



From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear Trinity Family,

If any of you turn up an hour early on Sunday, November 4th, I would suspect you have a little of India in you and you are enjoying the benefits of a different time zone ③. Let me begin by wishing you a wonderful season of Thanksgiving. I hope each of you will be able to take time to celebrate, "the simple things of life". I often think of the words of Art Buchwald who said, "The best things in life are not things." It was Johnny Carson who

said, "Thanksgiving is an emotional time. People travel thousands of miles to be with people they see only once a year. And then discover once a year is way too often."

As we consider God's faithfulness in our lives, could this be a season in which we would like to put pen to paper or fingers to keyboards/handheld devices to reflect upon and list the many reasons we have to give God thanks. As singer Chris Tomlin would beautifully articulate, "for all your goodness, I will keep on singing, ten thousand reasons for my heart to find". Johnson Oatman, Jr. put it in another way, "count your blessings, name them one by one, count your blessings, see what God has done". As you list your blessings, would you try to identify the ones that made you grow in God and in Christ's likeness? Would you also consider blessings that caused you to grow in your relationship with others? What about the trials that tempered us, the questions that made us seek for wisdom, the opposing winds that eventually filled our sails to gain higher speed on the waters of life? The list can go on. I would encourage you to not only count your physical and material blessings, but to all the more count your spiritual and relational blessings.

October has again been a month in which we have experienced God's goodness at Trinity. We are grateful to everyone who attended our Church Conference and made it a useful time. Special thanks to Harrisburg District Superintendent, Rev. Barry Robison, and our treasurer, Carol Wilson. We were privileged to celebrate World Communion Sunday, the recognition of our Altar Guild and prayer for our Homebound Communion teams. We were also able to participate in Vickie's Angel Walk and join the fight against cancer-especially in helping fam-

ilies affected by it. We thank God for the excellent work of Mickey Minnich and the team at Vickie's Angel Foundation. Gratitude to Carol Evertts and our volunteers who made the luncheon, in aid of Vickie's Angel Walk, a celebration of our partnership. Our team, led by Kathy Miller and Carol Wilson, was able to serve hot chocolate and popcorn at the Halloween Parade. We were also grateful to Carol Crossley, Michelle Loomis, Renee Cassimatis and our volunteers who helped us join the town in celebrating, "Trunk or Treat" in our parking lot. On Sunday, October 21st, we celebrated the gift of our laity and were blessed to have the ministry of God's word brought to us by the gifted Shirley Sharpe. For those of us who followed Mel Eyer on the CROP Walk after that, it was our way of connecting with the world of hunger and human needs. Our youth will soon be out on retreat as they bond together and learn from God's word and the interactions they will enjoy during that time. Please keep Haley and our adult volunteers in your prayers. I also trust each of you enjoyed worshipping together in community and listento God's word in our series titled. ing "Move". Thanks to each of you who add to our experience of worship by your presence, participation and the offering of your gifts and talents in diverse ways. You are such a blessing!

The month of November will bring us to a time of remembering loved ones who have been called home. We are grateful to Sandi Tobias and our Homebound Team for their leadership at the ser-

November 2018 Theme: Grateful for the simple things

November 4th

Grateful for the trials that shape us (Rev. Cherian John) Scripture 1: 2 Corinthians 4: 7-18 Scripture 2: James 1: 1-12

November 11th Grateful for the gift of laughter Scripture 1: Proverbs 17:22 Scripture 2: Job 8:21

November 18th Grateful for creation

(Rev. Mitchell Hescox) Scripture 1: Psalm 82: 3-4 Scripture 2: Isaiah 24: 5-6

November 25th

Grateful for life – one day at a time Scripture 1: Psalm 116: 1-9 Scripture 2: Philippians 4: 10-13

vice. It is a month in which we will experience several elements of moments and ministry, such as the end of daylight savings time, church directory photo sessions, Sunday 11th November (Organ and Tissue Donor Sunday, International Day of Prayer for the persecuted church and Veterans' Day). We pause to celebrate every veteran who has served our land – especially those from among us at Trinity.

