

HOLY TRINITY

Evangelical Lutheran Church

ECHOES NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parish Family,

While people who speak one of the romantic languages (French, Spanish, Italian, Romanian) use a form of the biblical word Pascha (in French, Pâques) to refer to the festival of the Resurrection of our Lord, English speakers use the word Easter, the name of the Anglo-Saxon goddess of fertility, dawn, and spring. Ironically, the word has been used by English-speaking Christians to refer to the day of Jesus' resurrection, infusing pagan Easter with a completely different meaning. When a Christian greets another with "Happy Easter," he is saying the same thing as "Happy Resurrection of our Lord" or "Alleluia. Christ is risen," which invites the response, "He is risen indeed. Alleluia."

The Greek word, πάσχα (Pascha), derives through Aramaic from the Hebrew word that refers to the Passover lamb and the festival of Passover that since ancient times has been celebrated in remembrance of the deliverance of the Hebrew slaves from Egypt. In the New Testament the word is used for Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, "who takes away the sin of the world", words spoken by John the Baptist earlier in the Gospel of John when Jesus approached Him at the Jordan River. Pascha means both the Lamb of God and the observance of His death and resurrection. Paul exclaims, "...Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth." (1 Corinthians 5:6 ESV)

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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*

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.

From The Pastors

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In the early Church Pascha was an observance on the same day of both the death and resurrection of Christ. Holy Week, in which the cross and resurrection were the focus of separate days (Good Friday and Easter Sunday), had not yet become the practice of the Church. In Asia Minor the Quartodecimans (a word derived from 14th) kept the Paschal feast on the 14th of Nisan, the day Jews commemorated the first Passover. The 14th could occur on any day of the week. Other Christians celebrated this Queen of Feasts always on a Sunday. Controversy arose over this difference. The end result was that eventually the whole Church observed Easter on a Sunday.

Today following the practice of the early Christian pilgrims to Jerusalem, we commemorate the events of Holy Week, beginning with the Sunday of the Passion or Palm Sunday and ending with the Vigil of Easter. Easter follows the Sunday after Passion Sunday. It is set within an Octave an eight day period of celebration. The following Sunday (Easter 2) that completes the Octave is the occasion when we read the story of doubting Thomas from the Gospel of John. Thomas wanted to see the nail marks of the resurrected Lord in order to believe. "Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.'" (John 20:29 ESV) And blessed are you, members of Holy Trinity Church, who have not seen and yet believe. Have a happy Easter!

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





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
1st & 3rd Mondays
of each month.

We gather at **7:30 p.m.**
in the room over

Rosemary Hinkle's garage.
(See church directory for
phone # and address)

This space offers privacy.
Coffee, tea, and dessert
are served!

Every woman is welcome,
come as you are able.

Questions contact Rosemary
@

Rosemaryhinkle@comcast.net

2016 Schedule

April 4 & 18

May 2 & 16

June 6 & 20

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 Holy Trinity together with those they love, including: Adelaide, Albert, Alex, Alicia, Allan, Amanda, Amy, Andrea, Annura, Art, Barbara, Ben, Beth, Beverly, Bill, Bob, Brandy, Brian, Brianna, Carole, Cassidy, Christopher, Collette, Dallas, David, Debby, Drew, Eda, Ed, Edward, Eileen, Elisabeth, Eric, Fima, Frannie, Gene, George, Ginger, Gloria, Greg, Hannah, Harry, Helen, Howard, Jack, Jason, Jeanne, Jennifer, Jill, Joan, Joe, John, Judy, Kayla, Ken, Kiran, Laura, Lauren, Leah, Linda, Lisa, Liz, Lorraine, Luis, Maggie, Marc, Marilyn, Marissa, Mark, Maryanne, Marylou, Matthew, Maureen, Megan, Michael, Michele, Mina, Missy, Mayet, Nancy, Nathaniel, Nia, Nickie, Nicky, Nikki, Noreen, Paul, Paula, Pat, Patty, Peg, Peter, Phillip, Rachel, Rick, Rita, Roger, Samantha, Sarah, Sean, Sheila, Shelli, Solomon, Suzanne, Tara, Thelma, Theresa, Tiffani, Tina, Tony, Tricia G., Trudy, Tyler, Vera, Veronica, Vernetta, Vicki, Wanda, William, 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: Andreassen, Bednarczyk, Bell, Bell-Powell, BeninCasa, Bertsch, Biehl, Booth, Burns, Cheri, Clarkes, Costello, Cuff, Del Vecchio, Dobes, Drobish, Eisenmann, Fahy, Frame, George, Guckin, Haines, Hendricks, Ischinger, Kabic, Keane, Kennedy, Mackintosh, Martin, Melair, Mitchell, Natvin, Paolone, Pickwell, Powell, Ragg, Rieco, Schmidt, Sears, Singrella, Slagle, Smyser, Spalding, Stapleton, Steinmetz, Taggart, Tolton, Weld, Williams, Wyszomierski, Young, Youngman and Zaroli 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 & that He would please send workers into the Harvest.
For all who are chronically ill and/or shut-in.

For all who struggle with addiction to drugs and alcohol.

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.



Our Christian Sympathy to

Scott and Melissa Cuff & family on the death of
Scott's father, Steve Cuff, beloved husband,
father, father-in-law and grandfather.

March 16, 2016

Berhard Laemmle & family on the death of
Herta, beloved wife and mother.

