



November Mission

National Collection Week
October - November 16th

Gift Suggestions

Toys: Include items that children will immediately embrace such as dolls, toy cars, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, balls, toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries), etc.
School Supplies: pens, pencils and sharpeners, crayons, markers, notebooks, paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.
Non-Liquid Hygiene Items: toothbrushes, bar soap, combs, washcloths, etc.
Accessories: t-shirts, socks, hats, sunglasses, hair clips, jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries), etc.
A Personal Note: You may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. If you include your name and address, the child may be able to write back.

Do Not Include: Used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; chocolate or food; out-of-date candy; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

Questions call: Kim Stewart 225-5541 or
Carol Lee Bushman 225-7757

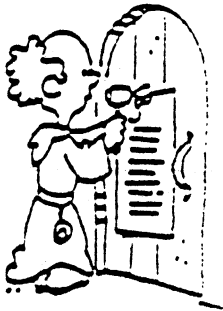


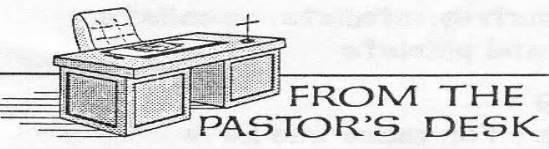
Trinity Tidings
“Sound the Good News”

November 2014

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1 Corinthians 16:1

"Now I call you, just as I did the churches gathering in Galatia, to collect funds to support God's people in Jerusalem."

This November, we are exploring the stewardship theme "What we can accomplish together with the gifts God has first given us." This is a theme that draws on the experiences of the early church as it encourages us to see that stewardship is not about us individually, but to see that stewardship is about our being a community that works together to accomplish God's mission.

Paul writes to the Corinthians to ask them to support the Christian church in Jerusalem. It is the same work the churches in the region of Galatia (a territory in modern day Turkey) has been going together. These churches understood something fundamental about their stewardship. No one stands alone. We are the Body of Christ gathered locally, even if we are spread out around the globe.

Take a moment to think about what we accomplish together with Christians across Northern Illinois. Together, we support a church camp in Oregon, we support a campus ministry in DeKalb, we support new start congregations across Illinois, we provide for disaster relief for places like Washington, IL, we support a lay training school, two of the eight ELCA seminaries are directly supported from our Synod, we have partnerships in Tanzania and India, and so much more.

Could our individual church build and maintain its own church camp? Could we organize a center for college students by ourselves? These and any other question can only be answered NO - we accomplish them together with all the other congregations across Northern Illinois. Likewise, individually are you alone able to provide for the paper products that are needed for monthly Grace meals and other special events? Are you alone able to support the music ministry, the utilities, the staff salaries and benefits? Of course not.

Everything we do as a congregation is accomplished because we bring together the gifts God has first given to us. We all have been gifted, and when we lift those gifts up in worship to God, our individual gifts are multiplied and blessed for accomplishing many great things. Let us celebrate God gifting us for the work of ministry and let us dream what we can accomplish because of these gifts brought together.

In Christ,

Pastor Jamie

November Prayer
* Almighty God our Father, your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to
* acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for your benefits, and serve you in willing obedience, through Jesus Christ,
* our Savior and Lord. Amen

Return Service Requested



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November 2014 Devotional Readings and Prayer Calendar

Psalm 32:6

Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you

As our church “liturgical” year* ends this month, I thought it would be a good time to take a month to look back at the Gospel of Matthew, the primary Gospel for our weekly worship readings this past year.

- Saturday, Nov 1—Matthew Chapter 1
- Sunday, Nov 2—Matthew Chapter 2
- Monday, Nov 3—Matthew Chapter 3
- Tuesday, Nov 4—Matthew Chapter 4
- Wednesday, Nov 5—Matthew Chapter 5
- Thursday, Nov 6—Matthew Chapter 6
- Friday, Nov 7—Matthew Chapter 7
- Saturday, Nov 8—Matthew Chapter 8
- Sunday, Nov 9—Matthew Chapter 9
- Monday, Nov 10—Matthew Chapter 10
- Tuesday, Nov 11—Matthew Chapter 11
- Wednesday, Nov 12—Matthew Chapter 12
- Thursday, Nov 13—Matthew Chapter 13
- Friday, Nov 14—Matthew Chapter 14
- Saturday, Nov 15—Matthew Chapter 15
- Sunday, Nov 16—Matthew Chapter 16
- Monday, Nov 17—Matthew Chapter 17
- Tuesday, Nov 18—Matthew Chapter 18
- Wednesday, Nov 19—Matthew Chapter 19
- Thursday, Nov 20—Matthew Chapter 20
- Friday, Nov 21—Matthew Chapter 21
- Saturday, Nov 22—Matthew Chapter 22
- Sunday, Nov 23—Matthew Chapter 23
- Monday, Nov 24—Matthew Chapter 24
- Tuesday, Nov 25—Matthew Chapter 25
- Wednesday, Nov 26—Matthew Chapter 26
- Thursday, Nov 27—Matthew Chapter 27
- Friday, Nov 28—Matthew Chapter 28
- Saturday, Nov 29—Psalm 23
- Sunday, Nov 30—Psalm 150

