

TRINITY TIDINGS

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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For the past three months I have been writing about evangelism. I have now thought that being evangelists, we should better understand the world and the times that God has given unto us to live in. Many of us grew up in what is called the “Modern World” and we now live in a “Postmodern World” that we probably do not understand. In order for us to reach Postmodernists we should know a little more about them and the culture of our times. Postmodernism is not easy to understand so I am attempting to write this article in a way that hopefully everyone will understand what I am writing. So, here we go!

A problem that exists for us, especially as Bible believing Christians, is that there are at least three forms of Postmodernism. I will explain the three forms, and I think that we will see the similarities and the differences between them. One thing that all three have in common is that they are in total disagreement with every prior era and so rebel against every way of looking at the world and doing things the “old way” because what was believed and accepted in the Modern Era cannot be accepted in the Post Modern Era. This is why, especially millennials (though certainly not all) have left the Church but it seems as though Gen Z’s are seeking the absolute Truth that we as Christians have to offer them.

For many postmodernists, there is no such thing as an objective reality. rival theories, different narratives, alternative communities believe that other narratives and their kin are imperialistic, such as Modernity; they leave no prisoners. Nothing whatsoever is theory independent. Advocates of this form of Postmodernism live in different worlds because there is no such thing as reality itself. If one asks whether there is something that is *really* real outside a community’s narrative, then this form of Postmodernity will respond by saying that the questioner is using “*really*” in an abandoned Modernist way, and the question should be disallowed as inappropriate given the postmodern

viewpoint. If one does not believe in a narrative-independent reality, then the notions of objective truth, objective rationality will, like “Western Civ,” have to go. This form of Postmodernism also involves Postmodern “Christians” whereas they do not believe that the Bible is the inspired, inerrant, Word of God.

What about the “Truth Makers”? The people who develop the theory/narrative and pass it on to “Truth Bearers” who pass it on to those who are susceptible to Postmodernism and have been taught to rebel against Western Civilization. It is important to know that it is someone who came up with the narrative because he/she did not like the previous era’s narrative and are in rebellion against it. We rarely ever know who the “Truth Makers” are, we might see some “Truth Bearers”, but mostly we see people have been caught up with Pilate’s question to Jesus- “What is truth?” There are always people way behind the scene who are controlling the thoughts and actions of the followers who do not agree with one thing or another and so rebel. Some are even paid to riot.

Another form of Postmodernism rejects the notion that rationality is objective on the grounds that no one approaches life in a totally objective way without bias. Thus, objectivity is impossible. For these people there is no neutral standpoint from which to approach the world. Therefore, observations, beliefs, and so forth are constructions that reflect the viewpoint in one’s own web of beliefs.

The third form of Postmodernism is the claim that commitment to absolute truth is rooted in anxiety and its need for absolute certainty. We see this in many people today. Many more people are taking antianxiety medications than ever before, especially those of the Gen Z generation. They are looking for absolute truth but are anxious about whether or not there is absolute truth. We have the answer to that- the Bible! We are seeing more and more Gen Z’s by

God's grace and the Work of the Holy Spirit through
God's Word believing that despite what the world
and their parents have taught them, that absolute

truth comes only from the triune God and His Word.

Pastor Webb



Christian Education

Birthdays!

Happy Birthday to all those born in October!



Help Wanted!

Praise God, our Sunday School has grown over the last few years. If you have been feeling God call you to help in the church and helping with Sunday School is something you would enjoy, we'd love to have you! Even if only on a part time basis. You can reach out to Megan Haverland at mjmcdonald85@yahoo.com or (248) 930-6146.

Sunday's Coffee & Conversation

Join us each Sunday after the 8:30 Divine Service for Coffee & Conversations. This fellowship opportunity is a good transition between the Divine Services and our Sunday School efforts for children, youth, young adults, and adults.

Cradle Roll Program

This program is designed to help the congregation equip new parents to share the love of Jesus with their child from birth through three years of their life. After a child is baptized, the church family nurtures the child's spiritual, emotional, and physical development. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Hanovich at 912-656-6511 or khanovich@gmail.com.

Bible Study Opportunities

ADULT SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Pastor Webb leads a Bible study in the Social Hall after the 8:30 service.

CHURCH YEAR CONNECTIONS

(Ages 2 through High School)

Join us for Sunday School classes for ages two through young adult. Teachers: Megan Haverland (2 years-1st Grade), Judy Bringman (2nd-5th Grade), Bob Hanovich (Middle School), and Karl Schumacher (High School).

