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NOVEMBER 8, 2020

Trinity Lutheran Church

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

<u>READINGS</u>

Amos 5:18-24 Psalm 70 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Matthew 25:1-13

PRAYER LIST

<u>TLC DISCIPLES</u> Jerry Wion, Carolyn Kresen, Carol Bernlohr , Dee Kiel, Bruce Lorich

<u>TLC FRIENDS</u> Cora, Gregg Christianson, Jessica, Charley, Tom Brelsford, James Brigman, the Keim Family

Soups for Wednesday, November 11th for pick up from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm

Easy Pork Posole (GF/DF) Broccoli Cheddar Soup Best Ever Seafood Gumbo (DF)

TRINITY EVENTS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8 10:00 am Outdoor Worship with Communion 11:00 am Deeper Water Zoom YouTube Service w/Bulletin Emailed Monday, November 9 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11 11:30 am - 1:00 pm Soup Pickup 7:00 pm Zoom Vesper Service THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12 10:00 am Zoom Bible Study SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15 10:00 am Outdoor Worship with Communion 11:00 am Deeper Water Zoom YouTube Service w/Bulletin Emailed

Living Lutheran Magazine

It is that time of year to renew your Living Lutheran Magazine Subscription

The cost this year is the same as last year - \$11.00

I will need to know if you plan to renew your subscription by Sunday, November 22nd. The money for the magazine can be mailed in, dropped off on Wednesdays during soup pickup, or put in the offering during the outdoor service.

CHANGE OF PROCEDURE FOR DROPPING OFF DONATIONS

The collection boxes and bins for Toys for Tots, PTBA Winter Clothing Collection, Park Forest Preschool and Out of the Cold Cell Phone Donations will be outside the front doors of the church EVERY MONDAY to THURSDAY from 8:00 am to 11:00 am

We will move the bins back inside to locked church after 11:00 am We hope this will make dropping off your donations easier for everyone. (If this isn't convenience, contact the office to make special arrangements) Thank you all for your help

A Note from the Pastor

CHIRSTMAS PICTURES REQUESTED

Now that Halloween has arrived, we know that the holiday season— Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day—are not far off. Christmas has special significance for most everyone. Regardless of whether or not we have resumed in-person worship, we would like to find ways to make our Christmas worship special.

To that end, there are some plans that would include using pictures that remind us of Christmas. So, we invite anyone and everyone to submit pictures you have taken or have that are special to you regarding Christmas. These may be family photos, picture of your Christmas Tree, shots of your family opening present, or how your house is decorated. You may even submit other pictures that remind you of Christmas.

Please, do not submit pictures you expect to be returned. Feel free to email them to me, <u>TLCRevRon@comcast.net</u>, or drop them off at the church whenever you can. Then stay tuned throughout the holiday season to see how we use them!

Thanks so much!



The Patton Township Business Association (PTBA) will be conducting their <u>15th Annual Winter Clothing Drive</u> of **new or gently used** winter coats, winter boots, scarves, gloves, and hats for the Burrowes Street Youth Haven as part of the Centre County Youth Service Bureau (YSB) in State College (boys & girls between the ages of 12-18).

Due to COVID-19 challenges, we have consolidated our drop off locations to the following:

Patton Township Municipal Building – 100 Patton Plaza Trinity Lutheran Church – 2221 N. Oak Ln. The North Club – 1510 Martin St. Comfort Suites – 132 Village Drive.

*Locations will have boxes starting **November 2nd** and we will be accepting donations until **December 21st, 2020.**

Note: Due to current restrictions please only drop off items in clean or "like new" conditions. This would be much appreciated by recipients.

Contact Keriann Smith with any questions or for any assistance with picking up items. Keriann Smith

Call or text: 717-554-1592 ksmith@hfl-hotels.com









Our 38th annual Alternative Christmas Fair will take place "virtually" this year, December 6 through December 20, due to COVID-19 concerns. On those days holiday "shoppers" can donate to 30 local, national, and international charities. A quick trip to https://ubbcwelcome.org/acf will show you how to give online or by check. You can also use the QR code above to access the online shopping center via your mobile device.

