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*Invite everyone
you find*

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Celebrating 175 Years: Honoring Our Heritage, Moving Forward in Faith!

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

7:45 A.M. SERVICE

Today's Theme: In Isaiah we are given a vision of the great feast to come, when God will wipe away death forever. In Jesus' parable about a great banquet, those invited do not come, so the invitation is extended to others. In our liturgy God spreads a table before us. Even amid anxiety and hardship we rejoice in the peace of God which surpasses all understanding. With great joy we feast at the table of the Lord, and we go forth to share the wonderful invitation with others hungering and thirsting for the abundant life of God.

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 of the feast, you have prepared a table before all peoples and poured out your life with abundance. Call us again to your banquet. Strengthen us by what is honorable, just, and pure, and transform us into a people of righteousness and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.*

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.**

Come away from the valleys of misplaced loyalty. Come, seeking to meet the God of all worlds.

We have come to praise God and give thanks. We believe God's steadfast love endures forever.

We come together that our faith may be strengthened. We seek the strength to live by all we profess.

God's awesome deeds saved our ancestors. Surely God's steadfast love continues with us.

As we come to the table of God's heavenly feast, let us prepare our hearts anew to be in communion with one another and the risen Christ.

We come, ready to partake of bread and cup; ready to commune with one another and with the living God.

Jesus invites you to this table. Come, eat, and live.

CONFESSION OF SINS

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins to God, who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

(SEATED OR KNEELING)

SILENT CONFESSION OF SINS

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us bow before God in humility, confessing our sin.

Steadfast and faithful God, you have revealed the ways of justice, yet we fail to follow you. We are overwhelmed by the world's violence and suffering. We are afraid to risk what we have for the sake of others. For the harm we have caused, known and unknown, forgive us. For the unjust demands we place on others and your creation, forgive us. For the ways we turn away from you and our neighbor, forgive us. Lead us back to you and set us on the right path; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. 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)

ADORATION AND PRAISE

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 TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Let us pray the collect together.

We turn from the thought of lesser things to ponder your greatness, O God. Make yourself known to us again through words of Holy Scripture, the prayers we offer, the creeds we confess to believe. We worship you worthily only through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 25:1-9

After a hymn of praise acknowledging God as a shelter for the poor, the prophet portrays a wonderful victory banquet at which death-which in ancient Canaan was depicted as a monster swallowing up everyone-will be swallowed up forever. The prophet urges celebration of this victory of salvation.

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

THE PSALTER

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

THE SECOND LESSON

Philippians 4:1-9

Though writing from prison and facing an uncertain future, Paul calls on the Philippians to rejoice and give thanks to God no matter what the circumstance. God's peace is with us and binds together our hearts and minds in Jesus Christ, especially when things around us do not seem peaceful.

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my coworkers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

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

(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus tells a parable indicating that the blessings of God's kingdom are available to all, but the invitation is not to be taken lightly.

Glory be to You, O Lord.

THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

Praise be to You, O Christ.

(PLEASE BE SEATED)

SERMON

“Abundance”

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

May our offerings help to prepare many to feast at your banquet table, O God. May our generosity reflect the amazing abundance you entrust to our care. As we find joy in giving, may others be inspired to give their best, and may all of us realize your peace, dwelling within and among us as we serve in Christ's name. 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, our loving Creator, close to us as breathing and distant as the farthest star, we thank you for your constant love for all you have made. We thank you for all that sustains life, for all people of faith in every generation who have given themselves to your will, and especially for Jesus Christ, whom you have sent from your own being as our Savior. We praise you for Christ's birth, life, death, and resurrection, and for the calling forth of your church for its mission in the world. Gifted by the presence of your Holy Spirit, we offer ourselves to you as we unite our voices with the entire family of your faithful people everywhere.

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.

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.

*(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.

