



THE TRINITY WINDOW

September 2022

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From the Pastor

*For there is one God;
there is also one mediator between God and
humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,
who gave himself a ransom for all
(1st Timothy 2:5-6).*

September is here, and with it all the challenges and opportunities of a new season, a new school year, new schedules, and new activities. As exciting as the fall can be, it is also easy at this time of year to feel pulled in too many different directions, and to become disconnected from our faith and Church community. Paul's letter to Timothy above reminds us that there is one lasting connection, one true mediator between us and God, and so between us and everyone else: "*Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself as a ransom for all.*" Jesus connects us to God, and also connects us to everyone else. And since he gave himself as a ransom for everyone, we can pray for, serve, and do our best to help everyone in his Name.

Join us this month for many ways to stay connected to our One Mediator, Jesus Christ, and to pray for and help all his people!

Sunday, August 28 is our "**Welcome Back**" **Holy Smokes Cookout and Potluck**, in the alleyway

after worship. Sign up at church for Hummel hot dogs and bring a dish to share!

After Labor Day our **three Bible studies** resume meeting regularly each week: Sunday at 9 a.m., Wednesday at 10:30 a.m., and Thursday at 5 p.m. No experience necessary, come study God's Word and join in the conversation!

Sunday, September 11 is Rally Sunday, with the **beginning of Sunday School at 9 a.m.** and the return of our full worship services. After worship on September 11 we'll mark "**God's Work, Our Hands**" **Sunday** with our sister Lutheran congregations. **Now through September 11 we'll be collecting items for "Welcome Home Kits," helping families transitioning out of homelessness into permanent housing. See the list of household items needed inside this Window, and bring a lunch and gather with us upstairs on September 11 to assemble the kits and write notes of blessing and encouragement for these families.**

Sunday, September 25 we welcome Chaplain Scott Brill, Executive Director of the **Initiative for Christian Unity**, who will lead Adult Education at 9 a.m. and preach in worship on the "*Love of Christ that exceeds all divisions.*"

And Sunday, October 2, join us after worship for a **new monthly "Family Lunch and Learn"** gathering: bring a lunch, share in fun, hands-on activities to learn our Faith; and enjoy cross-generational conversations, for children, parents, and grandparents, from ages 0-100!

Thanks be to God this September for the one mediator who binds us all together, Jesus Christ, who gave himself as a ransom for us all!

--Pastor Mills+

Sanctuary Eternal Light

Burns to the glory of God

In Memory of:

Warren Edgerton July 17th

Burns to the glory of God

In Honor of:

Heidi Edgerton July 10th

Alyssa Handy Aug 7th

Altar Flowers



Given to the glory of God...
*In Memory of all the Faithful
Departed*

**Pearl & Harold Rhinebeck
July 3rd**

In Honor of

Men's Breakfast Group

The Men's Breakfast Group is not meeting currently. Plans are being made to return the breakfast soon.

Trinity Window Articles

Trinity Window articles for the next issue are due by the 15th of every month. It is important that you get your articles in on time and think ahead for the next month. Please email articles to:

Office@TrinityLutheranNH.org.

Articles must be submitted in WORD or PDF format.

PLEASE DO NOT EMBED THE TEXT OF YOUR ARTICLE IN THE EMAIL.

Oremus

"Let us pray"

This month we prayed for the following members and friends of Trinity who were sick and/or hospitalized:

Mark Setaro, Annie Wright, John Chaffin, Donald Langlois Jr., Christine

Thomforde, Thaddeus Gensicki, Pat Panza, Jake Swanson, Don Johnston, Deborah Golden-Johnston, Linda Johnson, Karen Hansen, Margaret Blachly, Sandy Langlois, Debbie Boychuck, Marty Pieper, Joseph Aceto Jr., Kari Vogt, David Lewis, Margaret Hawkins, Allen Kirton, Michael Pingle, Richard Werner, Mindy Durham, John Dexter, Dan Zawack, Rosie Weaver, Amanda Rice-Johnston, William Douglas, Julia Kanozo, Rita Roman, Mike & Lucy Nieves, Nancy Kops, Laurie Connors, Pat Minges, Yoly Ortiz, Rachel Thompson, Wendy Lynn, Allison Empringham, Mimi Thompson, Mary Ellen Schoonmaker, Philip Cerrone, Sandy Noonan, Maria Roman, Nicole Donzello, Elizabeth Leone, Lorraine Dewar, Thomas Palm, Pamela Simone, Vincent Vilano, Betsey Sumners, Rich Rick, Frank Wright, Olga Peterson, Esther Goffinet, Nicole Donzello, Mary Psarras, the residents of the Mary Wade Home and all assisted living facilities, and all who serve in the armed forces, especially: Daniel Burk, Christopher Bushy, Justin Coonrod, and Jonathan Outlaw. And those who mourn Anthony Cipriano and Nancy Wogman.



