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General Information:

Sunday Service
9:00am

Fellowship Time
10:00am

Sunday School
10:30am

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Mon-Fri 9am-1pm

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Growing through gratitude

Thankfulness, studies show, has multiple physical, mental and emotional benefits. Psychologist Robert Emmons calls gratitude “fertilizer for the mind” because of its powerful effects.

He admits gratitude isn’t always easy — especially when life throws us curveballs (see the year 2020) — but says it can be most helpful during and after difficulties. Emmons suggests reframing challenges using thankfulness-based language. Ask, for example: Though I wasn’t grateful for the experience at the time, how can I be now? What lessons did I learn, and how did I grow as a person?



Throughout his letters, the apostle Paul reframes his extensive sufferings and urges us to do the same. “Give thanks in all circumstances,” he writes, “for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus” (1 Thessalonians 5:18, NIV).

Beyond heroism

At a recent anti-racism protest, Black participant Patrick Hutchinson saw a white counter-protester fall. Fearing for the injured man’s life, Hutchinson hoisted him over his shoulder and carried him through the crowd to seek help. Hutchinson was called a hero but says he just wanted to do the right thing.

According to Jesus, the right thing is to “love your enemies [and] do good to those who hate you” (Luke 6:27). It’s easy to love and be kind to our friends and people with similar beliefs. But when someone shows kindness to a member of an opposing group, we witness more than a hero; we see Jesus’ love in action.

Special dates

All Saints’ Day, *November 1, 2020*
Daylight-Saving Time ends, *November 1, 2020*
Election Day, *November 3, 2020*
Veterans Day, *November 11, 2020*
Thanksgiving Day, *November 26, 2020*
First Sunday of Advent, *November 29, 2020*



November 1

A Season of Thanksgiving

*For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and **bless the Lord your God** for the good land that he has given you. Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today.*

From Deuteronomy 8:7-11

Friends:

We are entering into a time of the year that is full of opportunities to give thanks. Our worship in November is rich with liturgical tradition honoring the Christian season. We begin on November 1 with All Saints' Sunday, when we will remember the lives of our dear ones who have passed on to the Church Triumphant. We will be observing Holy Communion. As we did last year, you are welcome to bring in photos of loved ones, members or not, who have died. It does not matter how recently or how long ago that they passed. In that way we can commune among all the saints, and reflect upon their legacy in our lives. And we can know that we are all caught up in the Body of Christ. We will place the photos around the sanctuary. It would be nice to name them on a card, with the dates of their birth and death, and place it with the photo.

On November 8 we will honor the veterans among us, and pray for peace in our world. We will offer thanks for countless acts of sacrifice that enable us to live as a free people. That spirit of thankfulness will extend to November 22 when we observe Christ the King Sunday. In the sacrifice on the cross, Christ freed us from the burden of sin. Created in the image of this freely giving God, we can freely share our love in thankful service to others. Then on November 29th, the wheel of the church year turns to Advent and we journey toward Bethlehem, and the dawning light that vanquishes the darkness.

God created the world out of an abundance of love. Worship helps us to "taste and see that the Lord is good." We know that not everyone is able to worship with us, in-person, right now. But we can feel thankful for this good land, this good people, and our manifold blessings. Please know that I pray for each and everyone of you, and am personally thankful for the opportunity to serve as your interim pastor.

Pastor Kim





1. We hope to distribute the new pictorial directories beginning *All Saints' Sunday*. Consistory has approved their purchase and are asking our members to contribute \$5.00 per directory to help defray the cost. The directories will be available after worship beginning Sunday, Nov. 1 or you may pick one up at the church on **Mondays in November from 10am-2pm. Please ring the doorbell and we will bring your directory to you.** We are grateful for all who contributed pictures, and the result is a nice visual depiction of our church family. The directory is digital, which means it can be updated periodically and re-issued. We thank Diane Betlyon for her leadership of this effort, and for the work of Ron & Betsy Bristol in uploading the membership information.

2. Consistory has begun a discussion of the capability to live-stream worship from the sanctuary. Currently, we are recording worship and posting it on Facebook, after worship. There is much we would need to do and equipment that would need to be purchased to accomplish live-streaming.

3. We will no longer be collecting dues and submitting registration for the Homewood Auxiliary as we have done in the past. When you get your membership solicitation in the mail, please submit it on your own. Thanks for your support of the Homewood Auxiliary.