March 22, 2016

Psalm 112:6

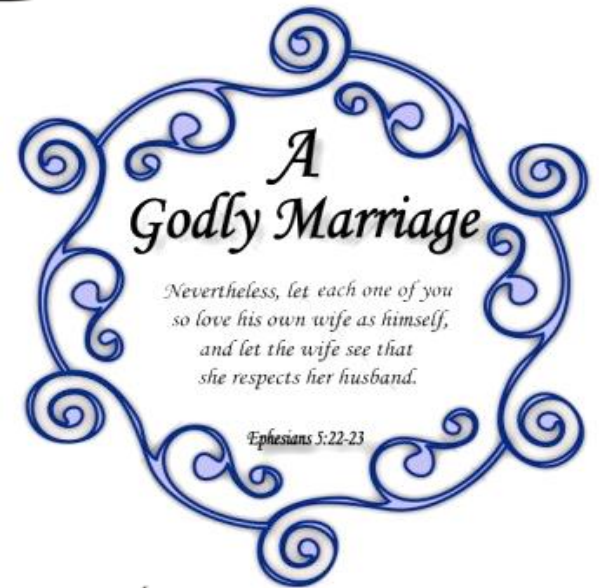
“For the righteous will never be moved;
they will be remembered forever.”

Congratulations to

*Richard McGovern &
Karen Marie Powell*

Married on April 16, 2016

God's blessings on the happy couple!



Donations needed for Interfaith Food Cupboard



Spam, Salmon, Sardines, Stew

1 lb. bags of rice, peanut butter & jelly

Pancake mix & syrup, flour, sugar, coffee.

Non-food items: paper towels & toilet tissue.

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.

Treasurer's Report

February 29, 2016 (For the Year 2016)

	Holy Trinity Ministries	Wider Church
Year to date received for current income	\$ 61,391.24	\$ 6,688.51
Carry over Benevolence from 2015	\$ 3,983.81	\$ 15,077.80
Expenses paid to date	\$ 67,280.11	\$ 4,700.00
Surplus/(Deficit) 2015	(\$ 1,905.06)	\$ 17,066.31

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

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

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

"To be a Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing."

– Martin Luther

"I believe in Christ like I believe in the sun – not because I can see it but by it I can see everything else."

– C.S. Lewis



Please remember your Church in your will.



NOTES OF THANKS

To the Congregation of Holy Trinity,
 Thank you ever so much for the "Care Package"
 I received. I do so appreciate it! It arrived in time to
 cram for finals and I just find it so wonderful that
 people who don't even know me care enough to send
 me something to help me get through my college years.
 God Bless you all and thank you again!

Carli Heller.

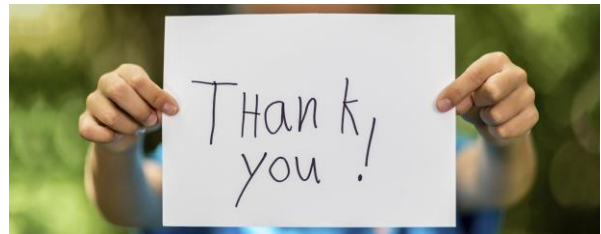


Dear Holy Trinity,
 Thank you thank you. The package of goodies
 could not have arrived at a better time as it
 was the week before finals, and I can't thank
 you enough for sending it to me, and thanks
 to my "Nanny" for giving you my name and
 address. God Bless you all, Lydia Wegner.



Thank you to the Holy Trinity Congregation for
 the generous care package during finals week. It
 is great to know the church is behind you even
 while at school.

Thanks,
 Stephen Leventhal



March 1, 2016

Dear Holy Trinity Family,
 It is such a blessing to be a member of a
 loving and caring congregation. My thanks to all who
 sent cards, who came and offered their condolences
 for my mother's recent passing.

A special thanks to Pastor Mandy, Jackie and
 the Funeral Choir for a moving Memorial service for
 mom. We know she's in a better place now.

Fondly,
 John Robinson and family.



Dear Holy Trinity,
 Thank you so much for allowing
 us to stay at your church! We wish you
 the best in the future!

In Christ,
 Lizz and Andrew
 Captive Free East Coast Band

March 12, 2016

Dear Pastors Amanda and Michael,

Please receive our greetings in the wonderful name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We were thinking of you and Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in our prayers and we trust that the Lord who started good works in you will do it until the day of Jesus Christ. We do visit the web and thank the Lord for your participation in so many areas.

Nifas Silk congregation is also doing very well. Infant baptism, and confirmation classes are conducted and a considerable number of young and adults are coming to the Lord. The number of active members is increasing. Election was conducted by the general assembly of Nifas Silk congregation in late November and half of the elders committee comprising of chairperson, treasurer and two members were elected for 2016-17. I was again elected to lead the congregation for the coming two years as chairperson. The major task at hand is to prepare a permanent worship place for the congregation as we are still conducting services in a rented house. We also called an additional pastor for the congregation and we hope he will be ordained by the Synod. Having reported briefly some of the highlights, let me kindly inform you about the first quarter report on our children and youth ministry.

1st Quarter Report (November – December – January)

The children and youth ministry are organized by two committees, Sunday school and youth led by Spiritual Growth main committee led by Pastor Tamru. All these committees meet for a couple of hours during the week to pray and plan activities. In the first quarter, the Sunday school teachers had a day of retreat. Materials for Sunday school classes for different age groups were printed and distributed. The remaining teaching materials purchased last time were used as job aids. The youth group had also established a choir and t-shirts and pants were purchased. The major activity that took place every year is the celebration of Christmas. As you very well know, Ethiopian Christmas took place on the 7th of January. There was also full Sunday worship devoted for Child and Youth Ministry on a Sunday before Christmas. The full service was conducted by children and youth, singing, scripture reading, preaching by youth. There was also a drama presentation depicting the Christmas story.

