



It is
the Lord!

JOHN 21:7

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
7:45 A.M. SERVICE

Today's Theme: The disciples make a big splash and eat breakfast with the risen Jesus. Wading in the water (remembering baptism) and eating with Jesus (celebrating holy communion) is our weekly encounter with the risen Christ. Jesus asks us again and again: Do you love me? And Jesus invites us, again and again, to follow him, bringing the Easter life to others.

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. **Activity bags for children can be found in the Narthex.** Please sign our guest book in the Narthex and receive a gift of Trinity Bread from our greeters. 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.

HEARING ASSISTED DEVICES –If you have trouble with hearing, please check with one of the ushers for a Hearing Assist Sound Receiver.

Prayer As You Enter: *Eternal and all-merciful God, with all the angels and all the saints we laud your majesty and might. By the resurrection of your Son, show yourself to us and inspire us to follow Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

BY YOUR SILENCE OTHERS MAY HEAR THE STILL SMALL VOICE OF GOD!



CATCH THE VISION & SHARE THE JOY



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*

PARISH 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.**

Sing praises to God, O you saints of God. Give thanks to God's holy name.

Praise God for the joyous gift of a new day. Thank God for healing and ever-present help.

Give thanks to God who turns our mourning into dancing. Praise God who hears our cries and answers our prayers.

We have cried to you in our need, O God. We believe you are working to make us whole.

Luke, the evangelist, wrote of our risen Savior, who at the table with two of the disciples took bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened and they recognized the risen Christ in the breaking of the bread.

In company with all believers in every time and beyond time, we come to this table to know the risen Christ in the breaking of the bread.

Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, gives everyone a place at the welcome table. Alleluia! Come to the feast!

CONFESSION OF SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION

By our baptism into the death and resurrection of Christ, God has raised us to new life.

Let us confess to God our sins and all that waits for resurrection in our lives.

(SEATED OR KNEELING)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SINS

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us repent of our sin and claim the promise of God.

God of grace and glory, you have brought us through the night of sin into the light of Jesus' resurrection. Yet our lives are still shadowed by sin. Make us alive in Christ, O God. Make us new as you make all things new. Rescue us from evil and the gloom of sin, renew us in grace, and restore us to living in your holiness, through Jesus Christ, our risen 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)

ACT OF PRAISE

O God, open my lips.

And my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

COLLECT FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Let us pray the collect together.

God of love, who raised Christ from the dead to reign in power, we honor and bless you, even as we seek wisdom to follow where Christ leads. May your favor rest upon us, your joy fill our lives, your love motivates all we do. Make us instruments of good news who carry your name to others and share your blessing with delight. Amen.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 9:1-20

Saul (later called Paul) was an ardent persecutor of all who followed the Way of Christ. This reading recounts the story of his transformation beginning with an encounter with Jesus Christ on the way to Damascus.

Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

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

THE PSALTER

Psalm 30

I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up and did not let my foes rejoice over me.

O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.

O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.

Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.

For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved."

By your favor, O Lord, you had established me as a strong mountain; you hid your face; I was dismayed.

To you, O Lord, I cried, and to the Lord I made supplication:

"What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit?

Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?

Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!"

You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,

So that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

THE SECOND LESSON

Revelation 5:11-14

The vision of John recorded in Revelation offers a glimpse of cosmic worship around the throne. At its center is "the Lamb Who was slain."

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

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. John 21:1-19

The risen Christ appears again to his disciples by the sea where they were first called. After echoes of the fishing and feeding miracles, he gives a final reminder of the cost of a disciple's love and obedience.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

Praise be to You, O Christ

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

SERMON

"Nicaea: What it Still Means"
(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

Dr. Hambrick-Stowe

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

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with your blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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 abiding love which brings us close to you, the source of all blessing. We give you thanks 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. With the faithful in every place and time, we praise with joy 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

We boldly proclaim: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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.

BREAKING OF THE HOST & POURING OF THE CUP

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.

RESURRECTION ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is offered for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

RECEIVING THE GIFTS OF GOD

(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 do not wish to come forward, you are invited to use the packaged elements at the back of the sanctuary and commune in your pew or ask someone near you to have the pastor and assistant come to you in the 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.

