



HOLY TRINITY

Evangelical Lutheran Church

ECHOES NEWSLETTER

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Pastor

The Rev. Dr. Maurice Y. Lee

Staff

Mr. Thomas Hobson Williams,

M. Mus., Director of Music

Mrs. Deborah Mumford,

Office Administrator

Worship Services

Saturday at 5 p.m.

Sunday at 9 a.m. (also live-streamed)

Sunday Church School at 10:30 a.m.

Holy Communion

Saturday evening, Sunday morning
& Festival Days

***Deadline for submission
of material for the Echoes
Newsletter is 9 a.m.
the 15th of each month.***

From the Pastor

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ:

In 1854, the famous (infamous?) Danish Lutheran philosopher Søren Kierkegaard wrote a little parable, which has been paraphrased and distorted — as usual — in various ways online. This is condensed from the original:

Imagine that geese could talk, and that they too had their divine worship services. Every Sunday they gathered together and a goose preached.

The gist of the sermon was as follows: What a high destiny geese have; to what a high goal the creator had appointed geese. With the help of their wings they could fly away to distant regions where they really had their homes, for here they were but aliens.

Thereafter the assemblage dispersed and each one waddled home to his family. And so to church again the next Sunday, and then home again. They flourished and grew fat, became plump and delicate — were eaten on St. Martin's Eve — and that was the end of it.

On Monday the geese would tell each other what had happened to one goose who had wanted to make serious use of the wings given by the creator — what horrors it had to endure.

There were a few geese who looked poorly and grew thin. The other geese said: There, you see what happens when you take seriously this business of wanting to fly. They do not have God's grace, for by the grace of God one becomes plump, fat, and delicate.

So also with Christendom's worship services. We play, allow our imagination to amuse itself in a quiet hour of Sunday daydreaming, and otherwise regard it as a proof of God's grace to get plump, fat, delicate — that is, accumulate money, get to be somebody in the world, be successful, etc. And those who actually become involved with God and who are obliged to suffer, of these we say: There is proof that they do not have the grace of God.

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Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Mission Statement

We proclaim the
Gospel of Jesus Christ,
worshiping, making disciples
and serving in His name.



Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers have been presented to the Glory of God by the people of Holy Trinity. Altar Flowers must be ordered no later than the Tuesday afternoon preceding the Sunday they are presented. They may be ordered through the Church Office (215-659-2642). You may pay by placing \$20.00 in a small white pew envelope checked, "Altar Flowers." If you know it, indicate your envelope number.

From the Pastor

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And if someone reads this, he will say: This is delightful — and that's the end of it. He will waddle home to his family, will remain plump, delicate, fat — but on Sunday the pastor will preach and he will listen, exactly like the geese.

The worship of Christ's church tells the one true story of the only real world — and tells the story by immersing us in that world — the world that by God's power will finally sweep away all false substitutes, all hollow imitations, all idolatrous counterfeits.

To have our priorities ordered, our desires shaped, and our sins forgiven in *that* world, in the world created by the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, in the world redeemed by Jesus in his crucifixion and resurrection, in the world destined by its Lord to be the dwelling-place of righteousness (2 Peter 3:13), is to live as we were meant to live.

That doesn't mean leaving our jobs, schools, hobbies, families, neighbors. On the contrary, it means *loving* them, with the love that can be accomplished, purified, and shared only by our Savior. That love, too, is learned through worshipping God with his church.

Geese fly in October. Let's use the wings God has given us!

Christ is in our midst,
Pastor Maurice





Healing Prayer Ministry

Prayer cards are available in a basket on the Altar in the Chapel of the Good Shepherd. Fill out your prayer requests and members of the Healing Prayer Ministry will pray for your needs. If you leave your contact information a team member will contact you.



Women's Prayer Group

The Holy Trinity
Women's Prayer Group
is scheduled to meet
this month.

**Monday, Oct. 6th
7:00 PM**

Meet at Rosemary Hinkle's
1164 Wheatsheaf Lane,
Abington, PA 19001

"Rejoice in hope, be patient in
tribulation, be constant in prayer."

Romans 12:12

Prayer List

One of the beautiful aspects of Christian Fellowship is that we can share one another's concerns through prayer. Please pray for the following individuals & their families: *(we cannot add last names)*

Adriene, Aimeé, Alan, Alex, Allan, Allyson, Amanda, Angie, Anita, Ann, Anna, Anne, Antonette, Art, Audrey, Baby Wilkinson, Barb, Barbara, Ben, Benjamin, Beth, Bill, Blake, Bob, Brett, Candy, Carly, Carol, Caroline, Cassidy, Charles, Charlie, Cheryl, Chris, Christine, Christopher, Cindy, Claire, Clare, Dallas, Dana, Darren, Daryl, Dave, David, Deb, Derek, Diane, Donna, Emersyn, Emily, Eric, Erica, Erin, Ernie, Frank, Gavin, Gene, Gerry, Gloria, Grace, Hannah, Harrison, Jamie, Jen, Jennifer, Jenny, Jill, Joe, John, Julia, Kathy, Kellie, Ken, Kevan, Kile, Kim, Laney, Laura, Levi, Linda, Lisa, Logan, Loreto, Lori, Mandy, Maria, Marissa, Mark, Martha, Marty, Mary, Mary Ellen, Mary Kate, Matthew, Maureen, Melania, Melissa, Michal, Michael, Mike, Monica, Nancy, Nat, Nick, Pastor Jeff, Pat, Paul, Peter, Phil, Rachel, Rich, Rick, Roger, Rose, Rosemary, Ross, Ryan, Sadie, Sandy, Sam, Scarlett, Selah, Sharon, Shelly, Sherri, Skylar, Solomon, Sophia C., Sophie, Spencer, Steve, Stover, Susan, Teri, Thea, Theodore, Tiffany, Todd, Tom, Tracy, Troy, Trudy, Valentina, Valentine, Vera, Vicki, William, Willow, Zach.