Please see six pictures that include:

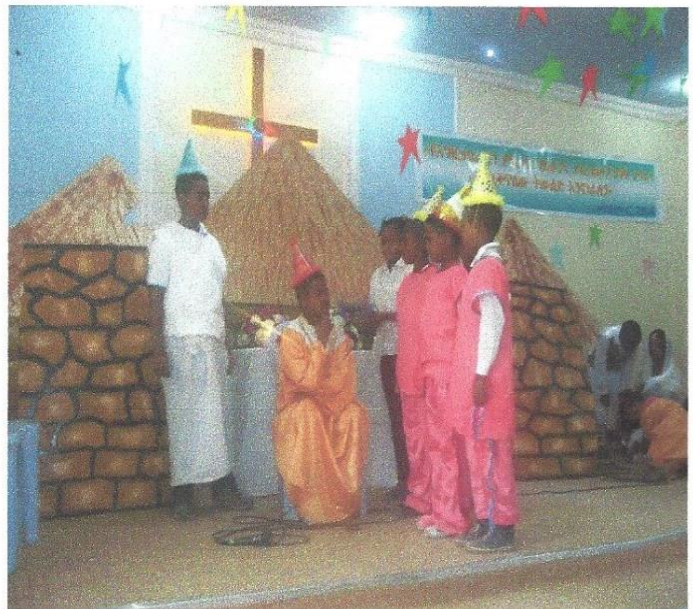
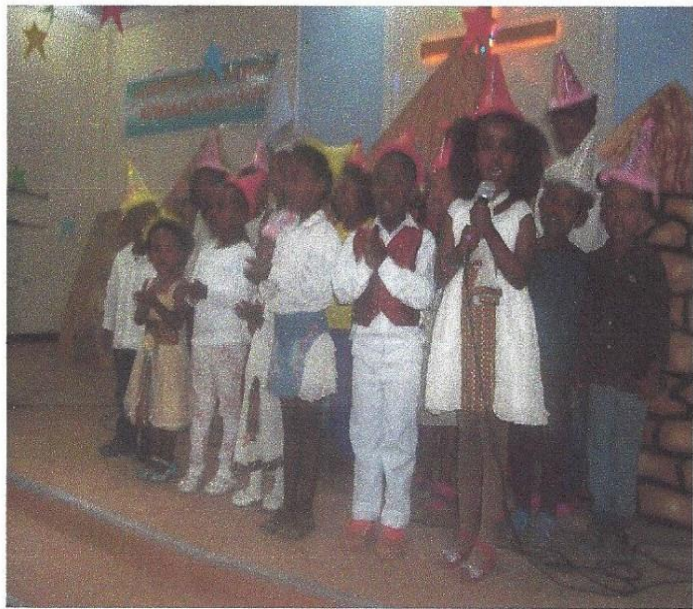
1. Toddlers and pre-school children singing
2. Christmas story
3. Teens singing
4. Pictures of Sunday school Teachers together with the children

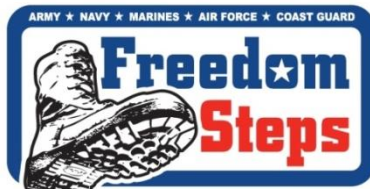
Blessings,

Telahun Teka, Prof.

Chairperson of Nifas Silk Congregation

(Pictures on next page)





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www.facebook.com/FreedomSteps

P.O. BOX 118 WILLOW GROVE, PA 19090-0118

March 3, 2016

To the Congregation of Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

On behalf of "Freedom Steps" I would like to express our heartfelt thanks for your generous donation of over two large totes of toiletries, snacks and games, etc. In addition, we received \$125.00 in cash.

This generous contribution helped to reduce the cost of our Valentine's Day shipment. For this shipment 18 boxes went out weighing over 600 pounds and costing in excess of \$700.00 in shipping. Included in this shipment was a young man from Holy Trinity's congregation who is currently deployed to Afghanistan.

Freedom Steps sends out care packages several times a year to our deployed military men and women. We strive to provide some of the comforts of home along with the knowledge that they are being thought about and prayed for.

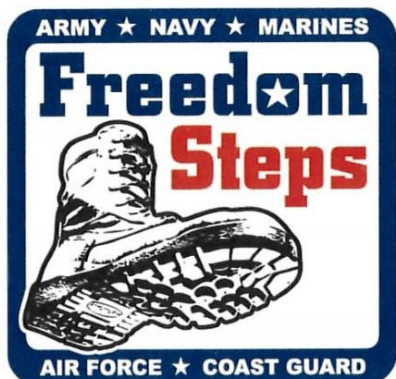
Your donations allow us to continue with this important mission.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Cindy Biehl
Freedom Steps
Corresponding Secretary

Thank you for your support!



