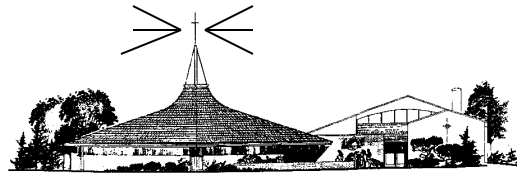


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*People of God... seeking, growing,
and serving through Christ.*



He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God.

2 Corinthians 9:10-12

This is the season for stewardship and it is also the season for thanksgiving. These two concerns belong together. Stewardship is the care and nurturing we give to that which God has blessed us with. Thanksgiving is the acknowledgment that what we have been blessed with comes from God.

Paul spoke often of thankfulness. The word, in one form or another, appears in nearly every letter of his within the bible. Paul had a hard life, of which he was quick to remind people, but this did not prevent him from expressing his thanks for the churches and what he perceived to be the many blessings of his life.

In one letter to the Corinthians, Paul takes a different angle. Rather than encouraging the Corinthians to give thanks, he reminds them of their capacity to create thanksgiving. In the passage quoted above, Paul is encouraging the Corinthians to make an offering to help the church in Jerusalem, the poorest of the early churches. In so doing, Paul suggests, not only will the “needs of the saints” be supplied, but the act of giving on the Corinthians part will generate “many thanksgivings to God.”

This is an important and somewhat neglected aspect of thanksgiving. It is customary and traditional to return thanks for what we have received. It is also important that we are aware of the ways in which other people are thankful for us. When we attend to the financial needs of our church, we are also attending to the financial and spiritual needs of those we are able to assist. Our ministry is not only one of giving thanks, but of generating thanks as people associate our ministry with the blessing of God in their lives. As God is “able to provide you with every blessing in abundance”, so also are we able to provide a blessing for others in abundance.

This season, even in these difficult times, it is appropriate to give thanks for what we have and who we have in our lives. But it is also an opportunity to be aware of the many ways in which we generate thanksgivings to God, through the exercise of our ministry and the proper stewardship of all that we have been so generously given.

- Jim Hawley



Each month we publish a listing of members and their immediate families, and guests of Trinity who are living in health care, assisted living facilities, semi shut-in at home, hospitalized, or recuperating from surgery or illness. We encourage you to pray for these friends, send them a note, call or visit them. Addresses and phone numbers can be obtained from the church office.

Those in nursing centers, assisted living,
or semi shut-in at home

Wayne Bailie - Meadowlark Hills

Bernice Brighton - Meadowlark Hills

Mary Lou Kenworthy

- Presbyterian Manor, Wichita, KS

Erma McManis - Stoneybrook

Joe Ann Wood Moore - Meadowlark Hills

Delores Nash - Home

Mary Smith - Meadowlark Hills

November Birthdays

- 3. Megan Thompson
- 8. Debra Schapaugh
- 10. John Kobiskie
- 21. Bernice Brighton
- 24. Peg Ziser
- 25. Patty Kline

Trinity Presbyterian Women Calendar

November 5

Circle/Bible Study, 10:00 a.m.

Meet in the sanctuary.

Pastor Jim leading the study.

November 16

TPW Coordinating Team Meeting

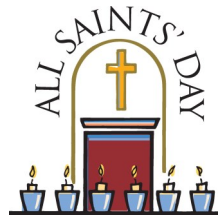
Moderator: Jan Byars



Sundays—10:00 a.m.

Due to the colder weather, we will not have a drive-in service. The service in the sanctuary will observe social distance and masks. Masks are provided for those without. Entrance will be limited to the double doors outside the sanctuary. There will be no fellowship time in the church, but congregants may fellowship outside practicing social distancing.

The 10:00 a.m. service will be on Facebook both live and recorded. If you are not receiving the link to the service by email on Mondays, contact the church office with your email address.



We will celebrate All Saints' Day November 1st during the worship service. We will recognize members that have passed away since December 2019.



The Worship Committee is hosting the annual Hanging of the Greens on November 22. With social distancing in mind, we will decorate for Advent by family units decorating areas of the sanctuary.

Trinity's Blessing Box

Our Blessing Box is seeing quite a bit of traffic this fall by those less fortunate in our community. As you shop for your groceries, remember those who do not have the means to purchase food and pick up a few things for our Box. Canned or boxed items that need little to no other items added are the best as some people do not have a fully equipped kitchen, or no kitchen at all for preparation of a meal. Thank you again for your support of this mission project!



OUR CHURCH'S FINANCE REPORT

The Finance Committee is grateful for your contributions. On Sundays you will find offering plates by the sanctuary doors, or you may continue to mail your contributions to the church at 1110 College Ave., Manhattan, KS 66502. As a Presbyterian Church all of our financial information is available for members. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact our Treasurer, Karyl Croft, or Financial Committee Chair, Arlo Biere.

