



TRINITY TIMES

Trinity United Church of Christ
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OCTOBER, 2023

General Information:

Sunday Service
9:00am

Fellowship Time
10:00am

Sunday School
10:30am

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Gathered as one body

On World Communion Sunday, observed this year on October 1, Christians across the globe gather at the Lord's Table for the sacrament of Holy Communion. The Lord's Table stretches around the entire earth. Catholic Christians, Coptic Christians, Orthodox Christians, Reformed Christians, Evangelical Christians, Lutheran Christians, Baptist Christians, Anglican Christians, Methodist Christians, Christians who worship in churches bearing names that are unfamiliar to us — all join in worship and do what Christ asked his friends to do: remember him!

"This do in remembrance of me," Jesus said during the Last Supper with his disciples. Then he broke bread as a reminder of his sacrificed body and lifted the cup of wine representing his blood. The sacrament is a vivid symbol of Christ's sacrifice, love and forgiveness for each of us.

As we gather as Christ's family around that table of grace, remember that we are united in Christ with our brothers and sisters around the world. "In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north. All Christly souls are joined as one throughout the whole wide earth" (John Oxenham).

Thank you, Lord!

Joy in the Word of God

Oh! how great and glorious a thing it is to have before one the Word of God! With that we may at all times feel joyous and secure; we need never be in want of consolation, for we see before us, in all its brightness, the pure and right way. He who loses sight of the Word of God, falls into despair; the voice of heaven no longer sustains him; he follows only the disorderly tendency of his heart, and of world vanity, which lead him on to his destruction.

—*The Table Talk of Martin Luther*



Special dates

- Pastor Appreciation Month
- World Communion Sunday, *October 1, 2023*
- Columbus Day, *October 9, 2023*
- Indigenous Peoples Day, *October 9, 2023*
- Reformation Sunday, *October 29, 2023*
- Reformation Day, *October 31, 2023*

WORSHIP IN OCTOBER

The five Sundays in October continue the Pentecost theme of living faithfully in the community of faith, the church of Jesus Christ.

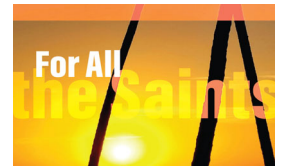
October 1: We will explore the challenge of doing the will of God; the role of individual responsibility in communal living and which is better: to say 'I will do something' and not do it; OR to say 'I will not do something' and then do it.

October 8: The vineyard is a rich Biblical symbolic reference for Israel and for 'the New Israel', the church. Life in the vineyard is lifted up in the texts for this day.

October 15: A message of reassurance gives us some relief from the ongoing task of living in the church. God's presence and blessing is emphasized.

October 22: The primacy of God in all of life! The gospel will challenge us to discern what is God's and what is ours.

October 29: We will anticipate *All Saints/Remembrance Sunday* as we explore the transience of life and God's compassion. All Saints Day is on November 1, a Wednesday, we will celebrate Remembrance Day in anticipation of All Saints on Oct. 29th. As in the past you are invited to bring a photo of a departed loved one for display. We will seek to be surrounded by a 'cloud of witnesses' from the past as we worship.



CONES IN THE PARKING LOT

No, not ice cream cones! Traffic cones are used to block the York Street exit from the church lot. Our lot is sometimes used as a shortcut from Walnut Street to York Street East, thus avoiding the "No turn" sign at Walnut and York. This has resulted in a safety concern, (not to mention legality). Thus the placement of the cones during the week except during the Nursery School pick up and drop off times.

TOY WORKSHOP PARKING LOT

We have rented several numbered spaces in the Toy Workshop lot to area residents for their parking. There are a number of spaces available for church members use. These spaces are marked "Reserved". When parking in the Toy Workshop lot, please **do not** use the numbered spaces.

HANOVER AREA COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Trinity continues to support the PAL program of HACC with once a month meal preparation. Usually 180 meals are now being prepared and served on a daily basis. HACC is a vital ministry in our community. We provide financial support for the ongoing programs of HACC. A recent gift of \$500 was forwarded from our Mission and Outreach budget. HACC provides emergency shelter, clothing and toiletries, financial assistance, gas and gift cards to persons in need.

Volunteer Opportunity HACC will sponsor a fall Hanover Clean Up Day on Saturday, Oct. 7. Just show up at the HACC building on Carlisle Street at 9:00am with gloves, energy and a community caring spirit.

MISSION AND OUTREACH

We support a number of ministries with financial gifts. Most recent donations have been: \$500 to God's Meal Barrel, \$500 to Hoffman Homes (for troubled youth), & \$500 to HACC (see previous article)

In October, Trinity will provide a potato bar for *Roots for Boots*, the veterans lunch program.

Bring a Friend Neighborhood Supper—Mission and Outreach invites all active members to consider contacting an inactive member or unchurched friend to come to supper on October 18. The sign-up sheet is in the narthex—we need to know the number for adequate food preparation. Bring a friend, share the fellowship and enjoy an evening of no meal preparation!

TRINITY NURSERY SCHOOL BEGINS

September 11 and 12 marked the new school year for our Nursery School. One hundred fifteen little scholars are enrolled. We are delighted the enrollment is increasing as we move beyond the effects of Covid. Miss Tina, the director, is happy to have a full staff on board as the year begins. We look forward to some opportunities to strengthen ties between the families of the Nursery School and Trinity.

