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# Trinity Tidings

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## News From Pastor Ryan

### DAVID

Greetings friends,

November is here and soon we will be headed into the holiday season! I pray you'll take a few moments this month to think of the things you are truly thankful for and celebrate God's blessings upon your life.

We will spend much of the month of November talking about David! David is probably my favorite (non-Divine) character in the Bible! So often when we think of David we have a very small picture. We might consider the young David slaying Goliath.

Maybe, if we paid attention in Sunday School, we might have memories of David as a mighty warrior and King. Some will recall David falling into sin with Bathsheba and sending Uriah to his death.

The reality is, David is far from perfect. He is a complex and flawed person and the Bible does not try to hide that. However, despite his struggles and failures, there's a specific quality that David is always remembered for. David was a man after God's own heart.

*"the Lord has sought out a man after his own heart and appointed him ruler of his people" 1 Samuel 13:14*

It's interesting that King Saul came before David, and when God saw that Saul wasn't going to be a faithful king; God removed him. David makes many mistakes during his reign as king, he sins against God and others, and David is never removed from his throne. David is a reminder that having a heart for God doesn't always mean we get things right. It certainly doesn't mean we are perfect. It does, however, mean that when we miss the mark we ask for God's forgiveness and restoration. We must continue to pursue God's righteousness. David missed the mark many times, but consistently returns to the love of his Creator. The sins of David's flesh never disqualified him from serving God's purpose, because his spirit always returned to the Lord.

As we unpack the story of David, think of all the ways we can learn from this imperfect instrument of God's will. If David can be a man after God's own heart, surely we can too!

*-Pastor Ryan*



**October 31st:**  
The Story You Know

**November 7th:**  
The Coming King  
& All Saints Day  
Remembrance

**November 14th:**  
The Sins of the Father  
& Veteran's Day  
Remembrance

**November 21st:**  
The Song of David  
& Welcoming New  
Members

**November 28th:**  
Lift Your Hands  
Advent begins!  
We are looking for  
families to give special  
advent readings and light  
the advent candles.

**December 5th:**  
Bring Your Gifts

**December 12th:**  
Pour Out Your Heart

**December 19th:**  
Bow Your Knees &  
Children's Program

**December 24th:**  
7:00 pm  
Worship the Newborn  
King!



**Council meets  
at the Church  
monthly on the  
2nd Monday at  
7:00 pm**

## Council Minutes: September

The Trinity United Church of Christ, Elliston Church Council met on Monday, September 13 at 7 pm. Desirae McCloskey, President, called meeting to order. Pastor Ryan opened with prayer.

Those in attendance were as follows: President Desirae McCloskey, Vice President Luke Sutter, Pastor Ryan, Ashley Gahler, Connie Gahler, Brad Jess, Jim Laughlin, Ed Gahler, Jim Buhro, Brianne Perry, Troy Wittman, Bonnie Weaver, and Mary Muntz

### **Reports:**

**Recording Secretary:** Meeting minutes from August meeting were read prior to the meeting by members. Motion to accept the minutes was made by first Bonne Weaver, second by Brad Jess, MC. July meeting minutes were also approved.

### **Secretary Report:**

ABC computers backup service is increasing by \$10/per month for a total of \$145/month.  
Looking into other backups service options to compare pricing  
L.A. Bexten offered price cap at \$1.39/gallon for 21/22 winter season on propane. If market price drops below, we will receive the lower price.  
Hastings Mutual Insurance Co has given a recommendation of improvements for coverage council agrees to putting a fire extinguisher in garage, pad lock on garage doors and will recommend a "hold harmless" contract with new snow removal contractor

### **Financial Report:**

Reviewed balance sheet from July and August. Motion by Bred Jess and second by Ed Gahler to approve July balance sheet, MC. Motion by Luke Sutter and second by Brad Jess to approve August balance sheet, MC.

### **Pastor Report:**

Sunday school kicked off on Sunday September 12. Adult groups broke into 2 groups  
Working with Mary to improve communications throughout church congregation  
New members class will be held on October 10

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Worship Team**

Church picnic was awesome!

