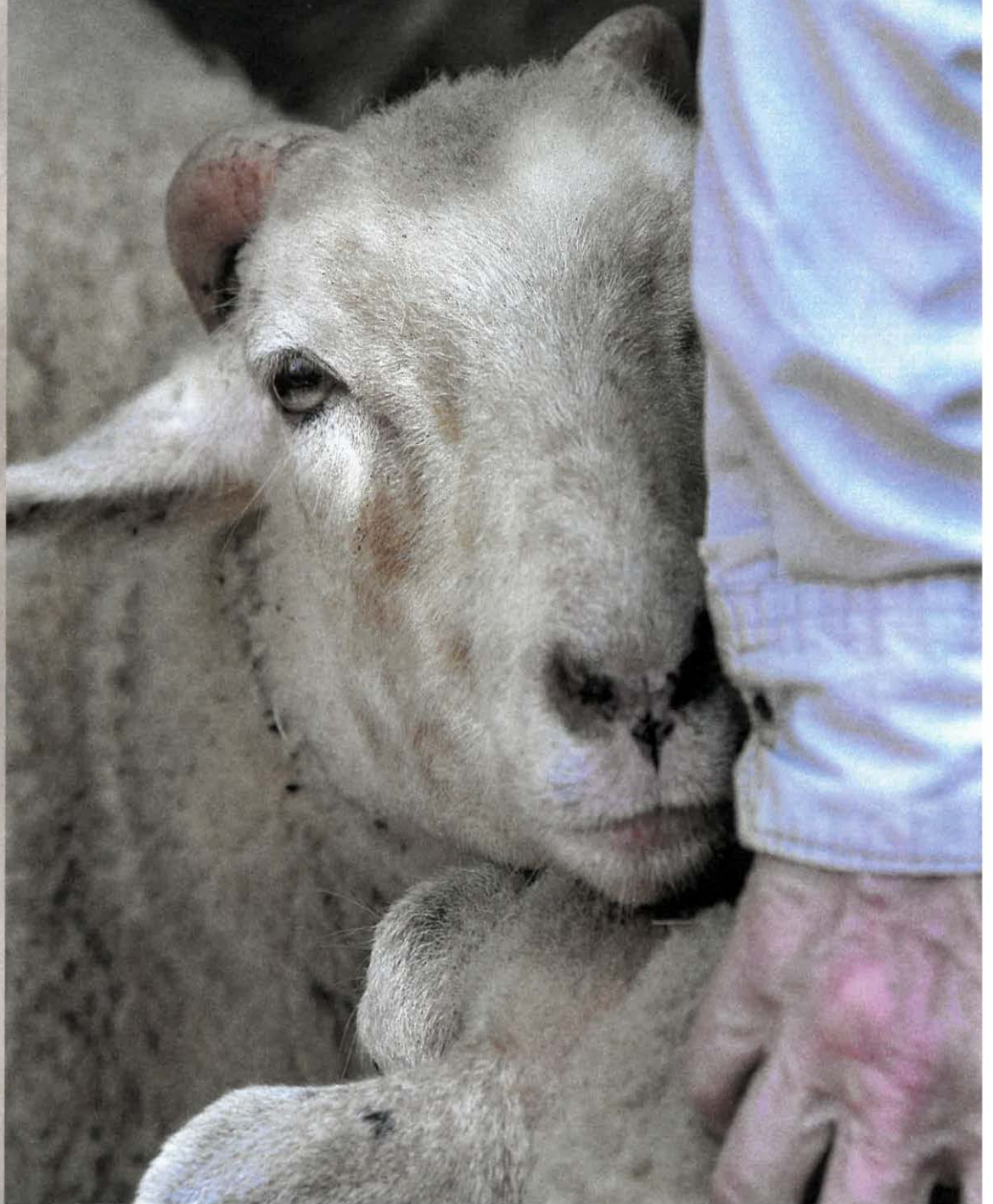


*I am the gate  
for the sheep*

JOHN 10:7



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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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

**Today's Theme:** Today is sometimes called "Good Shepherd Sunday." Jesus is called the "gate" of the sheep in today's gospel. The risen Christ opens the way to abundant life. He anoints our heads with oil and guides us beside the still waters of our baptism. Each Sunday he spreads a feast before us amid the world's violence and war. We go forth to be signs of the resurrection and extend God's tender care to all creation.

**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 shepherd, you know your sheep by name and lead us to safety through the valleys of death. Guide us by your voice, that we may walk in certainty and security to the joyous feast prepared in your house, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MISSION MOMENT

Nancy Enders  
Community Meal Ministry

*(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.**

Praise God for all the signs of new life.

