

TRINITY U.C.C. PARISH POST

October 2021

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR RANKIN

TRINITY U.C.C. VISION STATEMENT:

All will know the love of God through the teachings of Jesus!!

Trinity U.C.C. is called by God to:

--Share God's love with our community
--Serve God's children
--Bring healing and wholeness to those in need
--Share the Gospel in liturgy, music and study

'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved.

(Romans 10:8-10 NRSV)

*Catch the Vision,
Share the Joy!!*



Dear Friends,

At the 10:30 service on October 31, we will celebrate the Rite of Confirmation for Zach Baynard, Elene Keares, Landis Knoll, Caleb Kreider, and Bella Woerner. They were to be confirmed in May 2020, so this has definitely been a longer process. I thank the confirmands, their parents, and their spiritual friends for their persistence during this challenging time.

During the service, you will be invited to welcome Zach, Elene, Landis, Caleb, and Bella with these words: **We promise you our continuing friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love and be witnesses of our risen Savior.**

As we welcome them into full membership, we must continue to support them on their faith pilgrimage. We must call upon them to be active members of Trinity Church by sharing their gifts and participating in the ministry of our congregation!

In anticipation of the celebration on October 31, I offer this prayer from Joyce Rupp:

A Disciple's Prayer

How easy to believe that I am an instrument of your love when my life is going well, O God. How difficult to believe this when my life seems to be going nowhere, or is filled with many concerns and activities that wear me out. Yet, you greatly desire to proclaim your goodness through every part of my life, no matter what the situation is.

I do not need to have good feelings in order to be an instrument of your love. I do not need to always feel satisfied with what I am attempting to be and to do in order to be a disciple of yours. It is the intention of my heart that makes the difference. Deep within I love for you and I give myself to your cause. I place my heart in yours and enter as fully as I can into your loving embrace.

I am your messenger, ready to tell of your enormous kindness and mercy. I will trust in you. I believe that those with whom I live and work will see your love shining through all I am and all I do. It is your radiance within me that will transform the bits and pieces of my life into a tapestry of ardent devotion. Thank you for being present in my life and for calling me with your gracious voice of unconditional love. Amen.

(From *Out of the Ordinary: Prayers, Poems, and Reflections for Every Season* by Joyce Rupp, 2000)

Blessings,
Pastor Rankin



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CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

Nevin Cooley, Consistory Secretary

The Treasurer reported that Year to Date through August member gifts is running ahead of expenses however for the last three months expenses have exceeded income.

The 2022 Budget proposed by the Deacons was accepted and will be presented to the Congregation at the Annual Meeting to be held on November 14th.

The recommendation of the Stewardship Committee to make two grants from the St. Luke's Endowment fund was approved. A grant of \$2,000 to Church of the Apostles UCC for use in furthering their online church worship program and a grant of \$300 to Hamilton Park UCC for support of their Climate Fair held on September 12, 2021.

A gift of \$165 to Bethany Christian Services from the Undesignated Our Gifts to Others funds was approved.

With regrets, Betty Tyndall's letter of resignation from the Elders and Consistory was accepted. All expressed appreciation for all that Betty has contributed through her leadership as an Elder on Consistory.

The date for the Congregational Annual Meeting was set for November 14th after the second services. Details on the meeting will be provided at a later date.



Join the Lancaster 49th CROP Hunger Walk to help end hunger!
The Hunger Walk will be held on Sunday, October 17, 2021

1 pm Registration Opens

Kick-Off Program 15 min before Walk

2 pm Walk Begins

For those wanting to gather to walk together, we will be starting at The Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church, 64 Hershey Ave., Lancaster, PA to enjoy a pleasant 5K Walk to bring awareness and support for our neighbors in need.

You can register as a member of the Trinity East Pete team at <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2021/team/trinity-east-pete>. You can also make donations at this website.

Mark & Chris Eyer are serving as our walk coordinators!!!

For more information on the Walk or Rally please contact:
Rev. Dr. Chris Rankin, Lancaster Area CROP Hunger Walk
Coordinator, chris@trinityeastpete.org

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS		
10/04	Landis Knoll	
10/05	George Latsha	
10/06	Steven Reiff	
10/07	Dr. Cathy Hoshauer	
10/07	Sally Rodenberger	
10/08	Heidi Fischer	
10/09	Kevin Harley	
10/12	Daniel Otthofer	
10/13	Lily Kilgore	
10/15	Derek Eisenhour	
10/15	John Brennan	
10/15	Donna Wolf	
10/16	Phyllis Zimmerman	
10/17	Sandy DeLong	
10/17	Kelsey Harley	
10/22	Elizabeth Rohrer	
10/23	Megan Minder	
10/24	Erika Richards	
10/25	Kelly Schuessler	
10/27	Noreen Trostle	
10/28	Shirley Brown	
10/28	JoAnn Mowrer	
10/28	Ken Zimmerman	
10/29	Kathy McCarty	

I PROMISE FORMS will be received on October 3. You can place them in the offering plate when you enter the sanctuary. The deadline to mail them to the church office is September 29. If you need another copy of the forms, they are on the table across from the church office!

