun and fellowship!

<b>Date</b>	<b>Worship Leader</b>	<b>Format</b>	<b>Communion</b>
September 4	Rev. Gail Wolling	In House/Virtual	Yes
September 11	Deacon Patsy Glista	In House/Virtual	No
September 18	Rev. Gail Wolling	In House/Virtual	Yes
September 25	David Grindle SAM	In House/Virtual	No

To virtually participate in Sunday Service, please join us at 10am on either Zoom, Facebook or the website.  
Zoom Phone: 1 646 558 8656 Meeting ID: 3158666474 Password: 13350  
All in person worship services are subject to change to virtual only if Covid status changes.

**Save the Date For a Special Coffee Hour**

Sunday, October 2nd after service there will be a special coffee hour downstairs provided by Catholic Charities. Wendy DeLuca and several of her colleagues will describe the many programs offered by Catholic Charities. Bring your green thumbs as we will also be planting herbs. Please join us!

**God’s Work Our Hands**

We will be participating in a God’s Work Our Hands event on Sunday, October 16th with Zion and Our Saviour. More details will be shared in the October Tidings and the Weekly Announcements.

**TLC administrative assistant job posted**

The TLC council is ready to advertise to hire for our position of administrative assistant. If you or someone you know would be good for this position contact Ann Maher.

**How Will We “Be Church” in the Future?**

Do you ever find yourself thinking about how the words religion, church, worship, God, and faith fit into your actual life? Are church activities something that you do only on Sunday? Does “church” feel different to you than it did ten years ago? Ten months ago? In what ways is your church experience better or worse now than in the past? Where do you think God is leading His church to be in the future?

Over the summer, there was a fascinating online experience offered entitled “The Next Sunday Summit”, hosted by Spencer Burke. I listened to several of the sessions, which were intended to be a thought-provoking series of conversations about what comes next for Sundays and faith during these unprecedented times. It was hoped that together, participants would reimagine the next form (or forms) of church, inspire each other to dream of what is possible. One of the sessions was offered by Reverend Tara Lamont Eastman, from the western part of the Central Crossroads Conference. Her session was called “New Ways of Being the Church”. Her session left me wondering if members of TLC would find having conversations among ourselves interesting. Would you enjoy a Zoom session that opens a door to honest, candid conversations about where God is leading us? Or would an in-person sharing session be more attractive for you? Please think and pray about this new possibility and contact me if you’re interested in these new ideas. Church is changing. How do we want that change to happen for us?

Ann Maher

## **SYNOD News - Central Crossroads Conference Fall Assembly**

The new Dean of our Central Crossroads Conference is Pastor Allan Ferguson, taking over this position from Dean Gail Wolling. He has shared the following with us. The Fall Assembly for the CCC will be held on Saturday, **September 24** from 9:00am to Noon at Luther Memorial Church in North Syracuse. Bishop Miller will be our guest. Other agenda items will be announced, with emphasis placed on actions and proposals that need Synod Council review for submission to the 2023 Synod Assembly. Pastors and two lay persons from each congregation have the privilege to vote on action items. Guests are also welcome to attend.

### **Serving and Sharing**

#### SEPTEMBER'S DONATION FOCUS

For the month of September, our donation focus will be Pasta and sauce for the Food Pantry and hair care products. The hair care products will be donated to the First United Methodist Church in Herkimer. The church uses the donations either in their Pay It Forward thrift store, or they distribute the items to anyone in need. Each month we will have a different donation focus, but other items will always be in need and accepted. Donations can be left in the box in the sanctuary, on the parsonage porch, or in the Henry Street vestibule. Thanks to all who continue to donate! Interested in volunteering at the Pay It Forward store? Contact the First United Methodist Church at 315-866-1349.

#### HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP

Our next event will be held on September 24th. We will meet at the church to hand out supplies before we begin. Please contact JoAnn Blaise or Sue Harkins with any questions. Volunteers are needed. Please consider coming for some fun and to keep our highway clean!

### **Learning**

#### BOOK GROUP

All are welcome! Next book group get-together is on Friday September 16 at 10:00. Join us at Trinity in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring your own beverage and "snack." Our book is "Tears of the Giraffe" by Alexander McCall Smith. This novel is the 2nd in his series of The #1 Ladies Detective Agency. (Actually, feel free instead to read any of Mr. Smith's Ladies Detective Agency novels! )

Tears of the Giraffe deals with a wayward wife, an unscrupulous maid, and an American man who disappeared many years ago. Precious, the proprietor of the Agency, along with her capable staff, takes us on an adventure filled with wisdom and good humor. Please join us even if you are unable to read one of these books. We guarantee plenty of good conversation.

