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Trinity Chimes

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Sunday Calendar

| October 6 World Communion Sund | ay |
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| Worship 8 am & 10:15 am | |
| Sunday School @ 9 am | |
| G & S Choir @ 9:45 am | |
| Youth Breakfast @ 9 am | |

October 13 Children's Sabbath Reception of New Members Worship 8 am & 10:15 am Sunday School @ 9 am Youth Breakfast @ 9 am

October 20

Worship 8 am & 10:15 am Sunday School @9 am Men's Fellowship @ 9 am G & S Choir @ 9:45 am LL Association Mtg. Zion UCC Elberfeld 3:30 PM

October 27 Laity Sunday Worship 8 am & 10:15 am

Office Hours

Tu-W-Th 8 am to 3 PM

Council Packet Info Due W Oct .9

Newsletter Info Due W Oct .9

Pastor Sabbath Th Oct. 3, 10, 17, 31

October Monthly Calendar

- Tu 1 Outreach Team @ 6:30 pm
- W 2 Women's Guild @ 6:30 pm Chew & Chat @ 3 pm
 - 5 Parish Hall Reserved 11 am—4 pm
- M 7 Property Team @ 6:00 pm

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- W 9 Council Packet Due @ 9 am Newsletter Information Due @ 9 am Worship Team @ 7 pm
- Th 10 Lounge Series @ 6:30 pm
- S 12 Women of Lincolnland Fall Meeting Zoar UCC Elberfeld @ 10 am—1 pm (Carpool @ 8:40 am)
- M 14 CEMT @ 5:30 pm Holistic Council @ 6:30 pm Survivors of Suicide @ 7 pm Council @ 7 pm
- Tu 15 Sunset Extension @ 6:30 pm
- W 16 UCC Clergy / Huntingburg @ 10:30 am Chew & Chat @ 3 pm
- M 21 Philharmonic Group @ 5 pm
- Th 24 Lounge Series @ 5:30 pm

October Weekly Calendar

- Trinity Tree House Preschool 3 day class M-W-F & 2 day class Tu-Th Music Together M Oct. 7 & 14@ 9:00 am Tu Oct. 1 & 8 @ 6pm S Oct. 5 & 12 @ 9 am Weight Watchers M 5:30 pm Circle of Concern
 - F 6:45 am [Sept. 25th No Meeting]

PJ's Ponderings . . . October 2019

Valuable in more ways than words can say, Optimistic and helpful every day, Lending support with a heart-warming smile, Unselfishly going the extra mile, Notable for all the work you do, Trusted because we can count on you, Effective in all you undertake, Esteemed for the difference that you make, Ready to service in so many ways, Special and deserving of our praise! ARE THE ICING ON THE CAKE!



The month of October is traditionally the time of year that the church gives thanks for the time, talents and offerings shared by all ages. As we ponder ways we can faithfully follow God's recipe for life, let us consider celebrating the harvest of the God given gifts present at Trinity Church. As your Pastor, I am keenly aware of the time and talents people give to the various ministries in the church. Much that is given may go unseen by many but please know that I notice and appreciate your dedication.

It is always amazing to see the list of those willing to serve on a team that plans and implements the various ministries. Each of our five ministry teams are thankful for the many **volunteers** that make their visions happen.

- **The Christian Education Team** has the joy of watching Sunday School, our after School ministry, Confirmation, VBS and youth ministries shape God's disciples of today and tomorrow.
- The Parish Life team has a great time planning the various receptions; what a joy it is to watch people sit at tables celebrating Graduation, VBS, Back to School, and new members.
- **The Outreach Team** is busy every month sharing information about an important opportunity to help others; the generous outpouring of monetary gifts is a blessing.
- The Worship Team, including the Arts Team, is working behind the scenes coordinating details that make our various worship experiences inspirational and meaningful. Our worship atmosphere is enhanced by artistic expressions of faith.
- The Property Team continually works on the maintenance, repairs and enhancement of our buildings and properties including the church parsonage.

