



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL



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The Good News

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FROM THE PASTOR

Comfort Dog

Comfort Dogs are paying Trinity a visit! We had them come for a school Chapel, the Fall Harvest Festival and for worship on Sunday October 1. I wanted them to come by and reintroduce themselves as a ministry that I think would be very good for Trinity to be involved in. With my experience with the K-9 Comfort Dog Ministry (that is the official name that Lutheran Church Charities leads), I have found it a tremendous ministry to be a part of as a congregation. This ministry helps build bridges to the community around us.

The days are over when you build a church and people come. Over the years, there has developed a great disconnect between the church and the community in which it serves. There is a general distrust of churches, why they exist, and the perpetual feeling that “the church is just out to get my money.”

The Comfort Dog Ministry helps bridge that gap.

Now one thing I want to make clear. The ministry is not about the dog. The ministry is about Jesus. The dog just helps open the door to show the world that we care about them and in turn gives the church an opportunity to show that we care. And they ask why we are there, we tell them it is all about the love of Jesus.

I have seen this unfold time and again. Once we bring the dog to an event, we get asked to come back again and again. Events include visits to schools.

Yes, public schools! One time I took Lizzie, the Comfort Dog to a school. We went to the library for Dr. Seuss day. I was there to read to a class. It went over so well, that the principal had every class come through. Instead of just seeing 25 children that day, we saw 250+ children. Instead of reading to the children, they wanted every child to be able to pet the dog and also wanted me to explain the ministry to them. 250+ children got to pet Lizzie and hear about the love of Jesus... at a public school! I can go on and on with stories, but suffice it to say, it is an amazing ministry.

Perhaps one of the best things about it, are the comments from the folks who take the dog out. Many of them were fearful of sharing their faith. People, rightly or wrongly, have this fear. But most folks, when someone asks them about their faith first, are more than happy and willing to share their faith then! This is what happens with the Comfort Dog. People ask you why the dog is there. And it is so much easier to share your faith when you are invited to respond in this way.

I would like to see the Comfort Dog ministry here at Trinity. It is an easy way to get out into the community to share the love of Jesus. This is one of the reasons why I invited them come.



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Just so you know that the world, even our Federal Government, as represented by Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), sees the value of Comfort Dogs, I am providing this link to an article found on FEMA's Blog page. <https://www.fema.gov/blog/2016-03-22/beginners-guide-comfort-dogs>

This article gives a good description of the differences between "therapy" dogs and "Comfort Dogs." Here is just a brief quote from the article: "Therapy dogs operate in non-emergency environments: think of a college library packed with stressed students during finals – an environment that is definitely tense, but different from an active emergency.

Comfort (or "crisis response") dogs work during active crises and in emergency situations—both natural and manmade. They can offer a calming presence and a welcome distraction to those who have been impacted by disasters, often in shelters or in common public gathering spaces."

It is for the above reason and the reputation of the Lutheran Church Charities' K-9 Comfort Dog Ministry that those congregations who are a part of this ministry, get asked to come in stressful and crisis situations.

I truly feel that Trinity needs to be a part of this ministry.

That being said, during the Coffee Hour time between the services, the folks who are here from the Comfort Dog Ministry will be available to speak with anyone interested in this ministry. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, come to this and I'll have a signup sheet so that may let me know of your interest. Should you not be able to attend, send me an email, letting me know of your interest. Then we can follow up with a meeting of those interested to determine the next steps that Trinity may need to take.

Serving the Lord with you,

Pastor Hopkins

Celebrating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation

500 years ago, on October 31, 1517, Martin Luther nailed the 95 theses to the church door. The discussions that followed were what led to the Reformation of the Church. Those folks who protested what was going on in the church were later called Protestants. Many of those came together and became what collectively is called the Protestant Church. Lutherans, Methodists, Baptists are all churches that fall into this Protestant Church.

Funny how in the beginning this was not a complimentary term. Who wants to be known as a group of protesters. Yet, that it was not so much about protesting as it was about correcting things that were being done inside the church. They wanted to reform the practices, which is why it is known as the Reformation.