On Sunday, 18th November we will be privileged to focus on creation. In our thanksgiving to God for creation, we will be reminded of our stewardship and commitment to planet earth as the people of God. I am very delighted to be welcoming Rev. Mitchell Hescox, President/CEO, Evangelical Environmental Network and coauthor of *Caring for Creation: The Evangelical's Guide to Climate Change and a Healthy Environment.* Rev. Hescox has done valuable work in connecting people in power and the common people in the effort to steward creation. Mitch has been a friend of the Andrews' family for nearly twenty years now.

We will also be celebrating Thanksgiving! Hooray! I am not sure if this is going to be a season of undue pressure and stress on you as you prepare for the great experience of Thanksgiving. Sometimes we end up needing a holiday for the holidays. It was Erma Bombeck who said, "I come from a family where gravy is considered a beverage." I truly hope you do not find this season overwhelming. Catch your breath. Catch your quiet. Catch your moments with those you love. By God's grace No one in all the universe can stop you from it. We look forward with much anticipation to our Thanksgiving Turkey Dinner with signature culinary skills from chef Arv Krick and our excellent team of volunteers who will serve, led by Carol Evertts. I hope each of you can not only enjoy the evening of supper, fellowship, music and a message, I hope you will pray and invite a friend as your guest to the evening. Let us continue to celebrate the simple things of life.

In Luke 17:11-19, we come across a group of human beings who are ostracized, itemized and dehumanized. What the lepra bacilli did to their bodies by way of stealing sensation and making them vulnerable to stub their body parts without feeling the pain was not the only torture they faced. Society was constantly telling them that they were worthless, disposable, dirty and devoid of the blessings of God. No wonder Luke says in 17:12 that

they stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, master, have pity on us." The Bible tells us that for these ten men who were in the valley of despair, Jesus brought new life. He healed them and miraculously transformed their physical bodies to health. What a moment of ecstasy and emotion it must have been. In fact, Jesus had told them, "go show yourselves to the priest". He had not healed them yet. As they obeyed His word, they were healed along the way. This moment brings us the coming together of great joy on the one hand and a great failure on the other. Only one among the ten returned to thank Jesus. The story becomes all the more poignant as we listen to Jesus' observation, "Has no one returned to give God praise except this foreigner?" (verse 18)

It was George Herbert who said, "Oh Lord, you have given me so much, give me one thing more, a grateful heart."

I hope each of us will be signals to the heart of God that we have that "comeback" kind of thanksgiving.

My cup runneth over,

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TRINITY YOUTH HIGHLIGHTS

Youth Scarecrow Fundraiser

The sunshine was warm and bright at this year's 33rd annual Apple Festival. The youth made and sold a total of 110 scarecrows, raising over \$1000! The youth will tithe ten percent of their proceeds towards Vickie's Angel Foundation to support local families battling cancer. Forty-five percent of the proceeds will go towards the youth group as a whole, and the remaining forty-five percent will be split amongst the youth who worked hard all day and help them with costs for their upcoming Fall Retreat. We had over twenty youth and adult volunteers meeting and helping families build their scarecrows through-



out the day. The fundraiser is a wonderful way to introduce the community to Trinity Church and ultimately to be a witness and share the joy of the Lord with families. A huge thank you to everyone who donated clothing, who volunteered their time or who stopped by to visit the scarecrow stand! Another huge thank you to Sue & Jed Beshore for donating all the hay for the day! We are proud of our youth for their hard work! Year after year, more and more families return with the anticipation of making their annual scarecrow with our youth!



