

### TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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## FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT 7:45 A.M. SERVICE

Mr. Sean McKelvey, Preschool Director

**Today's Theme:** Today's gospel tells of Jesus' temptation in the desert. His forty-day fast becomes the basis of our Lenten pilgrimage. In the early church Lent was a time of intense preparation for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This catechetical focus on the meaning of faith is at the heart of our Lenten journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. Hungry for God's mercy, we receive the bread of life to nourish us for the days ahead.

Welcome all visitors! We welcome all who worship with us. May the joy of Christ's presence and the power of the Holy Spirit fill you with peace and hope! We are honored by your presence and trust that you will join us in the praise and worship of God. Please sign our guest book in the narthex. If you are interested in church membership, please give your name and telephone number to Pastor Rankin.

Welcome to the Eucharist! All who seek to follow Jesus and who seek the gifts Jesus offers us are invited to share in this sacrament of Holy Communion. Children are invited to receive communion at the discretion of their parents/guardians. If a child wants to receive a blessing, they are asked to fold their hands.

Prayer as you enter: Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Why no alleluias or hymn of praise during Lent? You may have noticed that the act of praise following the assurance of forgiveness is missing from our worship. We join other churches in omitting alleluias, glorias, and other hymns of praise as we turn again to our Lenten journey of exile and repentance. We long for the eschatological New Jerusalem "...the Jerusalem above; she is free, and she is our mother" (Galatians 4:26). We walk in darkness awaiting the city of God where... "there will be no more night; the servants of God need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever" (Revelation 22:5). Until then, we travel with our Lord Jesus into the desert to face the devil, we join him in his triumphant procession into Jerusalem, we pray with him in the garden of Gethsemane, and we follow him to the painful cross and to the cold dark tomb. We trust that our journey with Christ does not end there. On Easter we once again join the praises of the choirs of heaven: "The Lord is risen; the Kingdom has come; our joy is complete; and, in concert with the angels and saints, we greet the risen Lord with shouts of 'Alleluia!""

(http://catholicism.about.com/od/worship/f/No\_Alleluia.htm).

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

# CALL TO WORSHIP

# AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM AND INVITATION TO THE TABLE

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Welcome to the Season of Lent - a time to listen for the one sure word in the wilderness which guides us home to God!

We have gathered in the presence of Jesus the Christ, who, through his life, death, and resurrection, is the Word which gives life!

We have gathered in the presence of the Spirit, who sustains us in trial and rejoicing.

Jesus says: if you would come after me, deny yourself and take up your cross and follow me.

Come and receive Jesus, our strength in the wilderness.

# **CONFESSION OF SINS**

### CALL TO CONFESSION

During the season of Lent we are called to return to the Lord with all our heart.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

(SEATED OR KNEELING)

### SILENT CONFESSION OF SINS

### CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us acknowledge before God and one another our need for repentance and God's mercy.

Holy God, we confess to your our faults and failings. Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy word; we take for ourselves instead of giving to others; we spoil rather than steward your creation; we cause hurt though you call us to heal; we choose fear over compassion. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, as we seek to follow in your way of life; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **KYRIE**

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

### COLLECT FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Let us pray the collect together.

God of covenants, we often move through our deserts and wildernesses unchanged. Today let us hear your words in scripture and song so that they may move us and change us. May we come from our time of worship with the same fire and passion that burned in the life of Jesus as he came out of his wilderness. Amen.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

# THE WORD OF GOD

### THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

Human beings were formed with great care, to be in relationship with the creator, creation, and one another. The serpent's promises to the first couple that their eyes would be opened led, ironically, to the discovery only that they were naked.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

### THE PSALTER

Psalm 32

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.

For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the guilt of my sin,

Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.

You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eyes upon you.

Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding, whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not stay near you.

Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.

Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous, And shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

### THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 5:12-19

Through Adam's disobedience, humanity came under bondage to sin and death, from which we cannot free ourselves. In Christ's obedient death, God graciously showers on us the free gift of liberation and life.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

### THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus experiences anew the temptations that Israel faced in the wilderness. As the Son of God, he endures the testing of the evil one.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

### THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

Praise be to You, O Christ.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

SERMON "The Church's Response to the Wilderness" Pastor Rankin

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

### NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, light from light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, and has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# PEOPLE'S OFFERING

### OFFERING DEDICATION

From the abundance entrusted to us, O God, we offer up the best we can give. Guide our use of this precious trust, that it may be spent in ways you choose, in places where you would send us, for the sake of people among whom you wish to dwell. May we bear witness to your abiding love, not only with money but with dedicated lives. Allow us to be instruments of assurance and compassion in our homes and wherever our journeys lead. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

### THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to God Most High.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Holy God, we praise and bless you for creation and the gift of life and for your abiding love which brings us close to you, the source of all blessing. We thank you for revealing your will for us in the giving of the law and in the preaching of the prophets. We thank you especially that in the fullness of time you sent Jesus, born of Mary, to live in our midst, to share in our suffering, and to accept the pain of death at the hands of those whom Jesus loved. We rejoice that in a perfect victory over the grave you raised Christ with power to become sovereign in your realm. We celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit to gather your church by which your work may be done in the world and through which we share the gift of eternal life. Because you have come to us in Jesus Christ, enduring the Cross so that we might know eternal life, it is right that we should give you thanks and praise. With angels and archangels, saints and martyrs, the church on earth and the church in heaven we praise you with your holy name.

Holy, holy God of love and majesty, the whole universe speaks of your glory, O God, Most High. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

### THE PRAYER OF OUR LORD

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

### COMMUNICATION

As this grain was once scattered in the fields, and has come together in one bread, so we, with different needs and hopes, come together as one, for we share one bread.

The Bread of Life, broken for us.

The cup which we share is the cup of the New Covenant written in our hearts and witnessed by Jesus.

The Cup of Blessing, poured out for us and for the many.

### AGNUS DEI

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world: give us your peace. Amen.

(Those who wish to come forward will be invited by the pastor. The pastor will serve you the host, saying, "The Body of Christ." You reply, "Amen!" The assistant will present you with the cup, saying, "The Blood of Christ." You reply, "Amen!" Grape juice is in the chalice with the cross and wine is in the other chalice. If you need the pastor and assistant to come to you, please indicate that to someone near you or the pastor. If you do not wish to come forward, you are invited to use the packaged elements in the narthex and commune in your pew. The pastor will offer a blessing everyone has communed. Children are invited to receive communion at the discretion of their parents/guardians. If a child wants to receive a blessing, they are asked to fold their hands.)

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

### POST COMMUNION PRAYERS

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Sustained by God's abundant mercy. let us pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

You alone are God. Sustain your church in times of wilderness. Give vision and wisdom to all entrusted with the ministry of administration. Counsel all who faithfully lead your people into the future. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

You create verdant gardens and expansive deserts. Tend to the needs of every living creature. Bless those who work in fields and orchards, that the world is nourished by the fruits of their labor. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

You know our temptations. Sustain those who govern and legislate. Instill in them a sense of your justice and righteousness, that equity and peace would pervade all the regions and nations of the world. Merciful God, receive our prayer.

You are a hiding place for all in distress. Draw near to exiles, and accompany all refugees and immigrants, especially children who travel alone. In times of trouble, trauma, or illness, surround your people with your steadfast love. Merciful God, **receive our prayer**.

You offer abundance to all. Bless the ministries of hospitality in this place. Care for those who tend to the needs of others, especially worship greeters, koinonia hosts, and nursery attendants. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.** 

## SILENT PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Blessed Jesus, in this rich meal of grace, you have fed us with your body, the bread of life. Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need. Amen.

# **CLOSE OF WORSHIP**

### **BENEDICTION**





### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chancel Flowers & The Worship Aids are given by Brenda & Harry Himelwright in celebration of Gary's birthday on February 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Ministering Today** 

Pastor/Celebrant Rev. Dr. Christopher Rankin

Lector/Assistant Jeff Hackenberger

Money Counters Lee Bossert, Ron & Donna Denlinger, Steve Shenk Altar Guild Karen Olley, Hedwig Hunsicker, Sally Rodenberger

Koinonia Gene Kopp/Rankin Family

Building Trustee Mike Wagner

Ministries Card Church Staff(Carol Kratz)

Called to Care Anne Rankin

Visitation Donna Zirkel

## Happy Birthday!

Wednesday – Holly Connor, Heather DuBois Thursday – Diane Arey, Michael McDonough

Friday – Julie Daly

Saturday – Rev. Phyllis Baum

# This Week at Trinity Church

(Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-2 p.m.)