In celebrating our heritage, there will be one service on Reformation Sunday, October 29 at 9:30am. (Reformation Sunday is celebrated on October 31 when the date falls on a Sunday or it is celebrated on the nearest Sunday that precedes October 31 when October 31 is not on a Sunday, such as the case this year.) We will celebrate this day with special music that our choir will offer.

Put it on your calendar, Reformation Sunday, October 29, one service, at 9:30am.

Do note that because we are having one service in celebration of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation, there will not be any Sunday school that day.



Halloween

Did you ever notice how Halloween falls on Reformation Day every year!?!

Halloween goes back to the day when October 31 was known as All Hallow's Eve. The very next day is All Saints Day, on November 1. All Saints Day was a huge event. Everyone would be at church to worship that day. Consequently, Martin Luther, who wanted to have a discussion about things going on in the church, nailed his 95 Theses to the church door so everyone would see it the next day when they went to worship for All Saints Day.



Now most folks in today's society do not see October 31 as Reformation Day, perhaps more do this year because it is such a significant day in the Lutheran Church. That being said, when others are celebrating it as Halloween, I invite you to bring a reminder to all the folks who come to your door seeking candy what day it originally was all about. "How can you do that?" you might ask. I invite you, when you carve your pumpkins, to buy one more than you usually do. In that extra pumpkin, carve a cross in it. It will tell everyone who comes to your door that you are a Christian. I am always pleased to hear how many folks say to me when I open the door, "I'm a Christian too! Or I carve a cross in my pumpkin too!" Talk about an easy way to witness to lots of people who come to your door. So carve a cross into one of your pumpkins this year and celebrate Reformation Day!

The Good News

From the Deacons' Desk

HERE I STAND ... STILL!



This was the topic for our Deacon retreat back in May. At our retreat we spent time re-looking at the teachings, the life, the commitment and the journey of the man called Martin Luther.

I am not sure about you, but for me I think I have heard the story of Martin Luther about 50 times, and his contribution to the Lutheran Reformation. However, each time I review his story, it never ceases to amaze me of how uniquely God used this man to foster our faith, place questions in our minds, force us to "seek" and ultimately to grow.

What is it that we believe as Lutheran Christians? Why do we turn to each other during the Apostles' Creed? Why do we instruct our young people in the means of Grace? What are the sacraments of the church and what makes a sacrament a sacrament? What is the mystery of the Trinity?

These are only a few "tip of the iceberg" sort of to say questions that Luther himself also struggled with. What about YOU?

Can YOU quote one of the most powerful and meaningful statements made when he was asked to recant his beliefs "here I stand, I cannot do otherwise, God help me" when challenged with your questions and faith walk? With the help of God and continuing education you CAN!

Please join us on Sunday November 12, 2017 for the celebration of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation for Region Three West. We will join together with our sister churches at Calvary Lutheran in East Meadow at 4:00 pm. More details to follow.

Your Deacons:

Doug Brosky

Betsy Lazarek

Debbie Vergara

Anthony Cavaliere

Peg Ruhs

Lynn Waldeck

Kathy Funfgeld





Your Church Council has been very busy working throughout the summer on Trinity's budget and school planning, along with many other issues.

The October Voters Meeting will be held on October 24 in the Multipurpose Room starting at 7:30pm. At the meeting you can expect to review the re-forecasted budget. We will also have a special presentation on Trinity's overall debt. We will spark conversation on debt reduction and the commitment this congregation needs to make. There will be many other important presentations that you will not want to miss.

It goes without saying that your Church Council is committed to being efficient with your time and making our meetings as informative as possible.

Please consider attending this important meeting. I would be remiss if I didn't bring up the fact we still have one position open on Church Council and would love to speak to you before the meeting if you are thinking of taking this plunge. If you are considering this commitment, please pray on your decision and contact Dan Pugliese as soon as possible.

As always we look forward to seeing you at worship and on Tuesday, October 24 at 7:30pm.