Please pray for the following families: All of the families of Holy Trinity, especially Beck, Berkovitz, Boehm, Cannan, Custer, Delucia, Diener, Dikhov, Eisenmann, Erb, Favorin, Gregg, Hendrickson, Johnson, Lacy, Lowry, Maieron, McGeary, Nickens, Novak, Riehm, Ripley, Rothermel, Schenck, Schmidt, Smith, Staedtler, Steinhofer, Tavella, Wanger, Wilkinson.

Please pray for the following petitions:

That God would bless, protect all members of Holy Trinity, together with those they love and pray for.
That God would guide each of us to grow in grace.
That He would please send workers into the Harvest.
For all who are chronically ill and/or shut-in.
For all who are fighting addiction to drugs and alcohol.
For the sick and the grieving.
For all congregations of the NALC. For all travelers and for the dying.
For the military and their families. For all Native Americans living on U.S. reservations.
For refugees and immigrants. The unemployed, the underemployed & the uninsured, especially those in our own families. All Caregivers, rescue workers, doctors, nurses, firefighters, EMTs. For the members of the Mekane Yesus Lutheran Church in Ethiopia, and for the Nifas Silk Congregation. For our sister congregations: Nifas Silk in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia and First Lutheran in Kirkland Illinois.
For all Christians who are being persecuted for the faith throughout the world.
For victims of rains, wildfires, earthquakes, hurricanes; for favorable weather and an abundance of crops.
For all in financial difficulty that they may be totally restored.
For those suffering from racial injustice, bigotry, and oppression in our nation and in the world.
For the people of Ukraine.
For peace in the world and shootings to stop in our cities.
For a peaceful political atmosphere.

BAPTIZED HERE AT HOLY TRINITY:

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

Julian Benjamin Freer

&

Sabrina Jean Freer

Children of Brian & Julia Freer

Grandchildren of Bruce & Maureen Freer



Our Christian Sympathy to

Zachary and Nicholas and family
on the death of
James A. Jones
August 12, 2025

Psalm 34: 18

"The Lord is near to the brokenhearted
and saves the crushed in spirit."



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP IS NOW AVAILABLE LIVE
ON YOUTUBE (THEHTLConline)
OR OUR WEBSITE HOLYTRINITY.NET
JOIN US AT 9 AM

Support the Church

Please consider a gift of appreciated securities to Holy Trinity as you do your tax planning for this year. You may direct questions about how to do this to Alan Hinkle at alanhinkle@comcast.net.

Treasurer's Report

August 31, 2025 (For the Year 2025)

Current Fund Deficit ~ (\$47, 246.14)

Full report available
on request

Keep in your prayers the following individuals serving in the armed forces:

Christopher Biehl
Michael Boerner
Connor Gowton
Eric Henderson
C.J. Hess
Nathan Quinlan
Vikas Shah
Jonathan Skilton, MD
Jeremy Zar
AJ Hersch

Martin Luther



Feelings come, and feelings go,
and feelings are deceiving. My
warrant is the Word of God,
naught else is worth believing.

REFORMATION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

AZ QUOTES

Please remember your
Church in your will.

CHURCH COUNCIL

Notes from Council:

We will be giving highlights from our last council meeting each month in Echoes. Once the minutes are approved from the previous month, they will be available in the Narthex.

Council met on Wednesday September 3rd

Pastor's report - Pastor Lee reviewed several upcoming events

Convocation planning committee will be coming on September 20th to finalize plans for the convocation on October 9 - 11th

October 5th Save a Life organization will be presenting during the Sunday School hour. We are looking for Baby items to be given.

Convocation will be held October 9 - 11th. The Bishop is coming and will be preaching during the Saturday and Sunday worship. Beth Lee will be installed as a Deacon.

October 12th will be Vocation of Marriage Sunday

April 2026 The Chamber Music group Roanoke Baroque will be coming to perform for us. We will need to supply housing for an overnight stay for the performers and will be asking members of the congregation for assistance.

Treasurer's report - The deficit continues to increase as our expenses (within our approved budget) are outpacing our income. The Current deficit is \$56,933

Property - Council approved \$7,500 to be used to replace toilets throughout the building.

Bread of Heaven - Black out Bingo was a great success. Thanks to all who participated.

New Business - A new refrigerator was purchased for the Kitchen

A budget of \$1,000 was approved for a prayer garden. The location is by the choir entrance

Linda Frezza has agreed to be our lay representative for the Convocation

As always if you have any questions, concerns, or ideas, please talk to any of the council members. If you are unsure who we are, our pictures are in the Narthex.