TRINITY CEMETERY

Any member of Trinity United Church of Christ may purchase a plot of ground for burying purposes. The price is \$800.00 per grave plus a \$250 maintenance fee, paid for by the purchaser. Contact the church secretary to purchase a plot/s or for more information.



by Rev. Jack Esbenshade

A few months ago someone hacked my email account. Unbeknownst to me, the message went out first with a general greeting asking for a favor. The follow-up email stated something about my niece was celebrating an event and I needed to give her a gift

card.

There was some work involved to put the email back into order. I had to delete files and folders, uninstall and reinstall Outlook and then create a new password. But within a day or two I was back in business.

The upside of this experience is that many friends and acquaintances that I hadn't been in touch with for some time, contacted me (or Donna) to ask what they could do to help.

It was a pleasant surprise to reconnect with folks I had not been in touch with for more than a year. It was also reassuring that people responded who were available and interested in helping.

Value and worth are not always measured by a balance sheet or check book register. It's a treasure of value and worth to know that others care and I am truly grateful for it.

PORCHES

by Elinor M. Nicholas

On our city block every house along our row
had a front porch; it was almost as though
someone had recognized an absolute need
for a place to relax, or perhaps to read.



On a cool summer evening, at the end of day,
kids living nearby would go out to play
until it got dark and the street lights came on;
then parents on porches would call them home.
There was one evening I remember - it was a time
when a few kids were hiding that we had to find,
but the parents said it was time to go in
and they were not going to call to their kids again;
so each homeowner switched on his own porch light,
making the area around us so bright
that those hiding out came home, one by one,
reluctant to end so much neighborhood fun!

Scriptures for October

3	Isa. 25:6-9; Psalm 133, Rev. 7:9-17; Luke 24:13-35
10	Job 23:1-9,16-17; Psalm 22:1-15, Heb. 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31
17	Job 38:1-7,34-41; Psalm 104:1-9,24,35b; Heb. 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45
24	Job 42:1-6,10-17; Psalm 34:1-8,19-22; Heb. 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52
31	Isa. 25:6-9; Psalm 24; Rev. 21:1-6a; John 11:32-44



Calling New Singers and Ringers

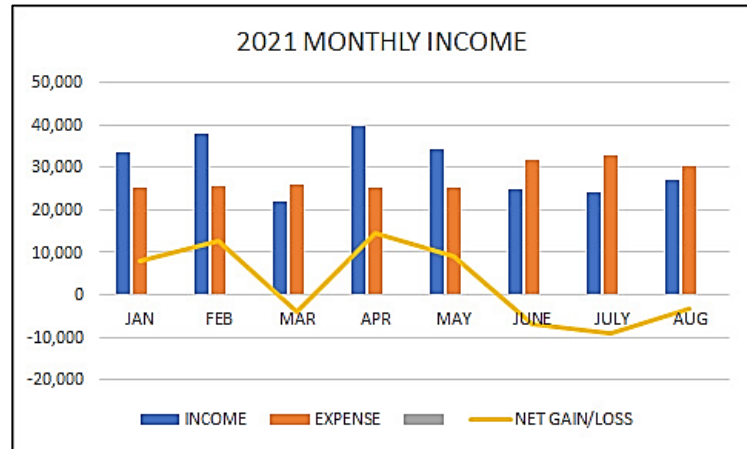
We invite anyone who is interested in providing a solo as a Musical Offering this fall, in joining the SOT Choir, or in playing bells to email Michael and Dina at Music@Trinityeastpete.org.

LECTORS

Assist with the worship service or to just read the scripture lessons at the 8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. services. Please contact Pastor Chris or Carol Kratz if you are willing to volunteer.

News from the Finance Committee

YTD TOTAL INCOME	242,880	AUG INCOME	26,838
YTD TOTAL EXPENSES	221,374	AUG EXPENSE	30,093
YTD GAIN/LOSS	21,506	MONTHLY GAIN/LOSS	-3,255



MT. GRETTA BIBLE FESTIVAL 2021

All Programs are in the Historic Tabernacle • 3rd St. & Glossbrenner Ave.
 Parking GPS Address: 41 Boulevard St, Mt. Gretna PA 17064
 Please visit MtGretnaTabernacle.org for any program cancellations.
 A freewill offering will be received at each program.

