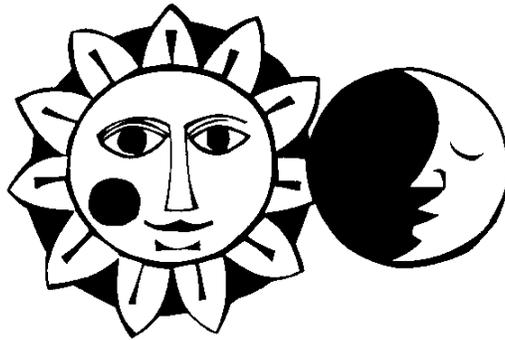


Trinity News

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THE DAY YOU GAVE US, LORD, HAS ENDED

From Pastor Susan Nachtigal



The day you gave us, Lord, has ended; the darkness falls at your behest.
To you our morning hymns ascended; your praise shall hallow now our rest.

We thank you that your church unsleeping while earth rolls onward into light,
through all the world its watch is keeping, and never rests by day or night.

As to each continent and island the dawn leads on another day,
the voice of prayer is never silent, nor dies the strain of praise away.

The sun, here having set, is waking your children under western skies,
and hour by hour, as day is breaking, fresh hymns of thankful praise arise.

So be it, Lord; your realm shall never, like earth's proud empires, pass away;
but stand and grow and rule forever, till all your creatures own your sway.

(ELW #569)

This has long been a favorite hymn of mine. It began to be so when we used to take road trips with some longtime friends, George and Dor Hoyer. We would sing hymns along the way, mostly on the way home, and this hymn inevitably was the one we sang when we pulled into the garage at the close of our journey. *"The day you gave us, Lord, has ended; the darkness falls at your behest. To you our morning hymns ascended; your praise shall hallow now our rest."*

I think I may favor this hymn also because Jim and I have had the great opportunity in our life together to reside in California as well as in New England, each for extended periods of time. We've always said, "It's a privilege in one lifetime to live on two coasts!" This hymn has helped us to remember our friends and family from one end of the United States to the other, as well as all God's children around the world who ceaselessly raise their voices in praise. *"The sun here having set, is waking your children under western skies, and hour by hour, as day is breaking, fresh hymns of thankful praise arise."*

Now, Jim and I are headed to live in South Dakota for a time. We will be there to accompany my mother during her last days or months. It is fitting that we are returning to the place that originally rooted us in the Gospel, and to our one living parent with whom we still share nightly devotions when together. We are sustained and uplifted to know that, as we share God's word of hope and new life in South Dakota, you too are doing the same here in New England: with your family members, with friends and at Trinity.

This is the strength and the beauty of God's word: it inextricably weaves us together beyond the bounds of geography and time. Even in this life, as the seasons turn, the tides ebb and flow and as loved ones come and take leave, we wake every day united in the dawning of Christ's new life.

You may or may not know that in South Dakota there are far fewer trees than in New England. One can look north, south, east or west at any given time and see where the fields meet the sky; where the dawn and sunset commence. As we look to the horizon in the mornings and evenings of our time there, we will continue to give thanks to God for you, for Trinity, for shared word and sacrament and service over the course of all these years. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious unto you. The Lord look upon you with favor, and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



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the voice of prayer is never silent, nor dies the strain of praise away."**

CONGREGATION COUNCIL UPDATE

Jessica Sutherland, President

Our regular meeting was held on October 9. We were joined by Kevin Erkkila, Chair of the Construction Committee. He updated us on several of the ongoing projects and indicated that the National Grid project to relocate the transformer was on-track as is the heating system installation. We will have heat when the fall/winter heating season begins! We are also repairing some damaged hot water pipes and have reached an agreement with the Worcester Fire Department about the scope of the new fire alarm system. The project has also remained within budget. We are grateful to members of the Construction Committee for their work.

Another committee that has been hard at work is the Finance Committee. They have reviewed and accepted the Financial Review for 2015 and 2016 by Robert C. Alario, CPA. The committee has also begun drafting a Dedicated Gifts Policy for Trinity, creating a Trinity Building Use Fee Schedule, and is working on the draft Annual Operating Budget for 2018. The leaders of the various Committees and Ministry Teams held a meeting two days after the Council meeting to review their budget lines for 2017 and envision needs for 2018.

