

Please pray for...

Our Church Family: Week of 10/9/25 Ronette Rogus, Barbara Schnur 10/7/25 Cindy Ezell, Laura Hauert 9/21/25 Jennifer Fischer, Phil Deel and his family, Kathy McConaughy 9/14/25 Janice Hanus,



Our friends and relatives: Week of: 10/13/25 Jean Andreau, Tom O'Brien 9/30/25 John Emmel, family of Dave Green, Joe Milazzo, Leah Lecroix, Terry Hilliard, Linda Urbanczyk, Joe & Brenda Sproul 9/21/25 family of Cory Plasik, Randy, Marshall Williams 9/14/25 the Dube Family, Jacqueline Schelm, Joe and Brenda Sproul, Eric Napoletano, Kitty Zriny 9/10/25 Laura Buuck Panozzo, Zachary "Zack" Lewis

Ongoing church family, friends and relatives: Darlene Foster, Mary Lou Burke, Kaitlin Burke, Jim MacDonald, Annette Morden, Jenny Carangelo-Rule, Scott and Peggy Torgerson, Bill Lotito, Marilyn Johnson, Phyllis Friedmann, Bill Rose, Courtney Adams, JoAnne Coe, Susan Leroux, Dick Vercruysse, Lori Allen, Diane Massa, Jackie Walsh, Ed Palmer, Joan Forreidor, Sharon Faulkner, Doreen Panyard, Mona Argentini, Larry Thomas, Jon Dickey, Margot Simmons, Karen Smith, Piper Jandola, Margo Kiepert

Please also pray for our Homebound members, Ministry of Faith Preparatory School, Ministry of Tender Hearts, Ministry of Blue Butterfly Hospice, all who serve in the military and their families, all law enforcement officers and first responders and their families.

SO SAMUEL TOOK THE HORN OF OIL AND
ANOINTED HIM IN THE PRESENCE OF HIS
BROTHERS, AND THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD
RUSHED UPON DAVID FROM THAT DAY
FORWARD. THEN SAMUEL SET OUT AND
WENT TO RAMAH.
- 1 SAMUEL 16:13

I DON'T KNOW MUCH,
BUT 3 THINGS I DO.

Prayer

has power.

Faith moves
mountains.

God's love
never fails.

Amen!



October 19, 2025

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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19th Sunday
after
Pentecost

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! We are glad YOU are here!

Are You a Visitor or Guest? We welcome you in the name of our risen Savior and we rejoice that you are here today to praise God with us. Please complete a **CONNECTION CARD** in your pew. Either place it in the offering plate or give it to one of our pastors so we can serve you better.

Holy Communion—We believe that Christ is present in this meal freely given to all who are baptized. Please approach the altar as directed. Receive the host and then dip the host (*gluten free wafers are available for the asking*) into either the red wine or the white grape juice and eat, or place the host in your mouth then pick up a cup of either the red wine or the white grape juice and drink. Deposit your empty cup in the basket at the end of the line. All children are invited to come forward for a blessing if they do not normally receive communion. Return to your seat (or pause at the altar) for a time of prayer. If you are unable to come to the altar and would like communion in your pew, please let an usher or a pastor know.

Large Print Service Slide Binders—do you have trouble seeing the screens? We do have the slides printed in a binder for those who need it. Please ask an usher by the sanctuary doors for the binder, then return it at the end of worship.

Hearing Assistance – To connect to the sound system, please download the AUDIOFETCH app, (see barcode) and connect to the **audio-fetchexpress** wifi on your cellphone. Refer all questions to Phil Deel.



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SUNDAY STAR

Volunteers

TODAY'S 9:00am SERVICE VOLUNTEERS:

GREETERS: **BULLETINS:** Rosemarie Conklin

READER: Mark Stiemke

Acolyte : Chris Boehm

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Andrew Stiemke, Mark Stiemke, Jack Hrivnak, Pam Hrivnak

TODAY'S 10:45am SERVICE VOLUNTEERS:

GREETER: Tom Mount **BULLETINS:** _____

READER: Corrye Hatchell

OFFERING: Tom Mount, Major Hatchell

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Diane Boettcher, Corrye Hatchell, Hannah Barrios, Major Hatchell

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS: Early: Lu Anne Gruenke **Late:** Jim and Jane Anderson

FLOWER DELIVERY TO HOMEBOUND: Patricia Morgan

SIGN-UP SHEETS FOR NEXT WEEK ARE POSTED IN THE NARTHEX

TODAY'S WORSHIP:

Our services are projected on the screens—The congregation responds with the **bold, black** print.

