# THE PIPER

# **DECEMBER 4, 2016**



# **Trinity Lutheran Church**

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The flowers are given by Marty and Alyce Mehring in honor of their children and their families and Alyce's father, Ross.

#### PRAYER LIST

#### TLC DISCIPLES

Jerry Wion, Kris Glad (military), Raymond Petersen (military)

#### **TLC FRIENDS**

Rosanne Majors (pending surgery), Lois Rearick, Michael Benes (shoulder surgery), Moe Gordon, Madelynn Huther, Jake Petersen (military), Eva Reed (broken leg), Jan Dykhuis, Bob Johnson, John Light, Stan Lembeck, Basil Costantino (cancer), Lucy (cancer), the JB Shackelford family, the Shipman family, the Steinbacher family, the Luigi DePari family (auto accident), the Rutkowski family (death of two children)

# Blanket Collection for Interfaith Human Services (IHS)

As has become a tradition at Trinity, new or gently used blankets will be collected to be given out to those individuals and families in need. Each year the need becomes greater as there are more families coming to IHS for services. A collection box will be in the Narthex through Sunday, December 11. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Esther Lauchle at 814-404-3867. On behalf of IHS thank for your for your generosity.

**Esther Lauchle** 

Quilters will meet in Faith Room December 17, 9:00 am to noon

No prior experience necessary.

#### **WEEKLY READINGS**

December 4
Isaiah 11:1-10

Romans 15:4-13 Matthew 3:1-12

December 11 Isaiah 35:1-10

James 5:7-10

Matthew 11:2-11

#### TRINITY EVENTS

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

10:00 am Zumba 5:00 pm Worship with Communion

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

8:15 am Worship with Communion 9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship with Communion 11:45 am Coffee Hour

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5
10:00 am Foxdale Bible Study

<u>TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6</u> 5:45 pm Zumba

#### Wednesday, December 7

6:00 pm Advent Dinner 7:00 pm Holden Evening Prayer

#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

5:45 pm Zumba 7:00 pm Bell Choir

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

10:00 am Zumba 5:00 pm Worship with Communion

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

8:15 am Worship with Communion 9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship with Communion/ Essence of Joy Alumni Singers 11:45 am Coffee Hour

## Celebrating Jesus' Birthday

On December 18 Trinity children will be celebrating the birth of Jesus by preparing Birthday Bags for the Food Bank. Thrivent Financial is helping to sponsor the children's goal to make sure kids their own age have a Happy Birthday. All kids are invited to help decorate and fill bags with donations on December 18 in Fellowship Hall between services. The bags will include a cake mix, ic-



ing, candles, and sprinkles. Along with your canned/dry goods for the Food Bank each week please consider bringing in one or all of the items to help fill a bag.

Any questions, email Lena@psu.edu.

### ADVENT SOUP AND SALAD SUPPERS

Wednesdays in Advent

6:00 pm - Meal

7:00 pm - "Holden Evening Prayer"

Signup Sheet is posted on the Door to Fellowship Hall

Donations of desserts are requested and welcomed. Besides desserts, if you would like to donate a pot of soup contact Pastor Ron, <a href="mailto:TLCRevRon@comcast.net">TLCRevRon@comcast.net</a>.



#### FOOD DRIVE NEWS

We are off to a good start—we have collected 91 food items to date. We have about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  weeks to go. Can we collect over 500 items?

Please consider donating to the drive by bringing a food item to the church on the remaining Sundays in December. Thanks for your support!

Donna Weller

#### PARK FOREST PRESCHOOL CRAFT KITS

Every year, Trinity provides craft kits for the children participating in the Park Forest Preschool Program. If you would like to donate a craft kit for a child, please select a name tag from the Christmas tree in the Narthex. The kit should contain the following six items:



Blunt Scissors Construction Paper Crayons Glue Stick Scotch Tape Writing Tablet



Please wrap the kit items and attach the tag to the package.

The kits need to be returned by December 11.

Note: Ignore the size information on the tags. This information is used by other groups who donate clothing items.

Thank you for making a child's Christmas a bit brighter.

#### CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00 pm Family Worship

7:30 pm Musical Prelude

8:00 pm Candlelight Worship with Communion

**CHRISTMAS DAY** 

10:00 am
Celebration of the Nativity
with Holy Communion

Blessed is the season which engages the whole world in a conspiracy of love.

