PARISH NOTICES
November 29th, 2026

Pastoral Care: If you or a loved one is in the hospital, please inform the parish for prayer and so that the Rector can visit you. It is also customary, before surgery or other major medical procedure, to have prayer and anointing by a priest beforehand. If you would like this sacramental ministry, please let the Rector know.

Christmas Outreach: In November and December, 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.

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.

First Lutheran Church: Annual Cookeez Sale Sat Dec 12 from 10am-12pm. Cookies, cakes, candy, breads, pies, and crafts. Cookies will be sold by the dozen. Come early for the best selection.

SEEDS OF FAITH

ADVENT GODLY PLAY DAYS

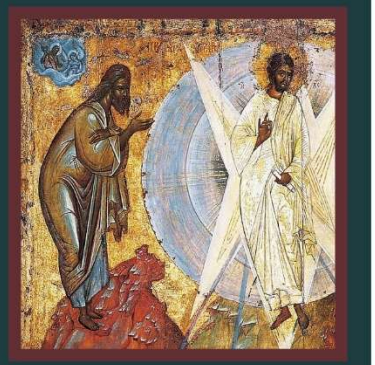
Our Diocesan **Seeds of Faith Initiative Advent Godly Play Days** are upon us! Trinity will again host an Advent Godly Play day on **December 5, 2026** from **10 am to 1 pm**. The event includes age-appropriate activities for children 0-12, a time of adult formation, and a fellowship meal. **Cost: Free!** 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.