

April Trinity Tower

Awakening joyful service guided by our still speaking God!
A Happy Easter to all and a Happy Birthday to all April Birthdays by Nancy MacMeekin

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

Staff
Rev. Dr. Frederick A. Young, Pastor
Deb Guiher, Admin. Assistant
Karen Lentz, Account/Payroll Mgr.
Sara Shank, Organist-Acting Music Director
Deb & Bruce Guiher, Housekeeping
Bruce Guiher, Bldg & Grounds Keeper
Jane Malone, Consistory Chair
Cynthia Blevins, Consistory Vice Chair

April Worship Schedule:
April 13
Rev. Peter Kuhn
April 27th
Kara Young

PASTOR FRED'S WEEKLY SCHEDULE
Mondays and Wednesdays Grace UCC, Hanover
Tuesdays and Thursdays TUCC, Gettysburg
2nd & 4th Sundays - Worship
8:00am TUCC & 10:00am Grace UCC

2025 One Service Sundays - 10:30am
April 20th - Easter Sunday -
(see Pastor's article on this for details)
June 8th - Pentecost Sunday
July 27th - Outdoor Worship/Church Picnic
October 5th - World Wide Communion
November 2nd - All Saints Sunday
December 14th - Annual Congregational Meeting
December 28th - First Sunday After Christmas
Other Special Services throughout the year:
April 17th - Maundy Thursday 7pm w/Communion
April 18th - Good Friday 12pm Community
April 20th - Easter Sunrise
(see Pastor's article on this page for details)
December 24th - Communion/Candlelight

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www.gettysburgtrinityucc.org

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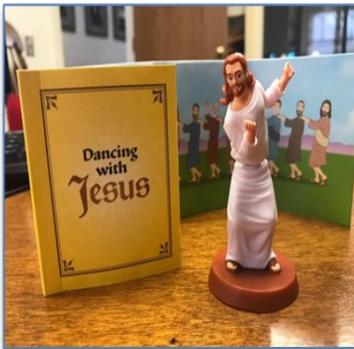
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- ATTACH PHOTOS, SHORT VIDEOS, POSTERS, INFORMATION OR OTHER CONTENT
- LET US KNOW IF YOU WANT THE ITEM POSTED "AS IS" OR ENHANCED BY OUR TALENTED STAFF!



FROM THE PASTOR

April Special Worship Opportunities

Dinner Church, April 2nd
5:30pm @ Trinity, Gettysburg
Maundy Thursday, April 17th - Communion
7pm @ Trinity, Gettysburg
Good Friday, April 18th
12pm Gettysburg Ministerium
@ Trinity, Gettysburg
7pm @ Grace, Hanover
Easter Sunday, April 20th
6:30am JOINT Sunrise Worship - Communion
@ Straban Township REC Park
9am @ Trinity, Gettysburg - Communion
11am @ Grace, Hanover - Communion



This dancing Jesus is a part of my unusual Jesus figurine collection. I love the hymn, "Lord of the Dance". The song's very meaningful words are placed within a jaunty tune, that when you start singing, it is hard to stop. In the early 1960's, Sydney Carter wrote the lyrics to "Lord of the Dance" to be sung to the Shaker tune, "Simple Gifts."

He wrote about his journey:

I see Christ as the incarnation of the piper who is calling us. He dances that shape and pattern which is at the heart of our reality. I sing of the dancing pattern in the life and words of Jesus. Whether Jesus ever leaped in Galilee to the rhythm of a pipe or drum I do not know. We are told that David danced (and as an act of worship too), so it is not impossible. The fact that many Christians have regarded dancing as a bit ungodly (in a church, at any rate) does not mean that Jesus did.

Within this hymn we sing about Jesus dancing when the world began and again at his own birth. We sing about our Teacher dancing in front of the religious elite and for his disciples as they were called, one by one. We sing about healings and miracles and our Savior's death on a cross. And then in the final verse we sing together:

*They cut me down and I leapt up high. I am the life that will never, never die.
I'll live in you if you'll live in me. I am the Lord of the dance, said He.
Dance, then, wherever you may be for I am the Lord of the dance, said He.
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be and I'll lead you all in the dance, said He.*

As our journey of Lent concludes and we head into Holy Week, I invite you to think about what it means for you to hear the words, "I am the life that will never, never die. I'll live in you if you'll live in me." How will you allow Christ to live within you? What will need to change for you to truly live in Christ? The Pharisee who came to Jesus under the cover of the night sky sought the answers to these questions too. Nicodemus argued with Jesus about the possibility of someone being born again. Perhaps when he finally understood this to mean that Christ would live within his heart and such love would radiate from him through the old Pharisee's faith there was dancing between them.

This Easter, invite the Risen Christ into your heart and dance away the troubles of this world!

