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Thanks to all !!!

who helped organize, set-up, arrange, donate items for Trinity's Clothes to Go event on September 14th & 18th. Many from our community expressed appreciation for the items of clothing they were able to find from the 100's of pieces that were available. All items were a dollar!

(See more on page 4)



National Do Something Nice Day October 5

Upcoming Dates

Thursdays in October at 10:30 – Rick's Bible Study Call 717-418-1963 to be included in our Zoom Bible Studies

October 3 - World Wide Communion (Article on Page 3)

October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

9:15 - Zoom Worship 10:30 – In person Worship

October 7 – 7 pm – Worship Team via Zoom

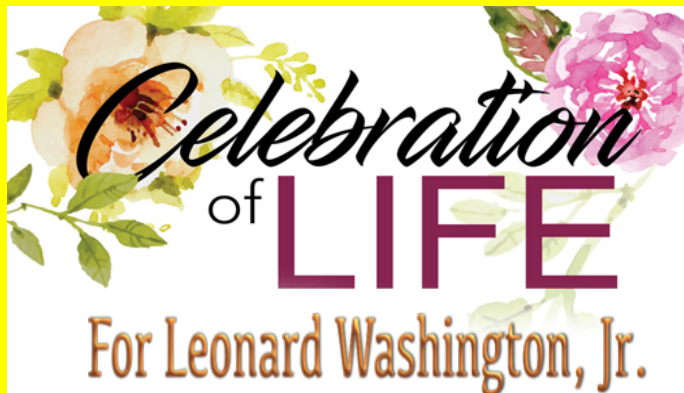
October 10 - 1:00 - Ad Board via Zoom

October 17 - Laity Sunday (Article on Page 3)

October 20 – Boscov's Friends Helping Friends (Article on Page 3)

November 10 – 6:30 pm - Charge Conference - Hebron UMC (Submit reports by October 15.)

You are invited to be part of the



For Leonard Washington, Jr.

at Trinity United Methodist Church on Saturday, November 13, 2021.

There will be time to visit with Family and Friends from 10-11 with the Celebration of Life Service at 11.

Tina Washington

December Mission Focus

Each year Church Women United conduct their Christmas Stocking Project and attach a CWU gift tag with the name of the donating group. This year our Trinity goal is 30 stockings. Your mission contributions for this project can be sent to...

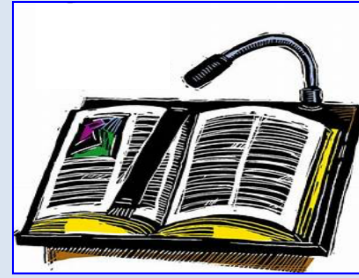
Trinity Mission Coordinator - Dea Kishpaugh, 1554 Sand Hill Road, Lebanon, PA 17046.

Thank you for your faithfulness.



Liturgists

<u>Date</u>	<u>Zoom Service (9:15)</u>	<u>Live Service (10:30)</u>
October 3	Carol Hollich	Dea Kishpaugh
October 10	Karen Neblock	Phyllis Carter
October 17	Carol Hollich	Keith Earle
October 23	Reba Sterner	Barb Querry
October 30	Rick Clark	Betsy Allwein



If you are unable to serve as lay reader, please call... 717-838-2812.



Dear congregation of Trinity,

The Sunday before Labor Day I was depressed. There were fires in the west, floods, famine, civil war yet again in Africa, the evacuation from Afghanistan, the worry for those who were attempting to flee & those that could not flee, the ongoing migration crisis, the earthquake in Haiti, increasing Covid numbers & on a more personal level the seemingly endless paperwork, personal, for work, & for church.

I started thinking of all of the Laborers in the church, & was humbled by the congregation, past & present, who have given so much of themselves to this church. There is so much work that happens & has happened. Most of it behind the scenes, often invisible, but making a difference for today.

You have sorted, cooked, baked, washed dishes, swept floors, changed lightbulbs, painted, taken the dirty dish towels home, washed them & brought them back. You have sat on committees, organized bazaars, spaghetti dinners, hammered out plans for services, Sunday School, & worship. You have made phone calls, stapled, taken minutes for meetings, prepared communion, & made decorations. You have spoken up when you saw a problem. You have listened. You have also held your tongue rather than say something unkind & you have prayed.

