

TRINITY GRAND LEDGER

Dear Friends in Christ,

We are approaching that time of year when we are putting our gardens to bed. The last of the harvest is taken in. We are thinking about the cycle of planting, weeding, and harvest. The last of the summer flowers are in bloom. Your Vestry is putting last year into the books. We are looking back at our accomplishments, our goals for the coming year, and the needs of our parish.

This is stewardship.

We have invited our members back into worship in person, and we have invited our new neighbors to join us. There is renewal at all levels of our church. As we think about that, let's discuss our place in the Christian world. We are Anglicans. That means we worship in a unified manner with people from all over the earth. Our Sunday morning services are the same as those on every continent. If you were magically transported to Africa, or China, or New Zealand you would feel at home at church.

Our little church here in Grand Ledge is holding up the traditions begun by Christ and His disciples two thousand years ago. As we prepare for the new year with Advent and Christmas, we listen to the words of Christ's ministry, an unbroken cycle for two millennia. Even as we prepare our gardens to continue for another year, we need to prepare our church as well.

Blessing of the Animals

Blessing of the Animals will take place on Sunday Oct 17, 2021. There will only be one service that

A new bishop will be named at our diocesan convention this month. We will be electing people to represent us in the diocese, and at the general convention of the Episcopal church 2022. We are part of a world-wide communion of faith. Our presiding bishop has encouraged us to walk the way of love, remembering our part of the family of Christ.

I invite you to consider what you are called to do to for the community of Christ. Of course, financial donations are welcome, but that is not the life of the church. We will need volunteers for child and adult education, Vestry, hospitality, outreach, and worship and music. Every aspect of our life and worship depends of each of us to work, pray, and contribute.

You will be receiving a letter from the stewardship committee in the coming weeks. I encourage you to prayerfully consider what you are called to do, and to give, for the continued cycle of renewal of the community of Christ in this place.

Peace and blessings,

Rev. Gail

morning at 10 am.
If the weather permits this service will be held outside. All domesticated animals are welcome.

Socks

Socks are being collected during the month of October.

At the end of the month all collected socks will be given to the Grand Ledge Clothing Bank.

Episcopal Church Women

The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) will be meeting at the church on Tuesday, October 19, 2021, to clean the church kitchen.

Please bring a sack lunch to have before the cleaning begins.

Outdoor Clean-up

The fall outdoor clean-up will take place on Saturday, October 23, 2021, at 9:30 am. A to do is being put together. Be sure and bring your rakes, shovels, gloves, and any other items that you may need to use for the clean-up.

Grand Ledge Food Bank

A couple of emails have been sent out about a couple of events going on for the Food Bank.

First is the CLOTHING AND MISCELLANEOUS HOUSEHOLD GIVEAWAY EVENT on Tuesday October 26, 2021, in the gym building behind the food bank. The community is welcome to attend between 10:00 am and 5:00 pm at 4980 Burt Street Grand Ledge 48837.

Second is the Holiday Simply Give Program offered by the Grand Ledge Meijer. Program runs now until January 1, 2022. \$10.00 cards can be found in racks near the check-out area at Meijer. Double match day is December 11, 2021, on this day Meijer will donate \$20.00 for every \$10.00 card purchased.

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