NOTES OF THANKS



"I came that they may have life and have it abundantly." John 10:10b ESV

September 5, 2025

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your generous contribution to the mission of God through the work of World Mission Prayer League! It is a privilege to be partners in ministry, "that all may have abundant life!"

"That all may have abundant life" is the motto of WMPL, LAMB Hospital in Bangladesh. If you've received The Prayer League's Together In Prayer (TIP) newsletter for this month of September, perhaps you've read my article about how God established LAMB through a prophetic word and the obedience of those whom he called to build it.

As LAMB prepares to celebrate its 50th Anniversary in 2026 (the year approval was received by the Government of Bangladesh), we want to celebrate what God has established in His Name, and the lives that have been transformed over those years.

I'm including a brief testimony from a woman who experienced the love of Jesus through her treatment at LAMB. LAMB is committed to providing holistic treatment (emotional, physical, and spiritual) in Jesus' Name, so that those who enter the gates of LAMB have an opportunity for an abundant life in the fullest. Here is her testimony.

I am Rozina. I had been suffering from a tumor in my uterus for a long time, and although the surgery was done elsewhere, my urethra was damaged during the operation, causing it to leak. I came to LAMB Hospital for fistula surgery with great hope. The surgery was successful, and I didn't have to pay anything. LAMB Hospital took care of all my medical expenses, food, necessary services, and care. I am very happy and thankful.

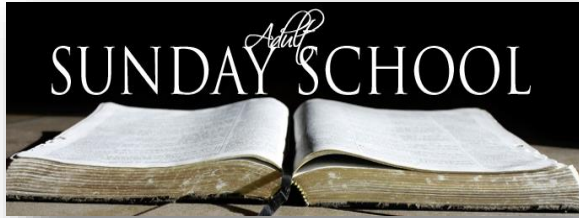
The hospital chaplains prayed for me many times, comforted me, and gave me courage. Their support helped me recover both physically and mentally. I would not have understood the love of God if I had not come to this hospital. I am deeply grateful to everyone who serves here with such kind hearts and love. I thank God for bringing me to LAMB Hospital.

I will definitely share the love I received here with others in my community so that they too, can receive good treatment and come to know the love of God.

Please pray for Beulah Chandran, the wife of David Chandran, the Executive Director of LAMB. She is recovering from bypass surgery after suffering a heart attack last month. We praise God for progress! For LAMB we ask for prayer for the hospital staff, that they will continue to find strength in Christ, and share His love in word and deed. Please pray for social workers who assess patient's eligibility for the poor fund subsidy, which helps those in financial need. Thank you for your prayers and support for Beulah, the work of LAMB, and the Prayer League as a whole, so that all may have abundant life!

In Christ,


Kyle Scott
Executive Director



Never Stop Learning

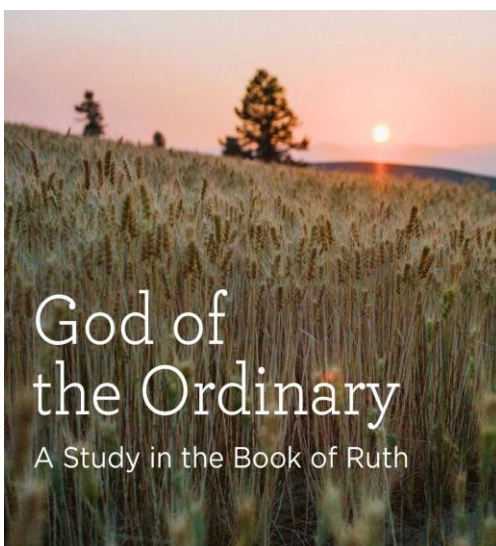
Join us for a class after worship ~
3 Adult Learning Opportunities:

Here is an opportunity to dig deeper into each week's three Scripture readings with
A Longer Look at the Lessons.

This Bible Study, based on the Bible readings in our worship, provides information about the readings and their contexts. Questions and answers mine the riches of the Readings while encouraging class discussion and personal application by asking, "What does it mean for us?" The class meets in Fellowship Hall stage end at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday. Pastor Guenzel facilitates the discussion. All older teens and adults are welcome!



GOD OF THE ORDINARY: A STUDY IN THE BOOK OF RUTH



Join Tom Schied in this 6 week study on the book of Ruth. The book of Ruth must surely be one of the loveliest short stories ever written, telling an unforgettable tale of purity, faithfulness, innocence, loyalty, duty, and love. Yet it is set in dark times: the final verse of the book of Judges, which precedes Ruth in the Bible, tells us that "in those days Israel had no king; everyone did as he saw fit." As one commentator writes, the time was marked by "violent invasions, apostate religion, unchecked lawlessness, and tribal civil war."

Meet in the Study after worship on Sunday mornings.

REASON FOR HOPE: APOLOGETICS WITHOUT APOLOGY.