You do, & have done these things, when you have not felt well, been worried about family, health, finances & had a multitude of other commitments. Thank you for being a blessing. Thank you for being my church family.

Reba Sterner



Please note the following changes to the July 2021 Directory:

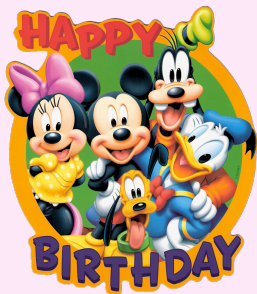
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Word Communion Sunday – October 3

World Communion Sunday is October 3, 2021. Any special monies collected on this Sunday supports World Communion Scholarships, the Ethnic Scholarship Program and the Ethnic In-Service Training Program. If you are planning to worship in person, you can place your gift on the offering plate in the rear of the sanctuary. If you are on Zoom, mark your gift "World Communion Sunday" and send it to the church. Either way you choose, the focus is on the Spirit's role in shaping us, changing us, and making us into the people God intends for us to be.



October 1 Carol Yeagley
October 3 Alisha Geist
October 8 Henry Emrich
October 9 Donna Mease
October 17 John Carter
October 19 Bill Helmick
October 22 Phyllis Carter
October 31 Mike Querry

Laity Sunday - October 17, 2021

RISE UP! AND REVIVE GOD'S GIFTS!

Laity Sunday is a special Sunday defined by General Conference "to celebrate the ministry of all Christians". This year on Laity Sunday we are called to rekindle the gifts that we have been given for the good of the world. The message at both the Zoom and In-Person Services will be given by our Lay Leader, George Hollich.



24th Annual Boscov's Friends Helping Friends...

On Wednesday, October 20th Boscov's will hold its *Friends Helping Friends* event. Everyone who purchases a \$5 pass from Trinity gets a 25% discount shopping pass to use on the 20th and Trinity gets to use for missions & other projects the entire \$5 from each pass purchased! Sally DeJesus has again agreed to coordinate this great fund-raising project. To get your pass and multiple passes for your family, friends... contact Deb Forry in the Church Office or Sally (717-383-3648 or email: SDEJ54@gmail.com).



Clothes to Go

"Clothes To Go" was held Tuesday 9/14 & Saturday 9/18. Pastor Lynn brought up the idea of providing clothes for the community. She thought that even with the multitude of thrift shops in the area, they were expensive & it might be a good ministry. She brought in many bags of clothes from the thrift shop she volunteers at, & members of the congregation donated clothes, hangers, carried down racks, helped to sort & size clothes.

I don't know if you had a chance to look & see the set-up, but there was a lot of work that went into this project. Despite the air conditioning, it was pretty hot in the nursery & Sunday school room. I only helped for an hour or two & know now that it can be really hard to figure out if somethings are men's or women's clothing. I am a total disaster at guessing sizes, & that if hangers can get tangled-up they will.

Advertising flyers were designed & passed out, the price of a dollar an item was decided on, & the days picked. The event was blessed with good weather. People were compliant about masks & the congregation really stepped up to volunteer. I was not able to help on Tuesday but understand they had a good steady flow of people in the AM. There were not a lot of people in the PM. Saturday afternoon seemed to be slightly better than Tuesday PM. Pastor Lynn stood out on the street for 2 hours with a sign to try to get people to come in, serenaded by the music fest that was going on a few blocks down. Several people did not come in but gave donations. I saw one man came out smiling & saying they had good things in there.

This was an experiment as a Mission project. The congregation will need to decide if they want to hold additional events & if so, how often.

Reba Sterner

Church Picnic

A good time was had by all at our church picnic on Sunday, September 19. We thank Sally DeJesus, Carol Hollich, Barb and Mike Querry, and Barb & Dave Wallett, for providing the food and the games, and George Hollich for the devotions on nature. It was a great time for the "Zoom" and "Live" service members to be together and for the clothing drive workers to relax!



New Faces...