YOUNG ADULT SINGLES CLASS

For ages 18-28, this class, led by Jason Lomax, is studying Apologetics.

21ST CENTURY PARENTING CLASS

Parents of school-aged kids gain insight into the issues facing Gen Z and learn how to engage them in meaningful conversations. Eric and Megan Thompson lead this class in the Education Building.

YOUNG AT HEART CLASS

Mature members study how we can demonstrate love and compassion to people in need. Bob Reynolds and Mark Waltz lead this class on the ground floor of the Education Building.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Join us at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday mornings in the Education Building to study the Word.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study meets on Mondays at 10:00am in the Education Building and on Zoom. Email Linda Tomko (linda.tomko1946@gmail.com) for more information. New members are welcome!



BOARD OF EVANGELISM

As we get closer to the end of the calendar year, Evangelism still stays busy.

There are three activities in November that will keep Evangelism busy. The first is NovemberFest. We will once again have a table set up with free reading material for adults and children. Please look over the reading material and enjoy.

The second activity is the Angel Tree. Evangelism and Board of Stewardship (with Lonna McEwen) work together as this serves the Prison Ministry. The tree will be set up in the Narthex initially with children's names along with the gift desired for the child. The tree will go up around November 15th. The gifts are requested to be wrapped and back by the December 7th-10th time frame. We are asking for volunteers to make phone calls to the families to inform them of the gift and the delivery. A script will be given to you for the phone calls. Once all the

gifts have been received, they will be sorted and delivered to the families.

The third activity is the annual Thanksgiving Meal held on Thanksgiving Day in the Social Hall. The meat is provided (turkey and ham) and if you attend, we ask that you bring a covered dish which is either a side dish or dessert. Along with the meal, there is trivia with prizes. The meal is truly a lot of fun and fellowship for everyone. If you are in town, make plans to attend.

The MCP has sent the shoebox Christmas gifts to the Philippines. They should arrive right around Christmas time to be distributed to the children.

Evangelism extends an invitation to any member who would like to attend that we meet on the first Sunday of every month in the Cry Room from 9:45 to 10:45 between services. Come and join us!



BOARD OF PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Property Management Updates

1. Education Building Front Doors

Work has started on replacing the three metal doors along the front of the Education Building. All three doors are metal doors that were hung in wood frames. The wood frames have deteriorated due to the weight of the metal doors. The door near the restrooms adjacent to the kitchen has pulled away from the frame and is no longer safe for routine use. It did partially fall out of the frame once before. The wood frame for the middle door in the large room has past termite damage that was pointed out to me by the door replacement contractor. The frame for the door with the doorbell camera is still serviceable but has damaged areas. Additionally, all the doors have deteriorated. Material cost is \$10,000 and labor cost is \$6,000.

2. Roof.

Diamond Roof Restorations inspected and cleaned the Silicon Sealant System on Monday, 28 July.

They reported that everything looked good. There was no mention of damage to the roof from turkey buzzards. We will continue to monitor the turkey buzzards.

3. Sanctuary HVAC.

Heat/Cool settings are adjusted to are 62 for heating and 74 cooling for the Narthex, and 62 for heating, and 75 for cooling for the Sanctuary. The settings were adjusted based on the current levels of humidity in the Sanctuary, 55% and Narthex, 67%. This past week, the average daily run time for the Sanctuary HVAC System was 1.6 hours; Tuesday was 3.5 hours, and Sunday was 3.6 hours. The average daily run time for the Narthex was 1.4 hours resulting in elevated humidity readings since the HVAC System did not run enough to ensure sufficient air exchange to dehumidify the Narthex area. The desired humidity is 55%, with an acceptable range between 45% and 65%, relative

humidity above 65% will engender mold and mildew.

4. Sanctuary Painting.

We have completed painting the lower walls in the Sanctuary, the Cry Room walls, and all but a small section of the Choir Room. The Narthex walls are primed and will be painted the next church workday. Please contact Ed Rogers or Bob Hanovich if you are interested in priming and painting the Sanctuary. Priming and painting, except for areas above 12 feet, will be completed in-house.

5. Pest Control.

We have contracted with Preferred Pest Control to treat the outside of all structures and any indoor areas where food is stored or prepared on a bi-monthly basis.

