THE PIPER

OCTOBER 25, 2015



Trinity Lutheran Church

2221 North Oak Lane State College, PA 16803 814-238-2024 www.TrinityStateCollege.org



The flowers are given by Kevin Sikorski and Kathy Brasier in celebration of God's blessings and their 13th wedding anniversary.

PRAYER LIST

TLC DISCIPLES

Sally Adams, Doug Perkins, Barb Trout, Barb Huntley (skin cancer), Jerry Wion, Kris Glad (military), Ray Petersen (military)

TLC FRIENDS

Jake Petersen (military), Colleen Wisniewski (cancer), Ed and Evelyn Connor Family (daughters Amy Triple Negative Breast Cancer and Judy colon-rectal cancer), Kurt Huntley and Family



SPAGHETTI DINNER

Sunday, October 25
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Eat-in or Take-out
Freewill Offering
Benefits recovery efforts in
South Carolina
Desserts requested—See Pastor Ron

SAVE THE DATE! 1st Service Reenactment – 50th Anniversary!

Please join us Sunday afternoon, November 15, for a very special historical service. The service begins at 3:00 with special music beginning at 2:45. We will recreate Trinity's very first church service to commence our 50th anniversary year! A special cake reception will follow. Also, Allegheny Synod Bishop Michael Rhyne will participate in the service. MARK YOUR CALENDARS today!

PHOTO DIRECTORY UPDATE

The first proof for the new Photo Directory arrived this week. The directory team is in the process of reviewing the proof for accuracy. We should have the finished product very soon.

On Sunday, October 18, we welcomed Cameron Marie Porter into our Trinity family by way of baptism. Cameron is the granddaughter of Ron and Sara Porter.



TRINITY EVENTS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

9:00 am Quilters 10:00 am Zumba 5:00 pm Worship with Communion

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATION
8:15 am Worship with Communion
9:30 am Sunday School
10:45 am Worship with Communion
12:00 pm—4:00 pm Spaghetti Dinner

Monday, October 26

10:00 am Foxdale Bible Study 7:00 pm Monday Night Study

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

5:45 pm Zumba 7:00 pm Council

Wednesday, October 28

5:45 pm Zumba 7:00 pm Yoga

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

7:00 pm Bell Choir

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

10:00 am Zumba 5:00 pm Worship with Communion

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

8:15 am Worship with Communion 9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship with Communion 11:45 am Coffee Hour

FUTURE EVENTS

CELEBRATION OF TRINITY'S 50th Anniversary Begins

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15

2:45 pm Special Music 3:00 pm Recreation of Trinity's First Worship Service 4:00 pm Reception

ALL WOMEN OF TRINITY

On Monday, November 9, all women of Trinity are invited to gather at the church at 7:00 pm. We will make fall/ Thanksgiving crafts for residents at The Oaks, talk about the plans for our annual Christmas gathering that will again be held at the Greenwich Hill Club House, (SAVE THE DATE: Monday, December 14) and share with one another what's been happening in each of our lives over the last months. Please RSVP to Linda Leslie at (237-3568 or lseslie49@vahoo.com).

We look forward to seeing you!



Harvest Home

"For the Lord your God will bless you in all your harvest and in all the work of your hands, and your joy will be complete."

- Deuteronomy 16:15

A Tradition of Sharing

Years ago, Allegheny Lutheran Social Ministries (ALSM) appealed to all congregations for gifts of fresh and canned foods. These donations reduced the amount of food that needed to be purchased. In 1978, the PA Department of Health regulations changed, and our retirement communities could no longer accept food donations.

Today, Harvest Home is celebrated during this season of Thanksgiving. Harvest Home enhances our culinary services programs at The Lutheran Home at Hollidaysburg, The Lutheran Home at Johnstown and The Oaks at Pleasant Gap by providing nourishing meals for our residents.

How You Can Help Us Touch Lives

Checks may be made payable to your congregation with the memo portion indicating your gift designation for **Harvest Home**. You may also mail your gift directly to ALSM c/o the Office of Advancement, 998 Logan Boulevard, Altoona, PA 16602.

Thank you for your support of our mission to serve.





Reformation Sunday 2015

Dear Friends,

May our Lord Jesus Christ bless you this Reformation Sunday. This is a day we celebrate the work of the Holy Spirit. In 1517, the Spirit broke out through Martin Luther and the Reformers and began the process of reforming and recalling the Church to the one who is her center, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The heart of the Reformation was reminding us of all that Christ has done for us. We are not saved by our own action. We cannot earn, nor do we deserve salvation based on what we do. However, in the tender compassion of our God, Jesus Christ gave himself for us on the cross. He did this so that we would know our sins are forgiven in him and we might have eternal life through him. This life and salvation is the gracious and merciful gift of God in Jesus. Our response can only be one of thanksgiving and working to follow our Lord Jesus.