In addition to our ministry teams, we have volunteers willing to work with our Church Council leadership in these areas: Finance, God's Home Improvement, Stewardship, Memorial, Pastoral Relations, Trinity Tree House, Social Media, Strassenfest, Personnel, Nominating, Budget, Technology, Safe Church and ministries within our Lincolnland Association and Indiana/Kentucky Conference. In addition to adults, we have children and youth bringing offerings and sharing their own time and talents. I am blessed to have a group of kids and youth who are always willing to lend a hand or share an idea. They are a blessing!

Let us give thanks for the icing on the Trinity's cake of God's blessing!!

~ Blessings, Pastor Jane

Our People

Thoughts and Prayers

Eloise Breidenbaugh

Northwood Retirement Community, Rm. #511

Nina French

Back at Northwood Retirement Center following hospitalization

Diane Gray

home recovering from surgery.

Hugh Mattingly

home, receiving chemo.

Rich Meyer

Memorial Hospital
Marge Schneider

Northwood Retirement Community, Rm. #507

Janice Sunderman Northwood Retirement Community, Rm. #501

Adopt-A-Family Mom

receiving radiation for brain cancer.

Our Sympathies and Prayers

Sympathies and prayers are extended to:

Shirley Dreher at the death of her son Douglas.

Linda Troxler at the death of her brother Jim Parl.

All those who have lost friends during this past year.

- Let us pray for family, friends and strangers who are recovering from illness or surgery, as well as those in grief.
- Let us pray for those families and communities of those who continue to be victims of violence.
- Let us pray for our brothers and sisters throughout our world who continue to rebuild following hurricanes, flood waters, winds, fires and earthquakes. Our Prayers reach across the miles to those in the Bahamas who have lost loved ones and homes.

Friends in Care

These folks may not be able to be in church, please send them a note.

- Carolyn Snyder St. Charles Health Campus, 3150 St. Charles Street, Rm. # 401, Jasper, IN 47546
- Woody Troxler The Timbers, 2909 Howard Drive, Rm. # 514, Jasper, IN 47546

Jason Stockburger – The Timbers, 2909 Howard Drive, Rm. # 316-2, Jasper, IN 47546

Margie Kalb - Scenic Hills Care Center, 311 E. First Street, Rm. # 111 Ferdinand, IN 47532

Marge Schneider - 111 W. 26th Street, Apt. # 2, Jasper, IN 47546

Nina French – Northwood Retirement Community, 2515 Newton Street, Rm. # 305, Jasper, IN 47546

Mariemma Huebner – Northwood Retirement Community, Assisted Living 400 W. Pleasant View, Apt. # 23, Jasper, IN 47546 (812-634-7945)

Jack Astrike – Northwood Retirement Community , Assisted Living 400 W. Pleasant View, Apt. # 1, Jasper, IN 47546 (812-634-7902)

Carrie Loveall - 855 Missouri Street, Apt. # 17, Ferdinand, IN 47532

If you would like to be added to our list above, please do not hesitate to call the church office with contact information.

Remembering Our College Students

Please feel free to drop a card to any of our college students so that they know they are being thought of and held in prayer. (*These are the names and addresses we have in the office.*)

| Sydney Berger | 128 Steamboat Lane, Apt. 201 | Ballwin, MO 63011 | |
|------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Jack Goodhue | Unit #1273 | Brainigin Blvd. | Franklin, IN 46131 |
| Laurel Hubster | 150 N. Rose Ave. | Willkie North 412B | Bloomington, IN 47406 |
| Sydney Peters | Shreve Hall Rm. 458 | 1275 Third Street | West Lafayette, IN 47906 |
| Thomas Peters | 2201 W. Bethel Ave., Apt #75 | Muncie, IN 47304 | |
| Emily Schnell | 5304 Nottingham Drive | Evansville, IN 47715 | |
| Mira Vonderheide | 741 W. 44th Street | | Indianapolis, IN 46208 |

Pastoral Care

If you would like to visit with Pastor Jane either in your home or her office, please do not hesitate to call. She is always happy to bring communion to those who cannot be in worship. **Call 812-631-1147.**

Within the Fellowship

- **Birth:** Caroline and Justin had a beautiful little boy September 12th, Jack Wayne Mattingly, 7 lbs.,10 oz, 20.5 inches. Everyone doing well! Grandparents are John and Linda Kahle.
- Baptisms: Grant Nathaniel Blackman & McKenzie Jo Blackman Children of Kelly and Dana Blackman
- New Member: Doug Bawel was received through transfer of membership on September 22, 2019.