Trusting in the transformative power of God's loving Spirit, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

For the church of Jesus Christ in this and every land, that all followers of Christ share the mind of Christ and strive to live together in peace, staying firm in the Lord. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For green pastures and still waters and all the beauty of the natural world, that creation flourishes and humankind lives in right relationship with all you have made. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For the nations of the world and all who hold positions of authority, that they govern in accordance with God's vision of justice, providing shelter and refuge to all in need, striving toward the goal of peace and prosperity for all. We especially hold in prayer all those impacted by the war in Israel. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For this community of believers, that wherever there is conflict or discord, the love of Christ may keep us united and make us mindful of all that is true, honorable, just, pure, pleasing, commendable, and excellent. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

For all experiencing valleys of illness and grief, that they be healed and comforted and find rest in the presence of the Good Shepherd who walks beside them. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

SILENT PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Word, Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

CLOSE OF WORSHIP

BENEDICTION

★ **CATCH THE VISION & SHARE THE JOY** ★

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chancel Flowers are given by **Ken & Janice Jenkins** in celebration of their 58th Wedding Anniversary on October 16th.

The Worship Aids are given by **Kayla Brennan** in honor of John Brennan's birthday.

Ministering Today

Pastor	Rev. Dr. Christopher Rankin
Lector	Rev. Sandy Morris
Money Counters	Bud & Kathy McCarty, Scott Owens, Jeff Hackenberger
Altar Guild	Anita Rohrer, Charlene Cristy
Building Trustee	Hank Fox
Koinonia	Gene Kopp/Rankin Family
Ministries	Card Prayer Shawl (Betty Tyndall) Called to Care Sally Rodenberger Visitation Denise Pfeiffer

Attendance for Sun., October 8	7:45–14	10:30–64	TOTAL – 78
Christian Education	19		

This Week at Trinity Church

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

Today	2:00 PM – Crop Walk
Monday	7:00 PM – Choir/8:15 Bells
Tuesday	1:00 PM – Prayer Shawl 7:00 PM – Consistory/Bds.
Wednesday	6:30 PM – Executive Mtg.
Thursday	6:00 PM – Cub Scouts
Friday	7:00 PM - Pinochle
Saturday	4:00 PM – Trunk or Treat 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 – Worship 4:00 PM – Brass Concert

Happy Birthday

Today – Derek Eisenhour, John Brennan, Donna Wolf

Monday – Phyllis Zimmerman

Tuesday – Sandy DeLong, Kelsey Harley, Elyse Minder

PRAYERS FOR GOD'S HEALING PRESENCE

MEMBERS

Ken & Phyllis Zimmerman	Dr. Carrie Call	Scott & Jane Owens
Harry Himelwright	Jack Keller	Dorothy Fasnacht
Don & Pat Miller	Nancy Patton	Dr. Janet Harriger
The Lehman family	Joann Peck	The Shelly Family
Donna Wolf & Family	Ron Becker	Mary Lou Shaab
Stan & Pat Seachrist	Donna Zirkel	Carmen & Jerry Richards
Rev. Dave & Mid Gockley	Sam Minder III	Lainie Christensen
Rev. Bob & Nancy Musser	Hank Fox	Charles & Betty Booraem
Betty Tyndall and family	Mary Witmer	Bob & Marlyn Wible
Rev. Bob & Judie Bistline	Erika Otthofer	Kathleen Sensenig Adams
Rev. Jere & Judy Chapman	Dave Trostle	Danielle Huggins Holbein
Joann & Dawn Garvin	John Shelsky	Dr. Blaine Connor

FAMILY & FRIENDS

The family of Rev. Phyllis Baum (former member of Trinity)

The family of Robert Long (cousin of Betty Fogle)

The family of James Michaud (Sevi Keares' teacher)

The family of Judy Barr (friend of Mike & Shelley Wagner)

Bob Morris (father of Rev. Sandy Morris)

Deb Olley Heagy (daughter of Jack & Karen Olley)

Donna Esbenshade (wife of Rev. Jack Esbenshade)

The Haverstick Family (friends of Mike & Shelley Wagner)

Tom Riley (friend of Bud McCarty)

Dr. Phil Bartholomew (friend of Pastor Rankin)

Rev. Loy Garber (former seminarian)

Roland Anderson and family (friends of John & Kayla Brennan)

Andrea Paulukow (daughter of John & Sarah Paulukow)

Richard Paulukow (relative of John & Sarah Paulukow)

Jaden Allen (nephew of Carol Kratz)

Cindy Commero Cook and family(friend of Sarah Paulukow)

