

# The Trumpet

Trinity Lutheran Church  
509 Center Street, Bryan, OH  
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Guided by  
the Holy Spirit,  
Trinity Shows & Tells  
God's Love in Word & Deed  
with ALL!

Pastor Mary Beth Smith-Gunn  
Decon Jean Wise

## Pilgrimage Ponderings



Worship Schedule  
Sundays 10:00am  
Sunday School 9:00am  
Saturdays 6:00pm



**TIME CHANGE**  
Fall Back One (1) Hour  
Nov 4, 2018 @ 2:00am



**ALL SAINTS DAY**  
November 3 & 4, 2018

18th Annual  
TLMM Chicken BBQ  
November 4, 2018



Cheese Delivery  
Nov 17 & 18, 2018

Each year about this time I consider in a more intentional way an inventory of Thanksgiving. This has become one of those years...so, here goes:

- A- Apples - Honeycrisp to be exact
- B- Buckeyes - at OSU and/or the chocolate covered peanut butter type
- C- Christ, without whose grace I and you would be without hope
- D - Dollars, enough to be comfortable but not so much to be distracted
- E - Education, and the privilege to be a life-long learner
- F - Faith and the gift of the Holy Spirit that it is
- G - Grace - the unmerited favor of a loving, forgiving God
- H - Hope - not some tangible reality, but rather something I lean into and find lifting me up when life gets to be too much
- I - Ice - for lots of purposes and reasons
- J - Jeff, my spouse and Josh my son
- K - Kitchen - my favorite room in the house where I do my baking therapy
- L - Love to give and to receive
- M - Mysteries - because not having answers is sometimes a blessing
- N - No - a word I need to learn to hear and to speak
- O - Opportunities
- P - Prayer
- Q - Questions
- R - Rachel, my daughter
- S - Sleep
- T - Today and Tomorrow
- U - Unicorn, though not real, believing they may be inspires imagination
- V - Vote, a privilege and a right for a successful democracy - exercise yours
- W - Water, in the baptismal font, drinking glass, bathtub and aquafer
- X - Xylophones, rhythm and magical music in one instrument
- Y - Yes, especially God's "Yes" to all of humanity seen exhibited in Jesus
- Z - Zoom, the pace of my life and ministry during these recent months

What would your Alphabet of Thanksgiving include? Think about it and share your thoughts with others so that we may be grateful together. God's blessings to you, for whom I am thankful, in Christ!

*Pastor Mary Beth*

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## Worship Focus for November

November 3 & 4 All Saints Weekend

Jesus states the core of God's law: love God with all you are and have, and love your neighbor as yourself. The scribe agrees that Jesus has rightly identified the most important commandments, much more important than sacrifices. It's easy for us to say with the writer of the letter to the Hebrews that sacrifices aren't needed anymore; harder, though, to acknowledge that all our worship, all our community service, all our social action, all our family caregiving is worthless if it is done without love.

November 10 & 11 Twenty-fifth Weekend after Pentecost

Widows are visible everywhere in today's readings. Jesus denounces those scribes who pray impressive prayers but devour widows' houses. He commends the poor widow who in his view gave far more than the major donors. Jesus doesn't see her simply as an object of compassion or charity. She, like the widow of Zarephath who shares her last bit of food with Elijah, does something of great importance.

November 17 & 18 Twenty-sixth Weekend after Pentecost

November begins with All Saints Day and ends in or near Advent, when we anticipate Christ's coming again. So the readings today tell of the final resurrection and the end time. In the turmoil of hope, fear, and disbelief that these predictions provoke in us, Hebrews sounds a note of confident trust. Christ makes a way for us where there is no way, and we walk it confidently, our hearts and bodies washed in baptismal water, trusting the one who has promised. The more we see the last day approaching, the more important it is to meet together to provoke one another to love.

