



October Beacon

*W*elcome to autumn and the month of October!

This month, we revisit our occasional series of working our way through the Bible, looking at each book in order from Genesis to Revelation. We continue in the Historical Books of the Old Testament with the book of 1 Samuel.

The books of 1 and 2 Samuel and 1 and 2 Kings (along with the “reboot” version of these books in 1 and 2 Chronicles) are quite an epoch of the history of Israel as a nation. We start out where Judges left off with the people finding themselves rudderless and in need of guidance. Judges ended with “there was no king in Israel; all the people did what was right in their own eyes.” God would certainly provide guidance now!

1 Samuel begins with Hannah, who thanks to her faithfulness, would bear her only son: Samuel. Samuel would go on to become a prophet and one of the last Judges, and guide the people to come together to defeat the Philistines and eventually, once they denounced the false gods the people were worshipping, he would name Israel’s first king: Saul.

Saul would not be a perfect king though. He would go against what the Lord commanded, and in turn Saul was rejected as king, but he would repent and turn back towards God. Then an evil spirit tormented Saul, though luckily, he had someone who could help him: David. David would indeed be a help not only with Saul’s spirit, but with dealing with the Philistines and their warrior Goliath. God was definitely with David, which afterwards Saul saw as a threat, and he tried to remove David permanently. This brought about war, which David would go on to win, though he spares Saul more than once. David would then come to the height of his power, which will lead us to our next reading in 2 Samuel next time.

1 Samuel, like the books that follow, reads like a novel. It has intrigue, history, mystery, and war, but also God’s promise to God’s people carries through the story. Stay focused on that promise, because as we’ve already discovered, the story does

get into violent episodes that can distract us from the main story of Israel's rise from a scattered, directionless people into a kingdom with powerful, though flawed, rulers.

That's one of the lessons 1 Samuel holds for us today: just as in the Biblical story, God still works through flawed people who are at times directionless, to bring God's kin-dom into the world.

Enjoy the story! There's much more to it than I mention here. Next time we dive into David's rule as king in the book of 2 Samuel.

-Pastor Rick



OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Rick: Tuesdays 10:00-1:00 p.m. and by appointment

Pastor will be away on 10/26 and 10/27.

Tracy: Tuesdays: 9:30-2:30, Thursdays: remote. Call, text or email any time.

Choir see David for details

Worship is 9:30 every Sunday

Bible Study: See list below

Sunday School is 10:45-11:45am

Confirmation: please see schedule

WORSHIP

COUNCIL

October 13th at 7pm

First Monday of the Month:

setup at 8:00 am

First Tuesday of the month: distribution from 8:30-10:30am

October 5th setup –

October 6th distribution

November 2nd Setup – November 3rd Distribution

FOOD PANTRY



WI-FI: Go to 'Trinity Guest' on your device, and then when prompted, enter the password: BeABeacon

Please Hold in Prayer

- *To add someone to the prayer list in the bulletin/beacon, add them to the list at the back of the Sanctuary or contact the church office.*
- *You can call or email in a prayer at any time. Now you can also go on the website and email in a prayer through there.*
716-542-9828, trinitysouthnewstead@gmail.com
- *Prayers submitted after Tuesday at noon will be announced verbally in church and added in print the following week. Names are kept on the prayer list for 4 weeks unless instructed otherwise.*
- *If you would like your prayer concern to be shared by phone with everyone, please contact Sue Kidder at 716-542-2095.*

We pray for healing, strength and patience for those we love going through difficult times:

Jordan Ertel & family
Pastor Robert Dean and his wife, Nancy
Barry Pingitore
Jane Firestone
Baby Lang
Tony Schumacher
Donna Kumpf
Linda Skimin
Kate Powell
Gene Nati
Grace
Jen Carlsen

We pray for patience, strength and support for the families and friends of:

Elaine Koch
Dave Kendziora
Angelo Rizzo
Eileen Smythe
Dr. Lewis Dodley, Sr. (Pastor Imani Olear's father)

Helmut Bauder (there will be a memorial service for Helmut on Saturday November 28th at 10am here at Trinity.)

Safe travel for Brian Nehrboss who's in Germany!

Bible Study

THE NOEL CLUSTER

Bible Study Upcoming
dates and locations:
(10 am on Thursdays)

9/24 - Trinity Wolcottsville – 6369 Wolcottsville Rd, Akron 14001

10/1- Zion - 4447 Central Ave, Gasport 14067

10/8 - St. John's - 10213 Roosevelt Hwy, Lyndonville, 14098

10/15 – Here at Trinity!

