

**July/August**

**TRINITY U.C.C.  
PARISH POST**



## **CONTINUING OUR JOURNEY OF FAITH!!**

*I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'*

**(Psalm 122:1)**

*So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.*  
**(Ephesians 2:19-20)**

*When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. 'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?' He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.'*  
**(Matthew 22:34-40)**

Catch the Vision,  
Share the Joy!!

**Parish Post Deadline:**  
3rd Monday of the month

## **A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR RANKIN**

Dear Fellow Disciples,

Some months ago I read the book *What's Love Got to Do with It? How the Heart of God Shapes Worship* by the Rev. Dr. Sam Hamstra, Affiliate Professor of Worship and Church History at Northern Seminary in Lombard, IL. Professor Hamstra was hired by Dr. Charles Hambrick-Stowe, former Academic Dean of Northern Seminary, to this position in 2007. Dr. Hamstra has served congregations in the Reformed Church in America and the Christian Reformed Church in America, and has a deep interest in Mercersburg Theology.

In the preface, Dr. Hamstra states that the entire Christian life, including our corporate worship, must be understood as our loving response to the love of the Triune God. Later in the book, Dr. Hamstra writes:  
***Our loving fellowship as local congregations is both a gift of grace and a command. When we draw from the well of God's love and love one another, we experience a love far deeper and richer than the fellowship we may have as family and friends. This divine love supersedes the fellowship we may have had as immigrants speaking a common language. It flows from the Holy Spirit of God by whose power we may respond to the love of God with both love for our Beloved and for others. And our love for others, like the love of God, will break down barriers and overcome prejudices; it will be beyond our comprehension (Ephesians 2:19-20), but not our aspirations. (pgs. 59-60)***

At the heart of our faith is our love for God and our neighbor. Our worship prepares us for this way of life. We experience this love as sing praise to the God who loves us, redeems us, and strengthens us. Some of this is at the heart of why I have proposed some minor changes to the Service of Word & Sacrament. There is a separate article about those changes in this newsletter.

We recently offered this love to five new members who joined our congregation. Look for their pictures and biographies in this newsletter. We also offer this love every Sunday when we welcome others to our church. This is why I am very concerned about locking our doors during our second worship service. I am not naïve to the world in which we live, but I also believe that there is no way we can totally prevent a tragedy from happening. So I raise some important questions: Are we really offering hospitality to our brothers or sisters in Christ? Are we allowing fear to take over rather than believing that the presence of Christ is with us?

At the heart of the Christian life is love. Yes, our love for one another will break down barriers! Join us in worship this summer as we continue to hear the promise of God's love, and are empowered to welcome others with the gift of God's love!

Blessings, *Pastor Chris*

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## JUNE CONSISTORY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

*Paula Dennes, Secretary*

### ROOF PROJECT

Consistory approved the recommendation of the Deacons and the Property Committee to hire Fisher-Brother Exteriors to replace the shingled portion of the church roof. Monies in the roof fund will be used to cover the costs. The work is scheduled to take place in July.

### STUDENT PASTOR COMMITTEE

Lancaster Seminary Student, Jack Hocker, will be serving as Trinity's Student Pastor beginning in the fall of the 2018-2019 school year. The following Trinity members will serve on the Student Pastor Committee: Rev. Dr. Harry Covert, Donna Geisler, Jodi Keller, Rev. Frank Lantz, Mary Neville, and Pat Sensenig.

### DELINEATION OF COMMUNITY MISSION FUNDS

Consistory approved the recommendation from the Finance/Budget Committee to delineate in the 2019 budget these three separate line items under the Food Bank Reserve Fund: The Food Hub, Power Packs, and Trinity Community Meals. Additionally, \$500.00 was approved to be allocated from the Food Bank Reserve Fund to cover the costs of the Community Meals for the remainder of 2018.

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED

The Christian Education/ Youth Committee is in need of two members. Please contact Pastor Rankin if you are willing to serve on this committee.

### PENSION BOARD ELIGIBILITY DOCUMENTS

Consistory approved the adoption of the Employee Eligibility and Contribution levels for Trinity UCC as per the guidelines of the Pension Boards- United Church of Christ, Inc.

### TRINITY UCC ADMINISTRATIVE MANUAL

The Administrative Manual Task Force has finished a complete review of the manual and is working with other church committees regarding some revisions relating to our ministry.

### BOY SCOUT DONATION

Consistory approved a donation of one hundred dollars from Trinity's Our Gifts to Others' funds to Boy Scout Troop 33, as they are trying to raise money for a new heater for their scout building. Trinity UCC serves as the charter holder for this scout troop.

### "KNIT IN GOD'S LOVE" PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The next meeting is Tuesday, July 17<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 pm. Come, bring a friend, enjoy an afternoon of tea, snacks, good fellowship and help us to continue this ministry. We have given many shawls in the past few months and more are needed. **If you would like to financially support the prayer shawl ministry, you can make donations on your weekly offering envelope.**

### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

**Please note that the Church Office is open 8:00-1:00 and will return to 9:00-2:00 on August 27<sup>th</sup>.**

## JULY BIRTHDAYS

07/01	Bud McCarty	
07/01	Matthew Minder	
07/02	Raymond Brian	
07/02	Nancy Enders	
07/03	Daniel Wagner	
07/05	Lauren Lichtenwalner	
07/06	David Connor	
07/06	Matthew Wagner	
07/09	Rev. Sandra Morris	
07/09	Norma Lucabaugh	
07/09	Janet Sweigart	
07/11	Michael Slechta	
07/11	Mary Lou Sturgis	
07/14	Lori Eberly	
07/14	Marlyn Wible	
07/15	Scott Owens	
07/16	Samuel Minder	
07/17	Keith Daly	
07/17	Andrea West	
07/18	Eugene Hartenstine	
07/19	Robert Wible	
07/20	Betty Tyndall	
07/21	Jill Owens	
07/21	Rev. Ken Trauger	
07/21	June Lantz	
07/25	Jenna Leinbach	
07/25	Stefan Woerner	
07/26	Nick Fischer	
07/27	Meighan Gegg	
07/28	Isaac Derstler	
07/28	Lisa Wible	
07/30	Rev. Susan Sokolowski	
07/30	Robert Kilgore	

### SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS

**7:45 a.m. Service of Word & Sacrament**

**9:30 a.m. Service of the Word (Holy Communion will be celebrated twice a month)**

## Stewardship XXIV by Rev. Jack Esbenshade

“The essence of all great art is gratitude.” [Friedrich Nietzsche]

When I came upon this quote I immediately thought of my duty to write this column. I don't think that this is the time or place to focus on 19th century German philosophers. But Nietzsche has something to say to us about how we express our thanks. And one of those ways is through art.

Now Nietzsche doesn't distinguish the expression of the art – be it visual or musical, mental or tactile. But he does raise the idea that any such an expression of the artist is one of gratitude.

I must admit that thought had not crossed my mind. But upon reflection it does make sense. Those works of great art evoke all sorts of emotion and if the art can draw those feelings from us, then the artist must have imbued the art with a similar amount of emotion.

On a recent Sunday I was headed to church and Krista Tippet was interviewing Elizabeth Gilbert on her radio program “On Being.” The guest talked about how creativity is innate within us and that it is creativity which separates us from other forms of life on this planet. She said that all our ancestors were creative; tens of thousands of years of creative people are a part of our heritage. She went on to say that humans spend their time making things, altering things, composing things. It's all a part of us. Observe a child of 3 or 4 with crayons and paper or Legos. The child continues to create and express. In the child we can see how the creative seeds are planted in each of us.

So I thought we could be a bit philosophical and reflective over the summer and I put together these two thoughts - being creative and using that creative nature to express one's gratitude. And I pose these questions for your reflection. Is your creativity a reflection of the creator? If your life is your work of art, is it an expression of your gratitude?

## CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES

**Lauren Eyer** graduated summa cum laude from Elizabethtown College on May 19 with a Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education. Lauren recently accepted a 4th grade teaching position at Price Elementary in the School District of Lancaster.

**Alex Otthofer** graduated from Millersville University last December with a Bachelor of Arts in Spanish and International Studies. Alex is working at the Webstaurant Store as a bilingual Customer Solutions Specialist.



**Robby Kilgore** graduated from Manheim Township High School. Rob plans to attend HACC in the fall to earn an Associate's Degree and then transfer to Temple to pursue a B.A. in Global Studies.

**Tom Busteded**, our former organist, graduated from Yale Divinity School in May with a Master of Arts in Religion in Liturgical Studies. Tom is currently doing Clinical Pastoral Education in New Jersey and is seeking ordination in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

## AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

08/01	Paige Martin	
08/02	Ron Denlinger	
08/02	Thomas Busteed	
08/04	Carole Connor	
08/04	Donald Huber	
08/05	Larry Brown	
08/05	Kelsey Minnich	
08/06	V. Nowell Hoover	
08/09	Kathy Cooley	
08/09	Parry Miller	
08/13	John Keller	
08/14	Pete Rohrer	
08/16	Donna Esbenshade	
08/16	Carmen Richards	
08/17	Jane Portser	
08/18	John Bailey	
08/19	Thomas Dennes	
08/19	Chuck Husted	
08/20	Don Miller	
08/20	Pastor Chris Rankin	
08/21	Kristen Richards	
08/22	John Sokolowski	
08/28	Douglas Hess	
08/28	Carol Martan	
08/28	Troy Neville	
08/28	Isabella Woerner	
08/29	Kevin Daly	
08/29	Gregory Gable	
08/29	Kimberly Knoll	
08/29	Kerry Kreider	
08/30	Nancy Patton	
08/31	Mark Shenk	

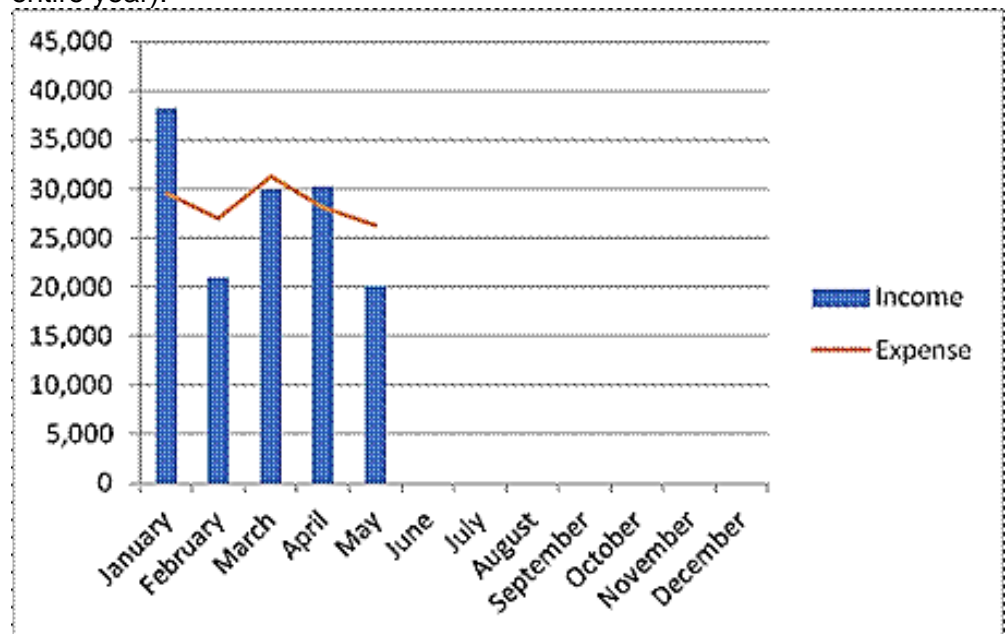
## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who has supported our capital campaign. As of June 17 we have received 89 pledges totaling \$531,434. This means we have achieved 138% of our original goal (\$385,000). We have received \$446,110.15, 83.9% of the pledges. We have also received \$6,128.39 from people who did not submit a pledge.