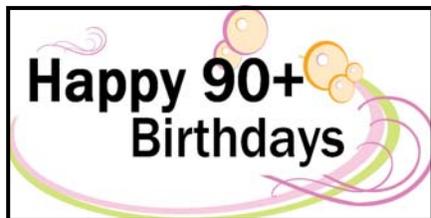
November Sundays	1	8	15	22	29
	Communion/ All Saint's Sunday	Recognition of Veterans		Reign of Christ Sunday	Adv 1
Worship Leader	Josiah Leckrone	Jim Barnhart	Bill Foreman	Lorene Crooks	Lee Bartlett
Altar Flower Sponsor	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
Chancel Flower Sponsor	Rohrbaugh	Open	Sabaka	Open	Open
Bulletin Sponsor	Sanders	Rhodes	Wilson	Rau	Open

Please call the church office to schedule a flower or bulletin dedication for any available date. The cost is \$40 for altar flowers and \$25 for pedestal arrangements (plus tax), and \$20 for bulletins.

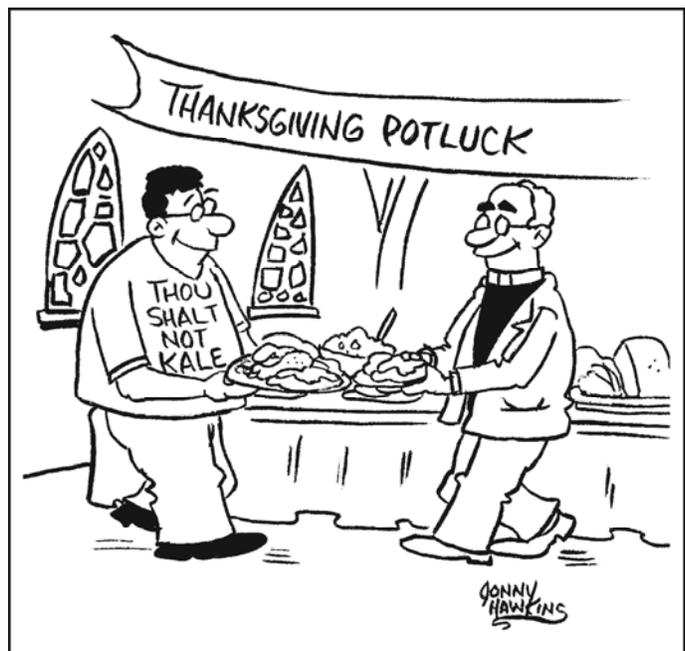


Day	Name	Yrs.	Day	Name	Yrs.
1	Sara and Nevin Musselman	68	13	Danielle and Larry Hagan	16
3	Beth and Rick Forry	35	19	Ann and Michael Farley	43
4	Linda and Bruce Markle	42	22	Sharon and Keith Raubenstine	40
4	Debra and Kenneth Wentz	42	22	Marcia and David Forsythe	33
4	Corrie and Jim Bankert	10	23	Barbara and Donald Rosenzweig	63
5	Denise and Bradley Geiman	26	23	Belinda and Steve Sabaka	51
6	Rosemary and William Eline	60	25	Patricia and William Still	53
9	Wendy and Ricky Cover	40	27	Tracy and Roy Rengier, Jr.	38
11	Kimberly and Randy Kessler	43	28	Starlett and Eric Hood	33

Please contact the church office at 637-2233 if your name was omitted or you wish to make changes.



Carla Rohrbaugh	November 10
Nancy Shultz	November 17
Irene Shutts	November 28



Dear Sewing Circle Ladies,

God has truly blessed you with your gift of quilting. A warm cozy quilt is a comfort when one needs a hug of reassurance and blessing.

Thank you,

Yvonne Dickert



To my friends at Trinity,

Words cannot begin to express the thanks and gratitude for the many acts of kindness that Judy and I experienced here at Trinity Church over the last twelve years as Judy battled with cancer. There were so many cards, e-mails, visits, encouragement, help with meals and other chores. All of these acts of kindness were critical to the healing that Judy experienced after multiple inpatient and outpatient surgeries.

Thanks,

Walter Maust



Born

B. Rosemary Eline

November 25, 1940

Died

October 11, 2020

Offering Envelopes 2021

Offering envelopes for 2021 will be available in the narthex extended beginning Sunday, December 6. The office staff would appreciate if you can pick up your envelopes and anyone else's that you might be able to deliver. The boxes will be in alphabetical order.



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