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February Trinity Tower Sponsored by Martha & Burnell Dehoff



From the Pastor

Ash Wednesday, February 14th, opens the Liturgical season of Lent. For the next 40 days, Christians around the world will prepare themselves spiritually for the celebration of their highest Holy Day, Easter. In most Lent-observing denominations, the last week of Lent coincides with Holy Week, starting with Palm Sunday. Following the New Testament narrative, the Last Supper is observed on Maundy Thursday and Jesus' crucifixion is commemorated on Good Friday, and at the beginning of the next week the joyful celebration of Easter Sunday, the start of the Easter season, which recalls the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

As Grace UCC in Hanover and Trinity UCC in Gettysburg are yoked for this Season, we have a wonderful opportunity to share worship and fellowship. Below is the schedule as it has been discussed within both church's worship and music committees. I would encourage you to consider utilizing this schedule between the churches. Let us come together and celebrate not only Lent and Easter, but also as we follow Christ's calling.

Blessings!

Pastor Fred

Please feel free to come to either worship service on Ash Wednesday or Easter Sunday.

Ash Wednesday update:

There will be multiple opportunities to worship together for Ash Wednesday and to receive communion and the imposition of Ashes.

At Grace:

- 12pm Ash Wednesday service at Grace UCC led by Pastor Fred (with communion)
- 7pm Ash Wednesday service at Grace UCC led by Amy Fawks and Patti Miller (with communion–elements blessed by Pastor Fred at noon)

At Trinity Gettysburg:

• 7pm Ash Wednesday service at Trinity UCC led by Pastor Fred (with communion)

Easter Services Update

Maundy Thursday Service at Trinity UCC Gettysburg led by Pastor Fred at 7pm

Good Friday Service at Grace UCC led by Pastor Fred at 7pm

Easter Sunday JOINT Sunrise Service on Easter at 6:30AM (location TBD) 8AM Worship/communion at Trinity led by Pastor Fred at approx. 8am and 10:30AM TBA

10AM Worship/communion at Grace UCC led by Pastor Fred at 10am.

Dinner Church: February 1st and March 7th at 5:30PM at Trinity, Gettysburg *Bring a covered dish or dessert to share. Worship lasts about an hour.*

5th Sunday Collections: The congregation is asked to choose four (4) local organizations to support the 5th Sunday Special Collections (March, June, September, December.) With a little more than a month remaining in our selection of 5th Sunday Collections, these are the organizations with the most votes: Adams Rescue Mission (13), Ruth's Harvest (10), Adams County Office of Aging (8), Adams County Children & Youth Services (7), Halal Meal for refugee families (6), Hoffman Home (6), Mission of Mercy Healthcare (5). Please participate in voting through February 29th. Thank you, Ministries & Missions

December 2023 - The fifth Sunday Special Collection for SCCAP was \$130.00. Thank you for your support!



Dave Churchill February 1

Marian Smith February 15



Coffee w/Friends
Friday, February 2nd
@ 10:00am
Ragged Edge,
Chambersburg Street



Misty Mountain Knitters Tuesday, February 13th 3:30pm-5:30pm Gathering Area. Anyone is welcome!



Lunch w/Friends
Friday,
February 16th
@ 11:30am
Friendly's,
Steinwehr Ave



Knitted/Crocheted Baby Blankets for Sale

\$20.00 each.
Perfect gift!
Many colors available.
Contact Suzy Miller



In our thoughts and prayers: Ashur Bowley, Brayden Beamer, Sonny Coble, Dr. Douglas Eyer, Alice Fritz, Joyce Golden, Lois Grim, Linda & Harold Heller (Sara Shank's parents), Harry Hilbert, John Harrison Hoffman, The Kendlehart Family, Evelyn Kretz, MacKenzie Kretz, Josh Langley, John Lucas, Nancye Marinos, Jen Mickelson, Bob Miller, Kathy Murphy, Lenore O'Rourke, Lisa Reinoehl, Fischer Samuelson, Marian Smith,

Bill Swisher, Brea Thomas, Mary Timmins, Elizabeth & Sandy Topper, Mckenna Voss, and Teeyara Jo Weiant. (*Please notify the office to be removed*).



