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"Diverse in Backgrounds, United in Faith"

A Thanksgiving Litany

For the rain that tickles our nose, the sun that brightens our eye, and snow for the making of angels: **We give you thanks, O Lord.**

For icy branches clacking in winter's winds and burgeoning buds that reveal quick in death: **We give you thanks, O Lord.**

For spring shyly peeking forth before bursting into full riot of color: **We give you thanks, O Lord.**

For the great green growing earth fragrant with fecundity, for sun-ripening peaches, fresh sweet corn, and tomatoes straight from the vine: **We give you thanks, O Lord.**

For the crisp chill of sweater-weather worn over the tang of apple cider, for crackling fires that draw us close: **We give you thanks, O Lord.**

For all your earthly providence: **We give you thanks and praise.**

For the joys of human life: for the mystery of birth made from love and the wide eyed wonder of babies toddling in giggles of joy: **Thank you, Lord.**

For children who share ice cream with dogs and sandwiches with those who need a friend: **Thank you, Lord.**

For the loyalty of friends who always have time to talk, and for long conversations about what really matters: **Thank you, Lord.**

For the church that proclaims your goodness and claims us as its own through Jesus Christ: **Thank you, Lord.**

For your River of Life that flows through our lives, baptizing us with resurrection "do-overs" in streams of mercy new every morning: **Thank you, Lord.**

For learning that stokes curiosity and vocations that serve your purposes in the world in both great and small ways: **Thank you, Lord.**

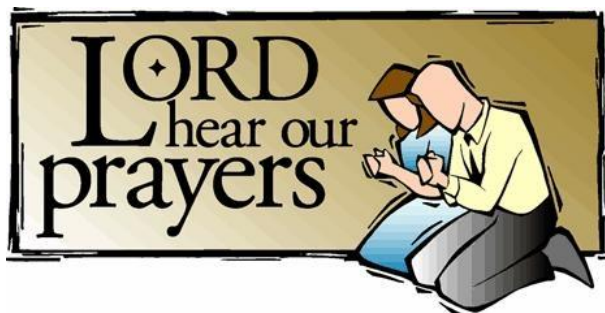
For your provision to us so that we can extend your provision to the world: **We give you thanks, O Lord.**

For bodies that work in ways too wondrous for our understanding, which we appreciate more as more things go wrong with the passing ache of years: **We give you thanks, O Lord.**

For your brooding presence as we settle down into death's down, and for those who care for our going out and our coming in: **We give you thanks, O Lord.**

For your breath of life coursing through the universe: **Lord, of all to Thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.**





WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

This list of members at Trinity has been organized for the purpose of being lifted up in prayer during the week. We look forward to God's blessings as we pray for one another. During the month please pray for these:

- Nov. 5:** Katie Sorensen
Carol Southerland
Ron & Karen Spader
- Nov. 12:** Claire Ann Sprick
Jim, Joan, Jacob, & Jordan Sprick
Tom, Peggy, Sarah, & Ryan Sprick
- Nov. 19:** Bryan, Dawn, Aerian, & Cody Stephens
Rev. Duane & Kay Stephens
Stephanie Stowe
- Nov. 26:** Charlie & Rev. Elizabeth Strobel
Kristopher Taylor
David & Beverly Thieme

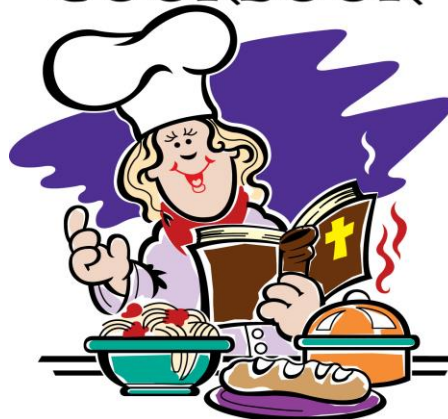


- Nov. 8** Charles & Elizabeth Strobel
22 Bob & Jane Cooper
24 Bob & Susan Sorensen



- Nov. 1** Michelle Jones
Jerry Schmitt
Jenna Zakrajsek
- 5** Kristopher Taylor
- 9** Jean Babcock
- 13** Jean Riddle
- 15** Woody Bradshaw
Brett Sorensen
- 16** Kyndal Robinson
Paul Tivis
- 20** Zoey Shireman
- 25** Christine Hanes
Jess Layman
- 26** Jim McPike
- 29** Susan Sorensen

OUR CHURCH COOKBOOK



Recipes are still needed for the Presbyterian Women's cookbook. We are looking for all kinds of recipes and especially from our youth. Any questions please contact Lucy Berry at 456-2235.



On the first Day of the Week

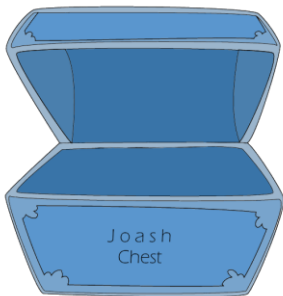
"The people came together..."

