

The Trumpet

November 7, 2025



Worship with us online using **this link**.



Worship with us Sunday mornings in the sanctuary at 10 am.



Pray with us Wednesdays at 7 pm at a service of Evening Prayer on Zoom.



"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink... Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me"

Matthew 25: 35-40

With changes to the SNAP benefits and the government shutdown, many in our area are feeling the impact as they try to feed themselves and their families. In the gospel, Jesus calls us to serve. But what can one person do?

There are many opportunities at Trinity:

- The **Soup Kitchen** in Norristown. We help prepare and serve meals to visitors to the Soup Kitchen once a month. Interested? Contact Beth Keenan at okkie5@verizon.net.
- The **Community Dinners** for the homeless in our community. Every month we help serve, clean up and spend time with the folks who attend. Contact Leslie Askonas at ljaskonas@aol.com or Janelle Krais at janelle.krais@gmail.com to become involved.
- The **Food Drive**. Every Sunday from 1-3 pm we collect donations of food, hygiene products, cleaning supplies, gift cards and checks which are distributed to the Daily Bread Food Pantry and St. James Outreach House
- **Bread and rolls** distribution from LeBus Bakery. We pick up and transport donated baked goods to Emmanuel Lutheran Church for their food distribution ministry. Contact Marilou Doughty at mariloudoughty@gmail.com to lend a hand.
- **Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwiches**. We meet monthly to make PB & J sandwiches to deliver to the Sisters of Charity in Norristown for their soup

kitchen and to feed homeless people in the Philadelphia area. Contact Linda Stone at LGStone4@yahoo.com to help on the second Tuesday of each month at noon.

In addition to these charitable acts, we can also work for justice. **LamPA**, the Lutheran Advocacy Ministry of Pennsylvania, has ways for us to be involved.

Why isn't charity enough?

"As people of faith, when we pray for our daily bread, we ask not just for ourselves, but for our neighbors," says Tracey DePasquale, of LamPA. "We know that food is essential to life -- and for those already on the margins, these cumulative cuts can be life-threatening. We also know that while we are moved in this season of government disruption to be even more charitable, we are *also* especially called to strive for justice -- and that requires advocacy with and on behalf of those who are suffering and in need.

How can I be an advocate?

Lutheran Advocacy Ministry of Pennsylvania has many ways for individuals and congregations to work for justice. Check out [this link](#) to find out more.

This Week at Trinity

Tuesday November 11: Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich making at 12 noon. Bring a loaf of bread; peanut butter and jelly are provided. The sandwiches are given to the Missionary Sisters of Norristown for distribution at their soup kitchen and to the homeless community in Philadelphia. Contact Linda Stone at 610-246-2853 or LGStone74@gmail.com.

Tuesday November 11: Global Refuge's "Hope for the Holidays" project at **10 am**. Join us to make Christmas cards to send to Global Refuge for distribution. Contact Anne Meibohm at armeibohm@gmail.com or Judy Flanigan at jhflanigan1@gmail.com.

[Global Refuge](#) (formerly called Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services) serves asylum seekers, refugees and immigrants. The "Hope for the Holidays" project is designed to remind our newest neighbors that they are not alone.

It is more important than ever to be a beacon of welcome and kindness for our newest neighbors. We all have a unique opportunity to change the harmful narratives about newcomers and refocus on all the gifts immigrants, asylum seekers and refugees bring to community.

I was a stranger and you welcomed me...
Matthew 25:35

Thursday November 13: TAG cards and games group meets at 1 pm. Join us to play favorite games and learn some new ones. Contact Jan Contino at myoreocat@gmail.com.

Saturday November 15: American Dancewheels is returning for another performance at Trinity. There are a few seats available for Trinity members, and

volunteers are needed to act as greeters and ushers. Interested? See Pastor Karen.

Looking Ahead

Thanksgiving turkey donations

Daily Bread food pantry is again collecting frozen turkeys and grocery gift cards for families in need for Thanksgiving. If you would like to donate that free turkey you receive at your grocery store, please bring it in and place it in the freezer by **11/23**. The food drive cannot accept free turkey coupons so please cash those coupons in for a frozen turkey to donate. Gift cards are also always appreciated.

