



TRINITY BELLS

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“after the comma”

Let the Sunshine In

November 2022

The timing of this writing is not lost on me. It’s late at night. The day ebbed while I was doing things. You know, those things that many of us do every late afternoon into evening. Maybe, like me- it’s driving home. For others it’s preparing dinner, reading the newspaper (yes they still print those!), taking the dogs for a walk, maybe even doing some last minute shopping or yardwork. For each of these activities, we can literally work right through the last glimpses of the sun. We have the beauty of the setting sun as it reaches the furthest parts of our sight, mixing with clouds as it will and producing some majestic colors saluting the day that has been.

But today I missed it.

God’s creation, the world, the universe is constantly changing and I’m busy doing other things and I fear I’ve missed it. As a part of God’s creation, I too am changing and maybe that is part of the reason I feel both comforted and challenged by Love this day (and night).

The day that recently ended had conversations, phone calls, music, meetings, laughter, sorrow, yawns, frustrations, joys, friendship, pains, happiness, surprises, trouble, missed opportunities, breath and love. I can imagine this list was much like most days, and the constant that I most missed in my busyness was to be ever grateful to God. Thank God that God doesn’t hold this against me! **Psalm 118:24 (NIV)- “This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!”** Alleluia! This is what makes this day good, no matter how much I messed it up, it was not just about me, nor should it have been.

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TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Email: contact@trinitybrookfield.org

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Office Hours

Tuesday & Friday: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Sunday Worship

Worship: 10:00 am

Fellowship Hour: Follows service

Holy Communion: First Sunday of the Month
(unless noted otherwise)

Sunday School

11/13.

Contact Kathy Haass (KatydidHaass@gmail.com)
with questions or for more information.

Open to the Community

Worship, Sunday 10:00 am

Troop 21: 11/6, 11/20, 6:00 – 8:30 pm

Monday Quilters: 11/7, 11/21, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Staff & Lay Leaders

Pastor: Rev. Daniel Krueger

Council President: Kathy Immekus

Director of Music: Mike Hetzel

Administrative Assistant: Mikey Hetzel

Cleaning Custodian: Jodie Gerard

Maintenance Custodian: Eric Dahm

Ministers of the Church:

All Members of Trinity United Church of Christ

Newsletter Deadline

The 15th of each month.

Happy Birthday!!



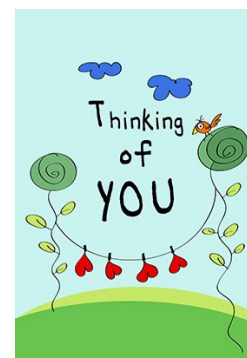
Tootie Seidl11/12
Jill Gretenhart.....11/13
Tori Rieves11/17
Don Immekus11/23
Todd Walker.....11/29



Donald & Ruth Larson 11/22

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Beverly Littmann
Marion Wandsneider
Fred Theilacker
Joann Shue
Nancy Korslin



Worship Services
November 2022

Sunday, November 6th
Worship Service – 10:00 AM

Sunday, November 13th
Worship Service – 10:00 AM

Sunday, November 20th
Worship Service – 10:00 AM

Sunday, November 27th
Worship Service – 10:00 AM



**LOOKING AHEAD AT
HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES**

November 27 - First Sunday in Advent
December 24 - Christmas Eve Service at 4:00 PM
December 25 - Live-streaming of Christmas Day
Service at 10:00 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nov. 6th. Kathy Immekus
Nov. 13. Jim Cleary
Nov. 20. Mike Hetzel
Nov. 27 Mark Burbey

If you're unable to do your
scheduled date, please
contact Kathy Immekus.