Praise God for all we can do together.

**Praise God for the life and ministry of Jesus.**

**Praise God for all who share that ministry today.**

Christ came to offer us abundant life.

We are here today to reclaim that gift.

**We gather in the name of Jesus Christ.**

**We want to follow in the steps of Jesus.**

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is offered for us.

**Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Come and know Christ, broken and poured out for you.

## 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)*

## 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 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Let us pray the collect together.

Let us hear your voice today, O Shepherd. Call our names and claim us as your own. Lead us beside still waters and restore our souls. Comfort those who suffer pain and loss. Assure all who are afraid. Lead us in right paths for your name's sake. We have known your goodness and mercy in so many times and places. We open ourselves now to receive these gifts again. Unlock within us the barriers that keep us from recognizing and appreciating all the evidence of your love that surrounds us; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*(PLEASE BE SEATED)*

## TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

# THE WORD OF GOD

## THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 2:42-47

*Today's reading is a description of life in the community following Peter's sermon on the day of Pentecost, when the Spirit was outpoured on God's people. The new community is sustained in worship and fellowship, shares what they have, and ensures that everyone has enough.*

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 the still waters.**

He restores my soul. He leads me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

**Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will 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 forever.**

## THE SECOND LESSON

1 Peter 2:19-25

*Doing the right things does not guarantee that one will not experience difficulties, hardships, rejection, or even suffering. Here Christ is presented as the model for our path of endurance and loyalty to God, particularly amid adversity.*

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

*(PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE)*

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

St. John 10:1-10

*Jesus uses an image familiar to the people of his day to make a point about spiritual leadership. Those who listen to Jesus are led to abundant life.*

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

## THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

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

*(PLEASE BE SEATED)*

## SERMON

**"More Than We Can Imagine!"**

**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**

**Thank you, God, for the abundant life we enjoy, not in the things we possess but in the relationships you offer and the opportunities for sharing what you provide. May all that we dedicate to you be distributed in ways that meet human need and offer praise to you. Extend our outreach beyond our vision, that we may live in awe and wonder before you, marveling before your goodness and mercy. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**The Lord be with you.**

**And also with you.**

**Lift up your hearts.**

**We lift them up to the Lord!**

**Let us give thanks to God Most High.**

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**



Holy God, we praise and bless you for creation and the gift of life and for 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**

### **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 AND 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.

United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

You are the shepherd who gathers us in your mighty and loving arms. Help your church to listen for your voice, especially when the voices of sin, idolatry, and oppression threaten to overpower us. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

The green pastures, still waters, and dark valleys of this earth all belong to you, O Lord. Sustain your creation with a love that is both mighty and just. Where there is destruction, bring healing. Where there is desolation, bring abundance. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You proclaim shepherding love, comfort, and protection for all peoples and all of creation. Direct leaders in our own time to learn from your example and instruction. Give them servant hearts, that they generously seek the good of all. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You journey with us wherever our paths may lead. We pray for those feeling overwhelmed by anxiety or depression or suffering in any way. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You are the sheepgate that gives safety to your beloved flocks. Provide protection for refugees, victims of domestic violence, those who are imprisoned, and all people who are vulnerable to violence and mistreatment. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**



## SILENT PRAYER

Let us pray together.

Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together.

Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name.

Amen.

## CLOSE OF WORSHIP

### BENEDICTION



CATCH THE VISION & SHARE THE JOY



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The Worship Aids** are given to celebrate St. Andrew's U.C.C. & St. Luke's U.C.C. and the continuation of service to God through their members.

**The Chancel Flowers** are given in gratitude for the contributions of time and talents from Charlene Cristy & Mike Wagner.

### Ministering Today

**Pastor/Celebrant** Rev. Dr. Christopher Rankin

**Lector/Assistant** Rev. Sandy Morris

**Money Counters** Bud & Kathy McCarty, Scott Owens, John Shelsky, Jeff Hackenberger

**Altar Guild** Nancy Enders

**Koinonia** Preschool

**Building Trustee** Hank Fox

**Ministries** **Card** Evangelism Committee (Sarah Paulukow)

**Called to Care** Nancy Enders

**Visitation** Dottie Schadt

### **Happy Birthday!**

Today – Cindy Olena

Monday – Lori Daly, Jordyn Schuessler

Tuesday – Rosemary Minder

Friday – Wendy Harley

Attendance for Sun., April 23	7:45–18	10:30–73	TOTAL – 91
Sunday School	26		

### **This Week at Trinity Church**

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

Today	Following 10:30 Service-Welcome Lunch
Monday	7:00 PM – SOT Choir/7:45 PM Bells
Wednesday	7:00 PM – Pastor Parish
Saturday	8:00 AM – Men’s Breakfast 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—Reception of New Member