ALL PROGRAMS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE Updates will be posted on our website and Facebook page

MASKS REQUIRED at all programming in the Tabernacle during the 2021 Season.
 All programs will conform to strict CDC Guidelines. Visit our website for updates.



October 2

Saturday 2 p.m. Concert

The Massed Choir Composer Lloyd Larson will direct over 100 voices in a joyous Saturday afternoon concert. Sponsored by Losers Music Inc. and Cornwall Manor



There is a simple, convenient way for you to get preventive health screenings and learn your risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions.

These painless screenings go beyond your regular checkup to identify dangerous plaque buildup or blockage, a major risk factor for stroke and heart disease. The screenings are accurate, affordable and will give you valuable information about your health that you can share with your doctor.

We are pleased to host Life Line Screening, who will be on site on Saturday, November 20, 2021 at Trinity United Church of Christ to conduct these valuable screenings.

These 5 vital screenings are offered for only \$149 and take 60-90 minutes to complete. If you register today, you will receive a \$10 discount.

Register by calling toll free 1-888-653-6441 or text the word "circle" to 797979.

CHURCH COVENANT IN THE MIDST OF THE PANDEMIC

As an individual who attends Trinity United Church of Christ I covenant to work with my fellow church members, family and friends to keep our community safe and healthy.

I covenant to. . .

Wear a face mask as a symbol of love and care for others .

Sit six feet apart from others, leaving room for God to work in the in-between spaces .

Clean up after myself in the spaces I use because germs are everywhere I go too!

Honor and respect the sacredness of each person in this space and to stay home if I don't feel well, knowing God is with us wherever we are, whether inside or outside the walls of the church.

Work together with my church family in creating a safe and healthy space to gather for worship, fellowship, or church activities as one body, united in God's love.

Acknowledge the hard work ahead, and the commitment to care for one another.

Together, we as the church, covenant to care and love one another in new and different ways as we:

--Share God's love with our community

--Serve God's children

--Bring healing and wholeness to those in need

--Share the Gospel in liturgy, music and study

Reminders to Regather Safely

If everyone follows these processes, we can safely regather for worship in the sanctuary.

- Stay home if you aren't feeling 100%, or if you've been in contact with someone who is ill or has been tested for COVID-19.
- Those who need to use the elevator should enter at the portico entrance. This will be the way you exit.
- Those who do not need the elevator, please enter at the other side of the building (the lower door). You will exit the building via the stairwell at the church office.
- The ushers/greeters will direct you throughout the building.
- Please do not congregate in the building. You can enjoy fellowship with one another in the parking lot.
- Wear a mask properly covering your nose and mouth and don't touch your face.
- Use hand sanitizer as you enter the building and before and after using the restroom.
- Follow the usher to your pew, maintaining a 6-foot distance between other families. Ushers will dismiss you at the end of the service.
- Handrails and doorknobs will be disinfected during the service.
- Cover your cough and sneeze with your elbow.
- Rest assured that any virus that sneaks out will be clumped, filtered or neutralized by the friendly ions pouring out of the ionizer units in the air ducts.

Remember, no one is pressured to return to in-person worship! We will have the morning services in the sanctuary, and the 8:00 a.m. service on Facebook Live and later on the church website!

STEWARDSHIP SEMINARS

October 14: Planning Your Funeral with
Jeremy DeBord (DeBord-Snyder Funeral Home)
& Michele DeRosa (Groff Funeral Home)



**All seminars will begin at
7 p.m. in Isenberg Hall.
Refreshments will be provided.**



October 21: Hospice Care with Gretchen Thomas from
Hospice & Community Care

All Seminars are free!
Please R.S.V. P. to 717-569-1632 or
email: secretary@trinityeastpete.org

October 28: Wills & Estates with the
Rev. Elizabeth Hambrick-Stowe, Esq.





**October 8
November 12
December 10**

Masks may required per CDC guidelines

Please bring your own drink and snack.

Any Questions call: Karen Olley (717)598-0247

COMMUNITY MEAL

On September 16, 2021, Trinity UCC served 120 take-out meals at Landisville Zion Lutheran Church. A special thank you to Mike Lichtenwalner, the Hempfield Baseball Team and coaches, Pastor Chris, Pat Miller, Nancy Enders, and Paula Dennes for serving the meal.

Your help and continued support of this important mission are much appreciated.

- Nancy Enders and Paula Dennes, Coordinators.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We received new members on September 5. Here is some information about two of our new members. We will learn about our third new member in a future Parish Post!



