

Trinity Lutheran Church Newsletter

September, 2021

Followers of Jesus (Disciples!) serving Ashland and beyond

"For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation!" 2 Corinthians 6:2

As fall approaches here in Ashland, it's hard to imagine anyone disagreeing with the idea that this is an acceptable time. The weather begins to cool, leaves begin to change, pumpkin spice and flannel will soon be making their return. Kids are headed back to school and football comes back to the TV. People often remark about how nice the weather must be where I am from, but if I wanted to lure a Californian away from the beach, you can bet I would bait my hook with fall in Ohio. From this perspective it is hard to imagine a more acceptable time than the days ahead.

Yet at the same time not everything is right in the world. Looking at the bigger picture it is hard to imagine that anyone would call the times we live in acceptable. COVID still holds some sway in the news cycle, something we were initially were told would take two whole weeks to tamp down! We are in the midst of pulling out of a 20-year war that was undone in 3 days, and will likely bring only a slightly different 20 years of suffering in its wake. Most people feel that the future is as uncertain as it has been at any point in our lifetimes. How could this be an acceptable time?

Paul speaks of an acceptable time, but he is not looking at things the way that the world, or even the church looks at things. He doesn't point to a time when everything is as it should be as the world does. Nor does he point to a distant day of salvation yet to come at the very end. He says this is the acceptable time, because this is the day of salvation. It is Jesus' salvation that transforms each day to make it acceptable, even as it transforms us to make us acceptable. Now is the acceptable time because right now, in this moment, God is at work in Christ for you. In Christ, God the Father calls you acceptable to him. Now is acceptable, whether it is good or bad, because God has brought his salvation into this moment, and he has also promised a day is coming that is so amazing it will enable us to understand all other days through it.

Because Jesus has saved us we know that there is something beyond all of this. A time and a place greater than even the greatest days we experience in this life. Jesus does this and still lets us live in these moments. We can receive them as a gift, but not place our hopes in the abundance of days like these. Because Jesus has saved us we know that there is something else beyond all of this. A time and a place greater than even the worst, most sorrowful and suffering-filled days that we experience in this life. Jesus does this and still lets us live through these moments. We can receive them as a test, but not let our hopes be dashed by the abundance of days like these. The future God has promised us lets us see the present for what it truly is: acceptable.

Today may be acceptable, but the future is bright. There will certainly be days that feel like we are being dragged down into the pit of Hell; days when it's easy to imagine how things could be better. There will also be days where we feel like Heaven is close to touching Earth; days when it is hard to imagine how things could possibly be better. But the day that is coming has come near to us in Christ. Today can be acceptable, because you are acceptable to

God. May you be able to accept this truth, and be blessed in it, no matter what these days bring your way. In Christ,

Pastor Kevin McClain

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CHURCH ATTENDANCE & FINANCE

JULY 20	021 ATTENDANC	<u>E</u>
<u>Date</u>	Sunday School	<u>Church</u>
July 4	32	246
July 11	63	304
July 18	81	374
July 25	58	299
July 31/Aug. 1	53	320

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July	4	\$	16,621.72
July	11	\$	18,669.41
July	18	\$	14,146.38
July	25	\$	26,485.80

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<u>OPERATING FUND</u>

(YEAR-TO-DATE THROUGH JULY 31)

Income \$ 548,201.98 Disbursements \$ 545,325.15*

Surplus (7-31-21) \$ 2,876.83*

*correction since prior publication

COUNCIL NEWS - August, 2021

The August 10, 2021 meeting of the Church Council was called to order by Pastor McClain and opened with prayer.

Council approved a recommendation from the Clark Fund Tithe Committee to invite Ashland ministry partners to submit applications for a one-time grant for (new) capital projects they would like to launch but have not been able due to lack of funding.

A \$500 scholarship matching grant was approved for a church member attending a Lutheran school.

Pastor McClain stated there was nothing new from the Child Care Task Force. He reported on the interns and that they have been more successful than expected. He reported that the Call Committee is still working to find an Associate Pastor.

Pastor Koch noted Luther Club will be this Thursday with guest speaker and author, Craig Whitmore and the September Luther Club speaker will be Sandra Tunnell of Main Street Ashland. The Annual Senior Celebration Dinner is coming up Saturday, August 21.

Adam Kime of the Christian Education Committee noted Summer Sunday School is winding down. Fall Sunday School will begin September 12 and Catechism will take place during Sunday School.

Kenny Oberholtzer noted for the Outreach Committee that applications have been very slow in coming in this year and the deadline is this Sunday.

