

Trinity Tidings

An Inviting Community Following Christ For Life

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Because Christ Lives!

But God raised Jesus up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power.

Acts of the Apostles 2:24

"I don't know how people get through something like this without the Lord!" It is a phrase often said to me when a person is facing those moments in life that bring sadness or confusion or pain. The wonder is not that people get through with God's help, rather it is wonder that anyone can face the sufferings of this world without knowing the presence of the Lord.

I was recently reminded of a hymn that was commonly sung throughout my childhood and youth. Gloria and Bill Gaither wrote "Because He Lives" fifty years ago, The chorus of the song says: "Because He [Christ] lives, I can face tomorrow; because He lives, all fear is gone; because I know He holds the future, and life is worth the living, just because He lives."

A few months ago, Gloria Gaither was asked about the writing of the song and said, "I am still surprised that the song had such universal appeal . . . It was so personal, I thought it might be just for us. It was the end of the '60s when it seemed the whole world was falling apart. In such a chaotic time, we were expecting our third baby. During this pregnancy Bill and I asked ourselves who would bring a baby into a world like this? It was easy to feel fearful for his future. But when Benjy was born and the nurse laid that little guy in our arms, it was an 'a-ha moment' of sorts. We came to realize that we don't get married, make a home, have babies and go about our lives because the world is stable. When has it ever been stable? We live our lives with confidence because the Resurrection is true. We held our son and said, 'We can do this. We can raise this child in this unstable world because of the power of life. Life wins! And because our Lord is alive, we can trust Him with our future.' Honestly, it was a song we wrote for us."

As we move to the joys of Easter, in yet another time of chaos and grave uncertainty, we will again celebrate the power of God's love; a love so great that even death cannot stop it. The resurrection of the incarnate Son of God does not end with Jesus being raised from the dead; instead, his resurrection is the beginning of the story of our resurrection. of our resurrection. We gather in Easter hope because of what has happened in Jesus of Nazareth, and because we are assured that God is not locked in the past of some deathly tomb, but lives with us here and now. Because the power of death could not possibly hold the Lord Jesus, we now experience his presence with us in our lives, in our time.

During this Easter season, I hope you will be a part of what is happening at Trinity and experience with us the strength that is found in the One who is our resurrection hope. God has raised Christ and in his Resurrection, we are being raised to new life right now! Because He lives, we have hope for today and reason to always be...

Hoping Big, Gregory



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News & Notes

In Memoriam

George Edwin Erwin

United with Trinity November 16, 1958; Died February 3, 2022

Sympathies

We express our sympathies to Janet Cohen and family on the death of her mother, Helen Heilshorn.

We express our sympathies to Cathy Martin on the death of her sister.



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Session Update

- At its stated meeting on March 2, 2022 the Session:
- Discussed Camp Johnsonburg's 2022 Capital Campaign
- Approved three new members: Roseanne Frielink, James Lam, and Marilyn Johnson
- Welcomed Rev. John Fordyce (HR) from the Presbyterian Commission on Preparation for Ministry regarding Trinity's role in supporting Katie Carboni as she enters seminary.
- Reviewed and approved the revised Trinity bylaws. Congregational approval is pending.
- Discussed the upcoming Prayer Vigil
- Approved joining the Preserve Barclay Farms group as they negotiate impact of proposed Wawa in the Barclay Farms Shopping Center
- Reviewed Trinity's January Financial Report
- Shared prayer concerns and closed in prayer



*Trinity invites you to join us
for
worship, prayer & music during the
Lenten Season*



Wednesday, March 2	Ash Wednesday 12:30 pm service 7:00 pm service
Wednesday, March 9	12:30 pm- Lenten Concert Series- Sanctuary Christopher Shin, piano—Young Artist Feature
Friday, March 11	7:30 pm- TCCS Concert, <i>Barbone Street Jazz Band</i>
Wednesday, March 16	12:30 pm- Lenten Concert Series- Sanctuary Jimmy Boyle, trumpet with Reed Bodenstein, piano
Sunday, March 20	9:30 am- Don't Rock the Ark! by Mary Donnelly and George L.O. Strid, <i>The story of Noah's ark presented by Trinity's Children's Choirs</i>
Wednesday, March 23	12:30 pm- Lenten Concert Series- Sanctuary Cindy Vidal, harp
Wednesday, March 30	12:30pm- Lenten Concert Series- Sanctuary Sharon Neff, soprano with Diane Goldsmith, piano
Wednesday, April 6	12:30pm- Lenten Concert Series- Sanctuary Erik Meyer, organ
Saturday, April 9	9:00 am - 9:00 pm; Day of Prayer: 12 Hour Prayer Vigil @ Trinity
Sunday, April 10	9:30am- Palm Sunday Worship 9:30am- Palm Sunday Family Worship & Celebration to follow immediately after the children sing in worship
Thursday, April 14	7:30pm- Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Communion Service
Sunday, April 17	9:30 am- Easter Sunday Worship <i>Choir, bells, brass and organ</i>

