

TRINITY U.C.C. PARISH POST

April

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR



Parish Post Deadline:
3rd Monday of the month

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

God of grace and glory, we thank you that the life of eternity can be ours in the present, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Teach us always to abide in Christ, that we may bear the fruits of love and joy; the guidance of your Spirit of truth. Amen.



*Catch the Vision,
Share the Joy!!*

Dear Friends,

I was recently walking around the Trinity cemetery (pictured above) and was reminded of a tradition in my first pastorate. We gathered in the local cemetery for our Easter sunrise service. You might question why we would worship in a cemetery on Easter morning. The answer is simple. We gathered to celebrate the resurrection of Christ surrounded by all who have gone before us and have now experienced the fullness of the Easter promise!

As I looked at the names on the tombstones in the Trinity cemetery, I wondered what these people would say to us today. I wondered about their experiences and what we could learn from them. I also wondered what they could learn from us. We are connected with the saints who have gone before us! We must take comfort in the promise that they are cheering us on as we move forward in our faith!

In contrast, I have also been enjoying the beautiful flowers blooming in my flower beds at home. You can see a picture below of the daffodils in the front of our home. These bright colors bursting through the ground give me the hope and promise of the new life we receive from the risen Christ!

We have two images before us. There is the reality of death as we walk through a cemetery. We also have the joy of new life as the flowers start to bloom. In the midst of the death and despair, we have life and joy! This is the Easter promise!

In focusing on the wilderness throughout the Lenten season, I suggested that we must accept the reality that the wilderness will come to us. We are now moving away from the wilderness and looking to the hope and joy that we receive on Easter morning!

It will be a busy morning on April 20. We will have our sunrise service in the parking lot at 6:00 a.m. Worshippers are invited to bring their own chairs. We will also gather to worship in the sanctuary at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. The three services will include Holy Communion. The Parish Life Committee is sponsoring a breakfast from 9:15-10:00 a.m. in Isenberg Hall (no Sunday School classes). I hope you will join us as we sing with joy the Easter message: **Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Blessings,
Pastor Chris



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CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS by Bob Kilgore

Pastor's Report:

- A welcome luncheon will be held at the end of the month for new and potential members. Gene Kopp has decided to join Trinity Church. We will receive him after Easter.
- Evangelism has plans for revitalizing a "spiritual friend" program for new members.
- Pastor Chris discussed concerns over the future of the church's ministry. The visioning process includes considering factors such as reduced preschool enrollment, low numbers with Scouts and the AA group. What would Trinity look like without these groups in our building? We also face challenges with finding people to serve in vacant leadership roles. Do we need to adjust the size of the Consistory?
- The Rev. Ken Trauger has agreed to serve as Evangelism Committee chairperson. The Finance Committee and the Pastor-Parish Committee need to select chairpersons. They will do that at their next meeting. In the meantime, the pastor is the one who convenes those committees.

Financial Report:

- Financially, the church is stable, but there are concerns about future sustainability of this strong financial position.
- The church's cash position increased to \$6,695.16 in February and our liquidity is at 75 days of cash available.
- Year-to-date (YTD) net income is down by \$11,400 compared to the previous year. The preschool has a loss of \$3,600 (for calendar year), but a gain of \$407 for the fiscal year (the 2024/2025 school year).
- The Audit Committee's report was accepted by the Consistory. The committee highlighted that the financial records are in good order, thanks to Denise's efforts. The committee recommended reviewing and updating the audit checklist. The Audit Committee was Lon Wible, George DeLong, and Mark Eyer.



As we have done in previous years, we invite people to place real or artificial flowers on the crosses at the front of the building beginning on Easter morning!

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

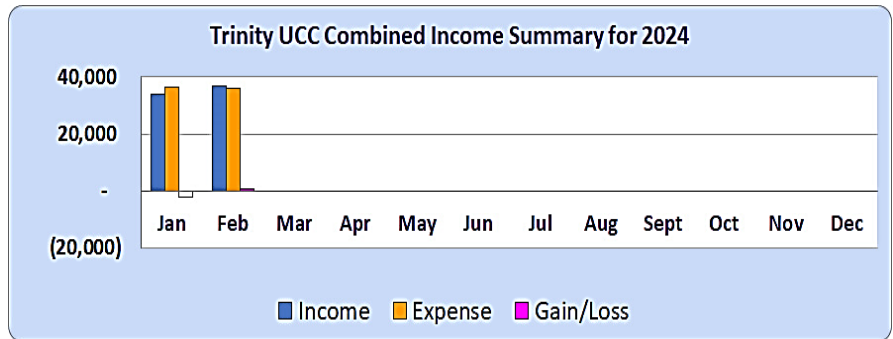
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04/25	Rev. Margaret Rohnacher	717-575-9311

Devotionals

We have *These Days* for April-June and Lenten devotionals on the table across from the church office. If you need a devotional mailed to you, contact Carol in the church office.

News from the Finance Committee

YTD TOTAL INCOME	\$ 70,661	FEB. INCOME	\$36,709
YTD TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 72,517	FEB. EXPENSE	\$36,173
YTD GAIN/(LOSS)	\$(1,855)	MONTHLY GAIN/(LOSS)	\$535



Online Giving Information: Contributing your donation using our website....trinityeastpete.org....**RESOURCES, PAY ON LINE**

For several years, members have been able to make weekly/recurring donations on-line in lieu of paying cash/checks or by mail. On-line donations save the cost of a check and envelope and if using the recurring feature, remembering weekly to prepare your envelope. Presently we have several individuals/families using on-line donations either weekly or recurring.

*We believe that financial transparency builds trust and is a mark of stewardship so we want to take a moment to remind you that there is a small cost for this convenience. You'll have the opportunity to help cover the cost of processing when you give. Please know that this is **100% optional**, but we appreciate your partnership in making your gift go as far as possible to impact our mission.*

We have never asked our members to cover these costs especially since 2020 at the start of the pandemic. The costs are 1.05% when paying by check, 3.05% when paying by credit/debit card.

In 2022, we added a feature to our on-line giving whereby you can help to cover the costs of paying online by debit/credit card or checking account. This is entirely **OPTIONAL**. There will be a check-off block to use if you wish to cover your transaction cost in addition to your contribution.

