

The Epistle

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Trinity Lutheran Church is a place to gather, refresh the faithful, and reach out with word and service to all others through the Holy Gospel

October 2021



Dear Friends in Christ,

Idaho instituted Crisis Standards of Care (CSC) at the end of last week and it feels like that is what I should be writing about. My body cringed when I read the news and a wave of sadness washed over me. We used God's Work. Our Hands. Sunday to write notes of thanks and encouragement to the staff of neighboring West Middle School. Now I wonder about sending notes of thanks and encouragement to our healthcare workers. What is the faithful response to CSC? How do we step forward? As we have been asking for many months, how do we care for the spiritual, physical, and mental health of our members, neighbors and the least among us? Thanks to the Covid Task Force and Council for guidance and decision making about covid protocols. I am grateful to serve a congregation that is good at adapting and adjusting graciously. October is a favorite month for me here and, despite the CSC, there are things in the works that we can look forward to. Our Remember and Grieve Together (Sept. 29) event will be a gift to our congregation and the larger community. We will gather on the lawn the evening of Oct. 13 for our annual Pet Blessing (St. Francis Day is Oct. 4). Some of our members will represent Trinity at West's Trunk or Treat Oct. 27. The month will end with Confirmation/Reformation Sunday, Oct. 31. And our journey through Mark's gospel continues throughout the month. The passages about discipleship are sometimes hard to hear--following Jesus faithfully can be a challenge. But it is ultimately life-giving and, thanks be to God, it is never solitary. We lean on our community of faith, saints who have gone before us, and of course the Holy Spirit. We are never alone.

Peace,

Pastor Meggan



September's Noisy Offering on Sunday, September 26th will be for *Trinity New Hope*. Trinity New Hope provides clean and affordable housing as well as help and hope for those in need. Their guiding principles are to maintain clean, safe and compliant properties, to ensure financial stability, to seek and develop leadership for both staff and volunteers, to continually communicate our story and to educate and empower tenants to be more valuable community members. Their Vision is for everyone in Nampa to have a clean, safe home in which to live



October's Noisy Offering on Sunday, October 31st will be for *The Nampa Family Justice Center*. The mission of the *Nampa Family Justice Center* is to promote safety, self-sufficiency, hope and healing to those affected by abuse. The *Nampa Family Justice Center* has advocates available to help victims of abuse create safety plans, file for protection orders, and locate helpful community resources. Many of our partner agencies are on-site, making it easier for survivors to get the assistance they need.

2021 Duck Valley Indian Reservation School Supplies



Backpacks-64, glue bottles-43, glue sticks-90, composition notebooks-45, packages of pencils-33, packages of colored pencils-40, rulers-22, packages of crayons-65, packages of pens-36, expo markers-14, packages of erasers-35, packages of highlighters-16, scissors-40, scientific calculators-10, handheld calculators-3, pencil boxes-62, packages of paper-40, 3-ring binders-15, packages of markers-34, notebooks-95, paper folders-27, containers of Lysol wipes-2, student planners-4, box of assorted hygiene supplies, bottles of hand sanitizer-14, handmade bags-4, packages of construction paper-2, packages of award certificates-1, paint set-1, packages of index cards-3, book markers-24, boxes of copy paper-4, boxes of teacher supplies-2. The people at the Reservation School (grades K-12) were very excited and thankful for the generous donations! This year's amount of school supplies filled Steve's truck. The amount of donations were AMAZING. Thanks to everyone for contributing to this years school supply drive- Church in Community Committee



Monday Morning Study- 10:00 a.m.

Michael Curry's "Love is the Way"



Sunday Adult Forum

We are reading William White's book- "In Over Our Heads: Meditations on Grace". Join us in the Koinonia Room (Blue Room) at 8:45 a.m. You do not need to have the book.



President

Sarah Henthorn (21)

Vice-President

Jerry Armbrust (23) (21 as VP)

Secretary

Penelope Smith (22) (21 Sec.)