1 Peter 1:3

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.*

Lenten Concert Series

Wednesdays at 12:30pm

Admission—freewill donation

Please Join Us for a 1/2 hour concert in the SANCTUARY

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Trinity's Music News



YOU CAN MAKE MUSIC AT TRINITY!



Adult Choir Rehearsal

Wednesdays at 7:30 pm

Adult Bell Rehearsal

Wednesdays at 6:45pm

Children's Rehearsals

Cherub Choir – Pre-K and Kindergarten;

Thursday 4:30-5:00pm

Carol Choir – 1st and 2nd grade;

Thursday 5:00-5:30pm

Team Choir – 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade;

Thursday 5:30-6:00pm

Team Bells – 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade; Thursday 6:00-6:30pm



Youth Rehearsals

Youth Choir – 6th -12th grade; Sundays 10:45am-11:15am

Youth Bell Ensemble 6th -12th grade; Sundays 11:15am-11:45am

Youth Instrumental Ensemble 6th -12th grade;

Rehearsal Dates to be Announced

Trinity Band and

Mahalo Ukulele Band

Rehearsal Dates to be Announced



Please call the church office at 428-2050 or e-mail Lisa Marcelli,
Director of Music, at lisa.marcelli@trinpres.org for more
information.

Children's Spring Musical

Don't Rock the Ark!



A Big Hearty Thanks to Ada Badskey, Noah Mackerer, Alexandra Nieradka, Abby Peelman, Lily Powell, Ronel Rajan, Lela Badskey, Rhett Clark, Madelyn D'Amico, Zaine Keagle, Aubrey Nieradka, Steven Oster, Nora Ronciscnske, Paige Powell, Celina Albert, Nathan Bandi, Ryan Bui, Grace Burgess, Nicole Charles, Keira Hobbs, Tyler Hobbs, Henry Kain, Milo Kain, Braydon Mast, Landon Mast, Justin Odille, Jacob Peelman, Alaynna Strobel, Logan Watson, Madison Oster, Brian Kain, Julia Wilson, Sean Desjardins, Adam Crognale, Jennifer Bean, Rich Fletcher, Italia Kain, Karen Kain, Music Program Support Team, TPT, Burt Bowen, Mike McBride, Joe Azevedo, Tolga Ebiri, Audrey Azevedo, Pam Dougherty, Bonnie Jones, Jen Peelman and Bridget Boyle.



Children's Ministries



Our Church School continues to engage our children in different types of worship each week. On March 6th our school age children made cards for our congregation that are not able to attend church in person. The children always have a lesson before they participate in the Mission Project, and they thoroughly enjoy doing something that will bring joy to others. On March 13 Pastor Sarah had our “family” service in the Community Room with parents and children hearing a lesson and then during a craft. On March 20, there was no Church School because the children participated in the Children’s Musical, which was as always **wonderful**.

This way of having our program with different activities each week in the month, seems to be well received by both children and parents. We look forward to exciting activities planned for the Spring.

On April 3rd, our school age children will again participate in a **Mission Project**. April’s project will be making centerpieces for the Cathedral Kitchen, since Cathedral Kitchen’s dining room is now open.

On April 10 will be the **Family Service**. After the children sing in church, they will head to the Community Room with their parents, grandparents, or adult relatives. Representatives from Cradle of Abundance will come speak to the families about life in the Congo and share crafts that they are working on.

Save-the-Date:

May 15th, the SUNDAY FUN DAY is back! More details to follow.

If you have any questions about our Church School program or would like more information you can contact Rev. Craven, at sarah.craven@trinpres.org or Nancy Roberts at nancyroberts2202@yahoo.com.

Care ‘n Share

CARE ‘N SHARE is open with spring clothing for the whole family! We have housewares, books & toys & Easter decor.

Our hours are Tuesdays, Thursdays & the “first Saturday” of the month from 10-1. Donations of clothing (spring/summer only) can be brought in during those hours as well as Sunday mornings after the Worship service.



Care ‘n Share

Thanks for all the quality items that are donated to Care ‘n Share.

