

## THIS YEAR'S WORSHIP THEME: TRANSFORMATION

### ***It's Not Too Late to Get Your Pledge in for the Stewardship 2022 Pledge Drive!***

We would just like to remind everyone that we have the pledge form posted on our website under the "Giving" tab. We have added this online pledge form to make it easier for you to send in your pledge of giving for 2022. Today, there are blue pledge cards in the back of the sanctuary for your convenience.

### ***Join us as we Celebrate Barbara Coffin's Birthday***

For those who know Barbara, she is an amazingly sweet and elegant person, who loves everybody and who shows her love to everyone. She is turning 90 this week, and some of us would like to cut a cake **today** in celebration of her birthday. Join us during coffee hour in Asbury Hall after worship. Everyone is invited!

### ***A Note from SPRC***

It is the time of year where we turn to gratitude, hope, joy, peace, and love. Trinity United Methodist Church continues to be blessed with an amazing staff. The Staff Parish Relations Committee is inviting the congregation to consider a donation for staff Christmas gifts during the next couple of weeks as a token of thanks for the outstanding work of our staff. If you choose to participate, please designate "Staff Christmas Gift" on your check, envelope, or electronic contribution. Donations must be received by Sunday, December 12th. With gratitude, Nathan Olin, SPRC chair.

### ***Close to Home Advent Devotional - Free***

Pick up an Advent Devotional at the church office. Beginning with the first Sunday in Advent, enjoy a daily devotional which follows the Revised Common Lectionary (Year C) through Epiphany. Each day will offer something new: a commentary based on the gospels, poetry, visual art, hymns, journaling, and Sabbath prompts, which are meant to speak comforting and encouraging words for this season of your life. As you walk through these prompts and readings you will be comforted in knowing God dwells with us. May this time be one of coming home—wherever home is found—to live fully with joy, hope, and courage. [We have a limited number of copies.]

### ***Night of Worship***

You are invited to a special evening of worship on Friday, December 10 at 7:00 p.m. This service is designed to offer a moment of pause, peace, and praise- a moment of calm in the midst of a busy season. Through readings and music, prayer and contemplation, we will seek solace and joy in the promise and glory of Advent-God with us. All are welcome. Bring your hopes, your worries, your joys, and your sorrows as we enter into a sacred time together. As this is our first offering like this, it would be helpful to have a sense of how many people might attend. If you plan on joining us, please send Rob Powell an email at [directorfmadc@trinityspringfield.org](mailto:directorfmadc@trinityspringfield.org).

### ***Christmas Caroling - December 11, 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.***

Do you like to sing? Do you enjoy bringing the joy of the season to others? Consider joining Trinity's carol singers who drive around the greater Springfield area singing to our friends who have a harder time getting out this season. This is a great activity for families, but please note, all children must be accompanied by an adult. Please contact Michael Carney at [music@trinityspringfield.org](mailto:music@trinityspringfield.org) if you are interested.

## ***Welcome to Worship!***

**WELCOME!** We are glad that you are here! If you have any questions, ask one of the ushers. They can be found near the rear entrance of the sanctuary. Large-print Bibles and hymnals, and hearing devices are available from any usher. Following the worship service, we invite you to join us for a time of fellowship and refreshment in Asbury Hall.

### ***NEW TO TRINITY CHURCH?***

***We would love to reach out to you! Scan the QR code with your phone's camera app and a staff member will contact you. Welcome to Trinity.***

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### **SUNDAY MORNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN**

**The Children's Table** offers coloring pages and other materials to help children feel welcome and comfortable in church. The table is located in the rear of the sanctuary. Please return supplies to the table after the service.

**Trinity's Nursery** is open, under the caring direction of Shaylee Geier, every Sunday from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m., for children ages birth to 4. The nursery is located on the lower level of the building. An usher can direct you.

**Trinity Offers Christian Education Classes for All Ages at 9 a.m. on Sunday Mornings: LIGHT@9** (Living in God's House Together at 9 a.m.), for age 4 years -through grade 5, meets downstairs in Vincent Hall. Our youth classes meet upstairs, middle school in the Youth Room and high school in the classroom down from the church office. Our adult class meets in the Hale Room, downstairs.

**Chapel Kids** is a worship service designed for children ages 7 –12. It is offered during the worship service, every Sunday, September to May except the first Sunday of the month which is Communion Sunday and the Sunday after Christmas. **It begins after the prayer response and ends after the benediction.** Chapel Kids is located in the chapel, which is on the same level as the sanctuary, and can be reached by going through the side door on the right of the sanctuary.

**Afternoon Programming** with Mike and Rob, with the help of kids, youth, and parents, have created a new Sunday programming schedule. This schedule will, hopefully, make Sundays easier for families, increase participation, and leave Sunday evenings available for rest. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Mike at [music@trinityspringfield.org](mailto:music@trinityspringfield.org) or Rob at [directorfmadc@trinityspringfield.org](mailto:directorfmadc@trinityspringfield.org).

### **Children & Youth Afternoon Programming Schedule:**

**11:30-12:00:** Lunch (Bring a bagged lunch)

**12:00-12:45:** Dance Choir in the Sanctuary & Hale Room quiet activity time

**12:45-1:45:** Choristers in the Sanctuary & Youth Fellowship in the Hale Room

**1:45-2:30:** Chamberettes in the Sanctuary

*This church is committed to providing a safe place for our children & youth.*

**Our Safe Sanctuaries Policy** requires that parents (or an adult they have designated) bring & pick-up their children 5<sup>th</sup> gr. & under from church-sponsored programs. Please escort your child to/ from the restrooms during worship. Thank you.

**Wi-Fi Guest network password:** TrinityGuest7476!

**Want to learn more?** Scan the QR code with your smart phone.



**Attendance Sunday, November 21 : Adults 124, Children 18, Total 142**