Please add his contact information to our church directory: **Doug Bawel**

P.O. Box 69, Ireland, IN 47545 Phone: 812-630-8700 Email: dbawel@jasperengines.com

Would you like to join Trinity Church?

New members will be received on October 13. Please speak to Pastor Jane, if you are interested.

Looking for a sponsor for the Christmas Eve bulletin.

Cost will be \$20. If you are interested, please speak to Pastor Jane.

MUSIC ...

Thank you to Connie Schmitt for special music in September. The choir will Gather and Sing on the 1st and 3rd Sundays in October. Meet at 9:45 am in room B04.



Beginning in October, we will practice the music for this worship service during Sunday School opening. So... if your child/children want to be a part of our Christmas Worship on December @10:15 am please come to Sunday School. We would LOVE to have you help answer the question:

"Guess Who's Coming to Bethlehem?"

Sunday School 2019-2020 - "Following God's Recipe for Life"

Preschool – 6 This group will gather in the sanctuary for music & the Bible Story before heading upstairs for crafts and activities. Those with young children should pick them up from room # 203 at 9:55 am.

"And the Children shall lead them"... Our Children and Youth are learning that giving faithfully to God takes:

2 feet ... 1 voice ... 1 heart and 2 hands (One for our church and one for others)

Offering Goal: Remember to bring a small offering that will help us reach our goal of \$10 per family by year's end.

| Looking ahead: | October 6 | Sunday School will begin to practice the Christmas musical. | |
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| | October 13 | Children's Sabbath (Kids will sing.) | |
| | October 27 | NO Sunday School due to fall break. | |
| | November 10 | Come and meet our Trinity puppets at 10:15 am in worship. | |
| | November 24 | Totenfest (Kids will sing.) | |
| | December 8 | Children's Christmas Worship @ 10:15 am with reception to follow. | |

Notes to parents:

- * Please help your children/youth fill out the **Time & Talent Sheet** during October; all ages are invited to serve the Lord.
- * Thank you for remembering to send offering with your kids.

Grade 6 through 12 - Youth Breakfast Schedule

A permission slip is required — will meet at 9:00 am in the foyer of the church and carpool

October 6 McDonalds - Church treats! October 13 Azura – Bring money!

After-school Ministry - Cooking with Jesus – Chew and Chat!

When we look to Jesus and follow his recipe for life, we are sure to cook up something amazing!

Wednesday from 3:00 - 4:45 PM Ages Kindergarten – 5th grade

October 2

Cooking with Jesus Rice Krispie Treats Focus Christian Symbols: Fish, Heart, Butterfly, Cross Bible Lesson Jesus is Alive, God's Mission, the Holy Spirit Bible Lesson Luke 11 Story The Legend of the Sand Dollar"& Snack Coordinator Pastor Jane Helper Lori Wigand Snack Person Connie Schmitt Transportation Audra Jahn, Carol Mundy Baker VN* Storyteller Brian Ferrell Crafts Judy Thom Puppets Pastor Jane

October 16

Cooking with Jesus S oft Pretzels *Focus* The Lord's Prayer Story Grandma – What Is Prayer? Coordinator Pastor Jane Helper Lori Wigand Snack Person Connie Schmitt Transportation John & Janice Schnarr & Audra Jahn, VN* Baker Carol Johnson & VN* Storyteller Brian Ferrell *Crafts* Judy Thom Puppets Pastor Jane



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Worship Calendar October 2019