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In Romans 14:5-9 (MSG) the Apostle Paul writes to us;⁵ Or, say, one person thinks that some days should be set aside as holy and another thinks that each day is pretty much like any other. There are good reasons either way. So, each person is free to follow the convictions of conscience.⁶⁻⁹ What's important in all this is that if you keep a holy day, keep it for *God's* sake; if you eat meat, eat it to the glory of God and thank God for prime rib; if you're a vegetarian, eat vegetables to the glory of God and thank God for broccoli. None of us are permitted to insist on our own way in these matters. It's *God* we are answerable to—all the way from life to death and everything in between—not each other. That's why Jesus lived and died and then lived again: so that he could be our Master across the entire range of life and death, and free us from the petty tyrannies of each other.

What this passage reminds me is that I should not necessarily compare what I believe my day should have been with how it ended up. Yes, the sun did shine, maybe not directly on me, but because my location was cloudy, it means another of God's children had sunshine, and yes I am grateful for that. I can acknowledge God's amazing love for ALL and have faith to be a part of the celebration of what has been given.

These days in Fall decrease the amount of sunlight that is available to us in this part of the world, and for our siblings on the other side of the planet, their daylight increases, so we are to be glad in knowing the sunlight has not gone away, but has blessed others as we have been blessed and so it goes on and on.

I end this writing and it is still nighttime. I look out my window and see the softer glow of small lights around my neighborhood and the moon slipping through clouds just like the sun did. I am grateful, O God for this time too.

Here's the thing that gives me joy and hope. There will be sun tomorrow. Just may not be streaming through my window, or shining on my face, but I know God's Love will be shining through it all. My siblings somewhere (everywhere) will be in the sunlight/Sonlight because that is what God does, that is what Love does.

Yes-Let the Sunshine In!



*P.S.- Thanks for singing along with this tune for the many weeks in Pentecost as our Benediction Song!
Peace...*



Mission Committee

Thank you to all of you for supporting the clothing drive that Missions sponsored in October. There were three cars that were filled with bags & boxes of clothing and shoes. These were taken to the HOPE Center in Waukesha and were gladly received. You give hope to those who are in need.

In November, Thanksgiving food basket collection will take place and food will go to the Waukesha Food Pantry. These items will be collected on Sunday, Oct. 30, Sunday, Nov. 6, and Sunday, Nov. 13. Slips of what food items to bring will be handed out on Oct. 23, and thereafter.

In December there is going to be a stuffed animal collection for Kindred Hearts foster care in Sheboygan and will be collected before Christmas. Again, there will be a Christmas Mitten Tree"

Cup of Life

November 2, Wednesday 10:00am Trinity Dining Hall: Finish up work on Christmas project and set up volunteers for Christmas Tea Coffee Hour in honor of Roland Perschon.

November 18, Friday 1:15pm in South Parking Lot to car pool to State Fair Park for Holiday International Folk Fair. Fee is \$10 for everyone over 62 and tickets will be bought at the door. There will be booths for purchasing items from around the world, foods, dancing and other entertainment. After approximately 2 hours, we will come back to Brookfield for dinner at a local restaurant.

December 10, Saturday 1:00pm Set up in dining room for Coffee Hour on December 11

December 11, Sunday Annual Christmas Tea Coffee Hour in honor of Roland Perschon

A Christmas lunch date may be added to a local restaurant in early December. Will discuss at 10-5 meeting.

What is 5 for 5?

1. Our Church's Wider Mission.
2. One Great Hour of Sharing
3. Neighbors in Need
4. Strengthen the Church
5. [The Christmas Fund](#)

The Christmas Fund

The Christmas Fund for the Veterans of the Cross and the Emergency Fund is a Special Mission Offering that congregations have been supporting for over 100 years. The offering is administered through the United Church Board for Ministerial Assistance, the charitable arm of the Pension Boards. Funds provide direct financial support to those who serve the church and are facing financial difficulties.

In Harvest Gathering

Trinity's Mission Committee will be collecting Thanksgiving food items for the Waukesha Food Pantry starting October 30 thru November 13. Starting October 23 thru November 6 slips of paper with a needed item will be available after the service to anyone wishing to donate.





Hi Kids,

Here is the rest of the story of Joseph. Remember Joseph's brothers were jealous of him and sold him to a group of people that were travelling far away. In this part of the story you will see what happens to Joseph and his family.