Today 3-6 PM – Cub Scouts

Monday 7:00 PM – SOT Choir/8:15 PM-Bells Tuesday 7 AM-2 PM – Peanut Fellowship

Thursday 7:00 PM – Lancaster Association Executive

Saturday 7 AM-4 PM Lifeline

8:00 AM – Men's Breakfast @ Family Fare

7:00 PM – Alanon/8:00 PM - AA

Sunday 7:45 AM – Eucharist

9:00 AM – Sunday School

10:00 AM - Koinonia 10:30 AM - Eucharist

5:30PM—Confirmation Class

Attendance for Sun., February 19 7:45–24 10:30–73 TOTAL – 97 Ash Wednesday 2:00-28 7:00-34 TOTAL –62

Sunday School Attendance 25

**THE MARCH PARISH POST** is available on both floors of the church building.

## PRAYERS FOR GOD'S HEALING PRESENCE

### **MEMBERS**

Don & Pat Miller Joann Garvin Ken & Phyllis Zimmerman Scott & Jane Owens Ron Denlinger Nancy Patton

Dawn Garvin Mark Shenk Dr. Janet Harriger
The Lehman family Jodi Keller Deb Lightenwalner

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Mary Lou Shaab Judie Bistline Stan & Pat Seachrist

Rev. Dave & Mid Gockley Donna Zirkel Carmen & Jerry Richards

Rev. Bob & Nancy Musser Sam Minder III Lainie Christensen

Betty Tyndall and family Hank Fox Charles & Betty Booraem

Dorothy Fasnacht Bob Kilgore Bob & Marlyn Wible

Rev. Jere & Judy Chapman Mary Witmer

### **FAMILY & FRIENDS**

The people of Turkey & Syria

The family of Al Fortna (friends of Pastor Chris)

Gordie Kraft (friend of Lee Bossert & Pastor Chris)

John Martin (brother-in-law of Dolly & John Barr)

Kelly Quick (friend of Rev. Dr. Rich & Lainie Christensen)

The Eshelman Family (friends of Rick & Joann Mowrer)

Marianne Gibble (friend of Trinity)

Eric Zirkel (brother-in-law of Donna Zirkel)

Joan Sleet (sister of Donna Zirkel & Pastor Royer)

James Malone & family

Jeff Bradley (son of Roger & Maryann Bradley)

Tom & Elaine Lichtenwalner (parents of Mike Lichtenwalner)

Summerlyn Burger (granddaughter of Marge Burger)

Janet Owens (sister-in-law of Scott & Jane Owens)

Donna Nesbitt (neighbor of John & Sarah Paulukow)

Chad Zirkel (son of Donna Zirkel)

Jordan Sensenig (grandson of Pat & Joan Sensenig),

David and Brenda Haverstick(friends of Mike & Shelley Wagner)

Jeannie & Bill Toy (sister & brother-in-law of Lainie Christensen)

Robin McComsey (neighbor of Himelwrights)

Rylan Brent (relative of Chuck & Sue Husted)

Don Pfeifer (husband of Denise Pfeifer)

Judy Barr (friend of Mike & Shelley Wagner)

Rev. Phyllis Baum (former member of Trinity Church)

Jake & Jean Otthofer (parents of Dan Otthofer)

The Martin family

Robert Richards (brother of Jerry Richards)

Monica Williams(friend of Sandy DeLong)

Ronald Himelwright (grandson of Brenda & Harry Himelwright)

Barry Richards (son of Jerry & Carmen Richards)

Tyler Miller (grandson of Iris DeMaio)

Joan Kalbach (mother of Dr. Cathy Hoshauer)

Jim & Kathy Long (friends of Jerry & Carmen Richards)

John Siebern (Bob Siever's brother-in-law)

Carl Roth (Gretchen Leinbach's brother)

Sandra Englert (niece of Betty Tyndall)

Jo Jo Richards & family (Carmen & Jerry's granddaughter-in-law)