Trinity Hosts Fishing Creek Salem

Almost fifty youth and adults filled the Fellowship Hall this month when Fishing Creek Salem's and Trinity's youth groups joined together for an evening of united fellowship. Trinity Youth opened their doors and hearts to our guests and what began with Fishing Creek challenging us in a battleball (dodgeball) tournament quickly turned into an evening of deeper connection. The youth enjoyed massive ice cream sundaes, joined together for worship with Ben Sylor (Thanks Ben!), and were confronted with the question, "What are you searching for?" and the truth that only God alone can fulfill our deepest desires and longings.

See You at the Pole 2018

Each year on the third Wednesday morning of September, teenagers all over the nation meet around the flagpole at their school to be a witness of their Christian faith and pray for the faith of their peers, schools, country, and world. This year, Trinity youth covered schools all over the districts in prayer. I had the chance to pray over Cedar Cliff High School with several youth who circled together and shared prayers of revival, encounter, and unashamed witness of their faith. Once again, these youth inspire us!



CAITLIN'S SMILES

SPOTLIGHT

Caitlin Hornung's favorite colors were yellow and pink. She loved swinging and taking walks and playing outside. She loved to dance and sing along to Disney songs, play dress up, and take care of her baby sister, Danielle. One of her greatest joys came from creating art. In 1997, at the age of four, Caitlin was diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor. She spent the next three and a half years battling for her life. Despite the tiring treatments and long hospital stays, Caitlin managed to keep a positive attitude by finding joy in creating art. She could always be found with a backpack full of arts and crafts supplies, coloring pictures for friends, family and hospital staff. In October of 2000, shortly before her eighth birthday, Caitlin lost her battle with cancer. What friends and family learned from Caitlin was that healing is as much a mental process as it is a physical one. That is why in March of 2004 Cheryl Hornung, Caitlin's mother, began Caitlin's Smiles.

Our goal at Trinity is to bring smiles to the faces of children in the hospital. Our group assembles baggies of treasures, each containing all the material needed to make a craft. To pass time while in the hospital, children are busy making their own little treasures, such as: book markers, key chains, bracelets, necklaces, and much, much, much more!

Our group provides a great opportunity to serve others in a very simple and easy way. Our goal is to prepare as many baggies as we can, with each containing all the material to make a craft. For example, a craft may call for 26 red pony beads, 12 white pony beads, 24" of white yarn, and a lanyard



hook. We have all the material, but we need volunteers to count beads, cut yarn, and make sure each baggie contains all the material to make the craft. Since Caitlin's Smiles started, over 1 million baggies have been assembled and given to children – that takes a lot of volunteers! Our time volunteering helps put smiles on children's faces when they are assembling these treasures during their stay in the hospital.

Please contact Sharon Marburger at 938-1529 for more information.

NEWS from the CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT

The Children's Department is presenting the musical drama "The Fumbly Bumbly Angels". How do angels Chance, George, Penelope, and Daphne earn their way into the heavenly choir? We will show you...

Sunday, December 2nd at 3:00 pm

Rehearsals begin November 4th, 10:00-10:30 am, and run every Sunday in Fellowship Hall. Please let one of the Sunday School teachers know if your child is interested in participating. The more children, the more fumbly it will be!



VICKIE'S ANGEL WALK & LUNCHEON

"Trinity Heart & Sole Walkers Walk for the Families"

Trinity church joined together and walked for an incredible cause this past Saturday in the 13th annual Vickie's Angel Walk. Church members joined together through prayer, sponsorship, serving, and walking to join in the greater mission to support local families battling cancer. Together and through all of your support, Trinity's "Heart & Sole Walking Team" was able to raise over \$3,000 for the families. Despite the rainy weather, Vickie's Angel Walk raised over \$80,000! Several of our own church members have been supported by this organization and we wanted to show our support for Vickie's Angel Foundation,



the community, and for the families. We hope to continue supporting our own Mickey Minnich and Vickie's Angels in whatever ways we can as a church family!