Last year, 26 charities shared in more than \$43,000 that was given by people in our community. While we miss the opportunity to have representatives of our beneficiaries gather in Fellowship Hall to meet and talk with our "shoppers," (we'll do that again next year) we are excited at being able to offer to our patrons the ease of online giving. And the extra "space" we gain by not being in a physical place has allowed us to add four new organizations for 2020.

Here are the organizations to which you may donate:

Center for Alternatives in Community Justice Centre County PAWS Centre County Youth Service Bureau Centre Helps Centre LGBTQA Support Network CentrePeace Centre Region Down Syndrome Society Centre Safe PA Centre Volunteers in Medicine Centre Wildlife Care Church World Service Clearwater Conservancy of Central PA Dyslexia Reading Center of Central PA Habitat for Humanity of Centre County Heifer International Hope International Services House of Care Housing Transitions Interfaith Human Services Jana Marie Foundation Midstate Literacy Council Out of the Cold Interfaith Power and Light PA Prison Society Centre County Chapter Park Forest Preschool Save the Children State College Food Bank State College Meals on Wheels Ten Thousand Villages Tides Program

Make the season merrier by supporting the good work of these charities! See you at The Alternative Christmas Fair!



CAN WE COUNT ON YOUR HELP?

As many of you are aware Covid19 has affected all of our lives in one way or another and it is taking its toll on Toys for Tots and the holiday food drive. Because of Covid19, we will not be wrapping toys but that doesn't mean we won't be needing your help. In coordination with the food pantries we have come up with a plan to still provide Christmas Joy to the children of Centre county and provide food for those in need. Instead of wrapping we will be bagging toys for each child in their own individual 13 gallon white bag sealing it and labeling each bag with age and gender on it. To do this, we need individuals who can come to the Penn Stater to select the gifts for each bag, seal and label the bags. Also because of our use of the Penn Stater, our toy and collection times have been moved up one month from the usual time for the drive. We are collecting food and toy items up to November 13th. We begin bagging the toys on November 14th to November 16th with move out on the 17th.

So how can you help?

1. Donate a toy or food item. We will be having a food and toy box outside Trinity on Wednesdays so you can make a donation when you pick up your delicious soup Pastor makes.

If you don't like shopping but want to still donate you can send a check payable to "Marine Toys for Tots" to Gene Weller Toys for Tots at 1380 N. Atherton Street, State College, Pa 16803. Another option is to go to the http://lemont-pa.toysfortots.org webpage and make the donation there. If the donation is made at the Centre County Toys for Tots webpage, the money is held in a sub-account for our use. To donate money to the food pantries, it would be best if checks are made payable to Trinity Lutheran Church and indicate in the memo that it is for the food drive. We can then have a check made payable to Centre County Government and memo for food pantries and have the Adult Services Office divvy out the money as needed to each of the food pantries. We were already told by the State College Food Bank to pass on all collections to the other food pantries as relatively, State College Food Bank receives more donations than the other food pantries. We are able to use monetary donations to purchase toys at wholesale prices which makes our money go farther and money for the food will be turned over to the food pantries.
If you can help with the toy packaging, we need you to go to http://lemont-pa.toysfortots.org and sign up for a session. We are limited to only having 75 volunteers at any one session so sign up is a must as contact information is required in advance by Penn State. Also Masking and Social Distancing will be enforced.

If you have any questions please contact Gene or Donna Weller at 237-2107, or at <u>elweller@aol.com</u>. We hope we can count on your help as there are many families who need our help to have a special Christmas this year. Thank you for your help. Donna and Gene Weller

Schedule

Saturday, November 14 th	10:00 AM to Noon (Youth Session) MAX OF 75 INDIVIDUALS
Saturday, November 14 th	2:00 PM to 4 PM MAX OF 75 INDIVIDUALS
Sunday, November 15 th	2:00 PM to 5 PM MAX OF 75 INDIVIDUALS
Monday, November 16 th	2:00 PM to 5 PM MAX OF 75 INDIVIDUALS
Monday, November 16 th	6:00 PM to 8 PM MAX OF 75 INDIVIDUALS
Tuesday, November 17 th	10:00 AM until complete MAX OF 75 INDIVIDUALS
Tuesday, November 17 th	6:00 PM Clean-up and transfer of Toys to second site MAX OF 75 INDIVIDUAL