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"Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many."

Matthew 27:50-53



From the Pastor:

Nothing gets me in the mood for Halloween than this passage from Matthew's gospel. To me it sounds like a script from the Walking Dead. Perhaps the raising of Lazarus is a close second, it reminds me of a mummy when they have to unbind him. Halloween is a fun holiday where we get to dress up, yes both kids and adults, and meet up with friends and go out and get free candy. It is a holiday that for most of us has to do with having fun, not the purpose of having the spirits of the dead come back to life for a night. Halloween could be a really spooky, scary holiday were it not for the last sentence of the reading. It talks about Christ's resurrection. The day after Halloween is the holiday that we should really be celebrating, but it gets much less press, All Saints Day. That is the day when we remember those who have died and now live in the church triumphant. With the reality of the resurrection Halloween has no power over us, so we can enjoy it as a fun holiday. The tombs are empty because Christ's tomb was empty and eternal life is granted to all who believe. So have fun dressing up and celebrating Halloween, but remember that All Saints Day is coming too, and the love of God triumphs over sin, death, and the devil.

Peace,



From the President

Welcome to fall y'all. That says everything.

Football games, beautiful autumn colors and Halloween. October is typically the time of the year when farmers reap their harvest, hoping that their crop will prove to be abundant.

That's what Trinity is trying to do. Hoping that our "crop" (the congregation) will prove to be abundant. We have three services available for you to attend- Saturday at 6:30PM and Sunday at 8:15AM and 10:45 AM. There is Sunday School at 9:30AM.

Now I'm going to say something that no one wants to hear. THERE ARE 85 DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS. Now that's a little depressing.

Ok, let's now think of something happy and smile as you finish reading this.

GOD BLESS Sharon Kutz

Insignificant days in October:

Oct. 4- Improve your office day

Oct. 5- World Teachers day

Oct. 7- Chocolate covered pretzel day

Oct. 8- Face your fears day

Oct. 10- International newspaper carrier day

Oct. 12- Universal music day and (my birthday)

Oct. 15- I Love Lucy Day

Oct. 17- Pasta day

Oct.21- Celebration of the Mind day

Oct. 24-Food day

Oct.28- CHOCOLATE DAY

And an important October day in the Lutheran Church- Oct. 31- REFORMATION "which means change" commemorates the day that Martin Luther nailed his 95 proposals to the door of the church, aimed initially at reforming the beliefs and practices of the Roman Catholic Church.





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Evangelism Committee

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You

Lots of thanks goes out to all persons who helped in any way with the church picnic held at Legion Park on August 25, 2019. From what I could see and from what I heard everyone had plenty of good food and ample fellowship. A special thank you to Harry for walking us new comers through all that needs to be done to have a picnic on that scale.

A special thank you goes out to the church members who donated food, drinks, paper products and their time & energy also. With those donations the cost of the picnic was minimal.

On another note, thank you to all who took part in the basket give away of sorts. Your donations added up to a little over two hundred dollars; enough to almost cover the cost of two youth for the November event being held in State College. We sincerely hope the winners were happy with their basket prize.

*God Bless all,
the Evangelism committee*



Sunderman Concert

Sunderman Concert Series to Feature William Feasley



Classical guitarist William Feasley will perform “Echoes of Goya” in a Sunderman Memorial Concert at Trinity Lutheran Church in Altoona on Sunday, October 13, at 3:00 p.m.

The multimedia program for the concert will integrate his playing with a commentary and series of slides relating to the famous Spanish painter. Mr. Feasley will play pieces from the eighteenth to the twentieth century by composers such as Fernando Fernandiere, Enrique Granados, Jose Manuel Lezcano, and Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco.

William Feasley was the first guitarist to receive Peabody Conservatory’s coveted Artist Diploma. He has since been the recipient of numerous prizes and awards including a gold medal in the 1987 PanHellenic Guitar Competition in Athens, the 1990 and 1995 Baltimore Chamber Music Awards, and a 1996 Governor's Citation for Outstanding Achievements in the Arts in Maryland.

Since making his debut in 1980 with the San Francisco Ballet performing Rodrigo’s *Concierto de Aranjuez* for Lou Christenson’s ballet, *Don Juan*, Feasley has maintained an active international touring schedule. A student of Andres Segovia, he has been a featured performer at international guitar festivals in Poland, the Czech Republic, Ecuador, Bolivia, Australian, Slovakia, and Peru. Feasley has also toured extensively for the US State Department. Recent tours have included Spain, the Caribbean, Greece, Serbia, Italy, Ecuador, New Zealand, Poland, Slovakia, Honduras, Peru, Bolivia, the Czech Republic, Slovenia, Bosnia, Australia, the United Kingdom, and Iceland.

His playing has been described by the *Washington Post* as sounding “in the words of Segovia, like a ‘small orchestra’ in the variety of colors coaxed from a single guitar.” He has released six critically-acclaimed recordings for the Sonora and Center Earth Labels.