Treasurer

Lloyd Kellar (renewable)

Financial Secretary

Karissa Armbrust (renewable)

Accounts Payable Coordinator

Peggy Miller (renewable)

Council Team Assignments

Christian Education/Youth: Sandy Blom (23)

Church in Community: Mwajuma Dusabe (22)

Communication: Patrick Kelly (22)

Gospel and Growth: Penelope Smith (22)

Hospitality: Amanda Hanson (22)

Property: Tom Friddle (21)

Stewardship: Sarah Henthorn (21)

Trinity New Hope: Carl Radke (23)

Worship & Music: Caitlin McHugh (21)

Congregational Committee Assignments

Audit: Julie Ward (21) Tami Robinson (23),

Emily Bentley (22)

Endowment: Larry Mills (21), Lisa Harker (22),

Edith Hannett (23)

Memorial: Ardelle O'Bryan (21), Craig Olsen (23),

Andrew Hanson (22)

Nominating: Jennifer Metz, Tim McHugh, Tom Friddle,

Sarah Henthorn

Mutual Ministry: Sharon Jones, Jerry Armbrust, Tammy

Torrey, Steve Ward

Synod Assembly Voting Members: Jerry & Karissa

Armbrust

Luther Heights Representatives: Janet Metzger &

Cathy Winwood



The **September** Women's Luncheon will be at 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, September 28th at Sizzler, 501 Caldwell Blvd. Please RSVP to Edith Hannett, (510) 673-5872.

The Women's Luncheon for **October** will be 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 26th. Details will be announced.



Trinity New Hope Wish List

- o Two New (Metal/Rubber) Wrap Picnic Tables
- o Two New Outdoor Barbeques
- o One Large Outdoor Trash Can (Park Style)
- o A Tree in front yards of units missing them.
- o Perma-bark (rock) in the garden areas of the units instead of blow in wood bark that just deteriorates.
- o New Sprinkler System

Confirmation Schedule

October 10th: 1:30-3:30 p.m.

November 14th: 1:30-3:30 p.m.

December 12th: 1:30-3:30 p.m.

January 8-9th: Retreat at Immanuel



FLOWERS! FLOWERS!

FLOWERS! Thanks to all who have contributed flowers for our YouTube and Facebook services. We are

now back on a regular flower chart signup. You may either call Joyce Becht at (208) 465-1753 or sign-up on the sign-up chart located on the window in the church entry. Please remember to bring your flowers to the church office during office hours 9 a.m. to 1:00p.m. by Thursday. Thanks for all you do each week to beautify our sanctuary.



-Holiday Bazaar-

Saturday November 6. Please contact Karissa Armbrust at

208-318-3823 to reserve your table.

Recruiting Home Communion Ministers



Trinity needs to recruit a few new people who will serve our homebound members. No experience necessary! Training will include a session reviewing Holy Communion along with the practices and tools for an effective visit. My goal is to visit our members every-other month, with Home Communion Ministers visiting the opposite months. Please contact me if you are interested. - Pastor Meggan



Statistical Comparison For September

<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Offering</u>
8/30/20	64	\$2,068.88
8/29/21	37	2,522.49
9/6/20	46	2,855.00
9/5/21	26	3,050.80
9/13/20	97	2,539.00
9/12/21	47	1,410.00
9/20/20	82	1,740.00
9/19/21	36	2,559.50
9/27/20	66	4,615.46
9/26/21	(unavailable at time of printing)	
August Automatic Giving:		\$ 1,181.59
September Automatic Giving (through 9/20):		unavailable



Wednesday, Oct. 13th at 6:30 p.m.

We all know that pets have been especially important during the past 15 months as we have practiced physical distancing. The month of St. Francis'

Feast Day (Oct. 4) is a great time to ask a blessing on our pets. This event will be on the church lawn. Please bring your pets and your own chair or blanket.



Congregation Council
Meeting for **September**
Team Reports for **9/16/21**

PASTOR'S REPORT: Pr. Meggan Manlove

Luther Heights: As I write my report for the Sept. 22 council meeting, Luther Heights Bible Camp has been evacuated due to the nearby Jakes Gulch Fire. Please keep the camp and fire crews in your prayers. Fall retreats have been cancelled.

Misc Projects: I am again leading an 12-session online Spiritual Practices Group (6-12 rostered leaders and ministry people) for the synod as part of California Lutheran University's Thriving Leadership Formation program. I will lead a four-part online series "Racial Healing and Film" as I wrap up my eight-month Racial Healing and Wellness continuing education series. Several people have asked about bringing back the Enneagram Personality curriculum and the plan is to start that in January. Another local pastor and I are in the initial stages of planning several housing forums for Nampa; trying to move the conversation forward on solutions to the housing crisis.

CHURCH IN COMMUNITY: Mwajuma Dusabe/JB

Equal Exchange: coffee/chocolate/tea sales. Please enjoy some delicious Fellowship Blend for \$7/lb. or Sister's Blend for \$8/lb. Other great EE products are also for sale. Call Steve or Renee VanAtter who will either deliver your order or leave it at the church. Sales are also available after church services most Sundays. Thanks for your continued support.

