



## PASTOR'S THOUGHTS

A couple of years ago I wrote about my experience at our 2019 Bishop's Convocation. We were out at Lutherhaven, Professor Matt Skinner was our guest speaker, he focused on the book of Acts. It was a great program. One of the worship opportunities we had at that event was in remembrance of the saints; I remember it so well.

That doesn't surprise me though. All Saints Sunday is easily one of my favorite Sundays in the church year. It is a time to continue in our grief over those saints who we lost from our worship community this past year, those souls who now rest fully into the promises of life and life abundant in and through Jesus Christ. Yet it is also a time to celebrate, to remember joyfully that while we grieve, death does not hold the final word; that there is something more, something bigger out there.

Here at TLC, we light a candle and toll a bell for each of those saints who have died this past year, as their names are read, giving each a moment of silence, letting their name, their memory hang there for just a moment. It is a solemn time, a special time, a holy time. I hope for the family and friends of those individuals, it is one more connection.

This year, on November 7<sup>th</sup> we will remember the saints once again. I have already been thinking of those names, we have ten this year, ten names, ten candles, ten saints we will name and remember. These ten join a larger community, the Saints in Light. Those folks who have gone before us for generations, those folks who have made an impact on your life, and those who have made an impact on my life.

We remember these saints as well. We are all given the opportunity to come and light a candle from the Christ candle and place it in the sand. Some of my favorite pictures taken at church have been of these gathered candles, where the light of each seems to grow from one another and become even brighter.

All Saints Sunday is one of my favorite Sundays in the church year because we have the opportunity to light a candle and remember, but we also look forward. We know that we too are a part of the community of Saints. Saints are not only those who have died, but the saints who are living here and now in our own community and around the world.

This year, after so many months of the pandemic, I believe the ritual of naming, lighting, and silence, the pause that comes with remembering is so important. In those actions, and in the space between them is a prayer...Come Lord Jesus, Come!

In Christ,  
Pastor Dan Forsgren



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**TRINITY TIMES EDITORIAL POLICY**

News and information must be received by the 20th of the month preceding the issue date.

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**VIDEO / IN-PERSON WORSHIP**

**We continue to offer** livestream of our in-person Sunday morning 9:00 AM worship service online through YouTube. Additionally, you may watch the recorded service at any time on our website, the [Video Worship Archive](#) page.

**In-person worship** with Holy Communion is available every Sunday at 9:00 AM in our Sanctuary.

**In-person worship** with Holy Communion is available every Wednesday night at 6:00 pm.

**FAITH Formation**

**Men's Bible Study** ▶

*Tuesdays 1:00 PM at TLC* Meets weekly for reading and detailed, lively discussions. Our informal study is 1-1½ hours.

**Men's Prayer Group and Bible Study** ▶

*Saturdays 7:00 AM at TLC* Meets weekly for one hour, with breakfast on the first Saturday of the month.

**Sunday Morning Adult Faith Formation** ▶

Join us after worship on Sunday mornings at 10:15am downstairs. You are welcome to grab a couple of cookies and a cup of coffee from the atrium if you'd like!

**Women's Circle** meets on the third Tuesday of each month at noon with a potluck lunch followed by a scripture-based discussion. All women are welcome. Details for September on page 4.

**Please check our website for frequent updates, calendar information, faith resources, youth schedules, news and much more:**  
[www.trinitylutherancda.org](http://www.trinitylutherancda.org).

## TLC COUNCIL CHATTER

At its October 19<sup>th</sup> meeting, Church Council members sliced, diced and spliced the proposed 2022 budget and voted unanimously to adopt it as presented by the Budget Committee. Although there is a “gentle” increase from our previous years’ budgets there was a good sense of hope, among the members, that the congregation would, individually and collectively, support these increases.

In addition, the Council unanimously accepted the recommendations from the Faith and Fellowship Committee to move forward in securing and maintaining a Youth Ministry person following Penny’s retirement in August 2022. A “Call” committee is being formed for that very purpose. More to follow.

Respectfully,  
Mike Grabenstein, Council President

**Trinity Lutheran Council will meet again on Tuesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm.**

## CONGREGATIONAL BUDGET MEETING

**Congregational Meeting: TLC Budget 2022** – This meeting will be held on Sunday, November 14, 2021, at 10:15am (immediately following the 9:00am worship service). The purpose of the meeting is to approve the proposed 2022 budget, recommended by the TLC Council. Copies of the proposed budget will be made available soon, allowing plenty of time prior to November 14<sup>th</sup> to review it. We must meet an attendance quorum to make the final vote official, so please plan on staying after worship or coming to the meeting on November 14<sup>th</sup>! Thank you.

