



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

Fall Foliage and Faith Reflections Go Together!

There's no better time to think about the joys that Faith in our Father brings to us than autumn. As we move from September into October, we can describe many blessings that our involvement at TLC brings. Let's name just a few.

Were you at the Joint Church Picnic on September 18th at the Frankfort Marina? More than 30 of us from Zion and TLC gathered to enjoy food and fellowship on a perfect fall afternoon; all who attended appreciated the time together. If you couldn't attend this time, plan now to attend the next one, as friendships were deepened by spending time together "in person". We are growing in our understanding of what it means to do church together while still maintaining our individuality. Thanks to Bona Starring and all those from TLC and Zion who helped plan and implement this event, funded by a Thrivent Grant.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month, and we certainly appreciate all those who have become faithful Worship Leaders at Trinity; Pastor Gail Wolling, SAM David Grindle, Deacon Patsy Glista, and Pastor Bill Preuss - thank you for your inspiring sermons and the Spirit we feel through each of you. You each bring a unique perspective when you lead worship, and you've become so much more to us than "guest pastors". You have all become part of the TLC family. You are each an appreciated blessing at TLC.

There is much to be thankful for at Trinity. Soon enough, Thanksgiving will be here and with it, our annual Ecumenical Thanksgiving Dinner. Planning for this year's event will begin soon. Is this the year when you can get involved and donate your time and talent, or make a financial contribution? Mr. and Mrs. George Clive at the FUMC will chair the event again this year, and you can talk to JoAnn Blaise for more information. More information will be shared in the coming weeks.

Have a Blessed Month!

Date	Worship Leader	Format	Communion
October 2	Phillis Becker/Judy Sadlon	In House/Virtual	No
October 9	Rev. Gail Wolling	In House/Virtual	Yes
October 16	David Grindle SAM	In House/Virtual	No
October 23	Rev. Gail Wolling	In House/Virtual	Yes
October 30	Rev. Gail Wolling	In House/Virtual	Yes

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

Trinity saves time and stamps when you sign up to receive the Glad Tidings by email. Send your name and email address to tidings@trinityherkimer.org to sign up today!

All Saints Day Remembrances List

Trinity will celebrate All Saints Sunday at our 10:00 am service on Sunday, November 6th. Please send any names of Saints to be remembered to info@trinityherkimer.org.

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

ELCA congregations work to strengthen their relationships with God, nurture relationships with each other and create a strong presence with their communities. "God's work. Our hands." Usually we do this in September, but our busy schedules recently caused our event to be postponed a few weeks. We will be participating in a God's Work Our Hands event on Sunday, October 16th with Zion and Our Saviour. All three churches will make meals for Our Neighbors and Feed my Sheep during this fun event. Plan to go with a friend and be at Zion Lutheran Church (630 French Rd, New Hartford, NY) at 12:00. If you cannot attend, please send in canned fruit, frozen vegetables, mashed potatoes, baked beans or scalloped potatoes. Donations can be left at church by Sunday morning. Questions call or email JoAnn Blaise.

Women United in Faith – Joint Bible Studies Continue

All women are invited to participate in our next Women of Faith Bible study on Monday, October 24, at 7:00pm on Zoom. Pam Donovan from Our Saviour will be our facilitator as we explore the story of Hannah, a woman of faith and prayer, and the mother of Samuel. In preparation for this study please read 1 Samuel, chapters 1 and 2. The Zoom Meeting ID: 857 7527 4614 and Passcode: 800487.

SAVE THE DATE – The Women of Faith from Our Saviour, Utica; Trinity, Herkimer; and Zion will gather in-person on Sunday, November 13 at 12 noon. Keeping with our rotation of locations we will meet at Trinity. More information to follow in the November newsletter.

Looking for Opportunities to Grow Your Faith?

There are new FLATT (Faithful Learning And Teaching Together) offerings for the fall from the Upstate New York Synod.

- **Hospitality in Worship Planning and Leadership**, Monday, Sept. 27 and Tuesday, Oct. 25, 6:30-8:00 pm, led by Julie Grindle
- **Formation of the Biblical Canon**, Tuesdays, Sept. 27 and Oct. 4, 7:00-8:15 pm, led by Pastor Lori Kochanski
- **Artful Reflection and Group Conversation on *Birthing the Holy: Wisdom from Mary to Nurture Creativity and Renewal***, Thursdays, Nov. 3, 10, 17, Dec. 1, 8, 9:30-10:45 am, led by Pastor Lori Kochanski

For more details and registration visit <https://upstatenysynod.org/faithful-learning-and-teaching-together-flatt>

Serving and Sharing

OCTOBER'S DONATION FOCUS

For the month of October, our donation focus will be canned vegetables for the Food Pantry and shoes. The shoes 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

Thank you to all who helped with the Highway Clean-up in September. It was a beautiful fall day and we are thankful we were able to help care for God's Creation!