Gina McCarty (daughter-in-law of Bud & Kathy McCarty)

The Bruno family (friends of Blaine Connor)

Jessica Brown (niece of Mike & Shelley Wagner)

Janice Zimmerman (sister of Ken Zimmerman)

Larry Gerlach (brother of Dolly Barr)

John Martin (brother-in-law of Dolly & John Barr)
Kelly Quick (friend of Rev. Dr. Rich & Lainie Christensen)
Marianne Gibble (friend of Trinity)
James Malone & family
Tom & Elaine Lichtenwalner (parents of Mike Lichtenwalner)
Janet Owens (sister-in-law of Scott & Jane Owens)
Chad Zirkel (son of Donna Zirkel)
Jordan Sensenig (grandson of Pat & Joan Sensenig),
Don Pfeifer (husband of Denise Pfeifer)
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)
Jo Jo Richards & family (Carmen & Jerry's granddaughter-in-law)

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

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

"I PROMISE" FORMS are still being accepted! We hope that you will submit the forms to help us plan for our ministry in 2024. Extra forms are available on the table across from the church office!

PRAYER SHAWL: Prayer Shawl will meet Tuesday, October 17 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.

TRINITY T-SHIRTS: The Anniversary Committee is working with our own Mitch Gibson (from Elizabethtown Sporting Goods) to celebrate our 175th anniversary with Trinity t-shirts. We have already placed one order, but you can still order shirts on the form across from the church office.

TRINITY PRAYER BOOK: In the spring, participants in the Adult Sunday School Class were sharing prayers that were meaningful to their family. Anne Rankin thought it would be good to compile these prayers and create a Trinity prayer book as part of our 175th anniversary. You can submit prayers to Pastor Chris or Anne. **Deadline has been extended until October 15!**

SHARE YOUR STORIES/MEMORIES OF TRINITY CHURCH: The 175th Anniversary Committee invites members of the congregation to share your stories and memories of Trinity Church for our November Echoes of the Past article. What are some of the things you remember from our past? Who are some of the people you remember? For some of our newer members, what drew you to Trinity Church? Whether you have been here 50 years or you recently joined, we want to hear from you!! **You can still submit entries by October 16.**



**175th Anniversary Service/Luncheon at Blue Collar
October 29**

Join us for a special koinonia at 9:30 a.m. (no Sunday School)

Service is 10:30 a.m. and luncheon at 12:30 p.m.

The Rev. Dr. Carrie Call, Guest Preacher

Buffet Menu

--Barbecue Chicken (tangy vinegar-based barbecue sauce), fries, and green beans

--Salmon with citrus sauce, farro, and green beans

--Stuffed Pork Loin (port wine sauce) rosemary potatoes, and green beans

All meals will include assorted rolls, drinks (tea, water, coffee), and dessert

Children's menu: cheeseburger, mac & cheese, and chicken bites with fries.

Price: \$20 for adults/\$7 for children (Trinity will pay the other portion of the meal price)

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION!!!

Contact a committee member for more information: Dolly Barr, Rev. Dr. Rich Christensen, Donna Geisler, Diane Rice, or Pastor Rankin.



The 51st Annual Lancaster CROP Walk
In memory of Father Alexander Veronis

October 15, 2023
1:00 Registration
1:30 PM Program
2:00 PM Walk Begins
at the

**Annunciation Greek
Orthodox Church**

64 Hershey Ave.
Lancaster, PA



Matt Barcaro from WGAL will be the emcee!

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/event/lancasterpa>

For more information contact

Rev. Dr. Chris Rankin
chris@trinityeastpete.org

We are again participating in the CROP Walk to support Church World Services (CWS) as they work to raise money to help men, women and children who are struggling with hunger locally and throughout the world. It is hard to believe but one in nine people worldwide lack access to clean water and a healthy diet. Every dollar raised makes a difference! The Lancaster Food Hub receives 25% of the funds raised.

We need walkers and need donations to help with this important mission. Below you will also see the URL for our team's site that you can type into a web browser or if you have a smart phone or tablet you can simply scan the QR Code to sign up with our team to walk and make a donation.

