

HOLY TRINITY

Evangelical Lutheran Church

ECHOES NEWSLETTER

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Pastor

The Rev. Lawrence Guenzel,
Interim Pastor

Staff

Mrs. Jacqueline Smith, *B. Mus.*
M. Mus., Director of Music
Mrs. Deborah Mumford,
Office Administrator
Mrs. Alyson Kuenstner,
Assistant Treasurer

Worship Services

Saturday at 5 p.m.
Sunday at 9 a.m. (also live-streamed)
Sunday Church School at 10:30 a.m.

Holy Communion

Saturday evening, Sunday morning
& Festival Days

*Deadline for submission of material
for the Echoes Newsletter is 9 a.m.
the 15th of each month.*

My Dear People,

June will mark one year that I have been your Interim Pastor and what a year it has been! Last year at this time, we were hoping that we'd be back to "normal" by the fall and certainly by Christmas. But here we are, still living with the COVID-19 pandemic. Thank God, the numbers of people infected and deaths are decreasing while restrictions are being lifted.

As we face the weeks and months ahead, we continue to face each day as a gift from God. Each day, as disciples of Jesus, we seek ways to live out our calling as witnesses to the Gospel of Christ. The following is a summary of an excellent article written by Brett McCracken, senior editor at The Gospel Coalition.

Whatever is our response to the governmental lifting of restrictions let's keep a few things in mind. First, we are children of God and witnesses to the power of the Gospel in our lives. Thus, we want to live together in Christian unity. On Trinity Sunday we will celebrate the Unity of the Trinity. As people marked by the cross of Christ in our common Baptism, we live together in unity. Psalm 133 declares, "Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!" We witness to the love of God in Christ when we live together in unity.

Thus, even though we may disagree on how we are to live together as we loosen the COVID-19 restrictions we do it with respect and understanding toward others, even the ones with whom we don't "see eye-to-eye."

We can heed Paul's wisdom in Romans 14: "Let us not pass judgment on one another any longer, but rather decide never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of a brother" Or 1 Corinthians 8:9: "Be careful, however, that your freedom does not become a stumbling block to the weak."

Even if you think these precautions are a needless overreaction, can you not sacrifice your ideal for a season, out of love for others who believe the precautions *are* necessary? We need to strive to honor people on both sides of the issue.

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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.

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As much as ever before, Christians should follow the advice of [James 1:19](#) to be "quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger." Listening well may slow down the process of deliberation and planning, but it is worth it. Whatever opinions church leaders themselves have on the matter of reopening, they should take time to humbly hear the voices of others within the parish as well as other church and government leaders in our area. Church members should likewise model Christ like humility [Phil. 2:3](#) "Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves."

We model that humility in how we react to the plan, prayerfully and thoughtfully outlined by our church leaders, even if we don't agree with every aspect of it. No one of us should assume we've arrived at the definitive answer on how to do this well. Let's model humility by acknowledging that everything is not obvious, and we are all just trying to do the best we can in this pandemic.

We should also take [Hebrews 10:25](#) seriously when it says we ought not to neglect meeting together. We should feel the ache of what is lost when we only meet virtually. Every Christian should long for the day when "church on Zoom" gives way to "church in a room."*

There are some things Christians should *not* be timid about, of course, and one of those is our bold commitment to the Gospel of Jesus Christ and all that Scripture commands. What Paul urges the Ephesian church, therefore, should be equally urgent for us today: "Walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" [Eph. 4:1-3](#). May God lead us through this and into a bolder trust in God's grace and commitment to the saving Gospel of Jesus.

In Christ,

Pastor Larry Guenzel

*Brett McCracken, *Church, Don't Let Coronavirus Divide*



Micah 6:8



Healing Prayer Ministry

Prayer cards are available in a basket on the Altar in the Chapel of the Good Shepherd. Fill out your prayer requests and members of the Healing Prayer Ministry will pray for your needs. If you leave your contact information a team member will contact you.



† Women's Prayer Group

The Holy Trinity
Women's Prayer Group
Meets 1st Monday
of each month.

We meet on Zoom
at **7:30 p.m.**

Contact Rosemary @
Rosemaryhinkle@comcast.net
for the Zoom link.

All women are welcome to join.