DREAM TEAM

For the past year one of the foci of the Dream Team has been “What to do with the Annex”. We have explored a number of potential uses, as alternatives to demolishing this 1870's residence. Several months ago, architectural plans were drawn to convert this asset into a multi-use chapel area. After conducting a feasibility study, it is recommended to table this proposal until next year. We anticipate when a settled pastor is in place, we will be better able to consider this proposal.

NEW ROOF IN PLACE

The Property Committee has overseen the installation of a new roof on the Sanctuary/Narthex areas of the church. This was a needed project. Thanks to the generosity and forethought of previous members who invested in the future of Trinity, this project cost of approximately \$140,000 has been covered without the need for a capital solicitation. We have thought about the next generations of Trinity as the new shingles have a projected life of 50 years. As persons of the past have sought to preserve the future with their contributions and estates, so may we with our contributions and financial planning from our estates.



Throughout the summer we have been blessed with flowers blooming in the gardens and beds around the church and annex. Sue Seidenstricker and her team of gardeners and helpers have made this possible. Thank you to those who have planted, tended, weeded, and watered. Your labors are appreciated.

WELCOME

We welcome Ali Geiman to our church staff. Ali joins our staff of sextons who keep our building clean and useable. Ali has already shown herself to be industrious and willing to take on all tasks and assignments from dusting, cleaning all the chairs and areas of the fellowship hall balcony to bathrooms and sanctuary. We are glad to have Ali on board!

Highlights from September Mission & Outreach Meeting

- ◆ School kit project for Church World Service has been successfully completed. Thank you to all who took part. One hundred kits were delivered to CWS.
- ◆ Voted to send Hoffman Homes a \$500 donation to aid with their Hoffman Gala that takes place in November.
- ◆ Discussed the neighborhood meal to take place October 18. Menu will consist of meatloaf, potato, veggie, and dessert.
- ◆ M&O will sponsor the *Roots for Boots* luncheon in October. Lee & Billie will represent Trinity.
- ◆ Discussed the possibility of providing school aid dollars for local schools as was done last year.
- ◆ God's Meal Barrel and HACC Shelter have received our donations of \$500 each to aid in their ministries.
- ◆ Our Maui relief drive has netted \$1,210 to date. Many thanks to WOT for a \$500 donation.
- ◆ Our intentions of selling off unused candelabras for scrap metal only netted \$6. The \$6 was put into the Maui relief fund. The intention was to use the money to aid an Alabama church that suffered from tornado destruction. That church has since stated that they are doing fine and appreciated our intentions.
- ◆ Many thanks to those who helped with Fellowship Time. We will pick another date at a future meeting.

Our next "Neighborhood Supper" is on Wednesday, Oct. 18. Mission & Outreach invites you to bring a guest with you. Perhaps a church member we've lost touch with or maybe someone who would like to get to know us better. A signup sheet has been placed on the narthex bulletin board or you may call the church office.



Mark your calendars! Second Chance Boutique will take place from 12-5pm on Friday, November 10th and 8am-noon on Saturday, November 11th. If you have items to donate, please contact Lee Bartlett to make arrangements for drop-off or pickup. Lee can be reached at (410) 746-2945. Please, no clothing, magazines, electronics, or large furniture.

OCTOBER



Day	Name	Yrs.	Day	Name	Yrs.
1	Melinda and Don Craumer	40	18	JoAnne and Alan Wolfgang	37
6	Susan and Gregory Alwine	44	19	JoAnn and Keith Werner	38
7	Diane and Richard Betlyon	51	23	Doreen & Richard Bankert	41
7	Deborah and Garry Unger	45	24	Beverly and Ray Hahn	69
7	Lisa and James Helt	34	26	Heather and Andrew Sabaka	21
9	Jeannette and Larry Hart	57	27	Mandi and David Smith	38
16	Sally and Michael Hampton	53	29	Patricia & William Thompson	12
16	Judy and Steven Steinke	47			

If your anniversary was omitted, please contact the church office to update your records. Thank you.



	<u>Born</u>	<u>Died</u>
Earl R. Menchey	August 18, 1927	August 28, 2023



Jean Palmer	October 15
Virginia Yost	October 20

October	1	8	15	22	29
	World Wide Communion				
Consistory Teams	6&3	1&4	2&5	3&6	4&1
Lay Leader	Lee Bartlett	Lorene Crooks	Doug Cooper	Caleb Leckrone	Aaden Reichart
Altar Flower Sponsor	Shue	Oaster	Bolinger	Winand	Open
Chancel Flower Sponsor	Schaeberle	Sterner	Bartlett & Schloyer	Schloyer & Shank	Open
Bulletin Sponsor	Shue	Wentz	Stauffer	Turner	Open

Please call the church office to schedule a flower or bulletin dedication for any available date.

October Trinity Times

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Change Service Requested



Trinity's Mission Statement: Trinity United Church of Christ strives to be a warm, caring family of Christian believers. Our calling is to witness and strengthen the Christian faith through meaningful worship, Christian education, and Christian living in the home, the community, and the world.

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