THE PIPER

SEPTEMBER 20, 2020



Trinity Lutheran Church

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READINGS

Jonah 3:10-4:11 Psalm 145:1-8 Philippians 1:21-30 Matthew 20:1-16

PRAYER LIST

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

TLC FRIENDS
Cora, Mark & Gregg Christianson

WE DID IT!!

Burned our mortgage and had our first in-person outdoor service!! The only unfortunate thing is that the recording of the service had some technical problems and was not available until Monday morning.



Soup that can be picked up on WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23rd 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Beef Noodle Soup (GF)
Ham & Potato Soup (GF)
Creamy Chicken & Rice Soup

TRINITY EVENTS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 10:00 am Outdoor Worship with Communion 11:00 am Deeper Water Zoom YouTube Service w/Bulletin Emailed MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22** 5:00 pm Trinity Wheelmen 5:45 pm Outdoor Zumba WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 11:30 am-1:00 pm Soup Pickup 7:00 pm Zoom Vesper Service THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 10:00 am Zoom Bible Study 5:45 pm Outdoor Zumba SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 9:00 am Outdoor Zumba

with Communion 11:00 am Deeper Water Zoom YouTube Service w/Bulletin Emailed

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

10:00 am Outdoor Worship

We are planning to continue Sunday, 10 AM Outdoor Services into October, weather permitting. If the weather is questionable, please be sure to check your email and/or Facebook to see if the service is cancelled before coming to the church. If the service has been cancelled, Pastor Ron will record the service and it will be posted on line and on Facebook. Once it is available, an email will go out to everyone.

As an advance notice, please do not get upset if the service is not posted until Monday early morning. We have had some technical difficulties which delay the posting of the service. You will get an email w/the bulletin as soon as it is available.

From the Pastor's Desk

September 20, 2020

Beloved of God:

The letter known as 1st Peter begins with these words:

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,

To the exiles of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, who have been chosen and destined by God the Father and sanctified by the Spirit to be obedient to Jesus Christ and to be sprinkled with his blood:

May grace and peace be yours in abundance.

Given our current world circumstances, little imagination is needed to picture the apostle writing to us. Self-isolation can feel like being exiled, though I have not actually experienced exile as the faithful to whom this letter is directed. Still, most of us on a daily basis deal with the loneliness of being separated from those we love, for our sakes as well as theirs. Yet, to even the likes of us, God has claimed us as his own and finds ways each and every day to bless us.

The author continues with some wonderful news that also applies to us:

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls. (1 Peter 1:1-9, NRSV)

As Peter reminds us, life in this world is not easy and we all face many and various trials as we all know too well. Still, God does not abandon us and continues to pour out the Holy Spirit to guide and direct us.

This is why and how we resumed in-person worship on Sunday, albeit outside. We all agreed, it was good to be gathered once again, despite masks and social distancing. All went smoothly, and so for now, we will hold worship at 10 am on Sundays, in the Outdoor Chapel, weather permitting. Check Facebook and/or email to confirm that worship will be held if the weather is threatening. We will continue to record worship and posted it on YouTube, though it likely won't be available until Monday mornings.

As time goes on, we will consider other ways to gather in-person that is as safe as can be expected. So, continue to pray for the council and the staff who lead us. Continue to check the Weekly Piper for updates and other news.

Thanks for your continued support. As God blessed the 1st century believers to whom 1st Peter is directed, so too, he blesses us 21st believers as we continue through these trying and troublesome times!

God bless you and yours now and forever!

Peace, joy and love,

Paster Ron

Pastor Ron

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Kameryn Schoenauer	1
Callie Burn	3
Madison Musheno	3
Isabella Card	5
Lacey Sheaffer	5
Judy Leslie	6
Jonah Trout	6
Katrina Oselinsky	7
Patrick Corbett	11
Barbara Huntley	11
Paula Raynar	11
Claire Topper	12
Leslie Mateer	13
Lucy Merritt	15
Don Breon	18
Kathy Brasier	20
Mildred Ritz	21
A Eva Stitzer	23
Aaron Wagner	28
Grace Lichtig	29
Scotti Gustafson	29
Carol Bernlohr	30
Young Hee Kim	30
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Dear Trinity Family,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your prayers, quilt, cards, calls and meals following my back surgery. If was so kind of you to do that for me. The surgery went well, but the recovery is taking longer than I anticipated, but you all know me, I thought I would be us and moving in 24 hours which definitely wasn't the care. Again, thank you.

In His Love, Donna Weller



Dear Trinity Lutheran Church,

We wanted to send a special note to say thank you for your continued support for Out of the Cold. Because of the pandemic, guest were moved to hotel rooms and had meals provided for them. In the month of June they will be staying at our day shelter, The Meetinghouse on Atherton. If is because of your generosity that we can continue to serve our guest in the midst of uncertainty. Thank you again.

The OOTC Board

(For those who don't know, Trinity provided some monetary help to the Out of the Cold program back in May and Pastor Ron and Karl Raynar also made meals for the guests in August.) Out of the Cold assists people who are homeless and would otherwise not have over night lodging and meals.

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Community Care Online Auction

Auction goes live: September 14 at 12:00 a.m.

Auction closes: September 30 at 10:00 p.m.

Access the auction site at:

www.interfaithhumanservices.org

- —Art
- —Collectibles
- —Handcraft
- -Household
- —And much more!

Proceeds from the auction will assist low-income families and individuals throughout Centre County through the following Interfaith Human Services programs:

The Centre County Fuel Bank

Free Furniture and Appliance Recycling Program

Financial Care Program

- —Representative Payee Services
- -Money Management Services

Emergency Financial Care