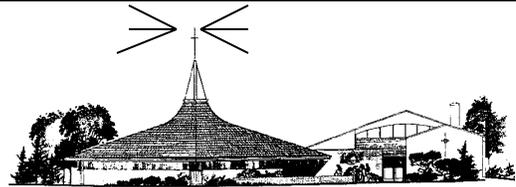


# Trinity BEAMS

the newsletter of  
Trinity Presbyterian Church  
Manhattan, Kansas  
October 2020



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



## FROM THE PASTOR

Spring is associated with hope and rebirth, but I have always found solace in fall. Perhaps this is due to the many family festivals that come with the season. When our children were little, October was the beginning of a series of celebrations that extended five months: Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, our daughter's birthday, and finally my birthday. Each of these days is almost exactly one month apart.

I favor fall for it is the season of faith. Spring is the season of certainty. In the spring we see the leaves turn green and the tulips pop up and we are renewed by the reintroduction of life. Fall presents us with the opportunity for faith. When the leaves turn and descend, when the early chill sends us back inside for a jacket, when the sun disappears sooner and the darkness envelopes deeper, that is the time of faith.

We need faith right now. Our forests are burning. Hurricanes are more frequent. The pandemic influenced economy threatens those who live at the edges of subsistence. Schools are torn between competing demands. We are living in the loss of normal. This is the fall of our culture, not in the sense of the fall of Rome, but in the sense of autumn. The leaves of normalcy are brittle and blown and the spring of renewal feels distant to us as we wrap against the chill.

One day we may look back upon this time as we look upon fall from the standpoint of spring. It was dark, bleak, cold. But now it is green, warm, hopeful.

But now we are heading into fall and the winter that follows. Now is the time for faith. Now is the time to wrap ourselves a little more tightly, love each other a little more deeply, and believe a little more fully.

In a hymn entitled "In the Bulb There is a Flower", Natalie Sleeth gives this faith a voice.

"There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody.  
There's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.  
In the past will come the future, what it holds a mystery.  
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see."

*- 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
- Ron & Dorine Bergren - Home
- 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

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**October Birthdays**

- 11. Jon Thompson
- 14. Amanda Doughty
- 19. Susan Doughty
- 21. Nancy Nelson

**If you have not seen your birthday listed in the past year, please let the church office know.**

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**THANK YOU** for supporting the Farmers' Market this summer. To date (Sept. 21) you have donated \$889.78 to the general fund. That is an increase of \$511.58 over last year's Farmers' Market donations!

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Daylight Savings Time ends November 1 turn back your clocks back one hour before retiring October 31.



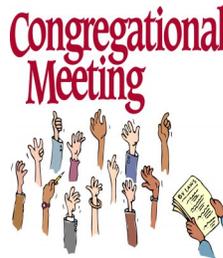
Through October, we will have two worship services:

- 9:00 a.m.— Drive-in service (weather permitting)
- 10:00 a.m.— Worship in the sanctuary

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.

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A congregational meeting is scheduled for Sunday, October 11, 10:30 a.m.. It will be in-person and also by zoom. The purpose of the meeting is to elect elders and deacons, and receive the session report on the 2021 expense budget.

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**Deacons' Meeting  
October 6, 6:30 p.m.**

**Session Meeting  
October 14, 6:15 p.m.**

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**Trinity's Blessing Box**



Thank you. You are doing a great job keeping our Blessing Box supplied with food for those in our community that are less fortunate. 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. Remember, no food in glass containers or over the counter medications, please. Thank you again for your support of this mission project!

**Trinity Presbyterian Women News**

**TPW Circle/Bible Study  
October 1, 10:00 a.m.**

Join the women’s Bible study, “Into the Light” —finding hope through prayers of lament, the first Thursday of each month, at the church, 10:00 a.m. Pastor Jim leads the study. Social distance and masks are observed. No refreshments are served.

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**Second Saturday Synod Circles**

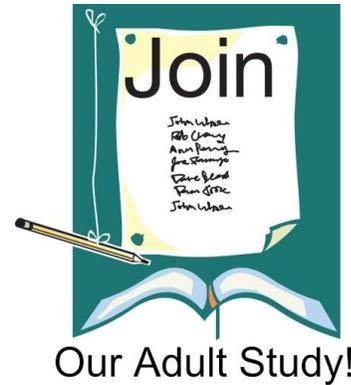
This is a zoom meeting for ladies within the presbytery interested in connecting with others. The meeting is the second Saturday of each month. To register and receive the zoom link, email Rhoda Frasier at [rhodaf805@gmail.com](mailto:rhodaf805@gmail.com).