Yours in Christ,

Dan Pugliese, *Church Council President* and Trinity's Church Council

The Good News *From the Minister of Music*

Some Notes and Explanation of our Liturgy – Part 2

PRAYER OF THE DAY – This is sometimes called the collect, it is a "collection" of the themes for the day as found in the scripture readings that we will hear that Sunday. It is often preceded by the SALUTATION, often this short response which the Pastor says "The Lord be with you," to which we respond "and also with you" is tossed off with little thought, but it is actually a brief prayer of the pastor for the people and the people for the pastor.



READINGS – We then hear the Word of God. These readings, many of you may not realize, are not chosen by the pastors, but are on a 3-year cycle centered around the seasons of the Church Year. These cycles are followed by a number of denominations; when we hear these readings, we hear readings that many Christians hear worldwide. In the Old Testament lesson we hear God's promise to save His people. This lesson will often relate to the Gospel to come. The Epistle (meaning "letter") comes from one of the Apostle's letters and applies God's Word to our daily lives. To each of these readings we respond "Thanks be to God," an expression of joy at hearing God's Word. The Gospel lesson is the climax of our readings, hearing the words of Jesus during His ministry. We stand in reverence and sing our Alleluias and acclamations in praise of Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY – the hymn of the day is a uniquely Lutheran concept. We often use the hymn of the day that is appointed for each Sunday by our national church body. The hymn of the day harmonizes with the lessons for the day and the church year, stressing a theme common to the day. You will often find that same theme in the other hymns that we sing as well.

SERMON – the sermon expounds and explains the scripture readings appointed for the day. It is often based on at least one of the readings for that day. As Lutherans we hear Law and Gospel preached, the Law showing us our sin, and the Gospel showing God's grace and forgiveness through Jesus our Savior.

As we celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the event that launched the Reformation, we would do well to consider some of what Martin Luther wrote that is relevant to stewardship. Stewardship is the responsibility of every Christian. It involves the dedicated and consummate use of our time, energy, talents and resources in the service of the Kingdom of God. We commit to this responsibility every time we utter the opening words of The Apostles' Creed: "I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth."

Luther had this to say about these words of the creed, for, as we profess them, we acknowledge God's sovereign authority over all we have and are.

". . . God the Father has not only given us all that we have and see before our eyes, but daily preserves and defends us against all evil and misfortune, averts all sorts of danger and calamity; and that He does all this out of pure love and goodness, without our merit, as a benevolent Father, who cares for us that no evil befall us. . . Now, since all that we possess, and, moreover, whatever, in addition, is in heaven and upon the earth, is daily given, preserved, and kept for us by God, it is readily inferred and concluded that it is our duty to love, praise, and thank Him for it without ceasing, and, in short, to serve Him with all these things, as He demands and has enjoined in the Ten Commandments."

"We ought, therefore, daily to practice this article, impress it upon our mind, and to remember it in all that meets our eyes, and in all good that falls to our lot, and wherever we escape from calamity or danger, that it is God who gives and does all these things, that therein we sense and see His Paternal heart and his transcendent love toward us. Thereby the heart would be warmed and kindled to be thankful, and to employ all such good things to the honor and praise of God." (Luther's Larger Catechism, Concordia Publishing House, Saint Louis; 2010; pp. 84-85)

As we acknowledge God as the Lord over our lives, we must function as His stewards. All that He has given us we are commissioned to use for His glory.

TIME, TALENT and TREASURE

Time... Stewardship Reflection

Stewardship is not optional. "None of us lives as his own master and none of us dies as his own master," says St Paul. "While we live, we are responsible to the Lord, and when we die, we die as his servant." What have you done to be a good servant? Have you noticed someone missing from church lately? Did you reach out to them to make sure they are ok and that they were missed? Sometimes that simple "I missed you in church last week" can mean a lot to someone.



Talent... Stewardship Ministries

Trinity is comprised of many groups and committees. Get involved! Each one is always looking for volunteers and new members. Have you checked out all of the various Bible studies? What about our outreach ministries? You are wanted and needed! There are so many groups, like something for our little ones like VOTY, to our Community Garden for those with the desire to be outdoors and give back to our community. Our Board of Properties is always looking for help especially as we get closer to the winter months. They will need help clearing the property of snow for church and school. How can your talent serve Trinity?