The Personnel Committee has also been busy crafting new payroll procedures and Holiday Pay and Church Closure policies for part-time employees which the Council approved. Loret Schur is the new Chair of the Personnel Committee, replacing Amy Whitney. Amy will remain on the committee; we are thankful for her many years of service as the chair.

The Stewardship Committee is busy with the fall campaign and planning for Commitment Sunday on October 22. The Property Committee was also asked to plan for the needed projects in 2018 so that the budget could be prepared accordingly.

Preliminary planning for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation, to be held on January 28, 2018 is also underway. There will be several constitutional amendments for consideration; most are required to bring Trinity's constitution into compliance with the ELCA Model Constitution. There will be an informational sessions about these amendments on January 14. On the following Sunday (January 21) our Treasurer, Christian Whittemore, will present information on the 2018 Annual Operating Budget between the services and during the coffee hour. The Nominating Committee will also begin their work in November and it will soon be time for Committee and Ministry Teams to draft Annual Reports. More information will be forthcoming.

The Council also received updates on the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation commemorations planned for October 29 and the meal packing event on November 18 to benefit the people in Puerto Rico who are recovering from Hurricane Irma.

About a week or so after the meeting, we received word of Pastor Susan's resignation as our Lead Pastor. We are tremendously grateful for her many years of faithful ministry here at Trinity and pray God's blessings to her and Jim as they move to South Dakota. The Council, Pastor Nathan, Cantor Mark, Jena, Karen, Jeff, and Mary will work together to ensure a smooth transition and to begin shaping our future plans for ministry. Our next meeting is on Monday, November 13 at 7 p.m. Please join us.

A Word from Pastor Nathan ... With Pastor Susan's announcement of her resignation as Lead Pastor after 20 years of ministry at Trinity, the congregation appropriately enters a time of prayer, reflection, and conversation about the future staffing structure of Trinity Church. To address immediate needs, I have already had a conversation with Pastor Cliff Gerber who stands ready to assist with preaching, worship leadership, and pastoral care. Beyond that, I look forward to engaging the congregation in an open, honest, and faithful conversation about possibilities for long term staffing structures that best proclaim the Gospel and respond to the needs of a rapidly changing church and world. As part of that conversation I am eager to hear your hopes, dreams, and concerns as part of a time of mutual sharing and listening. Please feel free to reach out to me at any point in this process. I look forward to discerning the work of the Holy Spirit with you as the Spirit leads us in ongoing faithfulness and discipleship. To God be the glory! Phone: 508-753-2989 Ext. 13. Email: npipho@trinityworc.org.

Preparing for All Saints Sunday: This month we prepare to remember those in our parish and in our lives who have died in faith and now rest in the Lord. Votive candles and a Book of Life are placed in the Nave. You may wish to light a candle in celebration of new life for those whom you have loved. In addition, you may also wish to write the name(s) of those whom you are remembering in the Book of Life. On November 5, All Saints Sunday, our prayers include those in our parish community who have died during this past year, along with the whole communion of saints in heaven and on earth.

Worcester Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at Trinity – Tuesday, Nov. 21 at 7 p.m.

Trinity is hosting this year's annual Thanksgiving service bringing the Interfaith Community together for a time of thanksgiving and prayer. A reception will be held in Jeppson Hall following the service. For more information, please speak with Pastor Nathan. Note: there will be no Wednesday Eucharist on November 22.



Parish Office Closed on Thanksgiving Day and Friday, November 24. Have a safe and joyful Thanksgiving holiday! In the event of a pastoral emergency, please contact Pastor Nathan on his cell at (617) 388-5636.

End of Daylight Saving Time: Please note that Daylight Savings Time will end in the middle of the night on Saturday, November 4. So that you do not arrive an hour early to church on Sunday, November 5, be sure to turn your clocks back one hour before going to bed on Saturday night. Enjoy that extra hour of rest!

