



HOLY TRINITY

Evangelical Lutheran Church

ECHOES NEWSLETTER

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From the Pastors

October 2013

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Pastors

The Rev. Dr. Michael G. Tavella

The Rev. N. Amanda Grimmer

Staff

The Rev. John Bradosky, *Bishop of the North American Lutheran Church*

Mrs. Jacqueline Smith, *B. Mus. M.*

Mus., Director of Music

Mrs. Sharon Wright, *Parish Secretary*

Worship Services

Saturday at 5 pm and Sunday at 9 am

(Sunday Church School at 10:30 am)

Holy Communion

Saturday evening, Sunday morning & Festival Days

Deadline for submission of material for the Echoes Newsletter is 9 am the 15th of each month

Dear Parish Family,

We call ourselves Lutherans, a name used first by Dr. Johann Eck, the debating opponent of Luther at Leipzig in 1519. Eck was following the age-old Christian practice of naming heresies after their leaders. From the name, one would conclude then that Lutherans are heretics and not true Christians.

Luther himself preferred the name evangelical for the reform that he set into motion. The word evangelical comes from a Greek word for good news. The Lutheran Reformation involved an emphasis on the message of the Gospel that a person is justified and saved by God's grace in Christ through faith. The *Book of Ephesians* summarizes the message: "... by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast." (Ephesians 2: 8-9 ESV) The Lutheran Church is the Evangelical Church.

In the title of our congregation, we find several important elements. Holy Trinity indicates that we confess the catholic doctrine that God is one in three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Evangelical indicates our connection with the Reformation with its emphasis on the Gospel, or good news, that we are saved by God's grace. Lutheran refers to the reformer, not heretic, who stood up for the central teaching of the Church, justification by faith, as Luther indicates in *The Smalcald Articles*. And, of course, we are the assembly of those called out of darkness into the light of God; we are the Church. The English word, Church, comes from a Greek word which means "of or pertaining to the Lord."

The name of our Church, that is, the corporate name of the people who assemble on the corner of Parkview and Lycoming, shows forth our faith and our mission. Our mission is to extend the Gospel to those who do not know or have not responded to the salvation God has wrought in Jesus Christ. This outreach is central to "the true care of souls" of which another sixteenth century reformer, Martin Bucer, speaks.

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Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers have been presented to the Glory of God by the people of Holy Trinity.

Altar Flowers must be ordered no later than the Tuesday afternoon preceding the Sunday they are presented. They may be ordered through the Church Office (215-659-2642). You may pay by placing \$20.00 in a brown/white pew envelope checked "Altar Flowers." If you know it, indicate your envelope number.

Coram Deo

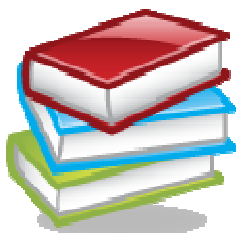
Living in the presence of God

Meets: Tuesdays at 7:30 in the Parlor

Begins: September 9th

Coram Deo is a new literary group at Holy Trinity led by Pastor Mike and Nancy King-Berkovitz. If you love literature, wish you knew more about literature, or want to discuss books and poetry within a Christian context, this is your kind of book club.

See you there!



From the Pastors

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At the Convocation of the North American Lutheran Church, a resolution was passed that commits us to strive to be a church body of 1517 congregations by 2017, the five-hundredth anniversary of Luther's nailing the 95 Theses to the Castle Church (Schlosskirche in German) door in Wittenberg. The actual name of this church is All Saints. We think of the many committed Christians who have extended the Gospel often in the most adverse circumstances from Saint Paul to modern Christians in many lands. The list of martyr witnesses is long.

We are called to be part of this outreach. Let us witness to Jesus Christ in our own lives and let us search ways that Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church can establish new congregations where Christ is proclaimed in worship and witness.

In Christ,
The Rev. Dr. Michael G. Tavella
The Rev. N. Amanda Grimmer



Send to Sharon -
swright@holytrinity.net

Women's

Prayer Group

We will meet in the room over the garage next to the home of Rosemary Hinkle, Anyone is welcome to come pray and/or share prayer requests at any time.

Dessert and coffee/tea are served.

Mark your calendar now for 2013 prayer time on the first and third Mondays of each month.

Healing Prayer

Ministry

After the 5:00 P.M. Saturday Service, and after the 9:00 A.M. Service, members of the Healing Prayer Team are available in the Chapel of the Good Shepherd to meet with you for healing prayer. Prayers are offered for your physical, emotional, and spiritual health.