For the Grounds Committee, Laurie Maurer reported they have been maintaining with lots of watering and power washing porches, weed-spraying in the playground with mulch being ordered soon prior to Montessori starting up. They are preparing the Rose Garden for the last garden service on September 5.

Angela Baker noted for the Kitchen Committee that Thursday Night Take-out (TNT) is wrapping up and Wednesday night meals will resume September 8 with a take-out option or eat in Jack's Place. She noted in coordination with staff, the kitchen, nurture, and women's ministries committees beginning on September 12, they will roll out a version of the former coffee cart service on Sundays. The new area will be called, "The Olive Tree Café" in honor of the beautiful olive wood carving of the Last Supper given to Trinity by Rick and Kim Spreng. The café will include homemade baked goods and Gold Berry Coffee and serve as a place of hospitality staffed by volunteers. On Friday, November 12, there will be a dinner for Veterans and their spouses. There will be a special gift from the Woodworkers and entertainment to include Mark Koehler playing the piano.

Kim Oberholtzer reported for the Nurture Committee they will be highlighting various volunteer groups and recognizing them in the newsletter. They are helping with the Last Call Before Fall event.

Tony Box noted for the Personnel Committee that employee reviews will be taking place this month.

Council approved a recommendation by the Property Committee to have the Center Street (side) parking lot sealed and restriped.

Chad Emmons of the Property Committee noted they will be obtaining a bid to repave the driveway going around the building since there is only about 2 inches of pavement left. There has been flooding in the lower level courtyard and they are working to locate the source. It will be October before the parts to repair the playground equipment arrive. The lighting project is ongoing with a few snags that are being worked through in Jack's Place and the sanctuary.

Larry Franks of the Property Committee noted the new air conditioning unit has been installed in the Technology Center and is working great.

Council approved landscaping maintenance to be done at a cost of \$4,300 in the space behind the garage which is overgrown with shrubs, a partial fence is there, as well as trash. The expense will be paid from the Grounds Fund, Rybolt Property Fund, and Rental Property Funds.

Scott Murray of the Property Committee reported proposals have been received for necessary construction work to prepare the organ loft for the organ renovation project. Council approved hiring Mowry Construction to do the work at a cost up to \$80,000 to be paid from the Clark Fund.

Sara Paddags noted for the Women & Children's Ministries Committee that this Friday is the Outdoor Movie Night with food trucks and they are planning the Last Call Before Fall event scheduled for Sunday, August 22. It was also noted Kristin Burke has been hired for the Beacon Director position.

Ron Marenchin noted for the Worship & Music Committee that the last Rose Garden service will be held Labor Day weekend.

For the Youth Committee, Scott Rivenburgh reported they are wrapping up summer programing and planning for fall with a revamp of Catechism. Many of the youth are currently on the YWAM Mission trip to Pittsburgh.

Becky Schaaf noted for the Montessori Committee that 22 kids are enrolled for this fall, they are interviewing for substitute teachers, the playground is getting mulch, they have a great Facebook group that is a nice connection, and a board meeting is scheduled in September.

The meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer led by Pastor McClain.

You're invited to the next

INQUIRER'S CLASS







Trinity Lutheran Church, 508 Center Street, Ashland, OH

WHEN:

Sunday, November 7 After the 10:45 a.m. services

WHERE:

Trinity Room, (lower level)

Interested in membership, or learning more about Trinity Lutheran?

Our next Inquirer's class will be on November 7, after the 10:45 a.m. services. The class will be held in the Trinity Room (lower level) with a meal provided.

More information and details will be available in future announcements and in the October newsletter, or contact Wendy Shreffler in the Church Office.



Northeast Ohio

Your Help is **NEEDED!**

MISSION TRIP WORK DAY

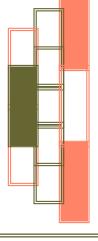
Saturday, Oct. 2, 2021 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

LEAVING TRINITY @ 8:00 A.M.

DISASTER RESPONSE WAREHOUSE

CALDWELL, OH

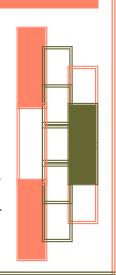




We will be traveling to the warehouse in Caldwell, OH, to help assemble and prepare disaster response items.

The church van will leave Trinity at 8 a.m.

Contact PASTOR KOCH to REGISTER or for



Trinity travelers tour shantz organ facility





Our organ will have three air blowers like the ones on the left to sound the pipes.

Our old keys have been polished and are ready to go. (Below)



The console keys and knobs and pipes will be connected by means of digital technology *(below)*, replacing the air hoses and accordion-like switches in the old organ.

