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PRAYER LIST

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TLC FRIENDS

Rita Shetler, Janice, Frank, Jessica, Jenny, Jackie Saylor, Peggy, Nesbitt family

TRINITY EVENTS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

10:00 am Zumba

5:00 pm Outdoor Worship w/Communion

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

8:15 am Worship w/Communion

9:30 am Outdoor Worship w/Communion

9:30 am Sunday School

10:45 am Worship w/Communion

YouTube Worship Service Recorded

12:00 pm Deeper Waters

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

7:00 pm Bible Study

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

5:00 pm Trinity Wheelmen

5:45 pm Zumba

7:00 pm Council Meeting

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

5:45 pm Zumba

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

10:00 am Zumba

5:00 pm Outdoor Worship w/Communion

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

8:15 am Worship w/Communion

9:30 am Outdoor Worship w/Communion

9:30 am Sunday School

10:45 am Worship w/Communion

YouTube Worship Service Recorded

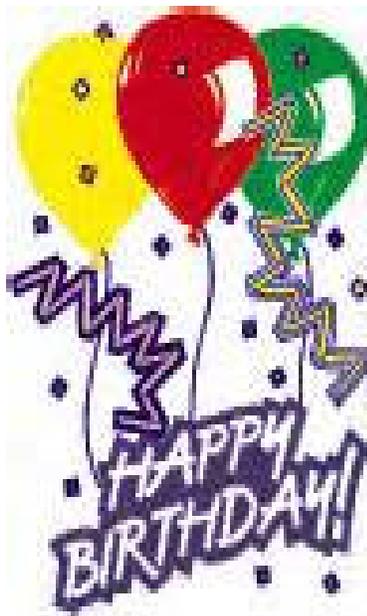
12:00 pm Deeper Waters - Cancelled

Baptism

Emilia Dorothy Gustafson born on July 27, 2022 will be baptized on Saturday at the 5:00 pm worship service. She is the daughter of Matthew Gustafson & Ali Wolff and sister of Scotti. The Rev. Scott Gustafson will preside for the baptism.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Kameryn Schoenauer	1
Callie Burn	3
Isabella Card	5
Lacey Sheaffer	5
Judy Leslie	6
Jonah Trout	6
Katrina Oselinsky	7
Patrick Corbett	11
Claire Topper	12
Don Breon	18
Kathy Brasier	20
Mildred Ritz	21
A Eva Stitzer	23
Scotti Gustafson	29
Carol Bernlohr	30



Readings

Amos 8:4-7

Psalms 113

1 Timothy 2:1-7

Luke 16:1-13

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Beloved of God,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord, Jesus Christ!

Summer is all but over, and the fall schedule has burst upon us! At least it can feel like something has burst upon us! After roughly two years we find ourselves seeking to restore life to what we recall it to be before the pandemic. We may find that it will take some time for us to readjust to the busyness of life after such extended down time. And yet, the virus still haunts and hunts us! This is most likely not where most of us hoped to be at this point. Then again, we are reminded that life does not always come to us on our terms.

In Luke's Gospel we read one of Jesus' parables:

¹⁹ "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. ²⁰ At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores ²¹ and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores.

²² "The time came when the beggar died, and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³ In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴ So he called to him, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.'

Despite the rich man's situation, he still demands that Abraham order Lazarus to serve him. Despite having been found wanting and coming up short, the rich man wants his world to be made to his orders. Ah, we most all believe life would be better if we were in control. You can read the whole story at Luke 16:19-31.

But we are not in control and perhaps that is a good thing. Throughout COVID I found that I was powerless at times to make a difference, for myself or for others. If you are like me, you may feel that somehow you have failed to do something, even if you do not know what that "something" might be.

As we venture forward into this new world and whatever the new normal will be, we will most likely encounter changes, some of which we may like, others we will certainly dislike! To that end, some items I have been thinking about and invite you to consider.

WORSHIP – We will continue to offer four worship opportunities each weekend. Saturday night at 5 pm worship is outside or moved inside if weather dictates. On Sundays we will have 8:15 and 10:45 worship inside. At 9:30 worship is outside or moved inside if the weather is inclement.. So we will not cancel worship due to weather.

