PARISH NOTICES

Temporary Job Opening at Good Shepherd: The Good Shepherd custodian will be on a planned, extended winter trip from Dec. 6 through Jan. 8. They are looking to hire a college student home for winter break (or two working together) to cover his duties while he is away. For one, it would be 18 hours/week, over 3 or 4 days at $16/hour. For two sharing the job, it would be $10/hour for reduced hours to be mutually agreed upon. Duties include cleaning restrooms, mopping, vacuuming, dusting, removing trash, etc. Spread the word to interested applicants and have them contact the GS parish office at 304-428-1525.

Christmas Outreach: In November, we will be raising money for our Christmas outreach. Linda Bennett has volunteered to help identify families in need, Steve Turner will coordinate purchasing food from the Plum Street Market, and we will supply a full Christmas meal, presents for children, and food for the whole week for the families.

Adopt A Family—Personal Care Packets: Good Shepherd's "Adopt-a-Family" program provides Christmas presents, school supplies, food, and clothing to needy families in the area. Each year, Trinity helps by supplying personal care packages. The easiest way for YOU to help is by contributing money earmarked for this cause.

JULIET's December Gathering: This dinner group which is open to women from both Trinity and Good Shepherd will meet on **Tuesday, December 1st at 1:00 PM** at the I Don't Care Eatery & Spirits in Vienna. Please plan to attend and let the parish office know by November 30th if you will be there.

Sunday, November 29, Fifth Sunday: Sharing fellowship with your Trinity family is the best way to celebrate the holiday season. Sharing food, sharing love, sharing faith – we will do it all on November 29th after the 10:30 a.m. service. Please add your name, the number attending, and the food you will bring to share on the sign-up sheets in the church or library.

Thank you: Many thanks to Rob Butcher and the Butcher Family Farm for donating the gourds, pumpkins, and beautiful crythansiums for our Harvest Altar.

Parkersburg Christmas Parade: Trinity will be offering cookies and hot chocolate to the parade participants on December 5th. Donations of cookies, brownies, and other treats are needed. Drop off donations to the church by 9 a.m. Saturday. Volunteers will also be needed from 10:30 a.m. till 12:30 p.m. to hand out the treats. Please email stewardshipattrinity@gmail.com or call the office if you can help. Dress warm and meet at the church at 9:30 a.m. to carpool or come to Parkersburg High School, 2101 Dudley Avenue at 10:15 a.m.



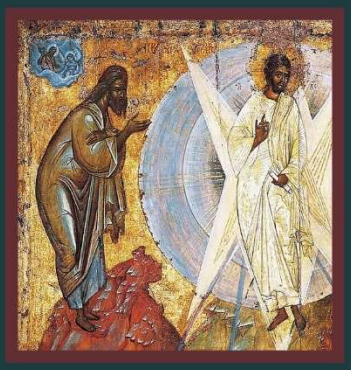
Our Diocesan **Seeds of Faith Initiative Advent Godly Play Days** are upon us! Trinity will again host an Advent Godly Play day on **December 5, 2026** from **10 am to 1 pm**. The event includes age-appropriate activities for children 0-12, a time of adult formation, and a fellowship meal. **Cost: Free!**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

Advent Adult Religious Education

Ex Oriente Lux

Light from the East

Sundays, December 6 & 13 at Noon



The beautiful traditions of Orthodoxy can seem strange, mystical and even exotic to Western Christians. Yet Eastern Christian spirituality, customs, and theology offer insights into the Christian faith from which we could fruitfully benefit. This Advent, Fr. Geoff Mackey will provide an introduction to the thought and customs of the Christian East, drawing on his time as a priest and seminary professor in the Byzantine Church. Join us at noon on December 6 and 13 for some refreshment and a time to explore this rich feast of Christian spirituality that can inform our own experience of God's grace and mercy as we prepare to celebrate Christmas.

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