



Faith & Fellowship

Trinity United Methodist Church

October, 2019

A Note From The Pastor

Surely God is my salvation: I will trust, and will not be afraid,

For the Lord God is my strength and my might;

The Lord has become my salvation.

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

Sing praises to the Lord, for God has done gloriously.

Isaiah 12:2-3,6

This Hymn of Doxology in the midst of verses that move from judgment to hope, wrath to comfort in the Book of the Prophet Isaiah offer us a great source of hope. We are in the midst of a mighty struggle for growth at Trinity church. We have noted growth as our major need and have taken steps to bring more people through our doors. Our level of activity continues to be high thanks to the efforts of groups of our dedicated members and the participation of us all. Yet, little has changed in terms of our attendance at Worship. What should we do in the final months of 2019? We will follow the words of Isaiah and trust in the Lord and continue to work, looking for the glorious work of the Lord in our midst.

It is good that we are sharing space with the Amen Church and enjoy having their presence bringing added life to our campus. We enjoyed the picnics of the Summer and will have a great time at the "Autumn Happening" on October 20, hoping some from the neighborhood will come and want to share in the life of our congregation. The new LED lighting throughout our building is not only energy efficient but also enables us to "brighten the corner where you are", as the old song says, shining the way for new folks to follow.

As you will see in a later article, we are entering into a new venture this Fall to invite new people to come to Trinity. Through engaging in a "New Movers Program" of Outreach, Inc., we will be making monthly mailings to new movers into our community. Each will get a card from us and a follow-up mailing of up-coming events. Our hope is that one or two of these new families will respond and come on Sunday. With our prayers for the mailings, our warm welcome to those who come, and our trust in the Lord, we will look to see signs of growth at Trinity in the next six months and by Pentecost of 2020 have a larger congregation at our morning worship.

We are a strong and warm and active congregation. We have much to share with others and a glorious message of salvation to give to the world. Let us stay strong, warm and faithful and in all ways possible reaching out to those around us to come and be the church of Jesus Christ with us.



WORSHIP IN OCTOBER

Sunday, October 6 – “World Communion Sunday”

Combined Service with the Amen Church

Special Service Time – 11:00AM

We celebrate Communion together with our friends in the Amen Church, setting a special time between our usual starting times. This will be a bilingual service enabling both English and Korean speaking people to participate with short messages by pastors of both churches.

A Fellowship Meal will follow the Service featuring foods prepared by both congregations. Bring a friend to this unique time of Worship.

Sunday, October 13 – Service Celebrating our Members Who are 90 and Above.

Again this year, we take this time to recognize with honor our ten members who are in their nineties. The service will be built around their favorite hymns and feature their thoughts and memories of life in Trinity Church.

Following the Service, there will be a very special reception of cake and ice cream giving all the opportunity to share together.

We invite family members and friends and all our church to be present on this morning of celebration.

Sunday, October 20 – “Our Calling: Be Faithful as God Is Faithful”

Scripture: Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7 &

Luke 17:11-19

And at 2:00PM – “Autumn Happening”

Fall Fun for Everyone

Sunday, October 27 – “O for a Heart that Cries Out for Justice”

Scripture: Jeremiah 31:27-31 and Luke 18:1-9

And at 2:00PM – “Blessing of the Animals”

All are invited to bring their pets as we gather to use the words of Scripture and of St. Francis to ask God’s Blessing upon the animals in our lives.

Sunday, November 3 – Service of Holy Communion

Theme: “Celebration of All the Saints”

Scripture: Ephesians 1:11-23 and Luke 6:20-31

In a ceremony of Candle Lighting, we will note with loving honor those of our church community who have died in the last year (from Nov. 1 2018). You are invited to send to the church office (410-747-5841) or note on the tear-off of the Sunday Bulletin the names of those you wish to be honored in this Service. With prayer and devotion, we ask God’s blessing to be upon them.

WE ARE REACHING OUT TO OTHERS THROUGH THE “NEW MOVERS PROGRAM”



This Fall, Trinity Church will be sending monthly invitations to those who newly move into our neighborhood (within a one mile radius). An outfit called Outreach offers us a “New Movers Program” which will do the research and make the mailing of invitation to our church to all who move into our area each month. They will also supply us with the names and address of those folks so that we can follow up the first mailing with our own, filled with news of our up-coming events and special services. Even a 1% response should bring a few new persons through our doors in the next six-eight months.

For this effort to have effect, however, requires our deep support. Each month, when the mailing goes out, we will have special prayers that the Lord’s blessing goes with them. Prayers of us all to say will be published in the bulletin and in the Connection. Please be looking for the prayer...and PRAY.

Further, we need to put together a three of four member “Response Team” who will assemble and mail out our follow-up mailing each month. This will require an hour or two of time each month. Are you ready to volunteer for this Team? If so, call the Office now (410-747-5841) or speak to Pastor David in the coming week.

The goals and the hope of the “New Movers Program” is to move new people into our congregation. With your prayers and participation and the Spirit of the Lord, some will come, some will stay, and we will grow. Amen? Amen!!!