The Story of Joseph – Part 2

The Lord was still with Joseph in jail, and the warden put Joseph in charge of all the prisoners. He never worried because the Lord was with Joseph and helped him do everything right.

After Joseph had been in jail for some time a cupbearer and baker to Pharaoh had been sent there. One night each of them had a dream. They told their dreams to Joseph and he told the cupbearer that he would soon be let out of jail. "Please tell Pharaoh about me, and ask him to get me out of here." Joseph said.

When the cupbearer was freed he forgot about what Joseph did. So Joseph stayed in jail for two more years. Until one day the Pharaoh had a dream, and nobody could explain it to him. The cupbearer then remembered what Joseph had done for him, and Joseph was brought to Pharaoh.

"Can you understand dreams?" Pharaoh asked. "I can't, but God helps me." Joseph replied. After Pharaoh had told him his dream Joseph explained, "God is warning you. There will be seven years when nothing will grow and there won't be any food for anyone."

"What can I do?" Pharaoh asked. "God has shown you what to do. There will be seven years before the bad years that will be very good. So good that there will be extra food for everyone. So you should save a little bit of each year's harvest, that way you will have enough to get you through the bad years." Joseph said.

Pharaoh believed all that Joseph told him, and put him in charge of all the land of Egypt.

People came from all countries to buy grain from Joseph, because the whole world was in need of food. Some of those people were Joseph's brothers. When his brothers came, Joseph recognized them, but they did not know who he was. (It had been over 10 years since they had seen him).

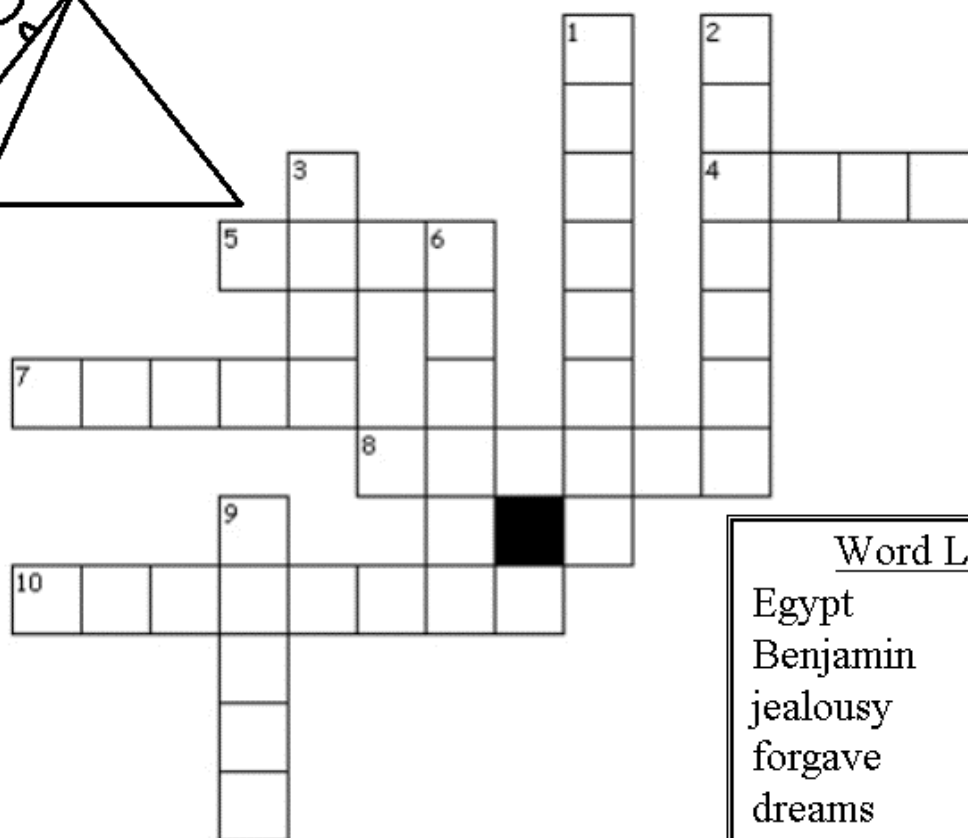
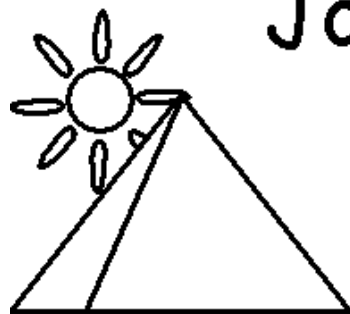
The brothers all bowed to him because he was an important person. Just as he dreamed they would at the beginning.