Learning

BOOK GROUP

All of us would love to have you join us at our next get-together. We plan to meet on Friday October 21st, 10:00 a.m., in Trinity's fellowship hall. Our book for October is "Sleeping Murder" by Agatha Christie, or feel free to read any of her books. The story has Miss Marple aiding a young couple who choose to uncover events in the wife's past and not let sleeping murder lie!

Our last meeting was canceled due to illness, so on October 21st we will also discuss "Tears of the Giraffe" which was our September selection.

Come and enjoy a time of fellowship and sharing. Bring your own beverage and a snack if you wish. Questions call Sue Harkins at 315 868-0964 or Harriet Neff at 315 868-9977.

FAITH ALIVE

A message to our "Faith Alive" family! Welcome all, as we grow together in JESUS. By the time you read this, we will have had our first fun time together. We behold, as we look around us, the multiple colors of fall (red, orange, yellow, rust, etc). A beautiful portrait of creation. Jesus' love overflows in our hearts. WOW!!!

Something new: we will start meeting EVERY OTHER Sunday from 9am-10am in the fellowship hall. In October the dates are 10/9, 10/23.

I am excited to see what Jesus has in store for all of us to experience. So let's come expecting awesome God happenings as He leads us into much joy, fun, love and new relationships. Following Jesus has a special way of putting big smiles on all of our faces.

Zion Lutheran church is starting their own "FAITH ALIVE" and at our church picnic, packets were handed out to all entitled: "Faith Tools, Keep Your Faith Alive". What a joy as we work together. God's work, our hands!!!!!!!!!!

Reminder: we will continue to collect non-perishable food items for our local food pantry for someone who just might need a little help. Thank you so much

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"

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 inviting a friend or family member to experience first hand, Jesus love for His children. Sharing God's good news is awesome!!

Any questions, new ideas, project suggestions are always welcome and appreciated. Please feel free to talk to Phillis Becker or Sheila Baker or call the church office at 315-866-6474, leave a message and we will get back to you. Thank you!

Worship, Music, and Prayer

WORSHIP AND MUSIC COMMITTEE - We will be holding our next meeting on Wednesday, October 19th at 4:15 p.m. in the library at church. If you are interested in joining us please either come that night or contact Bona Starring (bstarring@trinityherkimer.org).

BLESSINGS OF PRAYER 🙏: "The SPIRIT helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the SPIRIT HIMSELF intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words; and HE who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the SPIRIT is, because HE intercedes for the saints according to the WILL OF GOD " (Romans 8:26,27)

PRAYER NOTES 🙏:

Be a Fruit Inspector:

When the HOLY SPIRIT is alive and active in our lives, it really shows. You know how a tree that has strong roots, good soil, and enough water will bear fruit? Well, the Bible tells us that our lives will bear certain fruits, or good quality, when we are well connected to the HOLY SPIRIT.

Are those fruits showing in us????

Here's a way to conduct a "Fruit Inspection" on ourselves!

1 - Read Galatians 5:22,23. Write down one fruit of the Spirit on a piece of paper.

2 - Read Psalm 139:23,24 as a prayer . Ask God to show us if the fruit we wrote down is visible to others. If it is, write down where and how. If not, then ask the Lord to develop that fruit in you. Write down any ideas God brings to your mind.

3 - Each day this week, ask the HOLY SPIRIT to help you display that fruit to others.

4 - Each week focus on a new fruit of the SPIRIT.

5 - Soon you will become a full-time fruit inspector who is connected to the HOLY SPIRIT and bearing lots of fruit.

What are you like, HOLY SPIRIT???? The HOLY SPIRIT is:

- Peaceful like a dove. Matthew 3:16
- Refreshing like water. John 7:38,39
- Powerful like a mighty wind and
- Purifying like fire. Acts 2:1-4
- Anoints (chooses and enables) us to serve God. 1Samuel 16:13

Need good counsel or advice?

Ask the "COUNSELOR". John 14:16

Don't know what's really true?

Ask the "SPIRIT of TRUTH". John 14:17

Sad, scared or discouraged?

Call out to the "COMFORTER" John 14:16

Tempted? Feeling weaker?