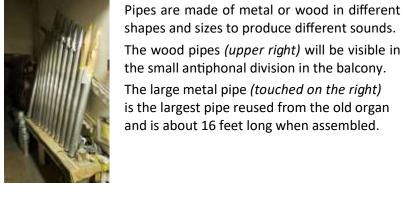


















The holes in the board (*left*) have been precisely drilled to channel air into certain pipes, as each of the more than 2,000 pipes has a corresponding opening for the air to blow through to produce a pitch. Each hole in the board is then covered with a stopper and magnet (*below*) which opens and closes when the organist plays the matched keys. These boards are bolted into wind chests (*bottom left*) which provide the air pressure.



Wednesday Night Dinners Are Back Beginning SEPT. 81 5:15 PM

Meals can be dine-in (although food will still be served in take-out containers), take-out, or delivered. **If you will be participating in Wednesday night dinners, please call or text Angela (567) 203-8434 or Robin (419) 632-5097** as to which option (dine-in, take-out, or delivery) you prefer, and how many meals you are requesting. Suggested donation is \$5/meal.

If dining-in at Trinity, please be respectful of other people's space and maintain 6 feet social distancing if people choose.

September 8	Pizza rigatoni, garlic bread, salad, applesauce, and Butterfinger pie.
September 15	Sloppy Joe, cowboy baked beans, salad, pineapple, and carrot cake.
September 22	Ham and broccoli bake, salad, peaches, and chocolate poke cake.
September 25	Goulash, garlic bread, salad,

mandarin oranges, and cupcakes.



Coffee Area Returning Sept. 12

It's been a long dry spell without our coffee cart, hasn't it?

The Nurture, Kitchen, and Women's Ministries committees have been working together to bring you a fabulous *new* option for coffee on Sunday mornings! Introducing the "Olive Tree Café," where you will be able to get a cup of gourmet coffee and fresh homemade goodies and donut holes along with great fellowship each week, from 9:30-10:45 a.m.

OTC will be located where the coffee cart was - in the area outside the pastors offices by the tall top tables. Special thanks to all the Trinity ladies who have teamed up to bake for us, and to Angela Baker for organizing all the volunteers needed for this ministry. If you would like to be a part of this hospitality ministry, contact Dawn Forbes at dawn@trinityashland.org or Angela Baker at 567-203-8434. If you are willing to be part of the set-up /clean-up part of the area, contact Wendy Shreffler at wshreffler@trinityashland.org



A Note of Thanks

"Many thanks to the Altar Guild for the beautiful flowers delivered for my birthday. It was very thoughtful and another reminder of the wonderful family at Trinity. Thanks also to those who remembered me with cards and phone calls." Wanda Kerr

"Thank you Altar Guild for your gift of the perfect flowers to bring honor to our loved one (Mother), and comfort to us." Cheryl, Gary, Kristi, Mike, Amy, Sarah, and Rylie Hildebrand

"Thank you Trinity family for the beautiful flowers, thoughts and prayers during our time of grief." Hank & Holly Stevens

"Over the past few months I have been receiving Altar flowers, phone calls, and cards. People have stopped to ask how I am doing. I have been told over and over that they are praying for me. I want to say thank you so much to my Trinity family for all the good wishes and love that I have felt from you." Elsie Kral

"Thank you Altar Guild members for birthday flower arrangement. The flowers, like your sentiments, are beautiful." Gary Greene

"Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers from the Altar Guild. They look wonderful in my living room. Thank you to Julie Linder for delivering them. What a wonderful church family. Thanks for the thoughts and prayers." Christine Negrete

"Dear Trinity Family, I cannot thank you enough for the love, prayers and support you provided us during our time of need. Waking up to a house fire can really make you count your blessings and we are so blessed to call you our friends and family!" Adrianna, Aaliyah, and Jayden Anderson

"What a lovely surprise to open my door and be greeted with lovely flowers from the Altar Guild. They were so lovely and much appreciated. Thanks a bunch." **Terrie Dunlap**

"Thank you to the Altar Guild, and Kathleen Schnell for delivering a beautiful bouquet of flowers for me to enjoy as I recuperate from my surgery. Thank you to all my friends at Trinity. They already have brightened my days." **Debby Gray**

"Thank you so much for the lovely flowers from the Altar Guild. It means so much to me." Mary Anne Forbes

"Thank you so much for the beautiful flower arrangement and the artistic birthday card for my 85th birthday. It was very much appreciated." Marianne Mowry



Bear one another's, burdens

Do you or someone you know feel overwhelmed at the moment? Do things like health, work, family, depression, and/or faith weigh heavy on your heart and mind? Perhaps Stephen Ministry can make a difference.