God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Your love sustains the church and its ministries. By that love, equip youth directors, Sunday school teachers, and all who guide formation in the church to nurture vibrant, living faith among your people. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Your abundance is made known throughout creation. Preserve oceans and rivers, lakes and estuaries so that all creatures living in them might flourish. Make us wise stewards of our local watersheds. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Your wisdom guides all who strive for justice and peace. Strengthen the work of grassroots organizers, especially among communities on the frontlines of justice work. Amplify the voices of those most in need, that their leadership guides the way forward. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Your compassion surrounds all who are in need. We pray for all people experiencing poverty and food insecurity, and for all struggling with debt and economic uncertainty. Reassure all who experience hopelessness or need your tender care. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You invite all people to your table of grace. Make this a community of radical hospitality where all feel loved and celebrated. Show us how to better welcome visitors and bless the ministries of hospitality in this place. Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

SILENT PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CLOSE OF WORSHIP

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chancel Flowers are given by **John, Sarah, and Andrea Paulukow** in memory of our daughter, Jackie Paulukow for her May 7th Birthday.

The Worship Aids are given by **Jack & Charlene Cristy** in honor of each member and friend at Trinity United Church of Christ.

Ministering Today

Preacher	Rev. Dr. Charles Hambrick-Stowe
Liturgist	Rev. Dr. Christopher Rankin
Money Counters	Bud & Kathy McCarty, Jeff Hackenberger
Altar Guild	Karen Olley, Beth Bossert, Nancy Enders
Building Trustee	Dave Connor
Ministries	Card SOT Choir (Anita Rohrer) Called to Care Betty Tyndall Visitation Marlyn Wible

TODAY WE WELCOME the Rev. Dr. Charles Hambrick-Stowe, Anne Rankin's father, as our guest preacher. Dr. 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.

Happy Birthday!

Today – Cheriee Mowrer

Tuesday – Paula Dennes

Saturday – Peyton Fischer

This Week at Trinity Church

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

Monday-Thursday: Secretary Out of Office=

Monday 7:00 PM – Choir/8:15 PM – Bells

Thursday Preschool extended to 2:00 PM

6:00 PM – Cub Scouts

Friday 10:00 AM – Evangelism Committee

Preschool extended to 2:00 PM

Saturday 7:00 PM – Alanon/8:00 PM - AA

PRAYERS FOR GOD’S HEALING PRESENCE

MEMBERS

Sarah Paulukow

Ron & Donna Denlinger

Janice Jenkins

Rhonda Hartenstine

The Lehman family

Donna Wolf & Family

Sam Minder III

Rev. Bob Musser

Betty Fogle

Denise Huggins

Ron Becker

Arlene Hoxworth

Don Miller

Himelwright Family

Pat Seachrist

Rev. Dr. Carrie Call

Mid Gockley

Joann Peck

Mary Lou Shaab

George & Ellie Latsha

Betsy Bailey

Donna Zirkel

Betty Tyndall & family

Erika Otthofer

Joann & Dawn Garvin

Mary Lou Sturgis

Autumn Shenk

Kathleen Sensenig Adams

Dottie Schadt

John Shelsky

Ken & Phyllis Zimmerman

Scott & Jane Owens

Carmen & Jerry Richards

Lainie Christensen

Hank Fox

Danielle Huggins Holbein

Michael McDonough

Rev. Ken & Marilyn Trauger

Rev. Jere & Judy Chapman

Rev. Bob & Judie Bistline

Bob & Marlyn Wible

FAMILY & FRIENDS

Andrew Hicks (fiancé of Katie Weeber)

Marjorie Derck (sister of George Latsha)

Billy Schoffstall (uncle of Kayla Brennan)

Rev. Bill Swisher (friend of Trinity members)

Matthew Davis (brother-in-law of Hillary Bossert-Davis)

Zach Pfeiffer (son of Denise Pfeiffer)

John Zittel (brother-in-law of Denise Pfeiffer)

Carol Rogers (mother of Jamy Shelly)
Jessica Clawser (daughter of Betty Tyndall)
Bishop Nathan Baxter and family (friends of Trinity Members)
Sharon Brown (sister of Sandy DeLong)
Tom Riley (friend of Bud McCarty)
Ryan Dennes (son of Paula Dennes)
Tom & Elaine Lichtenwalner (parents of Mike Lichtenwalner)
John Martin (brother-in-law of Dolly & John Barr)
Rev. Pam Illick (pastor of Zion Lutheran, East Petersburg)
Nancy Scholl (friend of Mike & Shelley Wagner)
David Haverstick (friend of Mike & Shelley Wagner)
Dan Congelton (friend of Nancy Enders)
Audria Husted (granddaughter of Chuck & Sue Husted)
Cindy Greiman (friend of Betty Fogle)
Carmen Sweigert (friend of Rhonda Hartenstine)
Marianne Gibble (friend of Trinity)
Chad Zirkel (son of Donna Zirkel)
Ken Hoshauer (husband of Dr. Cathy Hoshauer)
Kurt Kalbach (brother of Dr. Cathy Hoshauer)
Mary Call (mother of Rev. Dr. Carrie Call)
The Herr Family (Former Trinity Preschool Family)
Chris Rice (nephew of Diane Rice & Karen Olley)
David Brown (nephew of Shelley & Mike Wagner)
Harvey Sick (friend of Judy Chapman)
James Malone & family
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)
Jo Jo Richards & family (Carmen & Jerry's granddaughter-in-law)

OTHER CONCERNS

All who are grieving the death of Pope Francis

Victims of Disasters

World Peace

Church World Service & Other Faith-Based Relief Organizations

THE MAY PARISH POST is available in the information racks on both floors of the church building.