Pastor Fred



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

John Cornillon
April 7

Marjorie Lyons
April 29

Nancy MacMeekin
April 5

Kenneth Mummert
April 9

Barbara Spicer
April 18

Ruby Warren
April 29



Our continued Prayers support. Please call the office to be removed from the list. Brayden Beamer, Ashur Bowley, Sandy & Tom Busche, Kathy Ciolino, Deb Crawford, Alice Fritz, Lois Grim, Linda & Harold Heller (Sara Shank's parents), Family of John Hess, Jr., Harry Hilbert, John Harrison Hoffman, Evelyn Kretz, MacKenzie Kretz, Josh Langley, Christopher Little, Bob Miller, Kathy Murphy, Lenore O'Rourke, Brian Parker, Lisa Reinhoehl, Lori Ruhlman, Fischer Samuelson, Betsy Dane and Dusty Smith, 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.**



Our condolences to Speros Marinos and families in the death of his wife, Nancye, Sunday, March 16th.

May God's loving embrace provide comfort and peace.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

The Hilbert's
Mary Jane & Harry
April 26



Outreach would like to thank everyone who contributed incontinent supplies these past few months. We used funds raised from the September 2023 Polish Pottery Bingo to purchase some of the supplies along with the donated incontinent supplies. We plan on making two additional purchases in 2025 with the funds remaining. We recently delivered 298 incontinent supplies to the **Adams County Office of Aging**. They were so thankful as they were much needed. Your ongoing support is greatly appreciated by the ACOA and the Outreach Committee for this important mission. Many thanks!

Thank you so much for incredible generosity and kindness. We are so grateful for all the baby items you donated. Thank you for helping us serve mothers in their greatest time of need. You are an answer to our prayers. It's an honor to serve alongside you. **Your Friends at Tender Care**

Food Pantry: We sent over 237 food items totaling \$447.94 and collected \$1,580 in monetary donations for the **SCCAP Food Pantry** drive! Thank you for your generous donations! They are greatly appreciated.



Palm Sunday Dinner
Sunday, April 13th
following 10:30am
worship service

Menu:
Stuffed Chicken Breasts
Scalloped Potatoes
Buttered Carrots and Broccoli

Everyone likes a variety of desserts so please bring a dessert to share.

Please sign-up in Gathering Area



FELLOWSHIP

Thank you to everyone who gave suggestions for soup and sandwich Sundays and for the Palm Sunday Dinner. Keep the ideas coming. Please feel free to make suggestions for future events and menus.

Please sign-up for the events so that we can prepare. You are encouraged to invite guests to worship and ask them to stay for fellowship.

A special thanks to the members of the Fellowship Committee. They work hard to bring you a tasteful meal to enjoy with fellow friends and church members.



SUGGESTIONS
What soup & sandwich combos would you like to have served future Sundays?

Soup 'n Sandwich

CANCELLED:

Coffee w/Friends at Ragged Edge is permanently cancelled.

Maundy Thursday
Exodus 12:1-4, (5-10), 11-14
and Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 1 Corinthians 11:23-26
John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Good Friday
Isaiah 52:13-53:12 Psalm 22
Hebrews 10:16-25 OR Hebrews 4:14-16:5:7-9
John 18:1-19:42

April 6 Communion
Isaiah 43:16-21 and Psalm 126
Philippians 3:4b-14
Isaiah 43:15-21
John 12:1-8

April 13 Palm Sunday
Pastor Young @ Grace UCC
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
Luke 19:28-40 Isaiah 50:4-9a
and Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 22:14-23:56
OR Luke 23:1-49

April 20 Easter
Acts 10:34-43
OR Isaiah 65:17-25
and Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
1 Corinthians 15:19-26
OR Acts 10:34-43
John 20:1-18 3 OR
Luke 24:1-12

April 27
Pastor Young @ Grace UCC
Acts 5:27-32 and Psalm 118:14-29
OR Psalm 150
Revelation 1:4-8 John 20:19-31

We Celebrate Two Important Anniversaries in 2025!

In order to help celebrate an upcoming national anniversary AND a Trinity anniversary, your History Task Force is planning to open the church for tours this summer. We hope to have a "Sanctuary Tour" focusing on our stained-glass windows, in addition to a "Civil War" and a "World War I" tour. For the World War I tour, Carl is planning to recreate a "Rest and Recreation Room" (like one we had in 1917 and 1918) in one of our Sunday School rooms. He is looking for loans of "old" items like board games, magazines, books, newspapers, pens, chairs, and a desk. In addition, if any members have family stories from World War I in Gettysburg, we would love to hear them. Even if you don't have a story or item, please help with the tours. See Carl Barrick or Jane Malone for more information.

Help us celebrate the 250th Anniversary of the US with the community, and join in the 235th anniversary of our beloved Trinity!

History Task Force



"Bring a Friend" Sunday!

May 4th at the 8:00am and 10:30am Worship services

Please reach out to your friends, neighbors, and relatives and invite them to join you for worship on this special day when we are hoping to fill Trinity's pews.

This is our opportunity to showcase Trinity, our great church, to others!

