



Message from Pastor Christine

MISSION 2: CONNECTION

Do you like surprises (as long as they are the good kind of surprises), fun, and getting to know others? If so, then we have the mission for you!

Become an **AGENT of CONNECTION!**

Here's what it entails:

~Sign-up to participate by 10/2

We know signing up is hard, but it will help MISSION 2: CONNECTION be successful.

~By signing up you will help create a **greater sense of CONNECTION** here at Trinity.

~On **October 9th** you'll receive an email with the name, address, and email of the household you have been paired with. This means paired households will share items/information about with the other.

For example:

If Pastor Christine and Anita were paired, it's possible that Pastor Christine would leave a small basket containing dark chocolate, temporary tattoos, and fun athletic socks for Anita. Anita would possibly gift her favorite music via apple gift card, Muppet stickers and coffee. Each would include a note about why the items have been shared. In your note you can also share other things about you/your household that tell more about you (ie. Pastor Christine could share: Before I was remarried I had planned on moving to Nicaragua when my boys left for college). This is the part that allows the other person/household to get to know more about you/your household.

~ We would like to **cap the amount spent at \$25**. This does not mean you have to spend \$25. Please be creative.

~Accomplish your mission between the dates of **October 9th and October 23rd**.

WAYS OF CREATING CONNECTION:

~Share your favorite cookies/bakery item

~Share your favorite wine/beer

~Share a gift card to your favorite area restaurant

~Share your favorite flower

~Share your favorite charity and make a donation in their honor

~Share something you've made/crafted

These are just a few ideas. Think about what you enjoy and how you can share that with another. We'd love for you to share photos with us of MISSION 2: CONNECTION. Please email them to the office

Finally, we do not want this to be difficult, or for anyone who wants to participate to feel excluded due to ability to travel, financial constraints, or any other reasons. Please contact the office or Pastor Christine if you want to participate, but need assistance in being an AGENT OF CONNECTION. We are happy to support.

Sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050e4caba82f4-mission>

Special Congregational Meeting on Organ Repairs

The Church Council is calling a special meeting of the congregation for Sunday, September 18, 2022 at 10:45 a.m. The sole purpose of the meeting will be to decide on a recommended contract to make major organ repairs. No other business will be transacted at this meeting.

As was noted back in 2021, despite several previous interim maintenance procedures, the 70-year-old portions of our organ are now in need of major repairs. These proposed repairs are separate from the re-leathering in 2019 of offset wind chests, which are in good condition and need no additional work. The Council is calling a special meeting now with the intention of securing a vendor to do timely work with minimal disruption to our worship on festival days.

The special meeting will be held in person at the church following regular Sunday worship and members can fully participate electronically via Zoom link as well, as permitted by our Constitution. As always, your participation is important to attaining a quorum. You will have an opportunity to learn more about the proposed repairs and ask questions at the meeting.

After the congregational meeting closes, there will be an opportunity to participate in an in-person listening group as the next step in our visioning process for Trinity. The listening group session will immediately follow the congregational meeting.

Please reach out to me if you have questions, concerns, or suggestions. If you're curious about the organ and its inner workings, Marilyn C, Bob C, and Carol B are knowledgeable on the topic.

Adult Sunday school will be pushed back by one week and begin September 25th, however children's Sunday school will still begin September 18th.

Trinity Listening Groups: Trinity's visioning and coaching process is under way! We had a phenomenal 80% of regular worshippers complete the survey, followed by a strong turnout on August 28 to hear church coach Michelle Snyder present the survey findings and interpretation. The survey data gave us a mirror and some benchmarks about the state of the congregation, what matters to us, and our aspirations. Now keeping this process rolling, Trinity will offer two listening group sessions for more personal engagement on what Trinity brings to us and what we want to bring to Trinity. Coach Michelle is guiding us and members of the Trinity visioning team will facilitate. We would love to see and hear from you. We are offering two options: September 18th following the special congregational meeting or virtually on September 21 at 7pm.



Food Drives Continue – How many pounds do we collect in a typical month? Food Collection on September 17, 2022

The Social Ministry Team shared that starting in July our monthly food drive collection will be given to Bethesda Help (bethesdahelp.org). A thank you note from Bethesda Help following our first drop off included “ I got a bit emotional after seeing all of the food – so nicely organized – it came at a perfect time.” They also noted that we donated 415 pounds of food; those cans really add up!