Ongoing Work or Requirements

The following work list has been developed per board responsibility Church Property and Equipment - Work Lists.

1. Mold.

There are four areas that have mold in the Education Building that require remediation.

2. Carpet.

The value of cleaning would be removal of dirt, bacteria, and musty smell from the carpet, but stains would remain. Our total carpeted area is around 8,000 square feet, therefore cleaning the Sanctuary and Narthex carpeting would cost between \$2,500 to \$4,000. Replacing the carpet would cost from \$50,000 to \$120,000; because the pews would have to be removed and reinstalled.

3. Education Building Drain Line.

The original church building, built around 1970 and the 1978 addition, the gym area, share a common drain line. The Sanctuary-Social Hall building might also use the same drain line. The plumbers think we might get another two or three years before the pipe becomes narrowed to the point where it will not drain. We will get an estimate on replacing the cast iron with PVC. The drainpipe runs from the front corner, closest to the Meditation Garden, of the Education Building to the utility hole located at the corner of Mercy and Woodley. The cost of drainpipe replacement is \$150 to \$250 linear foot, our run is around 150 feet, therefore, \$22,500 to \$37,500.

4. Other.

a. Additional stucco replacement and repairs. Four panels, not previously repaired or replaced, require replacement.

b. Building exterior paint to seal and protect the stucco surfaces from erosion and wear.

c. Trees on the church property will be monitored for damage or rotting.

d. Conversion of large globe light fixtures in the Sanctuary to LED.

e. Completion of interior work for removal of the large triangle window in the education building.

5. The following actions have been started per broad responsibility Security and Protection of Church Assets – Emergency and Security Equipment.

Cameras and Wi-Fi. Two additional 120-degree coverage cameras have been purchased and will be installed to monitor the back of the Sanctuary and Social Hall building. Two Blink cameras have been temporarily installed and show there is activity taking place. It is also recommended that three additional cameras be purchased to cover the garden area and the parking lot. This will enable the removal of the remaining older cameras, wires, and conduit mounted on the exterior of the buildings. Existing camera coverage will continue to be monitored to determine if additional cameras are required.

6. The following actions have been started per broad responsibility Church Property and Equipment - Implementation & Facilitation.

a. Congregation members weekly complete lawn and garden care activities.

b. There will be a church workday on the third Saturday of each month, from 9 am until noon. Lunch will be provided afterwards.

7. The following actions have been started per broad responsibility Miscellaneous - General Responsibilities of The Board - Help plan, implement, and conduct servant projects and encourage continued and increasing participation of congregational members in these activities.

BOARD OF SOCIAL MINISTRY

A big thank you to everyone who helped with our annual Homecoming and Pastor Appreciation Day. Everyone had fun and enjoyed not only the scrumptious food but the bingo game as well.

Our next churchwide gathering will be Reformation Sunday on October 26th. The Boards of Stewardship and Social Ministry are coordinating a potluck meal after our 10 a.m. Service. We will provide ham for our meal. Please bring a dish to share. Our Sunday School children will be playing the bells and singing during Service. Our older youth will be providing a play.

Veteran's Day is November 11th. We will be honoring our TLC Veterans with a special breakfast on Sunday, November 9th. If you are a veteran, please provide me with a photo from your military days. Please place your photo in an envelope and write your name on the envelope. We will place the photos on a bulletin board in the Social Hall. We will have the congregation try to match your picture and name. On November 9th we would like all of our veterans to sit at the decorated tables in the Social Hall.

If you have any questions or would like to help with the Board of Social Ministry, please see Karen Hanovich.



BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP

His

God created the world and all that is in it. Everything is His and He is the one that is and always will be in control. As that old song says, "He has the whole world in His hands". I stop to reflect, and the word *hands* has another meaning to me. The hands of Jesus, folded in prayer to His Father, our Father, and then nailed to the cross in total submission. Giving His all for us. What a sacrifice! What do we give Him? Remembering it is His, He, the Father God, the giver of all things. What do we give in response to this great love? There are the three T's—Time, Talent, Treasure. Be thinking and praying about these T's in your life. This fall you will be given the opportunity to fill out your personal Time and Talent sheet that will help the different Boards and organizations know who they can contact that are interested in serving the Lord in that capacity or wanting more information. At that time, you will also have a sheet for your name, address, contact info etc. to fill out so the church office, the directory, and online info are all correct.

