

The Chimes

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"In the heart of the city, sharing the heart of Christ."

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from the Pastors

A note from Pastor John....

After 30 years of teaching, 27 years in the ministry and much prayer and conversation with Bev, I have decided to retire (again) from my responsibilities here at Trinity as of December 31st. After 7 years total (with a short break in the middle) Bev and I have found a home church here. We intend on continuing in this relationship with the church and I look forward to once again being a lay member of the church. Of course, I will never quit my call to serve God and will enjoy staying involved in some of my passions like Area Agency on Aging, Family Promise, Kairos and especially my new passion with the Center for Peace and Reconciliation. I have also made myself available for pulpit supply at other area churches and I am always open for golf. Thanks very much for your prayers, friendship and most importantly, love.

Love,

John

A note from Pastor Megan...

On behalf of the staff I want to take a moment to thank you for your gifts and recognition during Pastor Appreciation Month. The lunch was a nice chance for many of us to get together and the kind words, cards, cake and gift cards were much appreciated.

I hope that in the coming weeks we can all find ways to show John appreciation for his ministry as he prepares for retirement. I am incredibly thankful for his support these last 4 years and am in awe of his compassion for all people, commitment to justice and wisdom that he has shared with us. While he will still be around, his retirement leaves a big hole in our ministry- especially with visitation and breakfast ministry. I have been working with the Servant Leadership Board and our District Superintendent, Rev. Amy Haines to create a package for another part time local pastor to help with these important ministries as well occasional preaching and presiding over communion. This package will be presented at our charge conference on November 16th and if accepted an introduction will be set up. Whoever this person is, they will most likely be shared with another congregation so it will take some time for them to get to know you all. I pray that you will keep John and Bev, the Church and the new pastor in your prayers in the coming months. It will also be important that you keep the church office up to date about hospitalizations, pastoral care needs and scheduling issues with the breakfast ministry so that we can grow in our care for one another.

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Trinity Family News & Notes . . .

November Birthdays 90 +

Pat Morris ~ November 10 ~ 94 years

Hospitalized since last Chimes

Barb Booth, Marilyn Haller, Patty Reed

Trinity expresses our deepest sympathy to...

To Miriam Wynn and family on the death of her son, Steven. Steve died on September 27

To Wilma Davis and family on the death of her brother, Everett Barnhill. Barny died on September 28.

To the family and friends of Bob Brause. Bob died on October 4. Among his survivors is his wife, Shirley.

To Ellen Landers and family on the death of her dad, David Landers. David died on October 28.

Notes of Thanks

Thank you for the thoughts, prayers and notes of encouragement during my recent hospitalization and surgery.

Jim Booth

Thank you to my Trinity friends for all the birthday cards for my 90th birthday!! Also, thanks to everyone who came to help in the celebration!! I truly appreciated all!!

Shirley Wolford

We would like to thank our Trinity family for the many cards, prayers and visits from Pastor John and Bev and Pastor Megan during Bob's illness and his passing away. Also to Bonnie Snyder and her team for the lovely lunch. We are truly blessed.

Shirley, Cathy & Philip

Crossroads Crisis Center would like to offer you our deepest gratitude for your contribution to our 27th Annual Candlelight Vigil. Your annual contribution to our Vigil is always appreciated and we would like to thank you again for all the work that is put in so that we are able to honor the victims who lost lives due to domestic violence. We appreciate the two days you allow us to use the sanctuary, the use of the multi-purpose room for childcare, and the assistance with the lighting and sound. All of this was greatly needed for our Vigil to run smoothly, and we appreciate the work that the staff of Trinity United Methodist Church puts in to allow us to be able to hold the Vigil annually.

Crossroads' Candlelight Vigil is a special event where we are able to remember those who lost their lives due to domestic violence. This is a time for the families to come forward and grieve for their lost loved ones with the community. Thank you for taking a stand against domestic violence.

Olivia DePalma

Outreach Coordinator/Survivor Advocate.

Trinity United Methodist Church Calendar - November 2022

All events and activities listed are subject to change.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 7:30am Breakfast 10:30am Worship Service 12:00pm Radio Broadcast 1:00pm Hispanic Worship 4:30pm Middle School Youth Group	31 6:30am Monday Morning Men~Zoom 10:00am Monday Morning Women 5:30pm Bible Study	1 4:30pm Lima Music Academy 5:30pm Pastor's Bible Study	2 7:00am Wednesday Bible Study 11:30am Soup Kitchen 4:00pm TOPS	3 6:30pm AWE-OH Theater 7:45pm Choir	4 7:00pm Hispanic Worship	5 8:00am Youth Mom to Mom Sale
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13 7:30am Breakfast 10:30am Worship Service 12:00pm Radio Broadcast 1:00pm Hispanic Worship 4:30pm Youth Group	14 6:30am Monday Morning Men~Zoom 10:00am Monday Morning Women 3:00pm Primrose Worship 5:30pm Bible Study	15 4:30pm Lima Music Academy 5:30pm Pastor's Bible Study 5:30pm Endowment Committee	16 7:00am Wednesday Bible Study 4:00pm TOPS 6:30pm Church Conference	17 6:30pm AWE-Soothing Sounds 7:45pm Choir	18 10:00am Literary Ladies 7:00pm Hispanic Worship	19
20 7:30am Breakfast 10:30am Worship Service 12:00pm Radio Broadcast 1:00pm Hispanic Worship 4:30pm Youth Group	21 6:30am Monday Morning Men~Zoom 5:30pm Bible Study	22 4:30pm Lima Music Academy 5:30pm Pastor's Bible Study	23 7:00am Wednesday Bible Study 4:00pm TOPS 7:00pm Japan Committee	24 Church Office Closed	25 Church Office Closed	26
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AWE gatherings for November...

