



**A Newsletter for members of Trinity Lutheran Church
to promote communication of information in the congregation.**

October 2023

Waiting in faith is very difficult. For the last seven months, the congregation of Trinity has been waiting for the transition process to evolve and eventually result with having a new pastor. One cannot help but feel a bit helpless because there is nothing that can be done during the initial steps of the process. Synod appointed our Interim pastor while the congregation council worked to complete all requirements mandated by Synod. Our treasurer and support staff worked tirelessly to provide financial reports requested by the Synod. These tedious steps can feel very long and drawn out to those who are unable to be involved.

We are nearing the completion of forming a Call Committee. What does this mean for the congregation of Trinity? It means we are approaching the opportunity for everyone to get involved. Once our Call Committee is formed and installed, they will be reaching out to get information from the congregation. Right now, is a perfect opportunity to do some “soul searching” to determine who Trinity is and what is needed in a pastor.

The success of the Call Committee will depend on the honesty of the congregation. A survey will be crafted to determine what qualities are most important to the congregation. It is very important that every member of the congregation completes this survey with an open mind and open heart. These answers are what the Call Committee will use to search for a pastor. The information compiled from these surveys will be shared with candidates. In turn, those individuals will discern if they can fulfill the needs communicated by Trinity Lutheran Church. Our future pastor will see what we are asking for and hopefully decide that he or she could be the missing piece to our congregational family.

The dormant phase of the transition process is over. Your honesty, your participation and your feedback are needed as we move forward. May we all come together to create one voice that speaks the needs of Trinity.

Blessings,
Mary

Transition Questions?



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Do you have questions about the Call process? The Florida Bahama Synod has a very detailed guide that provides information about every step of the process to finding a new pastor. You can read more at the Florida-Bahamas Synod’s website: <https://fbsynod.com/resources/transitions/>.

We are currently in the Call Committee Selection process. Please refer to Section 3 of the Transition Manual for more details.

October 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Mission Workshop- 9:00 am	4 Evy's Art Class- 1 pm	5 Praise Team Meeting- 9:15 am	6	7
8	9	10 Caregiver Support Group- 10:30 am	11 Evy's Art Class- 1 pm Handbells- 6 pm Choir- 7 pm	12 Mary Maier Circle Meeting- 11:30 am	13	14 Quilters Workshop Event 9 am -12 pm
15	16 Stewardship Meeting- 6 pm	17 Mission Workshop- 9:00 pm Executive Council Meeting- 10 am	18 Evy's Art Class- 1 pm Handbells- 6 pm Choir- 7 pm	19 Elizabeth Circle Meeting- 10 am	20	21
22 Aging and Dying Well Seminar- 12 pm	23 Halifax Urban Ministry Volunteer Event- 8:15 am	24 Mission Workshop- 9:00 am Council Meeting- 6 pm	25 Evy's Art Class- 1 pm Handbells- 6 pm Choir- 7 pm	26	27	28
29	30	31 Mission Workshop- 9:00 am				

Community Events:

F.A.I.T.H. is a 501c3 organization comprised of 30 religious congregations in Volusia County. Though F.A.I.T.H. congregations differ in their racial makeup, socio-economical status and theology, they stand united in their commitment to fulfill God's call to "do Justice". Unlike direct service agencies or "mercy ministries", F.A.I.T.H. does not work to help individuals with immediate needs. Rather, F.A.I.T.H. is a direct-action organization made up of "Justice ministries" that work together to address the root cause of community problems by using the power of organized people to hold public leaders accountable for fair and just policy.

Mission Statement:

"We are an interfaith, Congregation-based Community Organization. Our member Congregations pledge to build powerful Justice Ministries within their own congregations and to work together to address the root causes of issues of injustice in Volusia County."

Our House Meeting, where your voice will be heard, is at Epiphany Catholic Church on Oct. 10th at 6:30 PM. The address is 201 Lafayette Street, Port Orange. Contact Carrie Rosolino at 386-290-2198 for more information.



