

**The Women of Trinity-** You are cordially invited to the home of Barbara Rinker for an early fall outdoor luncheon on Monday, October 5th at noon. The pavilion at her home at 232 Harris Pond Road, Sweet Valley will provide a venue where we can be outside and adhere to social distancing in a naturally ventilated environment. We will be carpooling (with masks) from the church at 11:30 a.m. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, please bring your own sandwich or salad and Barb will be providing individual beverages and desserts. It is recommended that you wear flat shoes (no open toe shoes) or sneakers and casual attire as the property is a horse farm. Also, please wear a mask (except while eating of course) and social distance as you are comfortable. The pavilion accommodates about 25 people, so we will have plenty of room. A big thank you to Barb for offering this fellowship opportunity for us.

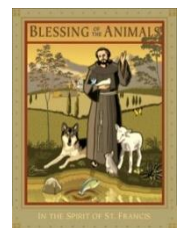


If you plan to attend, please e-mail your RSVP to Sandy Peoples at: [peoplessa@aol.com](mailto:peoplessa@aol.com) or call Sandy at 570-674-9006 by September 30th. We hope to see you there to enjoy getting together, after many months, with our friends in fellowship.

Directions: (Allow 25-30 minutes from the church). Take Pa. Rte. 415 passed Yalick Farms. Turn left onto Rte. 118 at the next traffic light (Turkey Hill will be on your far right corner). Follow Rte. 118 through Lehman, passing Pikes Creek Raceway and continue straight through the intersection with Pa. Rte. 29. Stay to your right at the "Y" in the road, passing Red's Subs on your left. Continue on, passing the Mountain Fresh Grocery Store. From the store, go 1/2 mile and turn left onto Harris Pond Road. You will see a pond on your right. The next driveway past the pond on your right is Barb's. You will see a sign "Pinewood Acres" at the top of the driveway. Turn there and you will see the house as the trees open up.

### **Join us for a Blessing of the Animals on October 11!**

In Worship on October 11 we will be blessing all your sweet pets and animal friends. You can either bring your pet with you to drive in worship or you can bring a photo of your pet and we will offer a blessing for each one.



**Men's Club Chicken and Biscuits Dinner will be held on October 17, 2020. Take out only 4pm-7pm. \$9.00 per dinner.**



## Counters for the offering are needed.

We are looking for individuals who are willing to come and count the offering at the church with a partner from the counting team. We hope that each person will serve every other week or once a month. You can contact Pastor Jen or Mary Jane Leo and we will provide a training either over zoom or in person.



*Thank You*

Thank you to everyone that donated to our back to school supply drive for the Luzerne County Victims resource center. The center thanked us for the blankets that were made and delivered this Spring, and were very appreciative of the items we collected for the children this fall. The mission and outreach committees wanted to thank everyone that shared information on the drive and/or donated. Special thanks to Barb Rinker for tying the blankets and delivering all of the supplies.

## Blood Drive at Shavertown United Methodist Church

Shavertown United Methodist Church is hosting a blood drive in memory of Catherine Hughes, Friday October 2, from 2PM to 7PM. To sign up to give blood you can either use the Red Cross website or by calling 570 301 7657

## Trucksville United Methodist BBQ Chicken Dinner

On Friday October 2 and Saturday October 3 Trucksville United Methodist is having a Chicken BBQ Dinner take out only. Tickets are \$10. Call 570 696 3897.

**Effective October 1, 2020** the price of altar flowers will increase from \$25.00 to \$35.00, due to the increasing cost of flowers. Over the last sixteen years we have maintained the same price for the alter flowers, also waiving the \$10.00 delivery, for churches in the Back-Mountain area.

Thank you and God bless,

Bob Kleiner (Kimberly's Floral)



**Announcements** need to be either emailed to trinitypress@frontiernet.net by Tuesday morning at 10 am or written on one of the forms found on the bulletin board and deposited in the office.

**Newsletter articles** need to be submitted to the church office by **October 26th**. They need to be emailed to trinitypress@frontiernet.net along with any images.

## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

### **Members of Trinity:**

Alice Bartlett	C. Don Kocher	Barbara Lodwick
Linda Griffith	Donald & Mary Jane Leo	Neil Morrison
Barbara Rogers	Phil & Leona Walter	

### **Friends of Trinity:**

Sophia Boyers – Recovering from GBS at home  
Ellie Caruthers – Friend of Ken Jones  
Chris Folmar- Cancer prayer shawl member  
Nancy Garvey – Friend of Ken Jones  
Ken Gorski - Friend of Wayne & Marianne Williams  
Carol Gumienny- Stroke- eyes & balance- Nancy Thomas's sister  
Joyce Hislop- Friend of Wayne & Marianne Williams  
Abby Call Patrick  
Pamela Traver – Jim Snyder's niece

Contact the church office to add additional people to the prayer list. You can also request that they be added to the prayer chain and that team will be happy to pray for them. If you would like to join the Prayer Chain Team, let Alice Kocher or Nicole know and they will send prayer requests on to you so that you can be praying along with them.



## **October's Spiritual Practice - Lectio Divina**

### **What is Lectio Divina?**

Lectio Divina is a spiritual practice that has been used for centuries as a way to help us contemplate and meditate on scripture. It helps us focus on scripture with more than just our eyes. We are listening to 5-10 verses of scripture with our hearts and minds. Each scripture selection is read three times with silent periods between the readings. As we listen, we may realize a new thought or focus in on a word or sometimes the passage may cause us to question or seek an answer. In the silence we want to listen for God's voice speaking to us.

### **How will Lectio be done?**

Each week (Monday-Friday) during the month of October, scripture selections will be read by different readers and posted to our website. Each selection will be read three times with silent periods between each reading. (If you would like to have a cd of the recordings, please notify the church office.)

Step 1: Listen to the first reading. As you listen, note a word or phrase or new thought that stood out to you and reflect on it.

Step 2: Listen to the second reading. What might be happening in your life that caused you to connect with those words or phrases or a specific detail?

Step 3: Listen to the third reading. Relax into the silence. Listen for God's whispers. Offer a prayer.

You may also close with the following verse: Teach me your way, Lord, so that I may walk in your truth. Make my heart focused only on honoring your name.

Psalm 86:11