BIBLE READING: 1 Samuel 16:1-13; John 7:21-24

10:45 HYMNS - OPENING: 631 **SERMON:** ELW 592 **SENDING:** ELW 697

Church Council Members

You can recognize a church council member by their "YELLOW" nametag.

President—Theda Bunker, Vice-President—Phil Deel,

Secretary—Jeanne Gaston, Treasurer—Shawn Hernandez.

At large: Beau Beaudine, Mike Felt, Richard Schnur, Jan Schroeder, Lisa Mohr, Mandy Knollenberg

In-person Attendance

Oct. 12, 2025— 235—Last year 2024— 225

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday—Oct. 20

9:00a—Food Pantry

Tuesday—Oct. 21

10:00a—Bible Study **CANCELLED**

Wednesday—Oct 22

9:00a—Food Pantry

6:30p—Chancel Choir

Thursday - Oct 23

9:00a—Quilters

11:45—Women's Luncheon CARE

5:30p—Trinity's Praise

Friday—Oct 24

Office Closed

Saturday – Oct 25

Office Closed

Sunday - Oct. 26

9:00a—Celebration Service

9:15a—Let's Talk

9:45 Sunday School

10:45a—Traditional Service

4:00p—Family Halloween Fun

4:00p—Youth Pumpkin Carving

Our Financial Steward- ship

DONATIONS YTD: Actual vs
needed (000s)

AUG Actual \$365.9

Needed \$404.0

Over/(Under)(\$ 38.1)

ACTUAL NET YTD:

AUG 25 (\$21.3)

AUG 24 \$12.6

Diff: (\$33.9)



15 year Mortgage
on 1/1/25 \$213.3
on 8/31/25 \$106.8
Reduction \$106.4



THIS WEEK'S ANNIVERSARIES

Oct 19	Dennis & Carol Barkow	28 yrs!
	Wayne & Diane Pederson	51 yrs!
Oct 21	Ron and Ronette Rogus	37 yrs!
Oct 23	Chuck & Sandi Witzke	32 yrs!



Today's altar flowers are presented by
John & Carol Felker Scarborough
In memory of her Dad's birthday
Harry Felker

Today's communion wine is presented by
John & Carol Scarborough
In memory of her Mom
Susan Felker



Today's altar flowers are presented
by
Chuck & Sandi Witzke
In celebration of their
Wedding Anniversary



Today's communion wine is presented by
Helen Kline
In memory of **Ron** on their wedding
anniversary

Expectation vs. reality doing
anything in our new home with
mv husband



Family Halloween Fun!



All families are invited for an evening of crafts, games, dinner and fun! Activities for ALL ages! Activities include pumpkin painting & trick or treating around the church (kids are invited to bring or wear their costume).

October 26th at 4:00 pm



Please RSVP to church office
(office@htlchurch.org) or Pastor
Andrea
(pastorandrea@htlchurch.org).

SCAM ALERT!

Someone hacked into our email base and many of you had received pleas for gift cards from either Pastor Andrea or Pastor Ken. We found the source of the malware and removed it. If you ever receive a request for money or gift cards from anyone at the church,

IT IS A SCAM. Call the church immediately! As always, we must stay alert to these nefarious scams.

A Security Reminder

ALL OUTSIDE DOORS will remain locked on a Sunday morning except for: the two FRONT DOUBLE DOORS and the door by the sound booth—however the sound booth door will ONLY BE UNLOCKED AFTER THE 9am SERVICE and will be locked again promptly at 10:45am. Please know that all doors can be used as an emergency exit!



**November 3rd
11:00am
Chair Yoga**

*We will provide the
Chairs!*

SNACKS are being collected for the Back Pack Kidz at Port Charlotte High School. Thank you!



THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Oct 18—	Joan Awe
Oct 19—	John Kopp
	Vee Peterson
	Kristen Scaringella
	Sherry Schultz
Oct 20—	Forest Burke
	Mary Ann Kraft
	Jackie Possel
Oct 21—	Chuck Witzke
Oct 22—	Phil Deel
	Rev. Carl Fischer
Oct 23—	Gertrude Bush
	Doreen Freeman
	Jack Hrivnak
Oct 24—	Nadia Dubbaneh
Oct 25—	John Krueger

November 9th we will be honoring all of our veterans.

Please make sure the office has a picture of you (in your uniform if possible). If your picture was used last year, then we have it.