Jeff Hackenberger is a native and life-long resident of Lancaster County. He does have some roots in East Petersburg as his great-grandfather, David Hackenberger, grew up in East Petersburg and joined Trinity Reformed in 1878 when Rev. Zinkhan was pastor. He is a retired music educator, having taught in the Eastern Lancaster County School District for 30 years. While there, he was the district's string instrumental instructor and director of the elementary, middle school, and high school orchestras. He also served as music department coordinator for 15 years. He has appeared in community theatre productions at Ephrata Area Community Theatre and in local and regional commercials. His family includes his two grown daughters, sons-in-law and six grandchildren.

What drew Jeff to Trinity was the style of worship that he found here. Having grown up in a church which was E&R and followed their style of worship for many years, Jeff enjoyed a service which included the creeds and spoken and sung responses that he had known from years before, as well as the use of the E&R hymnal. But most of all, he appreciates that when you are attending a worship service at Trinity, there is no question that you are worshipping and praising God, and that is the focus of the service.



John Shelsky was born in Hartford, Conn., the youngest of four children, 2 brothers and a sister. Both brothers have passed and my sister still lives in Connecticut.

I grew up in a family that had a great love and respect for the military. My father served in the Coast Guard, both of my brothers served in the army and I was in the Air Force. No career military, but we all served our duty when we were called.

After I got out of the Air Force I attended college evenings while working full time. In addition to getting a BS/BA and MBA degrees, I met the beautiful lady that became my wife(June). We shared nearly 57 years of love between dating and marriage. We weren't blessed with children, but we had each other. My precious wife passed on 9/28/20.

June and I always believed in God and Jesus Christ, but were never members of any church. When June passed, our dear friends in Harrisburg, Ed & Priscilla Fledderjohn, who are members of the Colonial Park U.C.C. encouraged and helped me to find a church.

I mentioned I had passed Trinity U.C.C. 1,000 times in my travels and it was close to where I live. Ed called Trinity and immediately Carol Kratz and Pastor Rankin contacted me, reached out and helped me.

I began attending Vespers. I enjoyed Pastor Rankin's sermons and he was very helpful, understanding and easy and pleasant to speak to. The rest is history. I now have friends and family as a new member of Trinity. Thank you and may God bless you all.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY: NOVEMBER 7

We will be remembering Trinity members and friends of our congregation who have died since November 1, 2020. If you have a name of a family member of friend that you would like to include in the service, please submit to the church office the name, date of death, and your relationship to the person. The deadline is November 1.

OUTDOOR MINISTRY EVENTS

October

The Wittel Farm (Elizabethtown), Camp Nawakwa (Near Gettysburg), and Camp Kirchenwald (Near Mt. Gretna)



THE GROWING PROJECT



Volunteer for The Growing Project through October at The Wittel Farm! This project reclaims a portion of the acreage for farming. The crops harvested are donated to assist those in need in Lancaster County. To volunteer as an individual, or a multi-generational group, youth group or family, contact Pastor Matt Lenahan at pastormattl@dejazzd.com

CAPTURE THE FLAG SPECTACULAR

October 3; 3-5:30 p.m. @ Kirchenwald [Free]

Review your camp map, paint your face, and practice your cone zone celebration dance! Invite your friends and family – of all ages! - to join you in this Capture the Flag event. Campfire worship to follow. <https://www.lutherancamping.org/event/capture-the-flag-spectacular-2021/>



ADULT STUDY RETREAT



October 5-7 @ Nawakwa [\$150/person]

All meals (7) are included in the price and served at the Dining Hall. This mid-week retreat begins Tuesday morning and ends with lunch on Thursday. Lodging in Zinn-Tozer Lodge.

<https://www.lutherancamping.org/event/adult-study-retreat-2021/>

FALL FOLIAGE DAYS

October 24; 1-6 p.m. @ Kirchenwald and Nawakwa [Free]

Come to camp for the afternoon to enjoy fall activities, worship, and a picnic supper. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet up with old friends or introduce new folks to camp. An evening meal is included.

<https://www.lutherancamping.org/event/fall-foliage-day-at-kirchenwald-2021/>

For more information about upcoming events & to register, go to:

<https://www.lutherancamping.org/upcoming-events/>



LUNCH WITH THE PASTOR

As we continue to resurrect community again in the life of our church, Pastor Rankin is inviting members to have lunch in Isenberg Hall on Thursday, October 21 from noon-1 p.m. You bring your own lunch and enjoy the fellowship with your fellow church members. Hope to see you there!



Dear Trinity UCC Members,

Thank you to all who sent birthday cards to Nancy Patton. It was very appreciated. The response was heartwarming and really made her birthday special.

Patsy Miller & Jane Starr

Heartfelt thanks to our Trinity family of caring friends for your cards, messages and personal contact in the recent death of Ron Burger. A special thanks to Pastor Chris for his visit, the altar flowers and a memorial service we will never forget. Thank you to our organist, Christine for the beautiful music. To our secretary, Carol Kratz, who went the extra mile in doing the service bulletin and making it so special. To Denise Huggins for organizing and ordering the lunch before leaving for a planned vacation. To Nancy Enders, Paula Dennes, and the others that helped to prepare and serve the meal, and not to forget the delicious desserts donated by members.