October 13 Children's Sabbath October 6 World Communion Sunday Bible Lesson: Deuteronomy 6: 4-9, Mark 12: 28-31 Prayers for the Children of the World Focus: "Love Your Neighbor as Yourself" **Reception of New Members** Choral Message: Gather & Sing Choir Bible Lesson: Ruth 1:1-18 Acolyte: Ushers Focus: Story of Ruth Organist: Sarah Sergesketter Choral Message: Kids Sing "Great Big God" Bible Readers: 8 am — Bill Small Acolvte: Ushers 10:15 am — Lisa Schmidt Organist: Sarah Sergesketter Time with Young Disciples: Audra Jahn Bible Readers: 8 am — Cortney Seng Sunday School Offering: Addie Schnarr 10:15 am — Tim Hafele, Jack Campbell, Media Producer: John Kahle Jace & Jera Hafele Time with Young Disciples: Pastor Jane Media Technician: 8 am — Kurt Vonderheide 10:15 am — Adam Roth Sunday School Offering: Jack Campbell Ushers: 8 am - Bill Small, Brett Astrike Media Producer: Mark Blackgrave 10:15 am — Larry LaGrange, Jerry Brewer, Media Technician: 8 am — Mark Blackgrave Angie & Mike Heck, Dan Sergesketter 10:15 am — Kurt Vonderheide Childcare: Selena Vonderheide, Maggie Hubster Ushers: 8 am — Angie & Rick Hobson Communion Prep: Kurt & Treva Heise 10:15 am — Harry & Lilly Hulsman, Mason & Mitchell Mauck, Cameron & Hadley Rumbach Communion Servers: 8 am - Brett Astrike Childcare: Heather Goodhue & Mitchell Mauck 10:15 am — Kurt & Treva Heise, Lisa Schmidt, Audra Jahn

October 20

Bible Lesson: II Samuel 5: 1-5 Focus: David as King Choral Message: Gather & Sing Choir Acolyte: Ushers Organist: Sarah Sergesketter Bible Readers: 8 am — Gary Frank 10:15 am — Susan McGovren Time with Young Disciples: Pastor Jane Sunday School Offering: Jack Rumbach Media Producer: Kurt Vonderheide Media Technician: 8 am — Kurt Vonderheide 10:15 am — Brian Meyer Ushers: 8 am — Mary Ann Weisheit, Connie Schmitt 10:15 am — Melissa & Kevin Blackgrave, John & Susan McGovern Childcare: Meghan Premuda & Cameron Rumbach

October 27 Laity Sunday

Guest Speaker: Rose Austin Bible Lesson: Focus: A Glimpse of General Synod Acolyte: Ushers Organist: Sarah Sergesketter Bible Readers: 8 am — Sarah Sergesketter 10:15 am — Denise Schnell Time with Young Disciples: Heather Goodhue Sunday School Offering: Media Producer: John Kahle Media Technician: 8 am — Kurt Vonderheide 10:15 am — Anna Grant Ushers: 8 am — Ann & Jeff Berg 10:15 am — Lisa & Phil Schmidt, Fred Robberts, Brian & Sandy Ferrell Childcare: Lisa Schmidt. Worship Leader: Mark Blackgrave

Sunday School began on September 8. We had 17 of our possible 19 kids come in September! We are looking forward to adding more kids and youth as we continue to "Follow God's Recipe for Life".