Stephen Ministry is lay caring ministry. Stephen Ministers are not counselors or therapists; rather, they are caring Christian friends who can offer a listening ear to help others through the tough times in life. Stephen Ministers are trained and supervised in their ministry. If you or someone you know are going through a tough time and could use a caring friend, a Stephen Minister may be able to help.

To find out more about Stephen Ministry or how to receive a Stephen Minister's care, Contact Dan Forbes (Stephen Leader care coordinator) at 567-203-7747 or Michelle Vanderzyden (Stephen Leader Administrator) at 419-651-1564. (Remember to ask for permission before suggesting someone else's name).



Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the basics of the Christian faith. Each session looks at a different question that people can have about faith and is designed to create conversation. It's just an open, informal, and honest space to explore and discuss life's big questions together.

People wonder what the course is about, if they should attend, why they would attend, if they will like it, and who they could invite. All we can encourage is to make the time, invite the friend, just do it – you will not regret it! Here are a few comments from our most recent participants:

"We need to invite MORE people – this is the most wonderful course!"

"It is so much fun, eating with others, watching a great video and talking with others about JESUS. I looked forward to it every week."

"This course is equally great for those who want to know more about Jesus all the way to those who have known Jesus their whole lives."

"I love Alpha, I wish it wouldn't end."

"The Holy Spirit retreat is the best thing I have done!"

If you would like to know more about the course contact Michelle Vanderzyden at michelle@trinityashland.org or visit the Alpha website at alphusa.org.



Fall 2021 opportunity for individuals, couples or families! Share your faith with a college student!

Do you remember what it was like when you went off to college or when your child or grandchild went off to college? You may be able to look back at the influences kind people had in your life at that time. Maybe someone reached out, helped, or fed you. How would you like the opportunity to do the same?

Each month we ask in the newsletter – "Discipleship – How are you doing?" Then we list the following things: Weekly Worship, Daily Reading/Meditation on Scripture, Spiritual Disciplines, Stewardship, Small Group Involvement/ Discipleship Accountability, Vocation in Daily Life, Sharing Your Faith.

Perhaps you check the list and feel pretty good, maybe you look at the list and wonder where to start. To help you, we have a great opportunity this Fall. You can share your life and faith with an AU college student or two. All it will take is a meal together a month and perhaps some encouraging contact throughout the school year. We will provide all the training and support you need to be prepared to make a lifelong impact in the life of a college student.

If you would like to learn more about this discipleship opportunity, Contact Kim Oberholtzer at 419-606-5252 or Michelle Vanderzyden at 419-289-2126 or michelle@trinityashland.org.

Men's Bible Study with Pastor Koch



Thursdays, September 9 & 23 8:00 a.m. North Patio Room

Women's Bible Conversations



Wednesdays, 1:30 p.m. Trinity Room



Moms unite! Would you agree that this has been trying year for moms and kids alike? If you are finding yourself at a loss for what to do, hopeless and discouraged, prayer may help! Now more than ever we need God's power unleashed through our prayers!

Moms in Prayer International meets weekly when students are in school. One hour a week in scriptural, conversational prayer with others moms for our schools and your children can make a world of difference! Now is a great time to consider joining in and praying for our children and our schools as we journey through this new school year.

If you would like to participate in this time of prayer, contact Leah Bechtol at bechtols@zoominternet.net or 419-606-0340 to find out how you can join in.

Meeting on Mondays at 8:30 AM in the Church Home Dining Room. Begins Monday, September 13



LUTHER CLUB

Thursday, September 9 12:00 pm in Jack's Place

Sandra Tunnell, Executive Director Ashland Main Street

Ashland Main Street is a non-profit organization focusing on economic development through revitalization efforts. We enhance the downtown business climate while promoting and preserving our historic identity as a center of cultural activity. As our downtown grows and develops and we attract new people and businesses to our Main Street area, the whole community benefits!

Join us to hear and learn of all the development in downtown Ashland!

Menu: Barbeque chicken, scalloped potatoes, glazed carrots, and butterscotch lush.

Please RSVP to the Church Office at 419-289-2126. Invite a friend and come join us!

ALL ARE WELCOME!



Bible Study Fellowship.

BSF (Bible Study Fellowship) is for women, men, and children and offers in-person and online classes. Currently Ashland will be offering an in-person class for the 2021-2022 year beginning September 16 on Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m., hosted at Trinity Lutheran Church.

To find out more about BSF or <u>register for a class</u>, check out their website at <u>www.bsfinternational.org</u> or contact Michelle Vanderzyden, 419-289-2126, <u>michelle@trinityashland.org</u>.

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 16!



More than any other Gospel, Matthew emphasizes the public teaching ministry of Jesus.