STAFF VACATION: Carol Kratz is on vacation from April 28- May 8. Pastor Chris will not always be in the office, so if you can't reach him there call him on his cell phone (717-575-0286).

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

THE MEN OF TRINITY (M.O.T.) BREAKFAST will be meeting at the Family Fare Restaurant for breakfast May 17 at 8:00 AM. This is open to all men of the congregation! You are encouraged to invite other men to the breakfast.

OPEN DATES FOR KOINONIA: There are still open dates for Koinonia during the month of May. The open dates are **May 11, 18, & 25**. If you could volunteer for any of those dates either use the signup sheet outside the kitchen or call the church office.

2025 CHANCEL FLOWERS AND WORSHIP AID SPONSORS: Upcoming dates for worship aids are: **June 8**. Upcoming dates for Chancel Flowers are **May 11 & 18**. The price for flowers is \$60. The price for worship aids is \$26. Look for the charts on the bulletin board in the narthex or call Carol in the church office.

PENTECOST GERANIUM ORDER FORMS are available on the table across from the church office or in the May Parish Post. **The deadline to order geraniums is May 18!** Pentecost will be on June 8!

TOA at Lititz presents:

The Silver Singers

BROADWAY SHOW HITS

Come enjoy an uplifting performance of
your favorite Broadway Show Hits.

The Silver Singers will be coming to East Petersburg
to perform a spectacular SHOW!

All are Welcome. Admission is Free.



May 17, 2025 - Saturday @ 3:00pm

Trinity United Church of Christ
2340 State Street - East Petersburg, PA

A Message from Christian Education for May-June

“ .. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we too are his offspring.’” (Acts 17: 23-28, NRSVUE)

The apostle Paul uses this unknown god as a stand-in for the true God, that although He is unknown to the Greeks, He desires to be known by them. Paul explains that the true God is the real power behind all life.

During the Sundays in May Christian Education Classes will be meeting at 9:00 am through Sunday, June 1st.

The Children’s Class will be continuing work with SPARK! in the downstairs Sunday School room as we explore additional opportunities in which to engage our children. Youth and adults are invited to join The Wired Word studies with Diane Rice meeting in the Choir Room, or in a study of Adam Hamilton’s The Call – The Life and Message of the Apostle Paul led by Pastor Chris, Sue Bowman and others in Isenberg Hall. Hamilton’s study invites us to hear Paul’s story and message, and to reflect on God’s call in our lives to become the people we are meant to be. Chapter 5, “Called to Give” will be starting May 11th. Please contact Pastor Chris for a class session link if you will be joining us online.

April 27th and May 4th, at 9:00 am in Isenberg Hall, we are pleased to invite the congregation to hear the Rev. Dr. Richard Christensen presenting; Pharisees, Sadducees, Zealots, centurions, and tax collectors in the New Testament: Who were all these people really, and why does it matter; The Rev. Dr. Christensen has had a long career as a pastor, campus minister, mission teacher in Botswana, and professor of philosophy and the religious history of the United States.

Looking ahead in June and July: Celebration Sunday is June 8th when at 9:00am we will join classes in Isenberg Hall to observe the learning and the friendship we have enjoyed during classes this year. We will usher in the 2025 Vacation Bible School theme and partake of some tasty treats!

Vacation Bible School 2025 “The Bible” will be held from July 14-17, 6:30 - 8:30 pm! The Closing Program begins July 18th at 6:30 pm. Through stories, crafts, games, and music, “The Bible” looks at what the Bible is, where it came from, and how to use it. We will be looking at some of the characters whose lives and actions are depicted in its pages, in addition to Jesus’ life, and what it means for us today.

A class for adults will be led by the Rev. Jack Esbenshade. Please find more VBS information in the May Parish Post. Volunteer forms are on the table across from the church office. If you have any questions, please speak with Dina Slechta or Diane Rice.

VBS INFORMATION: This year’s Vacation Bible School will be held from July 14-18. You can find more information about VBS in the May Parish Post. Volunteer forms are on the table across from the church office. If you have any questions, speak to Dina Slechta or Diane Rice.