April Scriptures	
6	Isa. 43:16-21; Psalm 126; Philippians 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8
13	Isa. 50 :4-9a; Psalm 31 :9-16 ; Philippians 2 :5-11 ; Luke 22:14-23:56
20	Acts 10 :34-43 ; Psalm 118 :1-2,14-24 ; 1 Cor. 15 :19-26 ; Luke 24 :1-12
27	Acts 5:27-32; Psalm 150; Rev. 1:4-8; John 20:19-31

KOINONIA

We enjoy fellowship with one another every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in Isenberg Hall. Volunteers are asked to provide light refreshments. The drinks/coffee will be taken care of for you! The sign-up sheet is on the kitchen counter. 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 Meeting!

The men will be meeting at the Family Fare Restaurant for breakfast April 12 at 8:00 AM. This is open to all men of the congregation! You are encouraged to invite other men to the breakfast.

PRAYER SHAWL

The Knit in God's Love Prayer Shawl Group will be meeting on April 15 at 1:00 p.m. and 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.

TREASURE IN CLAY JARS by Rev. Jack Esbenshade

April 15th is the due date for citizens of this nation to submit their annual tax returns. There is much discussion about the role of government and the spending of state and federal tax dollars. Federal, State, local and personal budgets are indications of what we determine to be important in life.

I compiled my documents and data in February and sent that information off to our accountant. She filed electronically and we have already received a refund. Like budget building, tax filing provides an opportunity to compile the information of how much has been spent and where those dollars were directed.

Take some time to examine and reflect on your own income and spending over the past year. What needs to change? What needs additional support? Are there places that could be trimmed?

When asked about allegiance to the personification of the ruler on a coin, Jesus is quite clear that citizens are to render to Ceasar the things that are Ceasar's. In contrast to the reign of Ceasar, today many people and organizations benefit from the support received from state and federal programs.

While April 15th may not be your most celebratory day. It can be a time to consider and reflect upon the resources you have and control. It can also be a time to consider how you express your generosity with those resources.



THURSDAY, April 22, 1:30 PM
Sign-up sheet on table outside office

GRIEF GROUP UPDATE: Pastor Rankin has scheduled two sessions for the grief groups: April 28 at 1:30 p.m. and April 30 at 7:00 p.m. We will be reading *The Wild Edge of Sorrow: Rituals of Renewal and the Sacred work of Grief* by Francis Weller. If you would like to participate in one or both of the sessions, contact Pastor Chris or the Church office.

A Message from Christian Education for April

“ .. Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures ⁴ and that he was buried and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸ Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹ Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you believed. (I Corinthians 15:3a-11, NRSVUE)

The apostle Paul reminds us that as believers we understand Christ's death and resurrection is not based on popular opinion or historical accounts alone; it stands firmly grounded in sacred texts. This connection is vital for strengthening our faith, as it draws us back to the revelations of God throughout history.

During the Sundays in April, Christian Education Classes will be meeting at 9:00 am through Palm Sunday, April 13th. Trinity's Easter Breakfast will take place on April 20 and classes will not be held. 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. Paul's struggle to learn what was expected of him as a person of faith has impacted people the world over. This study invites the participant to hear Paul's story and his message, to reflect on the meaning of his life. At this time of Lenten introspection, we are invited to look within to discern how to respond to God's call to become the people we were meant to be.

Please contact Pastor Chris for a class session link if you will be joining us online.

Looking ahead this month

On **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. Rev. Dr. Christensen's parish experiences have included serving as associate pastor at Faith UCC, State College, Pennsylvania, 1971-1972, pastor, Congregational UCC, Amherst, Ohio, 1972-1974, pastor of St. Peter's UCC, State College, 1974-1980, and pastor, Salem UCC, Campbelltown, Pennsylvania, 1983-1988. Rev. Dr. Christensen participated in the Caravan ministry in 1963, and again as a team leader in 1966.

Lectionary Readings for each Sunday may be found in the April Parish Post


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.

2025 CHANCEL FLOWERS AND WORSHIP AID SPONSORS

Upcoming dates for worship aids are: May 4 & June 1. Upcoming dates for Chancel Flowers are April 6, 27, 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.

Worship News: We will continue to stream the 7:45 a.m. service on the Trinity Facebook page and later upload it to our website. The Eucharist will be celebrated every week at 7:45 a.m. and at the 10:30 a.m. service on April 6 & 20 and also at the Maundy Thursday services on April 17.



“SHADOWS OF THE CROSS”

April 2 (The Shadow of False Accusations):
Dr. Randall Zachman

April 9 (The Shadow of a Last Chance):
Rev. Dr. Joel Hummel

April 16/Holy Wednesday Order of Healing (The Shadow of Death):
Rev. Jack Esbenshade

April 17 (Maundy Thursday at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.)
Rev. Dr. Chris Rankin

April 18 (Good Friday Tenebrae Service at 7 p.m.)
Rev. Dr. Chris Rankin

Lenten Services

Each Wednesday we will focus on a particular event in Christ’s journey to the cross. The shadow of the cross looms over every interaction, to give spiritual insight. Thank you to the clergy and religious teachers of Trinity Church for preaching on Wednesday evenings!



Holy Week Services

Palm Sunday 7:45 AM - Eucharist 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM - Koinonia 10:30 AM Worship	Holy Wednesday Order of Healing Service 7:00 PM	Maundy Thursday 2:00 PM 7:00 PM	Good Friday 7:00 PM	EASTER 6:00 AM Sunrise Service 8:00 AM Eucharist 9:15 AM Breakfast 10:30 AM Eucharist
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The sign-up sheet for the Easter breakfast is on the table across from the church office. It would be helpful for the Parish Life Committee to know how many people are attending the breakfast. You can come between 9:15 a.m.-10:00 a.m.!

Good Friday Breakfast at YMCA of the Roses

Join us for community gathering that brings people of faith together to mark this important holy day with an inspirational message and ecumenical worship service in keeping with the Christian traditions of the YMCA.

When: Friday, April 18 @ 7:30 am (Doors open at 7 am)

Where: Farm and Home Center, 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster, PA

Details: The speaker will be Rev. Dr. John Gordon Smith, Lead Pastor from Lampeter United Methodist Church, along with live music and a buffet-style breakfast. Tickets are \$25 per person.