There is a new person in the church office taking calls, answering emails, working on the bulletin, etc. Debbie Forry is our new Church Secretary! We wish Carol Yeagley, Gail and Henry all the best in their move to Florida. They will be missed. The church office will continue to be open on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 to 12:00. Welcome Debbie!

Lori Grandi, after 22 years as our Parish Visitor, has decided to retire. Lori's faithful ministry to those who could no longer attend active worship has provided years of fond memories and friendships. Rev. Rick Clark has agreed to help Pastor Lynn visit our homebound and others who find it difficult to leave their homes. If you, or someone you know, is in need of a call, card, communion, or visit, let the church office know.

Welcome Rev. Rick!



This fall we will be talking about ***Celebrating God***. The overarching theme in October, *Called to Praise God*, uses scriptures from the Psalter, the great hymnal of God's Old Testament people. Psalms can strengthen our prayer life and provide instruction for how to approach God in the face of injustice and sin. The psalms also show us how to celebrate God's goodness and mercy. For thousands of years, God's people have been writing poetry and songs of worship.



We have a powerful tool for nurturing spirituality and devotion at our fingertips each week: our church hymnal or other Christian songbooks. Resolve to make use of them in your private devotional times. The psalms remind us that any believer can compose songs or poetry of worship; we do not have to leave these things to the "professionals." Our faith can be expressed in songs and poetry of our own making. Join us in October for discussions on *Called to Praise God*.

October 3	<i>Praise God with Joy</i>	<i>Psalms 100</i>
October 10	<i>Praise for God's Ultimate Justice</i>	<i>Psalms 9:1-12</i>
October 17	<i>Praise God for Past Deliverance</i>	<i>Psalms 107:1-9, 39-43</i>
October 24	<i>Praise God for His Presence</i>	<i>Psalms 84</i>
October 31	<i>Praise God for His Greatness</i>	<i>Psalms 149:1-5; 150</i>

The bible used praise in two ways: direct praise and praise in narrative form. Our lessons in November will feature narrative praise... but this month we will look at direct praise which is the author's recorded words praising God. This method can either be poetry or speech, but usually describes the praise from the point of view of the person offering praise. Often, it includes words like *praise, thanksgiving, and bless*.



Our September lesson on the Song of Moses and Miriam was direct praise. We will hear similar messages this month from the Psalter. These passages will be expressions of worship that celebrate an active and caring God.

Many Christians today become polarized when we talk about praise. Some want to totally exclude it because they see praise as "religious extremists who want to be entertained and call it praise." Others want to make it their all in all, because they feel "religion is too stodgy and straitlaced."

Both sides contribute to the confusion for a 21st century Christian interested in knowing truth and discovering abundant life in God. If we are interested in praise from a Biblical perspective, the Book of Psalms becomes a highly instructive and inspiring guide. In Psalm 9 the Psalmist summoned the people to praise God for His wonderful deeds. He says, ***The right -- and duty -- of a child of God in any generation is to praise God.*** Most of us would agree with that. The question then is this, "Why the reactions, if not confusions, regarding praise?" Well, it certainly seems we need some instruction to aid all of us in this matter of praise. Join us in October as we discuss, ***Called to Praise God***,

October 3

- 1. The psalmist referred to the people of God as sheep. T/F Psalm 100:4

October 10

- 1. The psalmist declares that the Lord rules the world in _____ . Psalm 9:8
- 2. The Lord does not forsake those who do what things? Psalm 9:10
(Pick 2: trust him, seek him, question him, understand him, doubt him)

October 17

- 1. The psalmist says that people praised God, and he delivered them from distress. T/F Psalm 107:6
- 2. What does the Lord pour out upon nobility? (love, shame, contempt) Psalm 107:40

October 24

- 1. The psalmist noticed the special nature of the altar since these creatures raised their young there. Psalm 84:3
(bats, birds, bees)
- 2. The psalmist would rather be a _____ in God's house than dwell with the wicked. Psalm 84:10

October 31

- 1. For the psalmist, songs of praise were to be accompanied by timbrel and _____ Psalm 149:3
- 2. God can be praised through dance. T/F Psalm 150:4

Trinity United Methodist Church

757 Willow Street, Lebanon, Pa. 17046

Where "Faith, Hope and Love abide to encourage all to respond to the call of Christ."