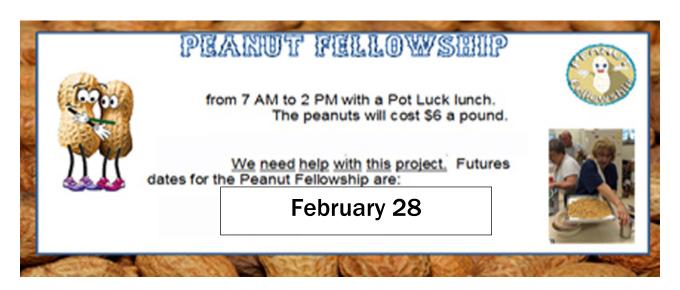
Barry Moore (Donna & Ron Denlinger's brother-in-law)

Judy Wisniewski (sister of Chuck Husted)

The Bonilla-Rodriguez family (friends of Trinity Church)

**CHURCH DIRECTORY**—Look for a copy on the table across from the church office. Make any changes by February 26!

**KOINONIA:** We have resumed koinonia (community fellowship) every Sunday at 10 a.m. in Isenberg Hall. Volunteers are asked to provide light refreshments and drinks/coffee. The sign-up sheet is on the kitchen coordinator. If you have any questions, contact Paula Dennes.



**DEVOTIONALS:** The January-March edition of *These Days* are available on the table across from the church office or on the lower level by the portico entrance.

# WEDNESDAY LENTEN SERVICES: "Sing with All the Saints in Glory"

Lent is a time of renewal. We focus on the death and resurrection of Jesus and in turn focus on our own death and resurrection found in baptism. We who have been baptized into Christ have died to sin and are righteous saints of God. At the same time, we know that we struggle daily with sin as we seek to follow Jesus. This is the wonderful understanding of sinner and saint.

We have a rich calendar of saints in the Christian faith. These are people from every age who have pointed to Christ in their living and dying. In remembering these Christians who have gone before, we find inspiration for our Christian journey. This Lenten midweek series honors the commemorations that occur during the weeks of the Lenten season. Commemorating these individuals is a starting point for a deeper engagement with our Christian faith.

Join us for worship on Wednesday evenings at 7:00. Here is the list of themes and preachers:

March 1 (Inheritance of Faith—George Herbert/John & Charles Wesley)---Dr. Randall Zachman preaching

March 8 (Perseverance with Endurance—Perpetua & Felicity/Harriet Tubman/Sojourner Truth)—Rev. Dr. Carrie Call preaching

March 15 (Faithful in Prayer—Gregory the Great/Patrick)---Rev. Bob Bistline preaching

March 22 (Striving for Justice—Oscar Romero)---Rev. Ken Trauger preaching

March 29 (Dying and Rising with Christ—Hans Nielsen Hauge/John Donne)---Pastor Emeritus Harry Royer preaching

**April 5** (The Beginning of Life—Dietrich Bonhoeffer)—Rev. Dr. Rich Christensen preaching



## LENTEN ADULT STUDIES

# Becoming Jesus' Disciples: The Hard Examples of Those Who Did

Sunday mornings in Lent at Trinity East Pete Isenberg Hall 9:00 a.m. with Dr. Charles Hambrick-Stowe

When we think of "the disciples" who followed Jesus, it's usually the twelve that he named as apostles who come to mind. But when we look closely at the gospels, the category "disciple" becomes much wider and more complicated. Who were these men and women, why did they follow Jesus, and what were the challenges they faced?

February 26 — The Twelve

March 5 — The 70, the Women, and Many More

March 12 — The Secret Disciples

In these Lenten sessions Dr. Charles Hambrick-Stowe (Anne Rankin's father) will explore surprising implications for the decision to follow Jesus in our own time. Come and learn more about "the cost and joy of discipleship" from the hard examples of those who first followed him.

Dr. Charles Hambrick-Stowe is minister emeritus of the First Congregational Church of Ridgefield, Connecticut. Previously, he served as academic dean of Northern Seminary in Illinois, director of the Doctor of Ministry program at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, and pastor at Church of the Apostles in Lancaster and St. Paul's UCC in Westminster, Maryland. In addition to MA and MDiv degrees, he holds a PhD in American Studies from Boston University.