November 25 Christ the King Weekend

Even after Israel had experienced the vagaries of kings, they still longed for a true king to set things right. He would have the king's title of Anointed One (Messiah); he would be the "one like a human being" (Son of Man) given dominion in Daniel's vision. Jesus is given these titles, even though he is nothing like an earthly king. His authority comes from the truth to which he bears witness, and those who recognize the truth voluntarily listen to him. We look forward to the day he is given dominion, knowing his victory will be the nonviolent victory of love.

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## Church Council & 2019 Nominating Committee Nominees

The following people have agreed to serve on Church Council beginning January 1, 2019.



Martha Eickhoff - spouse of Tom, mother of Brad (Val) and Sarah and grandmother of Ryann and Jordyn. She is a home childcare provider. Martha has been a member of Trinity for approximately 25 years and is active in Worship Committee, Altar Guild, Relay for Life Cookie Walk, Strawberry Festival and is on the Joint Parish Board. She has also served on council in the past. Martha & Tom enjoy riding their Gold Wing motorcycle and spending time with family and friends. When asked why she was willing to serve on church council, Martha replied, "I feel I have the time to help our church in making decisions for our future."



Kim Reed - spouse of Rich and mother of five grown children and grandmother to nine. She is the Finance Director of Northwestern Ohio Community Action Commission. Kim has been a member of Trinity for more than 20 years and is active in Bell Choir, Altar Guild, and Strawberry Festival. She is a past Finance Committee Member, Council Member and President. Kim enjoys family time, biking, golfing, walking, hiking, Michigan football and reading. When asked why she was willing to serve on church council, Kim replied, "Someone has to do it, it is probably my turn again, I would hate to be on the nominating committee and struggle to find willing people to serve and I care about our church."



Cindy Riter - is mother to Kristina (Mike), Jennifer (Toby) and, Steven (Mandy), grandmother to nine. She is retired from the Williams County Public Library. She enjoys reading, college football (Notre Dame) spending time with family, counted cross stitch and knitting. Cindy has been a member of Trinity for approximately 10 years and is active with Bell Choir, Altar Guild and Finance Committee. She has also served on Church Council in the past. When asked why she was willing to serve on church council, Cindy replied, "I am interested in the working of the church. Now is an exciting time because of our shared ministry."



Steve Krill - brother to Alan and Bruce. He is a retired school teacher that enjoys gardening, photography and playing guitar in his spare time. Steve was baptized in April of 1950 and confirmed at Trinity in May of 1964. He has been a member of St. Paul's Methodist Church since 1982 until transferring back to Trinity in September of this year. When asked why he was willing to serve on church council, Steve replied, "I would like to serve the Lord and my church and learn more about the workings of the church."



Buddy Rossow - spouse of Cindy and father of Sam. He enjoys playing disc golf, watching NASCAR, Michigan State sports and reading. Buddy has been a member of Trinity for five years and plays on the church softball team and on the church dartball team. When asked why he was willing to serve on church council, Buddy replied, "I want to serve Trinity Lutheran Church and share my experiences as a prior member of a congregation focused on ministering to students and young adults (University Lutheran, East Lansing, Michigan)"

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**Church Women United  
World Community Day**



**In Harmony With God's People**

**First Lutheran Church  
210 N Cherry Street**

**Saturday, November 3  
9:00 a.m. - Breakfast  
10:00 a.m. - Worship**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**



**Community Thanksgiving Service**

The Bryan Area Ministerial Association's annual Thanksgiving Worship will be hosted by Trinity Lutheran Church at 7:00pm on Sunday, November 18, 2018. The participating congregations will celebrate God's goodness and abundance. We will lift voices in praise and thanksgiving of God together in worship led by the pastors of BAMA churches. Following the worship service the congregation is invited to join in fellowship.



**Take a trip back in time...**



Bob Haar, Genacross Lutheran Services archivist and museum curator, is offering tours of the former Lutheran Orphans' Home, located at 2411 Seaman Street in East Toledo. Take a trip back in time to see how the orphans lived in the early to mid-1900s. Building tours can be scheduled by emailing Bob at [rhaar@GENACROSS.org](mailto:rhaar@GENACROSS.org) or by calling 419-724-1878 or 419-250-9409.

