

Announcements ~ October 18, 2020

With the chilly weather now upon us, we have moved our Worship Services indoors. Seats in the sanctuary will be socially distanced, a comprehensive cleaning and sanitizing plan has been put in place, masks will be worn. Indoors, we will be limited to 40 people, including the pastors and others responsible for producing and livestreaming worship. For this reason,

RSVPs if you plan to attend will be really important:

rsvp@scotiatrinity.org. Please do not allow this to deter you from coming-- you can always ask if there is space-- but it is important that we stay within that limit. A document summarizing the overall safety plan has been sent out via e-mail-- please read it; if for some reason you did not receive that, let us know! Thank you to all that completed our reopening survey. Your input was greatly appreciated. Questions: ask Kathy, Tim, Carole Palmer, Liz Dobson-Davis, or Nancy Taylor, our Safe Reopening Task Force.

If you want to make sure an announcement gets out during this time: All printed announcements for the bulletin and screen should be submitted by Wednesday, to Secretary@scotiatrinity.org, PastorTim@scotiatrinity.org, & PastorKathy@scotiatrinity.org.

Special Info for this Unusual Time

During this time of social distancing, we ask for and offer a few things:

- If you or someone you know is in need of assistance-- help getting to the grocery store, etc. , or if they become ill and need help-- please contact Tim or Kathy or the Deacons.
 - If you can offer assistance to others in need-- picking up groceries, etc.-- please let Tim or Kathy or the Deacons know
 - In general, make sure to keep in touch with those in the congregation whom you know well, or even who you don't. Let's all take care of each other
 - **And finally, as the economic impact of the COVID shut down continues, if you or anyone you know begin to have financial challenges, please let one of the pastors know. There are some resources that can assist, and we want to make sure to take care of each other in all ways. We will be very discreet, please don't struggle alone, but allow your community to support you.**
- **Virtual Coffee Hour:** In order to make it possible for folks who attend worship to get home in time to join us, the start time is 11:30 am. Grab a cup of coffee and a cookie, and sign on and join in some conversation with church friends. Usually lasts about an hour.
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/445051940?pwd=amphTTVBVVBVTW8rZ3co c1luNHF3Zz09> Meeting ID: 445 051 940 Passcode: 012805

- **The next Men's Book Study** will be Thursday morning, October 22 at 7:30. We will be discussing chapter 3 of Vivek Munthy's "Together."
- **Our 60 and Over COVID Support Group** meets weekly via Zoom on Tuesdays at 9:00 AM. The zoom link is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86346643632?pwd=MUSzUEdWQVhXSjliQkR2UGRaVEVSUT09>
- **Content for New Church Website**-The Communications Team is in the process of designing a new website. If anyone has high-resolution pictures, videos or other types of media that could be used to display what Trinity is all about please send them to Alex James; alexcjames@gmail.com
- **Patty's Place** is always in need of small "travel size" shampoo and conditioner. If you happen to have any from the days when we used to travel, and would be willing to donate, please bring to the church and place in the "Patty's Place" bin in the annex (or the box outside, if you come on a Sunday morning.) Contact Kathy for further info.
- **Not your Great- Grandparents' Sunday School:** Today, after Worship, families with kids of Sunday school age, along with the Sunday school teachers, are invited to bring a picnic lunch to be eaten socially distanced, but hopefully engaged with each other in some way.. Then we'll engage in a game or energizer or two, and then the kids will divide into 3 groups: High School, Middle school, and Younger, for age appropriate crafts, games, discussion of the Bible story shared in worship. No structured program for parents this time, but welcome to hang around & chat (socially distanced). Whether we are inside or outside will depend on weather and temperature! See Nancy Taylor or Kathy G-C for more info.
- **Trinity's Prayer Chain** is a form of ministry in which members pray for concerns brought to their attention in the form of an e-mail chain. The contact person is Amy Jessup; amyjessup@gmail.com. You can also cc Kathy at revkgc@gmail.com with your concerns. ***If you would like to join the prayer chain and be one of those praying for the concerns of the community, e-mail Amy.*** amyjessup@gmail.com
- **2020 Census:** We can't overestimate the importance of the Census for all kinds of benefits, representation, and justice. If you haven't already completed your census there is still time, click the link: <https://my2020census.gov/>
- **Trinity's Weekend Backpack Program** has begun and will continue through the school year at Lincoln and Sacandaga Schools. We will be reaching out soon to request volunteers to pick up food at the Regional Food Bank on Wednesday mornings. We will also be asking for help to pack and deliver food to the schools on Wednesdays at 5:00. Please watch for further information.

- The Session will meet on Wednesday evening at 7:00 via Zoom.

- Each year Trinity participates in **Peace & Global Witness** Special Collection. The purpose of this is to, “Share Christ’s peace with one another, beyond our doors, beyond our community, and across boundaries. Together we are building God’s house where everyone is welcome; where all can find compassion, peace and justice.”. Each year 25% of the total is shared with our mid council, 50% supports the work for peace and reconciliation done by Presbyterians across the globe, and 25% is retained by Trinity for our Mission projects. This year the funds will be used specifically to benefit teacher needs at Schenectady Schools. Trinity members of the staff will identify ways that we can be of assistance to the students. There is an



envelope in which your pledge offering can be made, or you may donate online or donate by check with a designation for Peace & Global Witness. *A gift sent any time during October would be gratefully appreciated.*

- **Donations to Trinity** can be done through our online donation page. You can set up your account by scanning the QR code with your smartphone or clicking on the link provided in “This Week at Trinity”.



Dates to Remember

Sundays, 11:30 AM	Virtual Coffee Hour
Wednesdays at 5 PM	Backpack packing
Tuesdays, at 9 AM	60+ COVID Support Group
Today, after worship	Sunday School
Today, 6:30 PM	Mission Committee Zoom
Wed., October 21, 7 PM	Session
Thurs., October 22, 7:30 AM	Men’s Book Group
Wed., October 28, 7 PM	Deacons

Welcome!

This morning, October 18th, we will worshipping indoors, socially distanced, as well as via livestream. If coming in person please let us know by sending an e-mail to rsvp@scotiatrinity.org. Livestream link is here: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCaGy9o2qSPz8Z9nlbOb rL2A/!](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCaGy9o2qSPz8Z9nlbOb rL2A/) A copy of the bulletin can be found on the website: scotiatrinity.org. If joining us in person, please print a copy of the bulletin before coming, as we will not be distributing them onsite. Thanks for joining us!

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