The concert is free, thanks to a generous bequest by Dr. F. William Sunderman, who was raised in Juniata and attended Trinity. Refreshments will be served after the concert.



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Evangelism Committee

Trick or Treat is forth coming. The Evangelism committee will be hosting "Treats from Trunks" or if you prefer "Treats from Trinity" on trick or treat night in Altoona; this has been the last Thursday in October. This year that means it is actually on Halloween.

On October 31, 2019 any person interested in handing out treats at Trinity is asked to come to the church by 5:45 pm to set up. You may dress up yourself or your vehicle for the event. Then during the hours of 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm we hand out treats to the children.

If you are not able to come to the church with your treats to give out you may help by donating treats to be given out or donating money for the committee to buy treats to give out. The treats may be dropped off at the church during the last two weeks of October leading up to the event. If donating money please clearly mark the envelope that the money is in that it is for "Treats from Trunks" or Treats from Trinity".

If you have any questions or would like to talk to someone about the event contact Nancy Honecker (814)515-2369 or see her at church.



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Trinity “Yakers”

The trinity "yakers" had a great turnout for our first monthly float with 17 people! We took kayaks and a canoe down the Raystown branch of the Juniata river from Corbins island to the Point.

September 28th we will meet up again and going to explore the lake at Shawnee state park. We hope to make this a monthly thing for extended fellowship among our church members and any friends they invite. It is such a nice way to relax and take in some of the beauty of God's creation.



Prayer List

Please keep the following people in your prayers ...

Trinity Members

Jim Aungst
Ted Baird
Tyler Bennett
Tina Chestney
Church Health
Team
Sondra Deffibaugh
Jane Eamigh
Jim Gosnell
Debbie Gracey
Paul Hamilton
Ron Heiss
Kristine Henderson
Bob Hofmann

Trinity's Homebound Members

Chris Burda
Ron Green
Ken Kumpt
Marie Laich
Dawn Mangus
Bob Nearhoof
Arlene Roessing
Robert Streightiff

Those Serving in the Armed Forces

Sarah Brown
Jason Buck
Kyle Eberhart
Nathan Frank

Justin Patz
Jason Smith
Eric Sweet

Janet & Charlie Aungst
Scott Aungst
Sandy Badorrec
Frank Bennett
Kris Bennett
Pat Burk
Dorothy Bush
Deb Civiello
Scott Corl
Jim Deffibaugh
Jordan DeFrancisco
Miles Dunklebarger
Dan Fanelli Jr
Nancy & Bill Filler
Don Fiscella
Elsie Fogel
Haley Gehret
Dawn George
Allan Glassman
Jean Habinyak
Ann Hanczaryk
Charles W. Harpster
Don Haslem
Dave Hogan
Jack Hoyne
Kaylen Kauffman
Sue Kies
Tom Klevan
Pastor John Klingeman
Janelle Lehr
Janet Luciano
Sharon Mayers

Family Members and Friends

Cameron McCaulley
Barbara McConnell
Bob McConnell
Donna Mceldowney
Eddie McGee
McGilvary Family
Sharon Mckeehan
Sandy Means
Janelle Messner
Denny Miller
Harry Miller, Sr
Moore Family
Rudy Muccitelli
Neva Narrariani
Ceibert Parks
Joe Roub
Carl Ruckinger
Michael Ruckinger
C. Richard Shaffer
Bob Shannon
Harper Sigrist
Rachel Stout
George Sultage Sr
Robert Thomas Family
Paul Wallis
Mary Walter



Please know that you may add someone to our prayer list at any time by calling the church office (943-3972). If it is appropriate to remove someone from the prayer list, again, please inform the church office. Names of family and friends will remain on the prayer list for two weeks. You may keep someone's name on the list by calling the church office and giving us a brief update so that we can continue to effectively pray for your loved one.



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Lectionary Readings for the Month of October

October 6

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4
Psalm 37:1-9
2 Timothy 1:1-14
Luke 17:5-10

October 13

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c
Psalm 111
2 Timothy 2:8-15
Luke 17:11-19

October 20

Genesis 32:22-31
Psalm 121
2 Timothy 3:14--4:5
Luke 18:1-8

October 27

Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22
Psalm 84:1-7
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 18:9-14

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Also worth mentioning...

St. Andrew's preschool has put together a wish list of items they need as soon as possible:

- Baby wipes and Clorox wipes
- Hand soap for the bathroom
- Juice boxes
- Postage stamps
- Scotch tape
- Whiteboard markers

The next Orbit Deadline is October 26th

Please get your article to the newsletter in one of the following ways:

- Email your article to:
office@trinityaltoona.com
drgeesey@verizon.net
- Drop your article in the Orbit mailbox inside the Christian Education office.

Please remember:

- ***All articles will be included as long as space permits.***
- ***Articles will be edited for grammar and/or clarity where needed.***
- ***Any article turned in after the deadline will be included in the next month's Orbit.***

Thank You!