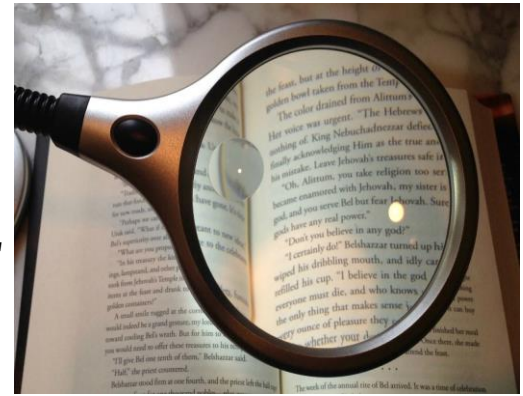
A course on living out 1 Peter 3: 15:

"In your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy,
always being prepared to make a defense to anyone
who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you."

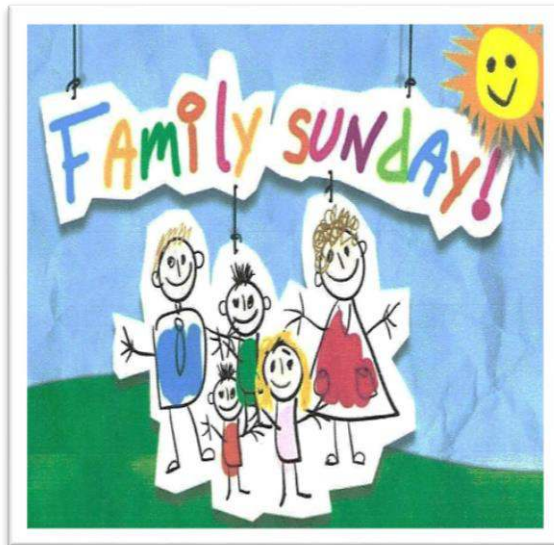
12 Sundays, September - December 2025

Fellowship Hall

Led by Pastor Maurice



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL BECOMES FAMILY SUNDAY SCHOOL



Calling all children and at least one parent: Come to Sunday School together!

The theme of the Family Sunday School this year as we walk through the Old Testament stories of Creation to the building of the Tabernacle is that God wants to live with us and be our God. We want, as Jesus prayed, for our church family to know and love God, the only true God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The Family Sunday School is an Intergenerational Bible Study with Bible stories, snacks, and crafts (that relate to the story). Older participants may mentor younger ones (in a Big Brother/Sister role) or pursue independent creative projects together while parents may discuss the passage in greater detail.



stewardship

WHAT IS IT?

STEWARDSHIP IS FREE.

Matthew 10:8b "Freely you have received; freely give." This means it is without compulsion. We, as believers in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, are created in the image of God to manage his creation. We cannot attain nor maintain it apart from the work of the Holy Spirit. Our stewardship is not our creation, but the work of the Holy Spirit, in and through us. This is what makes us truly FREE. We are simply conduits of the work of the Spirit as we steward and support the work of the Gospel through our church, the body of Christ.

STEWARDSHIP IS JOYOUS.

There isn't anything sad about doing what we were created to be and do. The cheerful giver of whom Paul speaks in 2 Corinthians rejoices not in what he does but rather in what the Lord does through him. When the work of the congregation is used by the spirit to proclaim the Gospel, there is unbounded joy.

STEWARDSHIP IS THE WORK OF THE CHURCH.

Stewardship is more than just a "me and Jesus" thing. While each person is led by the Spirit to set aside their gifts of time, talent and financial resources, stewardship is so much more than the sum of its parts. In Genesis 1:26 God says, "Let us make man in OUR image." We join our triune God in community as the body of Christ to do his work.

STEWARDSHIP INCLUDES TIME.

Time is the single most finite resource entrusted to us. No matter how hard we try, we will only ever have 168 hours in a week to invest in the Lord's purposes. The amount of time that we, as God's faithful stewards, must manage is the most precious. Answer God's call today - in this present time - to faithfully manage this gift of time.

STEWARDSHIP IS SHARING.

Every child of God has been blessed with unique talents and abilities. When we use them with gratitude to the one who gave his only Son for our salvation, we give honor and glory to him. Pray daily that God would speak to your heart as to how best to aptly use your gifts of time, talent and treasure to bless others as we lift up Christ to the world.

STEWARDSHIP IS ABOUT GOD'S PURPOSES.

When the eternal question of the meaning of life crashes through your daily existence like a freight train with no brakes, may our heavenly Father respond in the deepest recesses of your being with resounding confidence in his good and perfect plan for all of creation. This calm assurance is what sets Christian stewardship apart from any other kind of stewardship. Worldly stewardship flows from fear (what will happen to the earth: our air, water, food and to our out of control society) but Christian stewardship comes from a totally different perspective. We seek to be faithful in every aspect of creation because it was created by God and redeemed by the blood of Jesus. Our stewardship flows not from fear but from faith. This faith is driven by the promise of God's purpose. This purpose was seen in Jesus' life, death, resurrection and promise of new creation. God's purpose is that the church's faithful stewardship be an instrument of his purpose that all people come to the knowledge of the truth and be saved. Our stewardship of the Gospel is central and instrumental in this!

GOD MADE US FOR THIS STEWARDSHIP.

IN CHRIST HE HAS REDEEMED AND RESTORED US TO THIS TASK.



Coram Deo

Holy Trinity's long-running book club!

Meetings are on the 2nd Monday of the month, at 7:30 p.m. in the study.