WORLD WIDE COMMUNION SUNDAY -- October 3, 2021

(The service begins at 9:15 with the fellowship area opening at 9:00.

To be a part of worship on the computer go to <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81331227896>
or join by phone by dialing 1-646-876-9923 and entering 813 3122 7896 when prompted.)

Welcome

Lay Leader: George Hollich

Prelude *All Creatures of Our God and King – Sewell* Organist: Caroline Jacobs

Call to Worship

Liturgist: Carol Hollich

L: As Jesus called disciples so long ago -- Peter ... Andrew ... Mary ...
James ... Martha ... Mary Magdalene ... John ...

**P: Let us listen for our own names, written on God's heart and called
in the voice of the Spirit.**

L: They were fishermen, tax collectors, brothers and sisters. God
transformed them into the beloved community.

**P: We are teachers and caregivers, secretaries and retired folks,
fathers and mothers, brothers and sisters.**

**All: May God transform us into the beloved community. May our
prayer and praise give glory to God! Let us worship our Lord!**



Hymn #145: *Morning Has Broken*

Gaelic Melody

Morning has broken like the first morning
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird
Praise for the singing, praise for the morning
Praise for them springing fresh from the world

Sweet the rains new fall, sunlit from Heaven
Like the first dewfall on the first grass
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden
Sprung in completeness where His feet pass

Mine is the sunlight, mine is the morning
Born of the one light, Eden saw play
Praise with elation, praise every morning
God's recreation of the new day



Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Pastor Lynn Hackman

Musical Meditation

Let Us Break Bread Together

Trinity Combo

Celebration of Gifts

Pastor Lynn Hackman

(Your offerings can be sent to Trinity UMC, 757 Willow Street, Lebanon, PA 17046)

Hymn #97

For the Fruits of This Creation

Francis Jackson

For the fruits of this creation, thanks be to God
For good gifts to every nation, thanks be to God
For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,
Future needs in earth's safe-keeping, thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labor, God's will be done
In the help we give our neighbor, God's will be done
In our world-wide task of caring for the hungry and despairing,
In the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

For the harvests of the spirit, thanks be to God
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God
For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us,
Most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.



Old Testament

Genesis 2: 18-24

Liturgist: Carol Hollich

New Testament

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Sermon

Not Made to Live Alone

Pastor Lynn Hackman

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Benediction

Announcements & Social Time

Sunday School – Praise God with Joy - Psalm 100

Clothes-to-Go...

A round of applause for Trinity's first clothing sale! Those who came were respectful, wearing their masks & putting clothes back on the proper racks and piles. Over 450 clothing items found new homes and people said how much they appreciated our efforts. Thanks to all those who helped with this new mission project, bringing in clothes, organizing the clothes, and selling the clothes, advertising, and walking the streets with signs and fliers designed by Leslie Dissinger. A special shout out to Joyce Dissinger for the wonderful lunches on Tuesday for the workers and also for Pastor Lynn's sister who donated the majority of the clothes from her Thrift Shop. Any money brought in from the sale will be dedicated to mission projects. Clothes left over after the final sale will go to Community Aid, Jubilee, or the thrift shop. Trinity helpers for our first sale were: Betsy Allwein, the Clark family, Joyce Dissinger, Tod & Leslie Dissinger, Keith Earle, Debbie Forry, Nancy Frey, Rev. Lynn Hackman, Carol & George Hollich, Caroline Jacobs, Jack & Dea Kishpaugh, Karen Neblock, Mike & Barb Querry, Sue Robson, Reba Sterner, Jack Stouffer, Pat Swartz, and Dave & Barb Wallett. The next sales will be October 22 and November 19. These are both Friday mornings and will run from 9am to noon. Please volunteer to help!



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(Our lesson begins after the fellowship time that follows worship.)

Praise God with Joy

Sunday School Handout - October 3

Study Text: Psalm 100

KEY VERSE: *Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. — Psalm 100:3*

Worthy of Song

One database of hymns and hymnals on the internet lists over 240 hymns and songs whose lyrics reflect phrases from Psalm 100.