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

Mission Statement

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church is a congregation of people of God, bound together in love for the purpose of glorifying God in worship and in fulfilling His will through spreading the Gospel of salvation in Jesus Christ to all humankind.

Prayer List

One of the beautiful aspects of Christian Fellowship is that we can share one another's concerns through prayer.

Please pray for the following:

Please pray for the following individuals & their families :
(we cannot add last names or initials) The families of the members of Holy Trinity together with those they love, including:

Albert, Alex, Amanda, Ambre, Amid, Amy, Anna, Arlene, Barbara, Ben, Beth, BettyAnn, Bill, Bob, Brianna, Bruce, Bryan, Carole, Charlene, Cheri, Christopher, Cinda, Cindy, Daniel, Dave, David, Deb, Derek, Diane, Dianna, Dodie, Donna, Doreen, Drew, Eleanor, Eda, Efim, Francis, Frank, Gary, Gene, George, Gloria, Gregory, Hannah, Helene, Hunter, Ingrid, Jarmie, Jason, Jeanne, Jenay, Jennifer, Joann, John, Joe, Judy, Julianne, Karen, Kathy, Keane, Lafayette, Lee, Lenore, Linda, Luis, Lori, Lorrie, Marc, Maryanne, Matt, Matthew, Marge, Margaret, Marsha, Maureen, Max, Michael, Megan, Mina, Mirna, Muriel, Nathaniel, Nancy, Nicole, Nick, Pauline, Pam, Peck, Peg, Peter, Phyllis, Ralph, Renee, Robert, Ryan, Sandy, Sarah, Scarlett, Scott, Shawn, Stephanie, Steve, Sue, Susan, Suzy, Tara, Terry, Tina, Tony, Tracy, Tyler, Valerie, Vera, Viola and Xavier.

Please pray for the following families:

All of the families of Holy Trinity, together with those they love and pray for; especially we pray for the:

Anastasio, Arrue, Barth, Biehl, Bickford-Nolan, Blacoe, Blakes, Bell, Bell-Powell, Benin-Casa, Cabigon, Cooke, Cranston, Dewald, Doodan, Drobish, Eisenmann, Frame, Goodell, Koehler, Kohn, Koutsioroubas, Lake, Mackintosh, McCardle, McDonough, McKelvey, Means, Navarro, Ndini, Novak, Powell, Praschil, Raiguel, Schmidt, Schneiderreit, Sears, Selman, Singrella, Timson, Torres, Tredinnick and Young families.

Please pray for the following petitions:

That God would bless and protect all members of Holy Trinity, together with those they love and pray for. That God would guide each of us to grow in grace and the He would please send workers into the Harvest. For all who are chronically ill or shut-in. For all congregations of the NALC. For all travelers and for the dying. For the military and their families. The unemployed and underemployed & the uninsured, especially those in our own families. All caregivers, rescue workers, doctors, nurses, firefighters, EMTs. For the members of the Mekane Yesus Lutheran Church in Ethiopia, and for the Nifas Silk Congregation. For our sister congregations: Nifas Silk in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia and First Lutheran in Kirkland Illinois. For all Christians who are being persecuted for their faith throughout the world. For victims of rains, wildfires, earthquakes and hurricanes and for favorable weather and an abundance of crops. For all in financial difficulty that they may be totally restored

New Member Sunday

All Saints, November 3, 2013

*If you are interested in membership, please speak to Pastor Tavella. The new member classes will be held in the parlor on Sundays at 11:30 a.m. beginning on **September 29th**.*

Treasurer's Report

August 31, 2013

	Holy Trinity Ministries	Wider Church
Year to date received for current income	\$239,292.35	\$30,035.72
Carry over Benevolence from 2012		\$18,967.88
Expenses paid to date	\$267,714.54	\$30,549.77
Surplus/(Deficit) 2013	\$ (28,422.19)	\$18,453.83

Support Us

Please consider a gift of appreciated securities to Holy Trinity as you do your tax planning for this year. You may direct questions about how to do this to Alan Hinkle at alanhinkle@comcast.net.