Treasure... Tithes

Total giving (as of 9/10/2017)- \$89,270

Last year after 11 weeks - \$92,249 (\$4,979 difference)

Have you considered online giving? You can set up your account to automatically give each week. Have you possibly missed a few Sundays due to summer vacation? Now is the time to catch up on those envelopes. We need to continue to support all of the ministries at Trinity and your giving is an important piece of that.



The Board of Properties is made up of several individuals who attempt to maintain our church, school and parsonage(s). Often that stretches our physical and financial resources. But we would like to keep the congregation informed of our most recent activities. Below are just 5 of the bigger projects we have completed:



- Water efficient fountain on the second floor of the school
- An air conditioner for Room 103
- Exhaust fans for the "Critter Room"
- Assembled greenhouse and replaced outdoor lighting on the patio
- Installed dry wells in the ECC playground to alleviate flooding

Below are several projects that need our attention:



- Outside gardens and flower beds
- Replace hot water circulator pump in 97 West Nicholai Street
- Repair leak in walls of church
- Rug for church
- Repair/Replace parking lot lighting

Sometimes we just need a second hand. If you would like to help at ANY time, even if it is one time, such as decorating for Christmas, you are most welcome. If you can't physically help us, you can financially support specific projects. Simply contact the BOP@trinityhicksville.org or the church office. Also see our bulletin board outside the Cafeteria.

Stirring Sounds Coffee House



Come join us!

Saturday, October 28, 2017
7:30pm-9:30pm



Listen to free live Christian rock music by
Parousia and enjoy complimentary assorted
coffees, teas & desserts

Trinity Lutheran Church & School
40 West Nicholai Street, Hicksville

Trinity Lutheran School is off to a fantastic start! The faculty and staff “hit the ground running” with two excellent days of professional development. The Back to School BBQ was very well attended. All families and staff did a great job in welcoming everyone to the “Trinity Family.” The faculty and staff met the students with bright shining faces as they walked into their first day of school. All were excited to start the new year!

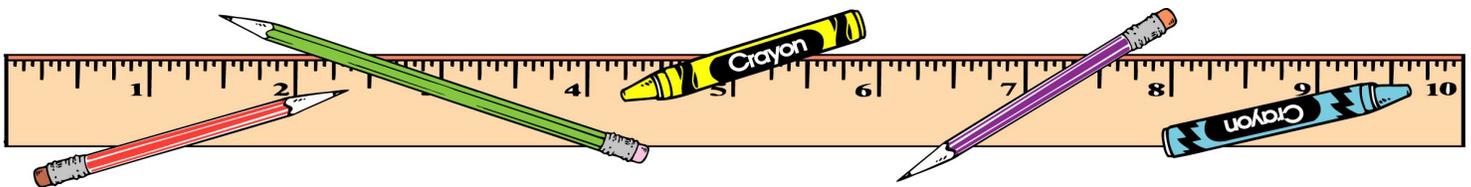
Trinity’s Back to School Nights were both informational and inspirational. Parents were eager to learn about the exciting improvements Ms. Mazza and the faculty have made to the curriculum. They were also delighted to see the Art Room improvements, our new shades and our greenhouse that’s located on the patio outside of the school library.

We are looking forward to a very busy month ahead! Bishop Derek Lecakes will formally present us with our Lutheran School Association Accreditation during chapel on October 4.

We will hold our first Open House of the year on Saturday October 21 at 10:00 AM.

Our 7th graders will be making their annual Camp Koinonia trip the second week in October. The volleyball and football teams are ready to start their seasons.

As October approaches we look forward to celebrating the Reformation’s 500th anniversary!



The Good News
Early Childhood Center News



Trinity’s Early Childhood Center’s school year is in full swing. It is so wonderful to have the children back and to hear the classrooms and hallways filled with sounds of the children laughing, singing, and learning.

