



Tradewinds

The newsletter of Trinity Lutheran Church
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Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship 8:00am and 10:45am

Evening Prayer on Wednesdays 7:00pm

The 8:00am Sunday and 7:00pm Wednesday services
are livestreamed on Trinity's Facebook page.

Greetings saints of Trinity,

November 1st is All Saints Day. It is a day for the church to commemorate all the saints who have died but have been part of our lives here on earth. On the first Sunday in November, we celebrate All Saints Sunday. Worship on this day includes reading the names of our loved ones who have joined the saints triumphant over the last twelve months. In addition to hearing those names in worship, you are invited to bring photos of saints who have impacted your lives. We have ample space in the sanctuary on windowsills and in pews beside us to place these photos in and around us on All Saints Sunday. Friends, this will be a Sunday full of memories, tears, and smiles. Friends, being surrounded by photos of all these saints will remind us of those who have supported us, taught us, loved us, and helped us grow in life and faith. These photos will be interspersed with our own faces. Our faces are the faces of the saints here and now. Our faces, young and old, familiar and new, happy and sad, show God's presence in this place here and now. In the midst of this sea of faces, there will also be some extra space. We will see the saints of the past, we will see the saints now, and we will leave space for the saints yet to come. Those who have not yet found this family of faith, those who are still searching for a church family, those who are longing to be invited into this space, and the generations that have yet to follow.

What I love most about All Saints Sunday is this strange mix of past, present, and future. I believe that as the church we are always living in this liminal (in between) time. Yet on All Saints Sunday, it becomes much more visible. We look back at who we have been because of the saints in our lives. We look around at who we are now because of who God created and calls us to be. We look forward to what this family of faith will look like in the future as faces in this place change, grow, and increase.

If you join us regularly for worship online, you are welcome to share photos in the comments during worship that Sunday. We would love to have an online gallery as well.

Photos can be placed in the sanctuary any time after worship on October 29th. Photos can be collected throughout the week of November 6th. Thank you for being a saint in this place and for celebrating the saints in your life with all of us.

+peace, *Pastor Jen*