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9th Annual 5K Walk/Run for our Troops

Help Raise Awareness & Supplies for Our Troops

May 1, 2016

Masons Mill Park, Huntingdon Valley, PA

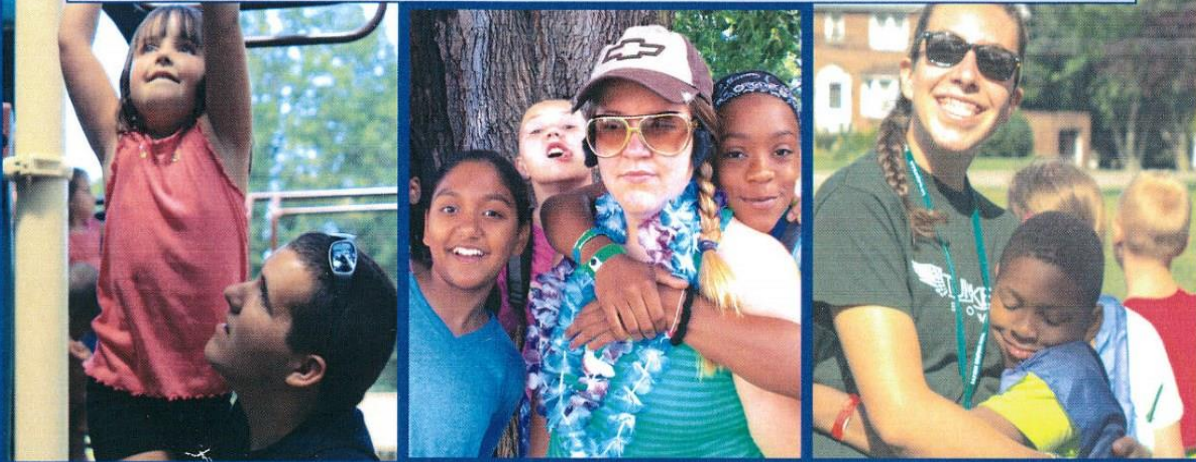
*Registration starts at 8:00 am
Walk/Run Begins at 9:00 am*

*Visit www.facebook.com/FreedomSteps OR
www.freedomsteps5k.com
for more information*

*Contact Lorna Salazar @ 215-657-3992 or
FreedomSteps5k@gmail.com*

PLEASE HELP SUPPORT OUR TROOPS!!!!

Carson Simpson Farm Christian Camp



We are looking for staff who... have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ...demonstrate Biblical principles in their lifestyle...are a Christian role model for children...have a desire to serve God and show his love...are capable of hard work and are in good health...would rather serve others needs before their own...can make a 8 week commitment plus training.

Summer Positions Available

All positions except Life Guard must be at least 18 years of age

Life Guards, Pool Manager (Nationally recognized certification)

Food Service

Program Staff

(Arts & Crafts, Nature/Outdoor Education, Music, Drama, Games,
Cooperative Adventure, Bible Teachers)

Day Camp Counselors K—6th grade

Pre-school Counselors/Coordinator

Youth Counselor

*Urban Ministry Overnight Counselors

Nurse (RN)

*Temp. housing for urban overnight counselors, all others commuters only

Carson Simpson Farm Christian Camp

3405 Davisville Road

Hatboro, PA 19040

215-659-0232 ~ www.CSFarm.org ~ fax 215-659-5129

Glorifying God and bringing children to Christ through Christian Camping



FUNDRAISER



Join us for a Zumba® fitness fundraising party in support of Silver Springs – Martin Luther School! Dance, sweat, and have fun for a great cause on

**SATURDAY, APRIL 9
11 AM to 1 PM.**

THE PLACE:

**The Harrison Centre Gymnasium
Silver Springs – Martin Luther School
512 West Township Line Road
Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462**

THE COST:

\$20 in advance or \$25 at the door

**Led by
certified local
Zumba® fitness
instructors!**

**Raffle,
refreshments,
and
fun surprises!**

Questions?

Call **610-825-4440, ext. 307**

To pre-register, or to make a 100% tax-deductible donation if you can't join us, visit <http://silver-springs.givezooks.com/events/zumbathon-fundraiser-to-benefit-silver-springs> or mail your check to: Silver Springs-Martin Luther School, 512 W. Township Line Rd., Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462, ATTN. Development Office



Support Silver Springs – Martin Luther School in its work to bring education, nurturing, and healing to children struggling with emotional and behavioral challenges. Join Silver Springs in its mission to help children and families reach for bright futures!



THE SATURDAY SEWING GROUP

Continues to meet the third Saturday of every month.

Join us **Saturday, April 16th 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

In addition to our ongoing sewing/knitting projects we invite anyone with a crafty idea for items to be included in our

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

such as drawstring bags, tee-shirt jump ropes, stuffed penguins, hair ornaments, etc...

Light refreshments & fellowship always provided!

**There will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex
so we can know in advance how many will be attending!**

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



GIANT® GIFT CARDS are a great way to shop!

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.

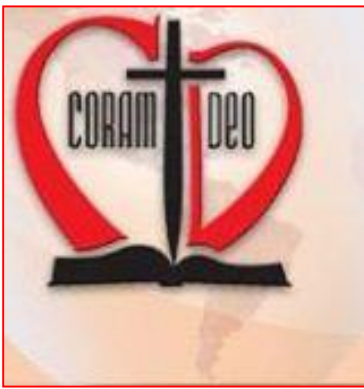
It can be completed and left in the box or turned into the Church office.

(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.



Coram Deo

Join us this year for lively discussions of literature and living life in *Coram Deo*, in the presence of God. Our meetings are in the SS Peter & Andrew Study most Mondays at 7:30 p.m.

Please bring your own copy of the reading selection.

