# TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH 200 East Clements Bridge Road Runnemede, NJ 08078 September 2021 Newsletter WELCOME BACK EDITION



Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

\*\*Romans 15:7\*\*



Although we don't know exactly how the pandemic began, most of us consider the starting point as the day everything shut down. For that is the moment everything changed.

The end of the pandemic will be just as murky. Epidemiologists have already informed us that there will be no exact moment that will be considered the end.

In fact, Covid-19 is probably here to stay. Vaccines and booster shots will be an ongoing fact of life. Outbreaks will occur now and again leading to occasional masking and social distancing.

Our lives have forever been changed by this experience.

The shut downs from the beginning of the pandemic led to a shortage of supplies (remember the supermarket shelves empty of paper towels, toilet paper, soap, and hand sanitizer?). At this current stage, we now have a shortage of workers. As a result, many businesses have curtailed their hours because of a lack of staff. Some restaurants are closed on Mondays because of the shortage. It is not uncommon to approach a business to find a sign on the door, "Closed due to lack of employees."

Much of what we now "suffer" through are just inconveniences. The sickness and loss of life is the real suffering that we have had to cope with.

Some of our employment issues deal with that fact that low-income workers are receiving more income from government sources than they would at their jobs. However, many workers with good jobs and good pay are quitting and the reasons are myriad. Much of it has to do with time spent at home during the pandemic. Workers had time to think and re-evaluate their lives and positions. Some have retired earlier than they had planned. Others have decided that spending more time with family was preferable than spending more time at work.

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As we do our best to return to normal at Trinity, we know that things will not be the same. We have made necessary changes for the safety of our members and we have had to make some structural changes to meet the needs of administrating the ongoing activities of our church. Some are noticeable and some are not.

As we attempt at getting back to a more normal operation of our ministry at Trinity, we have prepared this mini newsletter to re-acquaint you with the many ministries that are available. Who they are, what they do, when they meet, etc.

I hope you read through this report and as you become informed of the many ways we serve God and our community, maybe pray for guidance to see if God is calling you to serve in some new way.

Our lives have forever been changed by this experience, but the word of God carries on in the words of Jesus, "And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:20NRSV)

Grace and Peace, Pastor Andy

(Matthew 28:18-20 NRSV)

These closing verses from the Gospel of Matthew encapsulate the entire thrust of his gospel. They do not form a conclusion but explain the whole purpose of his writing of the gospel. St. Matthew is the first book to be included in the collection of books that we refer to as the New Testament. Tradition assigns the authorship of this Gospel to Matthew, or Levi, the Jewish tax collector whom Jesus calls from his business to serve as a disciple.

have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Matthew's outline of Jesus' life begins with the story of His birth, followed by His relation to John the Baptist. After Jesus is baptized by John, He is tempted in the wilderness by Satan. After which, He begins his public ministry. Matthew locates Jesus' public ministry in the area of Galilee. Jesus teaches, preaches and heals in the country where tradition claims Him to have grown up. The next major portion of this Gospel is the Passion of our Lord, focusing on Jesus' trial, crucifixion and resurrection.

Matthew's portrait of the Jewish Messiah is similar to those of Mark and Luke, yet he reveals a unique nuance in his understanding of Jesus' fulfillment of this role. Matthew opens with a genealogy which connects Jesus with King David and the patriarch Abraham. For Jewish readers of this gospel to understand Jesus' fulfillment of God's prophecy they would have to understand His connection to David, the ideal king whom the Messiah will emulate. In revealing Jesus' family tree, Matthew demonstrates to his fellow Jews that Jesus is the expected Messianic Savior. Only St. Matthew makes this direct initial connection in his gospel.

The version of the Lord's prayer commonly used by the church is taken from Matthew 6:9-13. Also, Matthew is the only gospel in which the community of believers is referred to as the church (Matthew 16:18 and 18:17).

You may wonder why I began this article with the closing words of Matthew's gospel. I did so because they don't end the gospel of Matthew. Those words are Jesus' words that have led many to faith and lead us into mission, the mission of spreading the good news of God's fulfillment of salvation through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Matthew ends his gospel with these words of Jesus, but the story continues in the lives of all who having heard the good news, call upon Jesus for salvation, and then go to proclaim the good news to others.

Join us as we explore and examine the good news of Jesus Christ as told to us by St. Matthew. The study begins on Wednesday, September 8th at 1:00pm.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Andy

# FUNERALS DURING THE COVID SHUTDOWN MONTHS UP TO AUGUST 2021

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the families and friends of those listed.