There is still time to submit a pledge if you have not done so already. Pledge forms can be found in the narthex. You can put it in the offering plate or mail it to the church. We will continue to update the congregation on the status of the campaign. **Remember to put your contribution in a separate envelope or use the special designation box on your envelope. Contributions in building improvement box go to the building fund!**

## MONTHLY FINANCIAL DATA THROUGH 5/31:

Below is a graph comparing our monthly income/expenses through May. For the 5 months ending 5/31/18: **Year to date Income:** \$139,194.; **Year to date Expense:** \$142,784. (January income is above normal due to a member contributing for the entire year).



## KEEP OUR CHURCH BEAUTIFUL

Your help is needed to keep our church beautiful. Please sign up in the Narthex to pull weeds for just two weeks over the summer.

## THE TRINITY MEN'S GROUP

They will be not be meeting during July & August. The next meeting will be on September 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. at Family Fare Restaurant in East Petersburg. This is open to all men of the congregation!

## CONTRIBUTIONS BY WAY OF ON-LINE OR TELEPHONE

Did you know that you can make your contributions to Trinity by way of an on-line transaction or using QR code on your smart phone? It can be a one-time transaction or an automatic continuing transaction.

### ON-LINE or SMART PHONE

Go to our web site...[www.trinityeastpete.org](http://www.trinityeastpete.org). Click on RESOURCES tab and you will see:

GIVE ONLINE – OUR GIFTS TO OTHERS

**GIVE ONLINE OUR GIFTS TO OTHERS**

GIVE ONLINE-NORMAL CONTRIBUTION

**GIVE ONLINE - NORMAL CONTRIBUTION**

QR Code for smart phone giving...OGTO



QR Code for smart phone giving...Normal Contribution



Click on the **SELECT BOX** and you can then identify to which account your contribution is to be credited.

You have the following options:

Create an account or not

Select to include the extra 3% if paying by credit card

Select to include the extra 1% if paying by your bank account

If not selected, the added cost will be paid by the church.

We will show the QR code in the Sunday Bulletin and Parish Post in the future so it is accessible.

Any questions, please contact Ken Zimmerman.



CHILL WITH T.W.O.  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2018  
FROM 10:00AM UNTIL ?



WE WILL MAKE PLARN, PLASTIC YARN, AND USE OUR LEFT-OVER  
FLEECE TO MAKE BLANKETS.

COME TO WORK OR JUST TO CHAT.

AT NOON WE WILL SHARE A SALAD LUNCH.

BRING YOUR SHARP SCISSORS AND SIGN-UP FOR A SALAD  
INGREDIENT LETTUCE WILL BE PROVIDED



Scriptures for July	
1	2 Sam. 1:1,17-27, Psa. 130, 2 Cor. 8:7-15, Mark 5:21-43
8	2 Sam. 5:1-5,9-10, Psa. 48, 2 Cor. 12:2-10, Mark 6:1-13
15	2 Sam. 6:1-5,12b-19, Psa. 24, Eph. 1:3-14, Mark 6:14-29
22	2 Sam. 7:1-14a, Psa.89:20-37, Eph. 2:11-22, Mark 6:30-34,53-56
29	2 Sam. 11:1-5, Psa. 14, Eph. 3:14-21, John 6:1-21

Scriptures for August	
5	2 Sam. 11:26-12:13a, Psa. 51:1-12, Eph. 4:1-16, John 6:24-35
12	2 Sam. 18:5-9,15,31-33, Psa. 130, Eph. 4:25-5:2, John 6:35,41-51
19	1 Kings 2:10-12,3:3-14, Psa. 111, Eph. 5:15-20, John 6:51-58
26	1 Kings 8:1,6,10-11,22-20,41-43, Psa. 84, Eph. 6:10-20, John 6:56-69

## 2018 CROP WALK INFORMATION

Mark your calendars for the CROP Walk on October 21 at Lancaster Church of the Brethren. Registration will begin at 12:30 p.m. and the walk begins at 1:30 p.m. Mark & Chris Eyer will once again be serving as our coordinators. Pastor Rankin and Rev. Bob Hunsicker are on the planning committee. Please look for more information in the summer. This is open to all ages!