~Hamilton Wrogjt Mabie

Worship with Communion will be held at 10:00 am on Christmas and New Year's Day. Please note that there is only one worship service on these days.

#### WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE



Patton Township Business Association has been doing a Winter Clothing Drive for nine years now and they're hoping to help even more kids this year. They're look-

ing to collect new or gently-used winter coats, winter boots, scarves, hats and gloves.

All of the items collected will be donated to the Burrowes Street Youth Haven, which is a part of the Centre County Youth Service Bureau in State College. These clothes will be given to boys and girls between the ages of 12 and 18.

Representatives with the Youth Service Bureau say each year, that this drive helps more than 50

kids, but they re always looking to collect more coats and winter accessories than that because so many other children come and go within their offices and shelters. December 15 is the last day to make donations.

A donation box is located in the church narthex.

#### TLC FINANCIAL INFORMATION

July 1, 2016 - November 30, 2016

Income \$ 97,032.10 Expenses \$ 111,438.00 Difference \$-14,405.90

These amounts represent operating income and expenses and do not include any interest.

## ALL WOMEN OF TRINITY SAVE THE DATE!

What: Women of Trinity Christmas Party When: Monday, December 12, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Where: Clubhouse of Greenwich Hill: 3221 Shellers Bend,

State College

Who: All women, daughters, and a friend if you like

Agenda:

Craft for the Oaks

Tea and cookies while lighting our candles and sharing our readings

What to bring:

A plate of a dozen sweets to share

A holiday reading, Bible, poem, story (short or excerpt)

to share aloud

Any candle to light during tea and readings

This is a beautiful evening of fellowship. Please join us!

RSVP: by December 9 to Linda Leslie 237-3568 or <a href="mailto:lsleslie49@yahoo.com">lsleslie49@yahoo.com</a> (need number for craft and tea prep - Thanks!)

#### FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

St. Andrew's Epsicopal Church, 208 W. Foster Avenue in State College will offer its annual Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols on Sunday, December 11, at 5:00 pm. It is patterned after the Christmas Eve service held in King's College Chapel. The Festival was introduced in 1918 to bring a more imaginative approach to worship.

It was first broadcast in 1928 and is now broadcast to millions of people around the world. It has become a staple of Episcopal churches in the United States.

It has even spread to other denominations. Readings are followed by carols and anthems from the choirs and carols sung by the congregation.

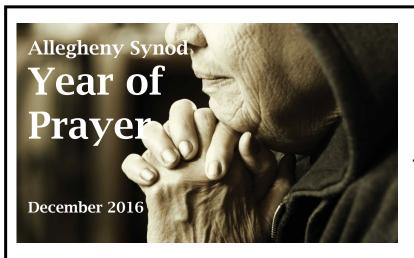
Both the Youth and Adult choirs will sing for this service. Music includes works by Richard Shepherd, G. P. da Palestrina, Jean-Philippe Rameau, Edgar Pettman, Ralph Johnson, Elizabeth Poston, Ian Higginson, John Rutter and Ralph Vaughan Williams. A reception will follow in Canterbury Hall.

Please plan to join us for this special moment in the worship life of St. Andrew's and in our community.

A series of four Prayer/Bible Study/Discussion classes on <u>Lutheran Approach to Pope Francis' Letter on Climate Change</u> will be held at Trinity beginning Saturday, January 7, at 8:30 am with a breakfast.

The four classes will meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of January and February for about 90 minutes. (January 7, January 21, February 4, and February 18).

Contact Karl Raynar with any questions.



The Allegheny Synod Year of Prayer is a year-long effort to engage our members in prayer for others and for the world.

This month we pray for
The Holy Land and peace in the land
of Jesus' birth.

Week 1: Peace Talks

Pray for the ongoing peace talks between leaders of nations that they might

rule with equity.

Week 2: Missionaries who serve in Israel and Palestine

Rev. Carrie Ballenger-Smith

Adrainne & Ben Gray

Revs. Colin & Jeni Grangaard

Week 3: The Church of the Nativity

Located in Bethlehem, it is said to be the site of Jesus' birth

Week 4: Peacemakers

Pray that the Holy Spirit will show you how to be a peacemaker in our hurting

world.