Thank you so much!

Love you all,

The Burger and Daly family

Thank you for all the cards for my birthday. It was very heart touching and deeply, deeply appreciated.

Nancy Patton

Dates	Greeters/Ushers (9:30 a.m. service)	Lectors	Worship Aids	Money Counters	Flowers
3	Don Miller , Zach Baynard, Cherie Cataldi, Jane Portser, Dottie Schadt	Jack Esbenshade (8:00)	Esbenshade	Diane Rice, Karen Olley, George DeLong, Jodi Keller	Enders
10	Steve Shenk , Scott Summers, Karen Olley, Mark & Chris Eyer	Jeff Hackenberger	Bossert	Bud & Kathy McCarty, Scott Owens, Dave Connor	Pfeiffer
17	Mike Wagner , Shelley Wagner, Charlene Cristy, Stan & Pat Seachrist	Sandy Morris (8:00) Diane Rice (10:30)	Enders	Bud & Kathy McCarty, Scott Owens, Dave Connor	Smoker/Rice
24	Dave Connor , Hank Fox, Bob Bistline, Paula Dennes, Denise Huggins	Sally Rodenberger (10:30)	Rankin	Lee Bossert, Ron & Donna Denlinger, Steve Shenk	Cash
31	Don Miller , Zach Baynard, Cherie Cataldi, Jane Portser, Dottie Schadt	Marge Burger (10:30)	Latsha	Lee Bossert, Ron & Donna Denlinger, Steve Shenk	Cristy



Peanut Fellowship

Peanut Fellowship is temporarily on hold. We will keep you informed of when we will be resuming. Thank you for your patience.

East Petersburg Day Parade



**Thank you to Anne Rankin & Don Miller for organizing this year's parade float.
Thanks to Tobe Rohrer for providing the straw and keeping the float over night.
Thanks to those who helped to decorate and to those who rode on the float.
Thanks to all who donated candy! We will plan to do this again in 2022!!**

Award Banquet

Lee Bossert is being awarded the 2021 J. Freeland Chryst Award by the Lancaster County Sports Hall of Fame. A banquet for this event is being held on October 26 at the Eden Resort and Suites. The doors open at 4:30 PM. Social hour runs 5-6 PM. The dinner and program will begin at 6 PM. Tickets are \$35 and will be sold at a first-come first-serve basis. Send check & number of tickets by Oct. 15th to LCSHOF, c/o Jack Neal, PO Box 4073, Lancaster, PA 17604 or visit lancastersportshalloffame.com.



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



**Parish
Resource
Center**

Solutions For Churches & Communities


"The Path Between Us" Conference
 the Eneagram and Healthy Relationships

with Suzanne Stabile
 Oct 5, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm | Oct 6, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

TECHNOLOGY SERIES
 OCT. 18, 7:00 - 8:30 PM
 **Excel 201**

 Rhoda Shirk

Black Religion: A Theology Resurrected from White Oppression

 Oct. 21, 7:00-8:30pm | Dr. Larry Covin

HOW TO ASK GOOD QUESTIONS

 Oct. 26, 7:00-8:30pm
 Vicki Scheib

A Church Dismantled | A Kingdom Restored


 NOV. 2, 7:00 - 8:30 PM
 Conrad Kanagy


Restorative Practices with Children

 Nov. 4, 7:00-8:30pm
 Rob Fennimore

Anticipating Winter: a Silent Retreat

 Nov. 6, 9am-4pm
 Amy Shutt

Using Intuition in Your Life

 Nov. 6, 10-11:30am
 Annmarie Early PhD, LMFT

THE ART OF CHURCH HOSPITALITY

 NOV. 9, 7:00-8:30 PM
 LED BY MISTY WINTSCH, PASTOR

TECHNOLOGY SERIES
 NOV. 16, 7:00 - 8:30 PM
 **Google Workspace**

 Rhoda Shirk

Historic Churches of Lancaster City Bus Tour

 April 4, 8:15 am - 1:30 pm
 Led by Bob Frick

SAVE THE DATE---ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The congregational meeting will be held **after the 10:30 a.m. service on November 14**. The Consistory is working with the Technology Committee to have a virtual option for the meeting. We are not sure at this time if there will be a luncheon after the meeting. Look for more information in the weekly bulletins and the November Parish Post.

CHURCH PICNIC SURVEY

Please remember to complete the survey that Carol sent out regarding our recent church picnic. If you need a paper copy, please contact Carol. This will be helpful as we plan future church picnics and other fellowship activities.