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Sunday Duties for November 2018

Duty	Nov. 4	Nov. 11	Nov. 18	Nov. 25	
Altar Guild	Joy Hamsher Jane Gable	Joy Hamsher	Sue Beshore	Sue Beshore	
Liturgist: 8:15	Rev. Rodney Miller	Mel Eyer	Bill Northey	Betsy Miller	
10:45	(both services)	Doug Eakin	Jan Ocamb	Missy St. Cyr	
Children's Talk	No Children's Talk (communion)	Sue Grubb	Betsy Miller	George Karnes	
Nursery: 8:15	Patsy Bashore Doug Eakin	Janie Rosenthal Sue Bishop	Cheryl Bargo Dianne Schofield	Donna Ratulowski	
10:45	Nina Stoner Betsy Miller	Sue Butler Barb Mickle	Mel Eyer Mary Herr	Millie Walters	
Ushers: 8:15	Jim Wertz*, Eric Rodger, Scott Loomis, Scott Sundy, Brian Weller				
10:45	Dave Leppo*, Mary Lou Twigg, Melody Oligane, Norm Batcheler, Floss Batcheler *denotes Head usher				
Coffee Fellowship	Adult Class	Tuesday Morning Group	Chancel Choir	Adult Class	
Adult SS Teacher	Shirley Sharpe	Ruth Miller	Jed Beshore	Rodney Miller	
Elective SS Teacher	Mary Strausbaugh	Jady Conroy	Sharon Sheffer	Richard Creamer	
Counting Team	Randy Evertts and Dianne Schofield				

ARE YOU A VETERAN?

If you are new to Trinity, please complete the form below with your service information and return it to the office by mail or the office church mailbox in the hallway. This only needs to be done by veterans who have not previously given the church office your information. We will honor our veterans on November 11th, Veterans Day.

Ve	terans Day Inform	ation Form
Veteran's Name		
Address		
Telephone number or emai	l address	
Branch of Service	Rank	Years of Serviceto
Special Medals or Honors		

Trinity United Methodist Music Ministry presents



Thursday DECEMBER at 7:00 pm

Sunday DECEMBER23 at 10:45 am

United Bells Chancel Choir Sing and Celebrate Youth Singers Sonshine Choir

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HEART & SPIRIT SMALL GROUP

Motto: Praise Changes Things

Mission Statement:

Establish a group to praise God through study of His word, music, church/ community activities and fellowship.

Please contact Linda Klitch, Linda Love or Carol Brown for more info.

HOW TO PACK A SHOEBOX

1. SHOEBOX

Get a standard size shoebox to pack for a boy or girl. Need shoeboxes? Preprinted boxes are available online.

2. "WOW" TOY

Start with a quality "wow" toy such as a doll, soccer ball with pump, or stuffed animal.

3. OTHER GIFTS

Fill with other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies.

4. PRAY

Most importantly, pray for the child who will receive your gift. Include a personal note and photo.

5. INCLUDE \$9 DONATION

A donation of \$9 is critical to cover shipping and other project costs. Give online through Follow Your Box and discover the destination of your shoebox.

6. DROP-OFF

Take your shoebox gift to a local drop-off location. Trinity will be collecting filled shoeboxes on Sunday, November 14th.

For more information, go to: www.samaritanspurse.org/whatwe-do/operation-christmas-child/





Schedule your photography session

NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Photography for our upcoming directory event is fast approaching. With a goal of 100%, we need all our families to sign up. Our directory will help us stay connected. Photography times are still available. Visit our website to sign up.

Friday, November 9	2-8 PM
Saturday, November 10	10 AM - 5 PM
Monday, November 11	2 - 8 PM
Tuesday, November 12	2 - 8 PM
Wednesday, November 13	2 - 8 PM

Each family will receive a COMPLIMENTARY 8X10 PHOTOGRAPH AND DIRECTORY for participating

POSITION OPENING

Jady Conroy has made us aware of her request to retire sometime after the first of the year. Jady will be severely missed as she is an excellent person to work with and has performed her role in the office in a very professional manner. Jady currently works Wed. and Thurs. each week with much of her time spent on the weekly bulletin. We are looking for a very congenial person that will be flexible as the Staff in the office routinely cover for one another as needed. If you are interested please contact one of the Staff Parish Reps---Ken Gable or Beth Sider, or contact the Church Office. Thank you!

