

**TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
AND PRE-SCHOOL**
128 South 7th Street, Zanesville, Ohio 43701
Church Office 740-453-0744 – Pre-School 740-453-3131
Church E-mail: telcz@sbcglobal.net
Worship Services 8 AM & 10:15 AM
Church School 9 AM
September 30, 2007 – The 18th Sunday After Pentecost

WELCOME TO ALL THOSE IN GOD'S HOUSE THIS MORNING!

It is a pleasure to have you worship with the family of God at Trinity. If you are a visitor, please sign the guest register in the Narthex (include your address and phone number.) We hope that this worship service will strengthen you in your faith as you live each day in Jesus. Join us again soon.

8 AM: Greeters at the front doors: Mrs. Jane Ellis; at the parish hall door: Mr. & Mrs. Dick & Pat Callihan. Organist: Mr. John Chalfant.

10:15 AM: Greeters at the front doors: Mr. Mike Bryan; at the parish hall door: Mr. & Mrs. Emmett & Linda Abella. Organist: Mr. John Chalfant.

Prayers:

Of Thanksgiving: Mr. & Mrs. Bob & Norma Jean Lutz's 54th wedding anniversary on October 4.

For the sick and those recovering: Ed, Bob Fell, Dennis Noll, Hunter Faulhaber, Harry Huey, Marilyn Adams, Kiersten Allen, Jo King, Karen Marshall, Richard Cunningham, Margaret Gard, Regina Stevens, Susan Tabler.

For those in the Military: Jeremy Coulson, US Navy; Tim Abella, US Army National Guard; John Hall, US Navy.

Other Intercessions: Mark

HOLY BAPTISM during the 8 AM service: **JASE ANDREW AGIN**, son of Mr. & Mrs. Jon & Jennifer (Lones) Agin. Born: August 26, 2007. Sponsors: Mr. & Mrs. Mike & Lori Lones; Mr. & Mrs. Jay & Anne Agin.

The flowers today are to the glory of God. Those on the altar are in memory of Patricia Hutcheson Churchill by parents, children, sisters and brother; those on the piscina are in honor of the Baptism of Jase Andrew Agin by his grandparents, Okey & Dotothy Agin.

If you are in need of pastoral care, please contact one of our Elders: Tom Frampton, 452-6003; Dave Donahue, 453-3071; Chuck Jacob, 452-0869; Mark Watson, 453-9327; Steve Carrel, 454-0941.

SCHEDULE OF CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK:

Today – 9/30	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY <i>Portals of Prayer</i> Door Offering Children's Sermon Sunday School Pins Distributed Fellowship Hour, 9 AM, Parish Hall NO Adult Bible Class 6/7 Grade Confirmation, 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM, Parish Hall (lunch provided)
Monday – 10/1	Elders, 6 PM, Parish Hall Scouts, 7 PM
Tuesday – 10/2	School Board, 6 PM, Parish Hall
Wednesday – 10/3	Church Council, 7 PM, Parish Hall
Thursday – 10/4	Quilters, 10 AM Medical Aid, noon luncheon

Pastor Dan Sparling is originally from New Jersey. God used a congregational crisis at his home church to call him into pastoral ministry. At Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Dan was awarded his M.Div in 2005. His favorite studies were Old Testament Hebrew and Missiology. In fact, Dan was admitted to the "Mission Formation" program, an additional course of study focusing on God's enduring Mission in the world. Upon Ordination, he was called to the Ohio District, LC-MS as Missionary-at-large to Southeast Columbus. He is currently continuing his work of starting new missions in Canal Winchester, Pataskala and Reynoldsburg through the Central Ohio Mission Association. He is honored to be a substitute here at Trinity while the need remains.

Church Council Recommendation for the October 14, 2007 Voters' Assembly

Church Council Recommendation—To approve changes to the Constitution

PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES

ARTICLE 5

Duration of Elected Officers and Appointed Boards

A. Duration of Elected Officers:

The duration of a term of office shall be 3 years. An officer may serve successive terms. Elders, Deacons and Trustees shall have staggered terms to allow for continuity and stability. The election to be held in October, 2007 may provide for terms of less than 3-years in order to establish staggered terms. Under normal circumstances, the Assistant Treasurer and the Assistant Financial Secretary shall be advanced to the Treasurer and Financial Secretary respectively, with the approval of the Voters' Assembly.

ARTICLE 2

Officers

A. Officers:

The Officers of the congregation shall be three, and no more than five Elders, twelve Deacons, five Trustees, a President, a President-elect, the President of the School Board, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, an Assistant Treasurer, a Financial Secretary, and an Assistant Financial Secretary.