Worship Services:

Oct. 1	.....	69
Oct. 8	.....	73
Oct. 15	.....	81
Oct. 22	.....	76
Oct. 29	.....	68

"and the people gave . . . "

Oct. 1	.....	\$3,613.00
Oct. 8	.....	5,237.00
Oct 15	.....	4,182.17
Oct 22	.....	1,328.00
Oct. 29	.....	737.00
Total	.....	\$15,097.17



“Joash was seven years old when he began to reign; he reigned forty years in Jerusalem...The king gave command, and they made a chest, and set it

outside the gate of the house of the Lord. All the leaders and all the people rejoiced and brought their tax and dropped it into the chest until it was full... So they did day after day, and collected money in abundance.”
-from 2 Chronicles 24

The Joash Chest will be open to receive your 2018 Pledges at our annual Thanksgiving Dinner on Friday, November 17th. The Joash Chest can be found in the sanctuary every week beginning on Sunday, November 19th.



SEW 'N SO'S

Thank you Trinity, for saving the Best Choice Bar Codes for us. We have received 1316 bar codes for this year. Please keep saving

T.I.G.E.R.s CORNER



Nov. 12 11:30 a.m. - T.I.G.E.R.'s
Nov. 26: 11:30 a.m. - T.I.G.E.R.'s



Help with Trinity's first-ever Community Lunch on Saturday, Nov. 4, starting at noon. We will be preparing and serving food to the needy in our community. You can cook, clean, serve, or just be a loving presence.



Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 5, 2017.



Friday, November 17

6:30 P.M.

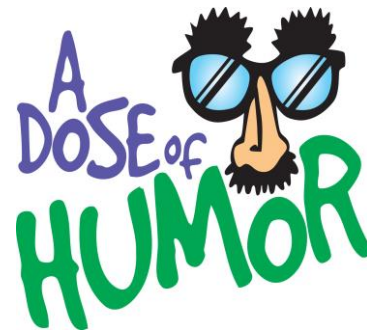
Please join your Trinity family for Thanksgiving Dinner. Turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, and rolls will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Any questions, please call Jan Privett at 419-9405 or Kim Miller at 591-7314.

CHRISTIAN SYMBOL



Crown – A crown, of course, symbolizes royal authority. As a Christian symbol it represents both Christ as King of kings (Revelation 17:14, for example) and the eternal life promised to Christ's followers; "Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life" (Revelation 2:10, ESV).



From a church newsletter:

Our church faced many challenges this year.
We've cleared many hurdles so far.
And with God's help, we'll press on.

But the *hurdle* of word choice remains!





We thank you and the recipients of many organizations thank you! Once again Trinity Presbyterian Church's participation in the Church World Service (CWS) CROP Walk will help folks within the KC Metro area and throughout the world. With seven walkers heading out, a total of \$1,034.00 was raised on behalf of Trinity. Our top money earner this year was Jan Privett with \$260.00!

Thank you whether you walked, donated, or prayed for the success of this event, it was truly a group effort!

~Trinity Presbyterian Church Mission Committee



HARVEST TABLES OPEN

Share your harvest with people who fight hunger in Jackson County. Harvest Tables will be at the front of the sanctuary for the month of November. In December, your offerings of food will be taken to the local Salvation Army.



MOTHER'S REFUGE TURNING 30

Last May on Mother's Day, the Mission Committee saw firsthand how Trinity can help transform lives through our generous donations. Since 1987 Mother's Refuge has provided a safe home and educational services to young mothers and their babies. From the director: "We are humbled to see firsthand how God uses life crisis to transform us. (Those) we have the opportunity to serve often get a fresh start at life through their time with Mother's Refuge....and allow us to connect in our counselling and care." **Please pick up a fall bulletin in the foyer for more on this transformational program!**



"TIME TO THANK, TIME TO SHARE"

Thanksgiving is a time to share. A roasted turkey stuffed with care, potatoes, yams and buttered rolls are passed around in festive bowls, But first we thank our God above and share with others His great love. The dish served last is always best—a slice of pie for every guest.

-MaryAnn Sundby

PHOTOS FROM THE 2017 FALL FUN FEST



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR DECEMBER!



Saturday,
December 3
9:00 A.M. –
Noon

Saturday
December 3
8:30 a.m. –
11:00 a.m.



Sunday, December 10 - 10:30 a.m.



Independence Messiah
Saturday, December 9 - 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Cantata
Sunday, December 17 - 10:30 a.m.



On Sunday, November 12th, we will once again have a pulpit swap with New Horizon Presbyterian Church! Elizabeth will preach at New Horizon in Odessa while New Horizon's pastor, Paula Isgrig, will preach at Trinity. This is a wonderful opportunity to share in ministry with one of our sister churches in Heartland Presbytery! Please give a warm welcome to Pastor Paula and continue to pray for the meaningful ministry of New Horizon.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

When the weather is bad do you wonder if Trinity is opened? Now you can turn to your local television stations to find out. We will be listed on WDAF Channel 4, KMBC Channel 9 and KSHB Channel 41. We will NOT be listed on KCTV Channel 5.

Don't Miss the
DEADLINE!

The deadline for items submitted to the
December Bridge is
Friday, November 23rd.

Information for the weekly News Sheet is due each week on Wednesday by 1:00 p.m.