

THE *trinity* candle

EPHESIANS 1: 15-17
MATTHEW 25: 31-46



**DEAR TO MY HEART
STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN**

All gifts from God's heart to ours should be shared with others in the giving of our time, talents and treasure. In these ways we can show our gratitude to God.

We invite you to look back on the things dear to your heart and prayerfully consider how you will pay it forward for others.

If you did not receive a pledge card or have

misplaced yours, please contact Becky Schooler, Stewardship Committee Chair, at 271-7230 or the church office.

**CHRISTMAS IS COMING, AND SO IS A
CHRISTMAS TREE...but not in the
traditional way!**

For several years, Trinity has brightened up Christmas for different deserving groups by donating needed items for the work they do for the community. This year, TDC's Little Explorers' Learning Center will be our focus. During the pandemic their work to care for children of essential workers is especially noteworthy.

Since Covid-19 concerns prevent us from having a physical Christmas tree to put the donations under, we'll be "putting up" a tree painting. **"Be an Angel"** by donating an item from the list to the right. Bring them to the church on Sunday morning or Mon.-Fri. from 9am to 1pm. There will be a location in the lobby where you can leave them.

If you would prefer to send a check, please make it out to Trinity Presbyterian Church with a notation on the memo line for one of the following two places:

- Los Talpetates Scholarship, or
- Little Explorers' Learning Center (LELC)

THANK YOU!



**Joys and Concerns -NOV 22, 2020
Prayers for Families/Persons from
Directory Rotation**

Craig Stafford
Trent Stevenson
Brad Stipcak
Nuevo Calvario, Los Talpetates &
Rio Los Bueyes, El Salvador
**Prayer Focus Church of the
Presbytery Of Northern Ks:**
United Presbyterian - Blue Rapids
Prayers for the Ecumenical Church
Brunei, Malaysia, Singapore

New Concerns:

Dolores Kirk
Don & Carolyn Burns
Jamie Merklein, Felishity Blubaugh
and Kenadee

Kristen Choonchoen
Gerald and Joyce Adcock's aunt,
Norma Jean

Ongoing Concerns:

Audrey Chestnut
Carol Shannahan
Cheryl Lindstrom
Chuck Pullen
Helen Rhodes
Jace Raines
Jerry Niehaus
Jessie Zimmerman
John Eddy
Joel Maxon
Joyce Adcock
Judy and Carl Rundell
Lou Nell Gustavson
Nelson Spaulding
Neva Ebeling
Pam Oroke
Pat Miller
Rose Fritz
Douglas Phenix
Our troops overseas
BECKY JONES' brother, Raleigh Carr,
& friends, Janice Pechacek and
Cheryl Arney; BECKY SCHOOLER'S
sister-in-law, Jill; CAROL
SHANNAHAN'S friend,
Janet; CARMEN RAINES' friend,
Mark; ELISE HIGGINS' father-in-law,
Bill Ward; IRIS NEUENSWANDER'S
friend, Robin's family;

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OPERATION FOOD SECURE AT TRINITY

NEXT FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION IS:

Wednesday, NOVEMBER 25TH, 1 PM

LOS TALPETATES SCHOLARSHIPS

If you would like to make a donation for Los Talpetates scholarships, a check should be made payable to Trinity Presbyterian Church, with the designation "Los Talpetates Scholarships" included on the memo line. Funds will be sent to El Salvador in late November or early December.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

If you are 70 1/2, you may gain a significant income tax advantage by directing your individual retirement annuity (IRA) distribution to Trinity as a qualified charitable donation. Your distribution would be tax free and, of course, would have no tax implications for Trinity. This provision in the tax law would also apply to required minimum distributions from IRAs when you turn 72. This provision may be particularly beneficial because with the increase in the federal standard deduction, many people no longer realize a tax benefit from deducting charitable contributions as itemized deductions. By making the annuity distribution a direct gift to Trinity, your reportable income is reduced, resulting in a tax savings. You should consult your tax professional if you are interested in accessing this benefit to both you and Trinity.

FINANCE MATTERS

As you prepare for the busy holiday season, please keep in mind the following dates:

December 2020 2021 Weekly Pledge Envelopes.

Boxed sets of 2021 pledge envelopes are available, please call the church office or Carol Shannahan (559-8551), to arrange a time to pick them up, if you would like to have them. You do not have to use these envelopes; you may use any other envelope you choose. The important thing is to write "Pledge", or appropriate account, on the memo line of the check.

December 2020 2021 Pre-Paid Pledges.

If you wish to prepay any amount of your 2021 pledge, please make sure it is clearly marked "2021 Pledge" to ensure it is recorded correctly.

