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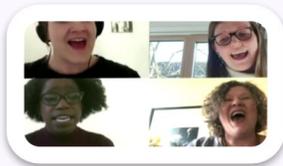
Trinity Musical Opportunities

We are exploring having a live handbell choir this fall. 12 ringers can be fully masked and socially distanced in the sanctuary. Handbells are a great way for all levels of musical talent to share music. Rehearsals will be probably be on Wednesday evenings and we may share live in church about once per month. Contact Neal Strand if you are interested (nealstrand@mac.com).



Handbells!

Well it seems standing shoulder-to-shoulder singing your hearts out while Neal yells, "more diction!" is not the best way to minimize the spread of viruses. However, we still want to make virtual music together. Disney does it, the Hamilton cast can do it, the Trinity Choir can too. Choir members will rehearse with the aid of recordings and record themselves singing their respective parts. We'll put it all together and see what fun we can have! Contact Neal Strand if you are interested (nealstrand@mac.com). Thank you! -Neal Strand



Choir!

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ATTENDANCE



Office of the General Assembly

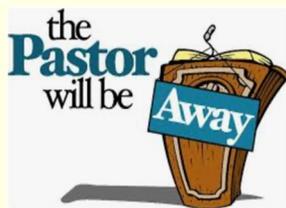
During the virtual General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church USA in June, Pastor April was elected by the General Assembly to serve a two-year term on the Committee on Theological Education.

The Committee on Theological Education (COTE) has been charged by General Assembly to develop and maintain a comprehensive, denomination-wide plan for theological education.

COTE seeks to identify, develop, and propose strategies for a systemic approach to theological education with the PC(USA).

In addition, COTE seeks to support your seminaries, both financially through the Theological Education Fund (TEF) and in other ways, and to strengthen them for their mission to the whole church. COTE serves as a two-way communication link between the denomination and its seminaries to express vision, hopes, and concerns that the seminaries and the denomination which to bring to the attention of the other.

The mandate for COTE's ongoing work comes from general Assembly approval of reports and recommendations presented by two special committees: the Special Committee on Theological Institutions in 1986 and the Special Committee to Study Theological Institutions in 1993.



Pastor April will be on vacation from Sept. 1 - 6.

Pastor April will be reachable for urgent pastoral needs. Please call the office to be routed to her voicemail and information. Thank you for this time of rest and rejuvenation.

Amy Sachse will be on vacation 9/1-9/16

7/19 60
Drive in & Zoom

7/26 n/a

8/2 88

8/9 n/a

8/16 76

8/23 48

Actual donations start of 2020 thru July: \$143,425

Budgeted donations through June: \$128,060

Difference: +\$15,365

YES! Trinity is on facebook!

Be sure to "like" and "follow" Trinity Presbyterian Church!

VISIT: <https://www.facebook.com/TrinityWoodbury/>



Find us on Facebook!



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SCRIP ORDERS DUE Sunday, September 6th.



A portion of all gift card purchases goes to the church. Usually 2% - 9% and sometimes as much as 12%!

You always get the full value of your gift.

Review the vendor list! There are over 100 vendors.



Your continued support is needed!
Give online with ease. Try VANCO.

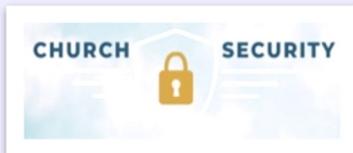
Don't forget that there is a convenient way to give to the church. And, there are on-line giving forms on the bulletin board in the gathering area with directions on how to get started. Trinity's Text to Give# : 855-481-8171 or www.trinitywoodbury.org/donate.



2020 Peace & Global Witness, September 6 - October 4
The Peace & Global Witness Offering encourages the church to cast off anxiety and fear, discord and division, and embrace our reconciling God's mission to those around the corner and around the world.

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. See page 5 for examples of how others have used their retained funds.
- ◆ 50% of this Offering supports the work for peace and reconciliation being done by Presbyterians across the globe.



TRINITY Alarm System

In an effort to keep the building secure, when you exit, please verify all doors are 100% closed by tugging the handle. Also, please remember to set the alarm. There were a few July days in which the security system was not armed. Thank you for your attention and extra care in securing the building!

Trinity Presbyterian Program Financial Summary	Thru month of			Jul-20
	Month Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Annual Budget
Total Program Donations	\$17,569.96	\$143,425.69	\$128,060.46	\$219,532.26
Total Program Expenditures	\$12,274.32	\$109,787.40	\$133,969.66	\$229,737.73
Donations Less Expenses	\$5,295.64	\$33,638.29	(\$5,909.20)	(\$10,205.47)
Checking Roll Forward Add	\$833.37	\$5,833.59	\$5,833.35	\$10,000.00
Income Less Expenses	\$6,129.01	\$39,471.88	(\$75.85)	(\$205.47)
Mortgage Fund Donations	\$3,309.04	\$37,407.37		
Mortgage Expense	\$6,269.32	\$43,885.24		
Mortgage Balance	\$282,592.49			Placed for Sept



Contemporary Issues Discussion

Wednesdays 6-7pm via Zoom

Next Session Topic (beginning Sept. 9th): "White Privilege"

Please note: Class will not meet on 9/2

**Upcoming Topics: "Is Affirmative Action Still Needed?"
& "Do Segregated Churches Imply Racism?"**

There are many reasons why it is difficult to talk about race and racism. There are also many reasons why we must and should have this conversation.