Spring 2016

April 4 – *Master and Margarita* – Mikhail Bulgakov (discuss the first half)

April 11 – *Master and Margarita* – Mikhail Bulgakov (discuss the second half)

April 25 – *The Tragedy of Hamlet, Act II* – William Shakespeare

– Romans; Chapter 12 & 13

May 2 – *Interpreter of Maladies* – Jhumpa Lahiri (discuss the first half)

May 9 – *Interpreter of Maladies* – Jhumpa Lahiri (discuss the second half)

May 16 – *The Merchant of Venice* – William Shakespeare

– *Concerning the Jews* – Mark Twain

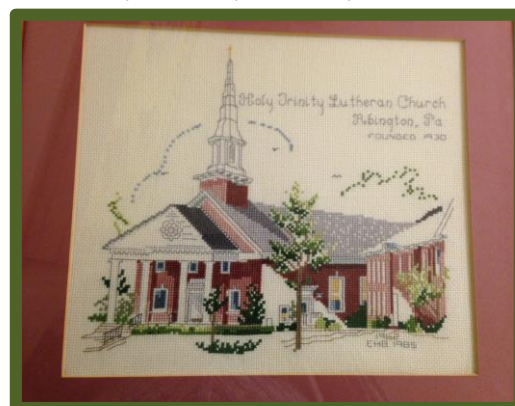
** Coming up in Fall 2016: *East of Eden* – John Steinbeck**



There is now a beautiful cross-stitch of Holy Trinity Church on display in Fellowship Hall.

Louise Shiffer made this drawing in December of 1979 as a black and white sketch to be used to commemorate our Church's 50th Anniversary.

Bob Muller digitally enhanced the drawing and Elaine Bell then sewed this lovely cross-stitch. Thank you, Elaine for dedicating this fantastic work to the Holy Trinity Library for all to enjoy!



Lutheran Church Women's Circle Bible Study



The Beatitudes Matthew 5:3-10

Holy Trinity Church Women are studying the Beatitudes in their Circles. These teachings come from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount found in Matthew. We are exploring how these seemingly simple statements of what Jesus values in us can be quite complex and challenging, even unsettling as they speak to a way of thinking and acting that we need to cultivate. We will discuss the difficulties and rewards of trying to live according to these teachings of Jesus. Ultimately, we hope that through this study and practicing what we learn, we will dwell more deeply in the blessed life that Jesus has promised.

APRIL CIRCLES

“Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God.”

We hear the word peace throughout the New Testament. My peace I leave with you, the peace that passes understanding; be at peace. Christmas cards often wish us peace in our life, in our world. We look for a time when the world will be at peace. In this seventh Beatitude, we will explore Jesus' intentions when He spoke these words and discuss what makes for peace in your life and how you strive to bring peace to others.

Here is the listing of the Circles, when and where they meet in April, and the Circle leader with contact information. Do not hesitate to contact a Circle leader to find out more about an individual Circle.

Miriam Circle - Monday, April 11th at 12:30 p.m. in the SS Peter & Andrew Study
Leader: Ruth McCandless (215) 682-2034 ruthmccandless4@gmail.com

Ruth Circle - Wednesday, April 13th at 7:30 p.m.
at home of Nancy Necker, 307 Tyson Avenue, Glenside
Leader: Nancy Necker (215) 884-2123 nnecker52@gmail.com

Sarah Circle - Thursday, April 14th at 12:00 p.m. in the SS Peter & Andrew Study
Leader: Judi Reeder (215) 431-7265 judireeder@hotmail.com

Eve Circle - Thursday, April 14th at 7:30 p.m. in the SS Peter & Andrew Study
Leader: Sue Tolton (215) 659-7054 suetolton@comcast.net

Hannah Circle - Wednesday, April 20th at 7:30 p.m. in the SS Peter & Andrew Study
Leader: Cindy Biehl (267) 475-5435 cindybiehl@msn.com

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Women Present

Spring Luncheon with Abington Officer/K-9 Team



When: Sunday, April 3 immediately following Sunday School

Where: Fellowship Hall

Featured Speakers! Abington Ofc. Jennifer Doyle & K-9 Bella

Who Should Attend: Women, Men, & Children are all invited.

This is a great program for all ages!

What Will Be Shared: Ofc. Doyle will share about life as a female police officer as well as being a K-9 Officer. Learn about the rigorous training Officer/K-9 teams go through when an officer is first given a dog, the specialized training they receive for explosives or narcotics detection, and how they maintain their certifications.

Highlight: Ofc. Doyle and K-9 Bella will demonstrate how they work together.

How to Sign Up

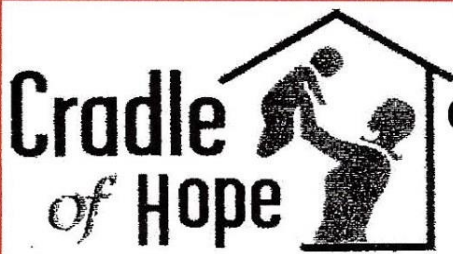
PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE NARTHEX. We REALLY need a count since this is being offered to ALL!

General Meeting

There will be a general meeting of the churchwomen following the program.

Thank Offerings

Ladies, please remember to bring your Thank Offerings.