Mixers and Mission

In March our youth gathered together for a time of fellowship, fun, and mission once again. This month we worked in pairs to make fleece blankets to be given to children who are in need or sick.

We are looking forward to our last Mixer and Mission for the year in April, the annual Scavenger Hunt!



Welcome New Members!

Trinity welcomed nine new members in November. Get to know five of them in this month's New Member Biographies! (More bios to come in next month's *Tidings*!)



Brian Foley

Brian Foley began attending Trinity several years ago with Trinity member Jenny Leitinger, to whom he is now engaged. Brian was born and raised in Philadelphia and moved to Mount Laurel in 2019. He is the Associate Director of the Fox Executive DBA (Doctoral) Program at Temple University.

Brian is a volunteer docent at the Philadelphia Zoo and has many interesting animal stories to share. He is also an avid skeeball player. "Trinity has always been a welcoming spiritual home for me," Brian said.

(Photo – Brian Foley with Jenny, Abby, and Ethan Leitinger)

Steve and Veronica Oster

Steve and Veronica Oster are both from South Philadelphia. They lived near the stadium district and enjoyed walking to many Phillies, Eagles, 76ers, and Flyers games while growing up. They knew each other through mutual friends but did not start dating until Spring of 2006.

They moved to Cherry Hill when they got married 14 years ago and moved to their current neighborhood in Old Orchard in 2015.

Steve is a Professional Services Manager at CDW Corporation and Veronica is a homemaker. She previously worked as the Admissions Director at her former high school in Philadelphia (Neumann-Goretti High School).



Steve and Veronica have two children, Madison and Steven, who attend Sharp Elementary School and who participate in the children's choir program. (Madison was the lovely ballerina in the recent children's musical!) Both children attended Trinity's Nursery School program. "We fell in love with the school and the community, so we decided to join the church as well," Veronica said.

The Osters also have two dogs, Lucy and Chase. They are Philadelphia Sports fans and enjoy vacations at the Jersey Shore. Their kids keep them busy with their variety of activities and talents in both dance and sports.

Jim and Donna Wasik



Originally from Berks County, PA the Jim and Donna Wasik have lived in Cherry Hill (Wexford East) with their daughter, Liz, for 30 years. Jim's son, Bill, lives in West Virginia and his daughter, Tere, and most of their extended family continue to reside in the Reading area. Most recently, great grandchildren, Allen "AJ" Price, 20 months old, and Alina Price, 3 months old, have joined the family.

An Army veteran, Jim is a proud graduate of Albright College, and received his MBA from Shippensburg University. His career as a corporate accountant included time with the Reading Brewing Company and Elf Atochem (formerly Rilsan Corporation). Jim retired from Elf in 2001 as a systems analyst in a career that allowed him to experience the evolution of technology from slide rules to implement-

ing SAP software. With the realization that retirement can be boring, Jim enjoyed several years serving as a substitute teacher at Rosa Middle School.

Donna graduated from Kutztown State College and received her MSS from Bryn Mawr. Donna retired in November 2021 after a nearly 50-year career as a social worker. Embracing her role as a child advocate, Donna had the privilege of working in diverse settings including the Camden County Prosecutor's Office, NJ Government, and for the past 20 years at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Donna has also mentored new social workers embarking on their careers by serving as a field instructor for the University of Pennsylvania and Rutgers U. While at CHOP, Donna received much joy serving as a liaison to and residential counselor at summer camps for children diagnosed with chronic medical problems and cancer.

Throughout their 41-year marriage, Donna and Jim have been blessed to serve in their prior Presbyterian congregations as Deacons, Elders, choir members, Church Treasurer (Jim), and Choir Mom and Mission Trip volunteer (Donna).

Jim and Donna were drawn to Trinity through its welcoming inclusive community and Pastor Greg's caring, Christ-centered sermons, and "Hoping Big." They both look forward to more opportunities to serve and fellowship in the Trinity Community of Faith.

A Warm Welcome to All Our New Members!

Do you know someone who is searching for a church home? Invite them to join you for worship in our sanctuary or to watch our livestreamed service. Young families are welcome to take part in Family Worship in the Community Room on the second Sunday of the month. We'll be holding a New Member Information Session later this spring. Call the church office or email Susan at sbastnagel@gmail.com for more details.

Day of Prayer



Saturday, April 9, 9am-9pm

Help create 12 hours of continuous prayer by signing up for an hour of prayer.