#### **EFY- Branching Out and Thrive**

Sunday school started, confirmation class formed, children's church up and running

#### **Mission**

School supplies dropped off directly to school districts  
Unofficial trunk or treat/potluck on October 24

#### **Trustee Report**

Lake Erie Tree Service completed tree trimming project  
Monitoring basement water problem still  
New doors will be installed soon  
Lawn mower is fixed  
Sanctuary lights are out- new lights are hard to find/difficult to change - looking into new lights  
Need quotes for snowplow removal contractor by November  
Fall cleanup date will be coming

#### **Pastoral Relations Committee**

No update, will be meeting soon

#### **Church and Ministry**

no update

#### **2030 Team**

air condition project  
proposal to hire project manager, Roger Sheehan, as a consultant for installation of air conditioner at an hourly rate for the exploration phase of project. Responsibilities include receiving quotes, managing progress throughout entirety of install, and giving advice/recommendations throughout project  
motion by first Troy Wittman to contract Roger Sheehan for exploration of ac installation up to 15 hours at a rate of \$155/hr. Second by Brianne Perry, MC.  
Discussion of putting together a job description to move forward with employment of a youth director  
Would like to create a team including members from EFY, 2030, and council to come up with job description and responsibilities of a youth director

### **Old Business:**

First branding order was placed and should arrive soon. Link will then be available to place orders online  
Community events- checking date to volunteer as help at OHHS football concession stand  
Reception/welcome for Rhonda and Mary will take place after church on September 26



In Our  
Prayers

Kelsey Gahler & Shane Baumert and twins Riley and Ren

#### **WAYS TO HELP KELSEY & SHANE:**

##### **Card Shower:**

We would like to shower them with cards to remind them we are with them in thought and prayer as the boys continue a little while longer in the NICU.

Cards & encouraging notes may be turned into the church office or sent to: Kelsey Gahler and Shane Baumert 2476 CR 42, Gibsonburg, OH 43431

##### **Meal Train:**

Friends and Family have set up a meal train. Currently we are only asking for one meal a week. You can sign up for the meal train at <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/30nm41>

For the family of Milton Denman, Dick Denman's brother, who passed away.

##### **Those battling cancer:**

Sean Hall,  
Dustin Schmidt,  
Jean Tabbert,  
Jackie Pelton

##### **Those with long-term health concerns:**

Patty Crozier, Deanna Vizi, Joel Marquart

# Council Minutes continued

## New Business.

Connie will be getting quotes for new carpeting/flooring in sanctuary due to area where carpet was burnt from electrical problem

Motion to adjourn meeting by first Luke Sutter, second by Ed Gahler, MC.

Meeting adjourned at 8:44 by Desirae McCloskey.

Respectfully submitted, Ashley Gahler, Recording Secretary.



November's Mission Spotlight will be our Angel Tree Family for this year. Mark your envelope or check memo "Mission Spotlight".



## Memorial Thank You

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family of Rosemary Schaus, whose daughter is Nancy Turnow. We would like to thank the following for their memorials given in her name:

Lauren & Faye Milbrodt

## Memorial Thank You

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family of Dwayne Hoeft. We would like to thank the following for their memorials given in his name:

Don Bittner, Fay Bolander, Jim & Shirley Buhro, Suzanne Buhro, Don & Jan Corbin, Lee & Tracey David, Ray & Ann David, Richard & Nyla Denman, Ed & Jane Gahler, Viola Gahler, Ronald & Kathleen Giesler, Paul & Robin Hanson, Eloise Hellwig, Lauren & Faye Milbrodt, Jackie Pelton, Melvin & Norma Reif, Doyle & Helen Sommer, Don & Michelle Tabbert, Steve & Nancy Turnow, Donna Witt, Myron & Sarah Zibbel, Women's Fellowship

## Memorial Thank You

We are grateful for the gift received recently by the church from the estate of Ken Gahler.

## 3rd Quarter Mission Giving

## General Operating Fund Report

(Council approved 10/11/21)

Beginning Balance 8/1/2021	\$25,226.74
Offering/Income	\$17,416.79
Expenses	\$13,268.05
Balance 8/31/2021	\$29,375.18



## Missions Giving Update:

### REMAINING GOALS

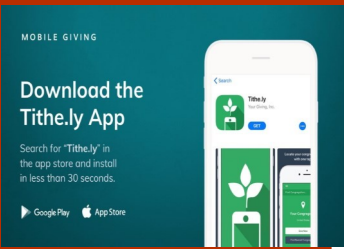
Overall Goal Exceeded

**\$2,835 Ministry Partner Goal**

Mission Spotlight- \$750

Local Food Pantries- \$2,085





Giving to your local church using Tithe.ly is super easy! We offer a number of different ways to give to your church, as listed below:

**#1 - Give on your Church Website**

The recommended way to give is to go through your church's website. They likely have a section titled "Giving" or "Online Giving" where you can give using the Tithe.ly platform. If they do not have that, you can use one of the methods listed below.

**#2 - Give Online**

If you're on a computer (or any device with an internet connection), you can easily give to your church by heading to Tithe.ly/Give. Once there, search for your church, and fill in the giving form.

