



Trinity News—September 13, 2026

Growing in Faith ... Reaching Out in Love... Making Disciples

PREPARE FOR WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

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

WE PRAY FOR OUR CONGREGATION MEMBERS

Ted & Amy Benning & Family Jason & Jennifer Bick
Johna Benson & Family Linda Bittner & Family
Amy Bercel Eric Blair Jr. & Family
Scott & Susan Berkebile Sandra Blasingame
Diane Bertsch Deborah Blystone

Dustyn McGinity, Craig Hochheimer, Jason Palanko, Cody McNutt, Regis Dunn II, Preston Wannamaker, David & Cindy Berlin & family, Jimmy Gutowski, Michael & Morgan Wirick, Brittney Robinson, Jonathan Skoloda, Dillan Bellotti, Heather & Ivan Rupert, Justin Brasile, Jarrett Patterson, Michael Brasile, Joshua Flack, and others serving our country.

ATTENDANCE FOR LAST WEEK

Saturday 5:30pm-78 Sunday 8:15am-72
Sunday 10:45am-91 Sunday School- 20



DRIVE-THRU COMMUNION

is today September 13th.

The next **Drive Thru Communion is Sunday, October 11th at 12:15pm.**

MOTHER HUBBARD'S CUPBOARD

Items for collection during **September/October** are **paper towels and toilet paper**. You may drop them off in the church office or place in the cupboard located in the side Narthex.

SOCIAL CHIT CHAT

Our next Chit Chat gathering will be on **Monday, September 14th at 10:00am**. We will have special guest "Jackie" leading us in painting our favorite autumn pictures. Bring your favorite picture along to help you get some fall ideas.

FIRST SUNDAY

Youth in grades 7-12 are invited to "First Sunday" Youth Group events throughout the year! Our first event will be held on a special date-- **September 13 from 6-8 pm** to plan our schedule of events for the year. Dinner is provided. Both youth AND their adult(s) are encouraged to attend with calendars in hand.

LET US MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE

We have begun! New members are needed and welcome at any time! We practice together on Wednesdays at 7pm in the church. Men's Choir will start September 20th at noon. Any questions? Please see Debbie! (412) 817-0151.

YOUTH CHOIR

Youth choir is for grades 4 through 12! They meet for the first 15 minutes of Sunday School - 9:30am til 9:45am in the church, starting on September 20th. They offer their gift of singing during the prelude, so it is possible to sing and be an Acolyte! Call or text Debbie (412) 817-0151.

HANDBELLS OR CHOIR CHIMES

If singing isn't your thing, or you want to share your musical gifts even more - please consider joining Handbells or Choir Chimes! Handbells rehearse on Tuesdays at 7pm in the church. Choir Chimes - grades 4 til age 99 rehearse on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at noon in the church. Music can be marked if needed! If you are curious or just want to try it out before committing, please see me and I will be happy to give you a brief lesson! Handbell rehearsals begin October 6. Choir Chimes begin on September 27. Come and join us! Debbie (412) 817-0151

FUNERAL CHOIR

Are you available during the day? Funeral Choir offers music to support the grieving families. You will be called 2 days before a funeral at the church. Come a half hour before funeral time. See Debbie if interested. (412) 817-0151

LIFE'S FINAL CHAPTER: PLANNING TODAY FOR PEACE OF MIND TOMORROW.

Sunday, September 13th from 2:30-5:00pm at Prince of Peace

Join us for a free event designed to help you prepare for the future with confidence. Hear from local professionals, ask questions, and connect with trusted community resources. Topics include: Estate Planning, Hospice Care, Funeral Planning, Aging Resources, Faith and Spiritual Care, Medicare, and more! Hosted by the Greater Latrobe Ministerial Association. Sign up posted across from the lounge.

SUNDAY - 13	MONDAY - 14	TUESDAY - 15	WEDNESDAY - 16	THURSDAY - 17	FRIDAY - 18	SATURDAY - 19
8:15 Holy Communion 9:30 Rally Day 10:45 Holy Communion 12:15 Drive-Thru Communion	10:00 Social Chit Chat 12:00 Zoom Bible Study 2:00 Grief Group OFFICE & BUILDING CLOSE AT 4:30pm	9:30 Prayer Group 10:00 Bible Basics 10:00 Shepherd Shop	9:00 WELCA Quilters 12:00 AA Mtg. 5:30 GRG @ St. Cecilia	11:00 Purls of Prayer	OFFICE CLOSSES AT 2:30pm BUILDING CLOSSES AT 3:00pm	5:30 Spoken Communion
6:00 First Sunday Youth Group		6:00 Grief Group	6:30 Line Dancing 7:00 Choir	7:30 AA Mtg.		

