

HOLY TRINITY

Evangelical Lutheran Church

ECHOES NEWSLETTER

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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. Deborah Mumford,

Parish Secretary

Worship Services

Saturday at 5 pm

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*

From the Pastors

Dear Parish Family,

In a time when high self-esteem is a leading concept in our society, we Christians must regard ourselves as unworthy. Before God we can find no worthiness in ourselves.

A Gentile woman came to Jesus in a house, pleading on her knees with Him to free her daughter from an unclean spirit. Jesus told her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." (Mark 7:27 ESV) The woman responded, "Yes, Lord; yet even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." (Mark 7:28 ESV) With this reply, Jesus told the woman that the demon had departed from her daughter.

The woman was a Gentile, who lived outside the covenant community of Israel. She recognized her unworthiness, yet humbly beseeched Jesus to free her daughter from thralldom to the demon. She knew she was unworthy, but counted on the Lord to provide deliverance.

We are members of the covenant community in Jesus Christ. Yet, we also are unworthy before God. We may not presume to stand worthy before the Divine Majesty. The Prayer of Humble Access taken from *The Book of Common Prayer*, and printed in the *Lutheran Book of Worship*, is published every week in our Sunday bulletin. It is a prayer that may be used in preparation for the reception of Holy Communion. In it we find words reminiscent of our Gospel story: "We are not worthy to gather up the crumbs under Your table."

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From the Pastors

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We are unworthy of God's grace. In no way can we justify ourselves. Our worthiness is a gift of the Lord, given to us despite our unworthiness. God makes us worthy through the sacrificial death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We are the worthy unworthy. Unworthy in ourselves, we are made worthy by God's gift and grace. So we pray, "We do not presume to come to Your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in Your manifold and great mercies." (BCP)

In the Invitation to Communion taken from the liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom, the pastor declares, "Holy things for holy people." The holy things are the bread and the wine, the body and blood of Christ, Who we receive. We are a holy people, because God is holy Who makes us holy. At the Invitation the congregation responds to the words the pastor says, "One is holy, one is Lord, Jesus Christ to the glory of God the Father." These words are a recognition that only God in Christ is holy in Himself. We are holy by participation in Jesus Christ. Our holiness is a gift from the holy God. Hence, we possess a worthy unworthiness, unworthy in ourselves, worthy by participation in Christ.

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

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.



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 small white pew envelope checked, "Altar Flowers." If you know it, indicate your envelope number.





Healing Prayer Ministry

After the 9:00 A.M. Sunday Service, trained 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.



Women's Prayer Group

The Holy Trinity Women's Prayer Group is on break until September. If anyone has prayer needs over the summer, please contact Rosemary Hinkle at Rosemaryhinkle@comcast.net

She will gladly convene the prayer group whose members would be honored to lift up any in need in intercessory prayer.

We reconvene
Monday, Sept. 21st
7:30 pm

“All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.” Acts 1:14

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, Alicia, Allan, Allyson, Althea, Amanda, Amber, Angelika, Aniah, Anna, Anne, Anthony, Antoinette, Art, Augusto, Barbara, Becca, Ben, Beth, Betty, Beverly, Bill, Bob, Bonnie, Brandy, Brian, Brianna, Bridget, Brielle, Bruce, Callie, Carol, Cassidy, Cheri, Chris, Christopher, Clyde, Colleen, Daliliah, David, Dean, Derek, Don, Dot, Doug, Drew, Earl, Ed, Edward, Elaine, Elijah, Ella, Ellsworth, Eric, Erin, F. Joseph, Foster, Frank, Gary, George, Gene, Gerald, Gloria, Hannah, Harry, Hazel, Heide, Heidi, Helen, Holly, Ingrid, Jackie, Jason, Jean, Jeanne, Jen, Jennifer, Jill, Joanne, Joe, John, Joshua, Judi, Judy, Julianne, Julius, Kathy, Kevan, Kristin, Larry, Levern, Linda, Lisa, Lois, Lori, Lucia, Maralyn, Marge, Mariah, Mariliz, Marlene, Marsha, Maryanne, Mary Ann, Maryjane, Maureen, Matt, Max, Megan, Melanie, Michael, Mina, Nate, Nancy, Nedra, Nicky, Nik, Pat, Paul, Randy, Rebecca, Reed, Renee, Rick, Rob, Roopa, Rudi, Russell, Ruth, Samantha, Sandy, Sean, Sheila, Sue, Suzy, Scarlett, Scott, Stephanie, Steven, Tara, TC, Terri, Tim, TJ, Tony, Tyler, Vern, Wanda, Wayne, 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: The Alderfer, Anderson, Arrue, Bell, Bell-Powell, Berkovitz, Bertsch, Biehl, Benincasa, Borger, Borgia, Boyer, Breslin, Croce, Del Vecchio, Delano, Dewald, Drobish, Drumm, Eisenmann, Elsey, Favorin, Foley, Frame, Hamilton, Hanzlick, Heeter, Johnson, Kelly, Kennedy, Koehler, Langan, Lee, Powell, Matteo, MacErlean, McKelvey, Moletzsky, Necker, Ness, Praschil, Reeder, Ryan, Sawick, Sayles, Sears, Selman, Schmidt, Shippon, Singrella, Stanton, Strange, Timson, Trickle, Walker, Wilson, Wray 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 that He would please send workers into the Harvest.
- For all who are chronically ill and/or shut-in.
- For the sick and the grieving.
- For all congregations of the NALC.
- For all travelers and for the dying.
- For the military and their families.
- The unemployed, the 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 the faith throughout the world.
- For the 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.

