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Trinity Lutheran Church

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PRAYER LIST

TLC DISCIPLES

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

TLC FRIENDS

Earl Sheatler, Eva Reed (101 with broken leg), Kylee Dart (4-year-old needs a new heart), Theresa Dvorsky (cancer), Moe Gordon, (cancer), Lois Rearick, Cathy (cancer), James Nash (dementia), Gary Ayres, Basil Costantino (cancer), Bill Sherman (return cancer), Mary Whitlock (cancer), Jake Petersen (military), Sean Slane and family (move), Rosanne Majors and family, Amanda Sigman (return cancer stage 4) and children

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Sound Room Volunteers are needed, especially for the second service. The responsibilities for the sound room operator at each of the Sunday morning services are quite simple. The operator arrives about 10 minutes before the service begins to turn on the sanctuary lights and the sound amplification system. The operator then checks that all the microphones to be used are operating properly. This may include replacing batteries in the Pastor's wireless transmitter, but that is rare because Pastor Miller checks and replaces (as required) the batteries himself. In the sound room the operator wears headphones that allow him or her to hear the amplified output sound coming from the speakers in the sanctuary. Because there are multiple microphones on at the same time, sometimes the amplified sound originating at one microphone gets sensed by another nearby microphone and is rebroadcast adding additional volume. The cycle repeats itself very fast and results in a high-pitched squeal that fills the worship space. We call this feedback. The operator is able to hear the beginnings of feedback in the headphones and is therefore able to perform the corrective action on the control console before the squeal gets out of control. This is the most important task for the operator to perform. Without an operator present, someone with sound room knowledge must rush to the room and shut down the offending microphones. At the conclusion of the service the operator will turn off the sound room electronics and turn off the sanctuary lights, unless someone is there using the space. During the summer months when there is the outdoor service the first service sound room operator sets up the outdoor sound system. The sound equipment is returned to the church after the service by some of the folks attending that service. We presently have four sound room operators for the first service (Neil Kimerer, Tim Linden, Karl Raynar, and Jerry Lauchle), but only two for the second (Jay Aubuchon, and Jeff Gonet). Please consider volunteering for the sound room; it would be nice to have a total of 8 to 12 qualified sound room operators. Jerry Lauchle (814-404-6955 or gcl1@psu.edu) is the coordinator for the sound room and will meet with interested individuals at the church to go over the operation of the equipment and the procedures during the services. This meeting will last between 15 and 30 minutes. He also has a detailed operator's manual that will be provided for the operator's reading, reference, and retention.

TRINITY EVENTS

Saturday, January 21

8:30 am A Lutheran Approach to Climate Change 10:00 am Prayer Vigil 10:00 am Zumba 5:00 pm Worship with Communion

Sunday, January 22

8:15 am Worship with Communion 9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship with Communion 11:45 am Coffee Hour 2:00 pm Ecumenical Service Cathedral-Blessed Sacrament Altoona

> Monday, January 23 10:00 am Foxdale Bible Study

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24 5:45 pm Zumba

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26 5:45 pm Zumba 7:00 pm Bell Choir

Saturday, January 28

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

Sunday, January 29

8:15 am Worship with Communion 9:30 am Sunday School 10:45 am Worship with Communion 11:45 am Coffee Hour 12:00 pm Deeper Waters



Bette Larson would like to thank everyone for the cards and prayers during her recent illness.

2017 Offering Envelopes

Please use 2017 offering envelopes and not 2016 envelopes. Since some do not have the same envelope number for 2017 as in 2016, using the older envelopes can result in contributions being recorded for the incorrect person. Thank you.

NEWCOMERS' CLASS

For those interested in learning more about Trinity or those interested in becoming a member, the next Newcomers' Class is set for Saturday, February 25, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. If you have any questions or want to register for this class, please contact Pastor Ron, TLCRevRon@comcast.net or 814-933-8514 (cell).

ADULT STUDY

Mere Christianity, by C. S. Lewis will be the focus of an adult small group study. The class will meet on Monday nights at 7:00 pm beginning on January 30. If you have any questions or want to register for this class, please contact Pastor Ron, TLCRevRon@comcast.net or 814-933-8514 (cell).

WEEKLY READINGS

January 22 Isaiah 9:1-4 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 Matthew 4:12-23

January 29 Micah 6:1-8 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 Matthew 5:1-12

DEEPER WATERS

Students in grades 6 – 8 participate in catechetical instruction that leads them to make public affirmation of their faith. As part of the course of study, the students engage in activities outside of the Sunday morning classroom. The next out-of-classroom event will be on Sunday, January 29. The group will meet at Five Guys on College Avenue at 12:00 pm for lunch and then walk to 2000 Degrees to complete a project of their choosing. If you have any questions or want to register for this event, please contact Pastor Ron, TLCRevRon@comcast.net or 814-933-8514 (cell).



If you missed the first session of our study of Pope Francis' Encyclical *Laudato Si*, on Care for our Common Home, you are still welcome to join the group. Join us for breakfast at 8:30 this Saturday, January 21, and find out more about Trinity's **Care of Creation** team and **Pennsylvania Interfaith Power and Light**.

Homework: Review Pope Francis' appeal in sections 13-16 (pp 13-16). Read Chapter I "What is Happening to Our Common Home" and Chapter II "The Gospel of Creation."

Reflect on the environmental degradation that we are experiencing and what the Bible instructs us to do about Creation.

Come prepared to share the major take-aways you felt after reading these chapters.

Other Care of Creation Opportunities on Saturday, January 21

10:00 am -10:30 am Prayer Vigil at Trinity Interfaith Prayer for Our Climate led by Greg Williams.

Interfaith Power & Light is joining to support **first 100 hours vigils** for climate courage across the nation during the time of transition as President Obama steps down, and President Trump steps into office.



- 11:00 am -12:00 pm Michael Mann lecture "How to Heal Earth's Climate" 100 Thomas Building at Penn State
- 2:00 pm 4:00 pm Work Party at Walnut Springs Park on Easterly Parkway removing invasive species (Bring work gloves tools will be provided)



The *Care of Creation Team* at Trinity Lutheran Church has started a conservation and savings program in co-operation with our local food bank to distribute energy efficient one hundred watt (100W) LED light bulbs to families in need. We ask you to consider placing a donation in the basket at the Fellowship Hall entrance to help someone in need to minimize our impact on the environment.