Call the church office to reserve your ticket.



Dear Family,

Words can't begin to express how thankful all of us are for the love, grace and kindness that has been extended to all of us over the past years of Nancy's illness and entry to heaven. We are so very thankful for the cards, the encouraging words, the funeral support, the rides for special events, the meal on Super Bowl Sunday and for the great attentiveness of the Trinity staff in every area of need. Our church is a place of great Christian love and we are thankful to be a part of this family.

Bob Musser & family

Dear friends in Christ,

I recently began as the Generosity Officer for Our Church's Wider Mission and Special Offerings. I am grateful for your long-term generosity to these offerings. This year I am especially thankful for your support of One Great Hour of Sharing and how that strengthens international aid and disaster relief. Your gifts showed up when there were hurricanes and wildfires this year and will continue to change lives. I'm glad to share in these offerings with you!

Rachel McDonald, mcdonaldr@ucc.org

We want to thank our church family for the many prayers, cards, and kind words received during our daughter Jessica's treatment. She is doing well! God is good!

Walt & Betty Tyndall

Thank you for all the prayers during my unplanned surgery and recovery!

Lauren Lichtenwalner LaRouche

Thank you to all who supported the McCaskey High School Voices of Freedom concert on March 30!!



IN REMEMBRANCE

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid." (John 14:28 NRSV)

Pat Miller entered the Church Triumphant on March 12. A gathering to give thanks to God for Pat and celebrate her life will be held at the Blue Collar Restaurant in Landisville (where we had our 175th anniversary luncheon) on Saturday, April 19 at 11:30 a.m. A member of Trinity Church for 71 years, Pat was served on the altar guild and the kitchen team, made meals for the Called to Care ministry, and participated in the Bible Discovery Class.



We give thanks for Pat's commitment to the work and ministry of Trinity Church. Please keep Don, Mark, & Brad Miller, Jane Starr, and the rest of Pat's family in your prayers.

CHURCH MULCHING

The Property Committee is looking for volunteers on **Saturday, April 5 @ 8:30 am** to mulch the church property. We will be doing this in partnership with the Trinity Preschool families, the Cub Scouts, and the AA Group. The sign-up sheet is on the table across from the church office!



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC SUPPORT:



We exceeded our goal of \$5,000 by raising over \$5,600. Here's some information from Donna Geisler about their trip!

Mission Trip March 8-15, 2025

We've returned home feeling fulfilled, enlightened, happy and blessed!

We had a busy week traveling to clinics providing medical care to many people who have limited opportunity to healthcare providers. We provided care for 949 patients.

Our team consisted of 11 people - 4 nurses and assistants, 4 physicians and 3 Peace Corp workers who traveled with us that live and work in the Samana Peninsula translating for us. We were blessed to have several members of the team who are bilingual. There were two teams, each team working at a clinic each day. We worked in three clinics and two elementary schools during the week. All patients had blood sugars, blood pressure, temperature and weight before seeing the physician. Medications were dispensed, if necessary.

An educational presentation by one of our physicians on Hypertension was held in the Roman Catholic Church attended by 60 townspeople, followed by a question and answer time and a blood pressure clinic. The physicians talked to each person and made recommendations on their results and advised a follow up visit at the clinic for a repeat blood pressure and visit, if necessary. The medical community and patients are grateful and feel cared for and acknowledged by our presence. Thank you for your prayers and financial support throughout the 2025 Mission journey as we strive for BETTER HEALTH in the DOMINICAN REPUBLIC!

With gratitude,
Donna Geisler
Jeff Reed

Thank you Trinity for your continued support of the Hempfield Power Packs program! The monetary donations help with our orders from the Central PA Food Bank, and the food donations are welcome additions. The peanut butter is always such a help - as it costs our program \$2/jar from the food bank. We are serving 185+ families within the Hempfield area which means \$370 every other week just for peanut butter. We continue to be able to purchase milk, eggs (when we can!), meat and produce for our families, as well as cereal and other staples for the weekend.

Thank you for helping to keep this program going! (And special thanks to Mark and Chris Eyer and Kathy Cooley for their helping hands!)

Deb Lichtenwalner
Hempfield Power Packs

U.C.C. GLOBAL MINISTRIES SPOTLIGHT

(Thanks to Rev. Ken Trauger for suggesting to Pastor Chris that we share these frequent mission moments we receive from the U.C.C. Global Ministries)



Mission Moment from Japan

The Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station was built in an area with abundant groundwater. Prior to the disaster, deep wells were built to prohibit the groundwater from entering into the area of the power plant. However, following the disaster the groundwater flowed into the reactor building and interacted with radioactive debris that had fallen out as a result of the nuclear meltdown. This situation has led to the creation of one hundred tons of new “radioactive water” each day. The accumulation of radioactive water now amounts to a total of 1,300,000 tons which is being stored in more than one thousand containers built upon the power plant grounds. The Japanese government and the Tokyo Electric Company (TEPCO) have determined that there is no more space for new containers to be built. Therefore, they started in August of 2023 to release large amounts of “ALPS-treated” water into the ocean. ALPS (Advanced Liquid Processing System) is a facility designed to dilute the concentration of various radioactive particles in the water. They claim that the ALPS treatment is sufficient to secure our safety, and therefore have gone ahead ten times to release a total of 790,000,000 tons of “treated water” into the ocean. The Tokyo Electric Company says that this will continue for the next thirty years.

However, voices of protest against the release of radioactive water into the ocean have been on the rise both domestically and internationally. The reasons for the voices of protest are the following;

1. TEPCO has gone against the promise it made to the fishermen that “no actions will be taken without the consent of the local people.”
2. ALPS does not have the ability to completely clear the water of radioactive particles. Even though the water is diluted the total amount of radioactive particles remains the same.
3. The radioactive particles will enter the ocean current and spread around the world.
4. Radioactive articles in the ocean will affect marine life and eventually this will possibly lead to internal exposure.
5. Even though there is a realistic way to prohibit groundwater from flowing into the facility TEPCO is failing to seriously consider that option, and
6. TEPCO has not made an environmental assessment.