Looking ahead .. on October 21 we will be discussing "Sleeping Murder" by Agatha Christie (or any of her books you choose to read). Call Harriet at 315 868-9977 or Sue Harkins at 315 868-0964 with any questions.

#### FAITH ALIVE

Hello all, by the time you read this it will be almost Fall!! Can you believe it? Where does the time go? Walking along with colorful autumn leaves crunching under our feet is always a delight. A great time to thank God for His creation. YES!

However the good news is Faith Alive starts up again in September 😊. The date is **Sunday the 25th** from 9-10am in the fellowship hall at church. I'm excited to see what Jesus has instored for all of us to experience. So let's come expecting great God happenings as He leads us into much joy, love, fun and new relationships. Following Jesus has a way of putting a big smile on all our faces. O yes, we will continue to

collect non-perishable food items for our local food pantry for someone who just..... might need a little help. Thanks

Psalm 89:1 is the foundation on which Faith Alive stands: "I will sing of the lovingkindness of the Lord forever; To ALL generations I will make known Thy faithfulness with my mouth"

On August 12, Phillis met with Patsy and Laurel at Zion Lutheran church. They are now in the process of starting their own Faith Alive, sometime this year. Please keep them in your prayers, as the Lord leads.

We are still a work in progress 😊 God happenings keep popping up and of course we follow because we have the Best Leader, JESUS CHRIST. Is there any other way?? As you know all ages are welcome. Consider bringing a family member or friend to experience, first hand, God's love for His children. Sharing the good news of JESUS is just awesome!!!!

Kick off date: September 25 - SEE YOU THEN 🤗🤗 Any questions/new ideas? Feel free to call Phillis Becker at 315-866-2379 or the church office at 315-866-6474. If no answer please leave a message and someone will get back to you shortly. Thank you!!

### **Worship, Music, and Prayer**

BLESSINGS OF PRAYER 🙏: "I will give thanks to the LORD according to HIS righteousness, and will sing praise to the NAME of the LORD MOST HIGH". (Psalm 7:17)

PRAYER NOTES 🙏:

Satan has a terrible plan: To get an idea of the activities of the devil and his fallen -angel followers, just look at the names for them throughout Scripture:

A - tempting - Matthew 4:1

C - accusing - Zechariah 3:1

B - lying - John 8:44

D - deceiving - 1 Timothy 4:1

Though the ultimate war has been won, we are engaged in a daily battle against the prince of this world. We are clearly warned in God's Word of the damage that can be inflicted by the kingdom of darkness. (Ephesians 6:12-18)

Everything we need to successfully battle was provided for us on the CROSS. We simply need to appropriate it. HOW SHOULD WE TRY TO LIVE??? Here are three Scripture - based suggestions to help us live in light of the spiritual reality that demonic forces are at work, in this world, trying to hinder our prayer 🙏 life and spiritual growth.

1 - PREPARING OUR HEARTS: Personal preparation begins with the psalmist's prayer, "Search me O GOD, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting". ( Psalm 139:23-24 )

2 - PRAISE AND WORSHIP GOD: Praise and worship means turning our heart toward God - focusing on His attributes, thanking Him for who He is, what He has done, and what He is going to do. Singing is an important part of praise and worship. "I will praise God's Name in song and glorify Him with Thanksgiving. This will please the Lord more than sacrifices" (Psalm 69:30-31)

3 - PRAY: Prayer 🙏 is crucial in battling demonic forces. Among the pieces of defensive spiritual armor, God has given His children two offensive pieces as well: the Sword of the Spirit (God's Word), and Prayer 🙏 (Ephesians 6:10-18)

REMEMBER: TO LEARN TO PRAY 🙏 IS TO PRAY 🙏😊!!!



# September 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28 ● 10am Worship Service	29 ● 7pm Crafted in Christ Bible Study	30	31	Sep 1 ● 10am Bible Study	2	3
4 ● 10am Worship Service with Zion	5	6	7	8 ● 10am Bible Study	9	10
11 ● 10am Worship Service	12	13	14 ● 6:30pm Council meeting via ZOOM	15 ● 10am Bible Study	16 ● 10am Book Group	17
18 ● 10am Worship Service ● 12pm Lutheran Picnic with Zion and	19	20	21	22 ● 10am Bible Study	23	24 ● 9am Central Crossroads Conference ● 9am Highway Clean-up
25 ● 9am Faith Alive ● 10am Worship Service	26 ● 4:30pm Herkimer Chowdown spon	27	28	29 ● 10am Bible Study	30	Oct 1

If you have something to add to the calendar please email [info@trinityherkimer.org](mailto:info@trinityherkimer.org)

## Our Church Family



God's children in need of prayer and support: Tiffany, Tim, Janet, Ann, Peter, Gary, Robert, Brenda, Harry, Joe, Diane, Barbara, Gabriel, Daniel, Jack, Shirley, Judy, Marilyn, Marillynne, Sharon, Irene, Asha, Tanya, Graham, Chase, Nancy.