### **PRAYERS FOR GOD’S HEALING PRESENCE**

#### **MEMBERS**

Don & Pat Miller	Joann Garvin	Ken & Phyllis Zimmerman
Scott & Jane Owens	Dave Trostle	Dorothy Fasnacht
Dawn Garvin	Autumn Shenk	Dr. Janet Harriger
The Lehman family	Donna Wolf	Deb Lichtenwalner
George DeLong	Joann Peck	Danielle Huggins Holbein
Mary Lou Shaab	Ron Becker	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
Rev. Bob & Judie Bistline	Nancy Patton	Bob & Marlyn Wible
Rev. Jere & Judy Chapman	Mary Witmer	Kathleen Sensenig Adams
Erika Otthofer		

#### **FAMILY & FRIENDS**

The people of Turkey & Syria  
 The family of Shirley Bare (sister of Janet Sweigart)  
 The family of Bonnie Boothman  
 The family of Bill Toy (brother-in-law of Rev. Dr. Rich & Lainie Christensen)  
 The family of Eric Zirkel (brother-in-law of Donna Zirkel)  
 The family of Pat Ressler (friend of Marge Burger & Jodi Keller)  
 The Bruno family (friends of Blaine Connor)  
 Donna Dreyer (daughter of Joann Garvin)  
 Janice Zimmerman (sister of Ken Zimmerman)

**Jack & Sandy Neal** (friends of Trinity members)  
**Joan Nevins** (friend of John and Sarah Paulukow)  
**Janet Grebinger** (friend of John and Sarah Paulukow)  
**Larry Gerlach** (brother of Dolly Barr)  
**Kevin McCarty** (son of Kathy & Bud McCarty)  
**Robert Good** (brother-in-law of Betty Fogle)  
**James Michaud** (Sevi Keares' teacher)  
**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 Gible** (friend of Trinity)  
**Joan Sleet** (sister of Donna Zirkel & Pastor Royer)  
**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),  
**David and Brenda Haverstick**(friends of Mike & Shelley Wagner)  
**Robin McComsey** (neighbor of Himelwrights)  
**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)  
**The Bonilla-Rodriguez family** (friends of Trinity Church)

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

**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.

**WELCOME LUNCHEON:** The Evangelism Committee will be sponsoring a welcome luncheon for new members and recent visitors to Trinity Church following the 10:30 service today!

**TRINITY PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISER:** It is not too late to buy S. Clyde Weaver sub coupons to support the Trinity Preschool. The cost is \$8 per coupon. Look for the sign-up sheet on the table across from the church office.

**MEN OF TRINITY BREAKFAST:** The monthly breakfast will be held at the Family Fare Restaurant on **May 6 at 8:00 a.m.** Look for the sign-up sheet on the table across from the church office.



**2023 CHANCEL FLOWERS AND WORSHIP AID SPONSORS:**

Upcoming dates for chancel flowers are: June 4, July 9, 16, 23 & 30.

Upcoming dates for worship aids are: May 14, June 4, 18 & 25. 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.

**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.

**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 counter. If you have any questions, contact Paula Dennes.

**KNIT IN GOD'S LOVE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:** The Prayer Shawl will meet Tuesday, May 16 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.

**THE MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR BONNIE BOOTHMAN** will be held at Trinity Church on Saturday, May 20 at 2 p.m. You will be able to visit with the family beginning at 1 p.m.

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

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

We are pleased to host Life Line Screening, who will be on site on June 3, 2023 at Trinity United Church of Christ to conduct these valuable screenings.

These 4 vital screenings are offered for only \$149 and take 60-90 minutes to complete. If you register today, you will receive a discount. Register by calling toll free 1-800-679-5191, text the word "circle" to 216-279-1607 or online [LLSA.SOCIAL/HC](https://www.llsa.org/social/hc)



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

**CALLED TO CARE MINISTRY:** The Evangelism Committee has revitalized the Called to Care ministry. 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. Nancy Enders will be the coordinator for April.

## Cherry Academy Workshops



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

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

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



**WORKSHOPS**



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### 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.