2021 Schedule

June 7

“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)* Adam, Alanna, Aleksandr, Aleksei, Alexandr, Allan, Amanda, Antonette, Aubrey, Barbara, Baby Helen Elsie, Bill, Bob, Carly, Charlie, Chris, Christopher, Colleen, Connie, Cory, Dalillah, Dallas, Darcy, Dave, David, Dennis, Dinda, Dottie, Ed, Eda, Ekaterina, Elaine, Ella, Emma, Eric, Erica, Erika, Ernie, Frank Sr., Fred, Gavin, Gene, Georgia, Gloria, Hannah, Harry, Helen, Ingrid, Irina, Ivan, James, Jamie, Jane, Jason, Jean, Jen, Jennifer, Joan, John, Joseph, Josh, Julia, Karen, Karin, Kas, Katherine, Kathleen, Kathy, Kelly, Laura, Levi, Lily, Linda, Logan, Louise, Luke, Maddie, Maggie, Mali, Marlisa, Matthew, Mayet, Melissa, Milt, Nancy, Paul, Penny, Rachel, Rick, Roger, Ron, Ronnie, Ryan, Sam, Sarah, Sean, Sharon, Shary, Shelli, Sherri, Sherry, Sigrid, Silvia, Stanislav, Sue, Tammy, Tatiana, Tina, Todd, Trudy, Tyler, Valentina, Vicki, Willow.

All of the families of Holy Trinity, together with those they love and pray for; especially we pray for: Barnes, Bell-Powell, Blessington, Brown, Bundy, Canaan, Colussi, Custer, DiGiovanni, DiToro, Dominek, Engelke, Erb, Frandsen-Canaan, Freer, French, Gregg, Guckin, Hoffmann, Houck, Ingerson, King, Kreisich, Lacy, Laemmle, Linn, Lockhart, Mackintosh, Maieron, Mansell, McGovern, Nash-Lockhart, Reinert, Samulis, Schenck, Schimpf, Seamon, Shannon, Skilton, Steinhofer, Sullivan, Tolton, Williams, Zieger.

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 all who are fighting 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.
For all Native Americans living on U.S. reservations.
For refugees and immigrants.
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, hurricanes; for favorable weather & an abundance of crops.
For all in financial difficulty that they may be totally restored.
For those suffering from racial injustice, bigotry, and oppression in our nation and in the world.

The Season after Pentecost

The Sundays after Pentecost make up the longest portion of the Church Year. This is the Time of the Church - the time we focus on growing together in the life of the Holy Trinity.

On the first Sunday after Pentecost, the Church celebrates Holy Trinity Sunday. We are baptized into one name, but that name is "Father, Son, and Holy Spirit."

There is only one name, only one God - but there are three persons: The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. On this Sunday we confess the great mystery of the Holy Trinity.

The Sundays of this time of the Church Year are known as the Sundays after Pentecost. Picking up on Pentecost as the season of growth, they are often referred to as the Green Sundays. The readings focus on the life of Christ in His Church. We hear Jesus teaching His disciples and healing the faithful.

Because the Pentecost season is part of "ordinary" time, congregations may choose to observe some of the lesser festivals of the season. When saint days of commemorations fall on Sundays, worship leaders could highlight these to offer teaching moments about the breadth of the Church's life and work. These noteworthy days enable Christians to reflect on how we worship "with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven."

On the last Sunday after Pentecost, Christ the King Sunday, the Church gives voice to the joyful hope of the second coming of Jesus for the resurrection of the dead and the last judgement when Christ will reign forever as King. The end-times focus of the last few Sundays of the Church year bears themes of hope and preparation that are similar to those of Advent, which soon follows.

**During the Time of the Church, we focus on growing together
in the life of the Holy Trinity.**

Practices and Traditions of the Season after Pentecost:

--The church is decorated in green paraments, the color of growing plants. This marks the season of growth in living in our Baptism and receiving the Lord's Word and Sacraments.

--On Trinity Sunday, we use the Athanasian Creed to confess our faith. This ancient statement of faith goes into great detail to confess the catholic (universal) faith that must be faithfully and firmly believed to be saved: "that we worship one God in Trinity, and Trinity in Unity."

