THE PIPER

JANUARY 31, 2021



Trinity Lutheran Church

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PRAYER LIST

TLC DISCIPLES

Jerry Wion, Carol Bernlohr, Dee Kiel, Linda Leslie

TLC FRIENDS

Sandy Conard, Mike, Jayne, Alan, Steve, Jessica



READINGS

Deuteronomy 18:15-20
Psalm 111
1 Corinthians 8:1-13
Mark 1:21-28

Resuming & Starting in February

Resuming: Monday evening Zoom Bible Study at 7:00 pm

Also resuming: Thursday morning Zoom Bible Study at 10:00 am

If you should have any questions about either of these or would like to be included in the Zoom Invitation, please email the church office at: tlcoffice2@comcast.net to be put on that email list.

NEW - ZOOM COFFEE HOUR the first Sunday of each month at 10:00 am starting Sunday, February 7th

Later in February and starting on Ash Wednesday (February 17th) soups will be available again and Holden Evening Prayer will be recorded and emailed to everyone.

The menu of soups will be posted in the February Parish Piper
Newsletters.

Imposition of Ashes

On Ash Wednesday, February 17th from 10:00 am to 1:30 pm
Pastor Ron will be offering drive thru
Imposition of Ashes. Put it on your calendar and plan
to pick up soup at the same time.

This is the only week soup will be available for the extended time, all other Wednesdays the Soup pickup time will be 11:30 am to 1:00 pm

TRINITY EVENTS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31

YouTube Worship Service w/Bulletin
Recorded & Emailed
11:00 am Deeper Water Zoom
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1
7:00 pm Zoom Bible Study
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2
5:30 pm Zoom Executive Team
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4
10:00 am Zoom Bible Study
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7

YouTube Worship Service w/Bulletin Recorded & Emailed 10:00 am Zoom Coffee Hour 11:00 am Deeper Water Zoom

2020 Giving Statements

The 2020 Giving Statements
were emailed to all
last week. If you have questions,
think there is a mistake or
want to have an additional
contribution posted to
your 2020 Giving
Statement, please contact
me at tlcoffice2@comcast.net.

If you did not receive your statement because you do not have an email address, let me know (814-238-2024) and I can print & mail it to you.

Thanks, Beth

From the Pastor's Desk

January 31, 2021

Dear Beloved of God,

As you may know, we have agreed to host a fulltime intern this year. Vicar Ted will officially begin on Monday, February 1, 2021. While there is still work being done to prepare for his arrival and planning for the year, here is a brief introduction he shared with me.

My full name is William Theodore Williams, but I have always gone by Ted.

Anyway, I am 53 years old and this is a second career for me. I was born in Altoona, the youngest of 5 children and have lived in this area most of my life.

I started out in the US Army after High School (August 1985-November 1991). I was enlisted for 6 years and was initially trained as a Combat Medic. I was assigned to the 10th Mountain Division at Ft. Drum NY as a platoon medic. It is a Light Infantry Unit and I went with my platoon everywhere they went and took care of their medical needs in a field setting and in garrison setting.

In October 1988, I started 6 weeks of training at Ft. Sam Houston in San Antonio, TX and then an additional year of training at Madigan Army Medical Center at Ft. Lewis, WA, near Tacoma. I graduated as a Practical Nurse at Ft. Lewis in December 1989 and was transferred to Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C. as a Practical Nurse. I was assigned to an inpatient Neurology unit taking care of military and civilian patients from around the world with various neurological diseases. During my time at WRAMC, I was deployed to Saudi Arabia for Desert Shield/Storm from December 1990-March 1991. I was honorably discharged in November 1991.

I moved to Columbia, SC from April-December 1992 and worked in a State Prison there until I returned to PA and enrolled in RN school.

I attended Penn State Altoona and the Altoona Hospital School of Nursing from September 1993-December 1994 and graduated with my Diploma as a Registered Nurse.

I started work for the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections and worked there in various positions from April 1995-October 2017, at which time I retired.

- April 1995-September 2002-Staff RN taking care of inmates medical needs at the State Correctional Institute Huntingdon. This included primary care, education, mental health care, and emergency care.
- September 2002-December 2007-I was promoted to Registered Nurse Supervisor at SCI Huntingdon and supervised RN's and LPN's in taking care of the inmate's medical needs.
- December 2007-October 2017-I was promoted again to Corrections Health Care Administrator at SCI Rockview in Bellefonte. I supervised the medical department to include Dental Staff, Medical Staff, Nursing Staff, and Mental Health Staff. I was responsible for contract compliance for our three medical contracts for Medical Staffing, Mental Health Staffing, and Pharmacy services.

I currently work for Family Hospice, part of UPMC in Altoona as a prn RN. I see patients in their homes to provide care, manage end of life issues, symptom management, physical and emotional support.

I enrolled and have attended Luther Seminary since September 2016. I have completed all required courses and only have internship left to complete to graduate. The program I am enrolled in called a Distributed Learning (DL). It is a combination of computer-based learning, with at least 10 credits completed on campus for residential credits. The residential credits are done at intensives, the week-long in person classes with pre- and post-work to complete. The online courses are set up to run over an entire semester.

All of my courses are completed, and I have met the requirements for my Justice and Reconciliation Concentration, so again, just internship to complete.

So that is my story.

Of course, much of what Vicar Ted will do for the first few months will be virtual, but you will have various opportunities to meet him. As the scriptures remind us, "Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it." (Heb 13:2)

I look forward to this year of growth and learning for Vicar Ted, for myself, and for the congregation! Yours in Christ,

Paster Ron

Pastor Ron

FOR THE SUNDAY, FEB 7TH ZOOM COFFEE HOUR, THE INVITATION WILL LOOK LIKE THIS:

Topic: Sunday Coffee Hour

Time: Feb 7, 2021 10:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83821239931

Meeting ID: 838 2123 9931

Passcode: 774192

The invitation will be emailed out to everyone on Saturday, Feb 6th and a reminder on Sunday, Feb 7th.

PASTOR RON'S EMAIL

If you plan to contact Pastor Ron via email please use: <u>TLCRevRon@GMAIL.com</u>

While his Comcast email has been fixed, he has far less hacking problems with Gmail. It has taken over a month to get this fixed and he appreciates everyone's patience and understanding.