NOTE TO SELF:

While shopping, pick up items for interfaith food pantry:

- pasta, spaghetti sauce, rice, stuffing, potatoes
- juice, tea, dry milk
- ravioli, spaghettios, stew, chili, crackers

Keep in your prayers the following individuals serving in the armed forces:

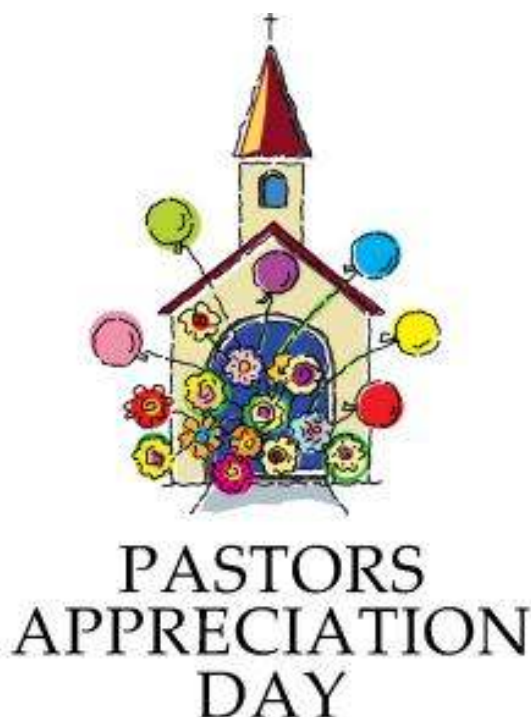
Michael Boerner
Christopher DiToro
Matthew Gottschling
Shaun Hall
Eric Henderson
Robert McKay
Nathan Quinlan
Timothy Quinlan
Jeremy Zar

Pastors Appreciation Luncheon

In honor of the many years of faithful, dedicated service to our congregation, we are planning an Appreciation Luncheon for our Pastors on Reformation Sunday, Oct. 27, 2013 following the Worship Service. There will be no Sunday School that day.

In order for us to know how many people we need to plan for the luncheon, there will be a sign up sheet in the Narthex beginning the first Sunday in October. We hope to see you all there for this very special event.

Congregation Council



Our Christian Sympathy to:

Jeff Allen on the death of his mother, Jane Schmus.

Barbara and Bill Riehm on the death of their mother and grandmother, Florance Jiles.

Memorials

Memorials were received in the names of Emma Hettler, Bill Blacoe and Jane Schmus.

Knitting Group

On the first Monday of each month at 10 A.M. the Ladies of Holy Trinity meet to enjoy each other's company and work on various sewing projects including putting Diane throws together for Martin Luther Silver Springs School. Come and learn something new. This is fun — You don't need to be a skilled seamstress. These projects benefit both children and adults.

Bring your friends and neighbors with you. All are welcome.

Any questions, please contact Maryjane Singley at gmomsingley@comcast.net.





Dear Holy Trinity family,

Thank you for your generous support of the **School Supplies** collection for the Peoples Emergency Center. We also appreciate your financial donation towards the school uniforms. The children will have a great school year thanks to your generosity.

The Social Ministry Committee

Items collected:

24 spiral notebooks	7 scissors
20 composition books	1 protractor
9 pencil cases	1 compass
11 glue packs	8 rulers
21 pencil packs	7 calculators
5 sharpeners	4 markers
7 eraser packs	1 divider pack
4 pkgs 3 x5 cards	7 dictionaries
5 colored pencils	3 thesauruses
17 pen packs	15 back packs
21 crayon packs	1 kleenex
11 3-ring binders	10 folders
3 highlighter packs	
3 construction paper	
14 filler paper	



Growing Your Soul

On Tuesdays in September, October and November, Pastor Mandy will be leading *Growing Your Soul*.

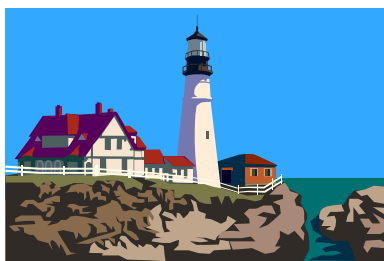
Dates: September 17 through November 19, (10 weeks).

Time: Tuesday afternoons at 1:00; repeated Tuesday evenings at 7:00

What: **Growing Your Soul** is a 10 week course that will look at some of the history and practices of Christian Spirituality.

Why: There is growing interest today in spirituality, and the spiritual heritage of the Christian faith is an area ripe for serious yet accessible exploration. In this 10 week course, participants will be introduced to a sampling of the great riches of the Christian Spiritual tradition. We will look at key leaders and practices as we explore the ways in which Christians from the earliest times to the present day have sought to express and live out the deepest truths of our faith.