DEVOTIONALS

The October-December edition of *These Days* can be found on both floors of the church building. Contact the church office if you would like us to mail you a copy.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES: Christian Education classes will be held for all ages at 9:00 a.m. Here are the locations for the classes:

1. **Children's Class** will meet in the classroom on the first floor (or outside). They are using the Seasons of the Spirit curriculum.
2. **Middle School/High School Class** will meet in the classroom on the second floor. They are using the book "Way To Live-Christian Practices For Teens" edited by Dorothy C. Bass and Don C. Richter. Topics the young people have voted on and are interested in, and which we plan to study are Music, Food, Stuff, Creativity, Work, Creation, Justice, Growing, Bodies, Friends, and Play.
3. **The Combined Adult Class** will meet in Isenberg Hall. They are using the book "What's in the Bible About Church?" by David L. Barnhart.

There will be no Koinonia at this time!

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!



Greeter /Ushers Needed

If you would like to volunteer as a Greeter/Usher for the 10:30 service on Sunday Mornings, please contact the church office.

CONFERENCE MINISTER INSTALLED



The Rev. Dr. Carrie Call, a member of Trinity and our Covenanted Minister of Mission, was installed as the sixth Conference Minister of the Penn Central Conference on September 12 at Lancaster Theological Seminary. Pastor Rankin assisted in the service as the President of the Lancaster Association.

VIRTUAL ADULT CLASS: "WORSHIP & THE VITAL CENTER"

The Rev. Dr. Peter Schmiechen, President Emeritus of Lancaster Theological Seminary, will present a three week class on the vital aspects of worship. The class will meet October 18 & 25 and November 1 at 7 p.m. via Google Meet. The class schedule is as follows:

October 18: Three traditions

October 25: Belonging and Believing

November 1: The Lord's Supper



Contact the church office to sign-up for this class.

WORSHIP NEWS

The Eucharist will be celebrated at both services on October 3 (World Communion Sunday) and October 31 (Reformation Sunday/Rite of Confirmation). It will also be celebrated every Sunday at the 8:00 service.

We will continue to stream the 8:00 service on the Trinity Facebook page and later upload it to our website.

PASTOR'S VACATION

Pastor Rankin will be on vacation October 8-11. The Rev. Jack Esbenshade will be our guest preacher on October 10. The Rev. Ken Trauger will be covering pastoral emergencies. You can contact Rev. Trauger at 717-203-6425.



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September 20, 2021

Dear Board Members, Pastors and Auxiliary Key Persons,

The Auxiliary of UCC Homes formally began in September 1962 with the purpose to promote Christian service to the communities and residents, assist with expenses incurred by the communities and provide ancillary services. Over the years their focus shifted to promote volunteer services and then mainly to raise funds for annual project requests from each of the communities of UCC Homes. The Auxiliary related to each of UCC Homes sponsoring congregations through a key person, communicating and promoting activities and the needs of the organization.

After decades of tireless service and fundraising efforts that greatly enhanced life for residents of UCC Homes, the Auxiliary is disbanding. The struggle to fill positions on the Executive Committee of the Auxiliary and key person roles combined with several other roadblocks in securing long-term volunteers has spelled an end to an era.

The dissolving of the Auxiliary has been talked about extensively this year. Discussions about disbanding were held at the May and June Executive Committee meetings. The Executive Committee of the Auxiliary voted to dissolve the organization at their September 16, 2021 meeting.

"The decision to dissolve the Auxiliary was very difficult," said Mrs. Susan Myers, Auxiliary President. "The advancing age of those who were active in the Auxiliary and the time demands on younger folks made it tough to fill the leadership roles. We are excited that those who are still willing to serve will have new opportunities to support the mission of UCC Homes."

Mrs. Myers shared that those new opportunities include short-term volunteer openings for special events, specific fund-raising projects in coordination with the Development office of UCC Homes and advocacy in our local communities with a less formal structure that does not require by-laws or leadership terms.

The 60 years of selfless work of the Auxiliary will be uplifted at the 2022 Annual Corporation meeting of UCC Homes, cherishing the past and growing the future in new and different ways.

