

PARISH NOTICES
October 18, 2026

United Thank Offering: The blue U.T.O. boxes are available in the back of the church. Please take a box home with you. We will collect them on October 31st & November 1st.

Save the Dates! Upcoming special services at Trinity will include: **Solemn Choral Evenson** on Saturday, November 21 at 5:30 pm; **Thanksgiving Eve Eucharist** on Wednesday, November 25 at 6:00 pm; and our next **5th Sunday Combined Service** on Sunday, November 29 at 10:30 am for the First Sunday of Advent.

Schedule Change: Our next Pub(lic) Theology night will not be on October 20, but on Tuesday, October 27, at 6:30 pm.

Fall Outreach: In October, we will be raising money for our Thanksgiving outreach. Linda Bennett has volunteered to help identify families in need, Steve Turner will coordinate purchasing food from Piggly-Wiggly, and we will supply a full Thanksgiving meal plus food for the whole week for the families.

Hungry Birds: Donations of waste free songbird food are needed for our local birds.

Necrology: The All Saints-All Souls Commemoration will take place on the weekend of October 31-November 1. Please fill out the Necrology insert or contact the office with names to be included in the Prayers for the Departed.

Please Share Your Thoughts: As we get ready for the next stewardship and outreach season, we would really like to know what stewardship means to you. Is there something you would like to see more of? What makes you proud to be a member of Trinity? *What gets you excited or would get you excited to participate in a Trinity event or community project?* **What sparks your willingness to give your time, talents, treasure?** Please share your thoughts with us on the back of the note cards in the church and the library & put them in the designated boxes. Including your name will help if we have any questions about your ideas.

Ministry Scheduler Pro (MSP): The ministry schedule for November, December, and January will be generated the last week of this month. An email was sent asking everyone to set their service preferences and to note the dates they are unavailable to serve. Please make these changes by October 26. Contact the office with any questions.

Trick-or-Treat at Trinity: Trinity is celebrating All Saints Day on November 1st! During Sunday School, which is from 9:15-10:15 a.m., we will host a trick-or-treat throughout Trinity. We will visit different saints and learn about their lives. There will be a volunteer sheet for adults to sign up to portray a saint.



Our Diocesan **Seeds of Faith Initiative Advent Godly Play Days** are upon us! Trinity will again host an Advent Godly Play day on **December 5, 2026** from **10 am to 1 pm**. The event includes age-appropriate activities for children 0-12, a time of adult formation, and a fellowship meal. **Cost: Free!** Funding is provided by Lilly Endowment, Inc. Questions? Contact Dean Melissa Cowden at melissacowden@wvdiocese.org. To register, scan the QR code.

HALLOWTIDE		
<i>The period of time from the evening of October 31 to November 2 is sometimes call "Hallowtide" or "The All Saints Triduum." They are three days when we remember the departed in a particular way.</i>		
ALL HALLOWS' EVE October 31	ALL SAINTS' DAY November 1	ALL SOULS' DAY November 2
Historically, the day before All Saints' was kept as a vigil in preparation for the celebration of the Feast. Today our culture generally keeps it with merriment, goodies, and children dressing up in costumes ranging from the ridiculous to the terrifying.	This day commemorates the saints who are enjoying the presence of God, both those whose names we know (e.g. Mary, Francis, Patrick) as well as those who passed away and their names and deeds remain unknown to us.	All Souls' Day is a day on which we remember "those we love, but see no longer," and pray that God would "let light perpetual shine upon them." (BCP, 504) It is traditional to have a "Requiem Mass" or "Eucharist of Remembrance" on this day.
Vigil Eucharist, 5:30 PM	Spoken Eucharist, 8:00 AM Solemn Choral Eucharist, 10:30 AM (note: Incense at the 10:30 liturgy)	Solemn Requiem Mass, 6:00 pm in Trevor Chapel (note: Incense at the 6:00 liturgy)

The Diocese of West Virginia provides online services of **Noonday Prayer** and **Compline** via Zoom. All are welcome to join these short services. Noonday begins at 12:05 on weekdays and Compline at 7:00 pm every day.

Noonday Zoom address: 894 9007 8519 passcode: 343 473
Compline-address: 813 3859 0479 passcode: 966 554