Upcoming Reads for the '25 ~ '26 Season:

October 13: *The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*
by Robert Louis Stevenson

November 10: *The Sea* by John Banville

December 8: *The Ladies' Paradise* by Emile Zola

January 12: *Shop Class As Soulcraft: An Inquiry Into the Value of Work*
by Matthew Crawford

February 9: *The Good Neighbor: The Life and work of Fred Rogers*
by Maxwell King

March 9: *A Sportsman's Notebook (aka Sportsman's Sketches)*
by Ivan Turgenev

April 13: *The Crisis of Islam: Holy War and Unholy Terror*
by Bernard Lewis

May 11: *Lucky Jim* by Kingsley Amis

June 8: *Once Upon a Wardrobe* by Patti Callahan

July 13: *All the King's Men* by Robert Penn Warren

August 10: *Oblomov* by Ivan Goncharov

September 14: *Death Comes for the Archbishop* by Willa Cather

The Women's Prayer Group ~ all women are welcome at any time!

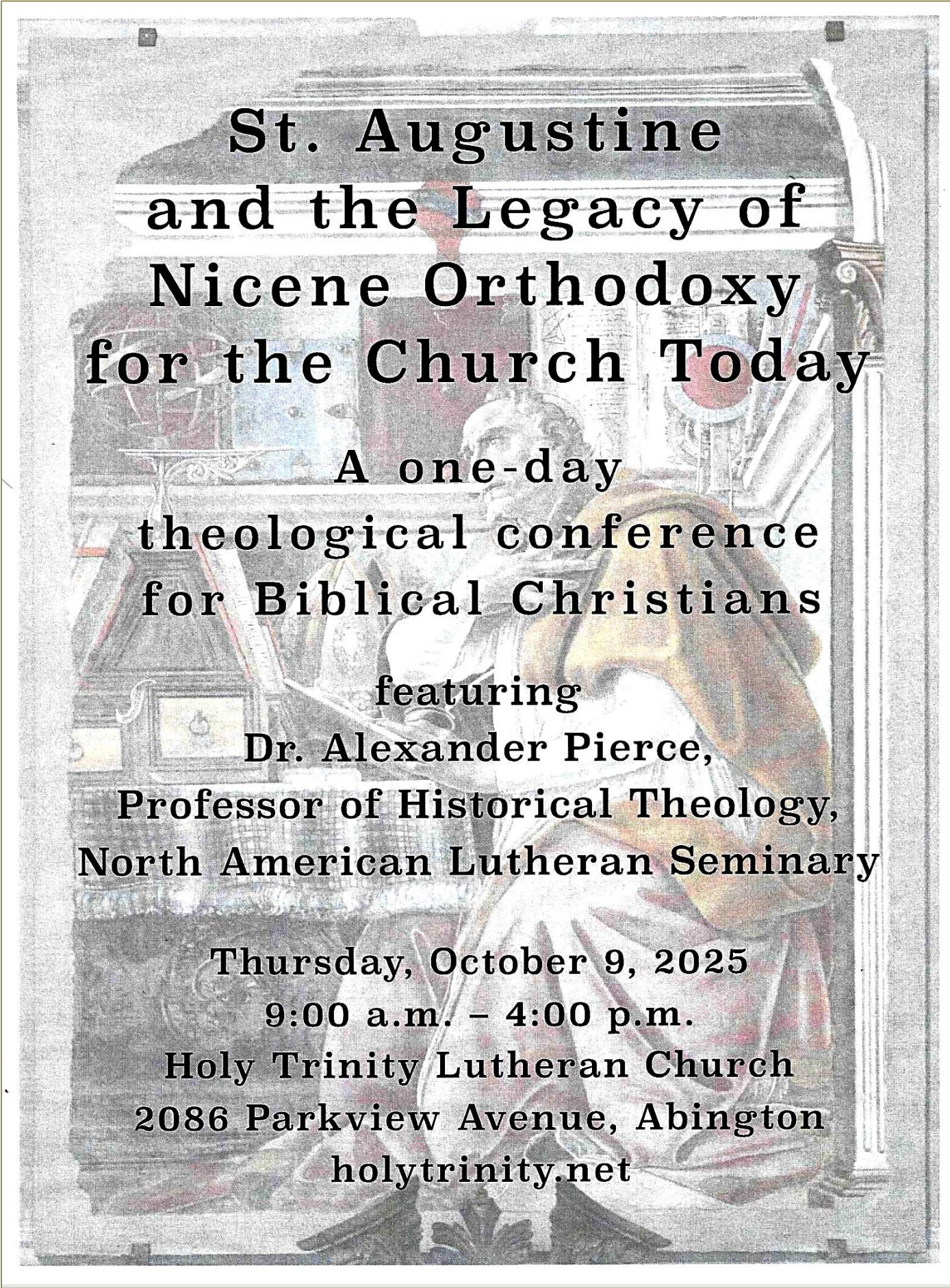


Monday, October 6th at 7:00 p.m.

at the home of Rosemary Hinkle
1164 Wheatsheaf Lane, Abington

"Nothing tends more to cement the hearts of Christians than praying together. Never do they love one another so well as when they witness the outpouring of each other's hearts in prayer." - Charles Finney

*Know that all discussions and prayers are held in strict group confidence.