Please continue to lift to the LORD in prayer 🙏 all those around the world and at home who are suffering from natural disasters, and acts of violence. Pray also for the Ukrainian families who are still under siege by war. Thank You!

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

### CONGRATULATIONS

Another TLC graduate to celebrate is Emma Vanderwerken, who finished two years of graduate studies recently. Emma, we wish you the best in your future endeavors!

### APPRECIATION

“Thank you for thinking of me! Your gift is greatly appreciated! I plan to use it towards Hartwick College in the fall.” - Hanna

“Dear Ann and Council, Thank you and Trinity for your support of my studies at Princeton. The scholarship is a help in paying for school.” Blessings, Sara

### SHARING GOD’S GIFTS

In this time when our worship is led by visiting pastors or deacons, we continue to be blessed with fine sermons each Sunday..Thank you Bona Starring for using your gift of coordinating worship each Sunday.

Have you noticed how the grounds around our church building have been well kept? Thank you Arnold Schrader for keeping the grass cut when needed and looking good.

### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

David Baldanza  
Brianna Wilcox  
Joanne Killenbeck  
Laurel Becker  
Cortlan Manning  
Carol Bunn  
Phillis Becker  
Gary Pierce, Jr.  
Brianna Roche

Valerie Becker  
Alyssa Jordan  
Daniel Scott Jr.  
Jessica Bowman  
Taylor Farmer  
Richard G. Becker  
Justina Kane  
Kyle Knoblauch  
Amy Manning

Claudia Skandera  
Luca Olds  
Lauren Walrath  
Leigh Hoke  
Logan Marusic  
Zachary Schrader  
Sean Kane

### SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Amy & Jerry Manning  
Sheila & Gary Pierce  
Cindy & Jeff Manning  
Dot & Paul Pryor

Nancy & Bill Stack  
Wendy & Kory DeLuca  
Thomas & Jennifer Manning  
Valerie & Richard Becker

Phillis & Richard Becker  
Miranda & Christopher Meinzer

**If you spot an error or omission, please notify the office. We will be happy to update this list!**

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**Worship With Us  
From Anywhere!  
Call on your landline  
phone, use your  
computer, receive a  
DVD, or receive a  
printed copy of the  
sermon! See Worship  
Schedule for details.**

### Helpful Resources:

Church Calendar: [trinityherkimer.org/calendar](http://trinityherkimer.org/calendar)

COVID CDC Tracker: [covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view](https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view)

Facebook: [facebook.com/TrinityLutheranChurchHerkimer](https://facebook.com/TrinityLutheranChurchHerkimer)

SYNOD website: [upstatenynsynod.org/](http://upstatenynsynod.org/)

### Trinity Lutheran Church Covid 19 Protocols

**Updated July 13, 2022**

Using the NYS Department of Health Guidelines and Herkimer County data, the TLC Church Council has set the following expectations in place for anyone using the church facilities. This includes worship, meetings, and all other purposes. Council discusses this issue monthly at their meetings.

When the County COVID-19 Community Level is **High**:

- All persons will wear a mask at all times, except when taking Communion, or in the Fellowship Hall & seated/consuming food. Masks must be worn correctly.
- Sign in on the chart when you enter the church, at the bottom of the stairs.
- Maintain a comfortable and safe distance between yourself and others (six feet).
- Stay home if you are not feeling well or have any symptoms of illness.
- Use good hygiene practices, including use of the hand sanitizing stations provided.
- Respect one another at all times.

When the County COVID-19 Community Level is **Medium or Low**:

- Unvaccinated individuals must wear a mask at all times.
- Sign in on the chart when you enter the church, at the bottom of the stairs.
- Maintain a comfortable and safe distance between yourself and others (six feet).
- Stay home if you are not feeling well or have any symptoms of illness.
- Use good hygiene practices, including use of the hand sanitizing stations provided.
- Respect one another at all times.

The county rate is measured weekly, and we share the rate in our Weekly Announcement email. In addition, a sign is posted on the church door to state the risk level of our county. Masks are available to those who are in need.

If we all follow these guidelines, our church will continue to be a welcoming and safe space, both virtually and physically. Thank you for being a part of Trinity!

*This policy is reviewed monthly by the TLC council.*