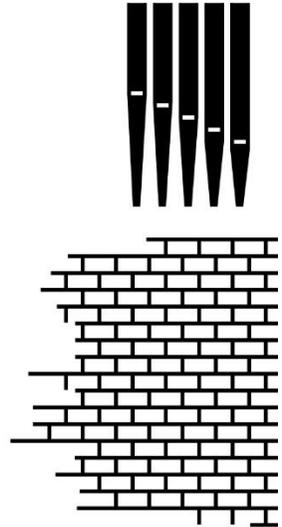


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SATURDAY NOV. 4, 2017 7:30 PM

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Antonio Vivaldi

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TRINITY

*Restoring
Rejoicing
Rejoicing*

The end is near! At least for this project, that is!

The updates to our physical plant are almost finished! The new boilers and the new heating system piping have been installed and filled, ready to produce heat for the cold days of autumn. Temperature controls have been wired and connected. Out at the corner of Wachusett and Salisbury streets, the electric company has installed new transformers. The next big event will happen late on Monday, October 23, when power to the church and the surrounding neighborhood will be shut down for a few hours so the electric supply lines can be switched from the old transformers in our basement to the new ones outside—much safer for everyone—and the final wiring run to the new electric control panel.

Two items still remain: replacement of hot water supply piping for the education wing, and upgrading of the fire alarm system. The former is a small job, relative to everything else that has been accomplished in this project. The latter has ended up being somewhat bigger than anticipated, but will not bust the project budget. Both are expected to be completed by March 2018.

2017 Women's Weekend at Calumet, November 10-12: This is one of Calumet's most popular weekend programs. Take this opportunity to come and join other Women from Trinity and around the NE Synod in getting away for fellowship, faith exploration, relaxation, shopping and some service. Enjoy breakfast buffets, yummy lunches, a delicious dinner and brand new show by Susan Poulin. Our very own Pastor, Susan Nachtigal is the Chaplain and Discussion Leader for this weekend. The focus of this faith exploration will be "Ponder Anew". We will even help with this year's service project, Kid's Comfort Tote's inspired by Project Night Light. It promises to be a great weekend!

There are a variety of accommodations available for all tastes. Copies of the weekend events and registration forms are in the hallway leading to the Nave. Please contact Lisa Stone at (774) 303-3517 or email stonefamily729@gmail.com with any questions. You may also contact Alice at Calumet with your reservation Alice@calumet.org or call (603) 539-3223. Hope you can join us!

Faith Formation for All Ages



➤ **Sunday School for children up to grade 6:**

We've been having fun on Sunday mornings using our new Rotational Sunday School curriculum. Our first unit is "Creation." So far, we've explored the Creation Story with Art, Games, Storytelling/Drama and Spiritual Practices. Our favorite saying these past weeks is, "And God said it was good!" It's important for us to remember that God created us all and

has entrusted it all to us! It's our job to take care of the planet and each other!

➤ **Sunday Adult Forum ... 9 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. – Library. The Forgotten (Subversive)**

Luther: As part of Trinity's commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation, Pastor Nathan is leading the Adult Forum in October and November focusing on the economic writings of Martin Luther. Using lectures and interviews with leading experts on these writings, participants will discuss how Luther's insight can guide Christian involvement today. On Sunday, November 18, Professor David Whitford, Department of Religion, Baylor University, will lead the Adult Forum and focus on why the Reformation matters today. All are welcome! Please speak with Pastor Nathan for more information npipho@trinityworc.org.

➤ **Tuesday Social Media Bible Study ...** Pastor Nathan invites you to participate in a Social Media Bible Study. On Tuesdays, he posts a verse or two from the upcoming Sunday's readings and invites your comments/thoughts/reactions. You can log-in and participate any time during the day (or the following days) at your convenience. Remember to SHARE the posts in order to reach a greater audience. Contact Pastor Nathan for info.

➤ **Men's Bible Study ... Wednesdays 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. – Golden Room** The group reads and discusses the lessons to be read in the upcoming liturgies on Sunday morning. Contact Pastor Nathan for more details.