On March 2, 2020

**ALFRED STRATER (85)** 

Of Runnemede, NJ

On March 14, 2020

PEARL C. COX (97)

Of Voorhees, NJ

On April 13, 2020

HILDA J. DONALD (81)

Of Somerdale, NJ

On April 14, 2020

ANNA BARBARA BUKOWSKI (85)

Of Bellmawr, NJ

On April 30, 2020

MARIA BRALINSKA (71)

Of Berlin, NJ

On May 1, 2020

**MARIAN SHUSTER (87)** 

Of Runnemede, NJ

On May 1, 2020

**JERRY WAYNE HARPER (75)** 

Of Washington Twp., NJ

On May 4, 2020

**JOAN SWIERK (77)** 

Of Newfield, NJ

On May 12, 2020

NANCY O'BRIEN (71)

Of Southampton, NJ

On May 20, 2020

JOHN W. BARKHAMER (65)

Of Camden, NJ

May 21, 2020

JOSEPH BUSH (91)

Of Runnemede, NJ

On May 29, 2020

JOSEPH P. GALANTI (40)

Of Blackwood, NJ

On May 30, 2020

**REGINA DIEMUNSCH (70)** 

Of Glendora, NJ

On June 2, 2020

KATHERINE A. RICE-DONACHIE (90)

Of Somerdale, NJ

On June 5, 2020

**ELIZABETH F. LIVINGSTON (99)** 

Of Runnemede, NJ

On July 10, 2020

**VIRGINIA REEVES (99)** 

Of Elmwood Hills, NJ

On July 18, 2020

**ROBERT ANTHONY (77)** 

Of Runnemede, NJ

On July 25, 2020

THOMAS B. BAUER (39)

Of Pennsauken, NJ

On August 6, 2020 **ANNA M. MELONI (92)** Of Bellmawr, NJ

On August 8, 2020 **HOLLY J. CARLSEN (45)** Of Blackwood, NJ

On August 14, 2020 LILLIAN K. SMALL (85) Of Runnemede, NJ

On August 15, 2020 **THOMAS J. DAVENPORT (88)** Of Bellmawr, NJ

On August 20, 2020 PATRICIA THOMAS (61) Of Bellmawr, NJ

On October 1, 2020 **BARBARA AUPPERLE (88)** Of Runnemede, NJ

On November 13, 2020 **ELEANOR H. SCUTTI (80)**Of Runnemede, NJ

On November 13, 2020 **ROBIN M. DOMIANO (59)** Of Blenheim, NJ

On November 18, 2020 **DOROTHY T. DROZD (97)** Of Haddonfield, NJ

On December 2, 2020 **WARREN R. DAYTON (96)** Of Runnemede, NJ On December 5, 2020 **KRISTOFER S. DODELIN (38)** Of Audubon, NJ

On December 9, 2020

HILDA ZIC (83)

Of Somerdale, NJ

On December 11, 2020 **DIANE R. GRIFFIN (66)** Of Pine Hill, NJ

On December 14, 2020 **LEONE A. SCHMIDT (81)** Of Runnemede, NJ

On December 31, 2020

MARION H. SCHREFFLER (92)

Of Bellmawr, NJ

#### **2021 FUNERALS**

On January 2, 2021

HELEN MCGARVEY (86)

Of Runnemede, NJ

On January 7, 2021 **PATRICIA A. IMPELLIZERI (72)**Of Laurel Springs, NJ

On January 8, 2021 **STEPHEN J. BLASKO (79)** Of Glendora, NJ

On January 9, 2021 **LOUISE A. TWARONOWICZ (89)** Of Southampton, NJ On January 13, 2021 **EDWARD O. WILCOX, JR (86)** Of Cherry Hill, NJ

On January 19, 2021 **CHARYLE TROMBETTA (49)** Of Sewell, NJ

On February 2, 2021 **RONALD R. RUBIN (79)** Of Woodbury, NJ

On February 17, 2021 **HENRY H. WILSON (61)** Of Galloway, NJ

On February 18, 2021 CATHERINE DALY (62) Of West Deptford, NJ

On February 20, 2021 **RYAN WILLIAM MASON (19)**Of Sicklerville, NJ

On February 24, 2021 **MARGARET B. REICHERT (98)** Of Blackwood, NJ

> On February 26, 2021 *JAY R. BRAD (59)* Of Runnemede, NJ

On March 8, 2021 **CHARLOTTE M. NORMAN (91)** Glendora, NJ

> On March 11, 2021 MARY R. EVANS (79) Of Bellmawr, NJ

March 15, 2021 **CORRINE "PAT" HENRY (93)** Of Cherry Hill, NJ On March 18, 2021 **DORIS LOUISE MENCHACA (97)** Of Erial, NJ

On March 25, 2021 **JOANNE E. WAWRZYNIAK (81)**Of Williamstown, NJ

On April 3,2021

PATRICIA A. MULLINAX (81)