November 3~Thirsty Thursday @ OH Theater

November 10 ~Cooking in Fellowship Hall

November 17~Soothing Sounds in the Parlor

November 24~Happy Thanksgiving!

All start at 6:30 p.m. and end around 7:30 p.m.

Free Store

The cold weather is quickly approaching! We are now accepting women's & men's winter clothing, coats and boots. We are also in need of linens and blankets.

Donations can be left in front of the Free Store doors in fellowship hall. Once again, we will be collecting men's hats and gloves. There will be a donation box in the front lobby for these items.



Our **Annual Church Conference** is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on November 16. All members of Trinity are invited and welcome to attend.

Church Budget Status

	Monthly		Year to Date	
September 2022	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
Income	\$ 26,551.00	\$ 35,638.04	\$ 238,959.00	\$ 221,737.86
Expenses	\$ 29,735.00	\$ 36,392.97	\$ 269,640.00	\$ 266,243.78
Difference + / -	- \$ 3,184.00	-\$ 754.93	- \$ 30,681.00	- \$ 44,505.92

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As we move into a season of Thanksgiving, I invite you to consider picking up a practice of gratitude... perhaps write thank you notes, bake for a friend, share the ways you are grateful each day. Please know that I am grateful for each of you. In closing I offer words that have inspired me to form an attitude of gratitude from Colossians 3:15, "And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful."

Peace,
Pastor Megan

Advent Series: From Generation to Generation: Prepare Him Room

About our Advent Theme: The stories, scriptures and traditions of the Christmas season have been passed down throughout the generations. Like a tapestry woven through time, the Christmas story weaves us in- to remember how God has shown up in the past and continues to show up in our lives. This year during Advent we will explore the different persons in the Christmas story and what it may have been like to prepare for Christ. The work of God is always unfolding- in and through us. This Advent, may you remember that you belong- to a story etched into the wrinkle of time, to generations that have come before and will come after, to a love that won't let you go.



Succoth Booth/Thanksgiving Offering

On November 13 and 20 a Succoth Booth will adorn the front of the sanctuary. Framed with small tree branches and draped with tapestries over an altar of cornucopia, this ancient Hebrew image calls us to an "attitude of gratitude".

Also on November 20, we will take an offering for the Churches United Pantry (CUP). You are invited to bring non -perishable food items and/or financial contributions.

An offering envelope for the Thanksgiving Offering is enclosed in this issue of the Chimes.



Come and join in decorating the church for the Advent Season on November 20, immediately after the Worship Service. A light lunch will be provided.

Senior Recital ~ Quinn Schneider will giving his Senior Recital at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 6 in Mees Hall at Capital University.

The church office will be closed November 11 and 14. In observance of Thanksgiving, the office will be closed on November 24 & 25.

To cut back on cost, we will only be supplying offering envelopes to those who ask for them. If you would like offering envelopes, please call or email the church office.



POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

This year Poinsettias will be placed on the altar for Sunday morning, December 18th and will remain for the Christmas Eve service. The plants may be taken after that service.

You can purchase a poinsettia for \$9.00. The deadline for ordering is **Friday, November 11th**. (No orders will be accepted without full payment in advance.)

Name: _____.

I/We wish to order _____ Poinsettia(s) at \$9.00 each.

In honor of: _____.

_____.

In memory of: _____.

_____.

Enclosed \$_____.

You may mail this form to the church (301 West Market Street, Lima, 45801) or place it in the offering plate. Thank you!



United
Women
in Faith

A virtual Advent Study will be offered this year by the Conference United Women in Faith Team. The study will focus on the book "Fully Human, Fully Divine" by Whitney R. Simpson. It will be held on Sunday afternoons beginning on November 27 thru December 18 from 4:00-5:15pm. A special introduction to the series will be held on November 20 from 4-4:45pm. All are welcome to participate. Please register at: westohioumw.org

More information about United Women in Faith can be found at: uwfaith.org

The latest NWP District UW in Faith Newsletter can be found at the Welcome Center in the Narthex.



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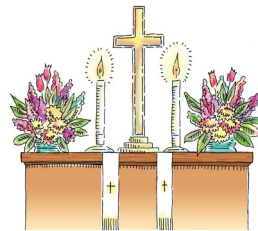
"Don't be fooled by the pumpkin pie.
It's just squash casserole with sugar."



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Worship Schedule

Join us in worship each Sunday morning at 8:00am for breakfast or 10:30am in the sanctuary and let us together see what God can continue to do in our lives and in our community as we become challenged to look beyond survival and recognize it's time to thrive as a community committed to act justly, love mercy, and walk humble with God.

Sunday, November 6

Gratitude for our Saints: Light candles of Remembrance

Sunday, November 13

Gratitude for a New Creation: Isaiah 65:13-25

Sunday, November 20

**Gratitude for Christ: Colossians 1:11-20
(Bring donations for CUP)**

Sunday, November 27:

Advent 1: From Generation to Generation: Prepare Him Room