**#3 - Give in App**

Want to give to your church using the convenience of your smartphone? No problem! Download the Tithe.ly App from the App Store (iPhone) or Google Play Store (Android). Once you've downloaded the app, create an account or log in, locate your church and tap "Give Now" to complete your gift!

# Children's Ministry Volunteers

Fall Quarter 2021

September 12th through November 21st

**\*\*Adult assistant helpers are still needed for Kids Church\*\***

Sunday School | 9:00 AM

Nursery (2's & 3's)	Faith Sutter (1st 6 weeks)   Jamie Kincaid (2nd 6 weeks)
PreK	Janene Lattimore   Brittany Wittman (Sub)
K-2nd	Kylene Liphart   Jamie Kincaid (Sub)
Thrive (3rd-5th Grade)	Jan Corbin
Confirmation	Pastor Ryan (6th-8th Grade)
Adult Classes	Sarah Edwards   Nancy Turnow   Kathy Giesler   Rev. Don Corbin

\*\*Branching Out Kid's Church | 10:00 AM\*\*

(Rotating Teachers Each week of the month)

Nursery (2's & 3's):

week 1 - Ashley Gahler	week 3 - Jamie Kincaid
week 2 - Rebecca Reif	week 4 - Jen Laughlin

PreK-2nd Grade:

(Adult Assistants Needed...Confirmands will fill in as teen helpers)

Week 1 Desirae McCloskey/ Veronica McMonigle (Brayden Hayes- Teen Helper)
Week 2 - Casi Johnson   _____ Assistant
Week 3 - Andrea Hayes and Ashley Zimmerman   _____ Assistant
Week 4 - Keri Ann Sager   _____ Assistant

*Let the church office know if you'd like to fill an assistant spot!*



We have created a direct link on our website for our weekly services!

If Facebook would happen to have any issues, please use the link below to find the service online.

<http://www.trinityelliston.org/livestream.html>

## Snow Plow Bid Needed For Winter 2021/2022

We are currently accepting bids for snow removal for winter 2021/2022. Bring your bids to the church office asap to be considered. Thank you.

### Trinity Logo Wear Available Online!

- T-Shirts - Sweatshirts - Hats ●

If you placed a pre-order for Trinity items they are now available for pick up and payment in the church office.

Please visit our online store to place additional orders:  
[bit.ly/trinityunitedchurchofchrist](http://bit.ly/trinityunitedchurchofchrist)



These items are to signify our commitment to CONNECT and SERVE through the ministries at Trinity and in the community! We are looking forward to using these as a sign of our shared faith in Christ and to wear when serving our community!

### Table & Chair Sign-Out

Just a reminder with holidays coming and family gathering season upon us, the sign out sheet for the tables and chairs is located in the *closet across from the office*.

Please contact the office to make sure you are on the list for the date you would like the tables and chairs. The ONLY tables that are to leave the building are the older wooden style tables.

The ONLY chairs that are to leave the building are the wooden chairs. The tables and chairs that can be taken out, are all located in the shed.

### Medical Lending Supplies

The basement kitchen area at Trinity is home to many medical supply donations. Should you or a family member or friend have need, these items are available for YOUR use! There are a few wheelchairs, arm slings, compression stockings, a shower bag for a cast, a massage cushion, first aid items such as Ace warps and Band-Aids. Please feel free to use as needed!



### Hall Use Reservations

There are forms on the wall next to the calendar. You are now required to fill out a form for any event that you would like to have in the church (including any rollover event for holiday parties - rollover dates will be allowed, but we would like the forms filled out as well). Please do not just write it on the calendar any more. Once it is reviewed, it will be added to the calendar. If you have any questions, please contact Mary.



## All Saints Remembrance

On Sunday, November 7th we will honor all our Saints who have left us this year:



Marilyn Appelhans  
Matt Perry  
Ted Bolander  
Marvin Gackstetter  
Carol Cheatham  
Robert Treat  
Dwayne Hoeft

## Christian Sympathy



### Dwayne Hoeft

Dwayne E. Hoeft, 83, of Martin, Ohio, passed away at his residence on Wednesday, October 13, 2021. He was born in Martin, Ohio on January 21, 1938, the son of Vern and Alice (Yunker) Hoeft. He graduated from Genoa High School in 1956 and married the love of his life, Eva K. (Bittner) in Elliston, Ohio on May 17, 1957. He and Eva were very faithful and active members of Trinity United Church of Christ, in Elliston, Ohio, for many years.