This year it was decided by Council that we are going to reach out in total faith. At our annual November Voter's Meeting you will be presented with the proposed MSP (Ministry Spending Plan) for 2026 to be voted on for acceptance. In December you will receive your Treasure form with your secret pledge of giving. On Consecration Sunday you will place your filled out Treasure pledge form and Pastor will have a special time during the Divine Service for us to bring our pledge forward to the Altar railing. Remember, this pledge will be between you and the Lord—no name—just an amount you pledge to give to help with the MSP adopted at the Voter's Meeting. This is your pledge to the Lord in thanksgiving.

You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. 2 Cor. 9:11

Lonna McEwen
Board of Stewardship

BUILDING REPAIR FUND A/C UPDATE

Thank you all. This fund continues to grow, looking forward to the replacement of the old units soon. Thanking our Lord we made it through this hot

summer! Remember to indicate A/C Fund on your giving envelope.

Jackie Deemer, A/C Fund for Property Management



BOARD OF YOUTH MINISTRY

The FL-GA District Youth Ministry Weekend is first weekend of November. We have four Senior Youth who will participate in the High School Leadership Event. The High School Leadership event is designed for youth who want to form lasting friendships, build a supportive peer network, and strengthen their faith in Jesus. Participants will be empowered to actively contribute to their local church and grow in their personal walk with God. And we have nine Middle Youth attend the Middle School Gathering. "Shine," John 1:5, the light shines in the darkness, is the Gathering Theme. Our speaker, Rehema Kavugha, currently serves at Lutheran Church Extension Fund as Director of Synod Relations. Tribe and Tongue will be the house band again this year. We also have six adult chaperones participating.

The Board of Youth Ministry includes activities for the following groups. Middle School Youth Group, grades five, six, seven, and eight. Senior Youth Group, grades nine, ten, eleven, and twelve. Young Adult Singles Group, high school graduates to age 26.

The Middle School Youth meet on the first Sunday of the month. The Senior Youth meet on the third Sunday of the month. The Meetings start at 11 am and end at 1 pm. The meetings include Bible study, games, and a light snack. During Confirmation Classes, September through May, the Middle School Youth participation will end at 12:30 pm and will not include a Bible Study as Confirmation Class starts immediately after the youth meeting. The

Senior Youth Group will have their Bible Study from 12:30 to 1 pm.

The Board of Youth Ministry hosts quarterly off-site events for the Middle School Youth Group, the Senior Youth Group, and the Young Adult Singles Group. The meetings take place on a date and at a time determined by the planned event.

Next year will be another busy year for our youth.

We will again have Senior Youth participating in the Concordia Seminary, St. Louis Vocatio program. *Vocatio: High School* is a retreat that encourages high schoolers to find God's calling for their lives through experiencing many aspects of the Seminary including worship and devotions, sessions with professors, and even some fun and recreation!

We have nine Middle School Youth who are eligible to participate in the 2026 FL-GA District Middle School Servant Event Camp at Luther Springs, Florida. The Event will start Sunday, 28 June 2026.

We will participate in quarterly servant events in our community.

We will be hosting various fund raisers in 2026.

Sincere thanks to the congregation, council, and elders for their continued love, prayers, and support of the Youth.

LET'S GO!



SINGLE SERVICE - REFORMATION SUNDAY

Sunday, October 26

Sunday School at 9:00; Single Service at 10:00; Potluck Lunch Afterwards

Join us on Sunday, October 27 to celebrate Reformation Sunday and the life-giving message of God's free gift of salvation in Jesus Christ.

We will start with Sunday School at 9:00, followed by a Single Worship Service at 10:00. After worship we will enjoy a Potluck lunch, so feel free to bring a dish to share.



TIME CHANGE

Saturday Night, November 1

**Remember to set your clocks back 1 hour
when you go to bed.**



GET READY FOR ELECTION DAY

Tuesday, November 4

Exercise your Right, your Privilege, your Duty as an American: VOTE!

Voting Options: Absentee, Early in Person, or on Election Day

1. **Register** or check your voter registration.
2. **Request** Absentee Ballot, if desired (check deadline).
3. **Vote!**

Check with your county Board of Elections for all deadlines and registration instructions, as well as Absentee and Early Voting instructions.

Let's Pray and VOTE and Pray!