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**TPW Coordinating Team Meeting  
October 19, 1:00 p.m.**  
Moderator: Co Roblyer

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**Presbyterian Women’s Thank Offering**  
will be celebrated during the month of October.



**Hallmarks of the Reformation**

A six-week Adult Study

A six-week study entitled “Hallmarks of the Reformation” begins October 5 at noon. The study will be held at the church with a zoom option. It will also be recorded for viewing on Facebook.

The topics of the study include:

- The authority of the Bible and its interpretation.
- Over what did the Catholic church divide in the 16th century and why does it still matter?
- Grace and gratitude in the Reformed tradition.

Each gathering will last approximately one hour and the study will conclude on November 9. Pastor Jim Hawley will lead the study.

If you would like to learn more, contact the church office.

OUR CHURCH'S   
**FINANCE  
REPORT**

The Finance Committee is grateful for your contributions. We ask that you 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.

<u>August 2020</u>		<u>January-August 2020</u>	
Income	\$16,583.21	Income	\$81,187.13
Expenses	\$11,327.96	Expenses	\$86,587.94
Net Income	\$ 5,255.25	Net Income	\$ 5,400.81



## SPECIAL OFFERINGS PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS

On World Communion Sunday, we celebrate that Christ's peace extends throughout all creation. We celebrate that we are all together at the communion table, in God's house. We celebrate that we are offered what we need to continue —the work of building the household of God, with active peacemakers here at home and around the world. Extending the peace of Christ is part of an active, engaged faith — a witness to what it means for us to be the Church, together.

Through participation in the Peace & Global Witness Offering, our church is extending Christ's peace throughout our community and our world. We begin at the communion table, with our siblings in every time and place, and we celebrate the peace we find there and commit to building a more just and peaceful world. We celebrate the truth found in 2nd Thessalonians, "May the God of peace give you peace at all times in all ways."

### QUICK FACTS

- ◆ Since 1940, World Communion Sunday is an ecumenical celebration of our oneness in the Spirit and the Gospel of Jesus Christ, bringing churches together in Christian unity.
- ◆ The Peace & Global Witness Offering builds on the Presbyterian Commitment to Peacemaking established in 1980.
- ◆ World Communion Sunday (October 4) is the most common Sunday for receiving the Offering, but many congregations promote the Offering throughout *A Season of Peace* (September 6-October 4).
- ◆ 25% of the Offering stays with local congregations, and 25% with mid councils to unite congregations to support peacemaking in their regions.
- ◆ 50% of this Offering supports the work for peace and reconciliation being done by Presbyterians across the globe.

We will dedicate this Offering on World Communion Sunday, October 4. Thank you for your generous support in past years and please give careful consideration to this year's offering. Checks may be made payable to Trinity Presbyterian Church with "Peacemaking Offering" in the memo field.



*May the God of peace . . .*

*Give you peace at all times in all ways.*

*- 2 Thessalonians 3:16*

## October Church Events

1 - Thursday	10:00 a.m.	TPW Circle/Bible Study
4 - Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Drive-in Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Worship in sanctuary (social distance/masks)
5 - Monday	12:00 p.m.	Adult Study
	3:30 p.m.	Preschool Staff Meeting in fellowship hall
6 - Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Deacons' Meeting
11 - Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Drive-in Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Worship in sanctuary (social distance/masks)
		Congregational Meeting
12 - Monday	7:00 p.m.	Adult Study
13 - Tuesday	7:40 a.m.	Preschool Picture Day in fellowship hall
14 - Wednesday	6:15 p.m.	Session Meeting
15 - Thursday	5:30 p.m.	Men's Garden Club in fellowship hall
18 - Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Drive-in Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Worship in sanctuary (social distance/masks)
19 - Monday	12:00 p.m.	Adult Study
21 - Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Preschool Parent Café in fellowship hall (9-10 a.m.)
25 - Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Drive-in Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Worship in sanctuary (social distance/masks)
26 - Monday	12:00 p.m.	Adult Study



### Wisdom from John Calvin

“Whatever a person may be like, we must still love them because we love God.”

“Humility is the beginning of true intelligence.”



“Like” Trinity Presbyterian Church on Facebook to get the latest announcements, worship services, and other items of interest throughout the week.

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