## STEWARDSHIP

### Ways to streamline your Financial Offerings ►

- Mail a check to Trinity at 812 N. Fifth St., CDA, ID 83814
- Go to the TLC website, [www.trinitylutherancda.org](http://www.trinitylutherancda.org) and use the online Donate button located at the bottom of every page. You may use credit card, debit card or PayPal.
- Fill out a form in the office to authorize electronic fund transfers (EFT) from your account.
- Use the iPad on the front counter in the office to make a contribution with your credit or debit card.
- Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD), up to \$100,000, direct from your IRA to the church, without paying tax on the distribution. You will need to complete the transfer by the 12/31/21 deadline. Talk to your financial advisor.

# REPORT TO THE CONGREGATION: FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE

## Three Realizations, Four Recommendations

Three realizations became clear during the discussion at our September meeting.

- 1) We realized that the impact of our Youth and Family Ministry cannot be overemphasized. It has changed lives. It has enriched the congregation. It has grown durable ties to our neighborhood.
- 2) We realized that the job description for Penny's successor needs to ensure the quality that we've enjoyed while providing for an open-ended future. Anne Mackenzie agreed to reformulate the summary of Penny's role that was written in 2017. She added input from parents and kids, so we'd be able to produce a finished description at our October meeting.
- 3) We realized the cost of this position. It is substantial and will require commitment and creativity of the part of all of us to bear the true burden of an incredible ministry that has also been a faith-forming mission throughout Penny's tenure.

Four recommendations grew out of our discussion at our October meeting and were presented to Council.

- 1) We recommended that a full-time Director of Children and Youth Ministries be sought to replace Penny upon her retirement on August 1, 2022.
- 2) We recommended that Council accept a range of \$46,000-\$65,000 (salary and benefits) commensurate with experience as the budgeted compensation for this position.
- 3) We recommended that Council adopt the suggested action/timeline for assembling a call committee, advertising the position, interviewing candidates, selecting a new Director who would begin the job the first of July 2022.
- 4) We recommended that Council appoint a Stewardship Committee to develop a campaign for funding this position through increased giving, endowed bequests, financial support from parents of current program participants, etc.

Council adopted all four of these recommendations at their October 19 meeting. Copies of the position description and action/timeline are available on the Publications Table in the Atrium.

As a committee, we are excited about this new chapter, and in the way that it helps us live out our Mission Statement: **We are a Christ-centered community of believers, saved and enlightened by God's grace. We serve God by serving others.**

With you on the way,  
Grant MacLean, Faith Formation Committee

## MONTHLY GATHERINGS

- **Women's Circle:** The September and October discussions from The Gift of the Spirit were meaningful with many insights from Scripture and each other. Our November meeting will be the final session in this series and promises to continue to enrich our understanding of the Holy Spirit as part of the Trinity and our lives. All women are welcome at noon for our traditional Thanksgiving potluck. Turkey will be provided.  
Copies of the discussion guide from Gather magazine are available in the office.  
Mark your calendar - **November 16<sup>th</sup> downstairs at noon!**
- **TLC Singles Luncheon** – This monthly get-together for singles of all ages will take place Thursday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 a.m. featuring a bountiful and delicious fare. Preparations and serving are provided by Connie & Jay Gridley, and Karen Cook. Paula and Lindsay Moore decorate the tables and handle pre-promotion.

## TLC YOUTH

- **Thanks for Candy and Cupcakes** for the Fall Festival!! It was a great party!
- **Kid's Club** on Wednesdays, November 3<sup>rd</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> (Rake-n-Run)& 17<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30pm, but not on November 24<sup>th</sup>.
- **High School Youth Group** meets on Wednesdays at 7:30pm. Will not meet on November 24<sup>th</sup>.
- **Pots of soup are needed for Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup> for the TLCW Bazaar.** Soup will be served by the youth during this annual event. Sign up at the Participation Place board. Thanks.
- **Coffee Cup Faith Discussion** for Middle School & High School youth is on Sundays, November 7<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:15am.
- **Wall calendars are for sale for \$8 each.** Look for them on the table beside the office door. Any questions, check with Penny.

## HOLIDAY BAZAAR – JUST AROUND THE CORNER



### **Annual Holiday Bazaar Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 8:00am-1pm –**

Volunteers are needed to help set-up for on Thursday & Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> (9:00am - ?) and to work the sale on Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup> (be here at 7:30am). Baked goods can be brought to the church on Friday the 5<sup>th</sup>. SIGN-UP sheets are posted on the PARTICIPATION PLACE bulletin board near the wooden food donation box in the atrium. There are sign-ups for set-up, making soup and working the sale on the 6<sup>th</sup>.