A Home for Single Mothers and Children

Cradle of Hope Sunday is May 21, 2016

Cradle of Hope, which is a local home for single mothers and their babies, is excited to announce that they have purchased a second home in the area! The home needs major renovations so this year they are asking us to make our contributions a little differently. Please contribute:

Diapers size 1 & 2

Unscented wipes

Gift cards to: Home Depot, Ikea, Lowes,
Shop-Rite, Target, Walmart

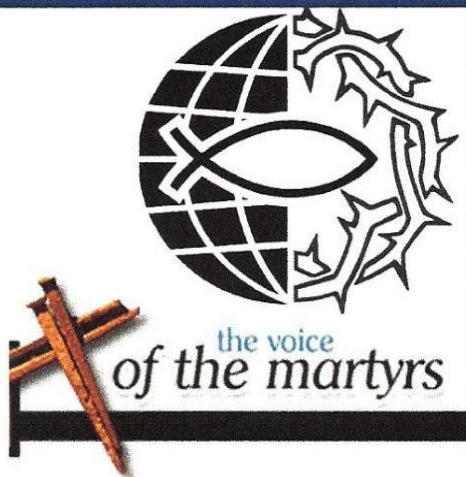
You may also contribute cash that can be put in the small pew envelope and mark it, "Cradle of Hope." Please give all gift cards to Katie at the 5 o'clock service on Saturday or in the nursery on Sunday mornings.

Please pray for Cradle of Hope
as they renovate and staff their new home.

Thank you,

Katie Beyer

LCW Christian Action Committee



The Voice of the Martyrs
ADVANCE
CONFERENCE

VOM ADVANCE CONFERENCE

At VOM Advance Conferences, believers who have been persecuted because of their faith share personal accounts of how God's Kingdom is advancing amid persecution. Their inspirational stories will help equip you to stand with bold Christians around the world. Register to attend this upcoming conference and invite your family & friends to join you.

LOCATION

Calvary Chapel of Philadelphia
13500 Philmont Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19116-1118

DETAILS

SATURDAY, JULY 9, 2016

One-day conference 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Doors open at 8:00 AM for registration,
prayer room and resource area.

Lunch is 12:00 - 1:15 PM, on your own at area restaurants.

There is no charge to attend. An offering will be received.
No child care provided.

Video and photography are prohibited during the conference.

Register @

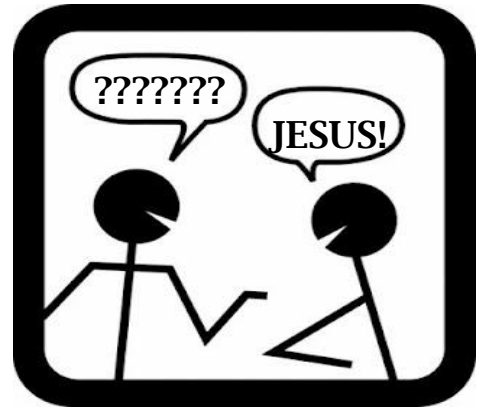
<https://secure.persecution.com/events/registration.aspx?pdid=6509&vid=7050>

Attention: Participants in Pastor Mike's

Interpersonal Witnessing - One day event this past September 9th please join us for a follow-up meeting

Sunday, April 17th after Sunday School meet in Fellowship Hall.
Bring any questions or witnessing opportunities you have had.

Lunch will be served.



**YOUR CAR . . . YOUR MARRIAGE
BOTH RUN SMOOTHER
WITH A TUNE UP!**

Attention Married Couples:

Thousands of couples have learned that taking some time to “tune-up” their marriages pays huge dividends. Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekends are designed to strengthen and revitalize marriages whether you have been married a year or 60 years. Although the April 8 – 10 weekend is fully booked, currently there is still space for you at the

**April 22 – 24 Weekend at State College's premier conference center,
the Penn Stater.**

Registrations are also being taken for the two fall Weekends:

September 16 – 18 at Spruce Lake Retreat Center in the Poconos or

October 21 – 23 at Olmsted Retreat Center in Ludlow, PA.

All costs for 2 nights lodging, 5 meals for two and supplies are covered by a \$100 per couple registration fee plus a confidential contribution of whatever amount you wish to make toward the end of the weekend. To register online, go to:

www.GodLovesMarriage.org or for further info.

Contact Fred & Julie Schamber, PA Directors at:

fjschamber@comcast.net or 724 – 325 – 3166.



Men's Devotional Group

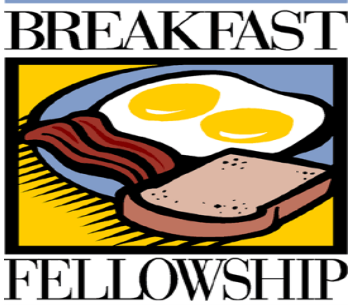
Mark your calendar & don't miss out on the
Men's Devotional Group Meeting.

They meet the second Thursday of every month.

Join us **Thursday, April 14th at 7:00 P.M.**

in the Sons of Thunder 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.



Adult Christian Breakfast Fellowship

(All Adults Young & Old are invited)

When: Saturday, April 2nd at 9:00 AM

Topic: Crimean Legends

Speaker: Allan Shikhvarg



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Youth Ministry

All events are on SUNDAY unless otherwise noted

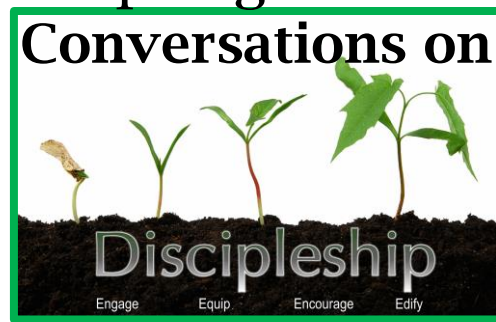
April 3rd SOT Youth Group
5:00 – 7:00 PM



April 10th Supper Club 5:00 – 7:00 PM
Tonight's Cooks: Schied & Nilsen
Tonight's Story: Jesus is Risen
Craft: Jesus is Risen Pop-up Craft Kit