Of Voorhees, NJ

On April 6, 2021 **ROBERT JACKOWSKI (81)** Of Collingswood, NJ

On April 11, 2021

PAUL M. HOFFMAN, JR (86)

Of Blackwood, NJ

On April 28,2021 **ROBERT J. MILLER (97)** Of Blackwood, NJ

On April 28, 2021 **ROBERT W. PUNCH (66)** Of Laurel Springs, NJ

On April 29, 2021 FRANK WEARSHING (85) Of Sewell, NJ

> On May 5, 2021 **ISABEL WAKELEY (84)** Of Sewell, NJ

On May 26, 2021

ELSIE DOPILKA (91)

Of Audubon, NJ

On May 27, 2021 JOSEPH WASSON (78) Of Glendora, NJ On June 2, 2021 **SALLY RYBAK (81)** Of Cherry Hill, NJ

On June 4, 2021 **BETTY ANN REEVES (93)** Of Haddon Heights, NJ

On June 8, 2021 **KATHLEEN A. CATALDI (74)** Of Somerdale, NJ

On June 21, 2021 JOHN T. FARNSWORTH (85) Of Runnemede, NJ

On June 29, 2021 **NANCY L. MORGEY (75)** Of Bellmawr, NJ

On July 10, 2021 JEFFREY M. DUNN (57) On July 12, 2021 JAMES C. MERNA (49) Of Runnemede, NJ

On July 19, 2021 **GARY R. STEFENCAVAGE (60)** Of Bellmawr, NJ

> On July 28, 2021 LISA A. SCANLON (60) Of Berlin, NJ

On July 29, 2021 **PAUL A. GUSHEA (78)** Of Williamstown, NJ

On August 10, 2021 **ROBERT B. DISSEL, JR. (61)** Of Sewell, NJ

> On August 30, 2021 **MARION WHITE (85)** OF Landrum SC



### WEDDINGS

On February 7, 2020

THOMAS A. CROHAN

(of Manville, NJ)

TO

LAUREN HELEN GUENETTE

(0f Manville, NJ)

On August 20, 2020

JEFFREY PAUL THATCHER

(of Gloucester Twp., NJ)

TO

ALICE ZIPPEL

(of Gloucester Twp., NJ)

On April 4, 2020

DANIEL DOUGLAS WILLIAMS

(of Bellmawr, NJ)

TO

CHRISTINE JEAN LIPSKI

(of Gloucester City, NJ)

On October 23, 2020

JAMES THOMAS WAKELEY

(of Pine Hill, NJ)

TO

ERICA MICHELLE LUNN

(of Pine Hill, NJ)



On April 30, 2021

DAVID JAMES DUDZINSKI

(of Vineland, NJ)

TO

TIFFANY MARIE THIBAULT

(of Vineland, NJ)



On November 21, 2020

#### **BRAXTON LOUIS DIGIROLAMO**

Son of Gaetano DiGirolamo & Rachel Patten
Of Deptford, NJ
Born: August 10, 2020

On December 12, 2020

#### **MADDYN NICOLE REDLES**

Of Voorhees, NJ Born: December 27, 2016

On January 23, 2021

#### ZAYN ANTHONY YURCABA

Son of Taylor Yurcaba Of Brooklawn, NJ Born: April 3, 2019

On February 20, 2021

#### **EVELYN JAMES CIHANOWYZ**

Of Mt. Ephraim, NJ Born: June 12, 2020

On February 27, 2021

#### TEAGAN MARIE GAGLIARDI

Daughter of Joseph & Colleen Gagliardi Of Runnemede, NJ Born: May 7, 2020

On March 27, 2021

#### EMMA LEIGH KAISER

Daughter of Michael Kaiser & Amy Schemeley
Of Pine Hill, NJ
Born: February 4, 202

On April 24, 2021

#### **ZOEY ALIEEN SHOCKLEY**

Of Runnemede, NJ Born: June 13, 2020

On May 30, 2021

#### **CHARLOTTE RAE COZZALIO**

Daughter of Daniel & Sarah Cozzalio Of Garfield, NJ Born: August 28, 2020

On June 12, 2021

#### ADDISYN JUDITH KOLTYS

Daughter of Christopher & Savannah Koltys Of Voorhees, NJ Born: September 6, 2019

On July 3, 2021

#### JAMES BRIAN ALSPACH III

Son of Shaunna & James Alspach Jr.
Of Frankinville, NJ
Born: July 31, 2020

On July 17, 2021

#### TATUM REYES BAKER

Daughter of Jarrett Baker & Ashley Swierk
Of Blackwood, NJ
Born: November 12, 2020