The Bible and the life of Jesus Christ will be the starting point for the story. But along the way, we look briefly at the early Church fathers, the saints and the mystics, the monks and the reformers. And we will practice a few of the spiritual disciplines they have taught the Church through the years. The story of Christian spirituality bears witness to the countless ways in which individuals and communities have felt the presence and heard the call of God, have been disturbed by the divine anger, and have felt impelled to give all they had to give in response. This Fall we will take a peek into this treasure. I hope you will join us.



Adult Christian Breakfast Fellowship

*8:00 a.m.,
Saturday, October 5, 2013*

*Speakers:
Pastor Mike and Pastor Mandy*

*Topic:
Prince Edward Island*

Please remember your Church in your will.



SAVE THE DATE

Holy Trinity Women's Retreat

April 4 – 6, 2014

**Mother Boniface
Retreat Center**



Women's Prayer Group

The Holy Trinity Women's Prayer Group began the 2013-14 activity year on Monday, September 16 and will continue to meet the first and third Mondays of each month onward. This is a time when women can share and pray together about the concerns and joys of their heart for themselves, their families, and their dear friends. We observe strict confidentiality.

We will gather at 7:30 p.m. at Rosemary Hinkle's home in the room over her garage. This space offers privacy. Coffee, tea, and dessert are served!

There is a core of women who come regularly, while several other women come as they can. Every woman is welcome! Please come as you are able. You may direct questions to Rosemary Hinkle at Rosemaryhinkle@comcast.net or see the church directory for her address and phone number.

We are excitedly looking forward to what God will do with this time together.

***2013 Schedule
September 16
October 7 & 21
November 4 & 18
December 2 & 16***

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
Parkview and Lycoming Avenues
Abington, Pennsylvania 19001
www.holytrinity.net 215-659-2642

Hymn Festival

celebrating the anniversaries of

Oskar Ahnfelt—Day by Day

Jane Borthwick—Jesus, Still Lead On

Frederick Faber—Faith of Our Fathers,

Henry Smart—Lead On, O King Eternal

Johann Steuerlein—Sing to the Lord of Harvest

(and more!)

with

Holy Trinity's Chancel Choir

and the

Most Certainly True Brass Ensemble

joining on the hymns and performing works
by anniversary composers

Horatio Parker, Heinrich Scheidemann,
and **Friedrich Wilhelm Zachau**

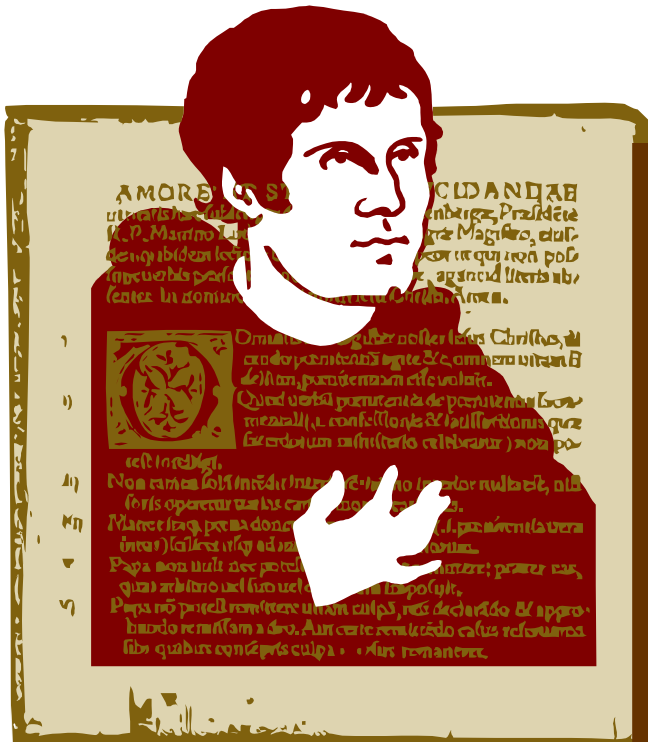
Sunday, October 20, 2013, 7:00 p.m.

reception to follow



REFORMATION SUNDAY

OCTOBER 27



Men's Devotional Group

The Men's Devotional Group meets the second Thursday of every month at 7:00 P.M. in the Youth Room. If you've never joined us before, now is the time to start and see what we are all about! Hope to see you all there on October 10.



Congratulations to...

Elizabeth and John Booth on becoming great-grandparents to

Briella Noelle.

God's gracious gifts

God receives none but those who are forsaken, restores health to none but those who are sick gives sight to none but the blind, and life to none but the dead.... He has mercy on none but the wretched and gives grace to none but those who are in disgrace.