## CHANGES TO THE SERVICE OF WORD & SACRAMENT by Pastor Rankin

A group of pastors (most of them are members of our congregation) and scholars meet on a monthly basis from September-May for a book study centered on Mercersburg Theology. This academic year we studied *Gift and Promise: An Evangelical Theology of the Lord's Supper* by the Rev. Dr. Peter Schmiechen, President Emeritus/Professor of Theology at Lancaster Theological Seminary. Dr. Schmiechen raised some interesting questions in the preface:

**--What if the goal of an evangelical approach to the Lord's Supper, initiated by the Reformers, was being fulfilled in theological and biblical studies in our times, as well as in actual changes in liturgies?**

**-What would happen if we laid out a theology of the Lord's Supper in light of the Reformers' initial intent and the theological and biblical studies that have formed piety and understanding in this time?**

One of Dr. Schmiechen's concerns is that our Eucharist services tend to be viewed as an additional liturgy to the Service of the Word. Therefore, he proposes a service where parts of the liturgy will be moved in order to have a more unified order of worship that will effectively proclaim the Word of promise made known to us in Jesus Christ. Some of our clergy members suggested that Trinity could try to implement some of these changes. I spoke with some of my colleagues and with the Board of Elders about these changes. They offered feedback and support. I wanted to write some background information for the congregation before we make these changes in July. So what can you expect in this unified service?

1. **The Invitation to the Table** will be part of our Gathering/Call to Worship. From the very beginning of the liturgy, our attention will be on the Word of promise we receive at the Lord's Table.
2. **The Peace of Christ** will be right before we receive communion. As we break the host and pour the cup, our liturgy reminds us that we come together with different needs and hopes, but we come together as one, but in order for us to experience that unity we must seek peace and reconciliation with one another.
3. **The Prayer of the Faithful** will be part of our communion liturgy. We gather at the table as the family of God, so it is appropriate that at this time in the service to pray for one another, our community, the world, and ourselves.

After a few months with these changes, I will discuss with the Elders and the other colleagues in the congregation. Please feel free to talk with me at any time about these changes to our liturgy.

## VBS INFORMATION

Forms to register for VBS are available in the Narthex.

***Below is a list of craft and decoration materials needed for VBS. We would appreciate donations of the items listed below. Please place items on the table on the stage. Thank you for your help.***

### **Needed before July 1:**

- Popsicle sticks (large)
- Washi tape
- Cardstock or sturdy paper (any color)
- Paper towel rolls
- Rubber bands
- Stickers
- Glitter (assorted colors)
- 4 oz. plastic mason jars w/ lids
- Battery-powered tea lights
- Paper plates
- Glitter glue (wintry colors, blues, purples, silver, gold)
- Paint pens
- Wintry ribbon (sparkly blues, purples, or silvers)

Thanks,  
Dina



### **Trinity UCC VBS 2018**

**July 9 - 12, 6:30 – 8:30 PM**

**July 9 Registration Begins At 6:00 PM**

Fun, Food, Crafts, Games, Music And More

For All Ages

**July 13 Starting At 6:15 PM Pay What You Wish Family  
Pizza Dinner And Closing Program**

**Caretaker And Me Class** - Children 3 and under are invited to come with their Caretaker to join in with the stories, fun, food, crafts, games and music, with a flexible program and ending time.

**Children's Classes** - Children Age 4 through finished Sixth Grade will be getting to know Jesus better, through stories from the Chronicles of Narnia.

#### **Teens And Adults**

Rev. Dr. Christopher Rankin will lead a class, using the resource, **Walking with C.S. Lewis: A Spiritual Journey Through His Life and Writings**. Each night we will take an in depth look at Lewis' life and spiritual journey as we explore some of his writing.

Please join us whenever you can, whether you can only come some nights or all of them.

Monday---C.S. Lewis' Life/Mere Christianity

Tuesday----The Problem of Pain/The Great Divorce

Wednesday----A Grief Observed and the Weight of Glory

Thursday----Narnia

#### **Mission Project Funds Will Benefit Hempfield Power Packs**

Checks Payable to Trinity UCC. Designate Offering Envelopes Hempfield PP.

**School Supplies Will Be Collected For East Petersburg Elementary School**

**Rally Day Musical - "365 Days Of Christmas Each Year"**

**September 9, 2018, 9:00 AM**

Rally Day Musical Rehearsals will begin the week after VBS.

For more information:

[www.trinityeastpete.org/ministries/vbsrally-day/](http://www.trinityeastpete.org/ministries/vbsrally-day/)



### **Trinity Concert Series And Upcoming Concerts (Half of the Free Will Offering from each Concert Series Concert will support the listed charity):**

**October 14, 2018 –**

QuintEssentially Brass Concert –  
4:00 PM – CASA (Court  
Appointed Special Advocate)

**December 2, 2018 –**

Trinity Christmas Concert – 6:00  
PM concert followed by desserts –  
Music For Everyone

### **CELEBRATION SUNDAY RECAP**

We ended our Sunday School year with a special presentation by Zach Wolgemuth from the U.C.C. Disaster Ministries. The morning ended with the final bidding for our silent auction. We raised \$900 from the silent auction and received additional contributions for a total of over \$1,200 to be sent to U.C.C. Disaster Ministries. Thanks to the various groups or church members who sponsored a basket. A special thanks to Stacie Eberly for organizing this event. She has already indicated that she would organize this again next year!