I would like to take the opportunity to thank the members of the choir and congregation for their part in the celebration for my retirement. I enjoyed you comments, greetings, and best wishes for the future. Please be as supportive of Sara as you have been for me. She has agreed to take on the responsibilities I had. We can be grateful that someone we know has stepped forward. Also, thanks to Jane Malone and Carl Barrick for the lovely display of my musical history, newspaper clippings and photos. You had a lot of things I did not remember.

Jane Eiker

With grateful hearts we want to thank our Trinity UCC family for all their help and support throughout Galia's "Celebration of Life". Pastor Young's service was meaningful and comforting. Sara Shank played beautifully. Nina, Cindy, Ann & Cheryl's help before, during and after the luncheon was deeply appreciated! And many thanks to Deb & Bruce for all their help. Everyone went above and beyond.

Neal, Karen, & Victor

Ministries and Missions would like to thank the following people for helping prepare and serve C.A.R.E.S. breakfasts for the last week of December and first week of January: Nina Redding, Russell Redding, Cindy Kidd, Ann Harvey, Kara Young, Pastor Fred Young, Bruce Guiher, Roberta Weiant, Dan Irwin, Carl Barrick, Sandy Busche, Becky Woodward, Tim Woodward, Steve Sheely and Janet Sheely. Several of these people serviced multiple times. Thanks to all for your support during these 12 days of service.



SPRING/SUMMER BASKET AUCTION!

Ministries & Missions is hosting a themed basket auction

March 24th during Palm Sunday Dinner

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Get together with your family, friends, church committees, your neighbors and use those talents to create a Silent Auction masterpiece! Does not have to be a basket a stuffed flower pot, pretty spring or summer box, watering can, picnic basket, cloths basket, etc. Someone suggested stuffing an umbrella. How clever!!!! The auction will begin at the Palm Sunday Church Dinner and bidding opportunities will continue through Easter Sunday. You can drop your baskets off anytime at the church during office hours or Sundays during worship times.

Also, 2 or 3 people are needed to help set-up, registering bidders, and contacting winners.

NO MEETINGS!! Call me if you can give a little time 301-254-1982

Thank you church family, Lucy Greene



LILY/TULIP ORDER FORM DEADLINE TO ORDER:

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2024

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WEDNESDAI	I, PEDICOAKI	20, 2024
Your name		
Number of	Lilies (\$12.50	0)
Number of	<u>Fulips</u> (\$11.50	0)
Payment:	Cash	Check
Make checks payable to Tri	nity UCC. Me	emo line: Easter Flowers
Please	print your messa	ge
Presented by:		
In memory of:		
In honor of:		



Used Ink Cartridges!

Deliver my lily/tulip to a shut-in

I am collecting used ink cartridges.

As a business Staples allows us 20 used cartridges a month. Any shape, size, or brand! We can earn \$5 for the used ink cartridges and 5% Rewards back for every purchase at Staples. Please bring your used cartridges in anytime.

You can leave them on my desk. Thank you!

I will pick up my lily/tulip

<u>LAST CALL for Ruth's Harvest – February 7th - 4:00pm – 5pm @ Lincoln Elementary School – Playground side entrance.</u> Please bring your non-perishable items into the church before February 6th. A list of items is included in the bulletins this month and are available in the Gathering Area. <u>Help is needed on the 7th to pack the backpacks</u>. Contact Sandy Busche if you can help. Thank You!

Faith & Fellowship (F & F)

Our Christian Education committee continues to think about ways to engage our members both young and old.

When we met in December, we decided to consider revising our planning for Messy Church to include <u>activities that focus on</u> both faith and fellowship. We began planning those activities for the first half of 2024 in hopes of attracting a wider response.