Pastor Larry Guenzel



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP IS AVAILABLE LIVE ON YOUTUBE (HOLY TRINITY, ABINGTON) OR OUR WEBSITE HOLYTRINITY.NET OR OUR FACEBOOK PAGE.
JOIN US AT 9 AM ON SUNDAYS

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

April 30, 2021 (For the Year 2021)

	Holy Trinity Ministries	Wider Church
Year to date received for current income	\$ 118,630.20	\$ 26,343.80
Carry over from 2020	\$ 10,949.08	\$ 41,199.10
Expenses paid to date	\$ 137,075.98	\$ 21,124.72
Surplus/(Deficit)2021	(\$7,496.70)	\$ 46,418.18

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

Christopher Biehl
Michael Boerner
Conor Gowton
Shaun Hall
Eric Henderson
C.J. Hess
Nathan Quinlan
Vikas Shah
Jonathan Skilton, MD
Jeremy Zar

Memorials received



In Memory of... **Jill Trickel**

Please remember your Church in your will.



NOTES OF THANKS

Dear Holy Trinity Ev. LC,
Thank you! We're writing to acknowledge our receipt of your gift in support of our ministry here in State College. Your continued generosity has been a real encouragement to us.

In Christ,
Pastor Logan Wilmoth.



May today be just too fabulous for words because, Mom, That's exactly what you are! Sending love for a perfect Mother's Day to all the women who give us bags of food, thank you and God bless you all.

Love from Rose and family.

*This card was addressed to all the Mom's here at Holy Trinity from one of our faithful guests at the Bread of Heaven Food Pantry.

Dear Holy Trinity

Thank you for your support of the Cradle of Hope Collection. The staff at Cradle of Hope were delighted to receive our gifts (see list below) and 2 Target Gift Cards. Also, thank you to Benet Donnelly and Lois Hamilton for helping with the loading and delivery.

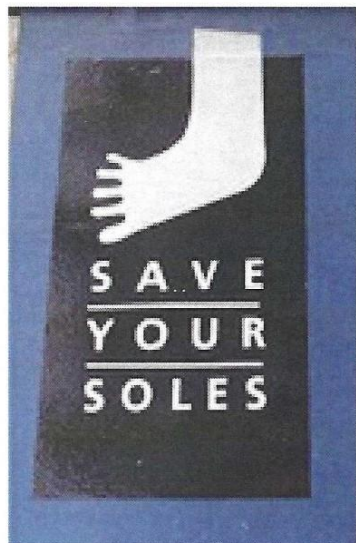
Sincerely
Katie Beyer
Christian Action Chair

List of items received for Cradle of Hope

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|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| 24 Toilet Paper Roll | 1 Baby Laundry Soap | 1 quart Zip loc bags | 8 Chlorox wipes |
| 1 Soft Scrub Cleaner | 2 Lysol Cleaner | 1 gallon Zip loc bags | 3 hand soap |
| 2 other cleaners | 1 Toilet Cleaner | 1 crib sheet | 1 aluminum foil |
| 5 Box of Diapers | 2 dish soap | 1 roll of paper towels | 2 Baby Wipes |
| 3 pack of sponges | 1 pack of baby socks | | |



Save Your Soles Wellness Event with Dr. Ronald Renzi, DPM



**Free and Open To People Who Are
Diabetic & Pre-Diabetic
and Those Who Love Them**

Saturday June 5, 10:30-11:30 AM
(Rain Date June 19)

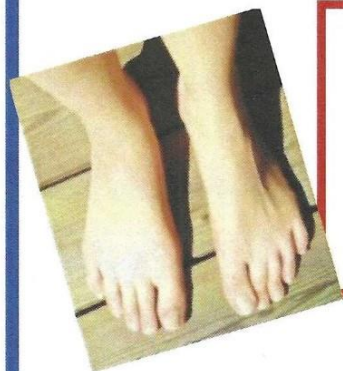
Held Outside @ Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Parkview & Lycoming Avenues, Abington
(Just behind Vitamin Store on 611)

Offerings

Foot Assessments with
Dr. Ronald Renzi, DPM
Blood Pressure Screenings
with Nurse
Blood Sugar Checks
Information about Proper
Foot Care & Foot Wear

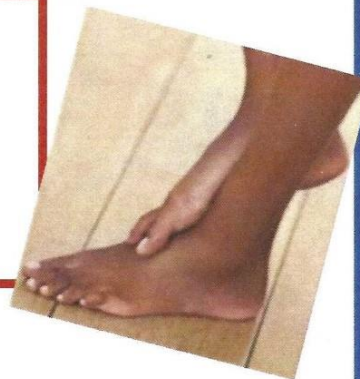
Give-Aways!
Diabetic Socks
T-Shirts
Attendees Entered in
Raffle for
Giant Food Store
Gift Cards

Social Distance Observed ~ Wear Masks ~ Restrooms Available



Important Facts

- ♦ Diabetic patients undergo 130,000 amputations a year in the US.
- ♦ Black patients lose limbs at a rate 3 times higher than others.