The following people have already signed up to walk: Kayla Brennan, Mark & Chris Eyer, Kathy McCarty, Karen Olley, Diane Rice, Sally Rodenberger, and the Rankin family. You can also give our walkers money. Checks should be made out to CWS/CROP!

<https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/team/trinity-east-pete>



Change the world. One community garden at a time.

Those aren't just **potatoes** in Edulia and Gregorio's hands... They are the **instruments** of social and economic **prosperity**.

Before, the farmers in the Guarani indigenous community in Bolivia barely survived on a diet of boiled corn. Their children were weak from malnutrition.

Today, they grow an ample supply of nutritious fruits and vegetables in a community garden. They harvest enough food to feed their families and sell a surplus in the market. With the income they make, they are able to purchase protein to supplement their diet and buy more seeds for the garden.

Through the CROP Hunger Walk, you are there, investing in Edulia and Gregorio. Their smiles are thanks to you!

Just last year, 50,217 global neighbors like those in Bolivia were provided stable sources of nutritious food.

795 million more people around the world are waiting for your help.

 \$20 a year supply of micronutrient packets	 \$60 jerry cans for a small village	 \$100 training for 25 farmers
 \$500 seeds and gardening supplies for a community garden		



crophungerwalk.org
888-CWS-CROP



CELEBRATION OF CHRISTINE OETAMA: Next Sunday will be Christine's final Sunday as our organist. There will be a special reception after the 10:30 service in Isenberg Hall.

2023 CHANCEL FLOWERS AND WORSHIP AID SPONSORS: Upcoming dates for worship aids are: November 26. 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.



Look for sign-up sheet on the table across from church office!
Contact Cherie Cataldi for more information!

KOINONIA/SUNDAYMORNING FELLOWSHIP: 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. Coffee is always available between 7:45 service and Sunday School.

MEN OF TRINITY (M.O.T.) BREAKFAST: The monthly breakfast will be held at the Family Fare Restaurant on November 11 at 8:00 a.m. Look for the sign-up sheet on the table across from the church office. This is open to the men of Trinity! You can always invite a friend to join you for breakfast!



PEANUT FELLOWSHIP

We will be starting peanuts on September 26th. We need help. We start at 7:00 AM & end at 2:00 PM. Anytime you can help would be greatly appreciated. Great fellowship and potluck lunch. Peanuts will be \$6.00 per lb. Please pay by cash or check. You can place your orders at church or call Pat Seachrist at 717-392-1427.

Christmas orders must be placed by November 1st. Schedule: Oct. 24, Nov. 14, 28, and Dec. 5. Hope to see you there!

Sue Husted, Pat Seachrist, & Shelley Wagner



ALL SAINTS SUNDAY ON NOVEMBER 5: We will be remembering Trinity members and friends of our congregation who have died since November 6, 2022. If you have a name of a family member or friend that you would like to include in the service, please submit to the church office the name, date of death, and your relationship to the person. **The deadline is October 30.**

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Greeter /Ushers Needed



If you would like to volunteer as a Greeter/Usher for the 10:30 a.m. service please contact the church office. We recently had some vacancies as ushers, so we are in need of help!!!



We are looking for a greeter coordinator that will recruit new people to serve and create a schedule. Contact Pastor Chris or Carol Kratz.



Assist with the worship service or to just read the scripture lessons at the 7:45 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. services. Please contact Pastor Chris or Carol Kratz if you are willing to volunteer!



AMERICAN MUSIC THEATRE OUTING

2425 Lincoln Hwy East, Lancaster, PA

December 16, 10:30 AM

Cost: Adults-\$43, Youth-\$22

Christmas Show: The First Noel

Deadline to sign-up is October 15.

Sign-up sheet on table in hallway outside office.

We have 5 tickets left!!

This is being sponsored by our Parish Life Committee!!