— Martin Luther



The **39RS** is a group of senior men and women who meet in Fellowship Hall at noon on the first Wednesday of the month. They share lunch together and then enjoy an entertaining or enlightening program. This group is not restricted to Holy Trinity members. Bring your friends or family members with you. The more the merrier.

Contact Maryjane Singley at gmomsingley@comcast.net



39RS

October 2, 2013

Brownbag your own lunch

Speakers:

Judi and Earl Reeder

Topic:

Central European Trip



Care Packages

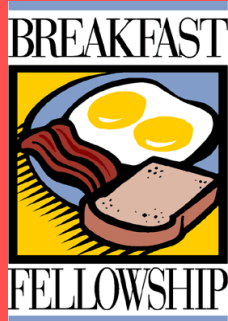
Do you have a family member that is away at school or away from home serving in the Military?

If you do, give their name and address to Cindy Biehl at Church or send their name and address to Cindy Biehl at cindybiehl@msn.com. You can also give the information to Sharon in the Church office. We would like to send them a care package to remind them that their Holy Trinity Family is thinking about them.

(Please include any dietary restrictions with the information)

We would like to get these packages in the mail by Thanksgiving week so they can enjoy them as they study for finals or celebrate the holidays, so please have the information to the Church office or to Cindy by November 10th.

Thank You,
The Care Package Team



Adult Christian Breakfast Fellowship

(All Adults Invited)

When: First Saturday of the Month

Time: 9:00 A.M.

Topics and Speakers:

Diverse and interesting topics and speakers are offered each month.

Join us for breakfast and fellowship.

Calling all...
Women of Holy Trinity

We would love to have you attend one of the Women's Groups, "circles" listed below. If you are already in a circle, then we look forward to seeing you at our October gatherings. If you are new to Holy Trinity or have not yet visited a circle, then we hope you will select a circle to visit this month. You will enjoy lively discussions of Bible-based topics, refreshments and social time. For more information, contact any of the circle leaders listed below.

This years topic will be based on:
***Joseph: How God Builds Character* by Paul Borthwick.**

This year we'll delve into a story of favoritism, envy, betrayal and deceit. Better than Reality TV, we'll also experience a story of forgiveness, humility, love and restoration. Building on how God helps us through life's challenges, we will be studying *Joseph: How God Builds Character* by Paul Borthwick.

October Women's Group Topic:

"No discipline is fun while it lasts, but it seems painful at the time. Later, however, it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness for those who have been trained by it." Hebrews 12:11

We continue our Bible study of Joseph with Chapter Two on "Dreams, Visions and Discretion." The purpose of the session is to affirm the reality that God's design, dream or vision for our life may actually take us into greater hardships – all as part of his work to build and develop our character. In preparation for this month's lesson, our Personal Reflection is to think through your own family relationships and primary friendships. How has being a follower of Jesus affected these relationships? What are the benefits and the stresses?

October Meetings:

EVE: Thursday, Oct 10, 7:30 P.M., the Parlor. Circle leader, Sue Tolton: 215-659-7054.

HANNAH: Wednesday, Oct 16, 7:30 P.M., the Parlor.

Circle leader, Cindy Biehl: 267-475-5435

MIRIAM: Monday, Oct 14, 12:30 P.M., in Fellowship Hall,

Circle leader, Ruth McCandless: 215-682-2034.

RUTH: Wednesday, Oct 9, 7:30 PM at the home of Audrey Ruddy, 215-659-3157

Circle leader, Nancy Necker, 215-884-2123.

SARAH: Thursday, Oct 10, 12:00 noon, the Parlor, Circle Leader:

Judi Reeder: 215-431-7265

L.C.W. of Holy Trinity invites you to:

Advent Family Night – December 8, 2013

4:00 PM Vespers in the Sanctuary

5:00 PM Dinner in Fellowship Hall

6:00 PM Tuckers Tales in the Sanctuary



Come join your Holy Trinity Family to celebrate the start of Advent.

Come enjoy Vespers, and then move to Fellowship Hall for dinner.

Dinner includes baked ziti, salad and dessert.

Cost: \$5.00 per person or \$10.00 per family

After dinner stay and enjoy the Tucker Tales Puppet Show at 6:00 PM

Look for a flyer in the Narthex to sign up for this fun event!



L.C.W. of Holy Trinity invites you to:
Shoebox Packing Party and Breakfast
Saturday, November 2, 2013
8:00 – 10:30 am

Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
Fellowship Hall
2086 Parkview Avenue, Abington
Phone 215-659-2642

All are invited!