Friday, November 29, 2020 Stock Transfers.

If you are considering a gift of mutual funds or appreciated securities, Trinity suggests you begin to initiate your transfers by November 27 to allow sufficient time to process your gift. Please contact Carol Shannahan, before you make the transaction. Our broker will notify me of the amount of the sale, and the name of the stock; but, I have no way of knowing the owner or purpose of the fund or stock gift if you do not speak with me ahead of time. This advance knowledge will of your gift will help me to track the transaction easier.

Sunday, December 29, 2020 Final 2020 Giving.

2020. We are not quite at the end of the year, but please begin thinking about completing your 2020 pledges and gifts to Trinity. In order to report your donations on your 2020 statement, we are asking that the donations be received on or before Wednesday, December 30, 2020. The timeliness of your gifts is appreciated in order for the Financial Secretary to correctly process and record them. Anything received after the 30th, will count as a 2021 donation. Please let me know if you need an update of your 2020 pledge.

January 2021 2020 Giving Statements.

The 2020 giving statements will be mailed in January, so you will have them before you begin tax preparation.

Thank you for keeping Trinity in your Holiday planning.

Carol Shannahan, Financial Secretary
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JARON MARCUS' mother, Sherilyn; KAY AND RALPH HOWARD'S stepbrother and step-sister, Max Hall, and their niece, Marsha Albright; LOT WECKERLING and her son, William; LEAH FULTON'S sister-in-law, Shirley Mulkey; LETTIE KARLSON'S friend, K.C; MADDIE MELLIES' stepfather, Dave Leinweber; MARILYN LEINACKER'S daughter, Lisa; MARTHA MILLER'S father & mother, Robert & Phyllis Cordell; MARY NESTOR'S sister, Kay Fessler; NELSON SPAULDING'S daughter, Deborah Harris; PAT THOMBLISON'S son's colleague and friends of the Younger family, & friend Alyssa; Rita Glotzbach Geisler; RUTH & JIM JENKINS'; sister, Donna's grandson, Chase; nephew, Glen Nielson, friends JP & Peter, niece, Debbie; & 8-year old great, great niece, Kenzie; TONI FARRELL-HIGGINS' mother, Loretta Farrell & her aunt, Esther Searls; WENDY PULLEN'S brother, Mike Roy, & friend, Gerald Manchester; CHUCK PULLEN'S sister, Ruth Winterton & brother-in-law, Bud Winterton; ZIMMERMAN family

TRINITY MEMBER DIRECTORY ONLINE

Visit Trinity's website at www.trinitypresbyterian.net to access the most recent directory update. If you have forgotten the password, call or email the church office.

Updated: 11/10/2020

Trinity Presbyterian Church Prayers and Concerns

Please keep in prayer all of our friends and family. If you are in special need of prayer or a phone call, or would like yourself, family member, or loved one added to our prayer list, please email the church office or contact Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan, Kathy Welch (Parish Nurse), or Cathy Armstrong (Deacon Moderator). It is also helpful if you let us know if they or you would like pastoral care.

Grace and Peace, Pastor Mere

CONGREGATION CARE REMINDER

During this time due to the COVID-19 virus, there will be no visits to hospitals, health care facilities (nursing home, assisted & independent living) or in-home visits unless there are extenuating circumstances.

All Trinity staff are available if needed.
Call or text their cell phones.

WAYS TO GIVE TO TRINITY

By personal check:

Mail it to-
Trinity Presbyterian Church
4746 SW 21st Street
Topeka, KS 66604

Online Bill Payment:

A service offered by most financial institutions, which creates automatic recurring or one-time gift payments electronically from your bank account.

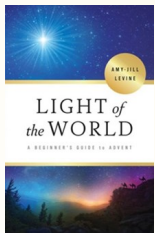
Designate Trinity as payee, and have payments sent to:

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ONLINE GIVING IS COMING! WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Please join Adult Sunday school through Zoom every Sunday at 8:45.
November 29- December 27



Join us as Amy-Jill Levine explores the biblical texts surrounding the story of the birth of Jesus. She will trace the Christmas narrative through the stories of Zechariah and Elizabeth, Mary, the journey to Bethlehem, and the visit from the Magi. These stories open conversations and connections of the Gospel stories to the Old Testament, the role of women in first century Jewish culture, the importance of Mary's visitation, and the revolutionary implications of Mary's Magnificat, the census and the stable, and the star of Bethlehem and the Flight to Egypt.

CHILDREN'S-ZOOM-SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us each Sunday

8:45 am - Jr High/Sr High
12:30 pm - Preschool
1:00 pm - 1st-3rd Grade
2:00 pm - 4th -6th Grade



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