Mission of the Month: Mission Workshop

Mission Workshop works tirelessly all year round to create beautiful quilts that will be distributed to those in need around the world through Lutheran World Relief. For the month of October, we will focus on providing a spotlight on this ministry and also ask for support in continuing this important outreach opportunity.

New sewers are always welcome! No experience required. Beverly Swanson will lead a class beginning October 1st after worship to teach how to make a table runner. If you can make a table runner, (which you CAN!), you can quilt! Feel free to try something new and get a sneak peak of what life at Mission Workshop is like.

If you like to organize, please come to the Quilter Workshop on Saturday October 14th to help with organizing fabric. It will be held in the Fellowship Hall from 9 am- 12 pm. All are welcome to help!

Here are other ways that you can support Mission Workshop:

- Cut Fabric
- Assemble tops- sew pieces
- Assemble quilts
- Tie quilts so they are sturdy
- Transport to gathering place to send to World Relief
- Make Middles
- Contribute fabric sheets to make backs
- Sew binding
- Fold and pack quilts

NO Experience needed! Choose what you feel that you would like to do. Join us for Fellowship on Tuesday and we will teach you what needs to be done, both men and women have a skill that we need! If you have a sewing machine, you can take fabric that's for one quilt to sew the rectangles at home.

We always have a need for:

- New or used cotton twin sheets
- Cotton Fabric that can be cut into rectangles
- Any size cotton sheets for middles
- Black or white thread
- Money for supplies



Facebook:
/allsaintsportorange

Aging & Dying Well

All Saints Lutheran Church
751 Dunlawton, Port Orange

“Life is not about age, about the length of years we manage to eke out of it. It is about aging, about living into the values offered in every stage of life. As E. M. Forster wrote, “We must be willing to let go of the life we have planned, so as to have the life that is waiting for us.”
— Joan D. Chittister, *The Gift of Years: Growing Older Gracefully*

Aging and preparing for death offer unique challenges and opportunities to live into our values, reflect the light and love of God, and participate in the eternal banquet. Join us, as we explore how to celebrate the last chapters of life and prepare for death. Please register (free) as each forum includes refreshments and snacks or lunch. Donations appreciated.

Sunday, September 24th, 12 pm, **Have You Heard the Good News: Hope Amidst Chronic Illness**, sponsored by Progressive Medical Research, Speaker Sheldon
Location: All Saints Lutheran Church, 751 Dunlawton Ave, Port Orange

Sunday, October 22nd, 12 pm, **Planning for the Last Chapters of Life: Independent Living, Assisted Living and Nursing Home Care**, Sponsored by Assisted Living Made Simple, Speaker: Rose Traub; Resources: Seniors Helping Seniors & Council on Aging
Location: Trinity Lutheran Church, 385 Turnbull Bay Rd, New Smyrna Beach

Sunday, November 12th, 12 pm, **Financial Planning for the Last Chapters**
Sponsored by Thrivent Financial, Speaker: Scott Morris; Resources: Carol Hemberger Medicare Supplements
Location: All Saints Lutheran Church, 751 Dunlawton Ave, Port Orange

Sunday, January 21st, 1 pm, **Preparing Your Will and Leaving a Legacy**,
Speakers: Atty Ed Dimayuga, Legacy Law and Ana Lugo, the ELCA Foundation
Location: The Gallery, 6241 S. Williamson Blvd, Port Orange

Sunday, February 25th, 12 pm, **Medical Decisions and the Gift of Hospice**
Sponsored by: Halifax Health Hospice, Speaker: Shana Dickerson
Location: All Saints Lutheran Church, 751 Dunlawton Ave, Port Orange

Sunday, March 17th, 12 pm, **If Thou Shalt Call, Are You Ready? Planning Your Celebration of Life/Memorial Service** Speakers: Rev. Kari Niedermaier and local funeral director
Location: All Saints Lutheran Church, 751 Dunlawton Ave, Port Orange

Register by scanning the QR Code or calling the ASLC Church Office, 386-761-9129.



