

Worship at Trinity Lutheran Church
January 10, 2020



Welcome as we gather together in the name of God! Whether we are physically present with one another or gathering remotely, we know that Christ is truly present in our midst

Each Sunday, we will gather at 9:30am via Facebook Live on Trinity's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/Trinity-Lutheran-Church-Brewster-NY-160570420670756>)

The service will be posted on our YouTube page (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEBfzqqPTuf8fe3PjPr21gA?view_as=subscriber)

If you know of others who are in need of ***signs of God's love and grace***, who are curious and/or questioning, who would like to experience the peace of Christ – please invite them to join us “live” and/or to visit our Facebook page or YouTube channel.

If anyone needs to talk to someone amidst this time of anxiety, please feel free to contact Pastor Jen via the church office (trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com) and/or her personal email (revjedyer1@yahoo.com).

Our weekly emails are also posted on our website <http://trinitybrewsterny.org/wordpress/>.

Listed here is the order of worship so that you are able to follow along. We have included links to the hymns and an anthem picked by Franklyn that you may listen to in addition to our online service

Setting up: Set aside some sacred space where you are to worship and prayer. Light a candle (or more), set out your Bible and/or a cross. Spend a few moments in silence before you begin. ***As we remember our baptisms today, you are invited to have a bowl of water with you.***

Introduction: John the Baptist prepared those in the wilderness for Jesus' coming. Once baptized, people would need to decide... were they ready for change or resistant to it? How do you live as a baptized child of God?

We will be going LIVE before beginning the service with time for reflection to allow time for people to join our live feed before the spoken portion of our service begins.

PRELUDE “Wie schoen leuchtet der Morgenstern” Georg Friedrich Kauffmann

WELCOME

You are invited to comment below the video if there are particular prayers that you would like to lift up and have others pray about during the week. Please let us know that you are joining us online by commenting

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

In a new year, with change on the horizon,
**yet still carrying the year past,
we come.**

Amidst all the ways we mark time—
calendar
clock
administration
liturgical colors
age

God breaks in with a new thing.

Beloved, come and see,
and allow the Spirit to re-orient us to a new way of being.

Let us worship God together.

Out at the edge of our understanding you speak, O God.
Through the voices of those pushed to the margins
**we hear your call to mutual responsibility and vulnerability,
your call to be our neighbor’s keeper.**

Through the voices of those beyond our controlled structures
we hear your call to a way of life that is more than just a name on the roll.

Through the voices of those ordinary people just like us, seeking to be faithful,

we hear your call to humility and a teachable spirit.

Out at the edge of our understanding you speak, O God.

May we turn aside to see, and find our hearts opened and lives changed.

CONFESSION

We humbly pause in this time, in the presence of our loving God, to offer up all that weighs heavily upon our hearts, those things done and left undone, said and unsaid, all that which separates us from the love of God and neighbor.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

God of Love and Justice, you reveal yourself in ways we do not expect.

Just when we thought things had settled down, you come reminding us that we cannot rely only on the past to carry us into the future.

We confess that we find your words hard to hear.

After all the gift giving and heavy-laden holiday tables, the instruction to give away all we do not need sounds harsh in our ears.

We do not like to be vulnerable, so can't imagine having only just enough.

Letting go of our extra stuff *and* our carefully constructed self-image at the same time feels too much to bear. Forgive us for holding on to things that offer only the illusion of security, even as you reach out to hold us in your hand. Turn our hearts and minds, and then our lives, to

your way. We ask in the name of Jesus the Christ, who is the Way, Truth, and Life. Amen.

Children of God, never fear, for you have always lived in the mercy of your creator. Hear the words of absolution and believe them: you are forgiven, you are made whole, you are restored to God. We are recipients of God's eternal love and grace given in the name of the Father, + and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Hallelujah! **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry ELW 249

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EOIBJvydcYY>

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh;
awake and harken, for he brings
glad tidings of the King of kings!

Then cleansed be ev'ry life from sin;
make straight the way for God within,
and let us all our hearts prepare
for Christ to come and enter there.

We hail you as our Savior, Lord,
our refuge and our great reward;
without your grace we waste away
like flow'rs that wither and decay.

Stretch forth your hand, our health restore,
and make us rise to fall no more;
oh, let your face upon us shine
and fill the world with love divine.

All praise to you, eternal Son,
whose advent has our freedom won,
whom with the Father we adore,
and Holy Spirit, evermore.