Join us the 2nd and 4th Thursdays each month, as we continue our verse-by-verse, in-depth study of Genesis. We will meet in Rooms A&B at 10:30 AM. All are welcome! For more information, or questions contact leader, Barb Zimmerman @ (419) 496-3587, or host, Diana Scott @ (419) 289-8619.



A social group for women on their own.

Please R.S.V.P. to the Church Office by Wednesday, September 15.

Our Monthly Luncheon:

Tuesday, September 21, 12:00 p.m. Trinity Lutheran (Jack's Place)

Menu:

Beef and noodles over mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, and cherry cheesecake lush.

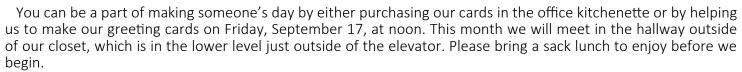
BRING A ROLL OF TOILET PAPER!



Expressions of Faith

Friday, September 17, 12:00 p.m. Meeting by the Elevator on Lower Level

Don't you love to receive cards in the mail? You know that if someone has taken the time to choose and mail a greeting card, they care about you. That card—that little touch of affection and compassion—can really make your day.



We give support from the sale of our greeting cards in September to the **Safe Haven Domestic Violence Shelter**. If you have any questions about the group or purchasing our cards, please contact Wendy Shreffler in the church office or by e-mail: wshreffler@trinityashland.org.



Blessing Tables

From the Nurture Committee

We are grateful that many of you have given to others in our congregation by sharing your extra produce on our **Blessing Tables** this year.

These tables will remain in the Gathering Space and outside the double doors of Jack's Place through September for as long as the donations are still coming in.

Thank you for supporting this delicious ministry and sharing blessings with our congregation. We encourage anyone interested to take home some of this overabundance to enjoy!

"And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith." Galatians 6:9-10

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS

Dan Forbes, Christian Education Coordinator

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TRINITY SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

FALL. 2021



Sunday School classes run from 9:35 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. Members and guests are welcome to participate whenever they wish.

Please NOTE: There will be Nursery/Childcare available during regular worship services (8:30, 10:45), and during Sunday school (9:35)

For full class descriptions and teachers, check out our website @ www.trinityashland.org or contact Dan Forbes

Children/Youth Classes

Birth - 2 years Age 2 & 3	Infant Nursery Toddler Nursery, Main Level led by Diane, Andy, and Jack Yeaste	Grade 3 & 4	Room 27, 2 nd Floor Church Home, led by Amy and Mike Nelson, Melinda Haag, and Killian Murray
Age 4, 5 & K	Preschool Room, Main Level led by Becky Schaff and Amy Atterholt	Grade 5 & 6	Room 24, 2nd Floor Church Home led by Jenny Pence and Amanda and Aaron Wolfe
Grade 1 & 2	Room 25, 2 nd Floor Church Home led by Kim Pool and Hannah Ashbaugh	Grade 7 & 8 Grade 9-12	Youth Hall, Lower Level, led by Adam Kime Youth Hall, Lower Level led by Darrik Sheek

Adult Sunday School Highlights

Cornerstone, led Kate & Kevin Kaeser, will be discussing with families of young children about marriage, family, and general topics, and meeting in the Community Room.

Circle of Friends, led by Michelle Vanderzyden, will be watching "The Chosen," meeting in the Trinity Room

SALT (Serving and Learning Together), led by Kathy Shelly, will also be watching "The Chosen" meeting in the Church Home Dining Room.

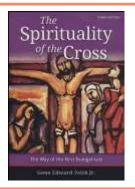
Christian Living, led by Paul Hodge, will continue studying the book of Romans, meeting in Rooms A & B, Lower Level.

The Spirituality of the Cross, led by Pastor Koch, will be meeting in the North Patio Room. The class will use the book with the same class title by author, Gene Edward Vieth, Jr.

Christian Women, led by Wendy Shreffler and Sue Bartley, will be watching, "The Chosen," meeting in the South Sun Room Church Home

What Parents Need to Know, led by Pastor McClain, will focus on what Middle/High School students are learning in Catechism and other issues they may face in life, meeting in Mitchell Hall.

Grief Walk, led by Karin Schwan, is a 6-week discussion about grief and how support from others can be beneficial. She will be using the book, "Grief Walk," written by Gary Roe. Meeting in the Church Home Front Lounge.



Sundays, 9:35 a.m. **Begins Sept. 12**Church Home

Main Lounge

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS!

"The Spirituality of the Cross" – Author, Gene Edward Vieth, Jr.

