



**BORN**  
OF WATER  
AND SPIRIT

JOHN 3:5



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**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**

**7:45 A.M. SERVICE**

**Today's Theme:** During Lent we journey with all those around the world who will be baptized at the Easter vigil. In today's gospel Jesus tells Nicodemus that he must be born of water and Spirit. At the font we are given a new birth as children of God. As God made a covenant with Abraham, in baptism God promises to raise us up with Christ to new life. From worship we are sent forth to proclaim God's love for all the world.

**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:** *O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world 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](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.**

People of God, where do we put our trust? Where do we find wholeness and meaning?

**We lift up our eyes to the hills. Our help comes from the Creator of heaven and earth.**

Our lives are a gift from God, who loves us. By the grace of God, we are born anew each day.

**God loved the world in the gift of Jesus Christ. Through faith in Christ, we receive eternal life.**

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.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)*

## COLLECT FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Let us pray the collect together.

Renewing Spirit, present in the waters of baptism, in the gentle breeze, and in the roaring winds, speak to us where we are and expand our vision beyond the immediate scene, that we may be equipped to follow where Christ leads us, bearing witness to our faith and serving with joy wherever you send us. Amen.

*(PLEASE BE SEATED)*

## TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

# THE WORD OF GOD

## THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 12:1-4a

*God's call of Abram and Sarai has a clear purpose – that through them all the families of the earth would gain a blessing. As they set out on their journey, they are accompanied by promises of land, nation, and a great reputation.*

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

## THE PSALTER

Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills – from whence will my help come?

**My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

**He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**

The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

**The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.**

The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

**The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.**

## THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

*In the person and example of Abraham we discover that a right relationship with God does not involve earning a reward from God but entails trusting God's promises. Abraham is the forebear and model for both Jews and Gentiles, because we too trust that ours is a God who gives life to the dead.*

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

*(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. John 3:1-17

*A curious Pharisee visits Jesus by night to learn from the teacher his friends reject. Jesus speaks to him about life in the Spirit and the kingdom of God.*

***Glory be to You, O Lord.***

## THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

***Praise be to You, O Christ.***

*(PLEASE BE SEATED)*

## SERMON

**“Born Anew”**

**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**

**Compassionate God, we offer you these gifts as signs of our time and labor. Receive the offering of our lives, and feed us with your grace, that, even in the midst of death, all creation might feast on your unending life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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, 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!**

*(PLEASE BE SEATED)*

## **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.

O God, you so love your church. Raise up leaders who care for your people. Bless lay theologians, seminary and college professors, and all who are called to the ministry of teaching, that they form and inspire us for the work of the gospel. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

O God, you so love your creation. Breathe new life into our planetary home. Guide the work of researchers, scientists, and activists who love your earth and who inspire us to care for the natural world. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**



O God, you so love the world. Uphold leaders who resist tyranny and oppression. Strengthen organizations that promote peace and harmony. Direct their work to alleviate human suffering and to address its root causes. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

O God, you so love your children. Bless the young in our midst, and delight us with their joy, wonder, and curiosity. Revive our ministries with children and youth and equip us all for faithful discipleship. Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**

O God, you so love your people. Draw near to all who live with mental illness, depression, or addiction, and accompany them in healing and recovery. Hear the cries of those who look to you in their distress. 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**



**CATCH THE VISION & SHARE THE JOY**



### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The Chancel Flowers** are given by **Marlene Croft** (dear friend of the Hoovers in Florida) in memory of Nowell Hoover.

**The Worship Aids** are given by **Jackey Hoover** with heartfelt thanks to Trinity Kitchen staff (Meals with a Mission volunteers) for the delicious meal on Sunday, February 19.

### **Happy Birthday!**

Tuesday – Mid Gockley, Valerie Zahm

Thursday – Meghan Leinbach

Saturday – Ellie Latsha, Michael Lichtenwalner

## Ministering Today

<b>Pastor/Celebrant</b>	Rev. Dr. Christopher Rankin
<b>Lector/Assistant</b>	Diane Rice
<b>Money Counters</b>	Diane Rice, Karen Olley, George DeLong, Jodi Keller, Denise Pfeiffer
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Charlene Cristy, Anita Rohrer
<b>Koinonia</b>	Cherie Cataldi
<b>Building Trustee</b>	John Shelsky
<b>Ministries</b>	<b>Card Adult Class</b> (Janice Jenkins) <b>Called to Care</b> Anne Rankin <b>Visitation</b> Dottie Schadt

<b>Attendance for Sun., Feb. 26</b>	7:45–12	9:30–78	<b>TOTAL – 90</b>
<b>Sunday School Attendance</b>	<b>33</b>		
<b>Attendance for March 1 Lenten Service</b>	<b>24</b>		

## **This Week at Trinity Church**

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

<b>Today</b>	5:30PM—Confirmation Class
<b>Monday</b>	7:00 PM – SOT Choir/8:15 PM-Bells
<b>Thursday</b>	10:00 AM – Mercersburg Study Group 6:30 PM – Cub Scouts 7:00 PM – Pastor/Parish
<b>Saturday</b>	11:30 AM – Dutch Apple 7:00 PM – Alanon/8:00 PM - AA
<b>Sunday</b>	7:45 AM – Eucharist 9:00 AM – Sunday School 10:00 AM - Koinonia 10:30 AM – Worship



## **SPECIAL GUEST PREACHER ON MARCH 12**

As part of our 175th 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.