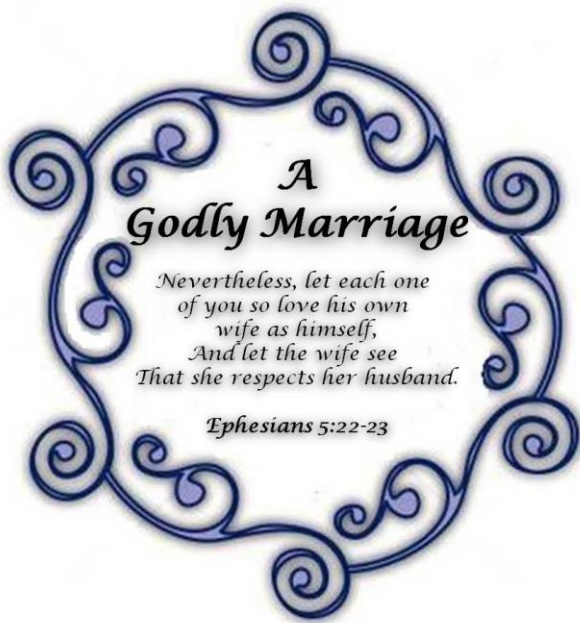


Information: 215-659-2642

*Congratulations to our
2021 Confirmands*

*Kelly Elizabeth Darreff
&
Matthew Ian Gregg
God Bless You!*

*Many thanks to our
in-house photographer,
Ernie Koch for the
beautiful Pentecost photo!*



Congratulations to

*Hayden Adams & Martina Smith
on their wedding at Holy Trinity
June 9, 2021*

God's blessings on the happy couple!

Greetings in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

The members of St. Timothy Lutheran Church

In Camp Hill, Pennsylvania

Cordially invite you to the

Service of Installation

For

Rev. Roger G. Keller

As Pastor of our congregation

Sunday, June 13, at 4:00 pm

St. Timothy Evangelical Lutheran Church

4200 Carlisle Pike

Camp Hill, Pennsylvania 17011



A light reception immediately following will be provided by friends and members of St. Timothy.

We look forward to celebrating with you this important day in the life and ministry of Pastor Keller and the church family of St. Timothy.

All visiting clergy are invited to join in the procession and vest using the seasonal color, green.



Holy Trinity is hosting a blood drive

On Friday, July 16, 2021

1:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Did you know...

That every 2 seconds, someone in the US needs blood

That every unit donated can save up to three lives

That type O blood is the blood that hospitals request most

That 16-year-olds can donate blood with their parent's permission

That you can donate blood every 56 days

If you are able and willing to donate
please call Karen McGovern at 267-968-5485 for an appointment.



THE CALL

The Call – A Retreat for Vocational Discernment

The Call is a retreat that is aimed at young adults who are listening for the call of the Lord and considering whether that vocation might be to full-time ministry. The weekend will include talks on what a vocation is, how to discern God's call, what formation for ministry looks like, the cultivation of the spiritual life, and participating in the mission of God. Speakers and participants come from a number of Christian Traditions and you will meet other Lutherans, Anglicans, Catholics, and Presbyterians who are discerning vocational full-time ministry, whether as ordained or lay people. There is no cost to attend the retreat, and meals for the weekend are included. For more information and to register, visit tsm.edu/thecal. **Trinity School for Ministry, Ambridge, PA 1-899-874-8754; www.tsm.edu.**



Looking forward to Summer



The Bread of Heaven female guests were surprised by a goody bag for Mother's Day, thanks to the Social Ministry committee. The bags contained a few special toiletries, yummy chocolate covered pretzels, a placemat, a potted geranium and a hand written Bible verse pertaining to motherhood. Special thanks to Nancy King Berkovitz, Rosemary Hinkle, Katie Beyer and Pastor Larry (who knows where the great deals are) for their efforts on this project.