**FOOD &
FELLOWSHIP**

Join us for our
Annual Church Picnic
SUNDAY, AUGUST 2ND

11:00 AM

At Carson Simpson Farm, Graff Pavilion
3405 Davisville Road, Hatboro

Food, Music & Games will be provided.

Sign - up sheet in Narthex for head count
& any side dishes you would like to bring

**FUN &
GAMES**

SWIMMING

Live Acoustic Entertainment provided by:

Dez Childs



BE SURE TO STOP BY HOLY TRINITY'S TABLE

Potato Chips • Soft Pretzels • Pizza • Hot Dogs • Soda • Coffee • Sweets

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POLICE • COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

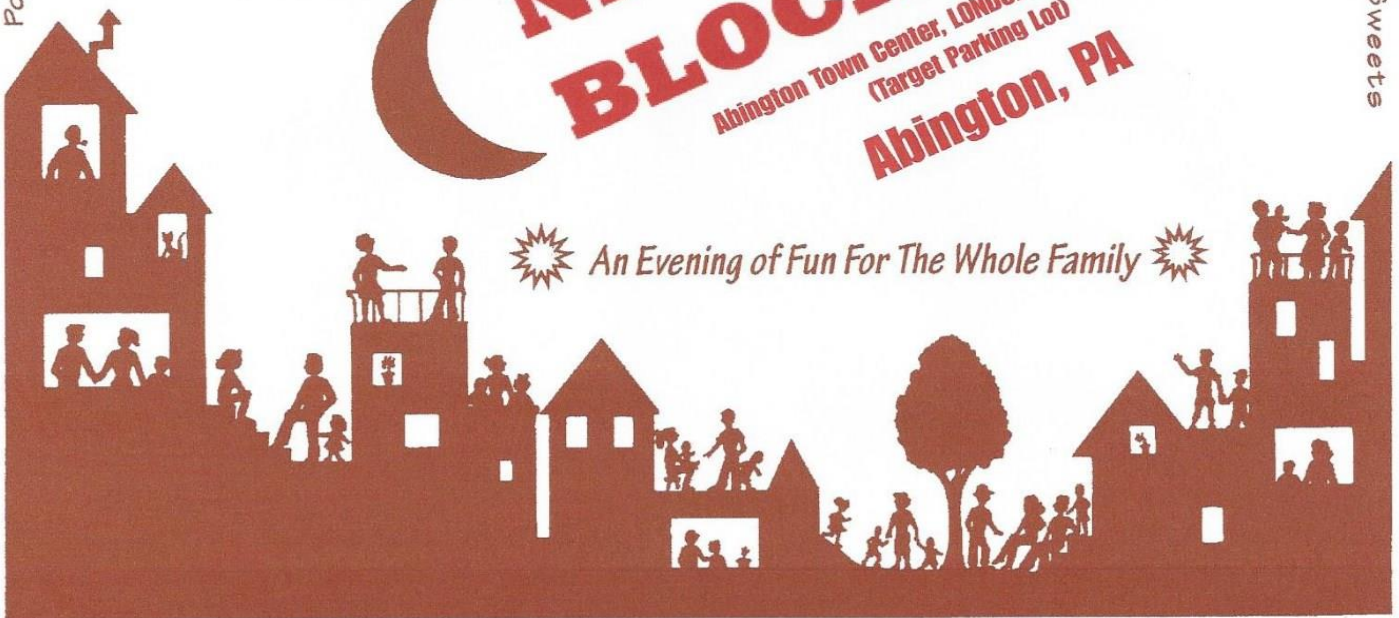
MONDAY
AUGUST 3rd
5 - 10 P.M.
(Rain date: Tuesday, August 4th)

Fun for the Whole Family!