Upcoming Events

Here is a preliminary listing for the events we have for this month. Please mark your calendars in advance so you can save the dates.

SEPTEMBER

Sept 8 th	7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
Sept 11 th	9:00am	Sunday School
	10:15am	Rally Sunday
	After Worship	God's Work. Our Hands. Project
Sept 25 th	After Worship	BP Screening

Operation Christmas Child



"Jesus loves the little Children"

Hard to believe by the time you read this Summer will be winding down. Hope everyone had a restful and relaxing time.

With the cooler weather in the air and the resuming of regular Church activities it is time to kick OCC into high gear

Have just set the date for our packing party at Trinity. Please plan to join us on October 16th after worship this is always a fun time. You won't want to miss it.

With that being said the OCC collection box is in the narthex for donations of items for the shoebox. Also looking for any standard size shoebox you may have.

Advance notice National Collection Week is November 14th-21st. Looking for a rewarding experience why not volunteer to help during this week. You will feel greatly rewarded. We will be celebrating Trinity's 10th year as a drop off location.

Last but certainly not least a huge Thank You to all for your generous donations and purchases during Christmas in July. Shipping costs has been secured for 74 boxes so far. My heart is overjoyed. Items are still available in the Sunday school room for purchase.

Yours for the children
Barbara Mourer
OCC Chair/Drop off Coordinator

Mary Wade Service

Our outreach to **The Mary Wade Home**, is currently suspended for the safety of the residents. We will let you know when conditions improve to allow us to safely resume this program.

Sunday Worship Continues on Facebook

You can go to Trinity's Facebook page to join Pastor Mills in Worship at 10:15AM Sunday mornings.

Holy Smokes Cookout

Just a quick reminder, this Sunday, August 28th is the Holy Smokes Cookout after worship. Hummel hot dogs and beverages will be provided, you bring a side dish or dessert. It will take place rain or shine. All are welcome!

Choir Rehearsal Resumes

The first choir rehearsal for the fall has been scheduled for Thursday, September 8th at 7:00pm in the parlor. If you are interested in joining, please see Dr. Ford after worship.

The choir will return to lead us in worship on Sunday, September 11th.

Rally Sunday!

Sunday, September 11th is Rally Sunday! Sunday School resumes and Adult Bible Study continues at 9:00am. The choir also returns to lead us in worship. After worship we will have a brown bag lunch and then begin to assemble the "Welcome Home Kits" with the supplies you have donated. This is a service project for God's Work. Our Hands, some members from Emanuel will be joining us in this project. The flyer is included in the Trinity Window.

Monthly B.P. Screening



Deb Nicolson, Parish Nurse, has scheduled the next Blood Pressure Screening for **Sunday, September 25th**. Deb will do the screenings temporarily in Pastor's office after worship. A quick

cleaning of equipment will be done between each person.

Stay Hydrated!

September has arrived and we will have some warm days. Deb Nicolson, Parish Nurse wants to remind everyone to stay hydrated. Bring a bottle of water with you to church and avoid caffeinated beverages.

Important – Be Prepared

One on One Zoom or phone conversation can be scheduled with me to discuss appointing a Health Care Representative if you don't legally have one plus other details. It's especially helpful if you have a sudden illness or are in an accident and can't speak for yourself. For 18+ and any stage of life or health. It's like buying insurance, it's there if you need it! I have forms, no attorney needed and no cost. Email me at debnicolson@optimum.net or 203-877-8614 with questions or to schedule. Thanks!
Deb Nicolson, Parish Nurse

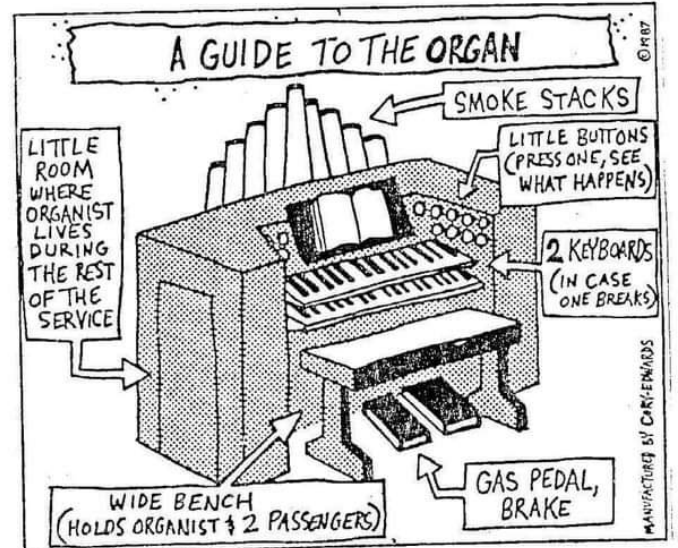
Fall Fellowship

When the cooler temperatures start to arrive, I will return to having coffee at Fellowship Hour (regular and decaf). I am also hoping to not have individually wrapped goodies but our regular coffee cakes and cookies!
Pat

Time for a Laugh

I'm pretty sure that we all enjoy the sounds of Trinity's wonderful organ when Dr. Ford expertly "tickles" the keys. I think it's time that we see what really goes on where we can't see what's happening.