➤ **Wednesday Education for Youth: 7 – 8 p.m.**

Middle School: Confirmation Class meets in the Confirmation classroom, Room ce214

High School: Meets with Jena. Youth Room

✠ Worship at Trinity Lutheran Church ✠

Wednesday, Nov 1 All Saints Day

6 p.m. - Holy Eucharist (*Nave*)

Sunday, Nov 5 All Saints Sunday

Revelation 7:9-17 *The multitudes of heaven worship the Lamb*

1 John 3:1-3 *We are God's children*

Matthew 5:1-12 *Blessed are the poor in spirit*

Psalmody: Psalm 34:1-10, 22 *Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord; for those who fear the Lord lack nothing. (Ps. 34-9)*

Hymn of the Day: Hymn 422, For All the Saints, SINE NOMINE

Some people are proud of themselves for being so humble! It is not easy to heed the call in the gospel for next Sunday, to be humble as was Christ. Come to worship, and give God the glory, and God will give you all the glory you need.

8 a.m. – Holy Eucharist (*Christ Chapel*)

10 a.m. – Holy Eucharist (*Nave*)

Wednesday, Nov. 8

6 p.m. - Holy Eucharist (*Nave*)

Sunday, Nov. 12 Time after Pentecost – Lectionary 32

Amos 5:18-24 *Let justice roll down like waters*

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 *The promise of the resurrection*

Matthew 25:1-13 *Wise and foolish bridesmaids*

Psalmody: Psalm 70 *You are my helper and my deliverer; O Lord, do not tarry.*

Hymn of the Day: Hymn 436, Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying, WACHET AUF

This coming Sunday we are to "wake, awake," and join the wise bridesmaids at the table of the wedding feast that Christ provides.

8 a.m. – Holy Eucharist (*Christ Chapel*)

10 a.m. – Holy Eucharist (*Nave*)

Wednesday, Nov. 15

6 p.m. - Holy Eucharist (*Nave*)

Sunday, Nov. 19 Time after Pentecost – Lectionary 33

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18 *The day of the Lord*

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 *Be alert for the day of the Lord*

Matthew 25:14-30 *Slaves entrusted with talents*

Psalmody: Psalm 90:1-8[9-11] 12 *So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom. (Ps. 90:12)*

Hymn of the Day: Hymn 688, Lord of Light, ABBOT'S LEIGH

Some people do a good job of using their talents to benefit others, but some persons never employ their talents to the full. Come to worship this coming Sunday. Hear the parable about talents; receive God's blessing; and at the table be strengthened to become an ever more creative and faithful servant in God's kingdom.

8 a.m. – Holy Eucharist (Christ Chapel)

10 a.m. – Holy Eucharist (Nave)

Tuesday, Nov. 21 Tuesday before the National Day of Thanksgiving

7 p.m. – Interfaith Service of Thanksgiving (Nave)

Sunday, Nov. 26 Christ the King. Last Sunday after Pentecost – Lectionary 34

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 *God will shepherd Israel*

Ephesians 1:15-23 *The reign of Christ*

Matthew 25:31-46 *The separation of sheep and goats*

Psalmody: Psalm 95:1-7a *We are the people of god's pasture and the sheep of God's hand. (Ps. 95:7)*

Hymn of the Day: Hymn 431, O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us, ALL SAINTS NEW

Are you a sheep or a goat? Lutherans believe that each of us is both saint and sinner, both sheep and goat. Come to worship this coming Sunday, the last Sunday of the church year, when we will praise Christ as the great judge who gathers us around his throne both now and at the end of time.

8 a.m. – Holy Eucharist (Christ Chapel)

10 a.m. – Holy Eucharist (Nave)

Wednesday, Nov. 29

6 p.m. - Holy Eucharist (Nave)



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Deadline for December 2017 Issue: Friday, November 15, 2017

✠ CELEBRATIONS ✠

BIRTHDAYS

Roland Levin 2.November
Leonard Johnson 5.November
Jon Carlson 6.November
Betty Sander 10.November
Marion Grundberg 12.November
Dolores Diveley 14.November
Jeanne Doyle 17.November
Elaine Moberg 21.November
Carter Lindberg 23.November
Leonard Salerno 26.November
Virginia Salerno 28.November
S. Chris Baehrecke 29.November

ANNIVERSARIES

Jeffrey and Dolores Gribouski 14.November
Walter and Emily Fred 23.November
William and Janet Fenuccio 26.November

✠ PASTORAL ACTS ✠

FUNERALS

Kourey Ryan McCabe 8.October
Harold O. Riddar 13.October

CONFIRMATION

Natalie Dervishian 29.October
Grace Mueller 29.October
Sofia Silva-Rosa 29.October

Birthdays and anniversaries are noted each month after persons have reached the age of 80 or have been married for twenty-five years or more. Thereafter anniversaries are noted in five-year increments until couples celebrate fifty years, and then every year after fifty years is reached. If we missed your special date, know that the error was unintentional, and inform the parish office so that the record may be corrected.