# Finding the Gospel in the Old Testament with Dr. Rich Christensen 9:00 A.M. in Isenberg Hall

March 19—The Freedom of God

March 26—The Power of Names

April 2—Life-Saving Faithfulness

Dr. Rich Christensen, a member of Trinity Church, is a retired professor of Church History. He previously served pastorates in Pennsylvania and Ohio, a missionary in Botswana, and professor at Phillips Theological Seminary in Oklahoma and Lakeland College in Wisconsin. He received degrees from Lancaster Theological Seminary (MDiv) and Union Theological Seminary in Virginia (PhD).

**LENTEN DEVOTIONALS** can be found on the table across from the church office.

**LENTEN DENIAL ENVELOPES:** The Board of Deacons decided to divide the donations in the Lenten denial envelope to assist those impacted by the war in Ukraine and the earthquake in Syria and Turkey. Please be generous as we help our brothers and sisters in need.

**WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS:** We are looking for worship volunteers on Sunday mornings. Contact the church office to sign-up! **Greeters:** To welcome worshippers at the door for the second service.

**Ushers:** We have returned to passing the offering plate during the second service. We especially need ushers because some people have stepped down! We need ushers for our Wednesday Lenten services!!!

**Lectors:** Assist with the worship service or to just read the scripture lessons at the 7:45 a.m. and/or 10:30 a.m. services.

## 2023 CHANCEL FLOWERS AND WORSHIP AID SPONSORS:

Upcoming dates for chancel flowers are: March 26. Upcoming dates for worship aids are: March 19. The price for flowers is \$60. The price for worship aids is \$26. Contact Carol and look for charts for 2023 dates.

**FLOWER DELIVERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Would you like to be on the rotation to pick up the weekly chancel flowers from the florist on Friday mornings? If so, contact Lee Bossert. Would you like to deliver the chancel flowers after worship to members of the congregation? If so, contact Pastor Chris or Carol Kratz.

**MEN OF TRINITY BREAKFAST:** The monthly breakfast will be held at the Family Fare Restaurant on **March 4 at 8:00 a.m.** Look for the sign-up sheet on the table across from the church office.

CALLED TO CARE MINISTRY: The Evangelism Committee is revitalizing the Called to Care ministry this month. Meals will be provided for members after they have returned home from the hospital or during other critical moments. Transportation to medical appointments is also available. Anne Rankin is the coordinator for February and Nancy Enders will be the coordinator for March & April.

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT! TRINITY PRESCHOOL SUB SALE

We would like to thank you for supporting our fund raiser. When you redeem your coupon at S. Clyde Weaver you get to choose from at least seven sub varieties:

Sweet Bologna · Ham · Italian · Turkey Roast Beef · Chicken Salad · Tuna Salad

### Each Sub Redemption Certificate: \$8.00

\* Please note you have to go to Weaver's location to order & pickup Subs.

### BREAD OPTIONS:

white sub roll • bread • tortilla wrap

#### CHOICE OF YOUR CONDIMENTS:

mayonnaise • mustard • creamy horseradish • olive oil • vinegar

### CHEESE OF YOUR CHOICE:

American • Provolone • Swiss

### YOUR CHOICES OF VEGETABLES:

lettuce • tomatoes • onions • marinated onions • sweet peppers banana peppers • hot peppers • black olives • pickles salt • pepper • herb mix • Parmesan

The above is a list of what you can order at Weavers

Locations: 5253 Main Street, East Petersburg, PA/1509 Lititz Pike, Lancaster, PA/Lancaster Central Market

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# Please make checks payable to: TRINITY PRESCHOOL

**2022 ANNUAL REPORTS** are available on the table across from the church office and in the information racks on both floors of the church building!

**NEW MEMBERS:** Are you interested in joining Trinity U.C.C.? Do you know of someone looking for a church home? Please speak to Pastor Chris about joining our congregation.

**EASTER SPECIAL MUSIC:** We intend to sing the Hallelujah Chorus again on Easter morning, and are inviting instrumentalists to join us. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the hallway by Sunday, March 5, so we can arrange for sheet music for you. We will rehearse starting at 6:15 PM on Monday, April 3. There will also be an optional instrumental rehearsal on Monday, March 27 at 6:15 PM.



