

TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
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# *Trinity Tidings*

## October 2019

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### WORSHIP SERVICE

Sundays, 10:30 AM liturgical service of Holy  
Communion celebrated every Sunday

### SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ADULTS

Trinity Hall-725 SW Buchanan Street  
9:15-10:15 AM

***The mission of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church is to:***

- *worship God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,*
- *serve those in need, and*
- *reach out to share the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ!*

Together in Community  
Living with Christ  
Caring for Neighbors

# OCTOBER 2019

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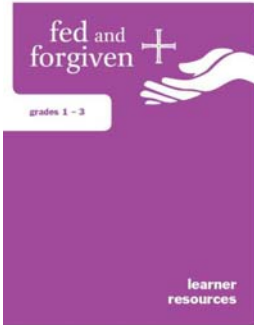
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SATURDAY

SUNDAY		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>EVERY SUNDAY:</b> 9:15 AM ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30 AM WORSHIP & HOLY COMMUNION			1 9 am Quilters	2 5:30 pm Women's AA	3 7 pm Men's AA	4 Trinity Garage Sale	5 8:30 am Doorstep 2nd Annual Walk/5K Run
10:15 Hymn Sing-a-long 6 1st Communion Class after worship Old Town NIA Trinity Block Party	7	8 9 am Quilters	9 6:30 pm W&M meeting 6:30-8 pm Historic Old Town NIA meeting 5:30 pm Women's AA	10 7 pm Men's AA	11	12	
13 Blood Pressure Checks after Worship 1st Communion Class after worship	14	15 9 am Quilters	16 10 am Priscilla Circle Bible Study 5:30 pm Women's AA	17 7 pm Men's AA	18 November <i>Trinity Tidings</i> deadline	19	
20 1st Communion Class after worship 3 pm Reception 5 pm Installation of Rev. Susan Candea as Bishop of CSS ELCA Atonement Luth., Overland Park	21 5 pm Women's AA	22 9 am Quilters 7 pm TLHA	23 5:30 pm Women's AA	24 7 pm Men's AA	25	26 8:30 am JuBellation Handbell Choir, St. John Luth., Alma, KS	
 27 Reformation Sunday Celebration of 1st Communion	28 5 pm Women's AA	29 9 am Quilters	30 5:30 pm Women's AA	 31 HALLOWEEN 7 pm Men's AA			

# Trinity Tidings

## From Pr. Andrew



Castle Church  
(Wittenberg)  
Doors Today with  
the Words of the  
95 Theses



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In the worship year, October can be seen as the start and end of many things in the church year. We are still in the long stretch of “ordinary time” that started back in June and will follow us until we turn to Advent in December. As Lutherans, we get a special holiday break in October as we celebrate Reformation Sunday on the 27<sup>th</sup> to honor the posting of the 95 Theses on the Castle Church doors of Wittenberg by a feisty monk by the name of Martin Luther. It is from this moment, that we trace our founding as Lutherans and start of the Reformation. Due to this fact, Lutherans have used the day to celebrate major milestones for young members having First Communion and Confirmation. Many teens over hundreds of years have breathed a sigh of relief to know they had completed all their tasks for the big day!

This October we will be having our own program called “Fed and Forgiven.” This program was developed by Augsburg Fortress to help educate children about communion. All parents and grandparents are invited to bring their 1<sup>st</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade children. Classes will be about 20-30 minutes and take place on October 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> after the worship service. While this is a First Communion program, I want you to know that all children are welcome! Those that complete the three classes will be honored on Reformation Sunday.

Parents/Grandparents, please know that First Communion customs are different across the ELCA. The two statements on communion [*The Use of the Means of Grace* (1997) and *Statement on Sacramental Practices* (1991)] both affirm that “Holy Communion is a gift of faith given in Baptism.” Therefore,

all baptized Christians are welcome at the table regardless of age if the parents want them to partake. At the same time, this gift “needs to be accompanied by catechesis and formation as to deepen participation in the sacrament and enrich their Christian life.” It is the responsibility of the congregation to lead the formation of children to understand communion more fully. I hope our class will do that for the little ones in your lives. Each week, there will also be an activity sheet that you can share with your children at home to extend the learning about the table.

Please email me to let me know if you have any children that are planning to be a part of the class so that I can make sure we have enough booklets.