Briefly Noted

Remember, First Sunday Is Food Sunday! Please bring your non-perishable food items to Trinity on November 5 and December 3. On these Sundays, the items you bring may be put in the grocery cart located in the hallway outside of Jeppson Hall. Your food donations go to Carty Cupboard, which provides food to those in need in the immediate area. Thank you for helping those in need!

New focus for Social Media presence ... You may have noticed some new features in Trinity's Social Media presence designed to make our Social Ministry more interactive:

- *Tuesdays* – “Social Media Bible Study.” Verses from the following Sunday's readings are posted and people are invited to participate in the study by posting responses, reactions, feedback, questions, or anything else the verses prompt.
- *Thursdays* – “Community Prayer.” Participants are invited to post prayer requests or celebrations.
- *Saturdays* – “Weekend Reading.” Believing that people may have a bit more time for reading on the weekend than during the week, links will be posted to interesting articles leading us deeper into the faith.

For more information, please contact Pastor Nathan at: npipho@trinityworc.org. Remember to SHARE Trinity's facebook posts and tweets!



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SERVICE/VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

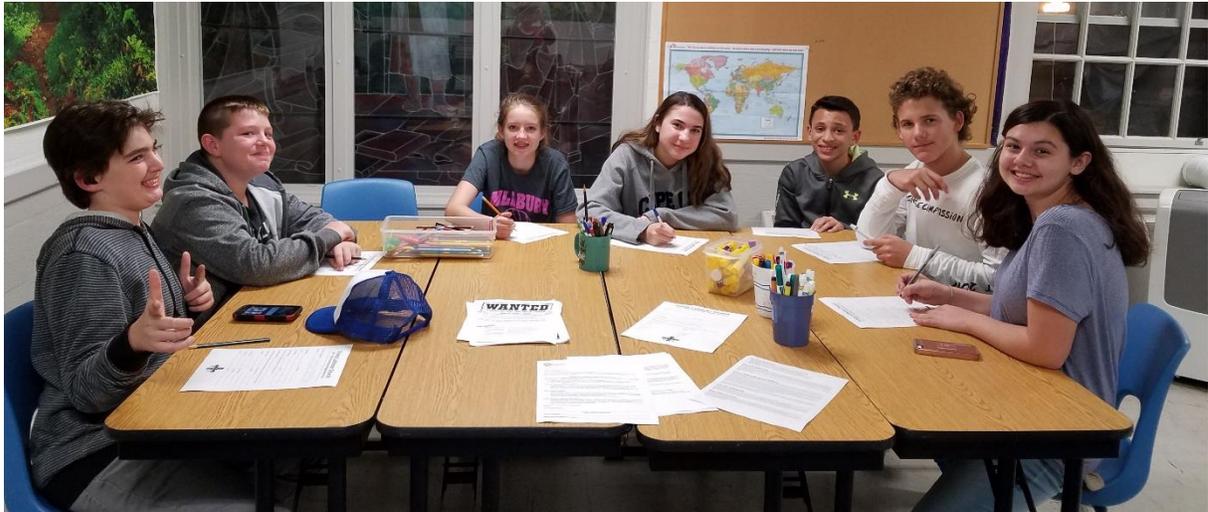
IHN Is Coming: Trinity's next week of service at the Interfaith Hospitality Network is scheduled for Sunday, November 26 - Saturday, December 2. You may assist this important ministry in one of the following ways:

- spend an overnight at IHN
- provide an evening meal for the residents
- provide grocery cards (Big Y or Price Chopper) to offset the cost of an evening meal
- remember the homeless in your prayers

Please contact Jim Nachtigal (jgn87727@aol.com) or the church office if you wish to assist in this important ministry. (New volunteers will be paired with IHN veterans). Thank you for your support of IHN!