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of truth, **Through John you challenged your people to repent. Move us also to put aside the things that get in the way of truly serving you, for the sake of Jesus our savior. Amen.**

READING: Psalm 51:6-17

You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.

Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.

Then I will teach transgressors your ways,
and sinners will return to you.

Deliver me from bloodshed, O God,
O God of my salvation,
and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.

O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth will declare your praise.

For you have no delight in sacrifice;
if I were to give a burnt-offering, you would not be pleased.

The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Word of God, Word of life, **Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (sung)

Alleluia! Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life! Alleluia!

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 3:1-22

The holy Gospel according to Luke, the 3rd chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord**

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.

Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,
and the crooked shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth;
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.’”

John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.”

And the crowds asked him, “What then should we do?” In reply he said to them, “Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.” Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, “Teacher, what should we do?” He said to them, “Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.” Soldiers also asked him, “And we, what should we do?” He said to them, “Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.”

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, “I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people. But Herod the ruler, who had been rebuked by him because of Herodias, his brother’s wife, and because of all the evil things that Herod had done, added to them all by shutting up John in prison.

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit

descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

SERMON

Pastor Jennifer Boyd

HYMN OF THE DAY: Songs of Thankfulness and Praise ELW 310

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vv8-aqd49oQ>

Songs of thankfulness and praise,
Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise;
manifested by the star
to the sages from afar,
branch of royal David's stem
in thy birth at Bethlehem:
anthems be to thee addressed,
God in flesh made manifest.

Manifest at Jordan's stream,
prophet, priest, and king supreme;
and at Cana wedding guest
in your God-head manifest;
manifest in pow'r divine,
changing water into wine;
anthems be to thee addressed,
God in flesh made manifest.

Manifest in making whole
weakened body, fainting soul;
manifest in valiant fight,
quelling all the devil's might;
manifest in gracious will,
ever bringing good from ill:
anthems be to thee addressed,
God in flesh made manifest.

Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,
present in thy holy word;
grace to imitate thee now
and be pure, as pure art thou;
that we might become like thee
at Thy great epiphany,
and may praise thee, ever blest,
God in flesh made manifest.

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REMEMBERING OUR BAPTISM

Martin Luther famously repeated “I am baptized!” whenever he was in distress. In the face of all that is going on in the world and in our lives and our community, it is an important reminder that the powers that serve as the backdrop to daily life are not in fact the defining realities of life in the kingdom of God. And in the midst of a year when we have learned to

wash our hands, what better than to repeat “I am baptized” as we make use of the gift of water?

Water is indeed a gift.

In the beginning it flowed over creation, carving mountains and valleys. Throughout history it has nourished the earth, and so nourished life. **We who are used to clean water coming from taps inside our homes find our thirst quenched, our bodies cleansed, our cooking and cleaning easy.**

God brought our ancestors through the chaos of the Red Sea, and drew them to the banks of the River Jordan.

Today God calls us to the water again —

remembering those stories of faithfulness but not taking them for granted.

God calls us to the water again

that we may take our place in the story, living Christ’s way that others may count us among their cloud of witnesses. In each of our places, from near and far, the Spirit gathers us into Christ’s Body, and every drop of precious water we encounter is a reminder of this gracious summons to abundant life.

We proclaim our faith and trust in the one Holy God as we proclaim the words of the Apostle’s Creed

APOSTLE’S CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**

**born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

In affirming our relationship with God and having heard anew this call to embody God's generous mercy, caring for our neighbor, recognizing our place in community, and sharing our resources, let us re-commit ourselves to live for God's delight.

Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in Holy Baptism:

To live among God's faithful people,

To hear the word of God and share in the Lord's Supper,

To proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed,

To serve all people, following the example of Jesus,

And to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

If so, please answer: **I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.**

Take a moment to wash your hands, as we sing this hymn (or “next time you wash your hands, sing this hymn”). Touch your wet fingers to your forehead and remind yourself “I am baptized!” with all that means about God’s love for you and God’s call for your life to reflect God’s kingdom.

Song: Creator of the Water (vs. 3-4)

*May this your gift of water, long springing from the earth,
Become for all new Christians their fountain of rebirth.
Lord, wash away their sinning, and give them life anew —
Pour out your Spirit on them, that they may follow you.*

*God, through your gift of water, your family we become;
You take away divisions; in Christ you make us one.
Now send your Spirit on us and give us work to do
That we may share with others the love we have from you.*

Tune: Henry Thomas Smart, 1835 ("The Day of Resurrection")

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

We pause to humbly offer up our prayers before God for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence.