In March 2024, 363 local citizens and people involved in the fishing industry came together to file a lawsuit at the Fukushima District Court against TEPCO and the Japanese government to stop them from releasing radioactive water into the ocean. Every time there is an Oral Argument hearing, more than 100 people gather in front of the district court to call for a fair trial, and the seats in the judicial hall set aside for the public are always filled to capacity. Haruo Ono, a fisherman who made one of the plaintiff opinion statements appealed to the judge, “Fishermen observe Shinto rituals and take care to live according to the wisdom and customs of the past. Our livelihood is based on the bounties of the ocean, and we have

great respect and awe for the blessings of the ocean. We believe that the treasures in the ocean need to be passed on from this generation to the next.”

The ocean is the source of our life. It is not a garbage can. We must not pollute it with radiation. The Creator of this world has placed the management of the world in our hands. God is hoping that we will fulfill our responsibility.

Other Connections to Japan

In the late 1885, William Hoy, a recent graduate of Lancaster Theological Seminary, was appointed to by the (German) Reformed Church to be a missionary to Sendai, Japan. A year later, he established a training school (Sendai Theological Seminary) for pastors. In 1891, it was known as the Tohoku Gakuin University. The school is still in existence.

The Revs. Charlie & Elizabeth Hambrick-Stowe, Anne Rankin’s parents, began their ministry at the Sendai Student Center in Sendai, Japan.

The Rev. Jeffrey Mensendiek has been a U.C.C. missionary in Japan since 1989. His sister, Martha Mensendiek, has been a U.C.C. missionary to Japan since 1996. They are the grandchildren of Rev. Dr. David Dunn, professor of Church History and Dean of the Seminary from 1939-1961. The Mensendiek’s parents were also missionaries to Sendai, Japan. We partner with Jeff Mensendiek every year to send Christmas cards to churches in Japan.



The final total is in for the Lancaster CROP Walk! We were ranked 26th out of 427 walks in the U.S. We were ranked 3rd in Pennsylvania. Mark your calendars for this year’s walk on October 19

Where are you gifted to serve?

Mark 10:43b -45 *Whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give his life a ransom for many."*

 <p>Greeter /Ushers Needed</p>	 <p>NURSERY VOLUNTEERS</p>	 <p>Called to Care</p>
<p>Volunteer as a Greeter/Usher for the 10:30 a.m. service please contact the church office.</p>	<p>We need a new coordinator to replace Betty Fogle. We also need more volunteers to serve in the nursery. Contact Pastor Rankin if you are willing to serve in either capacity!</p>	<p>The Evangelism Committee oversees the Called to Care Ministry. Meals will be provided for members after they have returned home from the hospital or during other critical situations. We are in need of volunteers to provide meals.</p> <p>Another part of this ministry is transportation to appointments. If you need transportation to appointments or worship, please contact the church office. We are in need of volunteers to provide transportation to church! Betty Tyndall is the coordinator for April-June. If you are interested in helping with the Called to Care Ministry, speak with Pastor Chris!</p>
 <p>Lector</p>	<p>FLOWER DELIVERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</p>	
<p>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.</p>		
 <p>ALTAR GUILD</p>	<p>Working With Children and Youth</p>	
<p>We could use a few more people to help with the weekly responsibilities to prepare the altar for worship. If you are interested, contact Nancy Enders at 717-342-6899 or nancyenders@comcast.net.</p>	 <p>Would you like to be on the rotation to pick up the weekly chancel flowers from the florist on Friday mornings? Would you like to deliver the chancel flowers after worship to members of the congregation? If so, contact Pastor Chris or Carol Kratz.</p>	
	<p>We are in need of leaders to plan activities beyond Sunday School for our teenagers. If you are interested, speak with Bob Kilgore, Sue Bowman, or Pastor Rankin.</p>	

WE NEED YOU!!

The Nominating Committee is still searching for people to fill some key leadership positions: 1 Deacon (2024-2026); 1 Elder (2024-2025); and 1 Preschool Board member (2024). If you are interested or have questions, speak to Sue Bowman (Nominating Chair) or Pastor Rankin.

The Board of Elders is looking for people to serve on the Christian Education and Evangelism Committees. If you are interested, speak to the pastor or a member of the Board of Elders (Sue Bowman, George Delong, Jeff Hackenberger, or Karen Olley).

Dates	Greeters	Nursery	Ushers	Lectors	Worship Aids	Money Counters	Flowers
4/6	Gail Kogut/ Karen Olley	Charlene Cristy/ Dottie Schadt	Theodore Slechta , Carl Spangler, Kayla Brennan, Dottie Schadt, Gene Kopp, Lon Wible, Dan Otthofer, Beth Bossert	Jeff Hackenberger	Portser	Diane Rice, Karen Olley, George DeLong, Jodi Keller	Anonymous
4/13	Beth Bossert/ Charlene Cristy	Betty Fogle/ Anne Rankin	Steve Shenk , Dave Connor, Charlene Cristy, Scott Summers, Hillary Bossert-Davis, Zach Baynard, Karen Olley, Kathy McCarty	Diane Rice (Palm Sunday)	Rohrer	Nevin Cooley, Steve Gold, Pat Sensenig, Cherie Cataldi	Cash
Maundy Thursday	Greeters needed for both services		Ushers needed for the 7 p.m. service	Diane Rice/ Sue Bowman			
4/20 EASTER	Dottie Schadt/ Betty Tyndall	Jodi Keller/ Sandy DeLong	Mike Wagner , Shelley Wagner, George DeLong, Anne Rankin, Rachel Baynard, Stan Seachrist, Andrew Rankin, Betty Tyndall	Jack Esbenshade/ Diane Rice/ Steve Gold	Eyer	Nevin Cooley, Steve Gold, Pat Sensenig, Cherie Cataldi	Rankin
4/27	Jack Keller/ George DeLong	Hedwig Hunsicker/ Rachel Baynard	Theodore Slechta , Carl Spangler, Kayla Brennan, Dottie Schadt, Gene Kopp, Lon Wible, Dan Otthofer, Beth Bossert	Jack Esbenshade/ Ron Denlinger	Gibble	Bud & Kathy McCarty, Jeff Hackenberger, John Shelsky	
Other Ministry Volunteers							
ALTAR GUILD: April 6 & 13-Karen Olley, Beth Bossert, Nancy Enders April 20 & 27-Anita Rohrer, Charlene Cristy, Hedwig Hunsicker, Nancy Enders				Visitation Minister (Phone Calls/Visits): Paula Dennes Building Trustee: 4/6&13-P. Sensenig,4/20&27-N. Cooley Card Ministry: Evangelism Committee (Betty Tyndall) Called to Care: Betty Tyndall			
TRINITY BREAD: April 6– Charlene Cristy April 20 – Autumn Shenk		April 13 – Hedwig Hunsicker April 27 – Kathy McCarty		FRIDAY FLOWER DELIVERY: April 4 – Cherie Cataldi April 11 – Kathy Cooley April 18 – Paula Dennes April 25 – Donna Geisler			
KOINONIA							
April 6-Open		April 13-Paula Dennes		April 20-No Koinonia due to Easter breakfast		April 27-Open	