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God's Work, Our Hands 9/12: Wonderful donations of gently used shoes and backpacks plus \$300 for new purchases and 70 thank you notes were written to the West Staff by our Sunday School and church members. Treats for the staff were also given. Thanks so much for everything you did for our needy neighbors.

GOSPEL AND GROWTH: Penelope Smith continues to encourage people to submit entries for the Advent Daily Devotional booklet; the deadline is October 15th. The team is planning the "Remember and Grieve Together" event on 9/29 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Names of people and pets who have died and people who have moved are being gathered, with photos and remembrance objects collected on the railroad table in the Koinonia Room. These will be displayed on tables in the loft. Most of the evening will be "open sanctuary" time, with a service of readings and prayers starting at 7:00 pm. Trinity musicians will play background music. The service and the display tables will be videotaped, and later compiled into a YouTube video.

STEWARDSHIP: Penelope Smith is predominantly focused on the Fall Financial Campaign, with pledge packets mailed 9/13 and the link to the video published 9/14. Completed pledge cards can be sealed in privacy envelopes and returned to church by mail or in person by October 3rd. Stewardship Team and Church Council is asked to demonstrate leadership by completing and returning their pledges during the first week of the

campaign. The 6-minute video can be viewed on YouTube and will be played on the Koinonia Room TV after church in September. 2022 offering envelopes will be available for those who want them.

Confirmation/Reformation Sunday

Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

-Diane Irankundu will affirm her baptism-



Trinity Lutheran Church College Scholarship Description and Application 2021 Graduates

The Trinity Lutheran Church College Scholarship is for graduating high school seniors who are active+ members of Trinity Lutheran Church in Nampa, Idaho. This scholarship must be used at a two-year or four-year accredited college or university or an accredited trade school within the academic year following their high school graduation. It is to be used for tuition, books or other education related fees. This scholarship is supported by the Trinity Lutheran Church (TLC) congregation and the TLC Youth Program. The monetary value* funded by TLC for this scholarship will total \$500. This will be given out or divided between one or more students recommended to the church council by the youth committee for final approval based on their Trinity Lutheran Church College Scholarship Application. Scholarship applications will be available to download on the TLC website- www.nampatrinity.org Applicants must complete the application form and return it to the church office before February 15 of their graduating year. Criteria for award selection will be based on completed application and 2 letters of recommendation. Applicants will be notified by mail in April if they are to receive the award [whole or partial]. Recipients will be recognized at the High School Graduate Recognition Sunday in May.



Year-Round Stewardship for October - Stewardship as Legacy.

Trinity has spent September focused on "giving" as a way to support the ministries of our near future (asking households to make financial commitments for the year 2022). And, while we must be good stewards of next month and next year, let's not forget that our faith community has been actively doing God's work on earth for literally thousands of years! Our spiritual ancestors have handed this faith down to us as a legacy to be treasured, carefully stewarded, and handed forward to those who come after us. "Legacy" means that, with God's help, our words and actions today will impact generations as yet unborn. It means that we can participate in sharing God's love far into the future. This month, watch for information about the ELCA Foundation, which offers expertise as well as resources, financial education, and investment- and endowment-management services to help people make major or planned gifts to the ministries that have meant so much to them. Go to elca.org/foundation to view the foundation's website. And, while you are on the internet, take a look at Trinity's own "Gift Policy", approved by your Church Council in July 2020. Go to www.nampatrinity.org/ways-you-can-give/ to find the link to this policy.

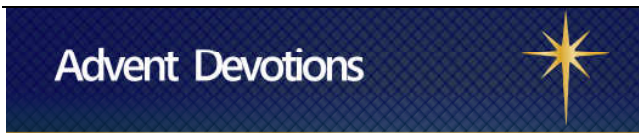
Remember and Grieve Together -
Wednesday, September 29, 2021
6:00 - 8:00 pm
Service of Readings & Prayers at 7:00 pm



Right now, some people need to grieve in a very private and personal way. Some need to hear words of truth spoken aloud and take comfort from the presence of others. Some need a bit of both. The goal of Remember and Grieve Together is to be flexible. We want each person to be able to grieve in ways that work for them. For this reason, we offer several options:

- (a) come for quiet time in the sanctuary, with gentle background music. View the display and sit for as long as you wish.
- (b) come for the service of readings and prayers, about 15 minutes, starting at 7:00 pm. Come early or stay late for some quiet time.
- (c) watch the video, available on YouTube in early October, from the privacy of your own home.

We have already received the names of over 40 people who are missed, some because they died, some because they moved away. If you have more names to share with us, please do so by 9/28 if possible; use the lilac bulletin insert or email Penelope at micahsixv8@hotmail.com. We have received a number of photographs and items that remind us of those we miss; please leave your photos and items on the railroad table in the Koinonia (blue) room. Invite others who are grieving to join us in person or to watch the video, particularly those who live out of town.