### More Information On VBS 2018 Mission Projects

#### Mission Project Funds Will Benefit Hempfield Power Packs

Please Make Checks Payable to Trinity UCC

Trinity Members, Please Designate Offering Envelopes,  
Hempfield PP  
In The Special Gifts Designation Box

#### School Supplies Will Also Be Collected For East Petersburg Elementary School

No. 2 Pencils  
Dry Erase Markers  
Erasers For Dry Erase Board  
Crayons  
Glue Sticks  
Composition Books - Any Size  
Pens - Any Kind



Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Trinity United Church of Christ on 7/7/2018. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit [www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle) or text the word circle to 797979**



## MOUNT GREтна TABERNACLE WORSHIP AND CONCERTS - PROGRAMS START AT 7 P.M.

- **Sunday, July 1** - New Holland Band: The annual patriotic and spiritual performance. The band traces its origin to 1829; directed by Dr. Kenneth Laudermilch.
- **Sunday, July 8** - Michael Faircloth, touring pianist with the National Christian Choir, and as heard on WDAC, returns with selections from his best-selling CDs.
- **Sunday, July 15** - Irish Blessing, the acclaimed York, PA based family band, carries on the traditional forms of Irish music and dance.
- **Sunday, July 22** - Rev. Myrtle McCall, pastor at the Camp Hill Presbyterian Church will speak and Dan Darty will provide music.
- **Sunday, July 29** - Massed Choir Concert: 175 voices will sing under the direction of composer-directors Heather Sorenson and Howard Helvey.
- **Saturday, August 4** - A Festival of Handbell Choirs will ring music to the praise and glory of God. Directed by Larry Henning.
- **Sunday, August 5** - The Lancaster British Brass Band, renowned for their majestic repertoire, returns to capture the imagination and feed the soul.
- **Wednesday, August 8** - Hymn Sing: "Hymns of Fanny Crosby" (who will be present for an interview), led by the Rev. Bob Kettering and Rev. Dr. Rod Shearer.
- **Sunday, August 12** - Rev. Beau Eckert, along with John Frye and the musicians of Calvary Church, Lancaster will lead us in the worship of Jesus Christ.
- **Sunday, August 19** - Susquehanna Chorale, founded in 1981 by artistic director Linda Tedford, is one of the outstanding choral ensembles in the United States.
- **Sunday, August 26** - QuintEssentially Brass combining musical artistry with infectious personality, again closes the summer season.



**FRIENDSHIP FEST**

**Ice Cream Social**

Concert by Jim Rule  
6:00-7:00 PM

Face Painting  
5:00-6:00 PM

**July 15<sup>th</sup>**

**5:00-7:00 PM**

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The poster features a yellow background with a grid pattern. It includes images of a man playing guitar, a child with face paint, three ice cream cones, a hot dog, and a jug of juice.

**Sign-up sheet for donations of food & drinks is in the Narthex!!**

# church picnic

August 26, 2018  
3:00 - 6:00 PM  
Rapho Park

See Donna Denlinger  
if you are interested  
in serving on the  
planning committee.



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



### John & Kayla Brennan

Kayla and John Brennan moved to East Petersburg a little more than a year ago. Kayla grew up in in Tower City (a small town in Schuylkill County). She was baptized and confirmed at St. Peter's U.C.C. in Orwin, PA. Kayla transferred to our congregation from St. Peter's Church. She is a nurse practitioner at a nursing home in Lebanon.

John grew up in Williamstown, PA. He was baptized and confirmed in the Roman Catholic Church. He is the digital director for a company called HubKonnnect (a digital marketing company for local franchises). John is also a co-owner of a Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu gym in Lititz. John is planning to have his professional debut in MMA this fall.

Kayla & John enjoy spending time with their dog, Ellie, and weekend camping trips to Raystown Lake.

Here's what they had to say about why they decided to join Trinity U.C.C.:

**Kayla:** "I decided to join Trinity because it reminds me of the church I grew up in. There is a sense of community and caring which feels like home. John and I plan on expanding our family in the near future, and we feel Trinity would be the perfect church for our children to grow up in. "

**John:** "I decided to join Trinity because the congregation was welcoming."



## Rev. Dr. Harry & Kathy Covert

Harry & Kathy moved to Mount Joy three years ago from Spring Mills, PA. Harry grew up in Philadelphia and enlisted in the Navy at age 17. He was on the aircraft carrier USS Enterprise and was a nuclear weapons instructor, participating in the Cuban Missile Blockade in 1962. Harry served as a patrol sergeant and detective in Chester County. He was also a state park ranger and an agent with the PA Public Utility Commission.

Raised in the Lutheran Church, Harry was ordained in the Wesleyan Methodist Church and then later transferred to the United Church of Christ. He received his Doctor of Ministry degree from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. Dr. Covert served the following ministries: State Park Chaplain (1982); Supply Pastor, Stonington Wesleyans (1983-84); Pastor, Delaware Run Wesleyans (1984-88); Chaplain, Rockview State Prison (1988-95); and Pastor, St. Peter's U.C.C., State College (1995-04). He was also an adjunct professor in the criminal justice program at Penn State. Following his retirement in 2004, Harry did supply work for 12 churches of various denominations. He recently led our adult Lenten study on his book *Ministry with the Incarcerated*. This is one of seven books written by Dr. Covert.

Harry's hobbies include Harley Davidson motorcycles, sports cars (both are probably in the past now), writing, and hiking. The most exciting thing Harry did was sky diving.

Kathy grew up in Reading, Pa. She attended Penn State Berks Campus and main campus at University Park, studying Elementary Education. She worked at the State Correctional Institution at Rockview as a records specialist and retired after 27 yrs. Yes, Harry & Kathy met in prison and have been married for 29 years. Kathy attended AME and Mennonite churches as a child. She enjoys travelling and reading. Harry & Kathy transferred to Trinity from St. Peter's U.C.C., State College

Here's what they had to say about why they decided to join Trinity U.C.C.: **“Being new to the area we visited churches of all denominations and found Trinity to be a welcoming and sincere congregation. We love the spirit, people, ministry, and of course, the pastor and his wife. Kathy was touched by the outpouring of compassion she received from Trinity after the death of her sister, Allison.**



## Katie Weeber

Katie is a lifelong resident of Lancaster County. She grew up in Ephrata, where she and her family are active members of Zion's Reformed U.C.C. Katie attended Lancaster Catholic High School and Franklin & Marshall College, where she earned a BA in Creative Writing (Music minor). Katie spent nearly 8 years in book publishing before moving to Cargas Systems, where she serve as a Marketing Content Specialist (translate as staff writer for the Marketing department).