10/22- St. Peter – 1355 West Ave, Medina 14103

10/29- Trinity Wolcottsville – 6369 Wolcottsville Rd, Akron 14001

11/5 - Zion - 4447 Central Ave, Gasport 14067

11/12 - St. John's - 10213 Roosevelt Hwy, Lyndonville, 14098

11/19 – Here at Trinity!

11/26 - St. Peter – 1355 West Ave, Medina 14103

11-26 – off

UPCOMING

Last Minute Chowder Info

Our chowder sale is this Saturday at noon! We can still use volunteers, especially for: Wednesday night prep, Friday evening and overnight. On Saturday, we'll be looking for more help in the kitchen, waiting tables, busing tables, beverage service and outside chowder stirring.

All ingredients need to be here by tomorrow night.

For the basket raffle, **please have your baskets here no later than Thursday**, we

plan to set up Friday.

Here is a handy start time guide for volunteering:

CHOWDER SALE VOLUNTEER HELP

WED

NIGHT PREP STARTS AT 6:00PM

THURS

NIGHT PREP STARTS AT 6:00PM

FRIDAY

MORNING PREP STARTS AT 9:30AM

FRIDAY

EVENING SHIFT 6PM-12AM

OVERNIGHT

12AM-6AM

SAT

6AM-NOON

SAT

SETUP STARTS AT 9AM

SAT

VOLUNTEERS ARRIVE BY 10:30AM

Quilt Raffle

Last chance to get your tickets for the Crittenden Quilter's beautiful quilt! The drawing will be held with the basket raffle drawing on Saturday. You can buy tickets at the chowder sale, or call Ronda.

Tickets are **\$3 ea or 2 for \$5.00.**

Sunday School

Sunday School is underway and is a full hour this year. (10:45-11:45)

New this year: registration forms are online, and we'll be requiring parents to sign in and sign out their children. Registration forms are needed for all children and can be found on the Sunday School page of our website at trinitysouthnewstead.org.

Want to help with Sunday School? Please see one of the teachers to see how you can participate.

September 27

October 4

October 11: NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

October 18

October 25

November 1 (turn clocks back)

November 8

November 15

November 22

November 29: NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

December 6:

December 13

December 20: Christmas Pageant Rehearsal

December 27: NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Confirmation at Trinity

Our Confirmation class is underway. Students will learn what it means to be a Lutheran Christian in our world. They will then take responsibility for their faith when they are confirmed after completing a two-year program of classes, interactions, service, relationship-building, and more. In addition to coming to Sunday school, confirmation students will also attend evening classes on the following dates from 6-8pm:

~~Sep. 20~~	Feb. 7
Oct. 18	Mar. 7
Nov. 1	Apr. 11
Nov. 15	May 2
Dec. 20	May 16
<i>(Snow Dates: Mar. 14, Apr. 18)</i>	

Niagara Frontier Conference Assembly

Trinity will host the Niagara Frontier Conference Assembly from **6-8 pm on Wednesday, Oct. 21st**. This is a twice-annual gathering of clergy and lay leaders from across WNY for making connections, devotions and conducting the business of the conference. Bishop Lee Miller will have a presentation as well. We'll need some coordination to offer snacks and drinks for attendees (of which there may be upwards of 50-75 people). Please see Donna Kumpf or Christine Johnson for details on how to help.

Rummage Sale

Mark your calendars! All-day set-up **Wednesday, Nov. 11**; the Sale itself is **Fri. Nov. 13th** from 5-7 pm and **Sat. Nov. 14th** from 9-11 am. **Please do not bring in your items until October 1st. At that time, please put them in the adult library.** Once that's full, we will put them in the left side of the subbasement since our Sunday school rooms are all in use.



Birthdays

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1st - Michal Alysworth
Christine Morgan
2nd - Erik Polkowski
3rd - Sharon Wolcott
4th - Anthony Cinotti
Donna Jurewicz
Henrik Avery Swendsen
Franklin and Cheri Young
6th - Julian Miller-Stubbendick
9th - Sharon Waff
10th - Cheryl Johannes
12th - Daric Brege
14th - Spencer Henley
15th - Clayton Francis
17th - Tammy Johannes
20th - Kathy Greiner
21st - Raymond Francis
22nd - Ray Francis
23rd - Bentley Jones
25th - Payton Palizay
31st - Tim Morgan



OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES:

- 19th Vince & Kristine Fazio

Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church of South Newstead's annual

CHOWDER SALE

& BASKET RAFFLE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
NOON UNTIL SOLD OUT
DINE-IN
OR TAKE-OUT

\$10 DINE IN
INCLUDES BOWL OF CHOWDER,
DRINK AND DESSERT

TAKE OUT: \$12 QUART
\$35 GALLON



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