We always try to do a little more to help families with children during the summer months. If you are shopping for Bread of Heaven, please consider donating items such as:

Powered Drink Mixes (lemonade, iced tea, Kool-aid) juice boxes or pouches, fruit cups, canned ravioli and spaghetti, granola bars, cheese and peanut butter crackers, freeze pops, pretzels, chips and popcorn in individual bags.

We use everything that you provide, but these are items that we don't often get.

Calling all gardeners: We are happy to receive any excess produce from your garden, no need to sneak zucchini onto your neighbor's porch, just drop it off for our guests. Thank you for your support of this ministry.



The Adult Christian Breakfast Fellowship

Would like to extend wholehearted thanks for the unique 2020 - 2021 season we just had!

Especially a big thanks to Charlie Tolton for help with equipment setup.



Shout out! To everyone who graciously donated their time and efforts by being a presenter and all who attended during a challenging time!

We look forward to an educational & entertaining Fall/Winter season of 2021 - 2022

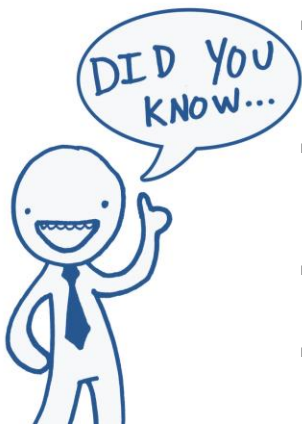
Ideas for a topic of interest? Email Allan Shikhvarg at allan.shikhvarg@gmail.com or call (215) 885 - 1772

We'd love to hear from you.

See you the second Saturday in September...

Be looking for updates in the September Echoes!

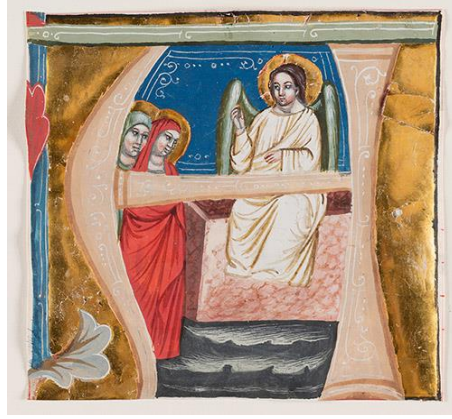
Regarding the LCW's Giant Gift Card Program...



- If you don't happen to shop at the Giant you could buy the cards to donate to the *Bread of Heaven* Food Pantry...
- Every card purchased goes to help the LCW provide scholarships for the women of Holy Trinity...
- It's easy to order (speak to Nancy Ischinger) any given Sunday...
- Card purchases are offered in any denomination...
- Now that you know why not order some...



Lutheran Church Women's Circle Bible Study



Lutheran Church Women's Circles Go Social in June

The activity year culminates for Circles in June before taking a summer break and reconvening in September. There is no topical study this month. Rather, we gather for a special lunch or dinner and enjoy our time of fellowship and socializing together. If you have not gotten to a circle yet, we invite you to select one that meshes with your schedule and come meet the ladies in a particular group. **All Circles love to welcome visitors and new members! Visiting is not a commitment.** The plans for each Circle are listed here. Please contact the designated Circle Leader if you have any questions. If you are not in a circle at this time please contact one of the circle leaders listed below. For more information about the LCW contact president, Rosemary Hinkle (215) 887 - 4954 or email her at rosemaryhinkle@comcast.net or Deb in the office at (215) 659 - 2642 or email her at secretary@holyltrinity.net

Miriam Circle - Monday, June 14 at 12:30 p.m. in SS Peter & Andrew Study

Leader: Sandy Schmidt (215) 657 - 5065 sandyschmidt19001@yahoo.com

Ruth Circle - Wednesday, June 9 at 6:30 p.m. Potluck dinner/or bring your own meal
at home of Rosemary Hinkle, 1164 Wheatsheaf Lane, Abington, PA

Leader: Nancy Necker (215) 884-2123 nnecker52@gmail.com

Eve Circle - Thursday, June 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Sharon Koch,
1304 Hiview Dr., Southampton, PA

Leader: Sue Tolton (215) 659 - 7054 suetolton@comcast.net

Hannah Circle - Sunday, June 13 at 10:30 a.m. in Bread of Heaven Café
for a year-end wrap party.