Katie has decided to keep her membership at Zion's Reformed in Ephrata and become an associate member of Trinity Church.

Here's what she had to say about why she wanted to join Trinity U.C.C.: **“I lived in East Petersburg for several years and now own a house in West Lancaster. I was looking for a church a bit closer to home. I decided to join Trinity because of the congregation, which has been so welcoming and encouraging, and because the service is so familiar to what I grew up with.”**

*Thank You!*

Dear Rev. Rankin and the Peanut Fellowship Group,

Thank you so much for the gift to Ting Ministries! What an encouragement and blessing. Because of your gift six boys in the Philippines will now have beds to sleep in instead of sleeping on the concrete. Also, your gift helped with medical missions to 1,300 people in the southern part of the Philippines. Your funds are also helping bring home Hope & Brittan from China. We look forward to sharing more news with you soon!

May God continue to bless you all!

For His Glory,  
*Stephanie, Brian and girls*

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Trinity UCC,

Congratulations to those of you that are receiving a donation check this quarter. If a customer does not have your card (swipe or barcode) while eating at either diner, they need only to say to the cashier: "I would like my sale donated to Trinity UCC and you will received credit for that sale.

The SOS Program is pleased to present your organization with a donation check in the amount of \$68.70 which is 10% of your total sales of 687.05 for the quarter ending December 31, 2017. Thank you for your business and support of our SOS Program sponsored by the Park city and Knight and Day Diners!

*Sharing Our Success Program (Knight & Day Diner/Park City Diner)*

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To The Trinity Family,

Thanks very much for the calls, the visits and cards during my recent hospital adventure. While the doctors are still trying to figure me out, I know I can count on the Trinity Family to keep spirits high and moving along. Thanks!

*Scott Owens*

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## STAFF VACATIONS

Carol Kratz will be away June 29-July 8.

Pastor Chris and family will be away July 20-August 8. The following clergy members will be covering pastoral emergencies: **Rev. Sandy Morris** (July 20-July 31)—717-385-1588; **Rev. Bob Bistline** (August 1-8)---717-396-1139

The following clergy members will be our guest preachers:

**Rev. Dr. Rich Christensen**---July 22

**Rev. Harry Royer**----July 29

**Rev. Dr. Carrie Call**----August 5

## 2018 SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE

DATES	CAMP NAME	DIRECTORS	Cost	Cost	GRADE	AREA*
			before 3/31	After 3/31		
<b>WEEK 3</b> July 8-14 <b>ARTS WEEK</b>	Family (11-14)	Hawkins	\$207 / 230		Inter	ML
	MADD	Rachel, Bruce, Galen	\$378 / 420		9-12	B
	MADD Jr.	Alice Rauch	\$378 / 420		4-8	B
	Creative Writing	Liz Royer	\$378 / 420		7-10	SH
	Arts and Crafts	Deb Frailey	\$378 / 420		4-6	A
	Getting Started with Music (8-11)	Narda & Sharyn	\$207 / 230		1-3	ML
<b>WEEK 4</b> July 15-20	Body, Mind, Spirit (7/15-7/18)	D'heedene & Kowalik	\$207 / 230		Adult	ML
	Soccer	Downings	\$378 / 420		6-9	B
	Extreme Jr	L. Errington & Z. D'heedene	\$378 / 420		4-6	A
	Double Dip	Fair & Beck	\$378 / 420		9-12	B
	Camp of the Heart(7/18-7/21)	Druckenmiller & Stong	\$207 / 230		Inter	ML
<b>WEEK 5</b> July 22-28	Adventure	Charlie & Cori Eisenhart	\$378 / 420		4-6	A
	Senior High Adventure	Sara Behm & Joe Jones	\$378 / 420		9-12	SH
	Water World	Alex Weiss	\$378 / 420		7-9	B
	Family (Full week)	TBA	\$378 / 420		Inter	ML
	Family (Half week)	TBA	\$207 / 230		Inter	ML
<b>Labor Day</b> (8/31-9/3)	Family Camp	Nochecks	\$207 / 230		Inter	ML

A: A Cabins    B: B Cabins    ML: Michaux Lodge    SH: Stone House    P-II: Pioneer 2

### HARTMAN CENTER NEWS

1. The 2018 camp brochures in the Narthex. Speak to Pastor Chris or Anne Rankin about camp registration.

2. We are selling camper stock again this year. You can purchase a stock certificate \$10. Please speak to Pastor Chris or Anne Rankin or Carol Kratz in the church office if you are interested in purchasing stock!

3. Nurses are needed for the following week July 22-28. Speak to Pastor Chris or Anne Rankin for more information.

### PENN CENTRAL CONFERENCE MEETING REPORT

The 56th annual meeting of the Penn Central Conference was held June 8-9 at Susquehanna University. The following members of Trinity Church attended the meeting: Pastor Chris & Anne Rankin (along with Zachary, Rachel, and Andrew), Karen Olley, Diane Rice, Rev. Ken Trauger, and Rev. Bob Bistline (designated pastor of Zion U.C.C., New Providence).

Pastor Chris, Anne Rankin, and Karen Olley served as our official delegates. Diane Rice attended as an alternate delegate. All clergy members also receive a vote.