THE DOGHOUSE

Coming from a very busy summer, we look forward to slowing down a bit as fall begins. Our trip to the National Youth Gathering was quite simply amazing. We feel so very blessed by the support of you, our church family. As I write this, we are in Daytona at the Pastor's conference, we will be here through the week for the Lutheran Educator's Conference. Trinity Lutheran Church in DelRay has generously covered the cost of our room. They are also donating their first quarter chapel offerings to Lizzie's ministry. The LWML has also been a

wonderful supporter, we will be speaking at the zone rally hosted by our ladies this month. In honor of Pastor's Appreciation, I'd like to thank Pastor & Cathleen for their incredible support and friendship. Lizzie's health is very good, and I thank God for every day with her.

In His Grace, Cindy
Top Dog for Lizzie Comfort Dog



NOVEMBERFEST PLANT SALE

Saturday, November 8 at 10:00-2:00

Dear Trinity family, we have a DATE:
NOVEMBERFEST PLANT SALE, Saturday,
November 8th, Education Building, 10 am-2 pm.



Now is the time to "pot up" cuttings and/or plant seeds of annuals, perennials, & biennials. Divide bulbs, rhizomes, corms & tubers, annuals/perennials: Day Lilies, Callas, Devil's Backbone, Amaryllis, Gingers, Mums, Daisies, Hibiscus, Sweet Spire, Kalanchoe, Dianthus, African Violet, Bromeliads, Prayer Plant, Easter/ Thanksgiving/ Christmas, etc. And don't forget Herbs: Chives, Basil, Tarragon, Rosemary, Thyme, etc.

Always use good soil and have adequate drainage in pots; I plant in 'Black Kow' fertilizer. Please name and price plants! Also, yard art, pretty containers, hanging baskets, and garden tools are BIG sellers! Clean out your garage, closets, and/or shed and SHARE!!

Remember, Novemberfest is a great opportunity to share your love of plants and other items – great gifts for: teacher, sister, brother, aunt, uncle, anniversary, birthday, etc.!

If you know a nursery that would like to donate plants, please let me know their name, email/phone #. We have a pleasing profile in the public sector (they like Gardeners)!

"Manpower" will be needed to arrange tables Wednesday, 11/5 after Bible Study. Help will be needed Friday, 11/7 at 10am to accept plants and stage, and on Saturday, 11/8 at 10am for final staging.

There will be two FUN raffles! Guess what?? Thank you, thank you for helping make Novemberfest a happy place to be!

Questions: Shirley Lewis, 912-925-1523 or email: jandslewis@comcast.net



HEARTS OF COMPASSION

Hearts of Compassion has been active serving the community.

HoC participated in the VA Stand Down at the start of September. The Stand Down was held at the Salvation Army facility by Daffin Park. HoC passed out backpacks with blankets. Lizzie and Top Dog Cindy also were there passing out t-shirts. Around 100 backpacks were provided to the people who came to the event. The great part of the event was meeting and making connections with other organizations who help the homeless population.

Plans are underway to provide a Christmas gift list for those folks who sign up. This year, there will be a \$25.00 limit on the gift; the people will be told when they sign up. The notification will be placed in the Sunday bulletin and the November newsletter. Also, along with this, a Christmas meal will be served. A date will be determined which will be close to the week of Christmas. Again, the date will

be posted in the bulletin and the November newsletter.

As for the Clothes Closet, we are in need of the smaller sizes of men's clothing especially pants. We are still accepting any clothing donations as well. We appreciate the donations.

The Food Pantry is doing well. Families who need food and have the ability to cook, those bags are beginning to increase once again. The individual food packs for those who do not have the ability to cook are still steady.

HoC has also made two referrals to the Savannah Chatham Homeless Authority. Both referrals were for housing requests.

Once again, HoC would like to thank everyone who donates clothing, food, and cooks the Friday meals. Without all of you, the ministry would not be as successful as it is.



SPOTLIGHT: PASTOR JEFF WEBB

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. This month we spotlight Pastor Jeff Webb.

Jeff Webb came to Trinity in May 2017 as an interim pastor. He was installed as our chosen pastor in July 2018. He is our pastor, he loves God, country, family, and Trinity.

Pastor's goal for Trinity is to become a more mission-minded congregation, to reach out to our friends, our neighbors, and all others to share who we are by the Holy Spirit. To become disciples who talk about God. Perhaps one day grow another congregation.

Pastor serves on the Board of Directors of Bethel Maritime. He is also a member of the International Propeller Club of Savannah. A husband and father who loves family time. He loves to read and tour St. Augustine, FL often.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. Reach out to Pastor and show appreciation for his service to Trinity and the community.

