

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Needed—Fall Schedule Worship Leaders** — Communion Assistants, Greeters, Lectors, Ushers and Prayer Readers are urgently needed for the upcoming fall season of 8:30 and 11:00 am worship services. Please consider signing up. Use the link in our weekly emailer or let the church know of your availability ([office@trinitywexford.org](mailto:office@trinitywexford.org)) or call (724) 935-2746.

**Fall Noisy Offering** collected in September through November will be donated to flood victims in the United States. All giving will be processed through Lutheran Disaster Response. If writing a check, please make it payable to Trinity Lutheran Church and reference "Flood Disaster Relief." Thank you!

**Tri-ennial Review** Trinity's Constitution Review Committee has begun its tri-ennial review of the constitution, bylaws and continuing resolutions. We invite all voting members of Trinity to submit proposals for amendments while the CRC and Council work to develop recommendations to be presented to the congregation in early 2023. Please note that ELCA congregations do not have the discretion to alter "required" sections of the constitution (those marked with an \*). A link to the current constitution, bylaws and continuing resolutions is available in the weekly e-news now thru mid-October or by contacting the church office. Please submit your proposals to Ray Ojerholm at [rojerholm@gmail.com](mailto:rojerholm@gmail.com) by October 16. Thank you.

### **Blessing of Pets is Next Week**

Trinity will host a "Blessing of Pets" service in the courtyard of the church next **Sunday, Oct. 2nd @ 1:30 pm.**

This tradition, held at many churches, comes from St. Francis of Assisi (whose feast is October 4th). St. Francis realized that animals are an integral part of God's plan and creation. This blessing is primarily for domestic animals.

A few things to consider:

Dog and cats should be on leashes.

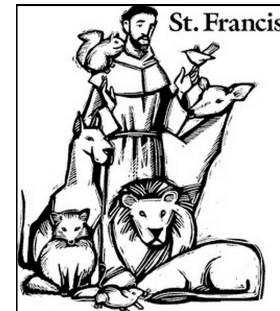
Birds, rabbits and hamsters in cages.

Perhaps you might want to discern whether your pet would be "comfortable" with other animals.

Borough ordinances regarding disposal of animal waste will apply.

A voluntary collection of pet food items will be welcomed and distributed to local animal shelters.

Children are also invited to bring their stuffed animals to worship this Sunday as part of the children's time.



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The annual **North Hills Community Outreach (NHCO) winter coat drive** has begun and will run through October 30th.

As Trinity partners with NHCO for this annual initiative, we will be collecting new and gently used coats, all sizes for men, women, teens and children. There is an extra shortage on teen coats. They also accept gloves, hats and scarves.

Drop off boxes are located in the church narthex and Parish Hall entryway. **Please bring items to Trinity by Sunday, October 30th.** Thank you!


**Men's Shelter October Breakfast**—Trinity will supply breakfast for the men at Northside Common Ministries' Pleasant Valley Men's Shelter on Saturday, October 15th. There is a need for food donations and four (4) volunteers to assist in breakfast preparations on the morning of October 15th. Volunteers will meet at the Parish Hall @ 6:00 am or the shelter @ 6:30 am. Breakfast served @ 7:00 am. View the food donation list in our weekly emailer and sign-up by Thursday, October 13th. Or, contact Wendy Hall to inquire about donations. Items should be marked "Men's Shelter" and delivered to the Parish Hall kitchen.



Questions? Contact Wendy Hall (412) 956-6441 or wendyhall4@comcast.net.

**Adopt-A-Highway Clean-Up—Saturday, October 8** is Trinity's Adopt-A-Highway Fall Clean-up from **9:30-11:00 AM**. All ages 14+ are welcome. New volunteers would be greatly appreciated! Please meet at the Parish Hall promptly @ 9:30 AM for safety and procedure instructions before heading out in pairs. The County provides safety vests, gloves and trash bags. Suggested attire is long sleeve shirt, long pants, sturdy footwear, sunglasses and sunhat. Please bring water and your cell phone if you have one. If you plan to participate, please email or text Karen Ojerholm ([karenoj@consolidated.net](mailto:karenoj@consolidated.net); 412-445-6523) to ensure we have a safety vest for you.

**Paving Campaign** continues through our fifth week. Our current receipts reflect donations totaling \$22,035 as of 9/18/22. We are well on our way to reaching our goal of \$35K. See below for ways to give. Thank you for your generosity thus far.

 Online	 Sunday Collection	 Stock Donation	 By Mail
Visit our website and designate your gift as "paving campaign" <a href="http://www.trinitywexford.org/giving">www.trinitywexford.org/giving</a>	Place cash or check in the Sunday offering plate. Make checks payable to <b>Trinity Lutheran Church</b> . Designate "paving campaign."	Make a gift of stock, by contacting Rick Hurt, Finance Committee Chair at <a href="mailto:rhurt0811@gmail.com">rhurt0811@gmail.com</a>	Mail your gift to: <b>Trinity Lutheran Church</b> <b>2500 Brandt School Rd.</b> <b>Wexford, PA 15090</b> Designate "paving campaign"