*You can sign-up during Coffee Hour or
call the church office to until April 7th at 856-428-2050.*

*If you would like to participate at home a
guide will be sent via email.*



**American
Red Cross**

Trinity Presbyterian Church Community Blood Drive

Monday, 04/25/2022
2:00 PM to 7:00 PM

To make an appointment, please visit our website, trinpres.org

PW April Circles

MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2022

Deborah Circle 1pm Witherspoon Bldg
Circle Moderator: Doris Sapp

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2022

Miriam Circle 9:30am Ante Room
Circle Moderator: Carolyn Kramer

MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2022

Priscilla Circle 1pm Zoom meeting
Circle Moderator: Jenny Stark Carboni

Ruth Circle 7pm Linda Thorpe's home
Circle Moderators: Sue Bastnagel & Nancy Roberts

TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2022

Shiphrah Circle 7pm Community Room
Circle Moderators: Patti Baechler & Sue Nork

Rebekah Circle 7pm Zoom Meeting
Circle Moderator: Michel Strobel

SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 2022

Esther Circle, meeting after church service, in Witherspoon Bldg
Circle Moderator: Linda Craven



Whole Life Giving Committee

The Whole Life Giving Committee (WLGC) was formed to help our congregation members think, pray and plan for the future of Trinity. Trinity is your spiritual home – and so much more. It's the place where children have been baptized, youth have come to know Christ, where couples began a new life together. It's where community members gather for meals, collect food to take to those in need, and find support in good and bad times.

You can bless your church, its many ministries to the community and the generations of Christians who follow you with a gift to your church in your estate. And it doesn't have to be that complicated.

You can leave a gift to your church in the following ways:

- A bequest in your will
- Retirement plan beneficiary
- Life insurance beneficiary
- Proceeds from the sale of real estate or property
- Other ways that suit your situation

The Whole Life Giving Committee looks forward to helping all who are interested in thinking, praying and planning about making a gift to the future of our congregation's ministry.

Adopt a Plot Mission 2022

Calling all Gardeners!

Last fall at Rally Day ten individuals and families signed up to adopt a plot around the church property. We are grateful for their help and commitment. There are still ten plots available of varying sizes. All that is asked of the gardeners is that you attend to any weeds and trash that may accumulate in your plot at least once per month whenever you can fit it into your schedule. The Property and Buildings Committee takes care of lawncare, mulching and some of the more involved trimming of shrubbery. If you are interested in “adopting” one of these plots for the coming growing season please contact Dave Wean at davebwean@gmail.com to see which plots are available and how you can help. I’m sure you will find this a rewarding experience and another chance to support Trinity. Thank you for your consideration.



Easter Bake Sale!



Bake, Buy or Donate! PW is hosting an **Easter Bake Sale on Sunday, April 17 in Fellowship Hall**. There will be a variety of desserts and cookies to purchase donated by our talented bakers. Stop by to pick up Easter Treats. All proceeds will benefit the PW scholarship fund to provide assistance to our member who travel to the PW National Triennium. If you would like to donate baked items, contact Carolyn at CarolynHKramer@comcast.net.

Holy Week

IN-PERSON & VIRTUAL SERVICES



Palm Sunday, April 10, 9:30am



Maundy Thursday, April 14, 7:30pm



Easter Sunday, April 17, 9:30am

Stay Connected!



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Ways of Connecting with Trinity

Virtual Worship– Check our website every Sunday for our Virtual Worship services.

Phone Calls & Email– We are here for you! Call or email the Church Office, Monday-Thursday, 9am-4pm. Pastors will also be making calls and reaching out to you.

Website– Visit our website to stay up-to-date with all happenings at Trinity, the scrolling web banner at the top of the page will link you to our most important information.

Eblasts– Check your inbox (and spam folders) for up-to-date Trinity news.

Facebook– Our Facebook site will also keep you informed. This is also where you can post comments and share photos!

YouTube Videos– Check out our Virtual Worship videos but also videos of past musical performances and congregants sharing what makes Trinity such a great place to worship!

Instagram– Trinity now has an Instagram page! Follow us in this new venture on Instagram at [@trinpres](https://www.instagram.com/trinpres).

Prayer Wall– Do you know you can post prayer requests to our website? Simply click the connect tab on the top of our webpage. Then click prayer request to type and submit a prayer.

Zoom Groups– Many groups at Trinity are connecting through zoom– it's like a giant FaceTime session for a whole group of people! It can be done through a computer or phone– check with your group leaders to see if they are offering this.

Please check with your group leaders to see if any Trinity groups will be meeting online or in-person in April



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Next Tidings deadline is April 15th for May Issue



In-Person
& Virtual
Worship:

Sundays,
9:30am