UPCOMING EVENTS AT



The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania

Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, & The Wittel Farm

[Fall Foliage Day at Nawakwa](#) at Nawakwa - October 22, 2023

[Fall Foliage Day at Kirchenwald](#) at Kirchenwald - October 29, 2023

[Campfire Worship](#) at The Wittel Farm - October 29, 2023

[Annual Quilt Auction](#) at Nawakwa - November 5, 2023

[Women's Craft Retreat](#) at Nawakwa - November 10 - 12, 2023

[Advent Day Apart](#) at The Wittel Farm - December 9, 2023

[Advent/Christmas in the Barn](#) at The Wittel Farm - December 17, 2023

[Winter Youth Retreat](#) at Kirchenwald - January 5 - 7, 2024

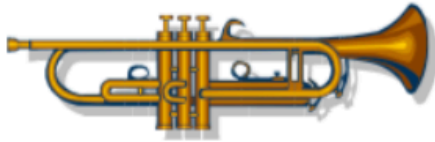


DATES

Friday, October 20-7:00 PM

Thursday, November 16-1:30 PM

Friday, December 15-7:00 PM



QuintEssentially Brass

**Sun., Oct. 22, 2023
Concert 4:00 PM**

Trinity UCC

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Public Welcome
*Freewill Offering Benefits
SWAN 4 Kids
And
Trinity's Ministry of Music*

Also join us for:

Thanksgiving Eve Service
Nov. 22nd 7:00 PM

Christmas Concert
Dec. 3rd 6:00 PM
Followed By Desserts



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

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

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

NAME	PHONE	QUANTITY	TOTAL	PAID (Please check)

Please make checks payable to: TRINITY PRESCHOOL

Parish Resource Center

ADDRESS
2160 Lincoln Hwy
East, #18
(See below for various routes)

PHONE
(717) 299-1113

EMAIL
info@parishresour
ccenter.org



Succession Planning
November 9th, 7-8:30pm

Led By
Kristen Krista
Major Gifts Director

ZOOM ONLY




THE ANNUAL MEETING will be held on November 12 after the 10:30 a.m. service. The kitchen team will provide a luncheon before the meeting. The agenda will include the presentation and adoption of the 2024 budget and election of lay leaders. Look for more information in the November Parish Post.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:1-9

O LORD, you are my God;
 I will exalt you, I will praise your name;
 for you have done wonderful things,
 plans formed of old, faithful and sure.
²For you have made the city a heap,
 the fortified city a ruin;
 the palace of aliens is a city no more,
 it will never be rebuilt.
³Therefore strong peoples will glorify you;
 cities of ruthless nations will fear you.
⁴For you have been a refuge to the poor,
 a refuge to the needy in their distress,
 a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade
 from the heat.
 When the blast of the ruthless was like a
 winter rainstorm,
⁵the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place,
 you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds;
 the song of the ruthless was stilled.
⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will
 make for all peoples
 a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged
 wines,
 of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged
 wines strained clear.
⁷And he will destroy on this mountain
 the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
 the sheet that is spread over all nations;
 he will swallow up death forever.
⁸Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears
 from all faces,
 and the disgrace of his people he will take
 away from all the earth,
 for the LORD has spoken.
⁹It will be said on that day,
 Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him,
 so that he might save us.
 This is the LORD for whom we have waited;
 let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Psalm 23

SECOND READING: Philippians 4:1-9

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GOSPEL: Matthew 22:1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables,
 saying: ²“The kingdom of heaven may be com-
 pared to a king who gave a wedding banquet
 for his son. ³He sent his slaves to call those
 who had been invited to the wedding ban-
 quet, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent
 other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been
 invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my
 oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered,
 and everything is ready; come to the wedding
 banquet.’ ⁵But they made light of it and went
 away, one to his farm, another to his business,
⁶while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated
 them, and killed them. ⁷The king was enraged.
 He sent his troops, destroyed those murder-
 ers, and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his
 slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited
 were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore into the main
 streets, and invite everyone you find to the
 wedding banquet.’ ¹⁰Those slaves went out into
 the streets and gathered all whom they found,
 both good and bad; so the wedding hall was
 filled with guests.

¹¹“But when the king came in to see the
 guests, he noticed a man there who was not
 wearing a wedding robe, ¹²and he said to him,
 ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wed-
 ding robe?’ And he was speechless. ¹³Then the
 king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand
 and foot, and throw him into the outer dark-
 ness, where there will be weeping and gnash-
 ing of teeth.’ ¹⁴For many are called, but few are
 chosen.”

Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 45:1-7; Psalm 96:1-9 [10-13]; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22.

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