Two decades and more than 100 million boxes after it started, Operation Christmas Child continues to deliver shoebox gifts and the Good News of Jesus Christ to boys and girls around the world. For many years, Holy Trinity has been a part of this joyous ministry.

The Lutheran Church Women of Holy Trinity invite you to join us for breakfast with the Adult Christian Fellowship group as we learn about Operation Christmas Child and the Shoebox Ministry of Samaritan's Purse. After breakfast, help us pack some shoeboxes. You'll have an opportunity to write a letter to be included in one of the boxes. Shoeboxes and items will be supplied, but feel free to bring containers or shoeboxes and gifts for inclusion. A list of items can be found in the current issue of the Echoes newsletter (Echoes) available on the Holy Trinity website (holytrinity.net/) or on the Samaritan's Purse website (www.samaritanspurse.org).

RSVP by October 28 to the church office phone number listed above. Tell us how many will be attending the breakfast and/or packing party. Join us for fellowship in this ministry to help children around the world experience God's love through the power of simple shoebox gifts from Operation Christmas Child.

Eat!

Pack!

Spread the Word!

**L.C.W. will follow the event with a short general meeting
for those able to attend.**

Why Put Your Name and Address in a Shoe box?

As you pack your shoes boxes for Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child, you might want to consider this:

I have always written my name and address and the message "God Bless You" on a file card which I tape to the inside lid of the shoe boxes I pack. In the early years, I heard from children/families in Ghana, Rwanda, and South Africa. Then a number of years passed without my hearing from anyone. This past spring, I received a letter from a dear young girl in the Ukraine. That letter and the photos she sent are displayed in the narthex. This summer, I received a second letter and am sharing it here so that you will seriously consider adding your name and address to the shoe boxes you pack. There is such joy in hearing from our recipients! Rosemary Hinkle

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Greetings Rosemary and your Family! May God bless you all!

I am very happy that you have such good and beautiful neighbors that help us communicate. This is very good for me because my English is not very good because they don't teach us. The teachers don't know it well so they can't teach it well.

There are very many families in our church that have 11, 14. or 16 children. The church decided to give the packages to those families who have children up to 13 years old. I sent you a photo of when they handed the packages out. There are a good number orphans that we take care of. As the teacher of orphans, I was able to hand out the smaller gifts to the orphans

My father works at a market for 20 years. He works for himself. My mother stays home because there is a lot to do. We have pigs, big dogs, and mother watches over the little kids. I am the oldest. I am 23years old. My mother and father are 43 years old. My younger sister closest to my age is 19 years old. She is married and lives with her husband. Her name is Nastia (*probably a short for Anastasia*). In the summer of 2012, her child passed away. Our family survived the loss but have faith that we will see her in heaven. My brother is 18 years old and works for a builder building homes and still goes to school. He is self-sufficient, but I feel sorry for him because he is young but has the hands of older people. My younger sister Nina is a 13-year-old student, a younger sister Nellie is 10 years old, and the youngest, Sophia is 8 years old. I went to school to become a school teacher and work in a pre-school. I included a photo of my class singing during a New Year's celebration. I also teach in Sunday School where there are 20 students (there's also a picture of this class enclosed) I take care of the children during services. In our church there is also a youth group. Every Sunday we tell others about God, we play games, we have plays, and give them treats. Whoever can afford it pays. Everyone takes turns donating. I've sent you a picture of a birthday celebration where we baked a cake, had drinks, candy and fruit.



Fun Summer Project

How Many Shoeboxes Can You Fill for Children?

Bring the love of Jesus to children and their families.

Their only “Christmas” experience will be your shoebox.

And, they can hear the Gospel message...many for the 1st time!

Since 2007, members of Holy Trinity have lovingly packed shoeboxes with toys, school supplies, and hygiene items for children in need around the world. This is a wonderful opportunity for adults and children alike to engage in hands-on mission and experience the joy of shopping for and filling shoeboxes for children who are victims of poverty in so many ways—war; natural disasters such as earthquakes, floods, and famines; jobless parents, or other life devastations. Each child who is given a shoebox will also receive an age- and culturally-appropriate Gospel in his/her language. There are many wonderful stories through Samaritan’s Purse of how these gifts and the Gospel have brought families to church and to the feet of Jesus.

How Many Shoeboxes Can You Make Happen? Please consider packing as many shoeboxes as possible—either as your personal or family project or, even better, by asking extended family members and friends to join you in this effort. Shoeboxes will be collected at Holy Trinity during services on the second weekend in November (9 & 10).