- It was a joy to give **bibles** to our 2nd graders **Jera Hafele and Nolan Jahn**.
- Thank you to all our bible readers. A special thank you to our young kids who read in September including, Parker & Nolan Jahn and Karsen & Kaiden Roth. Look for more young readers in the coming months.
- It was a joy to have the first "Cooking with Jesus Chew & Chat". Thank you to the 16 kids who participated.
- A BIG thank you to the adults who helped with our "Cooking with Jesus Chew & Chat" before, during and afterwards:
- Lori Wigand, Judy Hubster, Connie Schmitt, Brian Ferrell, Denise Schnell, Judy Thom, John & Janis Schnarr, Audra Jahn.
- Thank you to Greg Schnarr & Janis Schnarr for creating our puppet stage.
- It is a joy to have our **preschool back in session**; reading to them once a month is a blessing.
- It has been a joy once again to watch some of our kids on the soccer field. If you send me a schedule for any event, I will do my best to come see you at least once.
- As the mowing season draws to an end, I want to thank **Adam, Kari, Karsen, and Kaiden** for taking care of the lawn at the parsonage. Perhaps when the two trees in the backyard are cut down this fall there will be less limbs, sticks and leaves!
- It will be a joy to celebrate World Communion on October 6 using a variety of breads representing our partners throughout the world.
- Thank you to Janet Meyer for checking blood pressures. This service will be discontinued for the time being.
- Thank you to Jan Kalb & Fred Robberts for covering the office on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Thank you to any other volunteers who also helped out in the office.
- Thank you to Susan McGovren, John Schnarr, and Kari Roth for covering a variety of office duties as well as help with Trinity Preschool office needs.
- Thank you to our Church leadership for supervising and working with the Church Administrator, Mickie Emmons.
- Thank you to our Parish Life for helping welcome a new member.
- Thank you to the **Christian Education team and Sunday School teachers** for getting Sunday School rooms ready and hosting special activities on Christian Education Sunday.
- It will be a joy to gather with our brothers and sisters in the Lincolnland Association on Sunday October 20 at Zion UCC in Elberfeld. Registration begins at 2:30 (central time). The program, followed by dinner will begin at 3:00 PM (central time).
- It is a joy to have these groups using our facilities: Weight Watchers, Music Together, Holistic Council, Survivors of Suicide, Sunset Extension, The Lounge Series, Circle of Concern and Lincolnland Association Council.

(Note: the AA group is no longer using our facility on Saturday morning.)

For Your Information: Yes, I am in the office! I have a different car; look for a silver Chevy Equinox.

I will be on vacation during fall break, October 21-27; I will have my cell phone if you need to reach me.

Cell Phone: 812-631-1147 or email pastortrinity@psci.net

Council Highlights – August 2019

- Approved the position of Church Administrator and the hiring of Mickie Emmons to fill the position.
- Approved the formation of a Personnel Team, Fred Robberts will seek members for this team.
- The Nominating Team has two council members and are still seeking a third member. See related article in this newsletter
- Agreed to send two members to the Safe Church Seminar being hosted by Shiloh Methodist Church.

Council Highlight – September 2019

- Agreed to enter into an agreement with Eck Mundy of Jasper to provide a VoIP phone system.
- Approved a 2020 budget for presentation at the congregational meeting on November 17th.
- Approved Pastor Jane's Sabbatical from May 18, 2020 to August 18, 2020.
- Approved a request from One Dubois County for Trinity to host a Martin Luther King Service.

Quick explanation of the first two items on the above list.

The new phone system, VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) is digital phone system that will replace our antiquated analog system. This new system offers the latest technology, will feature an auto attendant to direct the phone caller, offers multiple voice mail locations, and other features that should help streamline tasks in the office.

A 2020 budget sheet is included in this newsletter. We will be reviewing this budget after each worship service on Nov 3rd with the Fall Congregational Meeting scheduled for November 17th. You will notice that the projected income is less than our anticipated expenses for 2020. In previous years the council would designate money to come from another account to balance the projected income with the anticipated expense. Council decided to move forward with showing a spending deficient, with a goal to reduce expenses, we always have option moving funds if needed.

Nominating Team

Nominating Team continues to work toward filling two more spots on the 2020 Council. We need to fill the vicepresident spot and our hopes is to fill Christian Ed. spot for 2020.

The team thanks Brian Ferrell and Mary Ann Weisheit for accepting to serve and appreciate Ellen Vonderheide agreeing to serve one more year.

| Council Position | <u>2019</u> | <u>2020</u> |
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| President | Fred Robberts | Mark Blackgrave |
| Vice President | Mark Blackgrave | |
| Treasurer | John Kahle | John Kahle |
| Financial Secretary | Kari Roth | Kari Roth |
| Outreach Ministry | Jan Kalb | Brian Ferrell |
| Worship Ministry | Pamela Catt | Pamela Catt |
| Parish Life Ministry | Andrea Hulsman | Mary Ann Weisheit |
| Property Ministry | Ellen Vonderheide | Ellen Vonderheide |
| Christian Ed. Ministry | Kari Roth | |

Get with Andrea Hulsman if would like to consider being part of our church's leadership.