Among these are “All People Who on Earth Do Dwell,” Isaac Watts’s “Before Jehovah’s Awesome Throne,” and Mozart’s “Jubilate Deo.” An arrangement of “Old Hundredth” was composed by Ralph Vaughn Williams to be performed in 1953 as the processional hymn for the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II of England. The attraction of Psalm 100 no doubt derives from its concise yet robust summons to joyful praise to God and its eloquent rationale for doing so.



GET TO

A friend of mine grew up in a communist country. Life changed dramatically when she attended a Christian college in the United States. When other students complained, “Do I *have* to go to chapel?” my friend would exclaim, “I’m so glad I *get* to go to chapel!”

“Get to” is better than “have to.” The former nurtures gratitude; the latter generates grumpiness. Crawling out of bed on Monday morning, it’s tempting to mutter, “I wish I didn’t have to go to work.” But considering the alternatives of being sick, injured, unemployed, or forbidden to go, isn’t it better to say, “Thank you, Lord, that I get to go to work today”? The same principle applies when one has a relationship with God. Do we have to pray? Yes, but even better, we get to. Do we have to sing? Yes, but we get to, and God gives us joyful reason to do so! It helps us serve the Lord with gladness when we remember that we don’t just have to worship God. We get to!

Check the Gate

“Check the gate, son.” After all these years, I can still hear Dad’s voice. Opening and closing gates was one of the first jobs I learned on the farm in southern Ohio where I grew up. Swinging on rusty hinges, our gates were made of wood that was weathered by years of exposure to the elements. Twisted pieces of baling wire fastened the gates shut, allowing us access to the field while keeping our Holstein cattle corralled inside. I would untwist the wire and push the gate open so Dad could drive his tractor into the field.

Later I learned about a different gate. In non-digital filmmaking, it referred to the window on the camera where light from the lens passed through to expose the film. It was important to “check the gate” or else a speck of dust could ruin the shot. When it comes to such times with the Lord and the gate is open, how can we not join the psalmist in singing, giving thanks and praise to the good and faithful God who calls us his own?

Thoughts to Consider

1. *In what ways do you believe God is shepherding you?*
2. *What are some ways you can show more joy on a daily basis?*
3. *When you join other believers for prayer and worship, do you first “check the gate” of your heart?*

IMPORTANT IDEAS FROM PSALM 100

Find each of the words listed below in this word-search puzzle. Then find the words in Psalm 100. Why is each significant?

G I I U Q H W S C Z P S H A W
 H N N R N W S E F P Q N T A X
 P V I J U E U N D O G O S G D
 H R A V N G I T J G L I H Z D
 W A A D I Y T E R E I T P M S
 T F A I F G H R K S R A F V W
 Z L I L S E S U U U N R Z X M
 G P P T D E D K V S Q E Y Q A
 T J D H U B T L N Q Y N D M B
 H S I D H E W E S A N E E O X
 P A S T U R E L C G H G E X A
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 Q T U R L R N G I P Y K W J Z
 R Y K Z D M Q P A Q H N W M Z
 S O Y F R Z U L R C N M H Q B

WORD BOX

ENTER
 LORD
 GENERATIONS
 PASTURE
 GLADNESS
 PRAISE
 GOD
 THANKSGIVING

GOD IS KING

Psalms 95–100 are sometimes grouped as “kingship psalms” because of the way they focus on God as ruler of all. List reasons God deserves to be called king, according to each of the following.

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|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Psalm 95:1-7 _____ | Psalm 98:1-3, 9 _____ |
| Psalm 96:8-10 _____ | Psalm 99 _____ |
| Psalm 97:1-9 _____ | Psalm 100 _____ |



NO BAZAAR IN 2021

We suggest that each of us prayerfully consider the time and food items we would have donated and the time and materials to make the items we would have given to make our Bazaar successful... and then write a check with the notation... 2021 Bazaar Check-In.

Although disappointing, we feel this is the best way to keep our workers and guests safe. Additional thoughts and ideas can be shared with Joyce Dissinger (717-272-1665) or Barb Query (717-949-3060). Thank you for your support and understanding of this decision.