Thank you for this interview for Spotlight of the Month.

Jackie Deemer, LWML President



TLC QUILTERS

TLC Quilters received the following note recently:

Trinity Lutheran Church LWML,

Enclosed is a check for two quilts plus a little extra for your mission work. The quilts are most beautiful, and I know the individuals who receive them will cherish them (you should feature them on a website!).

Thank you also for the impact that you have on the lives of so many through your mission work and for the impact that you have had on the lives of my family. LWML was an important part of my mom's life; I have been involved with LWML at my church because of her experience, and Dad, I know, has been blessed by his work with and for the TLC LWML. Blessings to you all!

In Christ's love,
Carole

FIND US ONLINE

- ***Website** - www.trinitylutheransavannah.com
- ***Facebook** - Friends of Trinity Lutheran Church;
- Trinity Lutheran Church of Savannah Media;
- Lizzie Comfort Dog
- ***Instagram** - #lcck9lizzie (Lizzie Comfort Dog)
- ***YouTube** - Trinity Lutheran Savannah

ONLINE GIVING

For your convenience, we have two on-line giving applications available for your use.



Your first online giving application is Venmo. Venmo is a cash-free way of sending and receiving money. Venmo has three main requirements for using the app. You must: be located in the U.S., have a U.S. cell phone that can send and receive text messages using short codes, and be at least 18 years of age. Use the camera setting on your cell phone on the QR code to the left and it will take you directly to our TLC online account. Enter the amount of your donation and press enter. Follow the instructions on the screen.

The second is VANCO. More than 40,000 churches, faith-based groups, nonprofits, schools, and educational organizations trust Vanco to process payments and donations. It's easy to use. Using the camera setting on your cell phone on the QR code to the right and it will take you directly to Vanco. Follow the instructions to set up your on-line account.



If you have any questions, please contact Karen Hanovich.



LWML WOMEN IN MISSION

Wednesday, October 1 at 11:30 (lunch) & 12:00 (meeting)

Ladies' Guild meets Wednesday, October 1, 11:30 lunch, 12 noon meeting. Bring your lunch. Dessert provided.

I encourage you to let us "share your burdens." Happy or sad or in between, place your request in our LWML mailbox. It's the purple mailbox on the table in the Narthex.

Oct. 18 – East Central Georgia Fall Rally: Join us on Saturday, October 18, 9am-2pm. Registration begins at 9am. Cost is \$15. Includes a light breakfast and lunch. We will be joined by ladies from Augusta and Warner Robins. Our "Gifts from the Heart" go to Lizzie – Lizzie and Cindy are our guests and will share stories of their adventures with us. Please sign up on sheet in Narthex by Oct. 13. You will enjoy this day with us.

Oct. 19 is LWML Sunday. The ladies welcome the opportunity to share our mission in service. We are

women in mission, in church, in our community, and through our "mites" the world. Thank you for your support.

Oct. 26 is Reformation Sunday with one service at 10am. Your guild will honor our confirmands with a reception of cake and punch. Congratulations to our confirmands Gregory Thompson, Hannah Baneck, and Anya Saak.

Think ahead to Novemberfest, Saturday, November 8. Help is needed to set up, bake, be a worker, join in the fun beginning on Wednesday, Nov. 5. Bake goods, flower shop, and crafts – you are needed!

Last, thank you for all your support in all areas of our guild. You are appreciated!

Jackie Deemer, LWML Guild President

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12391 Mercy Blvd. Savannah, GA. 31419
Invites you to their 46th Annual

N O V E M B E R F E S T

SAT. NOVEMBER 8TH 10AM-2PM

Come and do your shopping with us

Many 'one-of-a-kind' Craft items

Center Pieces—Christmas Trees—Kitchen needs—Nativities
Ornaments—Pet Supplies—Wall Hangings—Wreaths—Quilts

Donation Raffle: 3 prizes for you to select

Drawing at 2 PM You do not need to be present to WIN!

Ticket \$2 3 for \$5 7 for \$10

Hide-A-Way Hallow 5 Pc. Christmas Village (\$100+ value)

Gift Basket of Gingerbread items (\$150+ value)

Hand-Sewn Queen size Quilt

Bake Shoppe

Home-made Goodies of Cookies
Brownies-Cakes-Pies-Jams-Jellies

Plant Sale

in the Ed Bldg

Delicious BarBQ Lunch--\$10
BarBQ Sandwich, Coleslaw, Baked Beans and Drink



Unwrapping the

Gifts

By the Rev. Will Weedon

LCMS Director of Worship, International Center Chaplain

Does the Reformation still matter? I put that question to some of the folks I work closely with and thought their answers might provide some interesting food for thought as we approach the Festival of the Reformation.