On August 21, 2021

#### CECILIA LYNN PATTON

Daughter of Stephen & Stephanie Patton Of Drexel Hill, PA Born: April 28, 2021

#### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Apart from holiday weeks, the Prayer Shawl Ministry usually meets the first Friday of every Month (September - June) at 10:00 a.m. We are hopeful that we can have our meetings as follows:

<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Friday, September 10, 2021(holiday wk.)	Friday, January 7, 2022
Friday, October 1, 2021	Friday, February 4, 2022
Friday, November 5, 2021	Friday, March 4, 2022
Friday, December 3, 2021	Friday, April 1, 2022
	Friday, May 6, 2022
	Friday, June 3, 2022

#### Distribution:

\*Pastor delivered prayer shawls to Beth Juliano (Susan Dilks' friend), Joe Bush (Kris Foster's friend & Trinity member), Al Strater, Carl Nagel, Kathy Cubler, Karen Deacon, Kathleen Matteo, Tori Veigel,

Amy Englehart (mother's death) and Linda Heuschkel.

\*Ann Carter delivered approximately 262 gifts, consisting of hats, scarves and gloves to Cathedral Kitchen.

\*U R Important 2 US also received donations of hats and scarves for the homeless.

#### Corresponding Secretary:

Barbara Anconetani reported that we received Thank You acknowledgements from the Sunday School for the blanket donation, Joann Strater for the prayer shawl Al received and from the Confirmation group (Eric Grant, Emma Hill, Austin Hui, Owen Palmer, Fallon Shinseki and Tori Veigel) for the cross bookmarks received. In November we shared some of our yarn with a church group that has a similar mission. We received a note from the Saints. Peter & Paul Knitters and Crocheters expressing their appreciation. Barbara sent cards thanking the following for their continued support: Susan Dilks, James Akeley, Dorothy Martin, Mike Dunda and Marie Cook.

#### **Baptismal Historian:**

Mary Raws reported on the following:

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Name	Baptized	
Mia Lilyana Tress	2/23/20	
Lila Catherine Riffitts	2/23/20	
Zayn Anthony Yurcaba	3/29/20	
Braxton Lois DiGirolamoo	11/21/20	
Maddyn Nicole Redles	12/20/20	
Teagan Marie Gagliardi	2/27/21	
Emma Leigh Kaiser	3/27/21	
Zoey Aileen Shockley	4/24/21	
Charlotte Rae Cozzalio	5/30/21	
Addisyn Judith Koltys	6/12/21	
Evelyn James Cihanowyz	6/20/21	
James Brian Alspach III	7/03/21	
Tatum Reyes Baker	7/17/21	

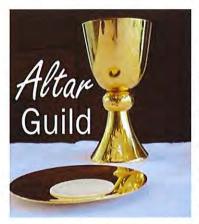


We offer our congratulations to the newest members of the congregation.

<u>Our mission</u> is to provide the Church with prayer shawls and lap blankets for those who are experiencing possible spiritual and/or physical need. We also make hats and scarves for Cathedral Kitchen and U R Important 2 US to be donated as needed. Some of the other organizations that our works go to are the Veterans Hospital and the Osborn Family Clinic. There also is another part of our mission--welcoming the young ones at Baptism. At this time, we have received an urgent appeal from Pastor Andy for more white Baptismal Blankets.

We welcome our old friends back and encourage others to come join our meeting. No experience is needed and there is an abundance of yarn, needles and hooks at Trinity that can be used for shawls, lap blankets, hats, scarves and baby sweaters. We are so grateful to the many members who have dropped off their handiworks. I understand that at least one bin has been filled and another will be shortly. Although we would enjoy seeing everyone at our next meeting on Friday September 10, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. (Unless new COVID restrictions are implemented) we want to express our gratitude to all those who support our Ministry in so many ways. If you have any questions, I can be reached at 856 931-1930.

Val Colasuonno Vice President Prayer Shawl Ministry May God Hold You in the Palm of His Hand



## The Altar Guild is a lay ministry to serve God

in His house by preparing the Sanctuary for Communion, maintaining and caring for the sacred vessels, altar linens, and paraments. Altar Guild is open to everyone. The altar guild has numerous duties. They prepare Holy Communion by putting out the necessary vessels, grape juice (or wine) and

communion wafers. They ensure the appropriate paraments are displayed according to the church calendar and make sure the fair linen is clean. They replace the altar candles when necessary and do light cleaning of the altar. We usually have teams of two or three for the 8:30am and 10:00am services. Serving in the Altar Guild is both a privilege and a pleasure. If you would like to become a part of this group, please contact Anna Marie Wright, ae.wright.now@gmail.com or by phone at 609-315-9214.



#### PRAYER CIRCLES

Did you know that Trinity has Prayer Circles? Presently there are four "circles" with 31 people participating. We pray for members and non-members. As someone has a physical need or whatever, we pray for them.