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



Lancaster Theological Seminary: Celebrating 200 Years



For two centuries Lancaster Theological Seminary has been a beacon of theological education, preparing leaders for ministry, service, and advocacy. As we celebrate our 200th year, we invite you to join us in honoring our legacy and looking toward a future of transformative faith and learning.

Lancaster Theological Seminary has entered into a consolidation with Moravian University and Moravian Theological Seminary. Students can attend classes on the Lancaster campus, Moravian campus, or online.

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Master of Divinity

Master of Ministry

Doctor of Ministry (DMin)

Master of Religion in Public Life- NEW FALL 2025

27 APR, 2025	200th Anniversary Celebration Event
02 MAY, 2025	Alumni Day
01 JUN, 2025	100th Anniversary of Santee Chapel Concert

SEMINARY SUNDAY



On February 23, we celebrated Seminary Sunday by having several graduates of Lancaster Theological Seminary assist Pastor Rankin at the 10:30 service. Below are several lists of Lancaster graduates who have connections to Trinity and St. Luke's!

Current Members of Trinity Who Graduated From Lancaster Seminary:

The Rev. J. Robert Musser (1961)
The Rev. J. Kenneth Trauger (1962)
The Rev. Robert G. Hunsicker (1963)
The Rev. Harry G. Royer (1965)
The Rev. Dr. Richard L Christensen (1970)
The Rev. John F. Esbenshade (1971)
The Rev. Jere Chapman (1981)
Ms. Sue Bowman (1985)
The Rev. Susan Sokolowski (1998)
The Rev. Margaret Rohnacher (2000)
The Rev. Dr. Christopher M. Rankin (2004/2014)
The Rev. Dr. Joel A. Hummel (2017)

Former Pastors of Trinity Who Graduated From Lancaster Seminary:

***The Rev. Warren Johnson (1885)**
***The Rev. Albert O. Bartholomew (1898)**
***The Rev. William S. Gerhard (1909)**
***The Rev. Walter Pugh (1913)**
***The Rev. Jeremiah Rothermel (1915)**
***The Rev. Thomas W. Rhoads (1923)**
***The Rev. Carl Isenberg (1926)**
***The Rev. Paul Nagy (1936)**
***The Rev. Robert Nagle (1944)**
***The Rev. Carl Marks (1947)**
***The Rev. George Geisler (1950)**
The Rev. Harry Royer (1965)

Former Pastors of St. Luke's Who Graduated From Lancaster Seminary:

*The Rev. Jacob F. Wiant (1869)

*The Rev. William Lichliter (1875)

*The Rev. John Frantz (1906)

*The Rev. Robert Roschy (1934)

*The Rev. A. Gail Holt (1942)

The Rev. J. Robert Musser (1961)

The Rev. Harry Royer (1965)

The Rev. John F. Esbenshade (1971)

The Rev. Paul E. Forrey (1993)

The Rev. James Robison (1998)

The Rev. Audrey Shirk (2004)

The Rev. Paul Eyer (2006)

Other Lancaster Theological Seminary Graduates Who Were Former Connected to Trinity:

*The Rev. Vernon H. Baum (1947/1971)

*The Rev. Beatrice Weaver McConnell (1948)—First woman to graduate & be ordained in the E&R Church.

*The Rev. Dr. James W. Bright (1957/1984)

*The Rev. Charles E. Fogle (1958)

*The Rev. Phyllis Baum (1995)

The Rev. Thomas B. Busted (2013)- our former organist

Other Connections With Lancaster Seminary Graduates:

*The Rev. Charles D. Rodenberger (1934)-father of Dr. Bruce Rodenberger

The Rev. Milton E. Gockley, Jr. (1952/1966)-brother-in-law of Mid Gockley

*The Rev. James H. Gold (1957)-father of Steve Gold

*The Rev. John A. Denlinger (1970)-brother of Ron Denlinger

The Rev. Timothy C. Bistline (1997)-son of Rev. Bob & Judie Bistline

The Rev. Charles W. Gross, Jr. (2004)-grew up at Trinity Church

*--Deceased

We recently received the following information about the recipient of the St. Luke's Scholarship at Lancaster Theological Seminary.

Seminary Scholarships



The St. Luke's UCC Scholarship

Name: Susan M. Smith
Doctor of Ministry

Hometown: Livonia, NY

What inspired you to enroll at Lancaster Theological Seminary?

The availability of classes online and the intimate nature of the campus and program.

What are your career goals and desired profession?

My goals are to further my relationship with God and increase my skills in the congregation I serve as pastor.

How has your experience at Lancaster Theological Seminary contributed to your personal growth or development?

The experience of our Intensive Week served to cement my conviction that spiritual study is enhanced by community and the communion between other students on the journey.

How do you see your seminary degree enhancing your call to serve?

Deepening my abilities to listen and understand my parishioners better as well as developing new strategies for community involvement and ministry is the purpose of this degree.

Your generosity has been the driving factor in my decision to attend Lancaster Theological Seminary. If not for this financial gift, I would not have answered the urging of the Holy Spirit to further my theological education. My ministry will be deepened and my congregation and community better served through the application of what I learn here. Thank you for this incredible gift!

Susan M. Smith

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



TRINITY PRESCHOOL SUB SALE

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

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

Each Sub Redemption Certificate: \$8.00
Deadline to Order: April 15, 2025 Pick up at church office.

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

Please make checks payable to: TRINITY PRESCHOOL
Sign-up sheet on table outside office



East Petersburg - Scout Troop #33
(Trinity is the charter organization)

Annual Pancake Breakfast FUNDRAISER

Our 34th annual breakfast!