## 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 Lichtenwalner
George DeLong	Joann Peck	Danielle Huggins Holbein
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)  
Robert Good (brother-in-law of Betty Fogle)  
James Michaud (Sevi Keares' teacher)  
Gordie Kraft (friend of Lee Bossert, Anita Rohrer, & 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)  
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)

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

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

**CHURCH DIRECTORY**—Look for a copy on the table across from the church office. Make any changes by March 12!



**Turn your clocks ahead one hour next Saturday night!!!**

**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.

**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 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?

#### **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).

**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.

**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.

**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.


**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.



**PEANUT FELLOWSHIP**



from 7 AM to 2 PM with a Pot Luck lunch.  
The peanuts will cost \$6 a pound.

We need help with this project. Futures dates for the Peanut Fellowship are:

**March 14**

**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.

**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**

**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

**Each Sub Redemption Certificate: \$8.00**  
**Deadline to Order: February 27, 2023**  
 \* 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

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Please make checks payable to: <b>TRINITY PRESCHOOL</b>				

**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.

**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.

A promotional sign for a Pinochle event. The sign has a teal background with a central white box containing the word "PINOCHLE" in a stylized font and "1:30 PM" below it. On either side of the central box, the text "EVERYONE IS WELCOME!" is written in white. The background also features several playing cards, including the Ace of Hearts and King of Hearts. Below the central box, a yellow box contains the dates and details of the event.

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

**PINOCHLE**  
**1:30 PM**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

Dates: Friday, March 17/  
Thursday, April 13/ Thursday, May 11

All you have to do is sign up in the hallway near church office and bring a snack or drink to share. We're happy to teach players new to Pinochle.

The logo for the Lancaster Barnstormers, featuring a red and white baseball cap with the word "Lancaster" in a script font and "BARNSTORMERS" in a block font below it.

**SAVE THE DATE**  
Barnstormer's Game

**JULY 5**




Mark your calendars for **July 5** when the Lancaster Barnstormers will play the Long Island Ducks! **The cost is \$30 (ticket, suite rental, endless buffet for 90 minutes, gratuity).** Children from ages 4-18 will be covered by our Youth Ministry account and those under 4 are free. We will need a \$15 deposit when you sign-up! Call the church office to sign up.


**MEN OF TRINITY BREAKFAST:** The monthly breakfast will be held at the Family Fare Restaurant on **April 1 at 8:00 a.m.** Look for the sign-up sheet on the table across from the church office.






## WORKSHOPS

  
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# Cherry Academy Workshops



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

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

### Food Program Best Practices

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

David DeVries, CAP  
Maria D'Isabella, CPFEB

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 bulk-purchased 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.



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

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

<b>CAMP WEEK</b>	<b>EXPLORERS</b> Grades K-2	<b>JUNIORS</b> Grades 3-6	<b>INTERMEDIATES</b> Grades 6-9	<b>SENIOR HIGH</b> Grades 9-11
<b>JUNE 25- JULY 1</b>	Classic Day Camp (M-F)	Classic Equestrian Team Sports	Classic Arts & Crafts EXTRAvangaza	Classic
<b>JULY 2-8</b>	Mini Camp	Classic Day Camp Plus (M-S, Grades 2-5) Holy Smoke!	Classic Full STEAM Ahead!	Adventure Sampler
<b>JULY 9-15</b>	Elder Camp			
	Classic Day Camp (M-F)	Classic Arts, Crafts, & Photography Beginner Guitar and Music	Classic Camp Musical Rock and Roll Adventure	
<b>JULY 16-22</b>	Family Camp			
<b>JULY 23-29</b>	Nature Detectives Mini Camp	Classic Night Owls O.W.L.S. Wild Things	Classic Ten Day	Ten Day
<b>JULY 30- AUG 5</b>	Classic Day Camp (M-F)	Classic Team Sports	Classic Blaze and Paddle Adventure Team Sports	
<b>AUG 6-12</b>	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 Park City and Knight and Day Diners want to thank you, the local community, for your votes, to honor our diners, 11 years in a row, as: THE BEST DINERS IN LANCASTER COUNTY!! We want to give back to the community by offering our "SHARING OUR SUCCESS" (SOS) Program to local non-profits. We will donate 10% of your sales to the non-profit listed above. During checkout, at either diner, **please ask the cashier to donate your sale to the non-profit listed below.** The card does not need to be presented. (please give the name as shown to avoid confusion). At absolutely NO additional cost, you will be helping your non-profit with donations every time you, your friends and relatives eat at either diner, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This includes take out meals, use of our free banquet rooms for meetings or parties.

**Park City Diner & Knight and Day Diner recently sent \$56.78 to Trinity from the SOS program.**

# Easter Flowers Order Form



Person(s) ordering Easter flowers

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Please order:

\_\_\_\_\_ Yellow Mums @ \$ 9.00 each

\_\_\_\_\_ White Mums @ \$ 9.00 each

\_\_\_\_\_ Tulips @ \$ 6.25 each

\_\_\_\_\_ Lilies @ \$ 8.50 each



Total amount due \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Designation as you would like to have it appear in the bulletin.  
Example:

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

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In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

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In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

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Other \_\_\_\_\_

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Give plant to a shut-in member:  Yes  No

or plant at church:  Yes  No

or pick up plant:  Yes  No

**The last date to order is March 8, 2022.** 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 12:1-4a**

The LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

<sup>4a</sup>So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

**Psalm 121****SECOND READING: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17**

What are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? <sup>2</sup>For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. <sup>3</sup>For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” <sup>4</sup>Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. <sup>5</sup>But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

<sup>13</sup>For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

<sup>16</sup>For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

**GOSPEL: John 3:1-17**

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?”

<sup>11</sup>“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

<sup>17</sup>“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

**Next Sunday’s Readings:** Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42.

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