



The Trinity Times

Week of November 9, 2025

Weekly Calendar

Sunday November 9	8:50am Worship Team 9:30am Worship Online & In Person 9:50am Sunday School & Confirmation 10:50am Growing In Faith 11:30am Holy Cross– Worship Online & In Person 5:00pm Worship
Monday November 10	5:30pm Plaza Encuentro
Tuesday November 11	9:00am Bible Study—Online 10:00am Office Hours 10:30am Chair Yoga 6:30pm Church Council—Hybrid
Wednesday November 12	10:00am Office Hours/Staff Meeting 6:00pm RIC Bible Study & Dinner 6:15pm Compulsive Eaters Anon
Thursday November 13	10:00am Mano Amigo Food Distribution (Oregon food Bank) 10:00am Office Hours 6:00pm Bell Choir 7:00pm Worship Team
Friday November 14	
Saturday November 15	10:00am Church Clean-up—Inside and Outside
Sunday November 16	8:50am Worship Team 9:30am Worship Online & In Person 11:30am Holy Cross– Worship Online & In Person 5:00pm Worship

Calendar highlights:



Wednesday, November 12 – 6PM

RIC Bible Study with dinner (see page 5)

Saturday, November 15 –Fall Church cleanup

Saturday, November 22 –Advent festival

Thursday, November 27 –

Thanksgiving Day—office closed



11/13
Claude Cole

11/24
Ivars Steinblums

11/15
Larry Kramer

11/25
Jeffrey Carpenter
Marlene Willey

11/17
Georgene
Hansen-Witmer

11/26
Merlin Aufdengarten

11/18
Murray Anderson

11/27
Julie Aguilera

11/19
Lindsay Mansfield

11/28
Teresa Wenzel

11/20
Oscar Cruz Reyes

Trinity History

Our first church, Swedish Evangelical Saron Congregation of Powell Valley, was located a couple miles east of



Gresham. Services were only in Swedish until about 1909 when the first member was confirmed in English. The Gresham Outlook reported in 1916 that services were conducted in English every other Sunday Evening. Records from 1919 state that, “The language change was a bitter pill for the older generation to swallow.” Finally in 1927, the board urged the congregation to use only English, although occasional services were conducted in Swedish or German to honor the church’s heritage. About this time, plans were made to move the church to Gresham and the present sanctuary was erected in 1938, with a name change to Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church. We are thankful that we still have the old paraments you see today on the altar, pulpit and communion table. The pulpit cloth when translated says: “Blessed are those who hear God’s word and keep it.” Luke 11:28



Zarephath Pantry

Thank you for your donations to Zarephath. 160 pounds were donated this week. Please continue to donate Pasta, Rice, cooking oil, Beans, canned meats. Donations can be left in the box at the altar or in the designated area across from Trinity’s office. Please consider volunteering at Zarephath kitchen and pantry.

Donations to Zarephath can also be made through the Bottle Drop Blue Bag Program. Blue Bags available at Trinity.





Updated Weekly Prayer List for week of November 9, 2025

Karin	The Deeke's daughter with Severe pain from sciatica.
Hannah Klinsmann	Betty Caccamo's niece in hospital
Brianne and Caleb Howe	IN thanksgiving for the birth of Archie
Dylan Kisanga	Ear infection
Trish Weese	Friend of Jane Holden, terminal cancer
Jennifer Davis	Friend of Jane Holden, cancer
Iris Bennett	Lois Doyle's sister suffered a stroke
Emily	Barbara Brooks' niece has a concussion
Cliff Deal	Cliff had a fall and needs 24/7 care
Family & friends of Michael Reams	Suzanne Kenny's brother entered eternal rest 10/31/2025

Take note of some upcoming events like the Fall church cleanup, inside and outside, on November 15th, and the Advent Festival on November 22nd.

Join us for midweek Advent Services on Wednesdays at 7pm (these services are in person only). A soup supper will precede worship at 6pm.

Advent week 1 December 3: Finance Committee and Council

Advent week 2 December 10: AWE and Archives Committee

Advent week 3 December 17: Posada-Santa Cruz* followed by piñata

*The celebration of the Posadas is an important Mexican Christmas tradition. The word posada means "inn" or "shelter" in Spanish. In this tradition, the Bible story of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem and their search for a place to stay is re-enacted. The tradition also involves singing, breaking piñatas, and celebration.

If you would like to come but you don't drive at night, let us know in the church office. We will have a volunteer that can likely bring you to church.



RIC Dinner/Bible Study

The Reconciling in Christ Committee invites you on Wednesday evening, November 12th at 6pm for a soup and salad dinner, and a Bible Study led by Pastor Aimee, on what the Bible says about same gender relationships. It's a time to ask questions and learn about being an inclusive congregation. You are welcome to bring a dessert. Please sign up on the clipboard in the Fellowship Hall.

ALL HANDS ON DECK!

Clean up day on Saturday, November 15th:

Outside Grounds Area:

Leaf clean up and removal Trash pick up and disposal

Inside Area:

Downstairs Hallways

Vacuum, cobweb removal, trash removal

Downstairs Below Sun Porch

Vacuum, cobweb removal, trash removal

Powell Blvd Entrance Landing

Vacuum, cobweb removal, trash removal

Powell Blvd Entrance Stairs (Up & Down)

Vacuum

Upstairs Sun Porch

Vacuum, cobweb removal, trash removal

Northwest Parking Lot Entrance Landing & Stairs

Vacuum, cobweb removal

Downstairs Storage Room #111

Organize Contents

Vacuum and dust

Disassemble large items

Install door stop

Church Cleanup



Please consider hosting Coffee Hour on November 23 and or December 7. Sign up list is the Fellowship Hall.

Do you have any of Trinity's Cookie plates that might have been borrowed in the past? Would consider donating some nice cookie plates? The Kitchen staff are in need of plates.

Thank you