You may email the picture to the office and include the person's name, branch of service, and years of service. (office@htlchurch.org)



C.A.R.E.

(Center for Abuse and Rape Emergencies) along with Pastor Andrea will be hosting the October Ladies

Luncheon here at the church! Please join us for a lunch followed by a program from C.A.R.E. called **"In Her Shoes"**. You don't want to miss this prestation that takes you on the journey of what women go through during these crises—it will leave an impact on you forever. Lunch will be provided, **please sign up so we know how many to plan for.**

October 23, 2025

**LUNCH: 11:45am
in fellowship center
PRESENTATION: 12:30**

PURPLE PINWHEELS FOR AWARENESS



October is **Domestic Abuse Awareness Month.** Today we display purple pinwheels that represent hope, healing and a shared commitment to end violence. By placing these pinwheels in visible spaces, we stand together in support of survivors and send a clear message:

YOU ARE NOT ALONE

The Center for Abuse and Rape Emergencies (CARE) provide a variety of services and resources to help you overcome and rise above your circumstances.

CARE Crisis Hotline: 941-627-6000





YOUTH COLLECTION FOR THANKSGIVING

Our YOUTH will be preparing 125 “Thanksgiving Dinner” bags for the Food Pantry. Please help us fill these bags. The list of what we need is below. Please no perishables. Bring your donations no later than November 2nd and put in the back of the church. There will be a special blessing on the altar before distribution.

Cranberry sauce (canned)

Canned yams

Mac & Cheese

Boxed potatoes

Canned fruit

Canned vegetables

Boxed dessert mixes (cake w/icing, cookies)

Boxed muffin or biscuit or bread mix

Gravy packets (no glass)

Boxed stuffing mix

Cloth grocery bags (new)

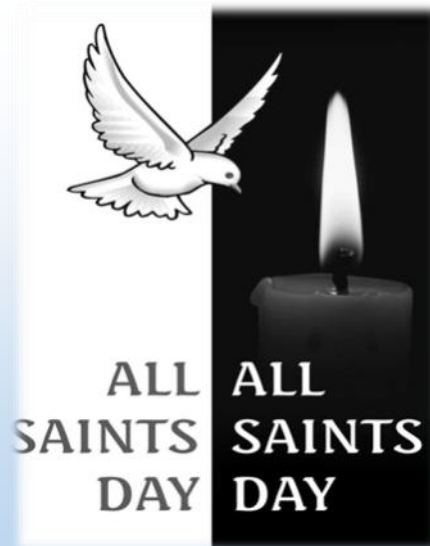
If you would rather make a monetary donation, please use the ‘yellow’ pew envelopes and mark it as **THANKSGIVING BAGS**



November 2nd is All Saints’ Sunday when we remember the saints who have gone before us since last November, including all of our members who have died. We would also like to include other friends and family who have gone to their final resting place this past year.

Please let the church office know the name of anyone you would like included in our worship. Please call (941-625-5262) or email (office@htlchurch.org) the church office

no later than Tuesday, October 25th by noon.



Youth 8th– to 12th Grade!

Join us for Halloween Fun!

**October 26th—4-6
pm**

**Pumpkin carving
and more!**



Council Highlights from September 2025

MOTION To accept the minutes from August 2025, was carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Food Pantry shelves installed.

FINANCE: Through August our donations are \$14,633 below our spending, which includes the Fellowship balance of \$4077. This is \$32,672 below last year. Through August, envelope offerings are \$18,942 below last year, plate offerings are up \$3979.45 and mortgage offerings are up by \$416. Total income is down \$16,127.89 compared to last year, which is a 4.2% decrease. Through August, our expenses are \$17,678.44 below our 2025 spending plan but above last year by \$17,741.18, which is a 4.8% increase.

PROPERTY: A. At last month’s meeting, \$3800 was approved to fix the courtyard flooding issues. \$300 was used to have a plumber snake (with camera) the drains in the courtyard. One drain cleared, but backs up. Second drain was severely blocked with sludge. Realizing this required more work, a **MOTION** to approve \$5400 (\$3800+\$1600) to fix the courtyard flooding issue, was carried.

B. Property asked to make a **MOTION** to approve \$8800 for two new AC units for the food pantry (carried). **C.** Front sign is no longer working. Three options: 1. \$3300 to get bottom portion fixed with new technology; 2. \$20,000 to update the technology on entire sign. No decision was made since there was not enough information. Further quotes will be gotten.