Call out to the "HELPER" John 15:26

IN HIS SERVICE:

Prayer Ministry

Volunteer Schedule

	10/2	10/9	10/16	10/23	10/30
Counter 1	JoAnn Blaise	JoAnn Blaise	Cathy Mayton-Collins	Cathy Mayton-Collins	Amy Manning
Counter 2	Phillis Becker	Phillis Becker	Bona Starring	Bona Starring	Gary Manning
Reader	Sue Harkins	Judy Sadlon	Phillis Becker	Bona Starring	Judy Sadlon
Slideshow/ Zoom	Ann Maher	Abby McArthur	Ann Maher	Abby McArthur	Ann Maher
Unlock Door	JoAnn Blaise	Phillis Becker	JoAnn Blaise	Phillis Becker	JoAnn Blaise
Singer	Sue Harkins	Judy Sadlon	David Grindle	Sue Harkins	Judy Sadlon
Altar	N/A	Kylene Jordan	N/A	Kylene Jordan	Amy Manning
Ventilation	Paul Keyser	Paul Keyser	Paul Keyser	Paul Keyser	Paul Keyser

Please contact info@trinityherkimer.org with any necessary changes.

Stewardship

Monthly giving needed to fund the approved budget of \$103,607 is \$8,633.92.

AUGUST 2022

Actual Offerings Received for the month: 4,087.00

Actual Expenses Paid for the month: 6,065.01

Income is short by *1,978.01*

Paid by using excess Fund Balance from prior years

Designated Funds received monthly **are not included** in the amount above. Examples: Local Charities, Food Pantry, Memorial Funds, etc.

Interested in donating online? The Stewardship/Finance committee is working to expand our giving options online through Vanco. Visit our website for a new, updated donation page which allows you more options! If you are currently enrolled in Simply Giving there will be more information about this change coming to you soon. Contact finance@trinityherkimer.org with any questions.

Did you know?

Any member of the congregation can attend the Stewardship/Finance Committee meetings. The first meeting of the year was held and the committee has begun preparing the 2022/2023 budget. They will be meeting again on October 13, 2022 at 7:00pm via zoom. Please contact Kylene Jordan for the link and to receive the information prior to the meeting.

October 2022

SUN 25	MON 26	TUE 27	WED 28	THU 29	FRI 30	SAT Oct 1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 9am Faith Alive ● 10am Worship Service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 4:30pm Herkimer Chowdown s 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 10am Bible Study 		
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If you have something to add to the calendar, please email info@trinityherkimer.org

Our Church Family



God's children in need of prayer and support: Billy, Jerry, Rose, Janet, Marillynne, Marilyn, Tim, Ann, Peter, Gary, Tiffany, Harry, Joe, Barbara, Linda, Gabriel, Daniel, Kim, Emily, Judy, Irene, Sharon, Brenda, Graham, Chase, Asha, Tanya, Bona, Alyx.

As war continues in the Ukraine more people have been found murdered/injured. We see many around the world suffering from natural disasters and acts of violence and more.

A suggested daily prayer

Precious Jesus, we at Trinity pray for Your Love, Compassion, Mercy, Comfort and Grace to be felt upon each one and that all may find Your safety and receive support for all their needs. LORD pour out YOUR HOLY SPIRIT upon all, giving them Your peace that passes all understanding. Praise and Glory forever!

IN JESUS NAME we pray AMEN!!!!

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

SHARING GOD'S GIFTS

Have you noticed how well the church altar has been kept? Trinity is blessed with Kyleene Jordan and Amy Manning who faithfully share their God given gifts with us.

Also, the music Sue Kubica plays so beautifully and selects for us. Our singers, Judy Sadlon and Sue Harkins whose voices shout praises to God as the sanctuary is Filled with HIS GLORY. How blessed, as a congregation we truly are, as we sing together!

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Brittney Betti
David Snow
Gabrielle Kelly
Holly Smith
Timothy Farmer
Hanna DeLuca
John Hoke
Kayla Kucerak

Sonja Taylor
Molly Ivanchak
Presley Macri
Verna Boor
Nancy Stack
Katrina Kapusta
Paul J. Marusic, Jr.
Ron Cole

Kalina Snyder
Lynn Roof
Gary Pierce, Sr.
Alexandria Mika
Grant Becker
Cathy Mayton-Collins

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Cassie & Thomas Sherman
Ashley & Joshua Hinckley
Barb & Gordon Marquissee

Dan & Cathy Mayton-Collins
Rebecca & Nicholas Perlmutter
Shannon & Jared Levi

Martha & Robert Smith

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

COVID CDC Tracker: covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view

Facebook: facebook.com/TrinityLutheranChurchHerkimer

SYNOD website: upstatenysynod.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.