Located at the East Petersburg Mennonite Church
Saturday, April 26, 2025
7:00am – 11:00am

ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES!!

2 SAUSAGE LINKS (\$1.00 FOR 2 EXTRA SAUSAGES)

COFFEE, TEA, O.J. OR WATER

Pre-sale tickets - \$6.00 (2 & under, free)

Stop by the Scout Hut (end of Pine St.) Mondays 7:00-8:00
or, the neighborhood Ticket Blitz on Saturday 4/12/25)

OR

At the door - \$8.00 (2 & under free)

Raffles Available

Donations are graciously accepted at the breakfast.



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(Lancaster Newspaper Readers' Choice Awards)- 2021

TAKE-OUT AND CURBSIDE AT THE ABOVE NUMBERS

Before you pay your bill, please mention Trinity United Church of Christ and 10% of your bill will be donated to Trinity.

We just got a check from the Sharing Our Success Program for the first half of last year for \$93.96

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



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 7:00PM Lenten Service	3 6:00PM Cub Scouts	4	5 8:30 AM Mulching 8:00 PM Alanon/ AA
6 7:45 AM Eucharist 9:00 AM Sunday School 9:45 AM Koinonia 10:30 AM Eucharist	7 7:00PM Choir 8:15 Bells	8 7:00PM Consistory/Boards	9 7:00PM Lenten Service	10 10:00 AM Mercersburg Group 6:00PM Cub Scouts 7:00 PM Finance Committee- Choir Room	11	12 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast 8:00 PM Alanon/ AA
13 7:45 AM Eucharist 9:00 AM Sunday School 9:45 AM Koinonia 10:30 AM Worship	14 7:00PM Choir 8:15 Bells	15 1:00PM Prayer Shawl	16 7:00PM Lenten Service- Order of Healing	17 No Preschool 2:00PM/7:00PM Maundy Thursday Services	18 No Preschool 7:00PM Good Friday Tenebrae Service	19 8:00 PM Alanon/ AA
20 6:00 AM Eucharist 7:45 AM Eucharist 9:15-10:00 AM Easter Breakfast 10:30 AM Eucharist	21 No Preschool 7:00PM Choir 8:15 Bells Parish Post Deadline	22 1:30PM Pinochle 7:00PM Executive Committee	23	24 6:00PM Cub Scouts	25	26 8:00 PM Alanon/ AA
27 7:45 AM Eucharist 9:00 AM Sunday School 9:45 AM Koinonia 10:30 AM Worship	28 1:30PM Grief Group 7:00PM Choir 8:15 Bells	29	30 9:30 AM Stewardship Committee— Owens' House 7:00PM Grief Group			
Secretary on vacation						

TRINITY UCC PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER APRIL 2025



Hello Trinity Families! Spring has Sprung and we are all so excited to get outside and play! It is a very busy time with April being the last full month of school. Please read our newsletter carefully as there are many new and upcoming events to round out our school year!

SNOW MAKE-UP DAYS:

We will be making up our snow days as two **extended days on Thursday, May 8 and Friday, May 9th**. Please pack a **lunch** for your child and **pick up at 2:00**.

Weaver Sub Sale Fundraiser

With spring approaching quickly, so are the busy hours of driving our children from event to event and enjoying time outside. Who has time to prep dinner! Treat yourself by treating your family to Weaver's subs/sandwiches, a quick and convenient lunch or dinner. Simply order your coupons and redeem them at your convenience for the sub/sandwich of your choosing! The extra bonus is this fundraiser will help support our projects at school. Order as many coupons as you like, share it with co-workers, neighbors, and friends. This fundraiser will run for the first 2 weeks in April. Order forms are attached.

FIELD TRIPS

On Friday April 4th, the 3-Day class and 4-Day class will spend the morning at Oregon Dairy. The 2-Day class will have their field trip at Greystone Alpacas on Thursday, April 24th. All students will need a chaperone to get them to their field trip and stay to accompany them throughout the tour. All costs for chaperone and student will be covered by the preschool. This will take the place of their regular school day. A permission slip and waiver (Oregon Dairy) have been sent home with your child and need to be returned to your child's teacher prior to the field trip date.

Mulching

Trinity UCC will be mulching their property including the playground that we use daily. If any families would like to come out and participate in this community service project, we would welcome the help. Mulching begins at 8:30am on Saturday, April 5th, any time you can give would be greatly appreciated. A separate sign-up form is attached. Please fill out and send back to school.

Summer Camp

Trinity UCC Preschool will be hosting SUMMER CAMP the week of May 12th (science) and the week of May 19th (art). M/W/F for 4 and 5 year olds (\$90/week) and T/TH for 2 and 3 year olds (\$65/week). This is open to the public as well so tell a friend to join in on the fun! Registration paper is attached.

Spring Program

Mark your calendars for our Spring Program for our 3-Day and 4-Day classes. The Spring Program will take place on Monday, May 5th at 11:00 in the Big Room. Please enter through the bottom doors. If it is a nice day feel free to pack a picnic lunch and stay to play with some friends outside on the playground.

April Lunch Bunch Pizza Party for 3 and 4 Day:

If you are interested in signing your child up for the final Lunch Bunch of the year, please use the sign-up genius link below, and send in \$13 for the session. We will provide pizza for our Munchers so please pack any extras and a drink for your child.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F49A8AE23A4FBC52-55535730-april>

Registration - 2025-2026 School Year

We still have some openings for the 25/26 school year. Please spread the word through your social media groups as we want to fill our classrooms! Direct anyone interested to call (717-569-1632) or email the director, Amy Grube, preschool@trinityeastpete.org, or head to our website, <https://www.trinityeastpete.org/preschool/registration/> for a registration brochure.

SPECIAL DATES:

April 1-April 15-Weaver's Sub coupon sale

April 4 - 3-Day and 4-Day Field Trip at Oregon Dairy

April 5 - Mulching

April 17-April 21- Easter Vacation-No School

April 24- 2-Day Field trip at Greystone Alpacas

April 25 - Last Lunch Bunch

May 5 - Spring Program for 3 and 4-Day

May 7-Last day of Enrichment

May 8 - Last Day of School for 2-Day and Tiny Tots (extended to 2pm, pack a lunch)

May 9 - Last Day of School for 3 and 4-Day (extended to 2pm, pack a lunch) and bus ride for 3 and 4-Day

HELPFUL HINTS:

NOTIFICATION PLEASE: If your child will be out of the classroom due to sickness, travel, appointments..., please notify us via email so we can plan accordingly. Thank you!