SPRING BOOK STUDY: Pastor Chris is planning to do book study this spring (after Easter) via Google Meet. We will be reading Henri Nouwen’s book *With Open Hands: Bring Prayer Into Your Life*. Contact the church office or Pastor Chris if you are interested in participating.

SUMMER CHURCH CAMP

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. **There is also the annual Hartman Center Homecoming Camp** **Look for more information in the Parish Post or on the table across from the church office. Contact Anne Rankin, Camp Liaison Person, for more information!**

As you know, Penn Central Conference pays 50% of camp registration fees. **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”.

CHURCH GIVING CARDS: Since some members give online or on a monthly basis, they don't have anything to place in the offering plate during worship. Pastor Rankin recently shared with the Consistory an idea that he received from a church he visited for a concert. They have laminated cards in the pews for those people to place in the offering plate as their act of worship (you can see a picture below). The Consistory decided to try this after Easter. Look for these cards to be placed in the pews! If you have any questions speak to Pastor Rankin, Jeff Hackenberger (Consistory President), or Lon Wible (Chair of Deacons).



PRAYER SHAWL: The Knit in God's Love Prayer Shawl Group will be meeting on May 20 at 1:00 p.m. This is the last meeting until Fall. Come and bring a friend. Hope to see many of you there! Contact Betty Tyndall for more information.

NEW DIRECTORY: Look for a draft of a church directory across from the church office and make any necessary changes by the end of May!



Thursday, May 22, 1:30 PM
Sign-up sheet on table outside office

LANCASTER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY'S 200TH ANNIVERSARY

A major event is a concert on **June 1** to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Santee Chapel. More information will be forthcoming!



ATTENTION ALL GRADUATES:

If someone is graduating in your family, please submit their name, school, and future plans with the church office ASAP!

2025 CONCERT SPONSORS: Forms are available on the table across from the church office for you to sponsor this year's concert series.

THE APRIL-JUNE VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES are available on the table in the Narthex.



Lancaster Stormers Game

June 25th

Penn Medicine Park

Stormers vs. York Revolution



The cost is \$35 (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.

You can sign-up by contacting Carol in the church office.

We will need a \$15 deposit when you sign-up!

Gates open at 5:30 PM – Buffet served. Game – 6:45 PM.

Deadline to sign up is June 9

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FORMS are available on both floors of the church building. If you have any questions, contact Amy Grube (Trinity Preschool Director) at preschool@trinityeastpete.org.

Trinity UCC Summer Camp

Come learn, explore,
and create at our
Science and Art
Camp



Week 1 -Science Camp

9:00-11:30

May 12-May 16

Week 2: Art Camp

9:00-11:30

May 19- May 23



Tuesday and Thursday – 2 and 3 year olds \$65/week

Based on a minimum of 8 students

Tell a Friend!

*Please submit your check and form below to save your spot!

*For those new to Trinity UCC Preschool, you will be sent our emergency form, car rider information and permission page to fill out after registering.

My Child _____, age _____ will attend Science Camp____, Art Camp____,
Both camps____. Parent's Name(s) _____
Cell#(s) _____ Email _____
Tuition enclosed \$ _____ Check# _____



You're invited to a Life Line Screening event!

Where: Trinity United Church of Christ

When: Saturday, June 7, 2025

Life Line Screening is the nation's leader in **Stroke and Cardiovascular Disease Risk** Screenings.

Trusted by over 10 million customers.

Screenings are simple and painless. Get peace of mind or early detection.

Who should attend:

Anyone over the **age of 40**

Special Member Pricing for \$159

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FIRST READING: Acts 9:1-6 [7-20]

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Psalm 30**SECOND READING: Revelation 5:11-14**

Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹²singing with full voice,

“Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might

and honor and glory and blessing!”

¹³Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing,

“To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb

be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”

¹⁴And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” And the elders fell down and worshiped.

GOSPEL: John 21:1-19

After [he appeared to his followers in Jerusalem,] Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. ²Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. ³Simon Peter said to them, “I am going fishing.” They said to him, “We will go with you.” They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus.

⁵Jesus said to them, “Children, you have no fish, have you?” They answered him, “No.” ⁶He said to them, “Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.” So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there

were so many fish. ⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. ⁸But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.” ¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.” Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, “Who are you?” because they knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my lambs.” ¹⁶A second time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Tend my sheep.” ¹⁷He said to him the third time, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, “Do you love me?” And he said to him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my sheep.

¹⁸Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.” ¹⁹(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, “Follow me.”

Next Sunday's Readings: Acts 9:36-43; Psalm 23; Revelation 7:9-17; John 10:22-30.

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