ELCA WORLD HUNGER OFFERINGS: \$5,438.75

Offerings collected are used across the world where help is most needed.

Thank you for your special offerings that are bringing God's love and hope to a hungry, hurting, and broken world.

2026 ELCA MISSIONARY SUPPORT: \$1,417.00

Offerings this year are dedicated to support our **ELCA missionary in Madagascar, Rev. Kristin Engstrom**. You can make a difference in spreading the gospel around the world!

LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE to help those here and abroad.

TOTAL ELCA DISASTER RESPONSE: \$2,071.23
CWS BLANKETS: \$1,446.23

HOSPITAL VISITATION

The pastors will make every effort to visit members of our congregation who are admitted to the hospital. Please have a loved one call the church office and report your name, hospital where you are a patient, and room number if known. **The hospitals do not call the church office to report this information.** We thank you for helping us minister to you and your family during a difficult time.

BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM



Pastor Jess hosts a Bible Study on Zoom at noon on Mondays called Monday's Mercies. This is intended to be a time spent going deeper into God's Word with others. It will be kept to 40 minutes and is open to anyone who can attend! Mondays 12pm-12:40pm
Meeting ID: 769 4589 5943
Passcode: grace4all

CONFIRMATION INFORMATIONAL MEETING **September 20 @ 9:30-10:30am in the Catechism Classroom**

All families with students in grades 7-10, who are actively involved in the confirmation program or who have not yet been confirmed are welcome to attend an Informational Meeting on Sunday, September 20. We will discuss the calendar for the upcoming year, this year's confirmation project, some camp opportunities for summer 2027, and our Confirmation Weekend plans for October.

Students and a parent/guardian should plan to attend, and please bring your calendar!

Ushers, Deacons and Lectors are needed!

We are looking for volunteers to be Ushers, Deacons and/or Lectors. Watch Trinity News for more details or call the church office if you are interested.

COAT DRIVE

Trinity's Third Annual Coat Drive is set for **Saturday, October 10 from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm**. You are invited to bring new and gently used coats of all sizes to Trinity in the coming weeks. Any coats that remain after the event will be distributed to local schools for children this winter!

BROADCAST OPENINGS

There are openings for sponsorship of our **Sunday radio broadcast on September 20, October 4 (1/2) & November 29 (1/2)**. The total cost is \$80 and you may sponsor a full or half-broadcast with checks payable to Trinity.

GRIEF SUPPORT SESSIONS



Maureen Ceidro from Independence Health System does continue to conduct Grief Support sessions here at Trinity. Each session meets for six weeks in the Café. Monday group meets at 2pm. **If you are interested**

or have any questions at all regarding Grief Support please call Maureen at 724-516-8605.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Trinity is the host site for a Red Cross blood drive on **Wednesday, September 23rd** from 11:00am till 4:00pm in Fellowship Hall. There is an urgent need for blood! All donors will enjoy sandwiches and homemade cookies at the refreshment table. REMINDER: You MUST pre-register either by calling the Red Cross 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter TrinityELC in the sponsor code area.



CLUB FRED

Club FRED is about to start its tenth year in October!! We are excited to welcome the LES students back to Trinity! **This year we are in need of gently used or new board games to play with the kids.** If you are able to donate any, it would be greatly appreciated. Many lessons can be learned by playing a game!!

NEW MEMBER CLASS

Have you been worshiping with us and want to dive deeper?

Are you interested in joining Trinity's membership?

A New Members Class will be held on **Sunday, October 4 at 12:15pm** in the Café. We will have a light lunch, and then discuss the basics of our Lutheran faith, how Trinity operates and is governed, and offer a tour of the building with an overview of our ministries.

Please contact the church office to let us know you will be coming!

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Bring your family pets to the annual "Blessing of the Animals" on **Sunday, October 4th at 5:00pm**. We gather in the Trinity Reinergarten Gazebo area, and Prince of Peace and St. James Youngstown members will join us for this annual event for all God's creatures!

The Independence Health System Latrobe Hospital Volunteer Department is seeking volunteers to provide a compassionate, comforting presence to families who are sitting bedside with their loved ones. The volunteer will provide a gentle presence, active listening, as well as offering refreshments, and small breaks, for the family if needed. They also can serve as a liaison between the family and staff. Training will be provided. Please call Dolan Vogle 724-537-1357 or Maureen Ceidro 724-516-8605 for more information about our Comfort Care Team!