

Week of November 3, 2024

Our continued Prayers support: Ashur Bowley, Brayden Beamer, Kathy Ciolino, Deb Crawford, Dr. Douglas Eyer, Alice Fritz, Joyce Golden, Lois Grim, Linda & Harold Heller (Sara Shank's parents), Harry Hilbert, John Harrison Hoffman, Evelyn Kretz, MacKenzie Kretz, Josh Langley, Christopher Little, Nancye Marinos, Bob Miller, Kathy Murphy, Lenore O'Rourke, Lisa Reinoehl, Lori Ruhlman, Fischer Samuelson, Bill Swisher, Brea Thomas, Mary Timmins, Elizabeth & Sandy Topper, Mckenna Voss, and Teeyara Jo Weiant. **Please call the office to be removed from the list.**

ALTAR FLOWERS: Happy Birthday to my daughter Kathy, by Nancy MacMeekin.

On occasion when Pastor Fred and Deb/Bruce are out of the office the same day, (example: Fridays), Trinity's Elders will be on-call for emergencies Jane Malone, George Steckert, Steve Sheely, Cindy Barley, Roberta Weiant. When Pastor Fred is in Hanover on Mondays & Wednesdays he can be still reached but Fridays are his day off and sometimes Deb/Bruce are out that day too.

Consistory and the Finance/Stewardship Committee have engaged Local Church Ministries of the UCC to conduct a Visioning session with our congregation.

It will be held in two parts beginning at 6:00 pm on Friday, December 6th and continuing at 8:00 am on Saturday, December 7th.

It will end at about 2:30 pm on Saturday.

If you are interested in the growth and future of our church, please consider attending both days of this session and have your voice heard.

This visioning session will kick off a strategic planning process for Trinity that will be imperative for the decisions we will need to make as we move forward in fulfilling our mission of *Awakening joyful service guided by our still speaking God!*

Sign-up sheet will be in the Gathering Area

Stewardship of our Talents: Volunteers needed to serve in the coming year. On Nov. 17th during the Celebration of Our Gifts, you will have an opportunity to volunteer for the committee of your choice. Let us *Be the Church* together.

Our Reading Group is back! Thursdays in November, from 11:00am to 12:00 noon (except Thanksgiving Day) we will be reading *Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants*, by Robin Wall Kimmerer. We will meet in the Gathering Area. Our discussion will focus on the section-- "*Planting Sweetgrass*" (pp 3-59). We hope you can join us for this beautiful book. "Robin Wall Kimmerer writes about the natural world from a place such abundant passion that one can never quite see the World the same way after having seen I through her eyes."

- - Elizabeth Gilbert, author of *East, Pray Love*

Blessing of our Pets today at 3:00pm in the Stratton Street parking lot. Any pet, shape, size or type is welcome, just bring them in.



Wednesday, November 27th at 7:00pm – Joint TUCC/GRACE UCC Thanksgiving Eve Service at Grace UCC, 100 4th Street, Hanover, PA 17331



Gettysburg Choral Society: “Sing We Noel” is the theme of this year’s Christmas concerts, which will be held in a pair of concerts at the United Lutheran Seminary on **Friday, December 6th at 7:00 P.M. and on Saturday, December 7th at 3:00 P.M.** Then, on **Saturday, December 14th, at 3:00 P.M.** the chorus will repeat the concert at the beautiful Basilica of the National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton in Emmitsburg, MD. In addition to timeless

Christmas favorites sung by the chorus, the Gettysburg concerts will feature a Christmas-themed mini-organ recital, featuring organist Peggy Haas Howell. Ms. Howell, the current national vice-president of the American Guild of Organists, has performed throughout Europe and the United States and is well-known in Gettysburg. She has a particular affinity for the chapel’s magnificent Andover pipe organ and is sure to inspire all with her magnificent talent. All of the concerts will conclude with the audience joining in a joyous sing-along, as the sounds of Christmas resound through the chapel and basilica.



Believe it or not, it’s that time of year already! Poinsettia order forms are in the bulletins and throughout the Gathering Area. Deadline to order is Sunday, December 1st.

Choose your favorite Hymn: In the Gathering Area is a basket of note paper for you to request your favorite Hymn. After you have written it/them down, please put it back in the box. Sara appreciates your input as she learns the UCC Hymnal and your likes/dislikes. Thank you

Usher sign-up list in the Gathering Area for December. We only need one Usher for each service except for Christmas Eve, most likely will need two. Sign-up sheet is in the Gathering Area.

Please enjoy the new exhibit in the History Cabinet. To work the newly installed lighting system, push the center, round button on the small remote sitting on the front ledge of the cabinet. Please put the remote back when you are finished.

Today: Veteran Remembrance Day	
Pastor Fred @ Grace 10:00am	10:30am Kara Young
3:00pm Blessing of our pets – Stratton Street parking lot	
Monday: 7:00pm – 9:00pm G.C.S. Practice - Sanctuary	
Wednesday: 6:00pm Worship – Parlor	7:00pm Choir - Sanctuary
Thursday: CONSISTORY COMMITTEE REPORTS DUE	
11:00am – 12:00pm Reading Group – Gathering Area	
Friday: 9:30am Flute Flock – Fellowship Hall	11:30am Lunch with Friends @ Friendly’s

Attendance: 11/3/2024 10:30am 47; On-Line 34; Dinner Church 17; TOTAL 98

Financial Report: 11/3/2024

Envelope Offering Needed: \$161,524.00 Envelope Offering Received: \$149,742.58

Property Fund Needed: \$15,656.00 Property Fund Received: \$9,565.00

Your name: _____ Number of Poinsettias _____ (\$10.25 each)



Deadline for ordering – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1ST.

Please state bulletin listing: (PLEASE PRINT)

Presented by: _____

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

YOU MUST ARRANGE TO PICK-UP YOUR FLOWER AT CHURCH.

I wish to contribute \$ _____ toward the church Christmas decorations.

TOTAL PAYMENT DUE (Poinsettia's and/or donation) Cash _____ Check _____

(Checks payable to Trinity United Church of Christ - Poinsettias)