When a call comes to the Church or to me (Pat Schmidt), I will call the leader of each prayer circle. In turn that person calls the next on the list and so on. We say "This is a Prayer Call. Then you will be told the name and age of the one in need explaining the request."

We usually have calls any time from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. ONLY if there is a dire need will you get a call during the night.

I look forward to additional persons (male or female) to join Trinity's Prayer Circle. Questions? Call me at 856-845-3485. You will be blessed serving the Lord through this ministry!

Pat Schmidt



Hello, I am Rich Greiner. I along with Dave Daly Co-Chair the Property Committee here at Trinity. Our ministry deals with all aspects of Trinity's property (buildings and grounds). We deal with contractors to contracts, routine maintenance, small to large projects, and any emergency that might arise. It's usually a water issue as there were times we felt like Noah (literally). We report directly to the Pastor and Council on all matters concerning our properties and give an annual report at the Congregational Meeting in November.

Our goal is to maintain Trinity's properties in good working condition for our members and guests and to work within our annual budget. We strive to keep costs down. One way we accomplish this is with our monthly work days which are scheduled on the first Saturday of each month at 8:00 a.m. unless it falls on a holiday weekend. An example would be Labor Day Weekend. Other circumstances for rescheduling would be a wedding or funeral service taking place in the Church. We usually announce our work days well in advance for anyone who would like to come and join us. Even though we start at 8:00 am, we don't have a time clock for those who want to sleep in on Saturday mornings. We try to wrap up by noon or sooner. Even if you can only donate 1-2 hours and you need to leave due to your schedule it's OK, people do it all the time. We try to get a head count the week of the work day so we can plan our projects. We are blessed with people who have skilled talents in the trades, however there are many things we do that don't require any skill whatsoever. If you show up, we will have something for you to do as there is no end to our list of things that need to be done.

In closing, our work days are very special. We have great fellowship, accomplish many tasks, enjoy a great coffee break, and leave with a good feeling that we helped maintain our Lord's House as a beautiful place to worship.

Dave and I can be reached either by phone, text, or email: Rich Greiner: 856-296-7854, email: parrgg1@comcast.net Dave Daly: 856-693-5020, email: djdaly58@comcast.net

Yours in Christ, Rich and Dave

#### SUNSHINE GROUP



Fellowship & Congregation of Trinity Lutheran Church - TLC,

The Sunshine Group welcomes you to join us on September 14<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m. for our First Annual Sunshine Social & unofficial meeting. Swing on in and stop on by to reconnect with Church members, partake in some lunch and desserts we prepared and learn about our involvement, causes and mission to the church and our community. It has been a year and a half of being apart so let's get together as we all begin to reintroduce, reestablish, and renew ourselves in giving back to others.

The Sunshiners are a group who meet for lunch on the second Tuesday of each month in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Andy and Janet join us for a while if they are available to do so. We support TLC by helping the Social Concerns Ministry and Pantry with various projects. We also distribute the altar flowers to the sick or shut ins if they are not claimed after Services on Sunday. Any donations or monies we collect or raise gets relocated to the church and various programs it supports.

As this past year and a half has divided us, we are looking to a future of togetherness and hopefulness by keeping the faith and humbly serving the church, it's members and our community.

Please join us on Tuesday September 14<sup>th</sup> at 12 Noon to rejoice in the light and love of the Lord!

In Fellowship, Friendship and Faith: Farah Pierson
Sunshine Member & Contact
858-405-0950



#### **LENTEN SOUP & BREAD COMMITTEE**

It has been a long time since we have enjoyed our Lenten Soup Suppers. (March 4, 2020, to be exact) Soup, dessert, and socialization make Wednesday evenings special during the Lenten Season.

I hope we have a large number of volunteers during our next Lenten Season. (March 2-April 14, 2022) We need soup cooks, bakers, set-up, and clean-up people. *Many hands make for light* work.

It is a lot of fun and a way to meet new people and reunite with old friends. Sign up sheets will be available in the Church beginning February 2022.

Looking forward to seeing you at our Lenten Soup & Bread Suppers in 2022.

Sincerely, Lee Mikulski 856-939-4009



### **Decorating Committee**

The decorating committee needs your help preparing our Church for seasonal decorations.

Bright daffodils, tulips, lilies, and hyacinths seem to blossom Easter morning from the window sills, the end of pews and in wreaths on the doors in March and April.

At the end of October, the Sanctuary turns to the colors of Fall and Thanksgiving. We'll mix the autumn orange, red and yellow leaves and vines with pinecones and evergreens on the pews, windows, and fall wreaths.

The Property Committee hang the greens and lights from the rafters as they put up our first Christmas tree for 2021. We'll then start our responsibilities as Trinity "decorators". Trinity's window sills and pews sport silk poinsettias, pine boughs and colorful bows. During Advent our smaller Christmas tree welcomes everyone as they enter the Church from the parking lot.