• Food • Music

- Abington PD SWAT Demonstration
- Police / Fire Equipment
- D.A.R.E. Police Vehicles
- Montgomery County Bomb Squad
- McGruff the Crime Dog
- Neighborhood Watch
- Forensic Unit
- Bowling for Bucks
- Clowns
- Face Painting
- Great Entertainment

Pre
NIGHT-OUT
BLOCK PARTY
Abington Town Center, LONDON & OLD YORK RDS
(Target Parking Lot)
Abington, PA



An Evening of Fun For The Whole Family

For More Information Contact David Rondinelli 267-536-1074



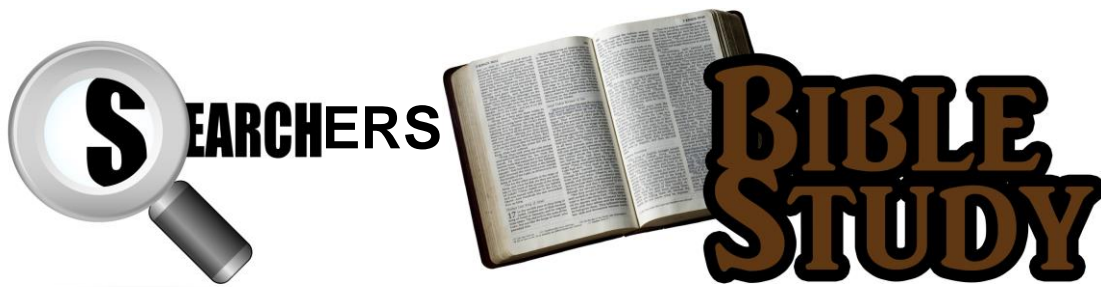
/Commitment Task Force is now formed.

Holy Trinity has been blessed with a generous bequest from the Hettlers. 25% of this bequest has been earmarked for Mission work in the amount of \$240,000. That is where **YOU** come in.

A first meeting for individuals interested in putting forth a proposal is scheduled for **Rally Day, Sunday, September 13, 2015** after the Continental Breakfast in Fellowship Hall.

- This first meeting will serve a two-fold purpose -

1. To give individuals an opportunity to share their ideas with others.
2. To distribute the form which is to be completed and returned by October 11, 2015.



Tuesdays at 7:30 pm
Beginning September 15, 2015

Study: The Four Gospels

Pastor Tavella taught this course at the Reformed Episcopal Seminary

Books needed for the course:

The Bible,

“Four Gospels, One Jesus”

Richard Burridge

“Gospel Parallels”

Burton Throckmorton

ESV Comprehensive Concordance of the Bible

William D. Mounce

You can find these books on Amazon.

- Pastor Mike.



Our Christian Sympathy to

Betty Frame, Cindy Biehl and family
on the death of Ellsworth Frame,
beloved husband, father and grandfather
who passed away on May 22, 2015

Dana, Cherilynn, Peter
and their families
on the death of Clarence (Joe) Keene,
beloved father and grandfather
who passed away on June 7, 2015

Lois, Janet, Joy
and their families
on the death of Miriam Alderfer
beloved mother and grandmother
who passed away on June 17, 2015

Psalm 112:6

“For the righteous will never be moved;
they will be remembered forever.”

Memorials have been received



In Memory of...

*Dorothy Beltz
Paul Drumm
Angelika Zbinden*



We welcome you into the Lord's family
little Nicholas James Bennink.
Baptized Sunday, June 14, 2015

Congratulations to the proud parents, Jessica Camp & Phillip Bennink
and grandparents, Don & Jennifer Camp and Kevan & Nancy Berkovitz

Join the Conversation!

We want to hear from you! Pastor Mandy has a blog on which she posts regularly. This blog is embedded right in our website at www.holytrinity.net. Your feedback is wanted! Please come on in and check us out. At the bottom of each blog there is space for your comments. Let us hear from you.

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 @ alanhinkle@comcast.net

Treasurer's Report

May 31, 2015 (For the Year 2015)

	Holy Trinity Ministries	Wider Church
Year to date received for current income	\$ 174,172.85	\$ 21,456.88
Carry over Benevolence from 2013		\$ 68.34
Expenses paid to date	\$ 172,543.48	\$ 17,455.75
Surplus/(Deficit) 2015	\$ 1,629.37	\$ 4,069.47

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

Christopher Biehl
 Michael Boerner
 Phillip Gettmann
 Shaun Hall
 Eric Henderson
 John Quici
 Nathan Quinlan
 Vikas Shah
 Jonathan Skilton, MD



NOTE TO SELF

Interfaith Food Pantry is very low on:
 canned chicken, salmon, oatmeal, pancake mix & syrup
 coffee, tea & hot chocolate, toilet tissue, paper towels,
 plastic & paper bags.

Please remember your Church in your will.

MONDAY SEWING GROUP:

We are still working on drawstring bags for Operation Christmas Child

At our first Arts –N – Crafts Saturday we completed 51 kits!

Please grab a kit out of the 3rd grade classroom closet, follow the instructions and return your completed bags to the same closet – it's that simple!