Our smallest toddler children are enjoying their first school experience and are adjusting to the time away from Mommy and Daddy. In the coming weeks our nursery children will be celebrating “Color Days” and visiting the Pumpkin Farm. Our Pre-K children are busy learning about healthy habits, school safety, and hearing many new stories. They will also visit the Pumpkin Farm in

October. All of our children are learning stories of God’s love and that they always have a friend in Jesus!

Our Early Childhood Center Parent Night is scheduled for the evening of October 17. We will look forward to showing the parents all that is going on during our busy school days.

Carolyn Gallegos,
ECC Director





The mission of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League is to assist each woman of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod in affirming her relationship with the Triune God so that she is enabled to use her gifts in ministry to the people of the world. Our motto is "To serve the Lord with gladness!" Psalm 100:2

All women who are communicant members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are eligible for membership. We encourage you to become an active member of our society! What does it mean to be a part of this ministry? It means that you will be encouraged to seek out and serve the needs of people in our community and in the world.

Each year we put together food baskets for both church members, and those in need in our community, at the request and approval of our pastor. These baskets are distributed in February, July, Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Layettes are shipped to the New Life Center in Uniondale and to the Appalachia area. Quilts are made for those in need and given to Lutheran Social Services for distribution. Hospice Kits will be put together and shipped to Global Ministries, and in turn, shipped around the world.

Four fundraisers are held at Trinity each year in an effort to support various needs both within and outside of our church. We also hold three Coffee Hours during the year, using the proceeds to support our mission work.

Last, but not least are our mite boxes/envelopes. When the proceeds from these mites are gathered together with the Atlantic District churches, over \$20 million, or more, is raised to support many, many ministries in the United States and abroad.

Helen Peter,
President

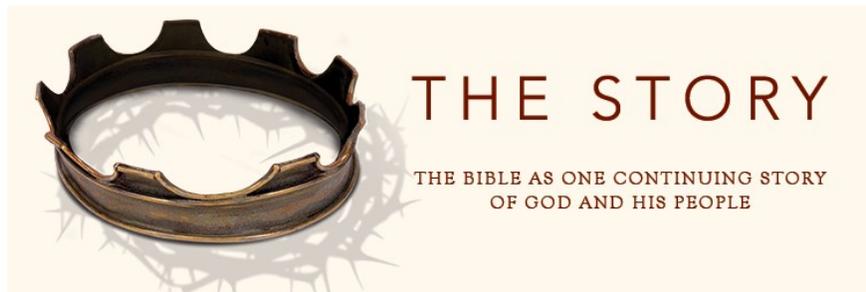
The Good News
V.O.T.Y. (Visions of Tomorrow's Youth)

V.O.T.Y. is back!



A new school year is underway and we are all so excited!! This year we are doing something new. V.O.T.Y. is piggy-backing Sunday School. Time for the parents! They can attend church, Bible study, coffee hour or fellowship or maybe stay with their child! V.O.T.Y. is open to children ages 3 to 12. Save the dates:

October 22 - 10:45 AM to 12:00 PM
November 26 - 10:45 AM to 12:00 PM



It's September already! Where did the summer go? We are back to school, Sunday school, cooler days and the restarting of our many opportunities to study God's Word.

One of the opportunities offered last year was "The Story," where we had the privilege to study the Old Testament in an overview looking at God's never-wavering plan to reconcile us to Him.

Beginning on September 12, we are going to resume that journey as we move into the New Testament with the long awaited arrival of the promised Messiah, and the fulfillment of God's plan.

The study will meet on Tuesday afternoons at 3:30 pm, and again on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm beginning September 12 and 13, and continue in the following weeks concluding on November 14 and 15.

This is your story. This is my story. This is God's story. Join us to discover, renew and strengthen your relationship with our Lord. Even if you did not join us for the Old Testament sessions you are welcome, and encouraged, to join us as we complete the journey this fall. You can contact Pastor Hopkins or Doug Brosky to obtain more information.