Through the rest of 2021 and into the start of the new year, the above will be done with all current COVID-19 safety directives.

A big change would occur just by adding a few more volunteers. Its amazing how adding three or four more helpers can cut an hour or two off any one of these Saturday workdays. Won't you join us for fellowship and fun as we "dress up" the church for special occasions?

Please call Florence Robinson with any questions (856) 939-5533 or email me at: <a href="mailto:CherylWhite@comcast.net">CherylWhite@comcast.net</a>

Sincerely

Cheryl White



#### HAND BELL CHOIR

The Hand Bell Choir began nearly 41 years ago with a generous donation from a Trinity family, Ken and Nora Virtue and their three children, Lorraine, Kenny, and Edward who were my neighbors. Their children were very active in Sunday School, VBS, and were baptized, confirmed, and married at Trinity.

One night when Eddie was riding around with some friends in their car, they were involved in a horrific accident. The occupants afterward had to spend years with surgeries and therapies. Eddie didn't have a mark on him, he was dead. His grieving parents decided to give all monies from the funeral to Trinity to purchase the bells and equipment needed for a Hand Bell Choir. I had just completed some courses in Hand Bells at Westminster Choir College, Princeton, while finishing my music degree.

It takes 11 ringers to ring our bells, and I am blessed to have a dedicated group. We do have a couple of vacancies. If interested, we meet on Thursdays from 6:30pm to 7:15pm. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY. Call Florence at 609-654-6648, leave message if no answer.

Florence Adler

#### **Adult Choir**

Good morning and Praise the Lord! We are finally back again. I would like to invite each and every one of you to come out and sing with us.

We practice every Thursday night from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm. Our first practice will be the Thursday after Labor Day, Sept. 9. Choir is open to anyone who is 7<sup>th</sup> grade on up and no, you don't have to know how to sing. Just come out and have fun. There are no voice tests, you are never made to sing by yourself. We will put you alongside of someone who can show you the ropes and guide you and only the men have to behave (fat chance) Because Mrs. Henry left me her wet noodle that she always used to keep the guys in line with.

We sing, we laugh, and just have a lot of fun.

Please come out, join us in singing our favorite songs, relax, and have a good time!

See you on our first practice, Thursday, September 9 at 7:30.

God bless,

Jim Shisler, Choir Director





#### **Social Concerns**

Social Concerns has carried on throughout the pandemic serving those in our community. Thank You to all who have helped keep our food pantry supplied these past 18 months. We couldn't do this without you!

Most of you know who we are, but for those who don't, here is a look at what we do. We run a food pantry on the fourth Thursday of the month from 9-10am and 6-7pm. During most of the pandemic we opened the second Thursday of the month also. Donations for the pantry can be brought to church on Sunday and placed in the barrel in the lobby or you can drive by 25 Knight Ave. on Wednesdays from 5-6pm and just pop your trunk and we will unload.

We have a Clothing Closet at 17 Knight Ave. that is opened to the congregation and pantry families. At this time, however, it is closed till further notice. Stay tune for updates!

We provide food baskets at Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter with all the trimmings for a holiday meal. Back to School supplies and gifts at Christmas are also given to children 15 and under.

Volunteers are always needed and welcomed. We usually meet on the second Sunday of the month after the 10:00 service. Hopefully, in the fall we will be back to our regular schedule.

Caring and Sharing,

Cheryl Morris cmorris157@comcast.net

Diane Kochon angel5422@comcast.net

#### Confirmation Class 2021

Welcome back to Confirmation Class. We are so excited to be back and in action again. The first class will be on September 12 at 10:00 am in the Confirmation room.

Confirmation class is for all students entering 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade and will last for two years. The Confirmation room is located right across from the kitchen. At the end of the two years, students who have successfully met all the requirements will be confirmed as full - time voting members of the church.

They will be required to performed various duties such as performing acolyte (light the candles), crucifer (carry the cross in) during assigned Sundays at the 8:30 service, do sermon reports every Sunday and help out at various activities.

In Sunday School at 10:00, we will be working out of a book, *Applying Luther's Catechism* which will cover the 10 Commandments, The Apostles' Creed, The Lord's Prayer, along with Confession and the Sacraments.

Pastor Andy will have a parent's information meeting after class September 12 in the church.

God Bless You,

Confirmation Teachers – Pastor Andy, Jim Shisler, Anna Marie Wright.