Submitted by Mark Blackgrave, Council Vice President, 2019

Outreach Team

We received a thank-you card and letter from our "adopted" family. The card is on the bulletin board in the foyer. The text of the letter is printed below—wanted all of you to know what a difference you have made and continue to make for this family.

Trinity Church,

It has been weighing on my heart for a while now to reach out to you and allow you to know the impact you guys have truly put on our family.

From the beginning of my adventure with the diagnosis of my cancer, I'm sure so many could imagine how scary it is. I'm a wife and a mother of four, and scared of all burdens I am about to impact on them from this.

I receive a phone call about a church who adopts a family once a year, and out of everyone who could use the help and support in prayer, I was the one chosen. That feeling alone was an honor. I honestly can not put in words how truly grateful we have been, from the impact of the love and grace you guys at Trinity have given. You have put clothes, food, Christmas presents and smiles on my family's faces.

Helping us from shelter and resources and knowledge of what the community has to offer. The ladies who reach out to me and encourage me to share my updates and my upcoming Dr. schedules. Everyone who reminds me that you guys do the best thing for my family and that is in your prayers and thoughts. I wanted to let you know there is not a single day I don't give thanks for you.

This church has provided me with so many joyful tears. I personally wanted to just say "Thank You".

Thank you from the bottom of my heart. You have filled voids, filled concerns and filled my heart with love. Just know you are appreciated and my family and I are more than grateful to be a part of your love and prayers. I hope one day we will possibly be able to do a favor or something special for you. Again Thank You. Please continue to pray, it's the best feeling in the world knowing I have your support system on my side through this.

~Tina Mattingly

Neighbors in Need

Trinity's Outreach Committee will have envelopes in pews on or before October 6, 2019 for this year's **Neighbors in Need** fund-raiser event. Neighbors in Need (NIN) is a special mission offering of the United Church of Christ that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. Two-thirds of this offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM) to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects through grants. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). Neighbors in Need grants are awarded to UCC churches and organizations doing justice work in their communities. This year, special consideration will be given to projects focusing on serving our immigrant neighbors and communities.

Our goal this year is **\$400**. We thank you in advance for generously supporting this worthy cause!



Food Bank Donations!

On **Sunday**, **October 6**, place your donations of **boxed dressing mix in** the wicker baskets in front of the altar. Throughout October, your donations for our local food bank may be placed in plastic tubs in the foyer.

For the month of September, we have collected 29 cans of beans and 2 boxes of cereal. In **November**, we will collect **peanut butter & jelly.** Thank you!

Outreach Team, continued ...

Our Final Total for Christmas in July 2019 was \$2,525 !

This is phenomenal! The Outreach Team wishes to express a very heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed to the Christmas in July project. As a result of your generosity, we were able to lend much-needed support to our adopted family for gas, groceries, back-to-school supplies, rent and more. As you may know, the wife (who is a mother of four) was recently diagnosed with brain cancer and has begun treatment. We continue to hold the entire family in our prayers as they face this crisis. They are VERY grateful for our help. Blessings to you for supporting this project so lovingly!

September Mission ... Caring for our College Student!

Please place a monetary donation in ANY amount in a pew envelope by Sunday, September 29. Thanks in advance for helping us remember them again this school year. *To-date we have received \$158!*

Worship Team Highlights

Usher/ Welcomer Training coming soon! Watch the Sunday Bulletin for more information.

Special thank you to Denise Schnell for her wonderful message on judgement. Also, we would like to thank MaryAnn Weisheit and Pamela Catt in leading us through worship.

We look forward to Rose Austin on her message on October 27.

~Pamela Catt

Property Team

Our team has been doing lots of weed spraying, weed pulling, caulking, shrub trimming, etc. The big news is that the wood paneling at the circle drive entrance has been painted to match the existing bronze used in the building project. The alley door, trim, and posts have also been painted. Thanks to John Bottorff for working this project into his busy schedule.

Coming this fall, we will be asking the Greeter/Usher teams to assist in opening and closing the church. We also ask that lights only be turned on when you are using a room, especially in the Sunday school rooms and basement. Thanks for your consideration!!