**CHURCH (CHARGE) CONFERENCE
SET FOR
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10 AT 1:30pm
AT THE
CHRIST CHURCH FOR THE DEAF
1040 S. BEECHFIELD AVENUE**

This year, we will be having our annual Church Conference with the congregation of the Christ Church for the Deaf. It will be held on Sunday, November 10 at 1:30PM at their location, 1040 S. Beechfield Ave., East of Wilkens Ave. We have also been invited to have lunch with the Christ congregation at 1:00PM.

At this Conference, led by either our District Superintendent, Dr. Wanda Duckett, or her representative, we will do the work of the church, including setting the Pastor’s salary, affirming our 2020 Budget, and electing our church leadership for the coming year. It is also a time to share together in reviewing the life and work of our church as we are invited to complete the sentence, “We are the church who...”.

All members of our church are invited to attend and be a part of this Church Conference. We can car pool from the church at 12:45 PM and be there for the meal – or you may choose to meet there for the Conference at 1:30 PM. We do need to know how many may wish to come for the meal. Please respond on the tear off form at Worship or call the church office at 410-747-5841.

PARSONAGE UPDATE

We continue to make progress toward the renting of our parsonage at 12 Upman Court. After confirming such at a Special Charge Conference on August 20, we contracted with the PCF Management Co. to handle the renting for us. Working with that company, our Trustees have been doing the work of preparing that house to be presented for renting. We much appreciate their work in painting, cleaning, and in other ways bringing it into condition to pass the inspection of the County that is required. The next step is for that inspection to be completed and for us to secure a permit to rent.

Our hope is that the house will be on the market by the end of this month with the additional hope that our



August 2019

<u>Non-Designated Funds</u>	
Parsonage	\$ 1,713.00
General Fund	\$ 5,992.00
Hall Rentals	\$ 1,250.00
Memorials To Gen. Fund	\$ 125.00
Fund Raisers	\$ 40.00
Thrift Shop	\$ 887.00
Total Non-Designated	\$ 10,007.00
Total Designated	\$ 1,849.21
Total All Income	\$ 11,856.21
Less Expenses	-\$ 6,738.62
Surplus For August	\$ 5,117.59

renters will take occupancy in November. This will get the house occupied and secure for us an income stream from the rental.

**PASTOR DAVID’S BIBLE STUDY OF
THE BOOK OF ISAIAH
CONTINUES IN OCTOBER AND
NOVEMBER**

Pastor David continues to invite everyone to join him in a year-long journey through the Book of the Prophet Isaiah. We meet on the first Tuesday evenings at 6:30PM in the Adult Classroom of our church building and on the first Wednesday at 10:00AM at Panera Bread on Route 40. Each month, we will cover a section of Isaiah with special emphasis on particular passages.

October 1 and 2 – Read Isaiah 11:1-16 (8:6-14)

November 5 and 6 – Read Isaiah 14:28-32 and 24-26 or at least (25:6-9)

If you cannot make the sessions, you are invited to read along through the Book of Isaiah. You will profit from the journey.

And on Sunday, December 1, Isaiah will be

the featured Prophet in our annual "Advent Evening". Be looking for more details in the November Newsletter.

SAMARITAN'S PURSE- OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOE BOX MINISTRY by Michele Elder and Donna Metcalf

We are kicking off our annual collection of our Shoebox Ministry this week. Many of you have been generous donors to this worthy cause in the past. We are commemorating our effort this year in memory of Wanda Rockenbaugh who was a great supporter of this outreach project. Every year Wanda would be giving us updates and encouraging words to get us enthusiastic in our support. Donna Metcalf and I are challenging you to a phenomenal amount- 120 shoeboxes! Last year we sent over 80 shoeboxes to be distributed around the world to children who would not otherwise have any means to celebrate Christmas. Each box contains items that would brighten the child's day- we like to include school supplies, toys and personal hygiene products. There are two collection boxes in the Lobby area under the airplane shoebox (near the bulletin boards) One box is for monetary donations and the other larger box is for the items you would put in the box. There is a list of items not to donate- any breakable item, no liquids and no war related toys. Each box costs \$9 for shipping. So monetary gifts will go toward that.

If you don't have time to shop see either Donna or myself and we would be glad to use your money to purchase items that are needed. Two dates to remember: **Sunday, November 17th** is the day we are setting aside for a shoebox stuffing party after the worship service. **Sunday, November 24th** is the day we will dedicate the shoeboxes and Donna will transport them to the collection site. All donations have to be made by **November 17th** so we can know how many boxes we need to have funds for shipping. Remember Wanda Rockenbaugh and start shopping.

AUTUMN HAPPENING "Fall Fun for Everyone" SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20 AT 2:00pm

As you can see from the poster in this Newsletter, the afternoon of Sunday October 20 will be a very special one for Trinity Church. On that day, we will be offering to church a community a Fall Celebration with activities and crafts that all can enjoy. Paint a Pumpkin! Make a Scarecrow! Paint a Cow! And much, much more of indoor and outdoor fun.