*Andrew C. Patty*



**Favorite Hymn Sing-Along**

**October 6**


**10:15 a.m.**

**Come & sing!**


TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Worship Assistants									
Date	Greeter(s)	Usher(s)	Organist	Lector	Acolyte	Altar Guild	Coffee Hosts	Assisting Minister	Presiding Minister
October 6, 2019	Walt & Helen Laughlin	Walt Laughlin	Laurie Jackson	Walt Laughlin	Curt Lewis	Pam Kobbeman & Team 3	Glenda Visocsky & Monica Spencer	Marsha Ridinger	Pr. Andrew Patty
October 13, 2019	Don & Charlotte O'Brien	Duane Pomeroy	Laurie Jackson	Linda Longren	LaVell Winsor	Pam Kobbeman & Team 3	Janice Greenlee	Ted Murphy	Pr. Andrew Patty
October 20, 2019	Jerry Chelson	David McGinnis	Mitchell Bean	Ted Murphy	Parker Jackson	Pam Kobbeman & Team 3	Marcy Carlson & Janelle Meredith	Bob Horton	Pr. Andrew Patty
October 27, 2019	Cindy McGinnis	Ted Murphy	Laurie Jackson	Duane Pomeroy	Ted Murphy	Pam Kobbeman & Team 3	Duane & Debbie Pomeroy	Mary Heald	Pr. Andrew Patty


PLEASE NOTE: We have three AA groups that meet here at Trinity. One of the tenets of AA is anonymity. The meeting times are on our calendar each month; the Monday night group meets in Fellowship Hall and the Wednesday & Thursday groups meet in Trinity Hall. Please respect their privacy.



Dillons recently upgraded their system, and as a result our Non-Profit Organization (NPO) has a new account number — MV608. Please reference the new number when contacting Dillons for assistance. The previous number will continue to be associated with our organization, however, it will not be visible when enrolling.



If you are a Thrivent member, have you designated Trinity to receive your Choice Dollars?



This link will take you directly to the AmazonSmile page that directs the donation generated by your AmazonSmile purchase to Trinity:  
<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/48-0697751>

Blood Pressure Checks  
**October 13, 2019**

Blood pressure checks will be done on the second Sunday of October due to BUSN fall break.



Come to the kitchen after worship to have this important health check.

**Help us keep your contact information up to date.**

If you have a current email address, please use it to email the church office, [office@topekalc.org](mailto:office@topekalc.org).

If there is an email address that you no longer use, please call the office, 233-0767, and we can remove it from our records.

## October Celebrations

### Birthdays

- 1 Ameerah Esquibel
- 3 Charles Hutchison
- 8 Carl Quarnstrom
- 14 Marlene Hassan
- 15 Conrad Youngblom
- 16 Rosemary O'Neil
- 17 Tresa Johnson
- 23 Marilyn Heckman
- 26 Frank Visocsky
- 28 Charlotte O'Brien

### Baptisms

- 3 Loni Reece
- 7 Ella Bosch
- 15 Kade Welp
- 17 Ellen Irwin
- 17 Bryah Wakes
- 18 Barbara Apps
- 19 Ted Murphy
- 20 Brooke Ralph
- 22 Kathryn Axelton
- 26 Bob Horton
- 26 Curt Lewis

### Wedding

- 9 Bill & Marsha Ridinger

### Anniversaries

- 27 Frank & Glenda Visocsky
- 29 Don & Charlotte O'Brien

## October Readings

### *October 6—17th Sunday of Pentecost*

- Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4
- Psalm 37:1-9
- 2 Timothy 1:1-14
- Luke 17:5-10

### *October 13—18th Sunday of Pentecost*

- 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c
- Psalm 111
- 2 Timothy 2:8-15
- Luke 17:11-19

### *October 20—19th Sunday of Pentecost*

- Genesis 32:22-31
- Psalm 121
- 2 Timothy 3:14—4:5
- Luke 18:1-8

### *October 27—Reformation Sunday*

- Jeremiah 31:31-34
- Psalm 46
- Romans 3:19-28
- John 8:31-36

## Old Town NIA—Trinity Block Party

Looking ahead to Sunday, October 6, please mark your calendars and plan to attend the Old Town NIA/Trinity Block Party. This event has been post-

poned twice due to weather conditions. It will be held on October 6, late afternoon, rain or shine!

## CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS      September 10, 2019

### CONGREGATION COUNCIL

#### President

Diane Bottorff  
271-7131

#### Vice President

Mary Heald  
221-2790

#### Secretary

Laurie Jackson  
224-9683

#### Treasurer

Bob Kobbeman  
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#### Members

Bob Horton  
640-5344

Curt Lewis  
286-2728

Dean McGinnis  
272-0255

Ted Murphy  
817-0372

- ◆ Pr. Andrew shared some ideas & proposals for celebrating our 150th anniversary.
- ◆ Topeka ELCA church picnic Friday, Sept. 20, 5:30 pm at Lake Shawnee Shelter House #4.
- ◆ Candidacy committee postponed decision re: Pr. Andrew's ministerial standing until August 2020.
- ◆ Washburn University has job description for Christian Education Assistant Intern & will forward applications to us as they are available.
- ◆ Nursery remodel is in process. Walls will be painted soon.
- ◆ Native American Sunday has been postponed.
- ◆ Pr. Andrew is working with Shawnee Cty. Extension Office to possibly establish a 4H group here at Trinity.
- ◆ Topeka Pride Picnic is Sept. 14. We will have a booth and volunteers on hand.
- ◆ Learning Committee will meet Sept. 15 to discuss 1st communion.
- ◆ Property Committee is working on repairing west window of church.
- ◆ Staff reviews will probably occur in November.
- ◆ Witness/Outreach is discussing TLC food pantry.
- ◆ Future of community garden is under discussion.
- ◆ Historic Old Town NIA block party will be held Oct. 6.
- ◆ Volunteers are needed for acolyte duties.
- ◆ Pr. Andrews has sent invitations to persons suggested for new hospitality committee. New committee will likely be renamed to avoid confusion.
- ◆ Pr. Gary Teske will be invited to speak about Companion Church Challenge Oct. 13th.
- ◆ Garage sale is scheduled for Oct. 4th.
- ◆ Monica Spencer will be our new Doorstep coordinator.



Installation of  
**the Rev. Susan Candea**  
as Bishop of the Central States Synod  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

**Sunday October 20, 2019**

Atonement Lutheran Church  
9948 Metcalf Ave  
Overland Park, KS 66212

**3:00 p.m. Gathering reception**  
**5:00 p.m. Installation service**

Rostered Leaders are invited to vest, the color of the day is red.



Central States Synod  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
God's work. Our hands.

## WOMEN OF THE ELCA



We will meet for Bible Study on Wednesday, October 16, 10:00 a.m. in the Trinity Hall Library. We'll continue the study topic "No Hard Feelings? The Ache of Grief." In this session we'll explore stewardship of emotions, specifically grief, through biblical poetry, especially Psalms 25, 77 and

126, as well as Lamentations 2 and 5. In these readings we find hope for those who grieve, those who struggle to name their grief and those called to comfort them!

All are welcome. Come and enjoy digging into the Word, coffee and fellowship!



## Doorstep News – October 2019

Fall is here... it's the beginning of the holiday season!

Doorstep's Fall Fundraiser, the Second Annual Neighbor Helping Neighbor Walk/5K Run is Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at Lake Shawnee. Registration is at Shelter Houses 1 and 2 from 8:30-9:15am. The Walk/Run starts at 9:30am with Chris Fisher from WIBW as our celebrity starter. To get everybody warmed up, the Mater Dei Drum Line will play prior to the start! Please plan to join us on October 5<sup>th</sup>. If you haven't already signed up, you can register at [www.DoorstepTopeka.org](http://www.DoorstepTopeka.org) or at the Walk/Run on October 5<sup>th</sup>. \$30 per person, children 10 and under can walk for free with a paid adult!

Doorstep's basement was flooded on August 30<sup>th</sup> by a city sewer back-up. This was blamed on the heavy rainfall that morning. Insurance did not cover the expense of the clean-up and repair (roughly \$18,000), and

the loss of at least one-third of our Christmas Store donations we had collected. It has been a frustrating and sickening process to see what we lost. We had wonderful volunteers willing to go through donations for keep and toss. We know we lost a lot of blankets, backpacks, school supplies and toys. We should have a better idea what items we need most by November as we move items around, and get organized. Backpacks and school supplies will be on clearance, and all school aged children receive new school supplies at the Christmas Store. We always need toys for all ages at the Christmas Store, if you can help out we would appreciate it!

Doorstep is open for donations Monday – Friday from 8am – 3pm.

We are located at 1119 SW 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue (10<sup>th</sup> & Buchanan).

## Handbell Choir Oct. 26, 2019

"The JuBellation Handbell Choir of St. John Lutheran Church in Alma, Kansas is sponsoring a handbell workshop on October 26<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-3:00 in Alma. Jessica Kite, handbell instructor at Concordia University of Nebraska in Seward, NE will be the clinician.

The Concordia University Handbell Choir, who will be on their first ever tour, will be participating in the workshop.

A concert with all of the ringers, with additional pieces by the Concordia choir will be given at 3:30 PM. The public will be invited to attend.

Ringers are needed, either as a group, or as individuals. You can contact Kathy Schultz at [bubblrap2@gmail.com](mailto:bubblrap2@gmail.com) for more information.