REASONS FOR PROPOSED CHANGES

The proposed change for Article 5 of the By-Laws is designed to allow for stability in running the Church affairs by providing for continuity of the Church Officers. Under the current By-Laws an officer is limited to one 3-year term. It is increasingly difficult to find individuals willing to serve as an officer. This provision would allow officers who are currently serving to be considered by a Nominating Committee to fill another term so that all the offices might be filled. Additionally, several of the classifications of Officers (Elders, Trustees and Deacons) have many members of a particular classification leaving in the same year as terms expire. For example, at the end of 2007 three of the five Elders are scheduled to have terms end. Under the current By-Laws none of these men may serve another successive term of office, even if other individuals aren't available to take on the responsibilities. The proposed language for Article 5 would permit successive terms and further allow for the staggering of terms based on the elections that will occur in October 2007. Staggered terms should provide for a level of continuity not currently available since fewer officers would leave a classification in the same year.

The proposed change to Article 2 adds the School Board President as a member of Church Council. The Church By-Laws do not prohibit this addition. The members of the School Board are elected by the Voters' Assembly, answer to the Voters' Assembly and report regularly to Church Council. However, the current By-Laws provide no vote for the School Board President in any Church Council action. The proposed change would add the School Board President as a voting member of Church Council thereby providing a voting voice for the governing body of the School.

Exciting Call Committee News!!!! The Call Committee and Elders are thrilled to announce that there was a unanimous vote to Call Pastor Kevin Jones of Rogers City, Michigan, at the Special Voters' Assembly meeting on September 23rd. All of our prayers are now with Pastor Jones, his family and his current congregation as he prayerfully considers our request that he become Senior Pastor of our beloved Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church.

The Ladies' Aid is sponsoring a trip to the "Music Spectacular" at the historic Akron Civic Theatre on Sunday, December 9. We will be leaving by Buckeye Motor Coach immediately following the 10:15 AM service. The price is \$83 per person. Ticket price includes transportation, one meal, reserved seats for the show, stop at Donzell's Nursery and Gardens, driver's tip and the services of an escort. A sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex. The bus holds 44 people and will fill up fast, so please sign up soon. Payment will be due by Thursday, November 1.

The following Sunday School students will receive their Attendance Award pins on Sunday, September 30, at both services: 7 years: Abbey Carrel, Seth Grissett; 4 years: Corrie Burkhardt, Chris Burkhardt; 1 year: Landon Walter. Congratulations!

Bell Choir meets every Thursday at 5:30 PM in the Bell Choir Room on the second floor of the Parish Hall. Our first practice will be on Thursday, October 4, at 5:30 PM. It is helpful if you can read music. Bell Choir will be in full swing until spring, please join us.

Confirmation for 6th and 7th grades will begins **TODAY** from 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM. Lunch will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact Elder, Steve Carrel at 454-0941 or the church office.

Pork Supper tickets are now available in the church office. The Pork Supper is scheduled for Thursday, November 1, in the parish hall. Supper tickets are \$7 for adults and \$3 for children 10 and under. **No tickets will be sold at the door.**

Chances on a full size quilt that was quilted many years ago by Trinity Quilters and belonged to Virginia Drake, are now on sale for \$5 per chance. The quilt was donated by Virginia's sister, Marguerite Neff. Only 250 chances will be sold. The drawing will be after all the chances are sold. The quilt will soon be on display in the parish hall.

Today's Fellowship Hour is in honor of Christian Education Sunday and four of our Sunday School teachers who have dedicated many years to our Sunday School program. They are Bob & Cheryl Grissett, Bob Corbett and Brent Grissett. Thank you!

Our thanks to all who helped make the Oktoberfest a huge success!

Headsets for the hearing impaired, large print bulletins and hymnals are available from the Deacons.

ORDER OF MORNING SERVICE

A Silent Prayer Before Worship

Almighty, ever-living God, grant that I may gladly hear Your word and that all my worship may be acceptable unto You; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Opening Hymn

341

Liturgy

Page 5

Sermon Hymn

27

Sermon

Offering Hymn

13

Responsive Prayer

P: With angels and archangels and all the company of heaven,

C: We laud and magnify Your glorious Name.

Closing Hymn

50

Choral Benediction

718

A Silent Prayer After Worship

Grant, I pray You, Almighty God, that the Word which I have heard this day may through Your grace be so engrafted in my heart that I may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.