SICKNESS: If your child is not feeling well, please keep them home. If your child has a fever, please be sure that they are **FEVER FREE FOR 24HRS** (without medication) before returning to school.

CLASSROOM EXPERIENCES:

Miss Crystal and Miss Kelly 4 Day: This month in our class, we will explore the fascinating world of pond habits, discover how plants and animals grow, and learn about the importance of recycling. We'll also continue building our letter skills, focusing on letter recognition and their sounds.

Miss Karen and Mrs. Cox 3 Day: In the month of April, we will have spring games that will reinforce our alphabet and literacy skills and discuss our observations of our changing outdoor spaces. We will continuously review math and problem-solving skills as well. We will have fun with farms, cities, ponds and streams, and our own backyard. We look forward to more time outdoors playing and exploring nature with scientific discoveries.

Miss Karen and Miss Ashley 2 Day: April bring bugs and signs of spring. We get buggy as we take a look at the little creatures arriving in our backyards. We will learn all about bugs and have math and literacy experiences revolving around spring! We will learn about butterfly metamorphosis, birds and eggs, and share what we like about warmer weather.

Miss Crystal and Miss Kelly Tiny Tots: This month in our class, we will explore the fascinating world of pond habits, discover how plants and animals grow, and learn about the importance of recycling. We'll also continue building our letter skills, focusing on letter recognition and their sounds.

ENRICHMENT CLASS: This month, students will dive into exciting hands-on activities! They'll explore the concept of symmetry through fun experiments, discover the wonders of magnets, and even bake delicious cookies while learning about measurements. We'll unleash creativity by building and painting with Legos and bring the classic tale of The Three Little Pigs to life through imaginative play.

Easter Crossword

ACROSS

2. Resurrection Day.
4. 40 days after His resurrection, Jesus ascended to _____.
5. This came seven weeks after the resurrection.
6. Joseph of Arimathea provided this for Christ.
10. This apostle would not believe that Christ had risen until he saw and touched the nail prints in Christ's hands.
11. The final meal Christ shared with his disciples.
16. The religious festival Jesus had come to Jerusalem to celebrate.
17. This disciple denied knowing Jesus.
19. _____ guarded Jesus' tomb to make sure His disciples

22. The soldiers put a crown of _____ on Christ's head.
25. Where Christ went to pray before His arrest
26. The day Christ is believed to have been crucified.
28. The 40 days (not including Sundays) prior to Easter.
30. Following His resurrection, Jesus told His disciples to go into all the _____ and preach the Gospel.
31. Easter celebrates the _____ of Jesus.

14. Jesus was nailed to a _____.
15. "It is _____."
17. He sentenced Jesus to death.
18. "He is not here, for He is _____ as He said."
20. The Biblical account of the resurrection may be found in all four books of the New Testament known as the _____.
21. An angel rolled away the _____ covering the entrance to the tomb.
23. Peter and John _____ to the tomb of Jesus after hearing that His body was no longer there.
24. Peter cut off a soldier's _____ in his attempt to prevent Christ's arrest.
27. When those guarding the tomb saw the angel, they were _____.
29. The number of days Jesus spent in the tomb.

DOWN

1. Judas Iscariot received _____ of silver for betraying Jesus.
3. The animal Christ rode into Jerusalem.
7. She was the first to see Jesus after His resurrection.
8. The place of the skull.
9. One week before Christ's crucifixion, multitudes greeted him by cheering and waving _____ branches.
12. He helped Jesus carry His cross.
13. A soldier pierced Christ's side with this.

WORD BANK

AFRAID	EAR	GETHSEMANE	HEAVEN	PALM	PETER	RESURRECTION	SOLDIERS	SUNDAY	THOMAS	TOMB
CROSS	FINISHED	GOLGATHA	LENT	PASSOVER	PILATE	RISEN	SPEAR	THELASTSUPPER	THORN	WORLD
DONKEY	FRIDAY	GOSPELS	MARYMAGDALENE	PENTECOST	RAN	SIMON	STONE	THIRTY	THREE	



SAVE THE DATES



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

FRIENDSHIP FEST 2025

PRESENTING SPECIAL MUSICAL GUESTS



Sunday, July 13

Friendship Fest 4-7 PM

Food trucks

Games

Concert (5-6 PM): Keystone Fiddlers

More to be announced

HARTMAN CENTER SPIRIT WEEK

July 27-August 2

The Rankin family will be attending and would love to have
Trinity members join them at Hartman Center!

TRINITY'S CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND: 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".** For more information about church camp, speak to Anne Rankin, Trinity's Certified Camp Liaison.

2025 Lutheran Camping Corporation Events

April 1	Facility reservation book opens for 2026
April 5	Summer Camp Early Full-Pay Registration Discount deadline
April 6	Summer Camp Open House at Kirchenwald & Nawakwa
April 26	Work Day at Nawakwa
April 27	Earth Day Celebration at Kirchenwald
May 3	Work Day at Kirchenwald
May 18	Summer Camp Kick-off Worship & Picnic at Nawakwa
June 16	Summer Camp begins at Kirchenwald & Nawakwa
July 6-11	Elder Camp at Nawakwa
July 13-18	July Family Camp at Nawakwa
August 3-8	Family Camp-K-tion (Family Camp) at Kirchenwald
August 3-8	August Family Camp at Nawakwa
September 27	Party with a Purpose at Kirchenwald
October 5	Capture the Flag at Kirchenwald
October 7-9	Adult Study Retreat at Nawakwa
October 19	Fall Foliage Day at Nawakwa
October 26	Fall Foliage Day at Kirchenwald
November 2	Annual Quilt Auction at Nawakwa
November 7-9	Women's Craft Retreat at Nawakwa
December 6	Advent Day Apart at The Wittel Farm
January 2-4, 2026	Winter Youth Retreat at Kirchenwald

Always check LutheranCamping.org for the most updated calendar!