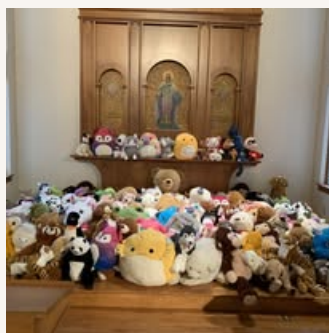
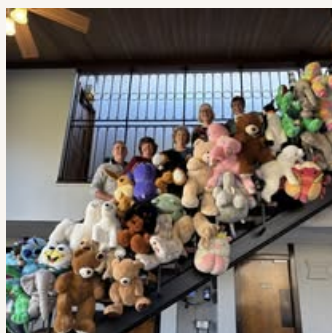
Trinity Angel Tree

Make a difference for a child this holiday season and participate in the Trinity Angel Tree for kids who are supported by KenCrest services. Trinity church members and TCNSK parents can buy a gift or gifts for a child in the Montgomery county community. Angel Tree tags will be placed on a tree in the narthex, listing a gift from one of the children's wish lists. Consider taking a tag and purchase gifts. Each tag will have a number. Please sign your name next to the number on the chart to indicate that you have taken that tag and then return the UNWRAPPED gift in a bag with the tag attached no later than **12/14** during the food drive.

Stuffed animal collection for Gemma Services

Time to collect larger stuffed animals for our young friends at Gemma for a Christmas tradition. Each year, the donated animals are tied to the railings along the staircase to the common area of their residential home. It's quite a sight to see all the shapes, sizes and colors peering down at you. The children love it and best of all - they each get to choose their favorite!

Please bring your gift before **12/7** and leave on the table in the lobby. Our goal again this year is 100 fluffy, furry friends. Many thanks for your support.





Adult Faith Formation

Join us for reflection on readings from the Lectionary at 11:15 am in Room 129. We meet from October 19 through May 24. All are welcome.



Food Drive

Every Sunday from 1 to 3 pm. Please bring your non-perishable food items for donation to the Daily Bread Food Pantry and St. James Outreach House.



Coffee Hour

Help is needed for setting up and cleaning up for coffee hour. **Baked goods are needed.** Add them to the freezer in the kitchen, marked with the date.

Trinity Community News

Welcome to our newest member!

We are happy to announce that Karen Console was welcomed into membership at Trinity on Sunday, November 2. Karen, originally from Conshohocken and now a resident of West Norriton, has been worshipping with us for several months at the invitation of her friend Sallie Jeffries. Welcome Karen!

Who will you invite to church this Sunday?



Blanket Collection

Blanket collection will begin in January. We will be collecting new blankets for the Daily Bread food pantry to distribute to those in need. If you purchase any blankets during the holidays, plan to bring them in January to the food drive.

A Note of Thanks

Jean Hembrick wishes to thank those in the Trinity community who sent cards and prayed for her family following the loss of her father. All were much appreciated.

Coffee Hour

Many thanks to the volunteers who continue to set-up and clean-up each week! Each task is simple and takes less than 15 minutes. If you are interested in joining our hardy group of volunteers, please contact Lynn Chialastri; she will be happy to walk you through the steps. Lynn can be

reached at 484.571.8438.

In the meantime, our baked goods supply is running low. Please consider baking or purchasing your favorite cookies to add to our pantry. Donations may be left in the freezer. Be sure to include date to ensure freshness.



SAVE THE DATE!

December 13, 2025

7:00 PM
TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATCH FOR DETAILS COMING SOON!



Birthdays and Anniversaries

Christine Casey 11/10
Sandy Burcham 11/12
Janelle Krais 11/12

Allan & Tara Booz 11/7
Rick & Chris Cole 11/8
Mark & Anne Waskiewicz 11/11

Church Office Hours: Monday to Thursday 8 am to 1 pm.

For Pastoral emergencies please call 610-584-8411, extension 2 and leave a message for Pastor Nelson. This voicemail is being monitored for emergencies.

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