# Trinity Lutheran Church Cradle Roll

My name is Mary Raws and I am the baptismal historian for Trinity Lutheran Church. As the baptismal historian, I keep records of all the baptisms. When a child is baptized, they are given a white blanket from the Prayer Shawl Ministry. I make a certificate and it is given to them at their baptism along with the blanket. I also have a cradle/nursery roll kit. The kit consists of cards that are sent out every six months until the child is three years old. At that time, I send an invitation to attend Pre-K Sunday School. I also send all of them birthday cards on their special day. If you have a child who is 3 years old and potty trained and has not started Sunday School, please bring them to the Pre-K class room and register them. Our classroom is located just outside the door next to the altar on the Johnson Avenue side of the Church. We have now combined the Pre-K and Kindergarten classes.

I also take care of the baptismal bulletin board. It has a little baby boy or girl with their name and date of birth typed on each one. A red ribbon is attached to their baby picture when the child starts Sunday School.

If you have any questions, you can call me at 856-287-1586 (cell#).

Mary Raws Cradle Roll Historian



# SUNDAY SCHOOL, September 2021

#### WELCOME BACK!

#### Walk by Faith not by Sight!

"Train up a child in the way he should go and he will not depart from it".

God has a perfect plan for us. He never does it all at once, just step by step because he wants to teach us to "Walk by FAITH not by sight" - 2 Corinthians 5:7. Our mission is to provide Christian education to children in accordance with Proverbs 22:6 "Train up a child in the way he should go and he will not depart from it". This speaks to the importance of teaching children to be prepared for life. God created us to think and reason; to give thought to our actions in accordance with his word. Through knowledge comes understanding. Understanding what is truthful and good, brings peace and joy in life.

Rally Day will be September 12th at 10:00 AM. Our *Invitation* is open to All Children to join Sunday School. We are all looking forward to seeing you. Because of an elevated risk of exposure to a highly transmissible virus, children will go directly to their grade appropriate classroom. Each class will have its own joyful time of celebration. With our fond love for children we will strive to keep them safe by masking and minimizing exposure risks.

#### Our Staff:

Pre-K - K (upstairs, main church):

Mary Raws, Diane Nagel, Dolly Gibelyou & Paula Gift

1st & 2nd (elevator, 3rd floor)

Karen Cundiff & Cindy Spino,

3rd & 4th (elevator, 3rd floor)

Tiffany Thibault, Lynn DeValerio & Janice Powell

5th & 6th (elevator, basement)

Kirsten Green,

7th & 8th: (elevator, basement)

Jim Shisler & Anna Marie Wright (Attendance)

Secretarial Help: Janet Lipski & Mary Raws

PB&J Outreach: Shirley & Jack King

On Saturday, September 18th at 8:30 AM we will resume making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches to help feed the homeless. Your donation of peanut butter, jelly, bottles of water, packaged snacks and warm socks would be greatly appreciated. We have a wonderful group who come to help. It is a joyful time of fun and fellowship. Mission Teens, another outreach, helps the desperate by ministering the Gospel of Jesus Christ to those willing to seek God as the answer to their problems. To make a donation please make checks payable to "Trinity Lutheran Sunday School".

Mary Ann Antonelli has just retired from our Sunday School. She has faithfully dedicated a lot of years to being teacher and treasurer. We all give her our thanks for all she has done.

PRAISE THE LORD FOR HE HAS BEEN FAITH!

In Jesus' name we pray for the blessing of our children.

Please contact me if you have a questions or concerns.

Carl Nagel, Superintendent Cell: 215-852-3217

Email: dadx3d@comcast.net





### JUNIOR CHOIR



I am SO excited to see each of my Junior Choir members! Now Sunday September 12 we will have Rally Day in our Sunday School classrooms. So you will be going to your classroom and meet your teachers, see your friends and you will be told what you'll be learning this year.

Then the following Sunday, which is September 19, we will begin Junior Choir rehearsal for the year. Remember that Junior Choir is only 15 minutes before Sunday School starts! You will remember to come into the basement of the church, come through the doors by the piano and turn right two times and you will be in the Choir Room! That will be 9:45-10:00 for us and then you go to your Sunday School Classroom.

Mr. Kreamer will be playing the piano for us again. The first time we will sing in Church will be October 17. We will sing "Celebrate". We are back to Choir and Sunday School! Of course, I will send out letters to everyone so they can go over the words!

Questions? Call me at 856-845-3485.

#### Copied from our last Junior Choir article before COVID shutdown- March 2020

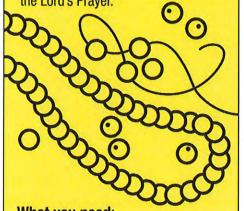
"The Junior Choir meets each Sunday for just 15 minutes before Sunday School. They are able to learn the words and music there. The children receive a letter at home with the words for the next song and beyond. So everyone in the family may hear it before coming to church. This year we have ten children in the Junior Choir. They are Lilyana Amato, Riley Green, Eliza Hill, Ethan Hill, Olivia Hui, Katie Reichert, Abigail Shockley, David Shockley, Lexi Tsvik and Logan Tsvik. I am so proud of them and for their contribution to the Service each time we sing.