This shoebox ministry, known as Operation Christmas Child, is a major mission effort of Samaritan’s Purse, a nondenominational Christian organization headed by Franklin Graham. Know that your boxes of goodies may well be the only gift that a child receives all year or EVER. Also keep in mind that this is your personal opportunity to be an evangelist. So the more shoeboxes you prepare, the more opportunities you create for children and their families to know Jesus and his saving love.

Contribute or Take Shoeboxes: Please either bring your extra empty shoeboxes to the narthex for others to fill OR take shoeboxes to fill. Then take a brochure and have fun shopping! **Most importantly** as you prepare your boxes, pray often for the children who will receive them. For ideas of items to pack, please see a list on the next page.

Shipping: You will be asked to contribute \$7 for each shoebox you send. Some people feel called to support this effort by making a contribution to defray shipping costs for many shoeboxes. All contributions are appreciated. You may use the envelope attached to the brochure.

Track your box to its destination: Find out where your boxes go! Visit www.samaritanaspurse.org. Click “What We Do.” and select “Operation Christmas Child.” On the left menu click “Journey of a Shoebox. You will find a “Follow Your Box” link under Collecting Shoeboxes. Once you make your online contribution for shipping, you will receive an email to print your bar code. Affix this to your shoebox, **making sure not to tape over the actual bar code.** In 2014, you will receive an email telling you the countries where your boxes were delivered.



A Shoebox Ministry to Children Around the World

1. Use a sturdy shoebox or a plastic shoebox-sized container.
2. It is not necessary, but if you wrap your box, **boxes and lids must be wrapped separately due to mandatory inspections.**
3. Select the gender (boy or girl) and age category: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14.
4. Make purchases and fill your shoebox to capacity!
5. You may include your name & address and/or a picture. Sometimes a child or family writes to you.
Add on top a check to **Samaritan's Purse** for \$7 for each box you have packed. You only need one check, even if you are preparing several boxes. OR, visit **www.samaritanspurse.org** to download bar-coded strips to affix to your shoeboxes and learn later where they go.
6. Place the lid on your box and tape on top the completed Operation Christmas Child label.
7. Place 2-3 rubber bands around your box and bring to a Holy Trinity service November 9 or 10.

Here are ideas to get you started but be creative!

Pencils & sharpeners, eraser, crayons, glue stick, child-safe scissors, ruler

6 x 9 pads of plain and construction paper

Pens for older children

Combs, toothbrush, soap (in plastic Ziploc bag)
washcloth

Socks, T-shirt, bandanas, sunglasses

Mirror (plastic, not glass)

Fun print tissue pack, Band-Aids with designs

Novelty plastic ware: cups, plates, straws

Age-appropriate candy/snacks: ring popes, animal

crackers, Pez & dispenser, Nerds, Mentos, Lifesavers

Beanie Baby-sized stuffed animals, dolls, balls (bouncy, hacky sack, blow-up beach balls, balloon)

Age-appropriate stickers

Games: maze & dot-to-dot pads, puzzles, Legos, coloring books, water colors & brushes

Age & gender-appropriate small backpacks, purses, and visors

Boys

Legos, yoyos, Slinkies

Matchbox and tension-release cars & trucks Marbles

Chap stick

Wrist watch

Flashlights-include 2 rounds of batteries

Girls

Emery boards, nail art, nail brushes

Jewelry (bracelets, necklaces, ankle bracelets, etc.)

Bead making kits

Lip gloss

Hair bands, clips, etc.

Jump ropes

Do's & Don't's

- NO toys of war (military figures, weapons, etc)
- NO chocolate or any candies that would melt in heat
- NO lotions, liquids, or anything in glass containers
- DO include storybooks (you don't know what language your child speaks)
- DO consider games (especially travel size) that have picture directions, directions in several languages., or are able to be easily understood if a child cannot read English.
- DO be culturally sensitive when making selections. This project is about spreading the love of Jesus. The children who receive your gifts are red and yellow black and white.
- AVOID toys with American flags.

Questions: Contact Rosemary Hinkle at Rhinkle@abington.org

Put a SMILE on your face it's time for St. Peter's Fall Rummage Sale



We're having a Great Pumpkin Patch here from Oct 12 -31

(featuring LOTS of pumpkins plus beautiful mums from Kremp's Florist)

And while it's here, we're "Rallying for Rummage"



Friday, Oct 18, 2013 6 PM - 9 PM

Saturday, Oct 19, 2013 10 AM - 3 PM

(all day Sat. bag and half-price sale)

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(between Edgehill and Jenkintown Rds)

Your patronage helps us help others - Thanks!