St. Augustine and the Legacy of Nicene Orthodoxy for the Church Today

**A one-day
theological conference
for Biblical Christians**

featuring

**Dr. Alexander Pierce,
Professor of Historical Theology,
North American Lutheran Seminary**

Thursday, October 9, 2025

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
2086 Parkview Avenue, Abington
holytrinity.net**

Atlantic Mission Region
7th annual Women's Conference:
"Take heart, daughter, your faith has made you well"

(Luke 8:48)

Friday, October 10, 2025

8:30 registration & fellowship

9:00 AM—11:30 AM

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

2086 Parkview Ave.

Abington, PA 19001

We will be assembling health kits for Disaster Response!

Each **congregation** is asked to bring components for at least ten (10) complete health care kits. Please DO NOT have them assembled ahead of time. We will be doing a "hands on" assembly line at our conference.

Below is the list of items requested for each kit. Remember, we are asking for **AT LEAST TEN (10)** of each item from each participating congregation.

It is **HIGHLY** recommended that someone apply for a Thrivent grant to help with the purchase of these items OR post a sign up sheet in your congregation with each individual item listed to share in the purchasing/donating.

Health Care Kits

(one item of each listed below completes one kit)

- ◇ **One** bath towel
- ◇ **One** wash cloth
- ◇ **One** shampoo (regular size; two if travel size)
- ◇ **One** bar of soap, in original wrapping (regular sized or 2 travel size)
- ◇ **One** toothbrush (individually sealed)
- ◇ **One** pack of dental floss
- ◇ **One** tube of toothpaste (two if travel size)
- ◇ **One** comb (pick or wide tooth)
- ◇ **One** deodorant
- ◇ **One** nail clippers
- ◇ **One** pocket-sized devotional
- ◇ **One box** of 2-gallon ziplock bags (the kits will be packed into these bags; one box of bags will be sufficient for 10 kits)



NALC DISASTER RESPONSE - STUFF THE TRUCK KIT PACKING LIST

We will be collecting all of these kits and items at the 2025 AMR Convocation at Holy Trinity, Abington, PA.

Cleaning Buckets

- 1 five-gallon bucket with lid
- 1 jug bleach (1/2 gal. or smaller)
- 2 large trash bags (Contractor 3 mil)
- 1 roll paper towels
- 2 rags
- Comet or scouring cleanser
- Pine Sol or liquid cleaner
- scrub brush
- gloves, 1 pair each, size L preferred
 - rubber (reusable, i.e. Platex, dishwashing type)
 - leather
 - cotton

Health Care Kit

(Pack in 2-gallon plastic storage bag or tote bag)

- 1 bath towel
- 1 wash cloth (optional)
- 1 shampoo (2 if travel size)
- 1 bar of soap (2 if travel size)
- 1 toothbrush (individually sealed)
- 1 pack of floss (optional)
- 1 toothpaste (2 if travel size)
- 1 comb
- 1 deodorant
- 1 nail clippers (optional)

School Kit – Elementary

- 1 backpack or duffle bag
- 4 notebooks
- 4 pocket folders
- 1 blunt scissors
- ruler
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 4 pencils
- 2 pens
- 1 eraser
- 1 box of crayons, colored pencils, or markers

Quilts and Blankets

- any size including baby
- any fabric including religious, patriotic/military theme, seasonal





Atlantic Mission Region 2025 Annual Convocation



Rejoice in Hope

Romans 12:12

*Raising our Youth as
Jesus' Disciples in an Unfriendly Digital Culture*

Friday, October 10

(registration begins at 10:30 AM; lunch at 11:30 AM; Convocation opens at 12:30 PM)

&

Saturday, October 11

(9 AM—12:30 PM with lunch)

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
2086 Parkview Ave
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Featuring

Mr. Jeffrey Johnson
Focus on the Family

The Rev Bradley Hales
Reformation LC, Culpeper, VA

Also included!

7th annual Women's Conference
"Take heart, daughter, your faith has made you well" (Luke 8:48)
and
an informal Bible Study on Friday morning
PLUS Stuff the Truck for Disaster Response!

Registration materials are available. Please see www.atlantic-nalc.org or ask your pastor.



***Bread of Heaven* Food Pantry Thanksgiving Bags**

The calendar may say October,
but it's already time to think about
the upcoming holidays for our
Bread of Heaven guests.

For the month of October, we are asking that you shop
for items needed for a typical holiday meal (see list below).
We will begin to distribute bags on November 6.

**STUFFING, GREEN BEANS & CORN,
BOXED MASHED POTATOES, CRANBERRY SAUCE,
CANNED YAMS, CREAM OF MUSHROOM SOUP,
CRISPY FRIED ONIONS, PUMPKIN PIE MIX, COFFEE,
EVAPORATED MILK, \$ FOR TURKEY BREASTS**

**106 is the number of guests we served in SEPTEMBER
with 11 new guests signed up,
bringing our monthly total to 450 people.**

The Bread of Heaven food pantry is currently
looking for donations of these items:



Food Needed

Dish soap	26 oz. or larger
Laundry soap	40 oz. or larger
Box Mac & ch.	7.5 oz. or larger
Canned chicken	12.5 oz. or larger
Canned fruit	15 oz. or larger
Soup	10.5 oz. or larger