If you see a maintenance problem that needs attention, please contact Ellen Vonderheide. ~ *Ellen Vonderheide*

Trinity Women's Guild

Come join the Women's Guild on October 2 as we learn about the unified sports teams at Jasper High School. The meeting will begin at 6:30 PM in the Chapel. All women of Trinity are invited to attend.

Women of Lincolnland Fall Gathering is on Saturday, October 12 from 10:00 a.m. to **1:00 PM.** (EST) at Zoar UCC. The address of the church is 3533 Zoar Church Road, Elberfeld. We will be carpooling from the church parking lot at 8:40 am. (EST). Come join in to pray together, to learn together, and to have fellowship together.

Please let Susan McGovren know if you are planning on attending.

In November we plan to prepare the apple pie filling for cobblers for next year's Strassenfest.

January we will be collecting items for hygiene kits for CWS and assembling the kits in March. Items needed for each kit are: wash cloths, hand towels 15x28 or 16x32 (no microfiber), wide-tooth comb, fingernail clippers, bath size soap (in package), tooth brush, regular size band aids and gallon size zip lock bag. ~ Judy Hubster

Stewardship Message

And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

~ 2 Corinthians 9:8

Since the beginning of time, God has been laying out the guidelines of good stewardship, when He gave man control over the whole earth. All that was created was for man to use as resources to create, build, and invest, while doing it all for the glory and praise of our God the Creator. Sometimes you may feel that what you've worked for and earned is yours, and that's final. In reality, that which we grow, produce, and make is only set aside to us as payment on a temporary basis. It is ultimately His and should be used for His purposes. Being a good steward is an important Christian principal and does not just refer to money. It is a steward's responsibility...your responsibility to manage or take care of these things. God is the owner of everything, we are the stewards who have been entrusted with managing everything He has placed in our care.

Bible verses about stewardship urge us to be in control of our time, honor our relationships, and value our personal finances as an act of worship. By making God's blessings a priority in all that we do, we glorify Him in how we conduct ourselves. Living out these Bible verses about stewardship on a daily basis takes planning, preparation, and patience, but once implemented, this discipline and good work is an amazing reflection of our faith. Throughout this Stewardship season, you will have the opportunity to reflect upon various Bible verses on display each Sunday morning. May these Bible verses about stewardship, along with our Sunday School theme... *"God's Recipe for Life"...*help you in your life daily, giving you a guideline of how to manage all that you have been given. May God bless you abundantly!

GOD'S RECIPE FOR LIFE

- 1 pinch of pain
- 1 1/4 cup of sorrow
- 1 1/2 tbsp. of loneliness
- 1/3 cup of disappointments
 - 3 cups of forgiveness
 - 4 cups of caring
 - 5 cups of love

Chop up pain, sorrow, loneliness and disappointments in your heart, until there is peace. Then add forgiveness and carefully stir slowly until there is hope. Next add the 5 cups of love and let simmer until there is joy. It is recommended you have a bowl of this every morning. (Author Anonymous)

Time and Talent Sheet – Enclosed!

In order for the Church to be aware of the areas to which you would like to contribute your Time and Talents, **all ages** are asked to please complete the Time and Talent Sheet included in this newsletter. Simply check all of the areas of interest to you during the coming year (2020). Please include your name and contact information; yes please check anything that you are doing now and would like to continue to do in 2020.

We would like for each member of our church family to complete a form, so additional forms will be available in the entrance to the church or feel free to make copies as needed. After the completed forms are received, we will update our records with your new information and make the list available to the various ministry teams of Trinity UCC. Thank you for your cooperation and participation. Please place this form in the offering plate or bring it to the church office by November 3rd.

Newsletter Changes

In this edition of the Chimes, it is obvious things have changed. Many folks have complimented us on the format of our previous newsletters. However, it took a lot of time to create and produce. The format, although nice, also made it difficult to send as an email or post to the church's website.

Our hope is the new layout will be easier to format and take less time to prepare. Every effort has been made to make sure the same type of information is in this new format. This new format will be easier to read as an email and post to our website and we want to offer that choice to everyone.