Thank you for praying for our Junior Choir members. Be sure to speak to them when you see them."

Love and blessings for all, Mrs. Schmidt

# Prayer bracelet

Make this craft to help you remember the Lord's Prayer.



#### What you need:

- Elastic string (12 inches)
- Colored beads (see below)
- Clear nail polish

#### What you do:

- 1. Knot the string at one end. Add beads in this order: blue, white, gold, green, yellow, red, black, orange
- 2. Tie the ends so the bracelet fits your wrist. Place a dot of nail polish to secure the knot. Trim excess string.
- 3. As you pray, use the bead colors as reminders of Jesus' words (see Matthew 6:9-13):
  - blue = the Father
  - white = God's holiness
  - gold = God's kingdom
  - green = the earth
  - yellow = wheat (bread)
  - red = Christ's blood (forgiveness)
  - black = temptation
  - **orange** = God's power to deliver





# Teach us to pray

In Luke 11:1-13 (NIV), Jesus teaches about prayer.

Directions: Add or subtract the letters indicated and unscramble the letters to form a new word, using hints from the passage. Then unscramble the circled letters to answer the question below.

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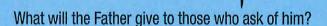
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$$define - ee = (\underline{\ }) \underline{\ } \underline{\ } (v. 9)$$

$$shift - t =$$
 \_ \_ \_ \_ (v. 11)

$$sneaky - y =$$
 \_\_ \_ \_ \_ (v. 11)

$$sift + g =$$
\_\_\_\_\_(v. 13)



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#### SEPTEMBER



- 1 Maryann Antonelli
- 2 Lynn Torrillo
- 3 Cheryl Morris
- 4 Mike Dunda
- 5 Amanda DeValerio Cox
- 5 Susan Dilks
- 6 Addisyn Koltys
- 6 Eric Shinseki
- 7 Alexandria Zentner
- 7 Kim Allard
- 8 Ana-Christina Zentner
- 8 Charyl Delmar
- 9 Derek Doyle
- 9 Nico Legault
- 9 Andrea Sprang
- 9 Logan Tsvik
- 10 Christian Salvitti
- 10 Lindsay Grant
- 10 Ray Alcorn
- 11- Tyler Kemery
- 11 Sarah Whelan
- 11 Emma Watson
- 14 Christian Kochon
- 14 Philip Gorman
- 15 Andrew Krause
- 15 Kimberly Krause
- 15 Nancy Fenton
- 15 Bryan Repp
- 16 Al Lott
- 16 Eileen Humes
- 16 Matthew Kemery
- 17 Stephanie Morris
- 19 Shayne Aaron
- 19 Elaine Ranck
- 19 Kathy Schroeder
- 19 John Zioance
- 20 Esther Guetens
- 20 Nola Speeney
- 21 Brian Knause
- 21 Laila Clark
- 22 Matthew Bennett
- 22 Barbara Ciuffo
- 22 Bill Rumbol
- 23 Donna L. Lux
- 23 Charles Price
- 24 Marylu Grant

- 24 Paul Delmar
- 24 David Bennett
- 24 Judy Quinton
- 25 Barbara Aaron
- 26 Nikki Ann Bresch
- 27 Corinne Gawason Palmer
- 27 Ella Gotta
- 25 Barbara Aaron
- 27 Donna Koss
- 27 Aiden Kulak
- 28 Michael Dulin
- 28 Sandi Hill
- 28 Dottie Glaze
- 28 Amanda Richards
- 29 Nicolas Veneziani
- 29 John Otero
- 29 Mark Hickey
- 30 Jennifer Koss

#### **SEPTEMBER**



- 6 Harry & Anna Marie Wright
- 7 Mickey & Donna Dunda
- 9 Michael & Susan Hobgen
- 9 Ken & Marlene Summerfield
- 9 John & Francine Zioance
- 10 Earl & Yvonne Thatcher
- 13 Michael & Tiffany Mascio
- 13 Charlie & Tori Repp
- 14 Mike & Gwen Steet
- 16 John & Shirley King
- 16 Dana & Chris Staino
- 17 John & Michele Otero
- 17 Lindsey & Thomas James
- 19 Charles & Zandra Price
- 20 Ronald & Aileen Broomall
- 20 Bryan & Holly Glaze
- 20 Joseph & Elizabeth Talotta
- 21 Al & Carol Lott
- 21 Andrei & Stefany Hauser
- 25- Joshua & Rebecca Black
- 27 Will & Gloria Guenette
- 28 Janice & Albert Powell



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