IF YOU WANT TO CONTINUE TO RECEIVE NOTICES OF UPCOMING SALES, PLEASE FILL IN THE APPROPRIATE SECTION BELOW & RETURN IT THE DAY OF THE SALE (or send it back to the church)

Please PRINT CLEARLY! Or you can send US an email at StPetersThriftandGift@gmail.com and let us know

Name: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Check here: ____ if you want email notices regarding our Thrift & Gift Shop (a consignment shop) also.

October Worship Assistants Schedule

October 6th

Usher	3	Greeter	Nancy and Jim Necker	Presenters of Gifts	Dick and Dottie Erb and Terry Mitchell
Count	3	Acolyte	Gia Berkovitz	Gate	Albert Eisenmann
Christophers	1	Crucifer	Eugenia Connelly	Cushion	Pamela Eisenmann
Prayer Ministry Team	2	Lay Reader-Sat	Katie Beyer	Communion Assistant	Jim and Nancy Necker
		Lay Reader-Sun	Deb Mumford	Setup	Bob Berger

October 13th

Usher	4	Greeter	Maralyn Kennedy and Allan Shikhvarg	Presenters of Gifts	Charles and Sue Tolton and Cindy Biehl
Count	4	Acolyte	Tyler Dewald	Gate	
Christophers	2	Crucifer	Dan Dewald	Cushion	
Prayer Ministry Team	3	Lay Reader-Sat	Bill Riehm	Communion Assistants	Frank and Erica Ganther
		Lay Reader-Sun	Milt Cannan	Setup	Tina Bednarczyk

October 20th

Usher	5	Greeter	John and Anita Ickler	Presenters of Gifts	Deb and Sami Mumford and Ann Frey
Count	5	Acolyte	Sophia LaRocca	Gate	
Christophers	3	Crucifer	Michael LaRocca	Cushion	
Prayer Ministry Team	4	Lay Reader-Sat	Linda Cassady	Communion Assistants	Alan Hinkle and Betsy Zimmermann
		Lay Reader-Sun	Sue Tolton	Setup	Sue Tolton

October 27th

Usher	1	Greeter	Angelika and Arthur Zbinden	Presenters of Gifts	Nancy and Rob Ischinger and Sigrid Frandsen-Cannan
Count	1	Acolyte	Hannah Mumford	Gate	
Christophers	4	Crucifer	Jared Ickler	Cushion	
Prayer Ministry Team	5	Lay Reader-Sat	John Maieron	Communion Assistants	Danielle and Terry rowley
		Lay Reader-Sun	James Roeder	Setup	Michelle Muller



October 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 1:00 & 7:00 Growing Your Soul	2 Noon 39RS 7:30 Council Meeting	3 6:30 Handbells 8:00 Chancel Choir	4 7:30 AA	5 8:00 Adult Christian Breakfast Fellowship 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
6 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Pre-K and Adult Sunday School 11:30 New Member Class	7 10:00 Sewing Group 7:30 Coram Deo 6:00 Daisy Troop 7:30 Women's Prayer Group	8 7:30 Bible Study 1:00 & 7:00 Growing Your Soul 8:30 Compline	9 7:30 Ruth Circle	10 Noon Sarah Circle 9:30 Theology w/ Bagels 7:00 Men's Devotional Group 7:30 Eve Circle 6:30 Handbells 8:00 Chancel Choir	11 7:30 AA	12 NALC CONVOCATION 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
13 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Pre-K and Adult Sunday School 11:30 New Member Class 5:00 Family Choir & Supper Club	14 12:30 Miriam Circle 7:30 Coram Deo SHOP & COOK FOR AIDS	15 7:30 Bible Study 1:00 & 7:00 Growing Your Soul 8:30 Compline DELIVER AIDS DINNER	16 7:30 Hannah Circle	17 9:30 Theology w/ Bagels 7:30 Christophers Mtg 6:30 Handbells 8:00 Chancel Choir	18 7:30 AA	19 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
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27 9:00 Holy Communion PASTORS APPRECIATION LUNCHEON (following service)	28 7:30 Coram Deo	29 7:30 Bible Study 1:00 & 7:00 Growing Your Soul 8:30 Compline	30	31 9:30 Theology w/ Bagels 6:30 Handbells 8:00 Chancel Choir		

Special dates

- World Communion Sunday, October 6, 2013
- Columbus Day Observance, October 14, 2013
- Reformation Sunday, October 27, 2013
- Reformation Day, October 31, 2013