YOUTH NEWS

Wednesday nights: Wednesday nights at Trinity are great! After worship and dinner, the Confirmation students meet. They've been learning about Martin Luther and the Reformation. Then they join the post-confirmation students for more learning where they've been talking about leadership styles and discussing their own questions! Every now and then, there are some random games thrown in too!



Baked Goods To-Go for Houston! Once a month the youth are selling baked goods or food after the 10 a.m. worship. Each month they'll be selling something different! Our first sale was muffins on October 22. Our next sale will be Pumpkin Whoopie Pies on Sunday, November 19. Take 'em home and eat them or pop 'em in the freezer for a day you need them! The proceeds will go towards the cost of the 2018 ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston.

Cradles to Crayons-Saturday, November 4: Let Jena know if you're interested in going to Cradles-To-Crayons in Boston this day! You'd need to be at church at noon and we'll return to Worcester at around 5 p.m.! Spaces are limited to 15 youth (from all of LIPY).

Lock-In November 17 starting at 7 p.m. and ending at 9 a.m. on Saturday the November 18: Trinity youth are invited to spend the night at the church, help bake pies, play crazy games and watch movies late into the night! See Jena Hardy for more details.

Holiday Fair at Trinity, Saturday December 2: Maureen Stake and Ed Menard are in the beginning stages of planning a holiday fair at Trinity! The fair will raise money for the youth going to Houston. Stay tuned for more information about an event that has the potential to be an annual tradition for us!

Buy your Thanksgiving pies! Once again, the youth will be making and selling apple crumble and pumpkin pies! Each pie is \$10 or 3/\$25, money due by Friday, November 17. You can choose to have it pre-baked or frozen for you to bake at home! Sign up in the hallway outside Jeppson Hall or contact Jena to place your order. Pies will be available for pickup on Saturday, November 18 from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. (if you're participating in the meal packaging event) or on Sunday after worship!

THANK YOU

Thank You for Caring! A heart felt thank you to everyone who made a donation toward “Kathy’s Crew” and the Alzheimer’s Walk that took place this past Sunday, September 24. Together we collected \$975.00!! This money will go toward the care and support of Alzheimer’s patients as well as for research of this horrible disease. Jo Alexopoulos and I visited Kathy the Friday before the walk. When we told her how much money had been raised for “Kathy’s Crew”, her eyes lit up in amazement! Thank you all so much for caring.

– Merrie Gerber

Greetings to Trinity's Faith Community, It has been a long five months since Kathy's initial hospitalization and subsequent nursing care. Presently she is receiving long term care at Beaumont in Westborough. Much appreciation for the inquiries, prayers, well wishes, food, visits, flowers and plants, food and the like. Salaam / Shalom! Fred and Kathy



NEADS 2017 Fall Graduation – Sunday, November 5 from 2 to 4 p.m. Vera Cunningham (and Holly) invite you to join them for their graduation at Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical High School, 1050 Westminster Street, Fitchburg, Mass. From Vera ... *“Since the members of Trinity were so supportive of my getting a new service dog, I would like to extend an invitation to anyone who would like to come to our graduation. All are welcome! Cake will be served in the lobby at 4:30 p.m. Hope to see you there!”* More information about the NEADS Program can be found online at www.neads.org.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Lutheran Disaster Response coordinates relief efforts in the United States and around the world devastated by natural and man-made disasters. It is a ministry of the ELCA and 100% of all funds donated are used directly for relief and efforts. For more info: <http://www.elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/Lutheran-Disaster-Response/> Remember, you may make a one-time donation to Lutheran Disaster Response online through Trinity's VANCO online donations. Log on to your account, check "OTHER" and write "Lutheran Disaster Response." Thanks for your generosity!



Save the Date: Trinity Meal Packing Saturday, November 18 from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Building on the success of 50 volunteers coming together in May to pack 16,000 meals for local Worcester residents, we have decided to have another event in November with the goal of one event annually in the Fall. Please save the date and speak with Thom Tarquinio for more details.



Run4Veterans 5k Road Race/Walk: This event will be held on November 4 starting at 9 a.m. at Veterans, Inc., 69 Grove Street in Worcester. All proceeds will support Veterans Inc. and benefit veterans and their families in need. To sign up as a runner, walker or to learn more or make a donation to this fundraiser, go to veteransinc.org/run4veterans.