The Advent Daily Devotional Booklet - Trinity members and friends author short devotions each fall; these are compiled into a booklet that we read together during Advent. The deadline for turning in YOUR devotion is October 15th, and that will happen in just a few weeks. Questions? Talk with Mary Braudrick or Tami Robinson.



Sunday, October 17
Crop Walk local recipients for this year- Wilder Food

Bank, St. Clair's Food Pantry, St. Vincent dePauls-Nampa. Register online and enter donations online at crophungerwalk.org/caldwellid and find the Trinity Team

Or donate to a person walking. Cropwalk is **October 17th 1:30 p.m. and will begin at the College of Idaho Student Union.**



Fall Financial Campaign – was kicked off on September 13th with a mailing to the congregation, asking members to give prayerful consideration and make financial commitments to Trinity Lutheran for 2022. Complete the pledge card enclosed in the mailing, seal it in the privacy envelope, and return it to the church - by placing it in the offering plate, or by mailing it to or dropping it off at church by October 3rd. The Stewardship Team and Church Council have shown their support of pledging by completing this process already. Be sure to watch the short video <https://youtu.be/BwF8wu-MhZU> capturing how Trinity has been able to accomplish so much over the past year, despite the challenges of a pandemic, thanks to your support. During the past 15 months, our routines have been altered and the church doors were closed; this video is a visual reminder of the many creative ways that God's work has continued despite the challenges of the pandemic.



2022 Offering Envelopes

Many of us are donating to Trinity by giving automatically or online or mailing checks to the church in the monthly return envelopes. We know, however, that some prefer to use the small colored offering envelopes. If this reflects your household's preference, and you have not already done so, please let Penelope Smith know how many envelopes you will need for 2022.



All Saints Sunday (Nov. 7th)

celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in our region, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promise of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem (*Sundays and Seasons*).


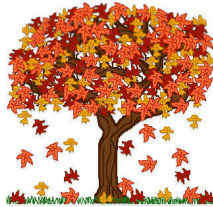



Trinity Servants For October 2021

δουλος [*doulos*] is the New Testament Greek word for servant.

	<u>October 3rd</u>	<u>October 10th</u>	<u>October 17th</u>	<u>October 24th</u>	<u>October 31st</u>
Assisting Minister	Kim Mills	Kim Mills	Steve VanAtter	Steve VanAtter	Mary Braudrick
Organist	Patricia Bishop	Karissa Armbrust	Patricia Bishop	Wendy Quarve	Karissa Armbrust
Lector	Giada Armbrust	Sierra Armbrust	Amanda Hanson	Kristina Radke	Kevin Mills
October Lessons	<i>Job 1: 1; 2: 1-10 Psalm 26 Hebrews 1: 1-4, 2: 5-12 Mark 10: 2-16</i>	<i>Job 23: 1-9, 16-17 Psalm 22: 1-15 Hebrews 4: 12-16 Mark 10: 17-31</i>	<i>Job 38: 1-7, 34-41 Psalm 104: 1-9, 24, 35b Hebrews 5: 1-10 Mark 10: 35-45</i>	<i>Job 42: 1-6, 10-17 Psalm 34: 1-8, 19-22 Hebrews 7: 23-28 Mark 10: 46-52</i>	<i>Deuteronomy 6:1-9 Psalm 119: 1-8 Hebrews 9: 11-14 Mark 12: 28-34</i>
Acolyte	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Crucifer	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Communion Asst.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Ushers	Jeff & Nancy Henderson	Lloyd & Judy Kellar	Sandy Cosgrove & Tami McHugh	Carl Radke & Penelope Smith	Kim Mills & Tammy Torrey
Greeters	The Armbrust Family	Joyce Becht & Sandy Blom	The Hanson Family	Sandy Cosgrove & Edith Hannett	Helen Hatton & Julie Haugen
Nursery	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Church Cleaning	-	Randy & Martha Miller *	-	TBD	-
Altar Guild	Judy Kellar	Tammy Torrey	Peggy Miller	Judy Kellar	Kim Mills
Fellowship Time	Ziemer/Finch	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Offering Counters	Jerry Armbrust & Amanda Hanson	Sandy Blom & Mwajuma Dusabe	Sandy Blom & Penelope Smith	Mwajuma Dusabe &	Jerry Armbrust & Amanda Hanson
Flowers/Greens	Edith Hannett	TBD	TBD	TBD	Steve & Renee VanAtter

Eternal Candle: Julie Haugen; **Wine:** Julie Haugen; **Council Devotions:** Caitlin McHugh.
Communion Bread: TBD.

**TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
CALENDAR FOR MONTH OF OCTOBER 2021**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Office Closed	2
3 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion 10:45 a.m. Fellowship	4 Office 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 10:00 a.m. Monday Morning Study	5 Office 9 a.m.-1 p.m.	6 Office 9 a.m.-1 p.m.	7 Office 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 2:00 p.m. Gospel & Growth 6:30 p.m. Al-Anon 6:00 p.m. Stewardship	8 Office Closed	
10 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost Fall Stewardship Sunday 10:00 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion 10:45 a.m. Fellowship 1:30-3:30 p.m. Confirmation @ Hope	11 Office 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Happy Columbus Day  10:00 a.m. Monday Morning Study 6:00 p.m. Trinity New Hope	12 Office 9 a.m.-1 p.m.	13 Office 9 a.m.-1 p.m.  6:30 p.m. Pet Blessing 7:00 p.m. Mutual Ministry	14 Office 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 6:30 p.m. Al-Anon	15 Office Closed	16
17 Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion 10:45 a.m. Fellowship 1:30 p.m. CROP Walk Caldwell	18 Office 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 10:00 a.m. Monday Morning Study	19 Office 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Covid Task Force	20 Office 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 6:30 p.m. Worship, Altar Guild, Music	21 Office 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 6:30 p.m. Al-Anon 7:00 p.m. Church Council	22 Office Closed	23
24 Twenty Second Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion 10:45 a.m. Fellowship Luther Heights Virtual 5K	25 Office 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 9:00 a.m. Epistle Articles Due 10:00 a.m. Monday Morning Study	26 Office 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 11:30 a.m. Women's Luncheon	27 Office 9 a.m.-1 p.m.	28 Office 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 6:30 p.m. Al-Anon 	29 Office Closed	30 
31 Reformation Day 10:00 a.m. Worship and Holy Communion 10:45 a.m. Fellowship						

LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Shawn Huston (Linda Dombeck's son-in-law- hospitalized), Fr. David Korth (friend of Aulda Long- treatment for lymphoma), Helen Hatton and the family of Suzanne Iverson (Helen Hatton's daughter- recently passed away), Linda Dombeck (recently hospitalized), Rick Lingle (Dianne Siewert's cousin- health issues), Brad Young and Family (friends of Leon & Aulda Long- brain tumor), Barb Franzen (has eye problems), Sylvia Ward (rehabilitation from a broken femur), Clifton Topp (recent knee replacement surgery), Colton (Fran & Elwood Webb's grandson- brain tumor), Joe Lutz (Marilyn Kirkness' son-in-law- prostate cancer, Bob Henderson (from Terry & Sandy Blom- strokes), Di Seba (cancer treatments), Virginia Gabel (from Emily Carpenter- kidney tumor), Our government (from Sharon Jones), Vickie Caldwell (from Terry & Sandy Blom- cancer and chemotherapy), Bob Smith (Julie Ward's uncle- reoccurring cancer), Jerry Gaines (from Emily Carpenter- degenerative spinal cord disease), John & Sarah Klahn (as they try to conceive), Logan (Kelly Family nephew- pancreatitis), Jen Brossart (from Amanda Hanson- cancer), Aspen (Kelly Family niece- fighting leukemia), Kim Edwards (Perry's wife- health), Letha (Jennifer Metz' mother- tumor in knee), Mona Lisa Regier (parkinsons).

People in the Armed Services: Ben Rogers (The Vanatters' nephew), Christopher Blohowiak (George & Helen Collins' great-grandson- Army), Brett Collins (grandson of Helen Collins- Marines), John C. Collins II (Helen Collins' grandson- Navy SEAL), Bill MacDonald (Navy).

Those in need of continuing prayer: Doyle Budd (nephew of Trisha Bishop and Di Seba- for peace and healing and guidance for doctors and family), Lorenna Ellis - Cru Campus Ministry National/Headquarters. John Steele (friend of Karissa Armbrust- cancer).

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All Saints' Day

Sunday, November 1st is All Saints' Sunday. We would like to honor those who have died **since last year**. If you would like to have someone honored this year, please write down their name and their relationship to you (son, spouse, friend, etc..) and either place in the offering plate or in the church office.

Their Name

Your Name

Their Relationship to you

Sunday School and Adult Forum are at 8:45 a.m.
Worship is at 10:00 a.m.
Fellowship time at 11:00 a.m.

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