Contact: Deb Mumford (267) 210 - 1789 Debssam@msn.com

Holy Trinity' Women's Semi -Annual Collection

Women's Thank Offering

Dear Women of Holy Trinity,

*Twice a year, we ask you to provide a thank offering that you collect on your own over six months, adding to it each time you are thankful for a blessing in your life. Normally we collect these offerings in person at our semi-annual general meetings. However, **our next general meeting will be on Zoom on Tuesday, June 1, 7:00 PM. (Please mark your calendar and look for a Zoom link through church email on Thursday, May 27.***

Your Administrative Board has voted to designate the spring Thank Offering to purchase \$25 gift cards to local stores like Giant and Target for the single moms living at the Cradle of Hope in Glenside. These gifts are a huge help to the moms as they work toward educational and job goals while caring for their children.

*Please send your monetary contribution or check, made out to "Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Women" or "Holy Trinity LCW," to the office or place it in the offering in an envelope. **All envelopes need to be marked "Thank Offering for LCW Treasurer Joy Alderfer."***

May we please receive your Thank Offering by the weekend of June 18/19.



WE ARE THANKFUL FOR YOU!

Faith & Fun Event Reflections



Katie Beyer It was great! I think that it went really well. I think that even if we go away on a retreat, we should have the computer option. That way some people like Mary Jane Singley or Jane Tredinnick could still participate. You guys did a great job.

Jody Cheeseborough Thanks again for the invitation. I usually shy away from group events like that (because they go counter to my core personality), so without your nudge I probably wouldn't have attended. 😊 My most important takeaway actually related to meeting the other ladies, albeit virtually. Prior to Saturday, I'd probably had meaningful conversations with about 6 or 7 of them.

Lydia Dugan I have never been to a retreat before and I loved it. I particularly enjoyed the Bible study. I liked hearing from other LCW women about their interpretation of the passages read. I met women whom I never had any contact with prior to the retreat. I found their input invaluable. Of course, I enjoyed the Bingo game and the cell phone game. I appreciate all the effort that was required for this successful event. Many thanks to the committee and to Nancy Ischinger!

Ann Hodge I really did enjoy it. Ruth's story has always been one of my favorite stories, so I enjoyed revisiting that. With the craziness of this past year, I think I enjoyed just spending time together, even over Zoom. The goodies were yummy, too! Thanks for all of the work that went into putting it together!

Rosemary Hinkle It was so gratifying to see 27! Women online for our Faith & Fun Event. I so much appreciated the openness of the women to this medium and everyone's willingness to participate and share.

Nancy Ischinger This LCW gathering was the culmination of a unique year. What is LCW but an opportunity to gather for Bible study, socialize, and eat (chocolate). It was exciting to see so many of us willing to share the "online retreat" experience, and I was blessed by each one's presence.

Nancy Matteo I so enjoyed my morning together with everyone. The Faith and Fun Event was so well planned and the leadership brought us together to a point where everyone was comfortable in expressing their feelings and thoughts. It was moving to hear stories of how God has worked in others' lives.

Deb Mumford I must admit I went into the event not very enthusiastic as I just do not enjoy the Zoom experience. I find it impersonal and frustrating but understand that it is necessary under the unique circumstances we find ourselves. I was pleasantly surprised that it was very enjoyable and I loved hearing the other participants share their very personal journeys and stories of faith. We gain so much wisdom and strength when we share with others and that was, for me, a wonderful takeaway from this event.

Audrey Ruddy I enjoyed seeing all these wonderful people and the ways in which God had aided them. I was a person who had never been to a retreat. I am still learning Zoom. Loads of wonderful ladies on Zoom this morning. Was nice to see people as I have been in the house for a year avoiding Covid.

SIGNIFICANT and IMPORTANT things I took from the ladies' event today---

- 1) Meaningful Quote of the session---God does his best work when we are in need.
- 2) Prayers are the opposite of worry.
- 3) God never quits!!
- 4) The lessons' meaning of HUMBLE.
- 5) Just to see and hear from friends

Fun morning-- thank you.