WORKSHOPS



2160 Lincoln Hwy East, #18

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Becoming Your Best Self: Introduction to the **Enneagram** 

HYERID CONTEMPLATIVE

February 25, 2023 9:00 am - 4:00 pm



### **Resiliency for Volunteers**

ZOOM ONLY VOLUNTEER

February 27, 2023 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm



# Cherry Academy Workshops



people are food insecure with 1 in 6.5 children struggling with hunger. (data from Feeding America and Central PA Food Bank, 2020 and 2021).

This themed year of events will not only expand knowledge of food insecurity issues in the city and county but will also help

people better connect with the local organizations working in this area, and with each other as they imagine new and exciting projects.

### Food Program Best Practices

Mar 7, 7:00 - 8:30pm Webinar

David DeVries, CAP, Maria D'Isabella, CPFB

Whether you are currently involved with food programs like pantries, meals, or community gardens, or you are considering opening one, learn what best practices you should follow. Discover ways to best serve your clients and community while reducing waste and limiting paperwork. Consider your personal or organizational strengths and weaknesses to see how you can best be involved, while assessing the resources and gaps in your community. David and Maria have spent years walking alongside big and small food programs and will bring their insights and wisdom to help you maximize your impact.

### **Food Bank Panel**

Apr 24, 7:00 - 8:30pm Webinar

Central PA Food Bank, CAP, York Food Bank

Food banks are the backbone of hunger relief efforts. They work behind the scenes to collect donated and bulkpurchased food and distribute it to other food pantries and food programs. Food banks are the storage and distribution depots that provide food to the smaller agencies who hand out food directly to the public. Food pantries, community meals, and many other food programs in our community rely on Central PA Food Bank, York County Food Bank, and CAP for access to donated food. Hear directly from these organizations about the work they are doing and how you can be involved.

### Children and Hunger

May 1, 7:00 - 8:30pm Brad Peterson, Power Packs Webinar

In Lancaster County, 1 in every 6.5 kids struggles with hunger. Food insecurity has the potential to be harmful to individuals of any age, but it can be especially devastating to children as their bodies need fuel to grow and develop. Power Packs' unique approach to providing nutritious weekend meals and food preparation skills help families better stretch their food dollars. In partnership with 11 out of the 16 school districts in Lancaster County, Power Packs works directly in schools. Hear more about their work, the Georgetown University research project analyzing their methods, and how you can get involved.

### Resiliency for Volunteers

Feb 27, 7:00 - 8:30pm Webinar

Andrea Grill, Lesley Huff, Rob Fennimore

We are constantly working through difficult situations and the resulting emotions in our families, volunteer work, and workplaces. Learn from our panel of experts about how they build and maintain their personal and professional resilience, to help you find your own resilience and hope.

Situations discussed will include: switching the "job" on and off; not freezing in overwhelming situations; handling disappointment, frustration, and hurt that may arise in relationships with others; and accepting when others make choices you don't agree with.

For more information, and to register, please visit

www.parishresourcecenter.org

or call (717) 299-1113



WOODEN CHURCH SCENES FOR SALE: Mike Wagner recently made church scenes to benefit the Trinity Preschool. They are available on the table across from the church office. The cost is \$15 and you can place it in the red box.

### SPECIAL GUEST PREACHER ON MARCH 12

As part of our 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary, we will welcome the Rev. Elizabeth Hambrick-Stowe (Anne Rankin's mother) as our guest preacher on March 12. Rev. Hambrick-Stowe served as our associate pastor with Pastor Geisler from 1989-1990. Upon Pastor Geisler's death in 1989, Elizabeth served as supply pastor until Pastor Royer began his ministry in February of 1990.



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

The Prayer Shawl will meet **Tuesday**, **March 21 from 1:00-3:00 PM**. They will continue to meet on the third Tuesday of each month! Come and bring a friend. Hope to see many of you there! Contact Betty Tyndall for more information.

### SUMMER CHURCH CAMP

Even though it is still winter, the warmer days of the Summer Camp season are right around the corner! Camp registration is open and ready for you to start planning your summer around weeks at Kirchenwald & Nawakwa! There are a wide range of camps this summer for all ages — kindergarteners through high schoolers, families, adults, and older folks. Below is a list of the camps this year! Contact Pastor Chris or Anne Rankin for more information!