Anyone can do it – but if you can't, remember that we accept donations of material for both the bags and the drawstrings! Drop your donations off at the same spot as the kits!

Directions for the “Diane Throws” Rectangles

Rectangles will measure 8 inches by 55 inches, each row uses a knit stitch
Please make sure that the length is measured on a flat surface to ensure its size

Use size 8 knitting needles, use 4 ply yarn, cast on 40 stitches,
adjust # of stitches so the 40 stitches=8 inches



Join us at the Arts-N-Crafts Saturdays this summer/fall.

The third Saturday of each month: **July 18, Aug.15 &Sept.19**

10:00 am – 1:00 pm (brunch provided)



In June, we got a good start on several projects making not only the bags but also dolls, handmade hair barrettes & jump ropes made of tee – shirts.

Mark your calendar and make a point to join us at one of our Saturdays
In an effort to expand our Operation Christmas Child shoebox ministry we'd like to provide every shoebox we pack with one homemade item in addition to the drawstring bags!

✦ Have a crafty idea you'd like to share? Come out and join the fun ✦
Saturday, July 18, Aug. 15, or Sept. 19

If you have unused fabric ribbons, buttons or lace, please donate them for this project.

A crafters collection box is in the Narthex.



NOTES OF THANKS

June 15, 2015

Dear Holy Trinity Family,

Thank you very much for helping me through a difficult time following Paul's death. I truly appreciated Pastor Mike's and Pastor Mandy's praying with Joy, Jill, Rudi, and me at Doylestown Hospital just after Paul died. The beautiful sympathy cards with special notes telling me your memories of Paul as well as your prayers, visits, and phone calls all brought me much comfort. It is apparent that he touched many lives during his journey on earth.

How thoughtful of you to attend Paul's Memorial Service. What an honor that the Funeral Choir sang for the first time that day. I also want to express my gratitude to those who donated the delicious food for the gathering following the service.

Paul enjoyed worshipping and interacting with many of you. He treasured his friendships at Holy Trinity.

Although I miss my dear husband and best friend greatly, I know that he is at home with our Lord.

Sincerely,
Kristin





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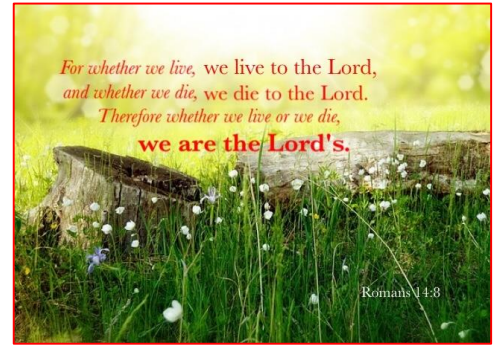
June 19, 2015

Dear Holy Trinity Family,

The family of Angelika Zbinden wishes to thank everyone who offered prayers and expressed sympathy at her recent passing. Our special thanks to our pastors on their thoughtfulness in preparing the Service of Farewell on 1 June, 2015, to our musicians who assisted, and to those who prepared the reception which followed.

Angelika truly lived a life of faith to her family and friends.

“If we live, we live to the Lord;
and if we die we die to the Lord.
So whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord“.
Romans 14:8



June 24, 2015

Dear Church Family,

Many thanks for a beautiful place for us to celebrate Nicholas' baptism! The kitchen was great, the new tables and chairs comfortable and easy to move, and the coffee was PERFECT!



Kevan and Nancy Berkovitz



A Home for Single Mothers and Children

May 28, 2015

Katie Byers
Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
2086 Parkview Ave
Abington, PA 19001

Dear Katie Byers & members of Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Thank you so much for your generous donation of cleaning supplies, paper products, laundry detergent and other household supplies to the Cradle of Hope. We deeply appreciate your interest in our work with young single mothers and children.

Paulisha, one of our current residents, is working full-time. Another mother, Tere, is working to complete her GED. Their children, Heidi and Tyhir, are healthy, active toddlers. Our newest resident, Porshea is working and attending school while she prepares for her daughter's arrival in July. Another mother, Crystal, recently moved to her own apartment with her daughter Essence and is working full-time at a daycare center.

Our transitional housing program includes case management services, which require each resident to set goals related to education, employment and permanent housing. With your gift, you are providing a stable home with structure and routines, so that each mother can further her education without worrying where she and her child will live.

We thank you again for supporting young women and their children at Cradle of Hope.

Sincerely,

Betsy Stoltzfus
Director, Cradle of Hope

In the day of my trouble, I will call on you, because You answer me.
(Psalm 86:7)

Cradle of Hope

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www.cradleofhope.net

CHECK IT OUT



Explore this summer the world of C.S. Lewis – we are featuring the complete series in the library book cart in Fellowship Hall. Also, be sure to check out new arrivals in our library.

SELECT - READ - ENJOY

Return at your convenience.