September 2020
Income \$ 4,407.82
Expenses \$15,611.72
Net Income (\$11,203.90)

January-September 2020
Income \$ 79,960.70
Expenses \$102,175.76
Net Income (\$ 16,580.81)

ANNUAL Stewardship CAMPAIGN

We hope you received your letter and pledge cards in the mail. We ask that you prayerfully consider your financial pledge and also your time and talent for 2021. If you have misplaced your pledge cards, you will find extras on the credenza in the foyer. We ask that you return your cards by placing them in the offering plate located by the sanctuary door on Sundays, or bring or mail to the church office during the week. Thank you for your support of our church.

The Suzuki School of Manhattan Giving Lessons at Trinity

We are sharing some space on Thursday evenings from 5-9 p.m. with Laura Eakman. Laura is the founder of The Suzuki School of Manhattan. She will be teaching violin and viola to 25 students — ages ranging from 4-13.

We continue to be a very welcoming congregation, and we are blessed with beautiful music surrounding our church.

After “turkey day” came and went last year, a pastor challenged church members to ask one another not “How *was* your Thanksgiving?” but “How *is* your Thanksgiving?” After all, giving thanks should be an ongoing act.

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The adult study on “Hallmarks of the Reformation” continues Mondays at noon on November 2 and 9. We meet in the sanctuary with a zoom option.

Deacons’ Meeting
November 3, 6:30 p.m.

Session Meeting
November 11, 6:15 p.m.



Thank you to our volunteers who took care of mowing the grass at the church this summer, trimming bushes, replanting and weeding the flower bed, and many other jobs too numerous to mention all of them! And to our property chair, Dick Green, thank you for overseeing jobs needing done inside and out. Currently we are thankful for his help in diagnosing the issue with our heating system. What a great team of volunteers we have at Trinity!



Thank you to all for participating in Farmers’ Market. The produce and baked goods were wonderful this year! The season has ended and proceeds that went to the General Fund amounted to \$919.78.



A big thank you to the congregation for all who brought items to the rummage sale, helped set up, provided food, priced and sorted items, worked the three days of the sale, managed advertising, and shopped — all while wearing a mask and social distancing! Thank you for your support during our challenging 2020 sale.

Organizations that were invited to select items from the sale:

- Kitchen Restore
- Toys for Manhattan
- Choir robes (older vintage) donated to “Bethlehem Revisited” advent venue

Items saved for or taken to:

- Habitat for Humanity
- Ft. Riley Veterans Auxiliary (Christmas)
- FIT closet (size 3T clothing)
- Crisis Center (Newborn-6 mo., fall/winter)
- 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus Garage Sale
- Salvation Army
- Goodwill

The staff of College Hill Learning Center was invited to shop during the week and between sale dates.

Amount received from the sale was \$2,518.56. Expenses were \$29.27 for Manhattan Mercury ad.



A decision regarding the Christmas Goodie Sale, sponsored by Trinity Presbyterian Women, will be made at the November Circle meeting. Be watching for an update.



Dear Friends,

Please join us in being thankful.

This year's theme for the TPW Thank Offering is Philippians 4:6-7:

Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Since 1888, Presbyterian women have expressed their deep sense of gratitude for God's blessings in their lives by giving back to people in their communities and around the world. Through the Thank Offering, we can help fund programs that provide education, relief from disasters, safe housing, cooking instruction, training for justice and advocacy work, and so much more.

The Thank Offering will be received during the month of November. Offering envelopes will be available on the credenza in the sanctuary's foyer beginning November 1. The offering will be dedicated during worship on November 22. That Sunday, envelopes will be inserted in the bulletin. Trinity Presbyterian Women thank you for your participation in this offering.

November Church Activities

FH=Fellowship Hall CH=College Hill

1 - Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship/Communion/All Saints' Day
2 - Monday	12:00 p.m.	Adult Study in sanctuary
	3:30 p.m.	CH Staff Meeting in FH (ends 5:30 p.m.)
3 - Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Board of Deacons Meeting
	All Day	Election Day. Trinity Fellowship Hall is a polling place
4 - Wednesday	1:00 p.m.	Worship Committee Meeting
5 - Thursday	9:30 a.m.	TPW Circle/Bible Study in sanctuary
8 - Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship
9 - Monday	9:00 a.m.	Adult Study in sanctuary
10 - Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Presbytery Meeting by Zoom
11 - Wednesday	6:15 p.m.	Session Meeting
12 - Thursday	5:00 p.m.	CH Preschool Family Night in FH (ends 7:30 p.m.)
13 - Friday	7:40 a.m.	CH Picture Re-take Day in FH (ends 2:00 p.m.)
15 - Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship
16 - Monday	1:00 p.m.	TPW Coordinating Team Meeting in FH
18 - Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	CH Parent Café in FH (9-10 a.m.)
19 - Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Men's Garden Club in FH
22 - Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship/Christ the King/Thank Offering Dedication
		Advent Decorating following worship. Everyone invited to help.
27 - Thursday		Thanksgiving Day. Office closed.
29 - Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Worship/1st Sunday of Advent



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