PROPERTY:

Trinity members have been very generous and supportive as we worked on various projects that needed to be done here at Trinity. When we first began work, tasks seemed an impossibility. Now, nearly five years and approximately \$400,000 later, we have finished a majority of the identified projects. These projects and their contractors follow:

Replacement of HVAC unit	Elite Plumbing, Heating and AC
Repair and replacement of flat roofs	Maines Roofing
Removal of parsonage skylight and roof replacement	Maines Roofing
Covering coping stones with aluminum	Maines Roofing
Remodeling parsonage bathroom	Jim Hoffman and Jon Priest
Repair of bell tower	Witmer Masonry
Repointing upper roof chimney	Witmer Masonry
Repair and sealing of Trinity's masonry	Witmer Masonry
Replacement of parsonage deck railing	Property Committee
Replacement of parsonage front windows and columns	Jim Grimsley
Covering window sills of fellowship hall	Jim Grimsley
Replacement of Front Doors and Front Window at UUG	Bill Jacobs
Exterior painting of Trinity and UUG	Scott Brothers Painting
Painting sanctuary and stairwells to sanctuary	Scott Brothers Painting
Installation of Memorial Garden	Boyers Nursery
Painting of Pastor's Office	Deb and Bruce Guiher
Removal of trees in parsonage yard	Cumberland Valley Tree Service

These contractors have been unfailingly pleasant, skilled and a joy to work with. We have been fortunate to have engaged their services.

We also need to recognize Bruce Guiher for the many daily issues that arise that he is able to address quickly and skillfully. We are very fortunate to have both him and Deb supporting our work at Trinity.

And finally, a big thanks to the Property Committee who has endured endless meetings and analyses to plan the property and engage services of those who completed our projects.

**With a grateful heart to each of you for your support,
Joan Peck, property chair**

P.S. Our stained glass windows will need some repair at some point. We'll keep you posted.

† **EASTER GIVING:** Your Easter Gift to the church is a statement of your faith in the work of the church and is greatly appreciated. Envelopes are in your March/April monthly packet and available in the pews & Gathering Area.

Financial Stats: as of March 23, 2025

Envelope offering needed: **\$44,004.00**

Offering rec'd to date: **\$39,672.00**

Property Fund needed: **\$4,620.00**

Property Fund rec'd to date: **\$2,360.00**

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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;

Try our new donation by credit card

via website-missions/giving tab.



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

April 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 5:30p Dinner Church 7p Choir	3	4 9:30am Flutes <i>NO Coffee w/ Friends - permanently</i>	5 5p Polish Pottery Bingo <i>(Sold Out)</i>
6 Communion 12:30p-4:30p MDANA	7	8	9 CONSISTORY REPORTS DUE 7p Choir	10	11 DEB/BRUCE OFF 9:30am Flutes	12 Palm Sunday Dinner Prep
13 <i>Palm Sunday</i> 11:30am Dinner	14	15 1:15 Spiritual Council 2p Consistory	16 8:45a-10:15a Deb/Bruce Out 7p Choir	17 <i>Maundy Thursday</i> 7p Worship	18 <i>Good Friday</i> <i>No Lunch w/ Friends today</i> 12p Trinity UCC 7p Grace UCC	19
20 <i>Easter</i> 6:30a Early Service 9a Trinity UCC 11a Grace UCC	21 PASTOR OFF	21 PASTOR OFF	23 NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE 7p Choir	24 DEB/BRUCE OFF	25 DEB/BRUCE OFF 9:30am Flutes	26 All Day Private Event in Fellowship Hall
27	28 DEB/BRUCE OFF	29 6p Finance	30 7p Choir			

DATE	ALTAR CARE	GREETERS	LAY READERS	USHERS	ACOLYTES
April 6	*Nancy MacMeekin Cathy Hammons Pat Ziegler <i>Roberta Weiant - E</i>	10:30am <i>Suzy Miller M. Jane Alleman</i>	8am <i>Jen Mickelson</i> 10:30am <i>Catherine Hammons</i>	8am <i>Sonny Coble</i> 10:30am <i>Terry Krietz</i>	10:30am <i>Buck Harvey</i>
April 13	<i>Same as above</i>	10:30am <i>Ruby Warren Neil Hollabaugh</i>	8am <i>Jim Orner</i> 10:30am <i>Nancy MacMeekin</i>	8am <i>Carl Barrick</i> 10:30am <i>Sue & Sterling Fritz</i>	10:30am <i>Bonnie Smith</i>
MAUNDY Thursday	<i>Same as above</i>	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	7pm <i>Don Blevins</i>	XXXXXXXXXX
GOOD Friday	<i>Same as above</i>	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	12p	XXXXXXXXXX
April 20	<i>Same as above</i>	10:30am <i>Sandy Busche Suhua Dong</i>	6:30am Early service 9:00am <i>Rebecca Woodward</i>	9:00am <i>Carl Barrick Harry Hilbert</i>	9:00am <i>Bonnie Smith</i>
April 27	<i>Same as above</i>	10:30am <i>Janet & Steve Sheely</i>	8:00am <i>Jen Mickelson</i> 10:30am <i>Rylan Weiant</i>	8am <i>Sonny Coble</i> 10:30am <i>Harry Hilbert</i>	10:30am <i>Janet Sheely</i>