From the Rev. Dr. Herbert C. Mueller Jr., first vice-president of the LCMS:

The Reformation brings a constant (re)focusing on the Gospel: God's grace for Christ's sake, received through faith alone. Since the Day of Pentecost, the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church we confess in the creed lives wherever the Word of God is heard. The risen Lord Jesus Himself gathers believers by His Spirit through Word and Sacrament. No persecution can snuff out the life of this body, for we have Christ's promise that He builds the Church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it (Matt. 16:18). Yet the Gospel can become encrusted with man-made requirements obscuring the pure message of justification by God's grace in Jesus, received through faith alone. For that reason the Church always needs reformation (re)focus, that is, repentance. The Word of God calls us away from self-chosen works and worship so that the Church finds her life again only in the life of Christ for us, the life delivered to us in Word, in water and in the body and blood. Lutherans pledge themselves to the confessions gathered in the Book of Concord because they are in accord with God's Word and because they help us keep Jesus at the center of our life and faith. Our goal is not academic, but eminently pastoral, for we are convinced Lutheran teaching brings the greatest possible comfort to penitent sinners, i.e., hurting and broken people, by pointing them to Christ alone. Our confession says that "we do not obtain forgiveness of sin and righteousness before God by our own merits, works or satisfactions, but that we receive forgiveness of sin and become righteous before God by grace, for Christ's sake, through faith, when we believe that Christ suffered for us and that for his sake our sin is forgiven and righteousness and eternal life are given to us" (Augustana IV). This is our reformation (re)focus and the promise by which we live. In a world of uncertainty, here is one thing completely sure: "... since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ" (Rom. 5:1 ESV). Reformation then is always the call to repent and to believe the Gospel.

From the Rev. Bart Day, the executive director of the LCMS Office of National Mission:

The Reformation still matters because Jesus matters. The heart of the Reformation was rejoicing to confess and live in the complete person and work of Christ. That rejoicing and confessing still happens in the church where the Word of God has free course, where the Sacraments are received in faith, and the body of Christ lives in love and fellowship.

From the Rev. Paul T. McCain, publisher and executive director of the Editorial department at Concordia Publishing House:

The Reformation matters because the reformation never ends. Until the end of time sinners will need to hear the thundering condemnation of God's holy law and the sweet comfort of the precious Good News of salvation by grace alone, through faith alone on account of Christ alone. Lord, keep us steadfast in your Word!

From the Rev. Todd Wilken, host of Issues, Etc., talk radio:

The Reformation still matters because the Gospel still matters. The question of the day in the 16th Century was, "Is the dead and risen Jesus really enough to save a world of sinners?" That is still the question of the day in the 21st century. And the answer is still "Yes."

About Unwrapping the Gifts

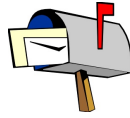
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Dear Patriots:

On behalf of the Charleston-Ralph Johnson VAMC (534) and Savannah VA clinic patients and staff, we would like to extend our appreciation to you for your donation of Bombas socks and lap quilts.

It is through the efforts of community partners like you that allow us to continue the quality care and services that we seek to provide for our deserving Veterans. We look forward to the opportunity to work with you again for future events.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Dwight Kress, Voluntary Service Program Manager

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**** OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS ****

Charles Cobb	10-03	Travis Austin	10-17
Linda Fajen	10-06	Pat Sautter	10-19
Jerry Taylor	10-08	Landon Borozinski	10-19
Erica Ervin	10-09	Willow Paula	10-20
Gregory Thompson	10-10	Ann Waltz	10-28
A. "Lester" Robinson	10-12	Madalyn Wayman	10-29
James Chance	10-14	Monica Rodgers	10-31

We thank God for each and every person at Trinity who is celebrating his or her birthday this month,
and pray for the Lord's blessing upon each of them.

This list is provided so friends may say a special prayer and acknowledge the birthday of loved ones.

If you or someone you know at Trinity was not included in this listing, please contact Traci Schumacher in the church office.