SUNDAY SCHOOL – As we seek to resume this educational ministry the Christian Ed Team as decided to offer an abbreviated Christian educational time during the 9:30 am worship. Students will begin in worship with their family and then leave for a brief period of instruction then return in time for communion.

BIBLE STUDY – We have resumed Monday Night Bible Study and if you have not attended previously, you are most welcome to join us. We are working our way through the Old Testament. We will be in the Faith Room at 7:00 pm.

PARTICIPATION AND WORSHIP ATTENDANCE – The pandemic caused many changes, not the least of which was the suspension of large gatherings like worship. Most find it easy to lose the habit of regular worship attendance and difficult to resume it again. Also, challenges like COVID have caused many to change other routines in life. Though we did our best, that may not have been good enough for some folks who now find themselves "church shopping." Please understand, I believe just as pastors are called to congregations so are laypeople. If you are looking for another congregation or have already aligned with one, it would be most helpful to me if you let us know. My concern is that you have pastoral and spiritual care. Feel free to email me or text me. I do plan to make some phone calls to people I have not seen in a while, but I invite you to reach out as well. The door will always be open should you find God calling you to return.

No, we cannot have the world or life on our terms, and perhaps it is just as well! God's promises do not and will not fail. We are sinful, broken people, all seeking to do our best. Thank you for your faithful service and witness here at Trinity or wherever God may be guiding you. We **are** in this together. God bless and keep you and your family now and always!

Love, joy and peace,



Pastor Ron

Trinity will be hosting Out of the Cold from September 19 to October 10

Here is a link to the SignUpGenius:

[Sign Up Here - https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f45a9ad2ba5fa7-outofthe42](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f45a9ad2ba5fa7-outofthe42)

If you have any questions, please contact Jay Aubuchon at JayAubuchon@gmail.com or 814-574-2468. As a reminder, we have several volunteer needs.

Volunteer Hosts: We're looking for 2 people to be on-site from 7:45-10pm to help guests check-in, help set up, serve dinner, and clean up, and interact with guests, etc.

Dinner Provider: Please plan to bring dinner for 25 guests at 7:45pm each night.

Dessert Provider: Please plan to bring dessert for 25 guests at 7:45pm each night.

Breakfast Supplies: Breakfast will be slightly different at this time! Please sign up for a specific item and bring that Monday evening (of the week you signed up) between 8 and 10pm.

Unload Truck/Set Up: Please arrive at 8:30am on Monday, September 19 to unload the truck and set up supplies.

Load Truck/Clean Up: Please arrive at 7:30am on Monday, October 10 to load the truck and clean up.

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MELISSA'S STAMPEDE TEAM

Besides coordinating Toys for Tots for the past 35 years, Donna and I have had a second major fundraiser since one of our twin daughters was diagnosed with M.S. almost 12 years ago. Some of you may remember Melissa and Brandy as they grew up in State College, attended Trinity and taught Sunday School, and graduated from State High in 1999. Because of state budget issues, Melissa started her education career in Orange County, FL. Since 2003, she has taught every grade level but 8th, has been an assistant and/or acting principal at all levels, and for the past two years has been principal of Camelot Elementary. Fortunately, she has responded to medications and has led a team called Melissa's Stampede raising over \$100,000 for M.S. research over the past 11 years. This effort was centered around riding our bicycles (Melissa and myself included each year) 50 miles on a Saturday and 50 more the following day. This October will be our second year of riding from Marineland, FL to Daytona - "only" a distance of 38 miles instead of the 50's we did for the first 10 years.

There are 2 things I would ask you to consider:

1. Donate to Melissa's Stampede and help us find a cure for M.S. The link is:

<https://mssociety.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=donate.team&teamID=27623>

2. If you know Melissa and Brandy or if you know anyone dealing with Multiple Sclerosis, please listen to a podcast from a series called Thriving over Surviving called Living Life in Gratitude with Melissa and Brandy. The podcast originator, Edie Sohigian also lives with M.S. and offers her uplifting inspiration to others. The link to the series on Apple devices:

<https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/thriving-over-surviving-multiple-sclerosis/id1576140482?i=1000570696399>

Otherwise you can find the series of broadcasts at: thrivingoversurvivingpodcast.com

Questions: Contact Donna or Gene Weller at elweller@aol.com or dw0220@aol.com