Participants will explore and discuss the reasons behind our reluctance to engage in fruitful dialogue about race and racism. The session will also provide opportunities to dispel common misconceptions about racism and the responsibilities of all Christians to intentionally engage in this difficult dialogue.

Trinity Drive-In Worship

Upcoming Dates: 9/20

(Note: dates are subject to change and weather permitting)

-Reserve a parking space by **contacting Pastor April** at trinitywoodburypastor@gmail.com. Trinity's lot will be limited to 45 parking spaces. Note: Amy is not in the office after Wednesday at 5pm to receive incoming RSVP's. She is in the church office TUE & WED from 9-5pm.

-Follow your car usher to your parking spot

-Guests will tune in to a specified radio station on vehicle radios. Trinity receives the station channel before service on Sunday morning. Please look for Pastor April's poster board which will display the station channel. She will also announce it.

-Please remain in your vehicle or bring lawn chairs to sit between the cars in the appropriately distanced areas.

-Bulletins (and communion, if applicable) will be distributed to your vehicle.

-Please be aware that restrooms will not be available at Trinity due to Covid-19 restrictions.

-Masks are highly encouraged to protect everyone.



Trinity Presbyterian is now using **Mobile Phone Test Alerts!** Servant Keeper Notify is a Rapid Alert & Communication System built for Churches and its various groups. Through it, Trinity has the ability to send out alerts/messages with rapid speed! If interested, please contact the church office. Only one text per month maximum.



Tuesdays

2:00 pm

Tuesdays @ 2 - The Parables of Jesus - ZOOM Bible study.

Details: Gather via Zoom from 2:00-3:00 pm.
Contact Pastor April with questions on class.
(Excluding 9/1/2020)



Wednesdays

12:00 pm

Prayer-Full Pause

Details: 10 minutes of prayer-full pause on Trinity's Facebook page through FACEBOOK LIVE. The prayer-full pause will also be saved on Trinity's FB page and posted on Trinity's website. (Excluding 9/2/2020)



Wednesdays

12:30-1:30 pm

Details: You can download and import the iCalendar files to your calendar system. The links are available on the website and weekly Friday Blast. (Excluding 9/2/2020)



Thursdays

1:00-2:00 pm

Drive-Up Prayer

Details: Park your car next to Pastor April's. She will be in her car and you can tell her your prayer requests and pray with her.

(Excluding 9/3/2020)

Am I Being Called to This Pilgrimage?

Religious pilgrimage is a calling, not a task. You may find yourself called to pilgrimage with us this year if:

Presbytery of Twin Cities Area

Anti-Racism Spiritual Pilgrimage

SEPTEMBER 2020-MAY 2021

A yearlong journey:

- deepening our engagement with the racial history of MN and western WI
- using personal reflection and small groups to practice spiritual skills for anti-racist living
- taking action in solidarity with Black, Indigenous and other People of Color who are our neighbors in the community

VISIT ANTI-RACISM-PTCA.WEEBLY.COM
FOR FULL DETAILS AND/OR TO REGISTER.

You are a white person and already have read some books about racism and racial justice, but want to take the next step to understand how you can participate in undoing white supremacy within yourself and society. For white participants, this will primarily be a journey with other white people, with places for engagement and accountability with Black, Indigenous, and People of Color voices.

- You are a Black, Indigenous, or Person of Color seeking an opportunity to practice wholeness, resilience, intersectional awareness, and solidarity across BIPOC identities.
- You want to engage specifically with how your Christian/Presbyterian faith can equip and strengthen you for the work of racial justice.
- You want to engage the spiritual and justice legacies of a range of voices in Minnesota and Western Wisconsin, including Indigenous, Black/African-American, Hmong, Latina/o/x, Somali, Polish, and more.

EMerge

A newsletter of the Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area

"We fearlessly follow the Holy Spirit into a changing world."



If you are just starting out on your anti-racism journey, check out our additional resources on our website. Also feel free to contact us so we can connect you with others in the presbytery who are also beginning this work.



SoWashCo CARES District 833 Partnership



July 31, 2020

Dear Trinity Presbyterian,

Thank you SO MUCH for your school supply donations and monetary donation of \$350 to SoWashCo CARES to purchase school supplies! This school year is looking like it will be an unusual one, to say the least. We are confident that with our community's help we will be able to meet the needs that arise. We so appreciate your partnership in supporting our students and our families. It's our community helping our community!

For more information about SoWashCo CARES, please follow us @sowashcocares on Facebook or Twitter.

SoWashCo CARES is a fiscally sponsored project of the South Washington County Schools Education Foundation (SWCSEF) - a registered 501(c)(3) public charity. Donations are tax-deductible as allowed by law. SWCSEF tax identification number is 41-1796512

Sincerely, Cheryl Jogger PhD,
Founder and Director of SoWashCo CARES