You invite us to open our hearts to your message of transformation, but it is still up to us to do so. Give us courage to take the plunge into a life of service, with all its surprises and challenges. God of power, **Hear our prayer.**

Show us how to serve you in our jobs, responsibilities and leisure so that our daily lives reflect the restored relationship which we have with you. God of power, **Hear our prayer.**

Your creative might could raise children from stones. Teach us to regard all that you have made with awe, and likewise to care for it with diligence and love. Continue to bless the ministry of the Brewster Cares shelter and all those who reach out to those in any kind of need. God of power, **Hear our prayer.**

Not every disease or ailment is visible, nor is sickness always a physical experience. Heal those things which plague our minds and spirits as well as our bodies, and restore us to wholeness in you. Be with those whose names we bring before you today, especially those that we name before you, silently or aloud, those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name. God of power, **Hear our prayer.**

With all your saints we praise you, in this life and the next, remembering the amazing things you have done for us. God of power, **Hear our prayer.**

Here other petitions may be offered silently, aloud or in the comments.

Pastor: Receive our prayers and shed light on our path as we seek to walk in your ways and bring glory to you through your son Jesus, our

Lord. Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE

The Peace of the Christ be with you always, **And also with you** *(you are invited to share a sign of peace with those who are with you, by commenting in the Facebook feed as well as by calling/sending a message of peace to someone)*

OFFERING *(You are invited to listen to this song as our “anthem” for this week. You are also encouraged to continue to share your offering with Trinity be mailing them to the church office or by donating online via our website: www.trinitybrewsterny.org)*

ANTHEM: “Morning Star” Franz Florentin Hagen

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k7Ne3itUkOA>

INVITATION OF STEWARDSHIP/OFFERING PRAYER

The Magi followed the star to bring gifts to the Christ-child and in doing so, were recipients of the gift of the loving glory of God. We come before Christ to receive the blessings of grace and life ever lasting and we offer in thanksgiving our gifts as signs of our faith and praise.

You taught us that whoever has two coats can share with those who have none. Bless these gifts which we offer and multiply them so that no one needs to go without basic necessities, and so that all may thrive in your love. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

MISSION & MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright ELW 308

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3oYbA032cz8>

O Morning Star, how fair and bright!
You shine with God's own truth and light,
aglow with grace and mercy!....

Come, precious diamond, light divine,
and deep within our hearts now shine;
there light a flame undying!...

Lord, when you look on us in love,
at once there falls from God above
a ray of purest pleasure....

Almighty Father, in your Son
you loved us when not yet begun
was this old earth's foundation!...

Oh, let the harps break forth in sound!
Our joy be all with music crowned,
our voices gaily blending!...

What joy to know, when life is past,
the Lord we love is first and last,
the end and the beginning!...

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DISMISSAL

Go, in peace. Christ is with you. **Thanks be to God!**

Please maintain a distance of 6 feet between yourself and those who are not part of your household as you leave your pew. Also please keep your mask on and do not linger in the building.

(The worship has ended, let the service begin)

Worship Notes: Portions of the worship service has been adapted by Pastor Jen from the following resources: Clergy Stuff (Introduction, Absolution, Prayer of the Day, Prayers of Intercession, Offering prayer); Bible Worm/Rev. Terri Peterson (Preparing for worship, confession, Remembering our Baptism); Pastor Jen Boyd (Invitation of stewardship); Hymn: "Creator of the Water" (*Gifts of Love: New Hymns for Today's Worship*, Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, Geneva Press, 2000).

Music Notes: Georg Friedrich Kauffmann (1679-1735) was born in Ostramondra, Thuringia. Little is known of his early life; however, he did have early keyboard training with J.H. Buttstett in Erfurt. His latter years of education were under J.F. Alberti in Merseburg with whom he studied organ and composition. In 1698, Alberti suffered an injury to his right hand, inhibiting his ability to play the organ at the cathedral. Kauffmann replaced Alberti permanently as teacher in Merseburg as well as court and cathedral organist upon Alberti's death in 1710. Kauffmann signed many of his published works as Court Organist and Director of Church Music for the Duke of Saxe-Merseburg. Ultimately Kauffmann went to Leipzig in 1722 to compete for the position of Kapellmeister along with seven other predominant musicians of Germany at the time. The position of Kapellmeister of Leipzig was extremely coveted by most in the musical community; the position was formally held by Johann Kuhnau until his death that same year. Kauffmann's audition went well, even though he asked for a second hearing by the town council who were responsible for hiring. He was the prime contender for the position until April 1723 when J.S. Bach was hired.