Donna Zar I must confess. When I heard we were doing a Zoom retreat, I was not overjoyed. I Zoom 30 hours a week and I have had my fill. But I should NEVER have doubted for a minute. You both did a FANTASTIC job. I loved seeing friends and meeting new ones! (Nancy, your Mom must miss her sister so much. Claire seems wonderful.)

There was the perfect balance of Bible study, discussion, and fun time. The topics were perfect. I came away with new ways to look at things that I know will help me every day.

Thank you so much for all of your hard work in making such a meaningful and much needed retreat. The only thing missing was the hugs! I got the rejuvenation that I so needed.

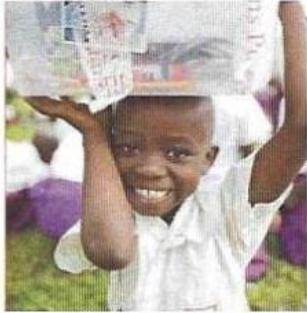
**A HUGE THANK YOU to Nancy Ischinger
who spent hours lovingly preparing this morning retreat.
It would not and could not have happened without her!**



Announcing the Women's Retreat for 2022

Please reserve the weekend of April 1-3, 2022.
We plan to return to our favorite retreat facility,
Mother Boniface in Northeast Philadelphia.

Summer Fun Pack Shoe Boxes for Children Around the World



Have fun filling shoe boxes with School Supplies, Toiletries (soap, wash cloth, toothbrush), Toys, Stuffed Animals/Dolls, Accessories (jewelry, gloves, scarves, socks, t-shirts). You can make a difference in the lives of children and their families by being the hands and feet of Jesus. These children have suffered war, famine, disasters, and/or poverty. You can be the first to give them a gift in their entire lifetime! The children will also receive the Gospel story presented in their heart language with culturally appropriate pictures.

Boxes will be available in the narthex for you to take and fill.

You may also pack your own shoe boxes but please NO PLASTIC containers UNLESS they are the green & red plastic shoe boxes from Samaritan's Purse. Also NO boot boxes. Please think the size of a typical shoe box.

Some No-No's

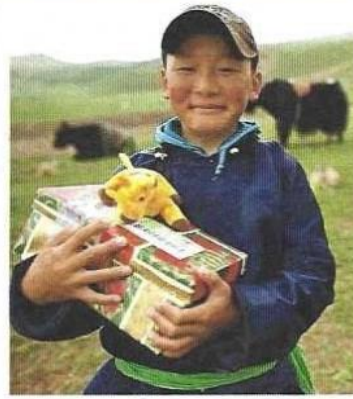
No food/candy, toothpaste, or anything that is a liquid, such as lotions, balls containing liquids, nail polish, etc.
No war toys.

Good Places to Shop for Deals

Jane's Cottage @ 1771 Old York Road, Abington
Dollar Stores ~ Michael's (lots of kids' crafts)
Target dollar section
And watch for those mid & late summer sales!



Be sure to take an Operation Christmas Child brochure from the narthex to guide your packing.
And invite friends & family to participate!
Remember, each box represents a child and an opportunity for that child and family to know Jesus.



Need for Boxes 10-14 Year-Old Boys

This age group receives the fewest contributions, in part because many people have trouble with ideas for this age. If you choose to pack boxes for these boys, here are some ideas:

* Soccer Ball & Pump with Inflation Needle * Absolute Favorite!

\$5 backpacks from Five Below folded in thirds
 Ball cap or visor
 Definitely a ball!
 Ruler, eraser, glue stick, scotch tape, scissors
 Marbles, Glo sticks, fold-up Frisbees, yoyo
 Puzzles, Lego or K-Nex kits
 Coloring books, maze books
 Vehicles like remote control cars
 Nail clippers, Band-Aids, chap sticks, tissue pack, comb

Flashlight—crank or with 2 sets of batteries
 Notebook or pad of paper (5" x 8")
 Pencils, sharpener, pens crayons/colored
 Calculator preferably solar
 Mini hammer, screw driver set, etc.
 Socks, gloves
 Stuffed animal: tiger, lion, dog, etc.
 Soap, toothbrush, washcloth, sports towel

Also Need More Boxes for 2-4-Year-Olds

small stuffed animal, doll
 tiny purses & barrettes, hairbands/ties
 size 4T/4 T-shirts; socks & gloves
 child's toothbrush
 decorative Band-Aids
 stickers
 5"x8" pad of construction paper and/or
 plain paper

puzzles, cars & trucks (age appropriate)
 ball, spinning tops, balloons
 puppet washcloths, soap,
 coloring books & crayons
 child sunglasses
 musical toys
 child scissors





2021 Vacation Bible School

Yes, it's that time of year again.

