

## OUR RESPONSE TO CHRIST'S LOVE

Attendance: Saturday: 34 Avg. Wkly Attn: 146  
Sunday: 80  
114

### ACOLYTES SERVING THE LORD

Saturday, 7:00pm Aleah Frahm & Michael Meyer  
Sunday, 9:00am Colton Frandsen & Alex LaVake

## *This Week's Calendar* October 24 – November 1

### Saturday, October 24

7:00pm Worship / Reformation Sunday

### Sunday, October 25

9:00am Worship / Reformation Sunday  
In House / Live-Stream / Drive-In  
Voter's Assembly after Worship

### Monday, October 26

### Tuesday, October 27

### Wednesday, October 28

8:15am School Chapel / In-House & Live-Stream  
9:00am Child Care Chapel  
6:00pm Confirmation Class (Virtual)

### Thursday, October 29

No School / Professional Church Worker's Conference

### Friday, October 30

No School

### Saturday, October 31

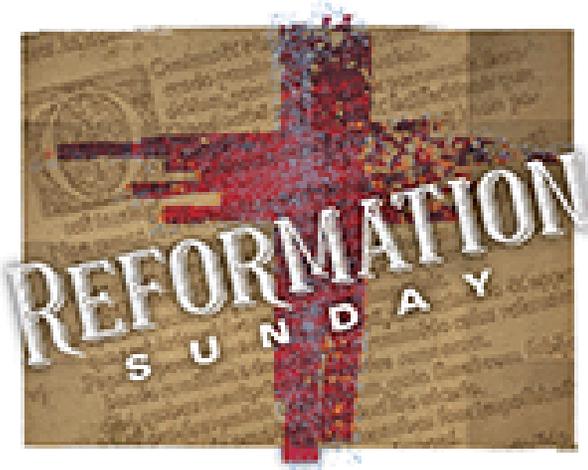
3:00pm – 5:00pm Crusaders for Christ Youth Group to Trick-or-Treat  
for the Circle of Joy  
7:00pm Contemporary Worship / All Saints' Day  
In-House & Drive-In

### Sunday, November 1

9:00am Worship with Holy Communion  
All Saints' Day / Baptism of Callen Edward Hertel  
In House / Live-Stream / Drive-In  
9:00am Bible Study

## **TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, SCHOOL & CHILD CARE** Athens, Wisconsin

**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD**  
*Our Mission – "Know Christ personally  
and make Him known."*



## **Reformation**

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**October 24 & 25, 2020**

**Saturday Worship – 7:00pm In House / Drive-In**  
**Sunday Worship – 9:00am**  
**In House / Live-Stream / Drive-In**

**PRAYER BEFORE DIVINE WORSHIP**

*O Lord God, we thank You that in the Reformation, our fathers stood firm on Your Word and would not be shaken. May we, as a church, continue steadfast in both preserving Your Word and pass it on to others. When people come to our congregations, may they hear the truth of Your Word preached and taught among us, graciously giving You thanks that You have defended and preserved us in that truth. Through Jesus Christ ...*

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**Reformation Sunday** is being recognized this weekend! Reformation is the anniversary of the day Martin Luther posted his Ninety-Five Theses on the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany (October 31, 1517). Though we celebrate that God worked through Martin Luther and the other reformers, we also acknowledge that God’s desire is for us all to work together and our hope is that just as we profess in the Creeds that one day we truly will once again be one holy, catholic, and Apostolic Church.

**Quarterly Voter’s Assembly** will held after Sunday Morning Worship this weekend. Trinity will be changing their fiscal year end to June 30<sup>th</sup>, therefore we will be voting on extending our current Spending Guide six months. Terms of Officers will also be extended to June 30<sup>th</sup>. Other items on the agenda will include the quarterly financial report (a copy of which is available on the table in the back of church), choosing a congregation representative for the Circuit Forum, and the usual Board reporting.

**Next Weekend** we will observe All Saints’ Day. There will be a special time during the Worship Services to honor the memory of our Trinity family members who were called home to heaven over the past 12 months.

**Can You Help?** Our School Chapel Project through the end of October is to support Lutheran Church Charities K9 Comfort Dog Ministry. A Comfort Dog visited our school this past week and another one will be coming at a later date. This national human-care ministry launched in 2008 and embraces the unique, calming nature and skills of purebred Golden Retrievers. They are a bridge for compassionate ministry, opening doors for conversation about faith and creating opportunities to share the mercy, compassion, presence, and proclamation of Jesus Christ. The Comfort Dogs are working animals, trained to interact with people of all ages and circumstances who are suffering and in need.

We are once again having a door offering this weekend to help raise funds for this ministry. Through school chapel offerings the students have already raised \$358.76, plus our door offering last weekend of \$67.70, brings our total donations to \$426.46! Thank you very much!

**Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study** resumes next weekend, Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, after the morning worship service.

**National Lutheran School Accreditation:** We are in need of people to serve on subcommittees for the Accreditation process. Subcommittees include Purpose, Relationships, Leadership, Professional, Personnel, Teaching & Learning, Student Services, and Facilities. If you have an interest or want to learn more about our school in one of these areas, please contact Mr. Frick or any Board of Christian Education Member. This process will culminate in the Spring of 2022 with a visit from an outside team to verify our findings.

**The Athens Circle of Joy** will no longer be taking children’s winter clothing, or any other items, including rummage sale items. ***But...*** is in need of deodorant, for both men and women, along with shampoo, conditioner, and canned chicken. Thank you so much for your continued support!

**Trinity’s Annual Christmas Card Fundraiser** is going through Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup>! There are three separate pamphlets, along with the order form, on the table in the gathering area. If placing an order, you may pay when the items arrive. Each pamphlet offers a variety of items... two with delicious snacks and treats and the other has a variety of items include greeting cards for every occasion. Thanks for your continued support of our school!

**Trick-or-Treat for Circle of Joy:** The Crusaders for Christ Youth Group will be canvassing Athens during Trick-or-Treat hours on Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 3:00 – 5:00pm. Instead of asking for candy, they will be asking for donations of paper products and non-perishable food items to help stock the shelves at our Food Pantry here in Athens. To ensure that we stop at your house, please call the church office by Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup> to be put on the pickup list! Thank you 😊 You need not be a Crusader to join us, Simply meet in the school gym at 3:00pm to be put in a group with the youth.

**Thanksgiving Cards** have been added to the card rack in the gathering area. All individual cards are \$1.00 and the money may be placed in the pink box on top of the card rack.