Francis Florentine Hagen (1815–1907) was a Moravian minister and composer. He is best known for his hymn "Morning Star" (1836) that is typically sung on Christmas Eve. Hagen was born in Salem, North Carolina, on October 30, 1815, the son of Johann Joachim Hagen and Susanna Lick. He grew up in Salem before attending the Moravian Theological Seminary in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, where he graduated in 1835. He was ordained a deacon in the Moravian Church in 1844. Hagen served various congregations in North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Iowa and New York before retiring from the ministry in 1877. As a composer, his musical style reflected his Moravian roots combined with elements of 19th century Romantic music. He composed large-scale orchestral and vocal works in addition to solo voice and piano pieces.

In Our Prayers

We are particularly mindful of so many who are in need of prayers during this time. You are invited to contact Pastor Jen to add specific names to this list:

Prayers of Thanksgiving

Prayers of Healing

Sigrid Allen (rehab)

Larry Ruhs (hospitalized)

Rev. Paul Walther (Friend of Fred and Pam Carlson)

Robert Grillo

Bonnie Boyd (Pastor Jen's Mother in Law)

Tony Morello

Michael Cesare

Stan Rogers

Mary Torlish
Barbara Grispin
Brian (friend of Rosemary Gebhardt)
Burt Pelletier (friend of Peter Gebhardt)
Corey Pate (friend of Jeanette Baldanza)
Danielle Nestor (ankle surgery)
Danny Brooks (Carol Brooks' nephew)
Emile "Vinny" Bellissimo (friend of Loretta Christiano)
Jeff Brown (friend of Doug Noah)
Jill Russo's dad (cancer)
Joseph Percacciolo
Katherine Waldvogel (Dawn Morello's mother)
Kathie Gibbs (sister in law of Jeanette Baldanza)
Lillian Eberhardt
Lois Lawrence
Loretta Christiano (back surgery)
Lynne Caruso and Janna Kreps (friends of Holly Larocchia)
Maisa Tompuri (cataracts)
Margaret, Elizabeth, Kathie, Larry, and Millie. (friends of Joanne Icken)
Robert Peters (father of Stephen Peters)
Thomas Tazza (friend of Peter Gebhardt)

Prayers for those serving in the medical community

Jeanette Baldanza (Putnam Co. Dept. of Health)
Michael Conroy (Putnam Hospital)
Dr. Lauren Icken (Resident @ Albany Med)
Eric Klammer (FDNY)
Holly Larocchia (Arms Acres)
Lisa Schuldt (Westchester Medical)
Jeff Von Bargen (Putnam Hospital)

Prayers for essential workers

Kystal Langke (Postal worker)

Justin Larocchia (Corrections)

Prayers of the Wider Church

Bishop Elizabeth Eaton (Presiding Bishop of the ELCA) and ELCA staff

Bishop Paul Egensteiner (Bishop of Metro NY Synod) and synod staff

Mother Gladys Diaz (deployed Asst. to Bishop for our area)

Prayers for families who have had loved ones die

Family of

Additional Prayers

January Birthdays

Luke Morello 1/11

Alexandra Alam El Din 1/13

Dunlin Stathis 1/13

Sarah-Marie Alam El Din 1/17

READINGS

January 10	NL321: Jesus' Baptism Baptism of Our Lord	Luke 3:1-22 (Psalm 51:6-17) John baptizes, bear fruit worthy of repentance, share what you have.
January 17	NL322: Sermon at Nazareth Second Sunday after Epiphany	Luke 4:14-30 (Psalm 146) Sermon at Nazareth (Isaiah fulfilled, Elijah and widow, Elisha and Naaman).
January 24	NL323: Fish for People Third Sunday after Epiphany	Luke 5:1-11 (Psalm 90:14-17) Great catch of fish, Peter will fish for people.
January 31	NL324: Healing on the Sabbath Fourth Sunday after Epiphany	Luke 6:1-16 (Psalm 92) Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath (plucking grain, healing a man) and call of disciples.