**The Rev. Dr. Chris Davies, Program Manager for Congregational Assessment, Support, and Advancement for the U.C.C., offered the keynote address on Friday and delivered the sermon at the closing worship service.**

**The Rev. Dr. Carol Lytch, President of Lancaster Theological Seminary, offered a brief theological reflection/opening devotion on Saturday morning.**

**Changes to the U.C.C. Constitution & Bylaws were ratified.**

**A resolution regarding the use of plastic foam in our congregations was approved. Congregations are encouraged to avoid using plastic foam in food packaging and other church activities. Please see Pastor Rankin for a copy of resolution.**

**Trinity was mentioned in the advanced reports for celebrating 170 years, and the Rev. Susan Sokolowski was mentioned for celebrating 20 years of ordained ministry (10/11/98).**

**June Price was remembered during the necrology report.**

**There were about 15 workshops offered on the theme of the meeting "Alive in Christ".**

**For more information about the work of the wider church, speak to one of the members who attended the meeting.**

# JULY VOLUNTEERS

## ACOLYTES

July	
1	Zach Baynard
8	Rachel Baynard
15	Lily Kilgore
22	Caleb Kreider
29	Landis Knoll

## GREETERS

July	
1	Judie Bistline & Joann Peck
8	Carmen & Jerry Richards
15	Dolly & John Barr
22	Kathy & Bud McCarty
29	Judie Bistline & Sally Bright

## FLOWERS

July	
1	Cooley
8	Geiger
15	Himmelwright
22	Zirkel
29	Cash

## LECTORS AND COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

July	
1	Nevin Cooley/Frank Lantz
8	Ken Trauger/Ken Zimmerman
15	Jack Esbenshade/Frank Lantz
22	Sandy Morris/Joan Sensenig
29	Dan Otthofer

## TRINITY BREAD

July	
1	Sandy Bossert
8	Jane Portser
15	Dolly Barr
22	Betsy Bailey
29	Marlyn Wible

## WORSHIP AIDS

July	
1	R & MA Bradley
8	
15	Himmelwright
22	
29	

## PRESENTER OF ELEMENTS

July	
8	Zach Baynard/Lily Kilgore
22	Landis & Hayden Knoll

## COMMUNION USHERS

July	
8	Nevin Cooley, Lee Bossert, Sandy Bossert
22	Nevin Cooley, Lee Bossert, Sandy Bossert

## MONEY COUNTERS

July	
1	Nevin Cooley, John Bailey, Pat Sensenig, Charlene Cristy, Stacie Eberly
8	Nevin Cooley, John Bailey, Pat Sensenig, Charlene Cristy, Stacie Eberly
15	Lee & Sandy Bossert, Ron & Donna Denlinger
22	Lee & Sandy Bossert, Ron & Donna Denlinger
29	Mark Eyer, Diane Rice, Karen Olley, George DeLong

## CHURCH NURSERY

July	
1	Marlyn Wible & Denise Huggins
8	Kim Knoll & Kerry Kreider
15	Gretchen Woerner & Heidi Fischer
22	Deb & Mike Lichtenwalner
29	Karen Olley & Charlene Cristy

## REGULAR OR MONETARY USHERS **Bold**=Head Usher Underline=Distribute bulletins

July	
1	<b>Dave Connor</b> , <u>Ken Zimmerman</u> , Dan Otthofer, Bob Kilgore, Jill Otthofer, Anne Rankin, Robby Kilgore, Heidi Fischer
8	<b>Don Miller</b> , <u>Mike Wagner</u> , Shelley Wagner, Charlene Cristy, Lon Wible, Tim Geiger, George DeLong, Betty Tyndall
15	<b>Steve Shenk</b> , <u>Betsy Bailey</u> , John Bailey, Chuck Husted, Denise Huggins, Lee Bossert, Sandy Bossert, Judie Bistline
22	<b>John Barr</b> , <u>Chuck Portser</u> , Hank Fox, Jane Portser, Dolly Barr, Theodore Slechta, Stan Seachrist, Thomas Goodhart
29	<b>Bud McCarty</b> , <u>Kathy McCarty</u> , Mark Eyer, Christine Eyer, Dennis Eberly, Jack Richards, Scott Summers, Zach Baynard

## VISITATION MINISTERS

July	
Ken & Janice Jenkins/Anita Rohrer	

## ALTAR GUILD

July	
Dolly & John Barr	

## CALLED TO CARE

July-September	
Betty Tyndall	

## BUILDING TRUSTEE

July	
Don Miller	

## CARD

July	
Deacons(Nevin Cooley)	

**THE 2018 FLOWER AND WORSHIP AIDS CHARTS ARE POSTED:** Thank you for supporting this part of our worship service by your sponsorship! Chancel flowers cost \$33 or \$41. Worship Aids (bulletins, communion elements, candles, and other worship items) cost \$26.

## DID YOU KNOW?

We have a wheelchair, a cane, two sets of crutches, and two walkers for members of our church family to borrow. Contact the church office if you need to borrow any of these items.