The “liturgical” year is our designation for how we tell the story of Jesus in our worship services. The year is divided in 3 basic sections revolving around the birth of Jesus (Advent through Epiphany), the death and resurrection of Jesus (Lent—Easter), and the ministry of Jesus (the season after Pentecost).

November 2nd—8th

This Week in prayer our homebound members: Myron and Linda Deets, Adeline Sheehan, Frank and Leona Ward, Gladys Reed, Elnora Hinrichs, Helen Friel, Elda and Dick Dalquist, Bill and Ruth Borth, Elsie Heward, Joan Massengil, Ardree Fogel; Pray also for the residents of Southtown Terrace, a home here in Milledgeville for adults with mental and physical challenges.

November 9th—15th

This week in keep in prayer those from our prayer lists in worship:

From First

Linda Habben	Anita & Lenard Gilbert	Art
John Boyer	Linda & Myron Deets	Jim Cusa
Roger Hinrichs	Sandy Bushman	Ed
Jon Ryner	Dale & Mary Kling	Al Vickers
Helen Friel	Cook Family	Ruth Borth

From Trinity

Lynn Oncken	Tammy McCormick	June Stewart
Derrick Hunzinger	Joyce Blair	Dale Kling
Julie Goellner	Elsie Heward	Mary Gerdes
Alfred Hinrich	Art	Ryan Lerake
Tammy Hinrichs	Corinne Ohlwine	Ivan Miller
Matt Krewaldt	Ruth & Bill Borth	Leland Bryson

November 16th—22nd

This week keep in prayer events that are in our national headlines, particularly the Ebola crisis in Africa, the on-going war in the Middle East and on the Ukranian/Russian border.

November 23rd—November 29th

This week in prayer lift up your blessings and give thanks: for home, community, family, friends, employment or other financial security, for your church home and the work we do together, for health and material blessings, and here is a blank line (add your own blessings here)

And always keep in prayers our ministry partners:Northwest Conference of the Northern Illinois Synod, the Northern Illinois Synod, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Bishop Gary Wollersheim of the NIS and Bishop Elizabeth Eaton of the ELCA. Continue to pray for our local partners here as well: Faith on Forty Ministry, Church of the Brethren on Main Street, Dutchtown Brethren, Milledgeville United Methodist, and Community Baptist Church.

A Huge Thank you to all who helped make the Bazaar a success. We appreciated all your donations, Help and purchase.

Lunch & coffee Hour - \$525.00
Bake Sale & Crafts - \$3,166.00
Raffle Ticket Sales - \$1,158.00

Total: \$4849.00

Raffle Winners:
Quilt: Cheri Simpson
Wall Hanging: Betty Hook
Wreath: Becky Anderson

We will be looking into new window treatments for the Chapel & Pastor’s office. Also purchasing some items for the kitchen.

Thanks Again & God Bless You-
The Bazaar Committee



"Thank you very much for the 'Pastor Appreciation' gift card to the Candlelight Inn. My family will very much enjoy eating there soon.

Love, Pastor Jamie"

