



Trinity News—September 6, 2026

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

PREPARE FOR WORSHIP NEXT WEEK

Genesis 50:15-21 Psalm 103:1-13
Romans 14:1-12 Matthew 18:21-35

WE PRAY FOR OUR CONGREGATION MEMBERS

Kristin Beddick & Family Ronald Bell
Amanda Beeman Jeffrey & Kathleen Bell & Family
Brenda Beisner Marjorie Bell
Nancy Belash Mark Bellissimo
Beverly Bell & Family Heather Bennett

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-61 Sunday 8:15am—86
Sunday 10:45am—67 Sunday School—16
Shepherd Shop-16



DRIVE-THRU COMMUNION

The next **Drive Thru Communion is Sunday, September 13th at 12:15pm.**

BACK TO SCHOOL SHOPPING

It's time for the new school year to begin again! Join us on Thursday, **September 10th from 6:00-7:00pm**, for back to school shopping in the Shepherd's Shop and the Food Pantry. We have been stocking up our children's section with clothes and shoes. Stop in to see if your kids can use any new things for the new school year!

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.

LABOR DAY

Trinity's church office and building will be closed on **Monday, September 7th.**

LET US MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE

"I will sing of your strength, I will celebrate your love in the morning" (Psalm 59:16). I hope that you all sing in worship and if that brings you joy, consider singing even more in the choir! Adult rehearsals begin soon! Trinity (8:15am) and Chancel (10:45am) Choirs practice together on Wednesdays at 7pm in the church. The first rehearsal is September 9. Men's Choir meets on the first and third Sundays at noon and sings once a month during worship. Any questions or concerns?- 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

IT'S ALMOST RALLY DAY!

Rally Day kicks off our Fall Sunday School this year on **September 13th.** We will gather in Fellowship Hall at 9:30am for a Nacho Bar and then meet our teachers. Join us with your family as we learn together and begin another year of Christian Education!

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 provided. Both youth AND their adult(s) are encouraged to attend with calendars in hand.

SUNDAY - 6	MONDAY - 7	TUESDAY - 8	WEDNESDAY - 9	THURSDAY - 10	FRIDAY - 11	SATURDAY - 12
8:15 Holy Communion 9:30 Sunday School for adults 10:45 Holy Communion	Happy Labor Day!! No Zoom Bible Study OFFICE & BUILDING CLOSED	9:30 Prayer Group 10:00 Bible Basics No Shepherd Shop	Triangle Deadline 9:00 WELCA Quilters 12:00 AA Mtg.	11:00 Purls of Prayer	OFFICE CLOSSES AT 2:30pm BUILDING CLOSSES AT 3:00pm	5:30 Spoken Communion
		6:00 Grief Group 6:00 Finance & Council	6:30 Line Dancing 7:00 Choir	6:00 Back to School Shopping 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

****No Zoom Bible study on September 7th**

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.

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!

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 Reiner Garten Gazebo area, and Prince of Peace and St. James Youngstown members will join us for this annual event for all God's creatures!

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!