



# *TRINITY HIGHLIGHTS*

## *SEPTEMBER 2025*

*The monthly newsletter of  
Trinity Lutheran Church  
Greencastle, PA*

Family in Christ,

Summer is about over, and the seasonal activities are winding down. School has already begun. By the time you read this, September will be about here already.

When I was a child, to celebrate summer's end, my parents hosted a Labor Day picnic. It was a grand event. The downside for me was that the picnic also marked the end of summer vacation as school would begin on the Wednesday after Labor Day.

September in the church marks the return to a regular schedule both for worship and Sunday School. It marks a beginning in movement in the church calendar as well. It has been a calm and quiet summer as we have moved through the season of Pentecost. Pentecost is beginning to pick up pace and save for a few special days thrown in here and there will grind to an end in November right before the beginning of a new church year with Advent. The church calendar moves along as our regular daily calendar does.

In September this year we will be celebrating the Feast of the Cross, or Holy Cross Day as it falls on Sunday, September 14. Holy Cross Day is an unusual day, as it is the only one in our Lutheran Calendar that commemorates an object rather than a person or an event. It commemorates the finding of the true cross by St. Helena, mother of the emperor Constantine. It is the day celebrating the return of the true cross to Jerusalem after it was taken by the Persians. It also commemorates the founding of churches at the Holy Sepulcher, and Mount Calvary. Holy Cross Day reminds us that in the Cross of Christ we have been forgiven and saved. Through Christ's crucifixion our sins are forgiven, and we are made right with God. By his resurrection we have eternal life with him in heaven. The cross is always before us as a reminder of the selfless sacrifice Jesus made for all people on the cross.

On September 21, we will also celebrate the day of St. Matthew, the Apostle and Evangelist, and on the First Sunday in Advent we will begin using in worship Year A of the Revised Common Lectionary which is the year of Matthew. Join us in our calendar of worship and lift up your hearts and voices to the Lord.

In His Name,  
*Pastor Denise Horn*

# SEPTEMBER 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1  AA 7PM	2	3	4	5  Den Mtg 6PM AA 7PM	6
7  Sunday School 9AM Worship in Sanctuary and Facebook Live 10:15AM	8  Outreach 7PM AA 7PM	9  Operations 7PM	10  Council 7PM	11	12  AA 7PM	13  Men in Mission @ELC 4PM
14  Sunday School 9AM Worship in Sanctuary and Facebook Live 10:15AM	15  AA 7PM	16  Women's Bible Study 1PM	17  Bible & Brew 6PM	18	19  AA 7PM	20
21 <i>St. Matthew</i>  Sunday School 9AM Worship in Sanctuary and Facebook Live 10:15AM	22  AA 7PM	23  Women's Bible Study 1PM	24  Scout Committee 7:30PM	25	26  AA 7PM	27
28  Sunday School 9AM Worship in Sanctuary and Facebook Live 10:15AM	29  AA 7PM	30  Women's Bible Study 1PM				

# September Worship Assistants

	SEPTEMBER 7	SEPTEMBER 14	SEPTEMBER 21	SEPTEMBER 28
Assisting Minister	Don Swart	Scott Valentine	Ella Swart	Don Swart
Communion Assistants	Wendy Hall Mary Thomas	Donna Wolfe Wendy Hall	Carol Swart Kevin Dagliano	Darrell Swart Carol Swart
Communion Cups	Josie Thomas	Josie Thomas	Josie Thomas	Josie Thomas
Greeters	Shirley Freeman	Sue Wunderlich	Norra Swart	Kevin Dagliano
Ushers	Donna Wolfe	Don Swart	Norra Swart	Rob Marsh
Singer	Hannah Ford	Phyllis McCullough	Choir	Matt Cessna
IT Ministry	IT Team	IT Team	IT Team	IT Team
Communion Preparers	Don and Carol Swart	Donna Wolfe Sue Wunderlich	Don and Carol Swart	Charlie and Beth Ford



Regular Worship  
RETURNS

## WORSHIP TIME CHANGE

We will be returning to our normal worship time on Sunday, September 7. Worship will begin at 10:15 AM. Sunday School for all ages will be held in the Adult Sunday School Room beginning at 9 AM.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

James Thomas will continue to teach the Sunday School Class using *The Wired Word* as a discussion guide. The class is open to everyone. James hopes to see you starting September 7th at 9:00AM. Come and enjoy fellowship, good discussion and bring your own drink.

## WORSHIP TIME SURVEY

We would like to know how you felt about the summer worship schedule this year. There are survey slips available on the table in the Lobby or please speak with Doug McCullough.



## NEW MEMBERS

If anyone is interested or if you know someone who might be interested in becoming a member of Trinity, please see Pastor Denise or email her at [hornfamily3803@comcast.net](mailto:hornfamily3803@comcast.net), call or text her at 717-496-5372. We are planning to take in new members in the fall.



## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study will be taking a look at the book of Ephesians. We will begin our study on Tuesday, September 16, 2025 from 1-2 PM in the Adult Sunday School Classroom. Plan to join us and feel free to bring a friend. If you have any questions please speak with Phyllis McCullough.

## BIBLE AND BREW

Bible and Brew will meet on Wednesday, September 17th at 6:00 pm at Tony's Pizza in Greencastle. If you plan to attend, please RSVP by no later than September 10th. You can send your response to Blair Boscolo Kincaid at 717-375-8059.

## FOOD PANTRY NEEDS



Barbara Grane at the Greencastle Food Pantry is asking for our help to stock the shelves. To help us focus our efforts, each week we'll assign a food item. Please bring the assigned item when you come

to worship to place in the box in the Narthex or to the church on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday mornings.

- September 7 – Boxes of jello or instant pudding mixes
- September 14 - Dry pasta
- September 21 – Instant oatmeal packets
- September 28 – Baked beans

## SEPTEMBER SPECIAL APPEAL

The Special Appeal for September is the Food Pantry at Evangelical which is coordinated by members of the congregation. Monetary donations are used to purchase additional food or to purchase gift cards that clients can use to buy produce or meat. The Food Pantry can be used by anyone in need who lives in the Greencastle-Antrim School District who requests help. This could be people who otherwise could fall through the cracks of other systems.



## CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

Members of the Congregational Council for 2025 are:

Darrell Swart - President  
 Matt Cessna - Vice-President  
 Beth Ford - Secretary  
 Wendy Hall  
 Sue Snyder  
 Mary Thomas  
 Don Swart  
 Ella Swart (Youth Representative)

Non-Voting Members:

Pam Arnold - Financial Secretary  
 Carol Swart - Treasurer

## WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP MEETING

The September meeting of the Greencastle-Antrim Christian Women's Fellowship will be held at 9:30 AM on September 23 in Memorial Fellowship Hall of Evangelical Lutheran, Greencastle. The speaker for September will be Patricia (Patti) Divelbiss. His topic will be *Stop, Look and Listen to God*.



**SAVE THE DATE!**

**FALL HARVEST  
 BAKED POTATO BAR**

**October 4, 2025  
 3:00—6:30 PM**

*Building a Longer Table to See That Our Neighbors Are Fed Food Drive August 5 to September 5. Photo at left is the table on August 5 and photo below shows how long the table has grown!*







*S'more Party  
August 19, 2025*