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Trinity Lutheran Church

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 All Saints Sunday 8:30 AM Worship @ FWJ 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship @ Trinity 11:30-1 Confirmation Class • Daylight Savings - set clocks back one hour	3 Noon Sewers Meet	4 6:30 PM Choir	5 1-3 PM School Mentoring	6 	7 Pastor's Day Off	1
9 22nd Sun. after Pentecost 8:30 AM Worship @ FWJ 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship @ Trinity 11:30-1 Confirmation Class	10 Noon Sewers Meet	11 Naomi Circle @ Lois Simmons 6:30 PM Choir	12 9:00 - Noon NW Conf. Meeting @ Trinity, M'ville 1-3 PM School Mentoring	13 7 PM Dorcus @ Lynn Kaufman's	14 Pastor's Day Off	15
16 23rd Sun. after Pentecost 8:30 AM Worship @ FWJ 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship @ Trinity No Confirmation Class Stewardship Celebration Luncheon after worship	17 Noon Sewers Meet	18 11 AM Grace Meals 4 PM Worship @ Southtown 6:30 PM Choir	19 9:30 - 11:30 AM Ministerial Ass. 1-3 PM School Mentoring	20 	21 Pastor's Day Off	22
23 Christ the King 8:30 AM Worship @ FWJ 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship @ Trinity 11:30-1 Confirmation Class 7 PM Community Thanksgiving worship - M'ville Brethren	24 Noon Sewers Meet	25 6:30 PM Choir	26 1-3 PM School Mentoring	27 	28 Pastor's Day Off	29

30 1st Sunday in Advent
8:30 AM Worship @ FWJ
9:00 AM Sunday School
10:15 AM Worship @ Trinity
11:30-1 Confirmation Class
5:00 PM Advent Family Fun Night

Advent Family Fun Night

The first Sunday of Advent will be Sunday, November 30th. It seems early to say it is November 30th, but Advent begins the 4th Sunday before Christmas. This year our annual Christmas decorating time will take place beginning at 5pm on Sunday afternoon. We will have an Advent devotion service, church decorating, ornament making and other activities for the kids, and of course food! The ornaments will be made for taking home and for decorating here at church.

Pastor Jamie has the movie "The Nativity Story" and that will be playing for all who want to watch the birth come to life on the big screen in a fantastic screen adaptation of the Matthew and Luke stories surrounding Jesus' birth.



Congregation Meeting
Sun. Nov. 9th after worship

The congregational council of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church has called a special congregational meeting to be held following the Sunday morning worship service on November 9, 2014. The purpose of the meeting is to vote on the council's recommendation to offer a Letter of Call to Pastor Jamie Gallagher.



Grace Meal
November 18th @ 11 AM

Turkey, Cheesy Potatoes, Green Beans,
Salad & Dessert

Anyone over the age of 60 is welcome



Elementary School Mentoring

Wednesdays, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm, volunteers are sought to be a "grandparent" to the elementary school kids here in Milledgeville. Meet in the Elementary wing, get a desk and plan for 2 hours of amazing fun - reading and playing school games with kindergarten through 3rd graders. See the light on their face as they grow in their reading and math skills over the course of the year. Take joy in knowing you will be recognized by a kid in a store or at a restaurant simply because you gave 2 hours of your time one afternoon a week. No prior experience necessary, just a joyous heart.

Questions: Contact Mrs. Diane Bracken
at 815-225-7022.



Community Worship Services

Mark your calendar now for Sunday, November 23rd 7:00 PM at the Brethren Church on Main Street for our community Thanksgiving worship service. Our national holiday is a great time to remember what we say every time we celebrate communion: "It is right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Lord!" This community worship service is a great time for all members of all churches to gather and praise God for the many blessings in our lives.

Mark your calendar now for Sunday, December 7th 6:30 PM at Hope United Methodist Church, Chadwick for our community Christmas service. Jesus birth is reason for celebration indeed, and coming together as a community to praise God with song and prayer is a great way to begin our many Christmas celebrations.

Stewardship Celebration meal

On Sunday, November 16th, immediately following the worship service, we will have a Celebration meal. A letter about this meal and a RSVP card will be sent home separately from this newsletter. This meal will be a great time to celebrate "What we can accomplish together with the gifts God has first given us."





Confirmation

The Confirmation class has completed a 5 week study of what the Bible is. In our last session, we discussed the many different translations of the Bible in English and how they all offer something to our faith journey. To help see the differences between English translations, the students each selected a different English Translation and made a poster with the 23rd Psalm on it. We hung these posters in the office-hall. Please take a moment and see how the different English translations help bring that familiar psalm to new life.

Reminder, there will be no Confirmation class on Sunday, November 16th.

Please pray for our confirmation students as they prepare to affirm their baptismal faith: Connor Eubanks, Clayton and Colton Simpson, Alyvia Woodard, Heide Gallagher, Jenna Green, Brendan Eye

TRINITY EVANGELICAL TRINITY CHURCH

Church Council Minutes

October 14, 2014

Trinity Agenda:

Correspondence Received: Central Southern Illinois Synod – a thank you for a \$45.00 gift to disaster relief (Washington Tornado). Northern Illinois synod – World Hunger 2014 Certificate of recognition for a \$406.00 gift. Lifeline screenings – a thank you for the use of our facility in July. Half-Off Rx – a request to put their free prescription cards on display for people to take.

