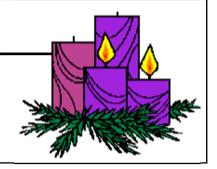
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DECEMBER 9/10, 2023



Trinity Lutheran Church

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PRAYER LIST

TLC DISCIPLES

Jerry Wion, Linda, Leslie, Brenda Whitmer, Barb Roberts, Elaine Burn, Donna Weller, Nancy Owens, Joan Kimerer, Kay Trostle

TLC FRIENDS

Rita Shetler, Katie, Josh Potter, Patrick, Patricia, Joe Bitner, PJ Brady, Jonathan Fetter, Shirley Pillot, Marlene



Readings

Isaiah 40:1-11
Psalm 85:1-2. 8-13
2nd Peter 3:8-15a
Mark 1:1-8

2024 Offering Envelopes

The 2024 Offering Envelopes have been placed In you mailboxes. While here during the holiday season, please don't forget to pick them up.

2024 Flower Chart

The new 2024 Flower Chart is posted outside Fellowship Hall If you have a special Sunday to recognize, please sign up.

TRINITY EVENTS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

10:00 am Zumba 5:00 pm Worship w/Communion SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

8:15 am Worship w/Communion 10:00 am Worship w/Communion w/Children's Church 11:00 am Deeper Waters Class

Bell Ringing at Meyer Dairy 10 am - 6pm
<u>TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12</u>

5:45 pm Zumba

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

6:00 pm Dinner
7:00 pm Holden Evening Prayer
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

5:45 pm Zumba

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

10:00 am Zumba

5:00 pm Worship w/Communion SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

8:15 am Worship w/Communion

10:00 am Worship w/Communion w/Children's Church

11:00 am Luncheon

12:00 pm Caroling at Harmony House



Wednesday, December 13th Dinner- 6:00 pm

Shrimp Scampi & Pasta

Beer Battered Fish

Pea & Carrots & Chopped Salad

Donated Desserts are appreciated

Holden Evening Prayer at 7:00 pm following dinner

From the Pastor's Desk

December 10, 2023

CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Many people this time of year think of those less fortunate as well as those in need or special circumstances. Despite all the changes we have seen in the last few years, we all tend to want to reach out and help if and how we can. One way groups, particularly church groups, have sought to serve others is to go Christmas Caroling.

Given Trinity's demographics trying to go from house to house is particularly challenging given the areas where our disciples live, even those homebound. Either we visit just a few homes, or we spend an afternoon traveling Centre County.

Still, there is some interest in once again going Christmas Caroling. To that end, I would like to invite all those interested in joining me on Sunday, December 17th for lunch right after worship and then around 12 noon going to Harmony House to sing for the residents there. We have two members of Trinity residing there. Also, I lead worship along with Jean Quinn the first Sunday of each month.

I know the residents would appreciate our singing for them, even if it is more along the lines of the biblical "make a joyful noise!"

So, plan now to set aside by of Sunday afternoon of December 17th to share some holiday cheer with some folks who may need some cheer this time of year!

For more information or to sign up, contact Pastor Ron, <u>TLCRevron@comcast.net</u> or <u>TLCRevRon@gmail.com</u>. Should be a great time! And thanks in advance for joining us!

SPECIAL NEW YEAR RECITAL

Essence of Joy members along with Essence 2 participants are planning a trip to France. Of course, the members of Essence of Joy are mostly undergraduate students with very limited financial ability. So, a fundraising dinner is being planned here at Trinity to help support the group making the trip.

On Wednesday, January 10, dinner will be served buffet-style at 6 pm. The recital will begin at 7 or 7:30 pm. Watch for details. The menu includes pot roast, grilled boneless chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, corn, quinoa with vegetables, salad bar and dessert. If you can provide a dessert that would be greatly appreciated, speak with Pastor Ron.

The recital will include members of Essence of Joy performing various musical pieces. A freewill offering will be collected for both the meal and the recital. Check with Pastor Ron with any questions.

Bell Ringing at Meyer Dairy to Benefit Interfaith Human Services Wishing Well Campaign

This year date for Trinity to "Ring the Bell" at Meyer Dairy is

SUNDAY, December 10th

The link to sign up is:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090C4FACAA29A64-46272094-ihsbell#/

You can copy & paste this link into your browser to get to the sign up link.

Any questions - contact Kayla Smith at kayjosmith22@gmail.com or 717-781-5885

Thank you for supporting this ministry.



There are still a few time slots open.
Sign up today!
Thank you.



WOULD YOU HELP US HELP OTHERS?

It's hard to believe that Christmas is fast approaching and the Toys for Tot's toy and food drive has started. I am hoping Trinity will be a partner with us to collect Food and toys for those who are in need. We will be collecting toys and food from November

12 until December 10th. Trinity has been a valuable part of both the drives. In the past we challenged the members of Trinity to bring one nonperishable food item for the 5 Sundays during the drive. The food pantries of Centre County are being challenged to help those who are in need and the number of those who are in need help keeps growing. There is a box for the toy donation and food donations can be put in the tub. Can we at Trinity collect 1000 items as we have done in the past. Grocery store gift cards, hygiene items, cleaning products, & spices are also needed. Any questions can be directed to Donna and Gene Weller.

Current count of items for the food banks is: 217

Thank you for your help.

Donna Weller dw0220@aol.com 814-571-2280

Gene Weller <u>Elweller@aol.com</u> 814-571-4332

Last week to donate toys and food for the

Toys for Tots

Campaign



A Soldier's Hands Letter Writing Guide

Here at Trinity we have been asked to help write letters to service men and women to be included in the care packages for this organization. They are hoping we can get approximately 100 letters/cards, and a few dollars of donations to assist with the purchase of items for the care packages. We are hoping to have our letters written and returned by DECEMBER 15th.

There will be baskets at the back of the church for completed letters and cards, as well as another for donations.

Since we aren't sure when the packages will arrive to the service men and women, they ask that they not necessarily by holiday themed.

Any questions can be directed to:

Bob & Sandy Coyle
scoyle02@gmail.com (814) 777-0124 (Sandy's cell)

Copies of the letter writing instructions and card/note paper are on the stand at the back of the sanctuary.



The Happy Valley Business Association, formerly the Patton Township Business Association (PTBA) will be conducting their 19^h Annual Winter Clothing Drive 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).

The collection box is in the narthex for any contributions that you may have for this worthwhile annual event. Collection is from November 1st to December 22nd.