Coram Deo

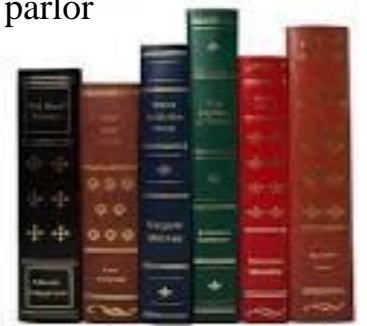
Join us for a lively discussion of literature and living life in *Coram Deo*, in the presence of God. Our final meeting until September is in the parlor

Monday, July 13th at 7:30pm.

Please bring your own copy of the reading selection.

Summer 2015

July 13- *Lolita*-Vladimir Nabokov



GIFT CARDS

Holy Trinity LCW have Giant Food Stores Gift Cards for purchase. Cards are available in denominations of \$5.00, \$10.00, \$20.00, \$25.00, \$50.00 and \$100.00. If you are interested in obtaining Giant Gift Cards, there is an order form in the Narthex. It can be completed and left in the box or turned into the Church office. (No money with order form please).

Joy Alderfer is coordinating this project for HTLCW. She will complete your orders. Cash purchases are welcome. All checks for gift cards should be made payable to "Holy Trinity Giant". Joy will be available in Fellowship Hall after Church to take orders, payment and deliver cards. HTLCW receives a 5% cash back award for each card sold which goes to our scholarship fund. Our scholarship fund is utilized to offset the cost of any LCW related function for any Church women who may want to attend but needs financial assistance. Thank you for your support.

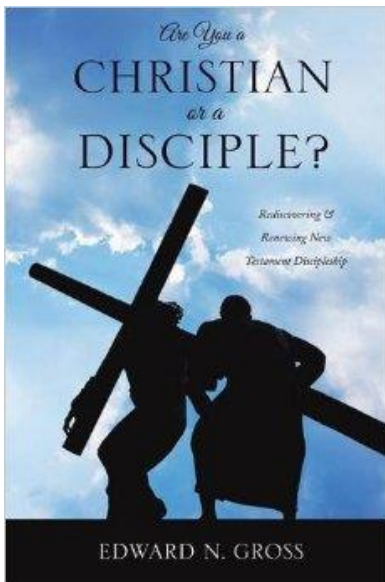
Interpersonal Witnessing – One day event

Wednesday, September 9

Morning Session 10 am – 1 pm with lunch
OR
Evening Session 6 pm – 9 pm with pizza

The theme is to sharpen skills for witnessing to Christ among family, friends, and acquaintances.

A sign - up sheet is in the Narthex



Are you a Christian or a Disciple?

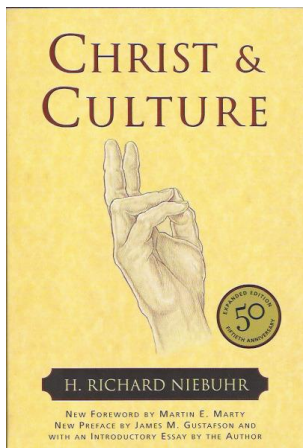
Author Dr. Edward N. Gross will be leading training in Discipleship & Discovery Bible Study Leadership

Saturday, October 3rd 11:00 am – 1:30 pm

Saturday, October 10th 11:00 am – 1:30 pm

Lunch will be provided

Sign - up sheet is in the Narthex



THEOLOGY WITH BAGELS

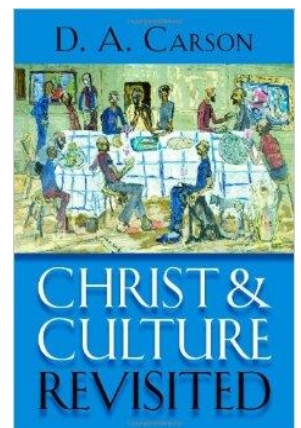
beginning Thursday, October 1 9:30 AM

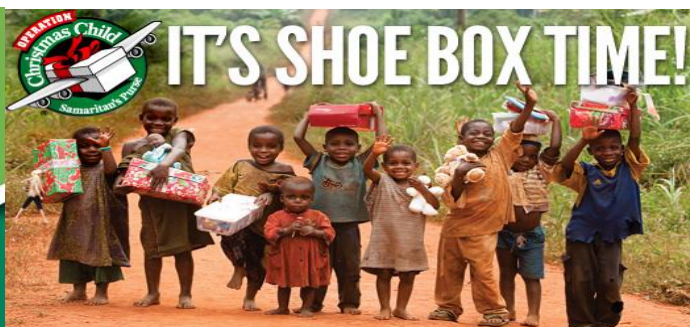
In the Study/Parlor

Topic: Christ and Culture

Books: H. Richard Niebuhr “Christ and Culture”

D. A. Carson “Christ and Culture Revisited”





Two things to keep in mind...