After a few meetings with his brothers he could not keep it in any longer and Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph! Is my father alive?" But his brothers couldn't answer him because they were afraid. Then Joseph said, "Come here. I am your brother, the one you sold! Do not worry, and do not be angry at yourselves for selling me, because God has put me here to save people from starving."

So his father, his brothers, and their families came to live in Egypt with Joseph, and they had all the food they needed.



Joseph Crossword



Word List:	
Egypt	famine
Benjamin	coat
jealousy	blood
forgave	ring
dreams	sold

Across

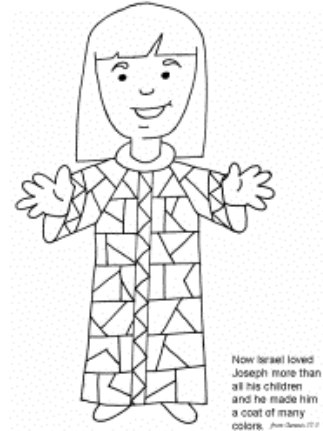
- Pharaoh gave this to Joseph when he put him in charge of Egypt.
- Joseph's brothers didn't kill him, they ____ him.
- After God told Joseph about Pharaoh's dreams he became in charge of this whole place.
- During the seven years of this, Joseph had enough food in reserve to share with those in need.
- It was because of this that Joseph ended up in Egypt.

Down

- This is the name of the youngest brother.
- Joseph did the right thing when he ____ his brothers.
- Joseph received this from his father.
- Joseph had a gift of interpreting these.
- Joseph's brother's covered his coat in animal ____ so their father thought he was dead

Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

Joseph Anagram



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aelnstt _____

acot _____

behorrst _____

aelsv _____

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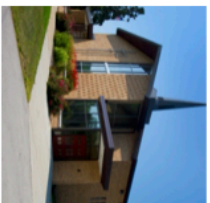
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**TRINITY UCC
BROOKFIELD**

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	30	31	1 <i>Office Open</i> 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	2 Cup of Life 10:00 am, DH Missions 1:00 pm, DH	3	4 <i>Office Open</i> 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	5
Worship 10:00 am Communion All Saints Day Troop 21 6:00 - 8:30 pm, DH	6	7 Monday Quilters 8:30 am - 4:00 pm, DH	8 <i>Office Open</i> 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	9	10 <i>Office Open</i> 9:00 am - 12:00 pm W&A Meeting 1:00 pm, DH Property Meeting 3:00 pm, DH	11 <i>Office Open</i> 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	12
Worship 10:00 am -Sunday School Veteran's Day	13	14	15 <i>Office Open</i> 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	16	17	18 <i>Office Open</i> 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Quilters Guild 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, DH	19 Cup of Life 1:15 pm, State Fair (meet in South Parking Lot)
Worship 10:00 am Troop 21 6:00 - 8:30 pm, DH	20	21 Monday Quilters 8:30 am - 4:00 pm, DH	22 <i>Office Open</i> 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	23 Thanksgiving Eve Service 6:00 pm	24	25 <i>Office Open</i> 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	26
Worship 10:00 am	27	28	29 <i>Office Open</i> 9:00 am - 12:00 pm	30	1	2	3
4	5	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Trinity is an Open and Affirming Church</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"> contact@trinitybrookfield.org 262-781-9378 www.trinitybrookfield.org </p>					