First – a general description of the organ:



And here are just a few of the many stops that are used to adjust the sound of the organ.



Seafarers International House

Dear Friends of Seafarers -

As I look back, summer seems like it went by in a flash of time, busy, hot crazy days. The port was very busy with ships bringing us loads and loads of lumber, steel products, salt, oil, gasoline, cement, liquid asphalt and sent out ships loaded with tons and tons of scrap. We certainly throw away a lot of metal, ship it off to another country and then buy it back.

I have met seafarers from many countries this summer, many from Ukraine. They have told me about trying to move their wives, children, parents and other family members out of the country and others who continue to have family in dangers way. One captain told me about his family in Odessa who spend their nights in a bunker in the basement as bombs go off and of drones that explode over your head when you are outside.

I have finally been able to take more crew out for shore leave but many have still been denied the ability to go ashore. I had a call one night at 1900 asking if I could take crew to the mall. I told the captain that our mall closes at 2000 and that Walmart was an option but he needed to call his agent who had to make arrangements with port security to take the crew off and then I could pick them up. I really didn't think that it would work out but I was there at 2000 and picked 5 crew up to go to Walmart with instructions that they had to meet me at 2230 because no one was allowed back into the terminal after 2300.



One of the crew told me that this was his first time off the ship in 5 months. How grateful he was to walk on solid ground, just to see other people and then be able to buy a few snacks and personal items. I have had several ships that needed provisions. I took a young Chinese captain out, his ship had just

docked early that morning and I got a call from the security gate at 0800 that he was at the gate and could I pick him up. He wanted to go to Best Buy. It was Saturday morning and I wasn't even dressed but I quickly showered, dressed and was at the gate to pick him up. I brought him to Universal Drive where he had a lot of options to shop. When I picked him up at 1800 he had shopped for himself and his crew who had no shore leave. He told me that he needed some food for his ship. It's always a little hard to figure out exactly what that means, how much food and what kind of food? Did we need to go to Super Walmart or did we need to go to Carbonella & Desarbo? I asked him to get me a requisition list. So, on Sunday after church, I took him to the warehouse and he bought a van load of fruit and vegetables. He kept saying that he needed to go back to the ship to get more money. I finally asked him how much money he had and he told me he had \$1,500. I told him that I was sure that would be more than enough to pay for everything. He could not believe that the final cost was just over \$600. So, on Monday he wanted to go out again and I asked him if he would like to go to the large Chinese market we have on Whitney Ave. Here he loaded up the van with large bags of several different kinds of Chinese rice and other things.



We returned to the ship to unload and then headed to BJ's where he bought 25 12 lb. bags of flour and 400 eggs.



We again unloaded the van and set off for more fruit and vegetables. Another van full of onions, peppers, tomatoes, cucumbers, lettuce, cabbage, apples, pears, eggplant, oranges, grapes, ginger, lemons, cantaloupe and watermelons.



The captain was happy and knew that his crew would be well fed for a few weeks. He insisted that I take home a watermelon. But the best part was that during the time we spent together we were able to do a lot of talking about his home and family and his two sons that he missed very much. Every ship is a new ship, every ship is a new adventure. It is an honor to serve these seafarers who sacrifice so much to bring us the things we need.

Ruth Setaro, Chaplain

Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers

30 Gillies Road,
Hamden, CT 06517
203-230-8994; www.carenewhaven.org

38 YEARS AS THE GOOD NEIGHBOR

Are you looking for a new volunteer opportunity? Can you drive an elderly person to a doctor's appointment? Visit with an elder from time to time? Please consider joining our team and discover how your small acts of kindness can make a huge difference in the life of an elder in our community. Since 1983, Interfaith Volunteer Care Givers (IVCG) has assisted seniors in the Greater New Haven area by fostering independent living and reducing isolation. We train and insure volunteers from area faith communities and civic organizations to offer free neighborly services with compassion and love.

To find out more, please check out our website: www.carenewhaven.org

Volunteer Orientation & Training At The Connecticut Hospice, Inc.