Because of what Jesus has done, we therefore can be people led by the Spirit to share his love and mercy with all who are in need. Our work as Christians, who have received such mercy, is to share mercy and love in response to all that we have received. We are not earning his favor, we are responding to his love by sharing that love with the world.

We gather today and every Sunday to worship and thank our Lord. We are strengthened and renewed to go out there, into the world. Jesus calls us to carry that love and mercy of Christ with us. Jesus calls us to feed the hungry, help the needy, care for the suffering. Jesus calls us to be people of mercy because he was first merciful to us.

I pray that you will know that Christ is at work in you. Jesus and the Holy Spirit are using your heart and your hands to be part of the work of loving and caring for our world. On this Reformation Sunday, may our hearts be re-formed to make us people of mercy who share the love of Jesus. We know that there are so many who need it beyond the walls of this place. May God bless and keep you now and always.

In Christ +Bishop Michael Rhyne

INTERFAITH HUMAN SERVICES WISHING WELL CAMPAIGN

Each year Interfaith Human Services runs a Wishing Well Campaign to raise money to help clients in Centre County according to need. We are looking for Volunteers to ring bells for one or two hours. This year bell ringing days will be every day from Friday, November 27, until Wednesday, December 23, at Meyer Dairy, every Saturday at the Corner Room (November 28, December 5,12,19), and every Sunday at the Benner Pike Wal-Mart (November 29, December 6, 13, 20).

All locations are outside with a place to warm up if necessary. All IHS congregations are being asked to help, and any service club, scout troop, or business group, is welcome to participate.

In addition, every weekend **IHS will have one or more sponsors. These sponsors will MATCH, up to a certain amount, the Wishing Well donations for their designated weekend.** That makes every dollar donated worth double, triple or more times its value.

The dates for **Trinity Lutheran Church** to ring the bells at **Meyer Dairy** is **Saturday, December 5, beginning at 9:00 am and ending at 9:00 pm.** Please take time to sign up and talk to Esther Lauchle, your coordinator, if you have questions. Children may help, but must be accompanied by an adult and be well behaved as the parking lot is dangerous at Meyer Dairy. Singers and other musicians are always welcome. It's a great way to get into the spirit of the **giving** season. In addition to giving us an opportunity to **share some joy with our neighbors** - you'll have fun! Thank you!

A sign-up sheet will be posted on the TLC Fellowship Hall door beginning October 25.

Ruth M. Donahue, Executive Director



PLEASE NOTE OUR NEW ADDRESS!

251 Easterly Parkway, Ste. 200 State College PA 16801 P: 814-234-7731 F: 814-234-7411

www.ihs-centrecounty.org

Blanket Drive for Interfaith Human Services Sunday, November 1, through Monday, November 9

As has been the tradition at TLC, each November we collect blankets to be distributed by Interfaith Human Services to those in need. The sudden drop in temperature means there already are people who could use a blanket to stay warm. If you have a gently used blanket or you want to take advantage of sales to purchase a new one, please drop off your blanket donation in the box in the Narthex between Sunday, November 1, and Monday, November 9. On behalf of IHS, thank you for your donation.

Esther E. Lauchle TLC Representative



35,000 members, 116 Congregations, 7 counties...

We are the Allegheny Synod



The Allegheny Synod is you, it is us, it is God's people in the congregations of the ELCA that have been called together, to follow Jesus in these Allegheny hills and valleys.

When you think about the Synod, the best place to look is at each other. Our Synod is your congregation and members, matched with the other 115 congregations across our region. Each of our congregations, or ministry sites, are different. Some are small family churches; some are larger multi-staff congregations; some operate in partnership with other congregations to form 2, or 3, or 4-point parishes. We may look different, but God has called us in our various sizes and configuration to work together to serve his people in our communities and in our world. We are better together than we ever will be apart.

The Allegheny Synod

Office of the Bishop 701 Quail Avenue, Altoona, PA 16602 + 814-942-1042 Www.alleghenysynod.org + office@alleghenysynod.com Find us on Facebook: Allegheny Synod 8C

OCTOBER 25 Jeremiah 31:31-34 Psalm 46 Romans 3:19-28 John 8:31-36 (The readings listed in last week's newsletter for October 25 were incorrect.)

READINGS



NOVEMBER 1 Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 24 Revelation 21:1-6a John 11:32-44

TLC FINANCIAL INFORMATION

July 1, 2015 - September 30, 2015

Income \$21,058.00 Expenses \$24,472.13 Difference -\$3414.13

These amounts represent operating income and expenses and do not include any interest, dividends or investment value changes.