MUTUAL MINISTRY: No report

PASTORS’ TIME: It was suggested on Sundays at 10: 30 to have fellowship doors closed and at the 10:45 service to have congregation sing a verse before the beginning to prepare themselves for worship.

YOUR INPUT: THOUGHTS, CONCERNS, WHAT ARE YOU HEARING FROM THE CONGREGATION— Discussion on the attendance during the summer one service, as well as the new paraments on the altar. Also discussed was the new way to purchase gift cards.

NEW BUSINESS: Food pantry—It was suggested to inventory the food pantry so there is an idea on exactly what is needed. Positions for Council: Three are open which are currently held by Beau, Mike, and Richard. All three can run again. Positions for Endowment—1 position is open and two can run again. Online directory—still having issues.

CORRESPONDENCES: Thank you received from: Shoes for Kidz thank you from Sunrise Kiwanis; Jesue Loves You for our support; letter from Very Rev. Eric Twin for our donations and continued support with Church of Uganda Anglican.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: Margaret Rose, Darrin and Kim Simon, Steve Wuckert. and Marianne Click, Steve Erlenback and Mike Felt.

Next meeting 10/15/2025

Every man thinks that every woman's dream is to find the perfect man... Please! Every woman's dream is to eat without getting fat!



Dear God,

The bad people laughed at Noah and said, "You made an ark on dry land, silly." But Noah was smart and he stuck with you. That's what I would do.

William age 7

Source: Holy Humor Sunday Smiles, p. 105.





MY DUCKS ARE ABSOLUTELY NOT IN A ROW... I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHERE SOME OF THEM ARE... AND I'M QUITE CERTAIN ONE IS A PIGEON.



My dad was once pumping out a broken sewage lift station when an elementary teacher walked by with her class. She pointed to him and said, "Stay in school, or you'll end up like him." The kids laughed. What she didn't know? The pumps were on backorder, and for six weeks my dad was the only thing preventing a major overflow. During that time, he made \$36,000—more than that teacher made in 30 weeks. That moment taught me something: success doesn't always wear a suit. Sometimes it wears work boots. Every honest job has dignity. Never judge someone by how dirty their hands get—because they might just be the ones keeping the world running.



Line Dancing Class

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!
Come for an afternoon of fun!
Nov. 2, 2025 @ 3 pm
Fellowship Hall



Culinary Bistro Presents

Suggested Free will offering **\$15.00**

Friday NOVEMBER 7TH

Doors open at 5:00pm



STEVE'S BEER ON TAP *Donation for beer*

German Music and Fun *by Teresa and Petra*

Sign Up and get Reservation Vouchers

MENU

Roast Pork Loin *in Black Forest beer sauce*

Grilled Bratwurst *(Kallis)*

Rick's Chicken Schnitzel

Charles' German Potato Salad *prepared with love*

Connie's Red Cabbage with Apples

Elles' Famous Sauerkraut Recipe

Spaaetzle

Rye Bread and Rolls

Bring a friend and Share HTLC family, food and fun!

Vouchers available 10/26/25 and 11/2/25

Welcome to our New Members

Holy Trinity is a place to grow in your relationship with God, a place of fellowship with His people, a place to share your gifts and talents, and a place to turn in time of need. Today we are blessed to welcome the following people onto our membership. Please take time to welcome them and introduce yourself to them! We ARE the family of God!



Laurie and Daniel LaMantia

are newlyweds of six years. Laurie is a retired RN with two grown sons and has lived in Florida for 12 years. Daniel, father of two daughters and three grandchildren, has lived in Florida for 30 years and was in the tile business. They like to camp, travel, live music and their family.



Jim and Charlotte Loving

come to us from the great state of Minnesota. Jim is a retired college professor (Northwestern, North Central and FGCU). Charlotte was a space planner for Ameriprise Financial. As a vocation both have been involved in music and music promotion for the past 60 years.



Gisela Stomp loves exercise. She also indicated that yoga is a favorite of hers along with walking and swimming. We welcome her!



Laura Cote and Gerald Strecker who hail from the fabulous state of Connecticut have been in Florida for over 20 years. Welcome!!!!

Tera and James Sylvester are a family of fourteen! James works at Home Depot and Tera is a stay at home mother. Some of their children were recently baptized at Holy Trinity and they are: sons **Connor** 16 and **Landon** 8, daughters **Riley** 13, **Peyton** 12, **Analisia**, 9 and **Paisley**, 7. The family likes reading, baseball, arts and crafts and of course, video games.