Announcements

Annual meeting: Our Annual Congregational meeting will be taking place on Sunday, Jan. 31st. Watch for details coming soon regarding on how people may participate. It will happen after worship on that morning.

Annual reports: reminder to all committee chairs, we need your annual report in the office no later than Jan. 8th.

Wednesday Bible study: will begin a new study on Jan. 6th (7pm), reflecting together on the book, "Everyday Spirituality: discover a life of hope, peace and meaning" by Bishop Jim Hazelwood. You can find more information about the book

here: <https://www.everydayspiritualitybook.com/442603225>

2021 Pledge forms: If you haven't had a chance to do so, please feel out the attached pledge form and return it to the church office as soon as possible. This will enable our Finance committee and Church council to begin planning for the new year.

Brewster Emergency Shelter at Trinity

We will be having the Brewster Emergency Cares Shelter at Trinity for the following weeks:

January 25 to January 31

February 15 to February 21

March 15 to March 21

We need people to volunteer to provide cooked meals, serve meals, provide bag lunches and to be an overnight sleep host.

If you are willing to help in any way please e-mail me at Irene6174@comcast.net or text me at 845-260-5385 or call me at 845-225-4698.

You can also sign up for the Trinity shelter weeks or any of the shelter weeks by going to the Brewster Cares NY website:

<http://brewstercaresny.org>

Hit the menu in upper right

Hit Emergency shelter

Irene Germain

Help Support Trinity's Emergency Shelter Weeks

We will continue to collect items for the shelter. They can be dropped off at church during Trinity's office hours. Monetary donations can also be sent to Trinity Lutheran Church with shelter entered in the memo line.

- Juice bottles –apple, orange or mixed fruit in individual bottles or 64 oz. bottles
- Granola bars
- Breakfast bars –oatmeal, fruit or similar
- Liquid antibacterial soap
- Antibacterial hand wipes and antibacterial hand sanitizer
- Spray bottles antibacterial cleaner
- Paper towels

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CLOTHING SHED OPEN: The shed has re-opened and is now accepting donations. Clothing items only (including belts, purses, shoes), stuffed animals and linens (no pillows). Please do not leave any other household, electronics and other such items.

Trinity's Vision: *Sharing the Peace of Christ*

In the coming weeks, you are invited to join the Church Council in brainstorming ideas related to our vision of sharing the peace of Christ. In the midst of today's world, how might we bring a sense of hope-filled peace into the lives of others? Who in your life might need to experience the peace of Christ? We will be making very tangible efforts to live out this vision and we need everyone's commitment to living it out!



Altar Flowers: The flower chart for 2021 is posted in Narthex but sadly we are not able to attend service at this time, the good news is You can STILL adorn the altar of our Lord by contacting me by phone (845-277-8012 or 914-506-0298), text (914 #) or email at kathieruhs@aol.com! Sadly until I hear from you, flowers will Not be placed on the altar. The price is \$30 for one person or \$15 each for two people. You can pick them up during week when office is open, call before coming! You may also contact me and I will meet you at the church to pick them up. Please contact me ASAP, thank you! May God bless you with good health and happiness in this new year!

Recycling efforts: Our Terracycle and returnables recycling efforts are on hold for the time being. We will let you know as soon as we resume them.

Newsletter: Since we are sending out regular updates, we will not have a newsletter sent out. If there is information that you need, please feel free to contact the church office (trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com) and/or Pastor Jen (revjdyer1@yahoo.com)

Food Pantry: As the need grows for those in our community, you are invited to drop off items for Putnam CAP's food pantry. You may either drop them off here at Trinity or at the CAP office on Main Street in Brewster. You can find an updated list of their current needs on their website:

<http://putnamcap.org/index.html>



Zoom Gatherings: Each of the gatherings use the same password (410002) except where indicated, but different meeting ids; see below for each of the links. *If you need the links at any time, please contact Pastor Jen (revjedyer1@yahoo.com or call/text 518-231-4633)*

Weekly gatherings

Wednesdays (7pm) Bible study Meeting ID: 346 900 784)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/346900784?pwd=RnBtMEo4QUhQOG9veEZjRVNwMkd2QT09>

Offering

You are also encouraged to continue to share your offering with Trinity by mailing them to the church office or by donating online via our website: www.trinitybrewsterny.org. Please note that we are not depositing offerings every week, but about once a month.