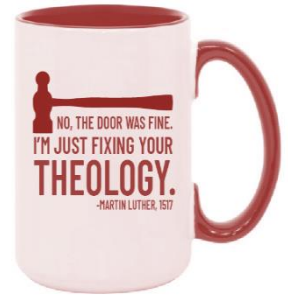


THURSDAY MORNING MEANDERINGS

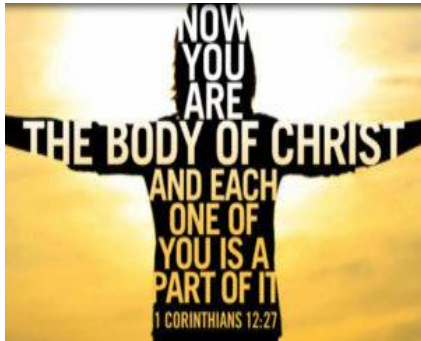
WITH PASTOR MAURICE

Biblical and theological discussions
on *3:16 Bible Texts Illuminated*,
in October (except for 9th) at 10:00 a.m.

Bagels and such on the house of course!



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### How will you serve the Lord in worship?

We are in need of additional adult  
**Acolytes and Crucifers.**

Interested persons contact Charlie Tolton  
at (215) 659-7054 or [ctolton@comcast.net](mailto:ctolton@comcast.net)

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USHERS NEEDED

CONTACT PHIL DIENER
weather-or-not@comcast.net
(215) 657 - 3867





Welcome to God's World little
Theodore Sebastian Williams

born September 23, 2025

21" 7 lbs. 14.6 oz.

Congratulations to first time parents
Thomas and Charlotte Williams!

2ND

FRIDAY NIGHT
ers

PLEASE NOTE: Due to hosting the AMR Convocation Oct. 9 - 11
there will be **NO 2nd Friday Nighters gathering in October.**

We meet next on **Friday, November 14th at 6:30 p.m.**

Our theme will be



If you don't want to make soup,
please bring a salad or bread to share.

If you have any questions, please contact
Susan Schied slschied@verizon.net



The date of our third annual Craft Fair
is **November 22**

(always the Saturday before Thanksgiving)
so it's a good time to plan your crafts for
the church fair!

Bakers have time but if they want to test recipes
we have taste testers aplenty at the coffee hour!



CELEBRATING REFORMATION

HYMNS & BIRCH BEER

MOVIE	FOOD	HYMNS
OCT. 26	OR	26. OCT

MOVIE	2:30 PM
FOOD & DRINKS	5:00 PM
HYMNS & TRIVIA	5:30 PM

Sarnelli House

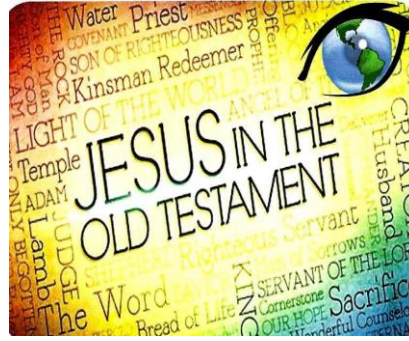
FALL COLLECTION DONATIONS



In anticipation of the upcoming Fall/Winter season we are in need of:
Long pants, shirts/tops, jackets and blankets
as well as the ongoing need for **socks & underwear**.

Please give as you are able and many thanks for your support!

Lutheran Church Women's Circle Bible Study



October's topic:

The women's circles started with a deep dive into the creation accounts, looking for signs of all of the Trinity. We saw the Spirit of God hovering over the water, the voice of God speaking creation (John 1 says the Word became man and dwelt among us) and we saw the custom of God to walk in the garden in the cool of the day. When God told Adam and Eve to be fruitful and multiply and to have dominion over the earth, it was in this context of relationship with Him, so that dominion was a peaceful caring for, even taming pets, if you will. This stewardship is part of our relationship with God from the beginning.

Our challenge for the month is to get out in nature and think about the original garden and walking with Jesus. Then we want to share that beauty with others, perhaps posting or forwarding pictures. Are there songs that bless the Lord of Creation? Songs that tell of the beauty of the earth (This is My Father's World, for instance?)

The next study will look at problems that began with the disobedience in the garden and proceeded until the flood gave the world a new start. We're looking for *God* at work in these stories, even if their plots are well known. Additional copies of the Bible study are available in the office, and you are welcome to request one from Deb. You do not have to join a group (or even be a woman) but the study is written for small group discussions.

If you are not yet attending a circle, please contact Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Women President Katie Beyer @ 215-573-6864 or kbeyer0403@gmail.com OR contact church secretary Deb Mumford @ 215-659-2642 to explore what might work best for you.

Eve Circle - Thursday, October 9 at 7:00 PM in Sts. Peter & Andrew Study.

Leader: Noreen Weld (215) 659-8089 lajennyda@aol.com

Ruth Circle - Sunday, October 12 at 11:45 AM in the Study

Leader: Katie Beyer (215) 572-6864 kbeyer0403@gmail.com

Miriam Circle - Monday, October 13 at 12:30 PM in Study & on Zoom

Leader: Sandy Schmidt (215) 657-5065 sandyschmidt19001@yahoo.com

Hannah Circle - Monday, October 20 at 7:00 PM in the Youth room

Leader: Deb Mumford (267) 210-1789 Debssam@msn.com



GIFT CARDS

It's an easy way to shop and a great way to help...