1. Contribute your empty shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child

WE NEED SHOEBOXES to fill with school supplies, toiletries, accessories & toys for children in need throughout the world. From now on, every time you make a shoe purchase, please consider donating your box for our annual Operation Christmas Child shoebox packing party in November. We hope to fill twice as many shoeboxes this year. Maryjane Singley has set a goal of 200!

Remember, these shoeboxes not only bring children items they can use and enjoy but for many, these are the first gifts they have *ever* received. Very importantly, they are also distributed with the Gospel story in each child's language. For many children and their families, these gift-filled shoeboxes bring the love of Jesus in a new and exciting way and lead them to a relationship with the Savior and worship at their local church.

Please begin placing your shoeboxes in the Narthex preferably on the shelves over the coat area to the left as you enter.

2. What to put in a shoebox

Do Not Include: Toys of war (army figures, weapons, etc.), chocolate or any candies that would melt in heat, storybooks written in English, lotions/liquids.

Do Include: 2 sets of batteries with any item requiring batteries.

School Supplies

notebooks (up to 9"x 6") pads & post-its pencils(regular & colored)
 sharpeners & erasers pens for older children crayons, markers
 scissors, rulers scotch tape & glue sticks (NO containers of glue)
 water color paints w/brush 6"x9" pads of plain & construction paper
 coloring books, maze pads stickers, stencils
 container/baggie of rubber bands, paper clips, etc.

Toys

stuffed animals - Beanie baby sized dolls with assorted clothes plastic dinosaurs, insects, etc.
 balls - bouncy, hackey sack, blow-up balloons, marbles musical instruments (kazoos, horns,
 beach balls play doh harmonicas, mini keyboards, etc.)
 novelty plastic ware: cups, plates, jewelry making kits puzzles, Lego sets
 bowls, spoons & forks (NO knives) glow sticks, bracelets color forms books or sets
 matchbox & tension-release cars, Slinkys, yoyos, jump ropes small tools for older boys
 trucks, trains, planes (screwdrivers, hammers, etc.)

Toiletries

toothbrush, cover/case & paste soap in Ziploc bag washcloth, small towel w/fun design
 emery boards or nail file Band-Aids (fun designs & colors for younger kids)
 chap sticks/lip balms tissue packs, esp. fun prints combs, brushes
 sewing kits small candles

Accessories

backpacks, purses, zipper bags gloves, mittens, scarves T-shirts, sweatshirts
 socks hair ties, barrettes, etc. ball caps, bandanas
 jewelry, watches non-breakable mirrors sunglasses



Men's Devotional Group

Mark your calendar & don't miss out on the
Men's Devotional Group Meeting.
Starting in the fall the Men's Devotional Group
meets the second Thursday of every month.

Thursday, September 10th 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.

Social Ministry



has 2 new ONGOING collections

Hotel Toiletries



Going on a business trip? Going on vacation? Save those little bottles of shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, etc. and drop them in the box labeled "HOTEL TOILETRIES" located in the Narthex near the coat rack.

The toiletries will be delivered to the Sunday Morning Breakfast Mission throughout the year.

Box Tops for Education

The box tops are located on many of your everyday store purchases.
EX: cereals, Betty Crocker items, Scott toilet paper, (to name a few).

Cut the box tops out and place them in the blue labeled plastic container located in the Narthex on the white shelving to the right of the door as you enter the Sanctuary. We will be donating the box tops to Valley Christian School (a private Christian school located in Huntingdon Valley) which will enable them to purchase school supplies for education.



Questions? Please contact Carole Gettmann (215) 738 - 8460



Cookie Walk

- Hear Ye, Hear Ye -

The Walk of the Cookies is on! This will be held on **Saturday, December 12th**. Our volunteer bakers will provide cookies that were previously baked, then sold here and the funds go to a specific cause or causes in the church. It is open to all, including other churches and neighborhoods, and at this time we have received a good number of volunteers interested in baking but we need people to help with the set - up, weighing of orders, ringing purchases up and clean up. Our youth group is invited to participate!

Bakers - the amount of cookies to be baked is between 9 - 12 dozen, they should be cookies not usually baked such as chocolate chips. The cookies are sold by the pound and people go from table to table and select what they want.

If you are interested in helping in any way, please let Deb Mumford or myself know. Contact the church office at (215) 659 - 2642 or email secretary@holyltrinity.net and get on the list.