October 3 and 4	Chapter 25	Jesus, the Son of God
October 10 and 11	Chapter 26	The Hour of Darkness
October 17 and 18	Chapter 27	The Resurrection
October 24 and 25	Chapter 28	New Beginnings
October 31 and November 1	Chapter 29	Paul's Mission
November 7 and 8	Chapter 30	Paul's Final Days
November 14 and 15	Chapter 31	The End of Time



DO YOU LIKE TO BOWL? Come out and join the fun with the LuHi Bowling League! It doesn't matter if you're new to bowling or a seasoned kegger. The league meets at Syosset Lanes on Monday nights at 8:30pm. You get to enjoy three games of bowling for fun with proceeds donated to LuHi. For more information you can contact Bob Gross at 516-433-9828.

It is my pleasure to share with you some interesting facts about the very unique, original art pieces adorning our church and school. Before I write, I must pay tribute to the man responsible for not only procuring many of the pieces but also designing and creating his own, for all of us to enjoy: Stanley Kramer (1940-2009) our beloved Teaching Minister, Art Director, Colleague and Friend -- THANKS STAN!

This month we will take a closer look at the "Tree of Life" sculpture erected in 1984 located in Trinity's Youth Senior Room. The central figure is cast in white stone. The tree and root system is a combination of woods and metals. There are 300 (2"x3") brass, engraved plates attached to the sculpture.

Artist's Description: "The Risen Christ -- who is the Tree of Life -- wears a robe of Triumph in which a tree is interwoven. Christ, once crucified and overcome on a tree, by a tree now overcomes. And as His people, we find our life and sustenance rooted in Him. The nameplates are placed within the tree's root system and trunk."

Purpose: Emeritus Pastor John Krahn commissioned Lutheran artist LeRoy Schwen to create this particular piece of art for one sole reason: to celebrate LIFE -- this life, the afterlife, our community's life, and the community of saints. The sculpture's purpose was to memorialize loved ones, celebrate happy occasions, express gratitude and thanksgiving, to honor special people in our lives, commemorate events, be a focal point of our togetherness and thus extend Trinity's ministry.

About the Artist: Roy Schwen is a sculptor, painter and teacher whose work is represented in Lutheran institutions and public and private collections in New York, New England and the Midwest. His three-dimensional work is rendered in a variety of media: including bronze, wood, stone, Plexiglas and metal. Schwen has been commissioned by Lutheran churches in the New York area to do sculptures significant to that parish yet universal in Christian theme.

by Ellen Kerwin





“LCMS Disaster Response is committed to helping hurricane victims for the next three years, as tens of thousands of people who have lost all their earthly goods begin to rebuild their lives. As we continue caring for people in the wake of Harvey and Irma, we also are preparing to respond — along with our LCMS missionaries in the area — to Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic. In the stead of a multitude of generous Lutheran partners, we are committed to providing body-and-soul care to individuals and entire communities.”

— REV. DR. ROSS JOHNSON, LCMS DISASTER RESPONSE DIRECTOR

To Give:

- **Online** — Visit lcms.org/harveyandirma.
- **By text** — Text “LCMSHARVEY” or “LCMSIRMA” to 41444.
- **Over the phone** — Call the LCMS toll-free gift line between 8 a.m. and 4:10 p.m. Central time at 888-930-4438 or the LCMS Church Information Center at 888-843-5267.
- **By mail** — Make checks payable to “The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod” (or “LCMS”). On the memo line, write “Disaster Response/Relief,” and mail to the LCMS, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO, 63166-6861. Gifts also can be designated specifically for Hurricane Harvey and/or affected areas by stipulating in the memo line.

Gifts are tax-deductible as allowed by law. Additional information about our LCMS response, and the impact your gifts are having, will be available over the weeks and months ahead at lcms.org, on the Synod’s social-media outlets, and in our official periodicals and publications.