Holy Trinity LCW have Giant Food Stores Gift Cards for purchase. If you are interested in obtaining Giant Gift Cards, contact Nancy Ischinger, she will complete your orders. Cash purchases are always welcome. All checks for gift cards should be made payable to "HTLCW". HTLCW receives a 5% cash back award for each card sold which goes to our scholarship fund. Thank you for your support.

Care Package Addresses Needed...

If you know of a college/grad student or anyone serving in the military please contact Deb in the office at secretary@holytrinity.net or by phone (215) 659-2642



Calling all Committee Chairpersons

Start thinking of your **budgets for 2026**

The Finance/Budget committee
needs your budgets soon.



A LOOK *at the* BUDGET

Many thanks for your attention to this important matter.

ATTENTION !!!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS OUR HALLOWEEN SAFETY NIGHT

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FROM 5:00 TO 8:00 PM

The purpose of this FREE event is to educate parents and children about Halloween and neighborhood safety. We will be giving out free candy and Halloween safety kits which will include: trick or treat bags, flash lights, glow in the dark necklaces and much, much more.

We will also have many fun games, prizes and refreshments.

Please call to RSVP at 215-659-2000.

This event is not scary in any way. It's a fun, family event and gives your children another chance to dress up for the Halloween season.

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October Worship Assistants Schedule



October 5

Usher 4	Lector - Sat Bruce Freer Sun John Minges	
Acolyte Gloria Ischinger Crucifer Frank Ganther	Cantor Dean Lawrence	Stream Charlie Tolton Team
Healing Helen Haun Prayer	Christophers Nancy & Wayne	

October 12

Usher 5	Lector-Sat Karen McGovern Sun Eric Gregg	
Acolyte Rob Ischinger Crucifer Charlie Tolton	Cantor Sophia Breslin	Stream Hannah Mumford Team
Healing Nancy Ischinger Prayer	Christophers Sue & Deb	

October 19

Usher 1	Lector-Sat Kathleen Ingerson Sun Larry Guenzel	
Acolyte Allan Shikhvarg Crucifer Charlie Tolton	Cantor Sandy Schmidt	Stream Gloria Ischinger Team
Healing Nancy King-Berkovitz Prayer	Christophers Sherry & Linda	

October 26 Reformation

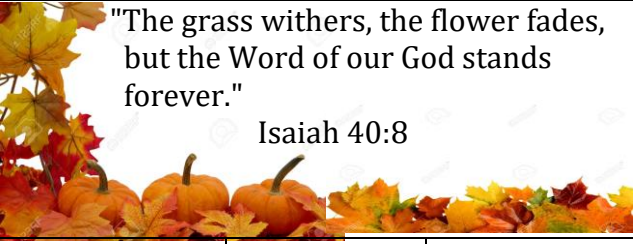
Usher 2	Lector - Sat Bruce Freer Sun Helen Haun	
Acolyte Charlie Tolton Crucifer David Tolton	Cantor	Stream Frank Ganther Team
Healing Wayne Laudenslager Prayer	Christophers Beth & Frank	

If you cannot serve please contact someone on the list for that particular service team and find a replacement.

If you cannot find a replacement simply contact the office (215) 659-2642 or email Deb at secretary@holytrinity.net

Called to *Serve*

OCTOBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 "The grass withers, the flower fades, but the Word of our God stands forever." Isaiah 40:8			1 7:30 Council	2 10:00 BOH Food Pantry 10:00 Theology with Pastor Maurice 6:30 Bell Choir 7:30 Chancel Choir	3 7:30 AA	4 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
5 PENTECOST 20 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult 6:00 AA	6 7:00 WPG	7	8	9 10:00 BOH Food Pantry 9:00 - 4:00 THEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE 6:30 Bell Choir 7:00 Eve Circle 7:30 Chancel Choir	10 9:00 - 12:00 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE 12:30 - 9:30 AMR CONVOCATION 7:30 AA	11 9:00 - 1:00 AMR CONVOCATION 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
12 PENTECOST 21 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult 11:45 Ruth Circle 1:30 Pastor Larry CROP Walk 6:00 AA	13 12:30 Miriam Circle 7:30 Coram Deo	14	15  6:30 Real World Theology	16 10:00 BOH Food Pantry 10:00 Theology with Pastor Maurice 6:30 Bell Choir 7:30 Chancel Choir	17 7:30 AA	18 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
19 PENTECOST 22 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult 6:00 AA	20 7:00 Hannah Circle	21 7:00 Evangelism	22	23 10:00 BOH Food Pantry 10:00 Theology with Pastor Maurice 6:30 Bell Choir 7:30 Chancel Choir	24 7:30 AA	25 10:00 Sewing Group 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
26 REFORMATION 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult OCTOBERFEST 2:30 Movie 5:00 Hymns & Food	27	28 7:00 Stewardship	29	30 10:00 BOH Food Pantry 10:00 Theology with Pastor Maurice 6:30 Bell Choir 7:30 Chancel Choir	31 HALLOWEEN 7:30 AA	

Special Dates:

-  Theological Conference, October 9, 2025
-  Atlantic Mission Region Convocation, October 10 - 11, 2025
-  Reformation Day, Sunday, October 26, 2025