GRANDPARENTS IN PRAYER

Grandparents in Prayer meet at Trinity every other week on Monday mornings. We gather at 10:45 for coffee and a small snack, and then begin the session. One half hour is spent on discussion of prayer requests and a chapter from the book, The Power of a Praying Grandparent. One half hour is devoted to prayer.

When this group began as Grandmothers in Prayer, the Pastor encouraged me to include grandfathers. In addition to supporting and encouraging the grandfathers in prayer, the Pastor said that it seems that the ladies have more daytime "groups" at the church than the men.

The group has been greatly enriched by the addition of praying grandfathers. The grandfathers bring a new dimension to the development of our grandchildren's faith and have been challenged anew in the need of prayer for the next generation. We support each other and come together in unity to pray for concerns as we learn better how to pray.

This is an open group who will welcome any grandparents to join in prayer for our children and grandchildren. We presently have 104 grandchildren and great-grandchildren on our prayer list.

~ Beth Sider, group facilitator



I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.

3 John 1:4

CITRUS SALE

The Adult Sunday School Class is selling Florida citrus. We have some new items and new packings. Sign -up sheets are across from mailboxes. The sale starts October 1st and ends on November 6, 2018. Money raised goes into our class church missions. Any questions, call Barb Mickle at 717-774-5125. Thank you.



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November 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
SUNDAYS 8:15am Worship Se 9:30amSunday Sch 9:30 AM Coffee Fell 10:45 AM Worship S	nool for All Ages owship - FH		WEDNESDAYS 6:30 PM Sing & Celebrate 6:30-7:15 PM SONshine Singers	THURSDAYS 6:30-7:30 PM United Bells 7:30 PM Chancel Choir	to Pray	ke 5 y Daily 30 PM
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4 All Saints Sunday 10am Play Practice 12:00pm Youth Battleball 6:30pm Prayer Shawl (Karnes')	5 9:30amStrong Women (MO) 6:00pm Safe Sanctuary Review (WR)	6 9:30am TMG (FH)	7 9:30amStrong Women (MO)	8 10:30am Celebrate from Heart & Spirit (L&L)		10 9:30am Holy Conferencing (FH) 10:00am Lifetouch Photos (G& MO)
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18 9:30am Blood Pressure Check 10am Play Practice 6:00pm Youth Group (CR&FH)	19	20	21 8:30am Assemble Tidings (OC)	22 Thanksgiving Day Office Closed	23 Office Closed	24
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Trinity United Methodist Church

Susquehanna Conference

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday School Classes For all ages at 9:30 AM **Dated Material**

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Please submit articles for the December 2018 Trinity Tidings by Nov. 12th

THANKSGIVING TURKEY DINNER "Grateful For The Simple Things"

On Saturday, November 17th, Trinity will celebrate the JOY of a Thanksgiving dinner in Fellowship Hall with music and a wonderful meal of turkey and the trimmings plus dessert, all in an attitude of gratitude. Tickets are on sale now! Please see Cathy Baum, Judi Meyer, Carol Evertts (717-774-3207), or the office (717-774-7146) to purchase yours. Don't delay! There are 175 tickets available and it was a sell-out these last two times. Because we are donating all proceeds to missions, everyone must purchase a ticket. All proceeds will be donated to Opioid Crisis Relief and Hurricane Florence survivors.

Dinner Time-5:00 PM. and TAKE OUT Dinners-5:30 PM. Cost: \$8:00/Adult and \$5:00/Children 10 years and under. You may wish to donate a meal for a family, a homebound person or a neighbor, etc. Read the insert to see how you can help. Plan to invite a friend and share God's love through this time.