Spring has sprung & summer is not far off.

With that in mind, we are beginning to plan this year's VBS.

Our theme for VBS 2021 is **"God's Wonder Lab- Jesus Does the Impossible"**

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 Nancy Ischinger at 267-803-1384 or email at nancymaesch@yahoo.com.

VBS Dates: August 2nd to August 6th 9:00 AM 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 areas I have marked below.

___ Pre-School teacher/helper

___ Bible Story Center leader/helper.

___ Kindergarten teacher/helper

___ Game center leader/helper

___ Art Center teacher/ helper

___ Group Guide

___ Snack Center helper

All volunteers over the age of 18, will need to provide a copy of their PA state clearances in order to volunteer

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STUDENT'S NAME: _____

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The 4th Annual Water Mission 5K is underway!
Saturday, August 7
8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

There are 4 ways you can get involved:

1. Run or Walk:

Challenge yourself in a 5K run or take a leisurely 1 mile walk visit our webpage <https://www.runtheday.com/register/detail/water-mission-5k-2021> and sign up or just visit www.runtheday.com and search for 'water mission' then follow the prompts to sign up!

2. Donate:

If you would like to donate visit our webpage (see above)

3. Become a Race-day Volunteer:

We need plenty of folks to help out on the day of the run.

You can assist with registration, help set up the course, direct runners/walkers there is a **sign-up sheet in the Narthex**. Please keep in mind the sign-up sheet is for volunteers only. Runners/walkers must register on the website www.runtheday.com

4. Sponsorship:

Please consider taking the sponsorship sheets in the Narthex to ask interested individuals or companies in becoming official race sponsors. Each sponsor gets their name on the t-shirt as well as thanked (profusely) on the day of the run!

Thank you and we are looking forward to an amazing event!

Questions please reach out to **Tom Schied (215) 820-2178** or tschied63@gmail.com



June Worship Assistants Schedule



June 6

Usher 3

Lectors -- Sat Linda Cassady

Communion Assistants

Tony Quici
Suzanne Brown

Stream Team Alyson Kuenstner

Sun Matthew Gregg

June 13

Usher 4

Lectors -- Sat Nancy Berkovitz

Communion Assistants

Sherry Breslin
Eric Gregg

Stream Team Ryan Schied

Sun Suzanne Brown

June 20

Usher 5

Lectors -- Sat Karen McGovern

Communion Assistants

Otis Bricker
Tom Schied

Stream Team Charlie Tolton

Sun Sherri Gregg

June 27

Usher 1

Lectors -- Sat Linda Cassady

Communion Assistants

Linda Borkowski
John Minges


Stream Team Hannah Mumford

Sun 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 contact the office (215)659-2642 or email Deb at secretary@holytrinity.net

Called to *Serve*

JUNE 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
"As soon as they put forth leaves, you see it and know for yourselves that summer is now near." Luke 21:30		1	2 7:30 Council	3 10:00 Bread of Heaven	4	5 10 - 12 Saving Soles 5:00 Holy Communion
6 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Adult SS	7 7:30 Women's Prayer Group	8	9 2 PM Smith/Adams wedding 6:30 Ruth Circle at home of Rosemary Hinkle	10 10:00 Bread of Heaven	11	12 5:00 Holy Communion
13 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Adult SS 10:30 Hannah Circle in Café	14 12:30 Miriam Circle  FLAG DAY	15	16	17 10:00 Bread of Heaven 6:30 Eve Circle at home of Sharon Koch	18	19 5:00 Holy Communion
20 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Adult SS HAPPY FATHER'S DAY & HAPPY 1ST DAY OF SUMMER  	21	22	23	24 10:00 Bread of Heaven St. John the Baptist 	25	26 5:00 Holy Communion
27 9:00 Holy Communion 10:30 Adult SS	28	29	30			

SPECIAL DATES:

- *Flag Day, June 14, 2021
- *Father's Day, June 20, 2021
- *First day of summer, June 20, 2021
- *Saint John the Baptist, June 24, 2021