The following is a list of Faith and Fellowship (F & F) plans:

February 18 – 3:00 PM – movie at Trinity – perhaps the award-winning movie "Inside Out"

March 17 – 3:00 PM – game/trivia day at Trinity

April 14 – trip to Sight and Sound to see Daniel

May 19 – 3:00 PM – trip to the Grotto in Emmitsburg

June – to be determined – possibilities are a trip to the World War II Museum or a special program scheduled at Trinity

Some dates/times may be subject to change as availability changes.

Please plan to attend some/all of these opportunities. It's a great opportunity to get to know your fellow Trinity members just a little better.

FROM THE OPEN AND AFFIRMING COMMITTEE (ONA):

The Open and Affirming Process Committee has developed the following as the PROPOSED COVENANT for Trinity United Church of Christ:

Trinity United Church of Christ of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, which was founded in 1790, values and welcomes a diverse congregation. We believe that each of us is created in God's image and that all are loved and blessed equally by God. Jesus said, "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another." (John 13:34) In keeping with Jesus' commandment, we commit ourselves to demonstrating Christ's unconditional love in how we live together within our congregation and our community.

We invite into our faith community persons of every race, age, national origin, sex, socioeconomic status, gender identity and gender expression, sexual orientation, disability, marital status, immigration status, and family/parental status.

In our community of faith, we affirm and embrace that all people are encouraged to fully participate and share their talents and energy in worship and sacraments, leadership positions, ordained ministry, lay ministry, learning, service, mission, and fellowship. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome at Trinity United Church of Christ.

A discussion session for the congregation is open to everyone who would like to speak about adopting an Open and Affirming covenant. This will be <u>moderated by the Mediation Society of Adams County</u> in order ensure that anyone who would like to speak will be afforded the opportunity. This will be held on <u>Sunday, February 11, 2024 at 11:30</u> am after the conclusion of our worship service

Following the discussion session, ballots will be mailed to each member of our congregation.

Thanks to all who took the time to attend the various educational sessions over the past few months. Your participation is much appreciated!



Be a February Food Banker!! Trinity is coming together in February to collect and supply NON -PERISHABLE FOOD PRODUCTS for our local Food Pantry: SCCAP (South Central Community Action Program.)

Starting the first day of February through the last day of February, you will find a table set up in the Gathering Area, as well as a grocery cart in the main entrance on High Street. The cart (compliment of Kennies) makes it convenient for those who do not want to carry food up the stairs.

Bring food to Sunday services or during the week during office hours.

2024 Trinity United Church of Christ Committees

1/26/2024

CONSISTORY ELDERS
Cindy Barley - 2025
Jane Malone - 2025 Chair Steve Sheely - 2024

George Steckert – 2025 Treasurer

Roberta Weiant - 2024

AUDITING COMMITTEE
Bonnie Leedy - 2025

EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Sandy Busche
John Cornillon

Suhua Dong

FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE Cindy Barley - 2025 John Cornillon - 2026 Shirley Carlson - 2024 *Cathryn Hammons Harry Hilbert - 2026

FINANCE/STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Jane Alleman - 2025 Audrey Blackstone - Asst. Treasurer

Scott Breininger - 2025 Rayna Cooper - 2024 Ann Harvey - 2024

MINISTRIES AND MISSIONS (Called to Care/Outreach/Social Concerns)

Jane Alleman -202 Russell Bailey - 2024
*Carl Barrick – 2025 Chair
Cindy Barley - 2024
Scott Breininger - 2024

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Cindy Blevins - 2024 Ann Harner - 2025 Ann Harvey - 2026

PASTORAL RELATIONS

Terry Krietz Jane Malone

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
George Christopher – 2026
Ann Harvey - 2024

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Jane Alleman - 2025 Sonny Coble - 2025 Gordon Harvey - 2026

TECH COMMITTEE

Georgia Hollabaugh Russell Bailey

Carl Barrick

WORSHIP COMMITTEE Cindy Barley

John Cornillon - 2026 Mark Luckenbaugh - Percussionist Jen Mickelson - 2025

Sara Shank – Organist

*Denotes Consistory Representative

CONSISTORY DEACONS
M. Jane Alleman – 2024 Secretary
Carl Barrick – 2024 Assistant Secretary
Lucy Greene – 2025 Vice Chair
Edwin Hamilton - 2025