## AUGUST VOLUNTEERS

### ACOLYTES

#### August

5 Caleb Kreider  
12 Rachel Baynard  
19 Zach Baynard  
26 Lily Kilgore

### GREETERS

#### August

5 Donna Zirkel & Joyce Kohler  
12 Iris DeMaio & Judie Bistline  
19 Chris & Mark Eyer  
26 Jill & Dan Otthofer

### FLOWERS

#### August

5 Barr  
12 Eberly  
19 Rankin  
26 Latsha

### LECTORS AND COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

#### August

5 Diane Rice  
12 Nevin Cooley/Jerry Richards  
19 Sandy Morris/Phyllis Zimmerman  
26 Ken Trauger/Harry Royer

### TRINITY BREAD

#### August

5 Chris Eyer  
12 Joan Sensenig  
19 Rosemary Minder  
26 Betty Fogle

### WORSHIP AIDS

#### August

5 Bailey  
12 Covert  
19  
26 Neville

### PRESENTER OF ELEMENTS

#### August

5 Caleb Kreider/Landis Knoll  
19 Rachel Baynard/Sophie Murray

### COMMUNION USHERS

#### August

5 Pat Sensenig, John Bailey, Ken Zimmerman  
19 Pat Sensenig, John Bailey, Ken Zimmerman

### MONEY COUNTERS

#### August

5 Mark Eyer, Diane Rice, Karen Olley, George DeLong  
12 Ken & Phyllis Zimmerman, Betty Tyndall, Bob & Nancy Musser  
19 Ken & Phyllis Zimmerman, Betty Tyndall, Bob & Nancy Musser  
26 Bud & Kathy McCarty, Scott Owens, Dave Connor

### CHURCH NURSERY

#### August

5 Pat Miller & Jane Starr  
12 Sandy DeLong & Jodi Keller  
19 Iris DeMaio & Betty Fogle  
26 Jane Portser & Kelly Schuessler

### REGULAR OR MONETARY USHERS **Bold=Head Usher** Underline=Distribute bulletins

#### August

5 **Dave Connor**, Ken Zimmerman, Dan Otthofer, Bob Kilgore, Jill Otthofer, Anne Rankin, Robby Kilgore, Heidi Fischer  
12 **Don Miller** Mike Wagner Shelley Wagner, Charlene Cristy, Lon Wible, Tim Geiger, George DeLong, Betty Tyndall  
19 **Steve Shenk**, Betsy Bailey, John Bailey, Chuck Husted, Denise Huggins, Lee Bossert, Sandy Bossert, Judie Bistline  
26 **John Barr**, Chuck Portser, Hank Fox, Jane Portser, Dolly Barr, Theodore Slechta, Stan Seachrist, Thomas Goodhart

### VISITATION MINISTERS

Aug. Donna Zirkel and Sally Bright

### ALTAR GUILD

Aug. Jane Owens, **Volunteer needed**

### CALLED TO CARE

July-September

Betty Tyndall

### BUILDING TRUSTEE

August

Hank Fox

### CARD

August

Elders (Betty Tyndall)


## ALTAR GUILD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for two more teams (2-3) people to serve on our altar guild. The duties include preparing the altar each week for worship. If we add a new team then each team would be scheduled once every four months. Speak to Pastor Chris or Tim Geiger for more information!



PLEASE NOTE: Please put any information for the secretary in her mailbox and not on her desk. Thanks so much for your help in this matter.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 7:45 AM Eucharist 9:30 AM Worship	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 	<b>5</b> 7 PM Lancaster Association Executive Committee- Isenberg Hall	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 7:15 AM-4:30 PM Lifeline by Appt.  8:00 PM AA
Secretary on Vacation						
<b>8</b> 7:45 AM Eucharist <b>9:30 AM</b> Eucharist	<b>9</b> 6:30-8:30 PM Vacation Bible School	<b>10</b> 6:30-8:30 PM Vacation Bible School	<b>11</b> 6:30-8:30 PM Vacation Bible School	<b>12</b> 6:30-8:30 PM Vacation Bible School	<b>13</b> 6:15 PM VBS Family Dinner & Program	<b>14</b> 8:00 PM AA
<b>15</b> 7:45 AM Eucharist <b>9:30 AM</b> Worship <b>5:00-7:00 PM</b> Ice Cream Social	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 8:00 PM AA
Roof and Floors being worked on						Pastor Out of Office
<b>22</b> 7:45 AM Eucharist <b>9:30 AM</b> Eucharist Rev. Dr. Rich Christensen, Guest Preacher	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 10:00 AM T.W.O. 7:00 PM Christian Ed.	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 8:00 PM AA
Pastor Out of Office						
<b>29</b> 7:45 AM Eucharist <b>9:30 AM</b> Worship Pastor Emeritus Harry Royer, Guest Preacher	<b>30</b> 10:00 AM Stewardship Com. <b>6:30 PM</b> Admin. Man. Task Force	<b>31</b>				
Pastor Out of Office						





# AUGUST 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 8:00 PM AA
Pastor Out of Office						
5 7:45 AM Eucharist 9:30 AM Eucharist Rev. Dr. Carrie Call, Guest Preacher	6	7	8	9	10	11 8:00 PM AA
Pastor Out of Office						
12 7:45 AM Eucharist 9:30 AM Worship	13	14 7:00 PM Deacons	15	16	17	18 8:00 PM AA
19 7:45 AM Eucharist 9:30 AM Eucharist	20	21	22	23	24	25 8:00 PM AA
26 7:45 AM Eucharist 9:30 AM Worship 3:00-6:00 PM Church Picnic@Rapho	27 OFFICE HOURS RETURN TO 9 AM-2 PM	28	29	30	31	

## MACARONI AND CHEESE RECIPE FROM COMMUNITY MEALS

*contributed by Nancy Enders*

2 1/2 c. dry macaroni  
1qt. Milk  
2c. grated cheddar cheese  
3 Tbs. Margarine  
Seasoned bread crumbs

In 9x13 pan, melt the 3 Tbs. Marg. In the oven.

Then pour dry macaroni in the pan, cover with cheese, and the milk.  
Sprinkle bread crumbs on top and salt and pepper to taste.

Bake uncovered @325 for 1 hour.



### NEW MEMBER ADDRESSES:

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