Trinity Lutheran is collaborating with All Saints Lutheran Church for the Aging and Dying Well Seminar Series. Our date to host is Sunday October 22nd at 12 pm.

Hospitality Committee is asking for your help to volunteer:

1. Help set up on 10/21/23 at 9 a.m.
2. Serve food on 10/22/23
3. Clean dishes and kitchen after luncheon on 10/22/23

Please note that the following Sunday, October 29th we are going to host a Potluck after church to honor our Winter members and guests. **Sign up sheets are in the Narthex.**

*We have contacted All Saints regarding the error in our address on the flyer!

Cantor's Notes

“We believe that the holy act of singing together shapes faith, heals brokenness, transforms lives, and renews peace.”

The guiding stance of *The Center for Congregational Song* of the Hymn Society in the United States and Canada.

Come, Share the Spirit (found in the All Creation Sings worship resource) was written for the formation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America in 1987 by Gracia Grindal, professor emerita of rhetoric at Luther Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota. Using rich and beautiful language, this hymn outlines what the church should be about: proclaiming God's word, celebrating the sacraments, offering forgiveness, serving those in need, being about God's mission in the world, and more!

Come, share the Spirit, God has called us to ventures in the life of faith,
to bring good tidings to the needy, to tell of victory over death.
Christ speaks and all of life is new; God's word is pure and it is true.

Come, drown your sins beneath the waters where life flows from the granite rock,
the stone from which our Lord has risen, our cornerstone and building block.
Christ speaks and raises from the dead all those who hear the living Word.

Come, God invites us to the banquet that every people soon will share,
with shouts of joy and loud thanksgiving before God's throne we will appear.
Christ speaks and bids us sit and dine; his body, bread, his blood, the wine.

Come, let us tell the gospel story, how God has given us new birth
and raises us to live for others, to speak good news throughout the earth.
Christ speaks and life is come again. Good news, good news for everyone!

Cantate Domino! (Sing to the Lord!)
Brian Larson

Hurricane Policy

Hurricane season is here, and it is important to be prepared! In the event a Hurricane Warning is issued for Volusia County on the weekend, Sunday worship services will be canceled. The congregation is invited to come for worship the following Wednesday at 7:00 PM.



God's Work Our Hands Sunday Celebration



Thanks to all who participated in God's Work Our Hands Sunday. We had lots of good food and fellowship!

Save the date!
Florida-Bahamas Women
of the ELCA
Fall Gathering

HOLY GROUND -

GOD STILL SPEAKS

November 10-
12, 2023

Warren Willis
Retreat Center
Fruitland Park





October Birthdays

1	Kate Mingle	12	Izzy Hopkins
1	Ellen Peppas	12	Sam Shoup
1	Karen Schlegel	16	Faith Scrivano
2	Pat Seaton	21	Christine Wolfe
2	Jan Syverson	24	Terry Roe
3	Joan Materna	26	Debbie Summer
7	Danny Shaw	30	Barbara Perry
11	Louise Armstrong		

A NEW BIRTHDAY SONG

Using the tune KREMSER, *We Praise You, O God*

We celebrate with you the life that God gave you.
 We thank God for letting us share in your joy.
 God bless you and keep you and shine Christ's light upon you.
 With love we sing together happy birthday to you.

TRINITY COLUMBARIUM



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COLUMBARIUM NICHE SUBSCRIPTION FEE

MEMBER: \$2000.00

NON-MEMBER \$3000.00

Includes one niche which will hold two urns, a faceplate (to cover the niche) that is engraved with name of deceased, plus year of birth and death.

APPLICATION AVAILABLE

Contact one of the following:

- Marilyn O'Connor (386-402-4304)
- Jean Haughwout (386-478-9650)
- Church Office (386-428-4307)

Interim Pastor: Rev. Mark Winkler
Cantor: Brian Larson
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