Catherine Hammons - 2025

John Lucas Lenore O'Rourke Joan Peck

Chris Swinn George Steckert
*Roberta Weiant

Mary Jane Hilbert - 2024 Bonnie Leedy - 2025 Mark Luckenbaugh - 2026 Sam Mao - 2024 Lenore O'Rourke - 2026 Chris Swinn - 2025

Neil Hollabaugh - 2024 Terry Krietz - 2024 *George Steckert - Treasurer

Karen Lentz - Accounting/Payroll Manager

Rayna Cooper - 2024 Jane Malone – 2026

Jen Mickelson – 2024 Suzy Miller - 2026 Kathy Murphy - 2024

Connie Howe - 2024 Jane Malone - 2024 Roberta Weiant - 2026

Sue Churchill Joan Peck – 2026 Chair Rev. Peter Kuhn

*Lucy Greene - 2024 - **Chair** Georgia Hollabaugh - 2024 Joan Peck - 2025

*Edwin Hamilton -2025 Joan Peck – 2026 **Chair** *Steve Sheely - 2026

Garrison Redding Stacy Rushwald *George Steckert

Kara Young

Jim Hoffman - Consultant

Prestyn Weiant - 2026 Tim Woodward - 2025

Nina Redding - 2026 Janet Sheely - 2025 George Steckert - 2024 Roberta Weiant - 2024 Becky Woodward 2025

Mary Jane Hilbert - 2024

Sue Churchill

Rayna Cooper

Luke Milhimes

Nancy MacMeekin - Altar Guild Suzy Miller - 2025 Bonnie Smith - 2024

Rev. Peter Kuhn - 2025 John McKay - Choir Director Lenore O'Rourke – 2026 Pat Ziegler - 2024

As of January 28, 2024

Envelope offering needed: \$14,684.00 Offering rec'd to date: \$9,581.00

Property Fund needed: \$1,696.00 Property Fund rec'd to date: \$650.00



Ways to continue to support the work of Trinity! E-Giving: Find instructions under either the Members tab; Missions in Giving tab on website (info available in office); Use the automatic bill paying service your bank provides you; Mail your offering envelope to the church by U.S. mail.

Scan your phone across the QR code to make a donation



Sundays at Trinity

8:00am Worship 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Fellowship (Gathering Area) Choir Practice 10:30am Worship

February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				I 5:30p Dinner Church	9:30a Flutes 10a Coffee w/Friends	3 I I a-I p G.C.S. Auditions
4 Communion I 2:30p-4:30p MDANA	5 6p Property	6 7p Personnel	7 4p Ruth's Harvest 7p Choir	8	9 Consistory Reports Due 9:30a Flutes	10
II II:30a ONA Discussion	12	13 3:30p Knitting Group	14 Valentines Day Ash Wednesday Worship 12p @ Grace UCC 7p @ Trinity UCC	15 9:30a-10:45 Deb Out	16 9:30a Flutes 11:30a Lunch w/Friends	17
18 3p-5p F & F Movie Night	19	20 6p Spiritual Council 6:45p Consistory	21 7p Choir	22 Newsletter Articles Due	23 Deb/Bruce Out 9:30a Flutes	24
25	26 Deb/Bruce Out	27	28 Orders due for Easter Flowers 7p Choir	29		