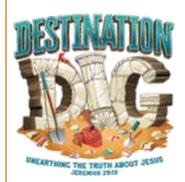
Led by Pastor Koch

Begins Sunday, Sept. 12 @ 9:35 a.m.

In the 32 years since *The Spirituality of the Cross* was released, the religious landscape of Christianity has changed greatly. A challenge for today (for both Christians and non-Christians alike) is to cultivate a meaningful life in a seemingly meaningless world. Our natural religious impulse is to earn salvation based on what we do and what we deserve according to our own moral compasses we create.

The Spirituality of the Cross is an excellent explanation of Lutheran spirituality. The study examines basic Lutheran theology for lay persons with topics including, Justification, Means of Grace, Theology of the Cross, Vocation, and Two Kingdoms.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS



THANK YOU VOLUNTRERSI

A **SPECIAL** thanks to all the volunteers that made Summer Sunday School a success. It takes many people to bring God's Word to our children. God's love shows in your dedication.



DESTINATION DIG VOLUNTEERS

Preschool & Snacks: Jenni Jacobsen

K,1,2: Kim Pool

3,4,5: Aaron & Amanda Wolfe, Erik & Jen Schneeg

Craft Leaders: Daniel & Jennifer Gallatin

Craft Helper: Pam Potter

Music Directors: Isabel Merkel, Stephanie Bragg

Help Where Needed: Ann Van Scoy



Rally Day September 12, 2021

We will gather in the Sanctuary after the 8:30 service.

- **⋄** Singing
- **b** Bible Storybook Presentation
 - **Teacher Installation**
- Dismissal of children to their classes with balloons.



Sunday School offering can now be done through easyTithe.

www.trinityashland.org/opportunities/giving/giving

TRINITY YOUTH MINISTRY

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JOIN Trinity Ashland Youth

Slack is a teamwork and sharing app with channels and chat rooms to keep kids (and parents) informed and up to date while building relationships with others. Please message Darrick for an invite to Slack.



Wednesdays, 6-7pm **Grades 7-12, Youth Room**

Mosaic will starting be Wednesday, Sept. 15, at 6-7 pm. It's been a busy summer and we are looking forward to seeing all of you again! If you are interested in helping with Mosaic, please contact Darrik Sheek.

ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

Date	8:30 AM	10:45 AM
9/5	Kelsey Kaeser	No Acolyte (Garden Service)
9/12	Emma Linder	Elleni Miller
9/19	Madeline Schneeg	Reed Emmons
9/26	Teagan Kime	Carter Schneeg

Schedule at time of newsletter printing. Schedule is always subject to change.

IF YOU CANNOT SERVE ON YOUR SCHEDULED DATE, CALL TO TRADE WITH SOMEONE. PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE (419-289-2126) BY WEDNESDAY NOON TO NOTIFY JOELLEN OF THE CHANGE.



Catechism Sunday, September 12 9:30-10:30 am

Catechism is quickly approaching and we are so excited to see you all. We will meet in the middle school youth rooms during the Sunday School hour. If you have not signed up yet, please do so as soon as possible.



SONFEST Christian Musical **Festival** 2021

Saturday, September 18, 2021

Come join us for an amazing all day experience hearing some of the top Christian artists perform Mount Vernon Nazarene University. Times are yet to be determined, but please let us know if you are interested in attending, so we can purchase tickets in advance. If you would like more information, please contact Darrik Sheek.

IISSION TRIP - Pittsburah

Our youth had the opportunity this past August to travel to Pittsburgh, PA and take part in a mission trip through YWAM. They spent their mornings and afternoons helping with two different VBS programs designed to reach children in their communities. We are so grateful to the adults who went and helped chaperone this event for our youth.





















Last Call Before Fall Wrap Up

Thank you to all who made the Last Call Before Fall a success. Special thanks to Pastors McClain, Koch, and Peterson for blessing the children, Sunday School teachers, and other educators who will be starting school soon!

It was a sunny, really HOT day—thank you to everyone who patiently waited in line for Crazy Nate's BBQ, stood out in the sun to man the obstacle course and bounce house, or helped to clean up afterward. It is safe to say we all ended up hot and tired—but after a very fun afternoon of fellowship.



















Montessori Good Shepherd Preschool Program

Shout out to Larry Franks for hanging animal pictures in our classroom. Thank you! The photographs were taken years ago in Africa by our school's founder Lyn Sorenson's (and Jim's) daughter, Meredith Whitney.

The Montessori classroom is made to look and feel like a home. Montessori classroom environments are intended to be fascinating places where children love to learn. It is believed that a harmonious, ordered, and calm classroom encourages learning. Materials are arranged on open shelves so children can access them easily. Materials are child-size.