**A Place at the Table: Food Insecurity and Living Communion**

IN PERSON ONLY CONTEMPLATIVE

June 10, 2023  
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

**A Place at the Table**  
Food Insecurity and Living Communion

Led by  
Amy  
Shorner-Johnson



Church of the  
Apostles UCC  
June 10th  
9am-3pm



Contemplative  
Retreat

Nourish your mind, body, and soul at this day retreat on the 2023 Cherry Academy theme - Food Insecurity. Food is at the heart of many spiritual practices and religious traditions, perhaps most importantly, communion/Eucharist. Two major themes of communion will be addressed - first, individual communion which links our physical nourishment to our spiritual selves; second, the connection between the communion table and food ministries.

### Clothing Bank



**The Lancaster Food Hub Clothing Bank** has a need for sleeping bags, coats, underwear, and toiletry items.

Items can be dropped at our clothing bank container at church. The container is in the stairwell by the kitchen entrance.



# SUMMER ACTIVITIES AT TRINITY



Golf game will be paid for by the church. Food is available for purchase after golf. Sign-up sheet on table in hallway. For more information, please call Cherie Cataldi(717) 799-2420.



**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. Gates open at 5:30 PM – the game is 6:30 PM**



**FOOD TRUCKS**  
Stoney's Burgers & Fries  
Tri-County Barbeque  
TJs Ice Cream  
Dutch Country Hand Rolled Soft Pretzels

**Peace of Mind Protection Fire House**

**Magician**  
Eric Vera

**Face Painter**

**Save the Date**  
**FRIENDSHIP FEST**  
**FOOD TRUCK**  
**EVENT**  
**July 16**  
**4:00-7:00 PM**

**BOUNCE HOUSE**  
no charge



**AUSCULTATION BRASS CONCERT**



**5:00-6:00 PM**

# God's Garden

## VBS 2023



**Trinity UCC, 2340 State St., East Petersburg**

**[www.trinityeastpete.org](http://www.trinityeastpete.org)**

**717-569-1632**

**July 10 - 13 6:30-8:30 PM**

Caretaker And Me Class - Under Five With Caretaker  
Children's Classes - Five Through Finished Sixth Grade  
Youth Volunteers - Contact Mrs. Slechta

Through stories, crafts, games, and music, "God's Garden" explores how Jesus grew, how we grow, and how we spread seeds for others to grow.  
As the cycle continues, the "Mustard Plant" grows.

Adults and Teens - Join Rev. Esbenshade. Using the text, *Earthwise: A Guide to Hopeful Creation Care*, the class will spend four evening sessions examining ways in which attendees might examine and embrace ways to enhance creation. Author of *Earthwise*, Calvin B. DeWitt, is a professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison where he serves on the graduate faculties of Environmental and Resources, Water Resource Management, Conservation Biology and Sustainable Development. This book reflects how he integrates his faith and his work in the science and educational communities.

**July 14 6:30 PM Closing Program - Including  
Lancaster County Parks Naturalist Program - Seed Dispersal**

Register through the VBS/Rally Day Page at [www.trinityeastpete.org](http://www.trinityeastpete.org)



## SUMMER CHURCH CAMP

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”.**

<b>CAMP WEEK</b>	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.

## GERANIUM ORDER FORM

Person(s) ordering Geranium

Plants \_\_\_\_\_

Please order: \_\_\_\_\_ Red Geranium(s) @ \$5.00 each – 6" pot

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

**Designation as you would like it to appear in the bulletin:**

Given

by \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of

\_\_\_\_\_

In memory of

\_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Give plant to a shut-in member \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  
\_\_\_\_\_ or plant geranium at church



**The last date to order is Sunday, May 21, 2023. Give order forms and payment to Dan Otthofer, or place in offering or email the church office. If paying by check, please make it payable to Trinity United Church of Christ. Thank you!**

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

**FIRST READING: Acts 2:42-47**

[The baptized] devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

<sup>43</sup>Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. <sup>44</sup>All who believed were together and had all things in common; <sup>45</sup>they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup>Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup>praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

**Psalm 23****SECOND READING: 1 Peter 2:19-25**

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. <sup>20</sup>If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. <sup>21</sup>For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

<sup>22</sup>"He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth."  
<sup>23</sup>When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not

threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. <sup>24</sup>He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. <sup>25</sup>For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

**GOSPEL: John 10:1-10**

[Jesus said:] "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. <sup>2</sup>The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup>The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup>When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. <sup>5</sup>They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." <sup>6</sup>Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

<sup>7</sup>So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. <sup>8</sup>All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. <sup>9</sup>I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup>The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."