**Hanging of the Greens  
a.k.a. "Deck the Halls!"**



We will adorn the sanctuary in preparation for the Advent and Christmas Season on Sunday, Dec 2, as we share in the Hanging of the Greens Service of Word & Sacrament. Bring your family, wear casual clothes, and be prepared to climb ladders, decorate the tree, hang the garlands and ready our space for the coming of Jesus. Join us in the sanctuary at 10:00 a.m. The service will include prayers of blessing for the decorations and scripture passages which help us to understand why we decorate in the way we do.



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2:00am**

# Church Council & 2019 Nominating Committee Nominees continued



Brooke Taylor is a freshman at Bryan High School. She is the daughter of Rick and Julie Taylor and has attended Trinity her entire life. She has been a member of Trinity Lutheran Church for two years. When Brooke is not at church she participates in many extracurricular activities. She competes in tennis, basketball, softball, and track. Brooke is also a part of the Bryan Orchestra program. She attends youth group on Wednesday evenings and goes to Sunday School before church. Recently, she went to Houston, Texas, for the ELCA youth gathering. Brooke wants to serve on church council because she wants to be the voice of the youth that attend Trinity Lutheran Church.

The following have agreed to serve on Nominating Committee: Arlene Dahl, Kathy Foster & Rich Reed

## 18TH ANNUAL TLMM CHICKEN BBQ



The date for the 18th Annual TLMM Chicken BBQ Dinner is Sunday, November 4th. Serving will begin at 11:30am for carry-out orders and immediately after worship for dine-in. Menu will include ½ chicken, baked potato, baked beans, roll, dessert, and drink. A free-will offering will be taken for each dinner. Proceeds from this event will go towards supporting the various ministries of the Trinity Lutheran Men in Mission.



In November we celebrate two Trinity birthdays. On the 27th Barb Roan, 1509 Spring Meadow Lane, who will celebrate her 82nd birthday and then on the 29th Casey Karnes. The Filling Home, N-160 St.Rt. 108, Napoleon, OH 43545 will observe his birthday.

### Mid-Week Manna

A Free Meal For All God's People

### November Menu

Wednesday Evenings 5:30-6:30pm



Nov 14 chili, fruit & dessert

Nov 28 turkey noodles / mashed potatoes, veggie, fruit & dessert

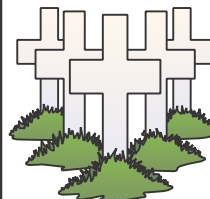


The Commemoration of All Saints' will be observed at worship on Saturday, November 4 and Sunday, November 5.

We will remember those who have entered the church triumphant since November 1, 2016.

Those folks include: Cecile Plummer, Norma Krill Thielan, Christa Hitt, Barbara Steckly, Kevin Wilson, Paul Johnson, Mary Babinger, Ann Deepe, Zale "Zeke" Harvey, Loella People, Esther Lanus and Wayne Goodlive

"Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord." (taken from the Prayer of the Day for All Saints' Sunday, Evangelical Lutheran Worship.)



**Sincere Christian sympathy and prayerful support to the following...**

Jean, Rob & Bill Goodlive with the death of husband and father, Wayne.who passed away on October 13th at the age of 76.

**"Rest eternal, grant them, O Lord: and let light perpetual shine upon them"**



## Annual Cookie Walk American Cancer Society



Unfortunately, we will not be holding the Annual Cookie Walk this year at Trinity. Due to a number of circumstances, I have decided to give our baking elves the year off. We hope to resume the annual event in 2019. Thank you for the years of contributions and support. Enjoy your holiday season.

The  
Bed Brigade



Our next bed build is scheduled for Saturday, November 10th. Sanders 8:30am, everyone else 9:00am.