We are excited to begin our school year with 22 students. We are a mixed-age classroom.

- Younger children learn much from their older peers and love learning from them.
- ♦ Older children gain confidence through modeling, mentoring, and inspiring. It's a great self-esteem builder.
- Older children benefit by reinforcing what they have just learned.
- All children have opportunities for practicing positive social interactions among peers.

We are a small community with a big heart, guided by a mission to serve. We strive to provide a learning environment that adheres to Montessori principles to guide and nurture each individual child in becoming lifelong learners and citizens of our diverse world community.

For information or questions about the Montessori program, please contact Cindy Duffey.

email: montessori@trinityashland.org phone: 419 289-2126



WE WELCOME KRISTEN BURKE,



Kristen has been a member at Trinity for over 25 years, having lived here during her teen years and then returning with her family nearly 20 years ago. She began her teaching career at Trinity as an assistant teacher for Anne Seiss at Trinity's preschool.

She is currently an Intervention Specialist at the Ashland County-West Holmes Career Center, and earned degrees from Wittenberg University, and Ashland University.

Her husband of 30 years, Kevin, is the Chef at Ashland University and they have two grown children, Noah and Noelle. She is dedicated to working with students in order to enhance their educational, emotional and spiritual growth and is eager to be a part of the Beacon After School Program.





OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SAVE-THE-DATE! NOVEMBER 7, 3 PM PACKING PARTY! (includes dinner afterward*)

Everyone is invited to help us pack donated items to fill shoeboxes.

During the month of September, we are collecting t-shirts and socks for children, ages 2 to 14. Items can be placed in laundry baskets in the Gathering Space and outside of Jack's Place.

Remember you are **Spreading the Gospel One Shoebox at a Time!** Each box has the potential to spread the Gospel to a child and their family, friends, and neighbors!

For more information, contact Ruth Ann Linder @ 330-683-0096

* If you are planning to eat dinner afterward, please RSVP to Dawn Forbes in the Church Office!



BEGINS

Tuesday, September 28,

4:15 PM, Jack's Place

Creative Movement will begin Tuesday, September 28, at 4:15 PM in Jack's Place, for ages 18 months and older. We will meet weekly on Tuesdays for 8 weeks. There is no obligation to attend all 8 weeks, just come whenever you choose! We will take the necessary safety precautions with a similar general approach as area elementary school's physical education protocol, all while we have lots of fun! Questions/concerns? Call or e-mail Mark Koehler at 419-281-8948, or mrmark@zoominternet.net. I hope you can participate and join in the fun!

September Preaching Schedule

Sept. 4 Sept. 5 Garden Service Praise	5:30 8:30 10:45 10:45	Pastor McClain Pastor McClain Denny Steele Pastor McClain
Sept. 11 Sept. 12 Praise	5:30 8:30 10:45 10:45	Pastor McClain Pastor McClain Pastor McClain Pastor McClain
Sept. 18 Sept. 19 Praise	5:30 8:30 10:45 10:45	Pastor McClain Pastor McClain Pastor McClain Michelle Vanderzyden
Sept. 25 Sept. 26 Praise	5:30 8:30 10:45 10:45	Pastor McClain Pastor McClain Pastor Koch Pastor McClain

Schedule subject to change as needed.

HOLY COMMUNION SCHEDULE

<u>Day</u> Sunday	<u>Date</u> Sept. 5	<u>Time</u> 8:30 a.m.	<u>Service</u> Sanctuary
Saturday	Sept. 11	5:30 p.m.	Folk
Sunday	Sept. 12	10:45 a.m.	Praise
Sunday	Sept. 19	8:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.	Sanctuary Sanctuary
Saturday	Sept. 25	5:30 p.m.	Folk
Sunday	Sept. 26	10:45 a.m.	Praise



David Young - August 15, 2021



The Church Office will be closed on Monday, September 6, in observance of Labor Day.

Regular Church Office hours will resume on Tuesday, September 7.



In Loving Memory

Kenneth W. Etzwiler — August 5, 2021

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Use these QR Codes to access our website and Facebook page on your Smartphone.











"Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, as it goes well with your soul." 3 John 1:2

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"STAY IN TUNE" WIT

- ◆ Radio Broadcast: 10:30 am-12 noon listen to the 10:45 service by tuning your radio to WNCO-AM 1340.
- ◆ Audio Live Stream: 10:30 am-12 noon listen to the 10:45 service by clicking on WNCO-AM and then "Listen Live" at www.trinitvashland.org
- ◆ Video Live Stream: 8:30-9:30 Traditional and10:30 am-12 noon Praise - watch and listen by clicking on the WATCH LIVE link at www.trinityashland.org (If you have a Roku device on your TV, you can now add the Trinity channel and view live there.) You may also "like" or "follow" our Facebook page at facebook.com/trinitylutheranashland.