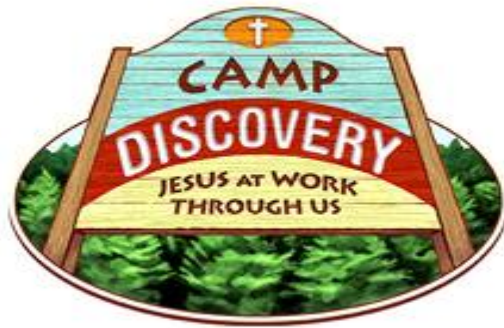
Thank you,
Tina Bednarczyk



ATTENTION MARRIED COUPLES: Fall is the perfect time to fall in love with your spouse all over again! That is what couples overwhelmingly report is the result of attending a Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend. Now is the time to sign up for one of the fall Weekends to be sure you get the one of your choice. The fall Weekends are:

- **September 18-20, 2015** at Spruce Lake Retreat Center, Canadensis, PA, a new, hotel-style facility on Spruce Lake in the heart of the Pocono Mountains - an hour north of Allentown.
- **October 16-18, 2015** in Lancaster, PA, at the all newly-renovated Heritage Hotel Lancaster, home of the unique treehouse-inspired restaurant, "Loxley's."

Weekends run from Friday at 8 PM to Sunday around 4 PM and are designed to help you make your marriage a more intimate, loving, Christian union. Currently, the registration fee is \$45 per couple; however, starting September 1, the registration fee will be going up to \$100 per couple, so register now to qualify for the lower registration fee. Two nights lodging, 5 meals for each of you, and all supplies are included with your registration fee, plus toward the end of the weekend you will be given an opportunity to make a confidential contribution of whatever amount you wish toward the continuation of the program. Registrations are limited, so sign up today by going to the website: www.GodLovesMarriage.org and pay the \$45 registration with your credit card, or mark the option to mail a check. For questions, or if you would like a brochure with registration form mailed to you, contact Pennsylvania Directors of Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber, at fjschamber@comcast.net or 724-325-3166.



2015 Vacation Bible School

Yes, it's that time of year again. Spring has sprung and summer is not far off. With that in mind, we are busy planning this year's VBS.

Our theme for VBS 2015 is "Camp Discovery, Jesus at Work through Us!"

We need *your* prayers, and we also need **your participation** to provide the best Vacation Bible School possible. We need all kinds of people, with all kinds of gifts and abilities. Please consider volunteering your time and talent to make this year's VBS one of the best weeks of the summer for the children in our community.

Thank you for your willingness to help! Please place the volunteer form in the offering plate or return it to the office. The earlier I have the classes and centers staffed, the sooner I can distribute all of the necessary materials. If you have any questions please contact Susan Schied at 215-517-5505 or slschied@verizon.net.

VBS Dates: July 27th to July 31st 9:00AM to 12:15 PM

***Be a Vacation Bible School Volunteer!
Don't miss the fun!!***

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Full Address: _____

Yes! I would like to help with VBS in the area's I have marked below.

- Pre-School teacher/helper
- Kindergarten teacher/helper
- Music Center leader/helper
- Art Center teacher/helper
- Snack Center coordinator/helper
- Bible Story Center leader/helper
- Game center leader/helper
- Bible Challenge Center leader/helper
- Group Guide
- Service Project Coordinator

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July Worship Assistants Schedule



July 5

Usher 1	Greeter Lois and Rich Hamilton	Presenters of Gifts Ruth McCandless, Dottie Erb and Linda Frezza
Count 2	Acolyte Gia Berkovitz	
Christophers 2	Crucifer Kevan Berkovitz	
Prayer Team 2	Lay Reader- Sat Linda Cassady	Communion Assistants Terry and Dani Rowley
	Sun John Ickler	Setup Maryann Leventhal

July 12

Usher 2	Greeter Sandra and Karen Powell	Presenters of Gifts The Nilsen Family
Count 3	Acolyte Audrey Brown	
Christophers 3	Crucifer Earl Whipple	
Prayer Team 3	Lay Reader- Sat John Maieron	Communion Assistants Linda Borkowski and Tom Schied
	Sun Kathleen Ingerson	Setup Tina Bednarczyk

July 19

Usher 3	Greeter The Caputo Family	Presenters of Gifts The Cuff Family
Count 4	Acolyte Annie Wray	
Christophers 4	Crucifer Jared Ickler	
Prayer Team 4	Lay Reader-Sat George Powell	Communion Assistants Mark and Erica Affleck
	Sun Nancy Ischinger	Setup Sue Tolton

July 26

Usher 4	Greeter Chris and Tony Quici	Presenters of Gifts Cindy Biehl, Ann Frey and Janice Donnelly
Count 1	Acolyte Sophia LaRocca	
Christophers 5	Crucifer Michael LaRocca	
Prayer Team 5	Lay Reader-Sat Clem McLaughlin	Communion Assistants Frank & Erica Ganther
	Sun Stephen Leventhal	Setup Michele Muller

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August Worship Assistants Schedule