A big change is the elimination of the monthly calendar. Now the front page will contain a list of events, like we do each Sunday on the back of the bulletin. Another change is the consolidation of Sunday worship information along with the volunteer list.

Our distribution of the newsletter is changing too. We appreciate all the folks that filled out the survey, telling us how they would like to receive their newsletter. This has been very helpful. We realize some folks will still want to receive the newsletter by US Mail and we will still provide that service. If you are receiving the newsletter by US Mail and prefer to receive the newsletter by email or would prefer to read on the website, please let our Church Administrator know by contacting the office or you can contact us by email: <u>trinityucc@psci.net</u>.

If you are on a team or need to place an article in the newsletter, please prepare the information in a Mircrosoft Word document format. We ask that you send it to this email: <u>trinity.jasper.newsletter@gmail.com</u>. Newsletter information is typically due the second Wednesday of each month. Please consult with the Church Administrator, if you cannot submit an email or you have problems meeting the deadline.

~Mark Blackgrave, Council Vice President



We started the 2019-2020 school year the last week of August. There are 15 students enrolled in the 3-day class and 10 students enrolled in the 2–day class. The first few weeks have gone well with the children getting acquainted with school, teachers and each other.

In September the 3-day class enjoyed a visit from an officer from the Jasper Police Department and the 2-day class enjoyed a picnic on the church grounds. Fall Break will be October 21st through 25th (Monday through Friday).

~Respectfully Submitted, Kate Buchta

Men's Fellowship

Men's Fellowship will meet on the following dates: October 20, November 17 and December 15 at 9 am in the Lounge.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

| Sarah Blackgrave | 2 |
|-------------------|----|
| Grant Blackman | 5 |
| Julie Beck | 7 |
| Chloe Premuda | 7 |
| Fred Robberts | 8 |
| Janice Sunderman | 8 |
| Julie Schroeder | 10 |
| Jason Stockburger | 10 |
| Trystan Armstrong | 14 |
| Reid Cole | 14 |
| Heather Goodhue | 15 |
| Corma Knebel | 15 |
| Mike Mehling | 15 |
| Dean Vonderheide | 15 |
| Carter Beamon | 16 |
| Haley Wright | 16 |
| Vickie Campbell | 17 |
| Trey Blackgrave | 18 |
| McKenzie Blackman | 18 |
| Peyton Blackgrave | 19 |
| Jerry Adams | 21 |
| Ann Berg | 22 |
| Ashley Matheis | 22 |
| Denise Schnell | 22 |
| Larry Schnell | 24 |
| Brian Meyer | 25 |
| Bryent Roth | 26 |
| Harley Hopster | 28 |
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OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

| | <u>Date</u> | <u>Years</u> |
|-------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Logan & Blaine Astrike | 10/4 | 3 |
| Tom & Sarah Hopf | 10/10 | 49 |
| Mike & Linda Mehling | 10/11 | 50 |
| Jeff & Toni Miller Eichmiller | 10/19 | 6 |
| Mark & Paula Marshall | 10/21 | 2 |
| Harland, Dr. & Lelani Wittwer | 10/25 | 54 |
| Jeremy & Rachel Lindauer | 10/25 | 5 |
| Kathy & Victor Danford | 1/29 | 31 |

Attendance at Trinity United Church of Christ

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Worship</u> | Attendance | <u>Total</u> | |
|-------------|----------------|------------|--------------|--|
| Cont 1 | 8:15 am | 17 | 01 | |
| Sept. 1 | 10:15 am | 44 | 61 | |
| Sept. 8 | 8:15 am | 20 | 85 | |
| | 10:15 am | 65 | | |
| | 8:15 am | 30 | | |
| Sept. 15 | 10:15 am | 59 | 79 | |
| Sant 00 | 8:15 am | 32 | 0.4 | |
| Sept. 22 | 10:15 am | 62 | 94 | |

Sunday School Attendance

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Youth</u> | <u>Adult</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Sept. 8 | 17 | 4 | 21 |
| Sept. 15 | 10 | 3 | 13 |
| Sept. 22 | 13 | 3 | 16 |