Prayer:

Father of mercy, God of all comfort, our only help in time of need, with the dawn of a new day renew the hope of Your children. You are the God who brings light out of darkness, and You can turn adversity into blessing. We beg you to show Yourself a very present help in time of trouble to all who cry out to You this day; through Christ our Lord. Amen

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NewsLetter DEADLINE

Articles and information for the NOVEMBER 2017 newsletter are due no later than noon on **Monday, October 23!**
Please email your submissions to kmerz@trinityhicksville.org



TRINITYLIYOUTH

Junior Youth

Fall
2017

Coffee Hours:
10/1 11/19

EVENTS:

September 22 7:30-9:30 pm***
FUEL, \$5

October 1 12-3pm
Family Beach BBQ, Jones Beach Field 6

October 13 7:30-9:30 pm
FUEL, \$5

October 14 10 am-?
Pumpkin Picking, bring \$ for pumpkin &
food

October 20 7:30-10:30 pm
Ice Skating, \$10 plus \$ for snacks

October 27 7:30-9:30 pm
Halloween Party, \$5

November 3 7:30-9:30 pm
FUEL, \$5

November 11, 12 pm
Mall Movie \$10 plus \$ for lunch/snacks

November 17 7:30-9:30 pm
Thanksgiving FUEL, \$5

December 1 7:30-9:30 pm
FUEL, \$5

December 22 7:30-9:30 pm
Christmas Party, \$5

*Please note our new time
for FUEL events!*

*On 9/22 we will be having a parent
meeting from 7:30-8, for your
child to participate in Youth
Events, your attendance is
necessary. Please e-mail us if you
cannot make it!*



@trinityliyouth



Trinity Lutheran
Youth Group



Text @ tljryouth
to 81010



youth@trinityli.org

*VOTY Events
10:45-?*

9/24 Water Balloons

10/22 Halloween Party

11/26 Gingerbread Houses



TRINITYLIYOUTH

Senior Youth

Fall
2017

Coffee Hours:
10/1 11/19

EVENTS:

September 24 12:30-?
Wings & Football
@ Buffalo Wild Wings
bring \$ for food

October 1 12-3pm
Family Beach BBQ, Jones Beach Field 6

October 14, 10 am-?
Pumpkin Picking
bring \$ for pumpkins & snacks

October 17, 7:30 pm
Servant Event 2018 Meeting

October 28 8:30 am-?
Fright Fest
\$57, buy ticket online

November 5, 12-5
Football @ Andy & Jenn's

November 18 3-7 P.M.
Muddworks (Pottery Painting) & Ice Cream
\$30 for Muddworks, \$ for Ice Cream

December 8, 5:30 pm
Bryant Park Christmas Market
\$20 for train, \$ for food/shopping

December 15 7:30 pm
Family Christmas Dinner

Don't see an
event that peaks
your interest?
Text/email us
your ideas & we'll
make it happen!



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Trinity Lutheran
Youth Group



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to 81010



youth@trinityli.org

VOTY Events
10:45-?

9/24 Water Balloons

10/22 Halloween Party

11/26 Gingerbread Houses

Trinity Lutheran Church and School's

Fall Festival

Saturday, September 30, 2017

(RAIN OR SHINE)

10 AM - 3PM



- Premier All-Star Cheer and Gymnastics - Live Demonstrations and Tutorials
- Come Meet Lily the Comfort Dog
- Wax Hands are Back from NY Inflatables
- Scavenger Hunt in the Community Garden Pumpkin Prizes
- Fire Department Demonstrations and Giveaways

●Boy Scouts - Camping Demonstrations by Troop 291 ●Food

●Purchase Handmade Crafts ●EMT - Free Blood Pressure Check and EpiPen Training

●Kids Baking Competition ●Live Music/Entertainment ●Children's Bingo with Prizes

●Paint a Pumpkin ●Gaga Pit ●Games ●Make Your Own Crafts

Join us on Trinity's Playground

40 West Nicholai Street

Hicksville, NY 11801



REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete the form below and mail with check payable to **The Cure Starts Now with Mandy's Mark** in the memo section to:

Thomas Kuck, P O Box 723, Hicksville NY 11801

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Mobile Phone: _____

Email: _____

Golfers in my Foursome: _____

Dinner Guests

Yes! I would like to support The Cure Starts Now by making a contribution of \$ _____