Trinity Tots!



Calling All Parents and Caretakers of Children Not in School! We're starting a new group just for you and your children! Come on Wednesday, November 8 from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m. We'll meet in the Youth Room on the second floor. We'll provide the space, snacks, music and activities for your kids and coffee for you! We're hoping that this will be a laid-back time for you to connect with other adults while your kids play! Invite your friends! Talk to Jena Hardy or Maggie Kilcoyne for more information!

PARISH OFFICE NOTES



Do You Need a Copy of the Word in Season Booklet? This is a great tool for everyone to use as they study the Bible. The book can be mailed to you or picked up quarterly. Each day of the quarter has its own page listing several readings from the Bible as well as a commentary about something in the reading. It takes only a few minutes each day and it gives an inspiring message. Please call the parish office at (508) 753-2989 and request your copy and that your name be added to our regular mailing list. The parish office now has the issue for October, November and December 2017.

Is Someone in the Hospital? If you know that a parishioner is in the hospital, please call the parish office at (508) 753-2989 to let us know. Also, please be sure to have your loved one's Trinity membership included in their hospital profile. Calls are made daily to the area hospitals, and names of Trinity members who are in the hospital are provided to us for updating in the Parish Notes.

Calling for All Addresses, Telephone and Email Changes: Please be sure to keep the parish office updated with your most current street address, email, and phone numbers. If you have any questions, contact Karen Allen at admin@trinityworc.org or call (508) 753-2989 x11.



Hope for Housing Gift Cards: On the first Sunday of each month, Katherine Duffy will be selling the gift cards in the hall outside of Jeppson. Hope for Housing is a non-profit program developed by the Interfaith Coalition to Prevent Family Homelessness with assistance from the Central Massachusetts Housing Alliance. The project raises awareness about homelessness in our community and utilizes the collective buying power of congregations to raise money for the prevention of family homelessness. Currently 30 congregations are participating in the program. The cards are from Big Y, Hannaford, Shaw's, Stop & Shop, Dunkin' Donuts, Panera and CVS in various denominations. If you miss Katherine this Sunday, you may call the office at (508) 753-2989 to place an order for any of these cards. Just remember that you are helping people in Worcester County to stay in their homes. One gets the full value of the card purchased and in turn, the vendor donates 5% to help alleviate homelessness. And this is a great gift for students returning to college so they may get some snacks or a meal or for that special someone who helps you with a ride or runs your errands.



TLC Christian Preschool

On October 31, the children and teachers of TLC Christian Preschool enjoyed our first Harvest Celebration. We turned our space into a farm, complete with a pumpkin patch. Among the activities the children participated in were face painting, painting pumpkins, hayrides, pumpkin ring toss, team parachute work and our final garden work of the season. Everyone also enjoyed some very creative and tasty snacks. Children and teachers had fun dressing the part of farm hands.

We experienced some wonderful participation in our clothing drive in October. All of the clothes that remained after the two-week period were donated to Concordia. A big thank you to Katherine Duffy for successfully delivering all of those clothing items.

We would like to extend an invitation to the congregants to come and read a story or two to the children. Perhaps you have a special skill or a certain craft that would be fitting for a preschool audience. This is an ongoing invitation, and we can assure you that you will receive a warm, enthusiastic welcome. We would love to have you visit. If you are interested, just give us a call or send us an email, and we can set up a time that works for all.

Due to a family moving out of the area, and several others with unexpected changes in family circumstances, we have a limited number of spaces in both the preschool and pre-k classes, which we would love to fill. If you know of anyone who is looking for an outstanding preschool, please steer him or her our way.

Lastly, if you have not already done so, please like our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/TLCChristianPreschool/> and follow us. It is a fun way to get a glimpse into some of the learning activities that take place during our preschool days.



Dear TLC Members,

We are delighted to see that our students transitioned wonderfully into their classroom routine. The classrooms are getting busier as we see a familiar bustling learning environment.

A big THANK YOU to Karen Allen for always thinking of us! Last week Karen brought us goodies from W.B. Mason for our office and classrooms. We are fortunate to be a part of a thoughtful community!