The Connecticut Hospice, Inc. (inpatient and homecare). is sponsoring volunteer orientation and training this fall. If you or someone you know is looking for an opportunity to serve others in your community, we would like to hear from you. Our patients and families are in need of your care and support. As a volunteer, you can fill your hours (weekdays/evenings or weekends) by assisting in a clerical capacity or offering direct patient/family contact as a friendly visitor, provide pastoral care or bereavement services, help in arts, massage therapy, pet therapy, hairdresser/barber or provide transportation. For more information, please contact Joan Cullen at 203-315-7510 or jcullen@hospice.com.

SEPTEMBER

CELEBRATIONS AND ANNIVERSARIES



BIRTHDAYS

Sept 1 st	Tom Brophy
Sept 2 nd	Monaisia Harris
Sept 2 nd	Kathleen Mills
Sept 3 rd	Kai Auman
Sept 3 rd	Preston Spears
Sept 7 th	Giovanna Setaro
Sept 11 th	Jonathan Outlaw
Sept 16 th	Christine Golden
Sept 20 th	Camaje Moore
Sept 25 th	David Warsawski
Sept 26 th	Alisha Durham
Sept 26 th	Ruth Setaro
Sept 28 th	Donald Langlois
Sept 30 th	Jeremiah Sutherland



BAPTISMAL

ANNIVERSARIES

Sept 9 th	Heidi Edgerton
Sept 11 th	Rachel Handy
Sept 12 th	Angus Herreid
Sept 12 th	Morgan Wilcock
Sept 12 th	Scott Wilcock
Sept 21 st	Tommy Wilson
Sept 26 th	Alisha Durham
Sept 28 th	Leigh Golden
Sept 29 th	Theresa Driscoll
Sept 29 th	Jonathan Outlaw

WEDDING



ANNIVERSARIES

Sept 11 th	Karen & John Chaffin
Sept 12 th	Sandy & Don Langlois

WELCOME HOME KIT



United Way of
Greater New Haven

We can all play a role in ending homelessness. As a family leaves shelter and enters a new home, they need supplies to make it a home of their own.

Gather a few items with your kids to teach them about helping those in need, run a full collection at your workplace as a corporate service project, or compile a kit on your own - the options are endless but the impact is lasting!

When your kit is complete, contact Dennis Velasquez to arrange delivery.
dvelasquez@uwgnh.org | 203-691-4224

HIGH PRIORITY ITEMS

Air Mattresses	Plates
Mattress Cover (full or twin)	Bowls
Comforter (full or twin)	Cups
Silverware	Pots & Pans

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Mop	Toilet Paper	Towels
Mop Bucket	Tissues	Deodorant
Broom & Dust Pan	Trash Can	Q-tips
Laundry Detergent	Trash Bags	Nail Clippers
Window Cleaner	Pillows	Soap
Sponges	Pillow Cases	Laundry Basket
Paper Towels	Blankets	Hair Brush or Comb

Items must be in original packaging and new condition.

New at Trinity this fall...

Family Lunch & Learn



- + Gather with other families one Sunday a month, upstairs after worship.
- + Bring a bag lunch, or potluck dish to share.
- + Learning our Faith, fun hands-on activities, and cross-generational conversations for ages 0-100!
- + Join us for a time of fellowship, fun, and growing in faith!

This year we'll be focusing on the Apostles' Creed...

**Starts Sunday, October 2 after
Worship**

RSVP to Pastor



IMPORTANT

For those not vaccinated for COVID, highly consider receiving the vaccine but always consult with your Dr first.

****Protect yourself, your family, friends and others.****

Children ages 6 months - 17 years are approved to receive the Moderna or Pfizer vaccines.

Ages 5 years -17 years are eligible to receive the Pfizer booster 5 months after their last vaccine, 3 months if immunocompromised and ask the Dr.

Ages 6 months-64 years(esp. males 12yr - 39yr)may want to wait 8 weeks between the 2 vaccine doses(Pfizer or Moderna) since that may increase your protection and to minimize the rare risk of heart problems.

The Johnson&Johnson booster is recommended 2 months after your initial shot for ages 18+ but is advised at this time to use the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines due to some rare blood clot issues with the J&J.

Novavax is now available, currently only as a vaccine and for ages 18+.

A **1st booster** of Pfizer or Moderna is recommended 5 months after your 2nd vaccine for adults, 3 months if immunocompromised.

A **2nd booster** is recommended for anyone 50+ and is eligible 4 months after the 1st booster. 18 years+ who received both the J&J vaccine and booster are also eligible after 4 months.

The Boosters don't have to be the same brand as the original Covid vaccine.

Go to vaccines.gov to find a location near you, text your zip code to 438829 or call 1-800-232-0233. Many pharmacies have available appointments also.

Any **homebound member** can call 211, your Dr. or go to the vaccine portal at; ct.gov/covidvaccine and you can register there to receive the vaccine or booster in your home.

Stay safe and the CDC recommends a 🧐 if anyone has symptoms, a positive test(need to quarantine), been exposed to someone with Covid and on public transportation.