Join Pastor Mike for *Theology with Bagels* beginning April 14th
Spring 2016



**Thursday mornings 9:30 AM in the SS Peter & Andrew Study
April 14th thru May 19th (six week course)**

1. "Let Your Light Shine" Matthew 5: 13 - 16, I Peter
2. "Love Your Enemies" Luke 6: 27ff
3. "Who is the Greatest?" Luke 9: 46ff
4. "The Good Portion" Luke 10: 38ff
5. "Let Love Be Genuine" Romans 12: 9ff
6. "Do Not Be Idolaters" 1 Corinthians 10

Sabbath Keeping: The Gift of Rest

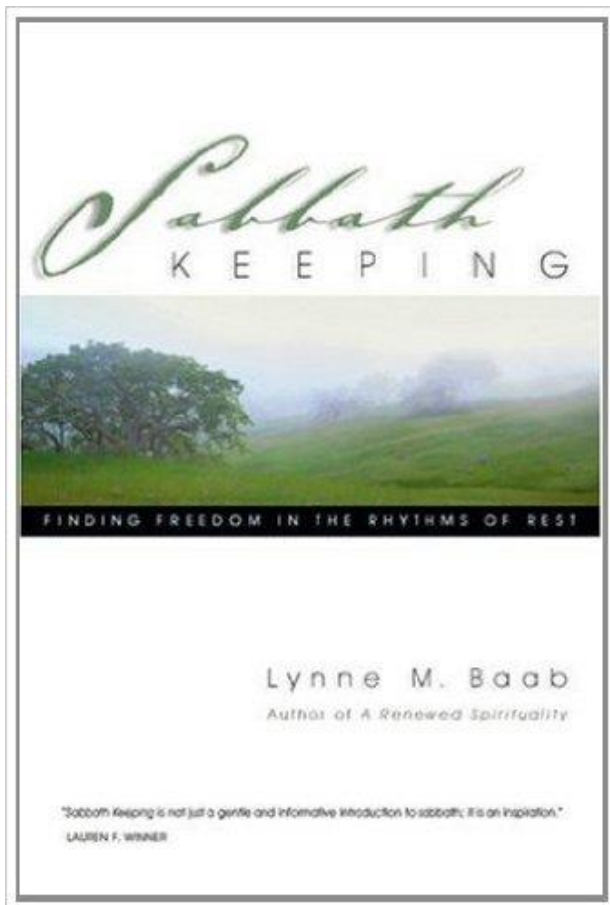
Let's face it: our times of rest need work!
When we fail to rest we do more than burn ourselves out.
We misunderstand the God who calls us to rest –
who created us to be people of rest.

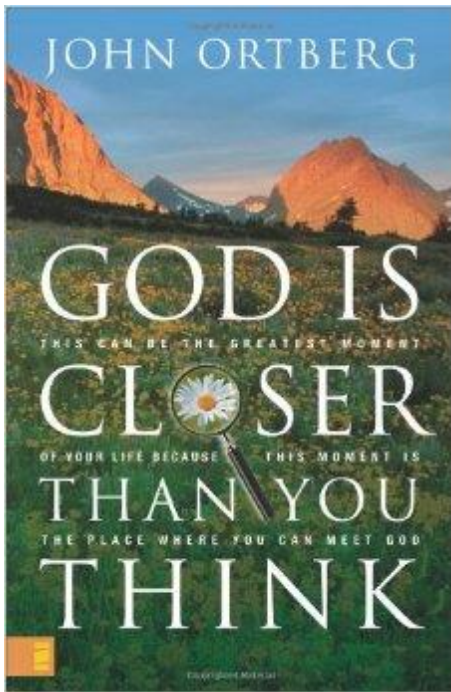
From April 12 – May 17, 2016

Pastor Mandy will offer a 6-week course
using Lynne Baab's book *Sabbath Keeping*.

This course will encourage us all to slow down
and enjoy our relationship with the God of the universe.

There will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex;
the books cost \$13.00 and Pastor Mandy will order them.





What are you waiting for?

Intimacy with God can happen right now if you want it. A closeness you can feel, a goodness you can taste, a reality you can experience for yourself. That's what the Bible promises, so why settle for less?

God Is Closer Than You Think shows how you can enjoy a vibrant, moment-by-moment relationship with your heavenly Father. Bestselling author John Ortberg reveals the face of God waiting to be discovered in the complex mosaic of your life.

Join Randy Gettmann & Tom Schied

as they lead the next Adult SS class in the SS Peter & Andrew Study

Beginning **Sunday April 24th at 10:30 am**

Save the Date!!!

The Choristers will present
their Spring Concert

Saturday, April 30, 2016
at **7:30 p.m.** in Lansdale.

The program includes

Haydn's *Te Deum*,

Beethoven's *Choral Fantasy*,

& Mozart's *Great Mass in C Minor*.