- Foursome for Golf & Dinner **\$1000**
- Individual Golfer **\$250** Dinner Only **\$100**
- Mandy's Mark Title Sponsor **\$3000**
- Birdie Sponsor **\$2000** Par Sponsor **\$1500**
- Additional Sponsors: (please specify)

I am unable to attend but wish to support this event with a contribution of \$ _____

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Mandy's Mark - The New York Chapter of The Cure Starts Now was formed in honor of Amanda "Mandy" Kuck who was diagnosed with Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG) on June 6, 2015. DIPG is an extremely rare tumor affecting approximately 300 children a year. DIPG affects the pons portion of the brainstem, rendering nervous system functions impossible. Mandy's parents discovered that since this disease, like most childhood cancers, was considered "rare," there was little or no government funding to pay for the research needed to find answers. DIPG receives a minuscule slice of the 4% of research funding allocated for all pediatric cancers by the National Cancer Institute.

That day, Mandy's parents were given staggering statistics about median survival ranging from 9 to 12 months; children with DIPG have a less than 10% chance of surviving 2 years. Mandy underwent 6 weeks of radiation therapy at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center. Sadly, Mandy earned her angel wings on January 25, 2016.

Mandy was courageous, easy-going, thoughtful, kind, helpful, confident and reliable. Although timid at first, once she let you in, she wouldn't let go. She idolized her big brother and loved babies, possessing an innate motherly instinct. Even when she could not communicate, she taught us to be strong. To be brave. To fight for what we want. That it's okay to be strong-willed and stubborn. To not be afraid to be yourself. Her parents are so proud of Mandy and the mark she continues to leave on all those she's touched! "We are beyond blessed to have been chosen to be Mandy's parents and will forever remain awed by her strength, faith and resiliency".

Thank You! Your support will improve kids' chances and help keep doctors and researchers on course for a cure!



The Cure Starts Now Cancer Research Foundation 501(c)(3) Federal Non-Profit is one of the only cancer foundations dedicated to a "homerun" cure for all cancers, starting first with one of the most deadly and difficult cancers: pediatric brain cancer. Many experts believe that the lessons we learn from fighting pediatric cancer may in fact provide us the critical first step in winning the battle against all forms of cancer, both pediatric and adult.

The Cure Starts Now's mission is one that knows no boundaries and stops at no borders. It is an international effort of families, friends, businesses and even strangers, united in the desire to cure cancer, one child at a time. And it all started with one child, but today the inspiration is carried with us all.

All proceeds of this event will benefit The Cure Starts Now - NY Chapter

The Cure Starts Now Fundraiser For Pediatric Brain Cancer In Memory of Amanda Kuck

Mandy's Mark MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

Friday, October 13, 2017
Shotgun Start 11:30am



TAM O'SHANTER
- COUNTRY CLUB -

74 Fruitledge Rd, Brookville, New York



Help Mandy Make Her Mark

Friday, October 13, 2017



Please join us and help Mandy continue to make her Mark in the fight against pediatric brain cancer and the search for a 'home run cure' for all cancers.

If you are interested in getting involved as a sponsor or to donate items for raffles, please contact mandysmarkgolf@gmail.com.

HELP FUND RESEARCH FOR A CURE

All proceeds from this event will be donated to The Cure Starts Now - NY Chapter founded by Mandy's parents, Kim and Tom Kuck.

For more information visit the foundation website: TheCureStartsNow.org



THE CURE STARTS NOW

The Cure Starts Now Fundraiser For Pediatric Brain Cancer In Memory of Amanda Kuck

REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES:

- Foursome for Golf and Dinner
- Locker Room Facilities
- Driving Range
- Greens Fees
- Golf Cart
- Breakfast
- Lunch and Refreshments on Course
- Cocktails and Dinner

FEES:

- Foursome for Golf and Dinner \$1000
- Individual Golfer \$250
- Dinner Only \$100

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

- Check-in and Continental Breakfast 10:00am
- Shotgun Start 11:30pm
- BBQ Lunch on Course 1:00pm
- Cocktails and Grande Buffet Dinner 5:00pm
- Raffles and Awards 6:00pm



Mandy's Mark MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING

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