Altar Flowers September 4&5

Given by:

John & Louise Decker in honor of their 43rd Wedding Anniversary, and Grandma Heifner's birthday;

John and Judy Moffett in celebration of their 52nd Wedding Anniversary on September 6;

Mike and Pam Mowry in celebration of their 42nd Wedding Anniversary;

Jim Prinz and family in memory of Barbara Prinz;

Pastor Kevin and Kristen McClain in honor of Emma Claire McClain's birthday on September 7.



THE 10:45 RADIO BROADCAST on WNCO-AM 1340 for September 5 is sponsored by Rick and Ann Emmons to the Glory of God.

THE 8:30 VIDEO LIVESTREAM for September 5 is sponsored by Jeanette Lewis to the Glory of God. THE PRAISE VIDEO LIVESTREAM is sponsored anonymously to the glory of God.

COMMUNITY NEWS



TRINITY LUTHERAN :: **CHURCH**

(Jack's Place/Gym)



Monday, **SEPTEMBER 27, 2021** 10:30 AM - 4:00 PM

To make an appointment, visit RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS Dear Friends;

August was an extremely busy month for us not only helping our clients with their food pantry needs, additionally helping but students with back-to-school supplies and clothing. Thank you to all for your support of both these worthy causes. We are blessed. Thank you for all you do for our community. You greatly

Thristine Box, **Executive Director**



Associated Charities

ITEMS NEEDED FOR SEPTEMBER

Saltine crackers, egg noodles, spaghetti sauce and noodles, peanut butter, ramen noodles, cream of chicken and noodle soups, paper towels,



Kinship Care Month is celebrated each September in foster care to recognize the importance of grandparents, relatives and others caring for children when their parents cannot. Many individuals across America (approximately 4 million) step up to provide temporary and sometimes permanent care. Whenever possible, courts seek a kinship placement which is less stressful for children and has better outcomes than foster care. You may know someone who has volunteered to help a child. If so, this is the month to

thank them. Unfortunately, there is still a great need for good Christian foster parents to step in when a kinship placement is not possible. Fostering Family held their annual Foster/Kinship Family Festival in August giving these families a time to relax and have fun. Thanks to all who volunteered to help or provided a donation.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4 5:30 PM Folk
Recurring Wedner 4:45 Luther Bells 5:00 Saturday Nig 6:00 Mosaic (begin	(begins Sept. 8) ght Musicians (Seg		Beacon After School Pr 1:30 PM Bible Conversations	ogram W-Th. 3:30 PM 8:30 AM Ruth Circle 9:00 AM Bible Study Fellowship (BSF)		Service
	, Music Makers, Tept. 8) , 8, 15, 22, 29)		See box above for additional recurring activities			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
8:30 AM Sanctuary Communion - Live-streamed	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	Montessori Good Sheph	nerd Preschool, Tuesday	· - Thursday 8:30 AM		5:30 PM Folk Communion
9:30 AM NO Sunday School	CLOSED	Beacon After School Pro	ı ogram Tuesday - Thursda	av 3:30 PM		Communion
9:30 AM Trinity Brass 10:45 AM Praise Worship - Live-streamed 10:45 AM Rose Garden Worship - Radio broadcast	LABOR DAY	6:00 PM Youth Committee Mtg 7:00 PM Outreach Committee Meeting 7:00 PM Sonrise	1:30 PM Bible Conversations See box above for additional	9:00 AM Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) 10:30 AM Walk Thru the Bible 12:00 PM Luther Club		
	HAPT	Singers	recurring activities			
12 8:00 AM Sonrise Singers	13	14	15	16	17 12:00 PM	18 5:30 PM Folk
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- Live-streamed 9:30 AM Catechism 9:30 AM Rally Day	8:30 AM Moms in Prayer Int.			STAFF WORK DAY ONLY (No school for children)	Faith	
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Communion - Live-streamed 10:45 AM Sanctuary Worship - Radio broadcast	9:00 AM Piece Makers & Comforters Group 7:00 PM Altar Guild	6:00 PM Stephen Ministry 7:00 PM Council	1:30 PM Bible Conversations See box above for additional recurring activities	9:00 AM Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) 10:30 AM OCC Committee		
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26	27	28	29	30		
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Communion - Live-streamed 10:45 AM Sanctuary Worship - Radio broadcast	10:30 AM BLOODMOBILE 7:00 PM Worship & Music		See box above for additional recurring activities			