Gems From Vienna

View of Vienna in 1758

Haydn
Te Deum No. 2 in C

Beethoven
Choral Fantasia

Mozart
Mass in C Minor

Saturday April 30, 2016 at 7:30 PM
Trinity Lutheran Church, Lansdale, PA

For ticket information go to <http://www.thechoristers.org/>



April Worship Assistants Schedule



April 3			
Usher 3	Greeter	Ann Frey & Linda Frezza	Presenters of Gifts The Cuff Family
Count 1	Acolyte	Jayden Butler	
Christophers 1	Crucifer	Connor Breslin	
Prayer 1 Team	Lay Reader-	Sat Linda Cassady	Communion Assistants Linda Borkowski and Deb Mumford
		Sun Linda Bell-Powell	Setup Maryann Leventhal
April 10			
Usher 4	Greeter	Sandra, George & Karen Powell	Presenters of Gifts The Ickler Family
Count 2	Acolyte	Elli Nilsen	
Christophers 2	Crucifer	Heather Lee Whipple	
Prayer 2 Team	Lay Reader-	Sat Katie Beyer	Communion Assistants Tom Schied and Randy Gettmann
		Sun Heide Caputo	Setup Tina Bednarczyk
April 17			
Usher 5	Greeter	Jim & Nancy Necker	Presenters of Gifts The Nilsen Family
Count 3	Acolyte	Ryan Schied	
Christophers 3	Crucifer	Eleanor Murphy	
Prayer 3 Team	Lay Reader-Sat	Clem McLaughlin	Communion Assistants Charles Tolton and Marilynn Murphy
		Sun Jody Davis	Setup Sue Tolton
April 24			
Usher 1	Greeter	The Rowley Family	Presenters of Gifts Ruth McCandless, Linda Frezza & Jim Necker
Count 4	Acolyte	Sophia LaRocca	
Christophers 4	Crucifer	Michael LaRocca	
Prayer 4 Team	Lay Reader-Sat	George Powell	Communion Assistants Kevan Berkovitz and Allan Shikhvarg
		Sun Dottie Erb	Setup Deb Mumford

If you cannot serve please contact someone on the list for that particular service team and find a replacement.
 If you cannot find a replacement simply contact the office (215) 659-2642 or email Deb at secretary@holytrinity.net

Called to *Serve*



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>“Behold the former things have come to pass, Now I declare new things, before they spring forth I proclaim them to you.” - Isaiah 42:9</p>					<p>1</p> <p>Pastors on Vacation</p> <p>7:30 AA</p>	<p>2 9:00 Adult Breakfast Fellowship</p> <p>Pastors on Vacation</p> <p>5:00 Holy Communion</p> <p>7:00 AA</p>
<p>3 Easter 2</p> <p>9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult</p> <p>Pastors on Vacation</p> <p>5:00 – 7:00 SOT Youth Group</p>	<p>4 Pastors on Vacation</p> <p>6 – 7:30 Brownies 7:30 Coram Deo 7:30 Women’s Prayer Group</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>7:30 Council</p>	<p>7</p> <p>3:30- Choristers 6:30 Handbell Choir 8:00 Chancel Choir</p> <p>7:30 AA</p>	<p>8</p> <p>7:30 AA</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9:00 AM – 6:00 PM Confirmation Retreat</p> <p>5:00 Holy Communion</p> <p>7:00 AA</p>
<p>10 Easter 3</p> <p>9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult</p> <p>5:00 – 7:00 Supper Club</p>	<p>11</p> <p>12:30 Miriam Circle</p> <p>6 – 7:30 Brownies 7:30 Coram Deo</p>	<p>12</p> <p>1:00/7:30 repeat Sabbath Keeping Course</p> <p>7:30 Bible Study 8:30 Compline</p>	<p>13</p> <p>7:00 Evangelism 7:30 Ruth Circle at home of Nancy Necker</p>	<p>14</p> <p>9:30 Theology w/bagels</p> <p>12:00 Sarah Circle</p> <p>3:30- Choristers 6:30 Handbell Choir 7:00 Men’s Group 7:30 Eve Circle 8:00 Chancel Choir</p> <p>7:30 AA</p>	<p>15</p> <p>4:00 Rehearsal Powell/McGovern wedding</p> <p>7:30 AA</p>	<p>16</p> <p>10:00 AM – 1:00 PM Sewing Group/ Arts & Crafts 2:30 PM Wedding Powell/McGovern</p> <p>5:00 Holy Communion</p> <p>7:00 AA</p>
<p>17 Easter 4</p> <p>9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult</p> <p>11:30 Interpersonal Witnessing Follow-up (Lunch served)</p>	<p>18 SHOP & COOK AIDS DINNER</p> <p>6 – 7:30 Brownies 7:30 Coram Deo 7:30 Women’s Prayer Group</p>	<p>19 DELIVER AIDS DINNER</p> <p>1:00/7:30 repeat Sabbath Keeping Course</p> <p>7:30 Bible Study 8:30 Compline</p>	<p>20</p> <p>7:30 Hannah Circle</p>	<p>21</p> <p>9:30 Theology w/bagels</p> <p>3:30- Choristers 6:30 Handbell Choir 8:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p>22</p> <p>LCW Women’s Retreat</p> <p>7:30 AA</p>	<p>23</p> <p>LCW Women’s Retreat</p> <p>5:00 Holy Communion</p> <p>7:00 AA</p>
<p>24 Easter 5</p> <p>9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Sunday School Pre-K thru Adult</p> <p>LCW Women’s Retreat (arrive home)</p>	<p>25</p> <p>6 – 7:30 Brownies 7:30 Coram Deo</p>	<p>26</p> <p>1:00/7:30 repeat Sabbath Keeping Course</p> <p>7:30 Bible Study 8:30 Compline</p>	<p>27</p> <p>7:30 Worship & Music meeting</p>	<p>28</p> <p>9:30 Theology w/bagels</p> <p>3:30- Choristers 6:30 Handbell Choir 8:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p>29</p> <p>7:30 AA</p>	<p>30</p> <p>5:00 Holy Communion</p> <p>7:00 AA</p>

Special Date:

- Administrative Professionals Day
April 27, 2016