Moral Compass: Does cultivating a child's Moral Compass make a difference in a child's self image and confidence? Can nurturing good values help them become better citizens of their

communities? We asked these questions and embarked on a research project with our interns, Sebastian Rodriguez and Akaki Tsivadze from WPI. Mr. Misael Diaz from the John Maxwell team joined us to help students learn about themselves; what makes each of them unique and how they can use their strengths to make an impact on their community. At the T.E.C Schools we believe that true education lies not only in imparting academic skills, but also a sense of purpose in life.



Our students are thankful to have had the opportunity to join Anna's Circle and learn all about flower arrangement. We would like to extend our gratitude to Anna's Circle and Sally for including the students and spending some quality time with them. We hope to incorporate flower arrangement activity into our Montessori classrooms and bring out the creative side of our children. It is always a pleasure to be a part of Trinity Lutheran Church. We are humbled by all the opportunities that come along with this wonderful partnership. It is a truly a blessing!

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Lector 8 AM	Loret Schur	Rich Osterfield	Peter Schur	Joel Schur
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Assisting Minister	Beth Axelson	Edward Van Corbach	Dwight Hubbard	Dale Mattice
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Crucifer & Greeters	Tim O'Connor Judy Willoughby Ken Johnson	Scott Mueller Pauline Belanger Lois Mangsen-Pakula	Andrew Gingras Dave Hobbs Bev Hobbs	Ed Menard Jo Alexopoulos Trent Alexopoulos
Ushers	Gordon Wallat Gary Oja Andrew Carlson Carl Robertson Ed Menard	Maureen Stake Carl Robertson Hannah Drackley Beverly Leino Tyler Leino	Robert Burns Alivia Burns Beverly Leino Tyler Leino	Gordon Wallat Gary Oja Max Guertin Andrew Carlson Andrew Gingras
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TV Ministry	Paul Foster Sandy Pike Paul Gustafson	Rich Grusell Sandy Pike Paul Gustafson	Paul Foster Sandy Pike Paul Gustafson	Paul Foster Sandy Pike Paul Gustafson

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 All Saint's Day 8 AM Men's Bible Study 4:30 PM Trinity Choristers Rehearsal 5:15 PM Trinity Jr Choristers Rehearsal 6 PM Mid-Week Eucharist 6 PM Confirmation Class 6:15 PM TEC WEPL Meetup 6:30 PM Fellowship Supper 7:30 PM CoDA	2 5:30 PM Clemente Child Care 6 PM TOPS 7 PM Trinity Choir	3 4 PM Trinity Hospice Quilting 7 PM Diamonds Ensemble Rehearsal	4 6:30 AM Korean Presbyterian Worship 9 AM TKE Work Service Project 12 PM Youth at Cradles to Crayons in Boston 7:30 PM Music at Trinity: Vivaldi Magnificat <i>Remember to change your clocks back one hour!</i>
5 All Saint's Sunday <i>** Food Sunday **</i> <i>Daylight Savings Time Ends</i> 8 & 10 AM Holy Eucharist 9 AM Adult Forum 9 AM Sunday School Class 9 AM Trinity Choir Rehearsal 11 AM Coffee Hour 11:45 AM Korean Presbyterian Church	6 7 PM Mutual Ministry 7 PM Adult Volleyball 7:15 PM Salisbury Singers <i>* Committee Reports Due *</i>	7 9:30 AM TEC Take-a-Tour 2 PM Staff Meeting 5:30 PM Clemente Child Care 6 PM Adult Basketball 6:30 PM Junior League of Worcester 7 PM Personnel Committee	8 8 AM Men's Bible Study 10 AM – 6:30 PM Trinity Travelers: North Shore Music Theatre 4:30 PM Trinity Choristers Rehearsal 5:15 PM Trinity Jr Choristers Rehearsal 6 PM Mid-Week Eucharist 6 PM Confirmation Class 6:30 PM Fellowship Supper 7 PM Finance Committee 7:30 PM CoDA	9 5:30 PM Clemente Child Care 6 PM TOPS 7 PM Trinity Choir	10 TEC closed Veteran's Day Observed 8 AM Preschool Conferences	11 Veteran's Day <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Women's Retreat Weekend at Calumet returning on Sunday </div> 6:30 AM Korean Presbyterian Worship
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