## Take 5 for Faith - 5 Minutes - 5 Steps - Everyday!

1. Think about and share your Highs and Lows of the Day.

2. Read the passage.

3. Reflect on its meaning.

4. Pray for Family, Friends, Community.

5. Bless yourself & others.

Nov 1 - Hebrews 9:1-12

Nov 2 - Romans 3:21-31

Nov 3 - Luke 10:25-37

Nov 4 - Psalm 24

Nov 5 - Romans 12:17-21; 13:8-10

Nov 6 - Acts 7:17-29

Nov 7 - John 13:31-35

Nov 8 - Romans 5:6-11

Nov 9 - Hebrews 9:15-24

Nov 10 - Mark 11:12-14, 20-24

Nov 11 - Psalm 146

Nov 12 - 1 Timothy 5:1-8

Nov 13 - 1 Timothy 5:9-16

Nov 14 - Luke 4:16-30

Nov 15 - 1 Timothy 6:11-21

Nov 16 - Colossians 2:6-15

Nov 17 - Mark 12:1-12

Nov 18 - Psalm 123

Nov 19 - Hebrews 10:26-31

Nov 20 - Hebrews 10:32-39

Nov 21 - Mark 13:9-23

Nov 22 - Acts 7:54-8:1a

Nov 23 - 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

Nov 24 - John 3:31-36

Nov 25 - Psalm 93

Nov 26 - Revelation 11:1-14

Nov 27 - Revelation 11:15-19

Nov 28 - John 16:25-33

Nov 29 - Nehemiah 9:6-15

Nov 30 - Nehemiah 9:16-25

Dec 1 - Nehemiah 9:26-31

Dec 2 - Psalm 25:1-10

Dec 3 - Numbers 17:1-11

Dec 4 - 2 Samuel 7:18-29

Dec 5 - Isaiah 1:24-31

### *Wise Words*

Did you know November was National Gratitude Month? This makes sense with Thanksgiving being celebrated at the end of this month, but anytime we practice this essential habit will enhance our spiritual journey.

Gratitude is a powerful practice. Researchers have found that practicing daily gratitude can enhance our moods, decrease stress and drastically improve our overall level of wellbeing. Grateful people tend to be happier, healthier, more physically fit, have a higher income and have much more satisfying personal and professional relationships.

But even more importantly practicing gratitude helps us turn our hearts outward, focusing on God and his gifts. We find hope, light and strength in gratitude.

"This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it" Ps 118: 24

Here is a great quote to ponder by Thomas Merton:

*"Gratitude is more than mental exercise, more than a formula of words. We cannot be satisfied to make a mental note of things which God has done for us and then perfunctorily thank God for favors received.*

*To be grateful is to recognize the love of God in everything God has given us and God has given us everything. Every breath we draw is a gift of God's love, every moment of existence is a grace for it brings with it immense graces from God.*

*Gratitude therefore takes nothing for granted, is never unresponsive, is constantly awakening to new wonder and to praise of the goodness of God. For the grateful person knows that God is good, not by hearsay but by experience. And this is what makes all the difference."*

Merton's words can be unpacked in many ways, but the biggest nugget of truth I hear is the practice, the attitude of thankfulness, the paying attention to God's touch and presence in everything we see, do and experience - that is key to recognizing God's love in our lives.

Don't you just love the energy and life in the phrase "awakening to new wonder?" What a profound way to embrace each day, attentive to all the magnificent wonders that surrounds us daily.









And grace - God's unconditional love we never earn or fully comprehend yet he pours out into our hearts all the time. Practicing gratitude gives us a taste of what heaven must be like - a grace-filled plunge into God's arms of love.

Gratitude IS a powerful practice. We need much more than one month for this discipline but let's head in that direction. How do you practice gratitude each day?