As you know, Penn Central Conference paid for 50% of camp registration fees last year. It is wonderful to be able to announce that that same generous offer stands again this year! You can help send campers from Trinity by contribution to our Camp Scholarship Fund. Place your contribution in your weekly offering envelope and mark the special designation box with "Camp Scholarship".

CAMP WEEK	EXPLORERS Grades K-2	JUNIORS Grades 3-6	INTERMEDIATES Grades 6-9	SENIOR HIGH & ADVENTURE TRIPS	
JUNE 18-24	Day Camp (M-F)		High Adventure		
JUNE 25- JULY 1	Day Camp (M-F)	Classic Tree Toppers	Classic Kayak	Beach (Grades 6-8)	
JULY 2-8	Pioneers	Classic Jr Quest (Grades 4-6)	Classic Arts & Crafts S.U.R.E.	Sr. High Super Adventure (Grades 9-11)	
	Kids at Heart				
JULY 9-15	Mini Camp	Day Camp Plus (M-S, Grades 2-5) Guppies	High Adventure Ten Day	Adirondack Backpack (Grades 7-11)	
JULY 16-22		Arts & Crafts Back-Country Outpost S.U.R.E. TURTLES	Water Adventure	Beach (Grades 9-11)	
JULY 23-29	Pioneers	Classic Arts & Crafts NightHawks S.U.R.E.	SUB Adventure	Adirondack Canoe (Grades 7-11)	
JULY 30- AUG 5	Day Camp (M-F)	Classic Bikes & Boulders	Back-Country Outpost High Adventure	KirchenQuest (Grades 7-11)	
	Family Camp-K-tion (Family Camp)				
AUG 6-12	Mini Camp	Ultimate Sports Ultimate Sports			

Kirchenwald is located on 340 acres of scenic forest, adjacent to 4,000 acres of State Game Lands, in Lebanon, PA.

CAMP	EXPLORERS Grades K-2	JUNIORS Grades 3-6	INTERMEDIATES Grades 6-9	SENIOR HIGH Grades 9-11	
JUNE 25- JULY 1	Classic Day Camp (M-F)	Classic Equestrian Team Sports	Classic Arts & Crafts EXTRAvangaza	Classic	
JULY 2-8	Mini Camp	Classic  Day Camp Plus (M-S, Grades 2-5)  Holy Smoke!  Classic Full STEAM Ahead!		Adventure Sampler	
	Elder Camp				
JULY 9-15	Classic Day Camp (M-F)	Classic Arts, Crafts, & Photography Beginner Guitar and Music	Classic Camp Musical Rock and Roll Adventure		
JULY 16-22	Family Camp				
JULY 23-29	Nature Detectives Mini Camp	Classic Night Owls O.W.L.S. Wild Things	Classic Ten Day	Ten Day	
JULY 30- AUG 5	Classic Day Camp (M-F)	Classic Team Sports	Classic Blaze and Paddle Adventure Team Sports		
AUG 6-12	Family Camp				

# Nawakwa is located on 336 acres outside of Arendtsville, in Adams County, Pennsylvania.

# HARTMAN CENTER HOMECOMING CAMP (July 31-August 5)

There will be several camps happening that week at the Hartman Center Campground in Milroy (the former Penn Central Conference Camp). Look for more details in the upcoming bulletins and the March Parish Post.

**2023 CONCERT SPONSORS:** Forms are available on the table across from the church office for you to sponsor this year's concert series.





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The last date to order is March 9, 2023. Give order forms and payment to the church office, or place in the offering plate. If paying by check, please make it payable to Trinity United Church of Christ. Thank you.

### FIRST READING: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup>And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; <sup>17</sup>but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

3:1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" 2The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die." 4But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; 5for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." 6So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

### Psalm 32

### **SECOND READING: Romans 5:12-19**

Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—<sup>13</sup>sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. <sup>14</sup>Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

<sup>15</sup>But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. <sup>16</sup>And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the

judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. <sup>17</sup>If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

<sup>18</sup>Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. <sup>19</sup>For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

### GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup>He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. <sup>3</sup>The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." <sup>4</sup>But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

<sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup>saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."

<sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

<sup>8</sup>Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; <sup>9</sup>and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

<sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.