Dwayne was a truck driver for 30 years hauling steel across Ohio for Globe Trucking. He was proud that he hauled steel to the Toledo Jeep Plant many times throughout his career. Dwayne also farmed for most of his life, retiring in 1989. Dwayne was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather who looked forward to all family activities especially his grandchildren's athletic events, camping and traveling. Dwayne had a knack for woodworking, creating special nativity pieces, bird houses and furniture for his family and friends. He looked forward to hunting and fishing and in later years he liked to sit on his deck just enjoying the great outdoors.

Dwayne is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Eva, daughters, Beth (Tim) Powers, Tammy (Doug) Asher and son, Marty (Kristi) Hoeft, grandchildren, Joshua (Lindsay) Powers, Andrea (Jimmy) Gaul, Erica (Sean) Hall, Anthony (Jessica) Asher, Krissy Asher, Sean Hoeft and Evan Hoeft, great-grandchildren, Christian, Elijah, Avery, Timmy, Bella, Scarlett, Grant, Jasey & Jozey. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Earl Hoeft and sisters, Evelyn Gerkenmeyer and Bernadine Dipman.

Visitation will be conducted at the Robinson-Walker Funeral Home & Crematory, 501 West St. Genoa, Ohio, on Sunday, October 17, 2021, from 3:00-7:00 PM. The funeral ceremony will be held at 11:00 AM, on Monday, October 18, 2021, at Trinity United Church of Christ, 17955 W. 3rd Street, Elliston, Ohio. Interment will take place in the Allen Township Cemetery, Williston, Ohio. Immediately following the graveside service there will be a time of fellowship and meal served in the church hall, all are invited to come and celebrate Dwayne's life. The family suggests memorial contributions to the church and online condolences may be shared at [www.walkerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.walkerfuneralhomes.com)

## Thank You Notes

Trinity Church Family,  
Thank you for your prayers and words of comfort over the past two weeks. Thank you also for the beautiful flowers sent on behalf of Trinity to my mother's funeral service. My family & I appreciate your care so very much.  
~Mary Muntz

To the members of Trinity UCC,  
Thank you so much for your continued support of the BCS Food Pantry. We could not continue to help those in need without the help we receive from you and others like you. Thanks again and may God bless you and keep you healthy and happy.  
~The BCS Food Pantry

Trinity UCC,  
Thank you for your generous donation, it is greatly appreciated. The Genoa Area Community is blessed to have such wonderful, thoughtful and giving people. We are able to continue to serve those in need.  
~Robin Miller,  
Treasurer Genoa Area Community Food Pantry



## Christmas Poinsettia

Each year for Christmas Eve, the church is decorated with Poinsettias. If you wish to help beautify our sanctuary, please complete the form below. You will be allowed to take them after the Christmas Eve Service.

\_\_\_\_\_ In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_






A Donation of \$9.00 each can be made by placing this slip and money in the offering plate or lock box.  
*Due by November 28, 2021.*

All poinsettias will be **RED** this year.  
That is the only color offered by the greenhouse.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# Trinity UCC

# November 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>7 9:00 am Sunday School, Confirmation &amp; ACC 10:00 am Worship Service &amp; All Saints Remembrance</p>	<p>1 Kelsey Gahler</p>	<p>2 Election Day 8:00 am Coffee Fellowship</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 Jayson Hayes Kevin &amp; Carrie Peters (A)</p>	<p>5 Christopher Tabbert Kylene Liphart Meredith Reif Nathan Tabbert</p>	<p>6  Morgan Turnow</p>
<p>14 7:00 am Men's Breakfast 9:00 am Sunday School, Confirmation &amp; ACC 10:00 am Worship Service &amp; Veteran's Remembrance</p>	<p>8 7:00 pm Church Council</p>	<p>9 8:00 am Coffee Fellowship</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11  Analisa Turnow Christopher &amp; Kylene Liphart (A) Lauren Milbrodt</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>
<p>21 9:00 am Sunday School, Confirmation &amp; ACC 10:00 am Worship Service &amp; Welcoming New Members Brienne Perry Sam Witt</p>	<p>15 Jed Kish Tammy Asher</p>	<p>16 8:00 am Coffee Fellowship</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 Tidings Info Due</p>
<p>28 9:00 am Sunday School, Confirmation &amp; ACC 10:00 am Worship Service / Advent Begins! Karen Lick</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 8:00 am Coffee Fellowship</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25 Hall: Laughlin</p>	<p>26 Hall: Laughlin</p>	<p>27 Vera Sager</p>
	<p>29 Jan Grieger</p>	<p>30 8:00 am Coffee Fellowship Myron Zibbel</p>		<p>25 </p>		





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