The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania
Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, and The Wittel Farm
PO Box 459, Arendtsville, PA 17303
717-677-8211 • www.LutheranCamping.org



Kirchenwald Camp Schedule

CAMP WEEK	EXPLORERS Grades K-2	JUNIORS Grades 3-6	INTERMEDIATES Grades 6-9	SENIOR HIGH & ADVENTURE TRIPS
JUNE 15-20	Day Camp (M-F)	Tree Toppers	Adventure Shorts (S-T) Adventure Shorts (W-F) High Adventure	
JUNE 22-27	Day Camp (M-F)	Classic Guppies	Back-Country Outpost Water Adventure	Pine Creek Rail Trail (Grade 6 - Adult)
JUNE 29- JULY 4	Pioneers	Classic Arts & Crafts S.U.R.E.	Classic Trails & Treats	Super Adventure (Grades 9-11)
JULY 6-11	Day Camp (M-F)	Classic TURTLES	Ten Day Water Adventure	Adirondack Backpack (Grades 7-11)
JULY 13-18	Mini Camp (S-T) Mini Camp (W-F)	Arts & Crafts Jr Quest (Grades 4-6) S.U.R.E.	Classic Stewards	
JULY 20-25		Classic Back-Country Outpost Day Camp Plus (M-F, Grades 2-5)	Arts & Crafts High Adventure S.U.R.E.	KirchenQuest (Grades 7-11)
JULY 27- AUG 1	Pioneers	NightHawks Trails & Treats Tree Toppers	SUB Adventure	Beach (Grades 7-11)
AUG 3-8	Family Camp-K-tion (Family Camp)			
	Day Camp (M-F)	Pirates Cove Ultimate Sports	Ultimate Sports	

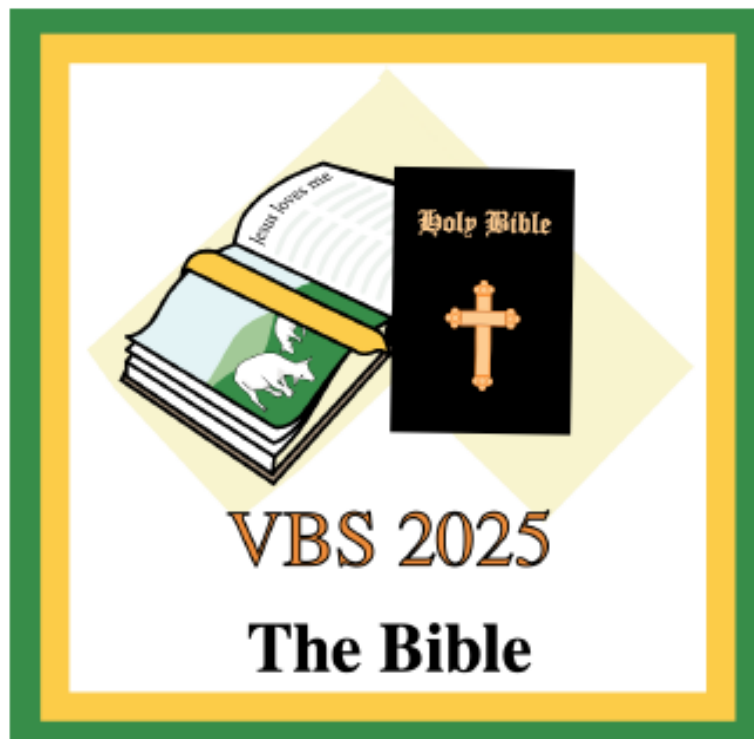
Kirchenwald is located on 340 acres of scenic forest, adjacent to 4,000 acres of State Game Lands, in Lebanon, PA.

Nawakwa Camp Schedule

CAMP WEEK	EXPLORERS Grades K-2	JUNIORS Grades 3-6	INTERMEDIATES Grades 6-9	SENIOR HIGH Grades 9-11
JUNE 22-27	Classic Day Camp (M-F)	Classic Equestrian	Classic Adventures Away	Classic
JUNE 29- JULY 4	Classic	Classic Arts, Crafts, & Pottery Holy Smoke!	Classic Full STEAM Ahead!	
JULY 6-11	Elder Camp			
	Mini Camp (S-T) Mini Camp (W-F)	Classic Beginner Guitar and Music	Classic Camp Musical	Classic
JULY 13-18	July Family Camp			
JULY 20-25	Mini Camp (S-T) Mini Camp (W-F) Nature Adventures	Classic Wild Things	Classic Ten Day	Ten Day
JULY 27- AUG 1	Classic Day Camp (M-F)	Classic Team Sports	Classic Arts & Crafts, & Pottery Rock 'n Roll Adventure	
AUG 3-8	August Family Camp			

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

Save The Dates



Trinity UCC, 2340 State St., East Petersburg

www.trinityeastpete.org

717-569-1632

July 14 - 17 6:30-8:30 PM

July 18 6:30 PM Closing Program

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, *"The Bible"* takes a look 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 Rev. Jack Esbenschade.

“The Bible” is the theme for this summer’s Vacation Bible School. It will be held **July 14 –17, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, Closing Program – July 18, 6:30 PM**. We will need your help to welcome and teach the children of Trinity and the wider community. The ideal VBS program would touch and/or be touched by each member of the congregation. Please check the activities in which you would be willing to share during the week. **Please return this form to the VBS Director’s mail slot in the church office by April 13.** If you have any questions please contact us. Thank you.

Dina Slechta and Diane Rice

_____ Group Leader—travels with group through stations, and teaches the lessons each day..

_____ Assistant Group Leader - travels with group through stations, assists in teaching lessons each day.

_____ Games Leader—leads 10 to 15 minute games reinforcing the night’s concept and story

_____ Games Helper

_____ Crafts Leader - leads 15-20 minute crafts reinforcing the night’s concept and story

_____ Crafts Helper

_____ Snack Leader/Coordinator

_____ Snack Helper

_____ Floaters - potential teachers and assistants who will be at VBS, ready to jump in as needed.

_____ Registration—needs to be there 6:15 to 6:45 PM the first two evenings to register children

_____ Greeter - helps guests navigate the building and registration - 6:15 to 6:45 PM the first evening

_____ Help anywhere needed.

_____ Youth Helper (7th grade on up) Transportation Needed _____

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Days you would be available _____

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