Sincerely,

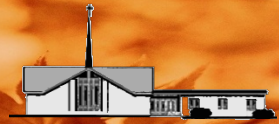
The 2021 Executive Committee of the Auxiliary of UCC Homes

Mrs. Susan Myers, President
Mrs. Priscilla Fledderjohn, Co-Vice President
Mrs. Linda Gilbert, Co-Vice President
Mrs. Barbara Tobias, Treasurer
Ms. Deb Reinhard, Secretary

Mrs. Karen Brady
Mrs. Kathleen Martin
Mrs. Pat Steely
Mrs. Cindy Steger
Ms. Deb Tregea
Mrs. Barb Witmer



OCTOBER 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
October Ministry Volunteers: Cards: Knit in God's Love (Betty Tyndall) Visitation Minister (Phone Calls): Lee Bossert Building Trustee – Hank Fox					1 6-9 PM Cub Scouts	2 7:00 PM Alanon 8:00 PM AA
3 8:00 AM Eucharist 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Eucharist 6:00 PM Confirmation	4	5	6 First Day Enrichment	7 7:00 PM Lancaster Association Executive Committee	8 7:00 PM Pinochle	9 7:00 PM Alanon 8:00 PM AA
10 8:00 AM Eucharist 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Service of Word	11 No Preschool Office Closed Columbus Day	12 7:00 PM Consistory/Bds.	13 7:00 PM Preschool Bd.	14 10am-Noon Mercersburg Study 7:00 PM Funeral Seminar	15	16 7:00 PM Alanon 8:00 PM AA
17 8:00 AM Eucharist 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Service of Word 2:00 PM Crop Walk	18 7:00 PM Adult Class	19	20 7:00 PM Finance	21 Noon-1PM Lunch with the Pastor 7:00 PM Hospice Seminar	22	23 7:00 PM Alanon 8:00 PM AA
24 8:00 AM Eucharist 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Service of Word	25 7:00 PM Adult Class	26	27	28 7:00 PM Wills Seminar	29	30 7:00 PM Alanon 8:00 PM AA
31 8:00 AM Eucharist 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Eucharist/Rite of Confirmation						

October Happenings 2021

TRINITY UCC PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER



A REMINDER:

To wait in the car as the teachers will ask you to pull up so we may get your child for class.

Dress them for the weather as we will be outside for the whole day and are aiming to be outside as long as the weather allows us to.

To have an extra change of clothes in their backpacks in case they have an accident or a spill.

To try to have a potty break before you bring them to school.

To let us know when your child is not going to be present for their class day.

HELPFUL HINTS:

LABELS – help us by making sure backpacks, and outerwear have your child's name written on them.

SELF CARE – in order to facilitate independence in the bathroom, please have the children wear clothing that they can manage by themselves.

COATS – encourage the children to put their coats on by themselves, or do as much as they can. It is important for children to do simple tasks whenever possible.

FUNDRAISER – TBA Look at your emails and children's backpacks for more information regarding our fall fundraiser.

PICTURE DAY: Picture Day is scheduled for October 27 for 3 day and 4 day and October 28 for TinyTots and 2 day. More details to follow.

SPECIAL DATES

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6

Monday, October 11

Friday, October 15

Wednesday, October 27

Thursday, October 28

ENRICHMENT CLASS BEGINS, 11:30-2:00

No School, Columbus Day

Monthly AND Quarterly tuition payments due

PICTURE DAY

PICTURE DAY

CLASSROOM EXPERIENCES

MR. SEAN & MISS KELLY'S 4-DAY CLASS: 4-Day is in full swing! Hooray for the beautiful colors of fall! We will be exploring all things fall this month! There will be lots of fun filled science activities as we look at apples and pumpkins. We will also learn about nocturnal animals!

MISS KAREN & MRS. COX'S 3-DAY CLASS: Wow! A month of school has come and gone. We love how everyone has settled into the school routine so nicely. October will be filled with pumpkins, bats, fire trucks, nocturnal animals and all things fall.

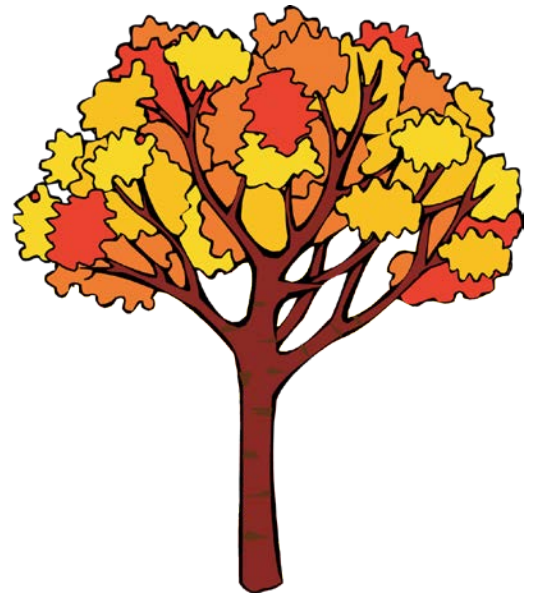
MISS KAREN & MRS. COX'S 2-DAY CLASS: We are having lots of fun in the 2-day program. The children are learning the class routine, practicing walking in line and interacting nicely with each other. We have seen lots of sharing, kindness and good manners! October will be filled with fall songs, pumpkins, bats, firetrucks, black, and orange triangles.

