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TAKE CHARGE OF YOUR LEGACY



Thinking about the future and how you can help your church after you're gone? Trinity Altoona's new simplified Gift Acceptance Policy is a reminder that YOU can decide exactly how you want your gift to be spent.

**Trinity Lutheran Church Gift Acceptance Policy
(In Layman's Terms)**

By default, ALL gifts will be split 50/50 with half going to Current Operating Expenses (the present) and the other half going to the Endowment Fund (the future).

Details

- Gifts include cash gifts, estate gifts, publicly traded securities (stocks), closely held securities, real estate, life insurance policies, tangible personal property, life income and special legacy gifts
- Individuals can designate their gift for any purpose or purposes, but if they provide no specific instructions on how the gift is to be divided it will be split 50-50 as noted above
- If individuals choose to be specific on how their gift is spent, they must choose at least one primary “beneficiary” and one secondary beneficiary (this would apply if the primary “beneficiary” no longer exists or does not have sufficient additional funding to be completed)
- All gifts designated for the Endowment Fund, either specifically or by the 50/50 default, will be subject to the Endowment Committee’s detailed Gift Acceptance Policy. Non-cash gifts must be converted to cash prior to the 50/50 split
- The Church Council reserves the right to accept or reject ANY gift upon a majority vote by the council (this would mostly cover issues related to closely held securities, real estate, tangible personal property etc.)
- All checks are payable directly to Trinity Lutheran Church

Remember, you can specify exactly where you want your gift to go. You can designate all your money go to one place or divide up your gift between several destinations, either by dollar amount or percentage. **If you don't specify, your gift will automatically be split 50/50 between now (Current Fund) and the future (Endowment Fund).**

Please reach out to Pastor Eli or a council member if you have any questions about the Gift Acceptance Policy.

WELCOME TO 2020

A new year and a new decade have arrived. Make a resolution to renew and strengthen your faith at Trinity Altoona!

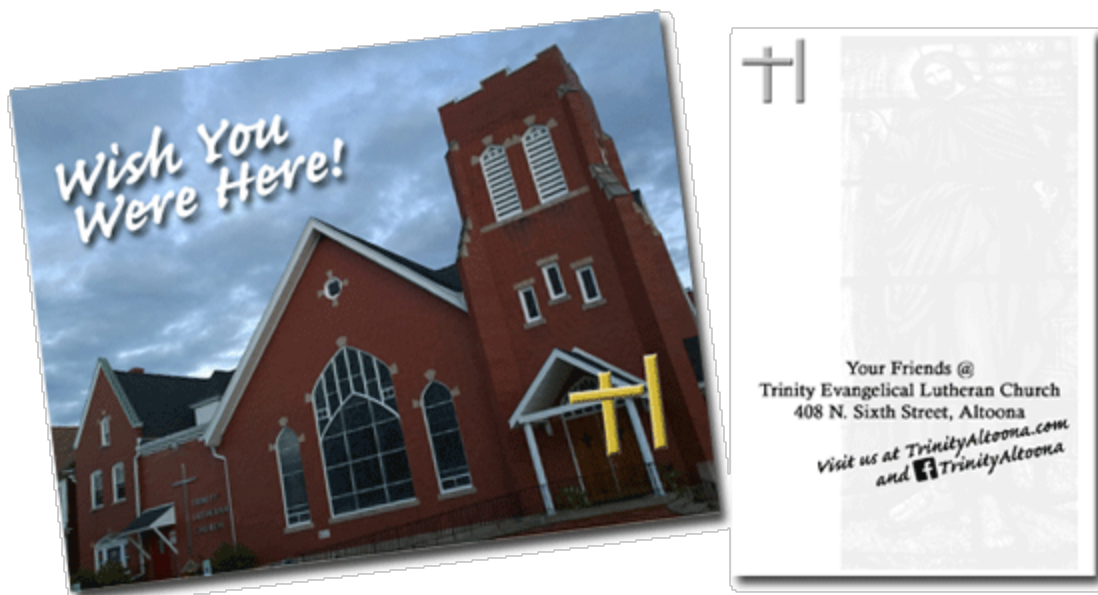


The holiday season is over for another year and the Worship & Music Committee could use your help. They will be **taking down and packing away our Christmas decorations** this Friday January 10 at 6PM. Please call Debbie Garritano at 944-5706 if you're able to help. If you'd like to learn more about the committee and what it does, plan on attending their next meeting, Tuesday January 14 at 6PM in Trinity Hall.

The Allegheny Synod's **40,000 Can Challenge** continues. Please bring your non-perishable donations to church and leave them in the adult Sunday School room upstairs or Trinity Hall downstairs. Most of our donations will be placed in our 24/7 Caring Cupboard, located on the 6th Street side of our church. Some items may be donated to the Altoona Food Bank.

Mark your calendars for **Trinity's Souper Bowl Sunday**, kicking off after the 10:45AM service January 26 in Trinity Hall. You're invited to bring your favorite soup (and recipe) to share. A donation of \$1 lets you sample as many soups as you like, with

all monies raised going toward the annual Ladies' Retreat at Camp Sequanota. For more information, please contact Angela Counterman at 312-8036 or angejsol@hotmail.com.



Do you have a family member, friend or neighbor who needs a gentle "nudge" to come back to church in 2020? [Send us their name and mailing address](#) and we'll send them one of our new "**Wish You Were Here!**" postcards.

Would you like to brighten the day of our sick and/or shut-in members? You can **volunteer to deliver altar flowers** by calling Patty Bennett at 944-4823.

St. Andrew's Preschool has a **continuing need for supplies** including baby wipes, bathroom hand soap, Clorox wipes, juice boxes, postage stamps, Scotch tape and whiteboard markers. Donations can be dropped off in Trinity Hall.

Our **regular weekly activities** include the Sewing Group (Mondays 10AM-2PM), Adult Bible Study (Tuesdays 9-10AM, Wednesdays 7-8PM), the Healthy You Program (Tuesdays and Fridays 10AM), the Crochet Group (Tuesdays 6PM) and the Prayer Breakfast (Thursdays 9AM).

Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall. Faith, fun and fellowship are always in season at Trinity Altoona :)

A WIN-WIN OPPORTUNITY FOR 2020

By advertising in Trinity Altoona's new-and-improved **Business Directory**, you'll be

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The Trinity Altoona Business Directory appears on the back cover of our Saturday and Sunday church bulletins. Each text listing features a business category, business name and 3-line description that includes contact information (phone, website, street address etc.)

The cost is just \$75 for 3 months and now includes a special bonus. In addition to appearing on the back of every bulletin, your listing will also be displayed right here in *The Pulse*.

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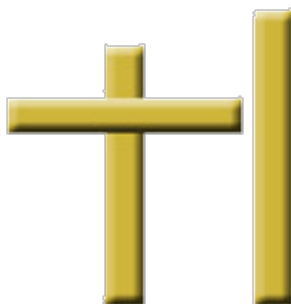
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