DATE	ALTAR CARE	GREETERS	LAY READERS	USHERS	ACOLYTES
February 4	Nancy MacMeekin * Lucy Greene Roberta Weiant - E Audrey Blackstone - E	10:30am Ann & Buck Harvey	8am <i>Elder</i> 10:30am <i>Elder</i>	8am Roberta Weiant 10:30am M. Jane Alleman John Cornillon	10:30am Buck Harvey
February 11	Same as above	10:30am Mary Jane & Harry Hilbert	8am Dave Churchill 10:30am Nancy MacMeekin	8am Jen Mickelson 10:30am JoyceAnn & Edwin Hamilton	10:30am <i>Bonnie</i> Smith
February 14 Ash Wednesday	Same as above	7pm Roberta Weiant		7pm Roberta Weiant	7pm Bonne Smith
February 18	Same as above	10:30am M. Jane Alleman Suzy Miller	8am Jim Orner 10:30am Scott Wehler	8am Cindy Barley 10:30am Janet & Steve Sheely	10:30am Bonnie Smith
February 25	Same as above	10:30am Ruby Warren Neal Hollabaugh	8am Cindy Blevins 10:30am Julie Strickland	8am Cindy & Don Blevins 10:30am Carl Barrick George Steckert	10:30am <i>Janet</i> Sheely

Staff

Rev. Dr. Frederick A. Young, Pastor

Deb Guiher, Admin. Assistant **Karen Lentz**, Account/Payroll Mgr.

John McKay, Director Senior Choir Sara Shank, Organist

Deb & Bruce Guiher, Housekeeping Bruce Guiher, Bldg & Grounds Keeper Jane Malone, Consistory Chair Lucy Greene, Consistory Vice Chair

> 8:00am Worship 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00am Fellowship Time Choir Practice 10:30am Worship

February 2024

Awakening
joyful
service
guided by
our still
speaking
God!

February 4 Communion

Isaiah 40:21-31 Psalm 147:1-11, 20c 1 Corinthians 9:16-23 Mark 1:29-39

February 11 Transfiguration Sunday

2 Kings 2:1-12 Psalm 50:1-6 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 Mark 9:2-9

February 14
Ash Wednesday
w/Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion
12pm at Grace UCC, Hanover
7pm at Trinity UCC, Gettysburg

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 or Isaiah 58:1-12 Psalm 51:1-17 2 Corinthians 5:20b - 6:10 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

February 18 First Sunday in Lent

Genesis 9:8-17 Psalm 25:1-10 1 Peter 3:18-22 Mark 1:9-15

February 25 Second Sunday in Lent

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Psalm 22:23-31 Romans 4:13-25 Mark 8:31 - 38 or Mark 9:2-9 2024 Sunday Mornings - One Service - 10:30a

March 31st - Easter Sunday 6:30am Sunrise Worship Service 8am Traditional Easter Sunday Worship

July 28th - Outdoor Worship

October 6th - World Communion

November 3rd - All Saints Sunday

December 8th - Annual Church Meeting

December 29th - 1st Sunday after Christmas

Watch bulletins for added information/changes.

To access our on-line worship feed, please go to our website:

www.gettysburgtrinityucc.org

or our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/ GettysburgTrinityUCC

Trinity United Church of Christ Gettysburg, PA

January 18, 2024

Members of Trinity UCC,

This letter is to thank each and everyone who donated generously to Trinity's Capital Campaign for Building Projects. In a June 14, 2023 letter, Trinity announced the Capital Campaign to raise \$137,000 in 6 months to support the 5-year property plan approved by the congregation.

At the end of 2023, your donations have raised almost \$110,000!

Your very generous support allowed the Property Committee to complete or start many of our needed capital building projects, including:

Parsonage bathroom renovation - completed
Bricks repair and sealing - scheduled to start in appropriate weather
Repair of round window at UUG - will be reinstalled when temperatures allow
UUG Front Doors - in progress
Parsonage front windows - ordered and will be installed when they arrive
Parsonage front porch columns - currently waiting an updated price

There have been project cost increases this past year that have not allowed Trinity to start two projects (exterior painting and Stratton Street building roof) as yet. The Finance Committee will continue to monitor campaign commitments/pledges and other funds as they become available for these needed projects.

Thank you for your continuing stewardship.

Capital Campaign Subcommittee
Joan Peck
Neal Hollabaugh
Terry Krietz
George Steckert
Pastor Fred Young