MISS CRYSTAL & MISS KELLY'S TINY TOTS CLASS: We are having a great time in Tiny Tots! We will be looking for squares. Fun fall leaves are on the schedule as well as pumpkins. Keep an eye out for The Itsy Bitsy Spider!

PRESCHOOLER'S VIEW

When I look at books and hear stories, I am learning:

- reading is important and enjoyable.
- letters on a page represent words...talk written down.
- meanings of more and more words.
- to express my own thoughts, feelings, and ideas.
- to exercise my own imagination.
- to interpret pictures to represent ideas.
- to listen well to spoken language.
- to make up my own stories.
- to handle books with care.
- aesthetic values from well done illustrations.
- to recognize certain words when I see them in print.
- to use more and more complex language patterns in my own speech.
- to follow the development of thoughts and ideas in the plot of a story.



KIDZ KORNER

AUTUMN WORD SEARCH

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Find and circle all of the Autumn words that are hidden in the grid.
 The remaining letters spell a secret message - an Albert Camus quotation.

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| ACORN | CROPS | HICKORY NUTS | SCARECROW |
| APPLE | EQUINOX | LONGER NIGHTS | SCHOOL |
| BIRD MIGRATION | FALL | NOVEMBER | SEASON |
| BLOWING LEAVES | FARMING | OCTOBER | SEPTEMBER |
| BLUSTERY DAY | FEAST | ORANGE LEAVES | SHORTER DAYS |
| CANNING | FROST | PIE | SQUASH |
| CHESTNUTS | HALLOWEEN | PUMPKIN | SWEET POTATOES |
| CHILLY | HARVEST | RAKE | THANKSGIVING |
| COLD | HAYSTACK | RED LEAVES | TURKEY |



TRINITY PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISER

10" apple pie with crumb topping
and locally grown apples



10" shoofly pie made from
Grandma Smucker's famous recipe

10" pumpkin pie made from
our own homegrown pumpkins

Pack of 2 apple dumplings made from locally grown apples



52 oz. cake made from
locally grown apples

20 oz. loaf made from our own
homegrown pumpkins



Pack of 6 chocolate whoopie
pies with white filling

Make checks payable to Trinity Preschool



Bird-in-Hand Bakery & Cafe

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Ordering Deadline: Oct. 25th

Pickup: Nov. 5th-10:00 AM

FUNDRAISER ORDER FORM[illegible]

Our Gifts for Others 2021: October 3, 2021

Each year Trinity UCC considers donations titled “*Our Gifts for Others.*” These annual gifts serve to support various outreaches that are important to our friends who are in need throughout the area.

We have a number of outreach options from which we may choose. Here is a brief summary of those seeking your consideration and support.

- **Milagro House** is committed to providing education, counseling and housing for women and children experiencing homelessness here in Lancaster County.
- **Bethany Children’s Home** started its *Helping Hands* program to provide unaccompanied children and youth the opportunity to be reunited with their families in the U.S. Youths stay an average of 10-12 days and receive basic medical care, food clothing shelter more development and basic education while their families are located.
- **Hoffman Homes Inc.** is a similar but longer term stay facility for troubled youth.
- **Love, Inc.** is a national agency that seeks to provide a conduit through which people in need can seek out much needed support efforts by local churches. This agency is geared for those among us in chronic need and seeks to transform lives in the community.
- **Lancaster Theological Seminary** – educates men & women for here for a variety of ministry settings. Donations to LTS help to support students in need with tuition, housing, etc.
- **Phoebe Devitt** – operates nursing home facilities here in central Pennsylvania. The ministries seek donations to help cover the cost of residents stay, regardless of their ability to pay.
- **UCC Homes**– provides benevolent care, and uncompensated care for needful seniors. This organization seeks our help to meet this need. There are homes in Ephrata, Annville, Carlisle, and Harrisburg.

Through June 2021, *we received \$10,289 for the Our Gifts to Others Fund.* Please consider these worthy agencies as you think about your possible financial offerings for the rest of 2021.

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Our Gifts to Others

NAME _____ # _____

UNDESIGNATED GIFT _____

LANCASTER SEMINARY _____

CHURCH HOMES

a. Bethany Children's Home _____

b. United Church of Christ Homes
(Ephrata Manor and Annville) _____

c. Phoebe Devitt _____

d. Hoffman Homes Inc _____

ALL CHURCH OFFERING

a. One Great Hour of Sharing _____

b. Neighbors in Need _____

c. Christmas Fund _____

d. Strengthen the Church _____

LOCAL MISSIONS

a. LOVE, Inc. _____

b. Milagro House _____

c. Other _____

(To be distributed according to need)

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