New Business: Women’s bazaar project: The bazaar committee requested permission to replace the window dressings in the chapel and elsewhere. Jerry H. moved to give the committee permission to decorate as they see fit. Sharon W. seconded the motion. Motion accepted.

Old Business: Copier: The old copy machine needs to be removed. Any Suggestions? Men’s Club?

- Standing Committee Reports:**
- 1. Christian Ed. a. Confirmation classes will follow worship from 11:30 to 1:00. Lunch included.
b. Wreath sale orders must be in by Nov. 2.
 - 2. Music and worship: Music and worship are going smoothly. They continue to study options for services.
 - 3. Social Ministry: Christmas decorating is scheduled for Nov. 20. It may include a family fun night.
 - 4. Finance: Cherrie S. moved to accept the finance reports. Jerry H. seconded. Motion accepted.
 - 5. Youth: a. Sunday School Teachers are taking turns. The Sunday School Christmas Program will be included with the cantata.
b. The possibility of a Youth Mission trip will be investigated.
 - 6. Property: a. A new water heater has been installed.
b. Bill Brown will look at the kitchen outside exit door.
c. The exterior stairs on the South side should to be checked and repaired. A Structural Engineer needs to be consulted.
d. The annual elevator inspection needs to be scheduled and completed by Dec. 20.

Harlen M. moved to accept the standing committee reports. Cherrie S. seconded. Motion accepted.

Secretary’s Report: Jerry H. moved to accept the Secretary’s Report. Sharon S. seconded. Motion accepted.

Next Meeting: Dec. 2, 2014 at 7:00P.M.

Harlen M. moved to adjourn. Jerry H. seconded. Motion approved.



11/1	Randy Landis
11/5	Lori Oncken
11/10	Randy Kleckler
11/17	Kevin Judas
11/17	Ross Paul Hartman
11/18	Tyler Wagenknecht
11/18	Carol Lee Bushman
11/19	Bonnie Queckboerner
11/20	Ken Kaufman
11/25	Lois Nye
11/28	Connor Eubanks
11/29	Curtis Murphy
11/30	Harlen Meinsma
11/30	Christian Barkley



11/2	Mark A. & Laurie Byvick
11/17	Michael & Kaye Strehlow
11/20	John & Patty Murray
11/21	Steve & Laura Buckman
11/25	Courtney & Kelly Forth
11/26	William & Ruth Borth
11/27	Kyla & Dana Eastabrooks

11/1	Harriet Dambman
11/3	Erin Dettman
11/4	Hillary Hartman
11/13	Laurie R. Byvick
11/14	Violet Ohlwine
11/16	Shane Harris
11/16	Jordan Harris
11/17	Heather Schmidt
11/22	Cole VanDyke
11/24	June Franks
11/24	Steven Barkley
11/29	Paul Cheeseman
11/30	Donna Fields



Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Joint Council Minutes

October14, 2014

Joint Council Agenda:

Roll Call: Cherrie S., Ken K., Jerry H., Connie B., Sharon W., Harlen M. Karen L., Pastor Jamie.

Devotions: Devotions were led by Pastor Jamie. Devotions were based on Isaiah 6...Keep our hearts open to the work God calls us to do.....here I am...here we are.

Pastor’s Report: See attachment. There will be a Stewardship Celebration meal, following services on Nov. 16. The Milledgeville Youth Ministry is going well.

Joint Council:

A.Call Committee Update: The Call Committee met Sept. 19. Pastor Bittner gave the committee one candidate. The individual will be interviewed Oct.19 at 3:00 P.M.

B.Stewardship Theme: The Stewardship theme will be presented Nov. 2-9-16. A celebration meal will follow the Nov. 16 service.

C.Christmas Decorating: A family fun night will follow the decorating. Crafts and ornament making will be included.

D.Christmas Eve Worship Service: Worship Services will be at 4:00 P.M. at First Jordan and 10:00 P.M. at Trinity.

E.Joint Worship Services for Cantata: 1.The joint service will be on Dec. 21 at Trinity.
2. Discussion covered the possibility of inviting a music group to a joint worship in the spring. Possibly a Saturday evening service.

Next joint council meeting will be called Oct. 20 or Oct. 22 to discuss the call.

The next regular Joint Council meeting will be April 14 at Trinity.

The Joint Council Meeting adjourned with the Lord’s Prayer.

Individual Council Meetings continued.