# WORSHIP ASSISTANTS SCHEDULE – NOVEMBER 2021

*Thank you for your service!*

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled date, kindly trade with someone else on the schedule when you have a conflict. Whenever possible, please contact the church office by Wednesday to inform Andrea of your change: 208-664-5743, or: [office.trinitycda@gmail.com](mailto:office.trinitycda@gmail.com)



9:00 AM	November 7	November 14	November 21	November 28
<b>Altar Care</b>	Paula Moore	Paula Moore Pam Hunt	Paula Moore	Paula Moore Karen Cook
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Pam Hunt	Janet Gruber	Aaron Cloyd	Dick Jurvelin
<b>Reader</b>	Dolores Johnson	Janet Gruber	Teri Venera	Doug Miller
<b>Ushers</b>	Paul Hunt Tad Johnson	Bob Ray Harold Fuchs	Bob Ray Gary Everson	Bob Ray Harold Fuchs
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Paula Moore Dolores Johnson	Dick & Jill Jurvelin	Tom & Sue Thilo	Wand Andrews Kathy Benson
<b>Acolytes</b>	Frankie Drake	William Forsgren	Nathaniel Cloyd	Jeremiah Benson

**Sanctuary Saints for November: Sue Baker**  
(Stocks pew racks, fills oil in candles, etc. weekly for Sunday worship.)



# CELEBRATIONS & PRAYERS

## November Birthdays

Jill Jurvelin	11/03
Jerry Hanson	11/07
Mercy Smith	11/07
Gene Tanzey	11/09
Robert Salayi	11/11
Ken Amundson	11/12
Glenna Knepper	11/15
Mert Barth	11/16
Mary Ward	11/17
William Forsgren	11/19
Dan Forsgren	11/20
Jay Gridley	11/20
Fred Henkel	11/20
John MacPhee	11/20
Verna Henkel	11/21
Tucker Anderson	11/22
Karleah Mangano	11/23
Harold Fuchs	11/24
Lola Hagadone	11/24
Sue Thilo	11/25
Pam Hunt	11/30

## November Wedding Anniversaries

Rich & Shelby Ronnestad	11/11/1989
Paul & Pam Hunt	11/13/1965
Larry & Laurel Branen	11/19/1972
Ray & Olivia Simmons	11/25/2005
Lester & Andreaana Hagen	11/27/1964

*Watch over your children,  
O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide  
them wherever they may be. Strengthen, comfort,  
and raise them up if they fall, and in their hearts,  
may your peace, which passes all understanding,  
abide with them all the days of their lives.*

## Prayers

***Please Hold In Your Prayers for Healing, Comfort, Peace  
( The † symbol denotes TLC members )***

*Susan Kirkpatrick † Mavis Fuchs † Delores Luttrupp † Sally English †  
Marion Keating † Lee Ray † Phyllis Bacon † Carol Price †  
Dave Nordby † Kay Nelson † Ken Amundson †  
Wes Deitz (brother, Yvonne Deitz)  
Donna Cederwall (friend, Wanda Andrews)  
Micah Sharples (friend – Jill Jurvelin), Janet Wilbanks (mother -Will  
Wilbanks), Skip Keiflin (friend – Glenna Knepper)  
Jan Johnson (friend – Glenna Knepper)  
Margie Waddel & Agnes Meideningre (sisters – Harold Fuchs)  
Sara Ripley (friend – Jack Riggs, Sandy Patano, Shannon Erwin)  
Jonnie Dempsey (granddaughter – Rose Dempsey)  
Julie Brunelle (daughter-in-law – Ron & Rolaine Brunelle)  
Todd Hutchins (son-in-law – Richard & Karen Cook)  
Sebille Moulster (mother – Janet Selzer)  
Roxie Hunt (friend of friend – Glenna Knepper)  
Kevin Holloway (friend – Ron & Carol McCray)  
Karalee Shenfield (mother/mother-in-law – Larry & Carrie Shenfield)  
Steven Metcalf ( friend – Carol & Ron McCray)  
Sam & JoAnn Shimamoto (friend – Kathy Benson)*

### ***Deaths***

*Family & Friends of Kay Millsap †*



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### Worship Schedule

#### Wednesdays

Evening Worship 6:00 PM

#### Sundays

9:00 AM Worship Service

In-Person and  
LIVESTREAM ON YOUTUBE

VIDEO WORSHIP ARCHIVE ON  
OUR WEBSITE

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*November*

### EXTRA TIDBITS

**The Trinity Lutheran Church Office** will be closed on Fridays through the end of 2021. Andrea is using the remainder of her vacation days of the year.

**Considering Vaccine Boosters?** Covid boosters are now available through the Northwest Specialty Hospital vaccination clinic on Seltice Way, across from Yokes in Post Falls: 1602 E. Seltice Way. To schedule, visit the Northwest Specialty Hospital website, [www.nwsh.com](http://www.nwsh.com) and make an appointment.

**Coats for Kids Drive Thank You** – A big thank you goes out to all who donated coats for this charitable drive this year! Eight (8) coats were donated to TLC during the month and have been delivered to a distribution site in Coeur d'Alene.