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IN RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Attendance</u>				<u>Offerings</u>
	<u>Early</u>	<u>Late</u>	<u>YouTube</u>	<u>Facebook</u>	
August 24	56	60	10	136	\$5,095.83
August 31	50	40	19	115	\$5,234.04
September 7	57	37	7	129	\$8,760.00
September 14	80	61	5	151	\$4,855.50
September 17 Wed		89	17	214	\$138.00
September 21	58	55	7	86	\$2,767.17
<u>Total contributions for the period</u>				\$26,850.54	

DESIGNATED GIFTS

Air Conditioner	967.00
Can Do/ Food Pantry	200.00
Comfort Dog	300.00
Concordia Seminary	75.00
Hearts of Compassion	125.00
Lutheran Women's Missionary League Mites	198.75
Memorial – Hodgson (LWML Mites)	150.00
Property Management	350.00
The Living Vine	75.00
WF Garden Club Donation	250.00
Youth	539.00
Youth – Dinner & Movie	70.00

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***The Mission of Trinity Lutheran Church:
Led by God, equipped as disciples through Word and Sacrament,
we are empowered by the Holy Spirit to reach out with the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all.***

***The Vision of Trinity Lutheran Church:
Growing in God's Word to Share Christ's Love***

October, 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Bible Study (EB) 10:00 LWML Lunch & Meeting (EB) 11:30	2 NAMI (EB) 6:00-7:00 Clothes Closet 10:00-1:00 Crafters (EB) 10:00-2:00 Cub Scouts (SH) 6:00-8:00	3 Meals for Homeless 4:00	4
5 Mite Sunday Worship 8:30 (Communion) & 11:00 Sunday School 9:45 Evangelism Meeting (Cry Room) 9:45-10:45 MS Youth Group (EB) 11:00-1:00	6 Board of Elders 6:30 Cub Scouts (SH) 6:00-8:00 Women's Bible Study (EB) 10:00	7 Clothes Closet 4:00-6:00 Cub Scouts (SH) 6:00-8:00	8 Bible Study (EB) 10:00	9 NAMI (SH) 6:00-7:00 Clothes Closet 10:00-1:00 Church Council (EB) 6:30 Crafters (EB) 10:00-2:00	10 Meals for Homeless 4:00	11 Neighborhood Prayer Walk 10:00
12 Can Do Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11:00 (Communion) Sunday School 9:45 Youth Breakfast	13 Cub Scouts (SH) 6:00-8:00 Women's Bible Study (EB) 10:00 Columbus Day	14 TLC Quilters (EB) 10:00-1:00 Clothes Closet 4:00-6:00 Cub Scouts (SH) 6:00-8:00	15 Bible Study (EB) 10:00 Over 50 Group Lunch 12:00 Blended Service 7:00pm	16 NAMI (EB) 6:00-7:00 Clothes Closet 10:00-1:00 Crafters (EB) 10:00-2:00 Cub Scouts (SH) 6:00-8:00	17 Meals for Homeless 4:00 LWML Fall Rally Set-Up (SH) all day	18 LWML Fall Rally (SH) all day
19 Building Repair Fund Sunday Worship 8:30 (Communion) & 11:00 Sunday School 9:45 LWML Sunday HS Youth Group (EB) 11:00-1:00	20 Cub Scouts (SH) 6:00-8:00 Women's Bible Study (EB) 10:00	21 Clothes Closet 4:00-6:00 Cub Scouts (SH) 6:00-8:00 Windsor Forest Garden Club (EB) 10:00-12:00	22 Bible Study (EB) 10:00	23 NAMI (EB) 6:00-7:00 Clothes Closet 10:00-1:00 Crafters (EB) 10:00-2:00	24 Meals for Homeless 4:00	25 Workday 9:00-12:00
26 Single Worship Service 10:00 (Communion) Reformation Sunday Celebration 9:00 Reformation Sunday Potluck after Worship	27 Cub Scouts (SH) 6:00-8:00 Women's Bible Study (EB) 10:00	28 TLC Quilters (EB) 10:00-1:00 Clothes Closet 4:00-6:00 Cub Scouts (SH) 6:00-8:00 Windsor Forest Garden Club (SH) 9:00-12:30	29 Bible Study (EB) 10:00	30 NAMI (EB) 6:00-7:00 Clothes Closet 10:00-1:00 Crafters (EB) 10:00-2:00 Cub Scouts (SH) 6:00-8:00	31 Meals for Homeless 4:00 Reformation Day	

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