August 2

Usher 5	Greeter	Linda and Don Borkowski	Presenters of Gifts	Jim & Nancy Necker and Linda Frezza
Count 2	Acolyte	Lauren Caputo		
Christophers 1	Crucifer	Charlie Tolton		
Prayer Team 1	Lay Reader-	Sat John Maieron	Communion Assistants	Charlie Tolton and Alan Hinkle
		Sun Rich Hamilton	Setup	Maryann Leventhal

August 9

Usher 1	Greeter	Betty Lee and Ruth McCandless	Presenters of Gifts	The Rowley Family
Count 3	Acolyte	Charlotte Whipple		
Christophers 2	Crucifer	Heather Lee Whipple		
Prayer Team 2	Lay Reader-	Sat Linda Cassady	Communion Assistants	Dee Dudenbostel and Deb Mumford
		Sun Michele Muller	Setup	Tina Bednarczyk

August 16

Usher 2	Greeter	Karen and Phil Bertsch	Presenters of Gifts	Charlie & Sue Tolton and Maryann Leventhal
Count 4	Acolyte	Tyler Dewald		
Christophers 3	Crucifer	Dan Dewald		
Prayer Team 3	Lay Reader-Sat	George Powell	Communion Assistants	Marilynn Murphy and Ann Frey
		Sun Judi Reeder	Setup	Sue Tolton

August 23

Usher 3	Greeter	Ann Frey and Linda Frezza	Presenters of Gifts	Rob & Nancy Ischinger and Ken Tredinnick
Count 1	Acolyte	Nicole Miller		
Christophers 4	Crucifer	Will Breslin		
Prayer Team 4	Lay Reader-Sat	Clem McLaughlin	Communion Assistants	Allan Shikhvarg and Betsy Zimmermann
		Sun James Roeder	Setup	Michele Muller

August 30

Usher 4	Greeter	Anita and John Ickler	Presenters of Gifts	The Mumford Family
Count 2	Acolyte	Matthew Schied		
Christophers 5	Crucifer	Rob Ischinger		
Prayer Team 5	Lay Reader- Sat	Katie Beyer	Communion Assistants	Jim Necker and Kevan Berkovitz
		Sun Jim Necker	Setup	Deb Mumford

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JULY 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 7:30 AA	4  Happy 4th of July 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
5 PENTECOST 6 9:00 Holy Communion	6	7	8	9	10 7:30 AA	11 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
12 PENTECOST 7 9:00 Holy Communion	13 7:30 Coram Deo	14	15	16	17 7:30 AA	18 ARTS & CRAFTS DAYZ 10:00 am – 1:00 pm (brunch included)  5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
19 PENTECOST 8 9:00 Holy Communion	20 SHOP & COOK FOR AIDS DINNER	21 DELIVER AIDS DINNER	22	23	24 7:30 AA	25 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
26 PENTECOST 9 9:00 Holy Communion	27 9:00 am – 12:15 pm Vacation Bible School	28 9:00 am – 12:15 pm Vacation Bible School	29 9:00 am – 12:15 pm Vacation Bible School	30 9:00 am – 12:15 pm Vacation Bible School	31 9:00 am – 12:15 pm Vacation Bible School 7:30 AA	

Special Dates:

- *Canada Day, July 1, 2015*
- *U.S. Independence Day, July 4, 2015*
- *Arts & Crafts Day, July 18, 2015 10:00 am - 1:00 pm*
- *Holy Trinity's VBS, July 27 - 31, 2015 9:00 am - 12:15 pm*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Miller & Kalogerakis Wedding 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
2 PENTECOST 10 9:00 Holy Communion Annual Picnic at Carson Simpson Farm 11 am – 7 pm 	3 Abington Night-out 5:00 – 10:00 pm 	4	5	6	7	8
					7:30 AA	5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
9 PENTECOST 11 9:00 Holy Communion	10	11	12	13	14	15 ARTS & CRAFTS DAYZ 10:00 am – 1:00 pm (brunch included)  5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
		NALC CONVOCATION	NALC CONVOCATION	NALC CONVOCATION	NALC CONVOCATION	
16 PENTECOST 12 9:00 Holy Communion	17 SHOP & COOK FOR AIDS DINNER Pastors on vacation	18 DELIVER AIDS DINNER Pastors on vacation	19 Pastors on vacation	20 Pastors on vacation	21 7:30 AA	22 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
23 PENTECOST 13 9:00 Holy Communion Pastors on vacation	24 Pastors on vacation	25 Pastors on vacation	26 Pastors on vacation	27 Pastors on vacation	28 7:30 AA	29 5:00 Holy Communion 7:00 AA
30 PENTECOST 14 9:00 Holy Communion Pastors on vacation	31	Special Dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Church Picnic at Carson Simpson Farm August 2, 2015 11:00 am - 7:00 pm • Abington Night - out, August 3, 2015 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm • Arts & Crafts Day, August 15, 2015 10:00 am - 1:00 pm 				