

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS



Choir has started up again at 9:25 a.m. in the choir loft. If you are interested in joining the choir, please contact Nate Mattson (nathan_mattson@hotmail.com)

All Sunday School classes being in full on September 15 from 9:45-10:45!

- **Adult Bible Study** will be in the Lounge with Pr. Ken. The class will be focused on a series by Max Lucado.
- **Confirmation** will be with Pr. Jake on the second floor of the education wing. Confirmation is for all youth 6-8 grade!
- **High School Sunday school** will be in the Youth Room with Mr. Grubaugh.
- **Elementary Sunday School** will be for K-5th grade students on the second floor of the Education Wing with Mrs. Wineland.
- **Preschool Sunday School** will be in the nursery with Mrs. Wright.
- **Parent small group OR Infant/Toddler small group** meet alternating Sundays in the Family Ministry Room on the second floor of the Education Wing with Heidi Albertson.

Thankoffering Sunday, November 10! This is a tradition that Lutheran women have been observing for over 100 years. This service helps all of us stop and reflect on our ministries and on how we have all been blessed by God. During both worship services on November 10, there will be an opportunity to:

- * Donate non-perishable food to Trinity's food pantry
- * Give a donation to support WELCA and ELCA missions

After each Thankoffering service, all members of Trinity and guests are invited to a special Fellowship time where we will celebrate how grateful all of us are for the blessings we have as a family, a church and a community! Contact Connie Ruch if you would like to help.

WELCA is looking for volunteers/help!! There have been several inquiries as to whether we will be having an "Advent Tea" type of event this year. We would love to do this and really feel it is a wonderful way to start the Advent season, which starts on Dec 1st, but we need help to do this. Specifically, there is a need for someone, or more than one someone, to head this up and volunteers to help make the event happen. PLEASE prayerfully consider whether this is something you could do and then contact me, Holly Wohlfert (text 269-808-3889, or email, wohlfert@sbcbglobal.net), or any WELCA board member (Connie Ruch, Kathy Aivars, Sandy Wallace, Linda Ward) and we will help you get things started. Thank-you in advance for your willingness to consider this.

Come and learn about the Kalamazoo Gleaners organization! Arrangements have been made for members of Kalamazoo Gleaners to share information about the program and to answer questions that you may have. They will be joining us on Sunday, November 10th (which is also Thankoffering Sunday) at about 12:20 pm with a short presentation (about 15 minutes) and then a Q&A time. We would love to have lots of people in attendance to show our support! Kalamazoo Gleaners may be a good fit for your volunteer time and an opportunity for the good use of benevolent dollars.

2025 Mission Trip - This Sunday, October 20th, all 8th-12th graders, parents, and any church members are invited to a meeting about the 2025 Summer Mission Trip. The meeting will take place in the Youth Room on the top floor of the Education Wing at 9:45am. All interested youth and church members are welcome to attend and find out about this amazing experience. If you have any questions, please email Heidi at hmfuerst@aol.com.

From Linda Ward: Christmas Child Shoeboxes due November 10th I hope many of you already have a good start on your shoeboxes. Remember to include \$10 for shipping & handling. *I will be happy to fill a box for you. I could do this for a suggested total of \$30.* You can reach me with any questions at 344-8684 or email thelaw1944@aol.com. Our goal is 60 boxes (stretch 75). There are boxes available in Fellowship Hall along with a list of suggestions and the label brochures for boy/girl and age intended. You may drop off your box at any time in the church office or bring them in on Sunday. What a wonderful way to show Christian caring for children who need to experience God's love!

Fellowship Time and Altar Flowers: Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall and help share God's love for our community. This is a great way to celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, or other special events. *(And if you enjoy baking, we're always happy for help to stock our freezer for Sundays that might not have a fellowship host!)* *Altar flowers are \$ 20 per bouquet and should be ordered one week in advance. Call or email the church office or sign up in the Fellowship Hall if you wish to put altar flowers on for a Sunday.

Personal Care Item Donations Needed As part of our care for our neighbors in need, the Christ Clothes closet has expanded its offerings to include personal care items. Items needed are:

Feminine hygiene products, Soap, Toilet paper & Toothpaste.

Donations can be brought to the church weekdays during office hours or Sunday mornings.

If you have access to Thrivent Grants, please consider using one to help purchase needed items too!

Please remember that articles for the Newsletters are due by the 16th of each month; articles for the Sunday bulletins are due one week in advance, by end of day Sunday.

Trinity's Loaves and Fishes Pantry Requests:

Although basic food needs are being met, our pantry clients are most grateful for extras that are not often included in our Loaves and Fishes orders. Adding any of these items to your grocery cart would be appreciated. They can be dropped off in the church office.

- Granola bars or similar items
- Pop tarts
- Peanut butter or cheese crackers in wrapped packages
- Snacks (in small bags).
- Baked beans (pork and beans)
- **URGENT NEED For Empty Egg Cartons at Pantry**

Matrix Campus Ministry Interns at Trinity

We are very glad to have Three Matrix Campus Ministry interns returning to us at Trinity this semester! These interns are all college students who have a desire to be a connected to the church and community and Matrix, our campus ministry, provides a unique opportunity for them to do that! Our students for this fall are Lydia Saylor, Grace Newman, and Cedric May. Please take the time to say hello to these three wonderful students as we welcome them into our community!

Clothes Closet Coat Giveaway - Winter Coats and Gear Needed immediately!!

The Clothes Closet will be collecting all donations of gently used clothing and are looking especially for blankets and winter gear—coats, boots, hats, gloves etc. for a Winter Gear Giveaway on October 29.



The All Saints Book is now available in the Narthex for you to write the names of family members and friends who have died since last All Saints Day. The names inscribed on the register will be read at each service on All Saints' Sunday, November 3.

Trinity Trunk or Treat, Wednesday October 30 from 6-7:30! The kids and families of Trinity and the community are invited to join us in the parking lot for our annual Trunk or Treat! We're hoping to make this a great neighborhood event, so bring your trunks, your kids and your friends! We'll need lots of trunks, so plan to be there by 5:45 with a trunk and some candy. Pizza and drinks will be provided!

Sabbatical Presentation

On October 27th Pr. Jake will be sharing his thoughts, reflections, and lots of pictures from his time of Sabbatical with the congregation! The presentation will take place after the 11:00 worship service and will include lunch.

New members: If you are interested in becoming a member at Trinity, please contact the church office or speak with one of the pastors. We will be having a New Member Orientation and Reception in early autumn!

Men's Bible Study - We will meet on Wed October 30, November 13 and 27. We will be serving a light breakfast each time. We meet @ 7:00 AM and try to finish around 8:00 AM. All are welcome. "No experience necessary". We're just a group of men trying to apply what we read in Scripture to our present lives and to hopefully become a light for others