Thanks to all for their ongoing support of the food drives – the need in the community continues to grow. Trinity's food drives will continue the third Saturday of the month from 9-12. The list of food donation requests

is on Trinity's website. If you have any questions please contact Margaret F at gmfitzwm85@gmail.com

The most needed non-perishable items are:

- 15 oz canned vegetables (low sodium preferred)
- 15 oz canned fruit (juice or low sugar packed)
- 5 – 7 oz cans of tuna
- 12 oz can of chicken or salmon
- 15 oz beans (any variety low sodium preferred)
- 1 plastic jar of 14 or 18 oz peanut butter
- 1 plastic/canned container 28 oz container of spaghetti sauce
- 1 lb bag of rice
- 1 lb package of pasta
- 7 oz box of macaroni and cheese
- Container of shelf stable milk (not powdered)
- Unsweetened Cereal or oatmeal

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Margaret Fitzwilliam at gmfitzwm85@gmail.com or Leslie Schaefer at lcsjwm@verizon.net.



September Birthdays:

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| 01. Patricia S | 12. Tamara C |
| 01. Vimala P | 22. Nicholas C |
| 02. James M | 24. Meredith S |
| 05. Anders S | 27. John B |
| 05. Kathy T | 27. Gina C |
| 06. Jeanine B | 28. Mary B |
| 08. Brenden H | 29. Nicole S |
| 09. Andy B | 30. Wayne D |

September Baptism Birthdays:

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| 01. Jeff B | 09. Steve S |
| 05. Gregory L | 16. Allison F |
| 05. Alexander L | 19. Patricia S |
| | 20. Vera N |

Sunday School is Back!

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Sunday School for youth will be on **September 18 at 10:45!** See you then. Sunday School room will be announced

Adult Forum will be on **September 25 at 10:45 am.** It will be hybrid in Room 10.

SAVE THE DATES!

Interfaith 5K | September 5 | 8:00 am

Dinner, Discussion & Dessert (D3) | September 10

God's Work, Our Hands | September 11

Youth Group Kickoff | Sept 11 | 6:00 pm

Narcan Training | September 17

Food Drive | September 17

Special Congregational Meeting | Sept 18

Trinity Listening Groups | Sept 18

Trinity Listening Groups | Sept 21

Kids Morning Out | October 15

Youth Group | October 16

Oktoberfest Party | October 29

Youth Group

Youth Group is back! We will gather on September 11 at 6 pm for pizza and to talk about the year. All 6th - 12th Graders are welcome!



Oktoberfest Party | October 29 | 5:30 pm | Social Hall

All are welcome, young and old. Food and drinks, music, activities, fun. Want more information? Want to help? Contact Nancy J. or the church office.

Narcan Training

SEPTEMBER 17 | 10:30 AM

Narcan training | September 17th | 10:30am

You will learn how to recognize the signs of an opioid overdose and how to administer life-saving nalaxone/narcan. Sign-up is mandatory, so that trainers have enough supplies. This is also the date we collect non-perishable food items. Feel free to bring a donation with you. Training is free.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4faaa72fa4fec52-narcan>

HEAVENLY HANDBELLS

THIS IS YOUR YEAR !!

Learn how to ring handbells and join in with our fun relational group. FREE ringing instructions will be given at a date and time convenient to all participants. If you aren't certain you have time to be a regular member of the handbell choir, learn to ring and be one of our substitutes. We need you! Contact Marilyn C for details or questions.

Remember in Your Prayers

THE CHURCH

our synod & bishops: Bishops Elizabeth E & Leila O

our missionaries: Stephen D & Marta G,
Cent. America

our congregation: Trinity Church

THE NATIONS: Afghanistan, El Salvador,
Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Indonesia,
Korea, India, Iraq, Israel, Mexico, Myanmar,
Namibia, Palestine, Somalia, Spain/Cataluña,
Sudan, Syria, Ukraine, United States,
Venezuela

THE SICK AND SUFFERING

nursing/rehabilitation center/hospital

Martha R (Bethesda H&R)

Philip T (Manor Care Potomac)

Yulie N (Village at Rockville)

Anya N

home

Tigist G, Margo W, Lineth M, Isabel F, Gio S,
Vimala P, Marilyn C, Ana S-G, Wendy C

family and friends*

Lonnie B, *friend of Carol B*

Donald B, *brother of Marilyn C*

Mark K, *brother of David K*

Richard D, *friend of Sunhee P*

Dobson/Thanker Family, *friends of Margaret F*

Tom W, *uncle of Greg F*

first responders

Lisbeth N-D

Greta S & Linda A, *sister & sister-in-law of Anita S*

Vanessa B, *friend of Elizabeth & Ben R*

deaths

Gabriel Chamorro Cabanillas +August 13,
2022, Len S' sister in laws husband

**For family and friends, prayer requests will be kept on the list for four weeks. After four weeks, please complete another card/call the office.*