The help of all our members is needed to make

this a success. First, plan to come and bring every young person you can round up with you. Second, volunteer to help. There are both sitting and standing positions available in crafts and other activities. Third, take some flyers available in the Narthex and spread them around wherever you go. And most of all, keep this event in prayer that with the Lord's blessings it may be the means to reach many people for the church and with the Good News of the Gospel of the love of Jesus.

PORK DINNER

Our annual Pork Dinner will be on Saturday, November 9th from 4 to 7 pm. All you can eat Roast Pork, Sauerkraut, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Vegetable, Dessert and Beverage. Adults \$14 – Children 3 – 10 \$6 – Carry-outs available for \$12. Baked Goods are needed for the Bake Table. As always volunteers are needed for set up, clean up, serving and prepping for the dinner. Please contact Lee, Bobbie or Diane if you are able to help in anyway.



2 Deloris
5 Stacie Kephart
14 Preston E. Greene
16 Jim Flutka
24 Erin Owens
25 Vivian Wess

Kohlhepp

4 Michelle And Todd Sirasky
13 Karen and Early Franklin

WHAT A GREAT SPAGHETTI SUPPER

Many thanks to our Kitchen Crew for the fantastic Spaghetti Supper at Trinity Church on Saturday, September 28. Many people came and enjoyed big plates of spaghetti with that special sauce and helped themselves to the area’s biggest and best salad bar. Out of it all, over \$1100.00 was raised for the church!

But that’s not all. We also had the opportunity to meet new friends and greet some old friends who came to eat with us. Since friend-making and keeping is one of our main businesses, the Supper was the ideal event for us. We also found that one thing leads to another, as some at the supper had heard of it at the Flea Market and many plan to come to the Pork Supper on November 9. Our hope is that some will come for the pork and sauerkraut and stay for the prayers and sermons on Sunday.

**FUNDRAISER DINNER AND SILENT AUCTION
For the
AGAPE YOUTH CENTER
OF JOHN WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2019 6:00-10:00 PM**

This very special event will be held at The Forum at 4210 in Northwest Baltimore. It is to give funding support to the newly established Youth Center at John Wesley Church where Pastor David’s wife The Rev. Joan Carter-Rimbach is the pastor. The evening will include a very fine meal, music, presentation of the work of the Agape Center, and a Silent Auction.

Tickets for this evening are \$65.00 and can be obtained from Pastor David or by calling 410-383-1525. Please remember, the ticket price includes your donation to this much needed Center in West Baltimore whose motto is: “Together We Can Touch Lives One Child at a Time”.

POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS

Our Sanctuary never looks more beautiful than at Christmas and Easter with the gorgeous plants we decorate with. We would like to continue with this tradition. Every year there are many plants being left behind and it is a struggle to find good homes to accept them. Nursing homes do not accept them unless they go to a specific resident, they don’t have the staff available to care for them. Trinity only has a handful of shut-ins who can receive them. So, what to do? Order plants to honor or memorialize a loved one, but please consider taking the plants with you after the Christmas Eve worship service or no later than December 29th. Use the order form printed below to order your plants. Order forms are also available on the welcome table or from Arnetta Jones in the office. Orders due by November 17th .

Thank You,
Michele Elder

Poinsettia order form

Name:

Phone: _____

Email: _____

In Memory of:

In Honor of:

Given by:

Amount: \$12 per plant

Total Number of plants _____

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

“I am taking my plant home

Give plant to: _____

(specified recipient)

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AN AUTUMN HAPPENING

Sunday, October 20

2:00 p.m.

"FALL FUN FOR EVERYONE"

Inside

"The Pumpkin Parable"

Crafts

Pumpkin Painting

More Crafts

Outside

Weather Permitting

Lawn Bowling

Hayrides

Scarecrow Making

Cow Painting

Food

Hot Dogs, Apple Cider & Popcorn

And a Movie: "It's The Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown"



October 2019



Thrift Shop Hours: OPENED EVERY SATURDAY 9am - 1pm

(From Jan. 6th to Dec.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Isaiah Bible Study 6:30 pm	2 Isaiah Bible Study 10 am @ Panera	3	4	5 Health De- partment Certification Class—FH
6 <i>Combined Worship Ser- vice with Amen Church 11:00 am</i>	7	8	9 <i>G.I.F.T. Circle - 6:30 - 8:30pm - FH</i>	10	11	12
13 <i>This Far by Faith Honoring our 90+ Members</i>	14 <i>UMW 11:30am</i>	15 F&F Articles Due	16	17	18	19
20 <i>Autumn Hap- pening 2:00-4:00 pm</i>	21	22	23 Westchester 6:30	24	25	26
27 <i>Blessing of the Animals 2:00 pm</i>	28	29	30 <i>Finance Meeting 6:30 pm - Office</i>	31 <i>Halloween</i>		



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“To totally immerse ourselves in the Word of God and share it with others.”



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