*Jeanie*



# November 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
			6:30pm Catechism		9:00am World Community Day Catechism Retreat Nov 2, 3 & 4 	
9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship w/ HC  Daylight Savings Time Ends voting for council TLMM Chicken BBQ 	5	6	7	8	9	10
	6:30pm Prayer Shawl		6:30pm Catechism	send council reminder		Bed Brigade Bed Build 6:00pm Worship w/ HC voting for council
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
9:00am Sunday School 9:10am Choir Practice 10:00am Worship w/ HC voting for council	7:00pm Council	12:30-4:00pm LWR Mission Quilters 7:00pm Dartball - away vs Florida	5:30pm Midweek Manna 6:30pm Catechism		Pastor's Day Off	 cheese delivery 6:00pm Worship w/ HC supper club
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
9:00am Sunday School 9:10am Choir Practice 10:00am Worship w/ HC cheese delivery  7:00pm Community Thanksgiving Service		Deadline for December/January Trumpet		 Happy Thanksgiving	Pastor's Day Off	NO SATURDAY SERVICE
25	26	27	28	29	30	
9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship w/ HC	7:00pm Worship Committee	 Happy Birthday Barb Roan	 Happy Birthday Casey Karnes 5:30pm Midweek Manna 6:30pm Catechism			



# NOVEMBER ASSIGNMENTS

DATE	ACOLYTE	PROJECTION	SOUND	USHERS	LAY LEADERS
November 4	Rachel Fireovid	Rhonda Fackler	Rick Taylor	team 4 Rob Goodlive	Barb Arnos
November 11	Noah Diaz	Joe Whisler	Paul Vargo	team 5 Tom Smith	Gene Schubert
November 18	Sarah Vollmer	Paul Vargo	Joe Whisler	team 1 Doug Johnson	Lisa Whitman
November 25	Eli Schlade	Buddy Rossow	Henry Burklo	team 2 Henry Burklo	Jason Johnston

October Attendance & Offerings		
Date	Attendance	Offering
Budgeted Need \$4,037.08		
10/6 Saturday Worship	25	
10/7 Sunday Worship	80	\$4,510.00
10/13 Saturday Worship	43	
10/14 Sunday Worship	63	\$1,775.00
10/20 Saturday Worship		
10/21 Sunday Worship		no church
10/27 Saturday Worship	34	
10/28 Sunday Worship	75	n/a
Avg Attendance October 2018	106	
Other Income for October		
Media	30.00	
Pay for Ed Clinker Music	30.00	
parking lot fund	30.00	
world hunger	500.00	
cc reimburse	66.15	
memorials	695.00	
foundation	0.42	
Joint Parish - 1st Lutheran	1496.44	

### November Baptism Birthdays

1	Diana Missler	15	Matthew Newcomer
3	Gina Baird	15	Mallory Blosser
4	Sue Motter	15	Lindsay Dietsch
4	Danny Gallagher	17	Joyce Gendron
6	Andy Morr	18	James Salisbury
7	Jeffery Schlosser	19	Sandy Kraemer
9	Haylee Wheeler	19	Tom Kraemer
9	Olivia Johnston	19	Trinity Slabaugh
11	Mike Arnos	21	Jane Whisler
13	Britany Salisbury	22	Maggie Johnston
13	Michelle McCartney	23	Leroy Feather
14	Pastor R. Buchsteiner	26	Duane Proctor
14	Gordon Underwood	27	Reva Goshia
14	Nicholas Underwood	27	Elijah Schlade
		29	Rhonda Fackler

## Thank You

Thank you Pastor Mary Beth for all your prayers and visits during Mom's recent, sudden illness. Thank you to all of our Trinity family and friends for the prayers and cards during this hard time. Mom's funeral service and meal was full of the special things she loved. She is now at peace with Pete, her parents, brothers and sister and especially her Lord and Savior, Jesus. Thank you again from Esther's children, Diana, Lana, Frank and families.

### NOVEMBER BIBLE VERSE

The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world and those who dwell therein.  
Psalm 24:1

### ALTAR GUILD

Sue Crawford  
Bev Blosser

### SAVE THE DATE

Dec 16 Children's Christmas Program  
Dec 25 Christmas Dinner served here at TLC - public invited

