

Trinity Tidings

An Inviting Community Following Christ For Life

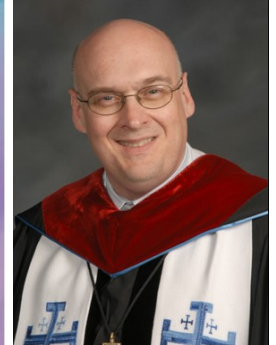
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Christ is risen
Alleluia!

*Thine is the glory
Risen conquering Son!
Endless is the victory
Thou o'er death hast won.*

Edmond Budry (1854-1932), Swiss pastor and hymn-writer



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C. Faulkner

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Craven

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Session Update

At its stated meeting on March 1, 2021 the Session:

- **Approved** the baptism of Zoey Elizabeth Alexander, daughter of Julie Teixeira and Ryan Alexander.
- **Approved** the adult baptism of Matthew George Valosen.
- **Approved** the Member Count of 651.
- Reviewed and **approved** Trinity's 2020 Statistical Report.
- Installed new elders: Audrey Azevedo, Jennifer Dukelow and Beth Gammie.
- Thanked outgoing elders: Larry Miller, Kim Windt, and Barbara Wilson.
- Learned that on March 16th the Presbytery of West Jersey will be celebrated and dissolved and the new Presbytery For Southern New Jersey will have its first meeting.
- Reviewed Trinity's January financial information
- Approved renovations of new video control area in the balcony and additional equipment.
- Approved start of outdoor worship on April 11th in the early evening and every other Sunday.
- Shared prayer concerns and celebrations.



Session of Elders

Clerk of Session

Jenny Stark

Adult Ministries

Larry Miller

Children's Ministries

Gary Naumick

Finance & Stewardship

Brad Ritchie

Membership

Susan Bastnagel

Mission & Outreach

Eric Waraas

Personnel

John Young

Property & Buildings

Rick Fletcher

Worship & Music

Steve Talbott

Youth Ministries

Tracy Miller

Strategy Committee

John Young

Deacons

Moderator of Deacons

Doug Nork

Committee Chairs

Assistance

Pete Desjardins,

Trudie Levins

Fellowship

Cindy Mailahn

Service

Randy Southworth

Visitation

Deepa Albert

New & Notes

In Memoriam:

Jeanette Zerbe

United with Trinity January 26, 1958; Died March 28, 2021

Sympathies:

We extend our sympathies to *Pete and Sheri Desjardins and family* on the death of Pete's sister-in-law, *Serina Desjardins*.

Baptisms:

We rejoice on the occasion of the following baptism:

Zoey Elizabeth Alexander, baptized 14th
daughter of Julie Teixeira and Ryan Alexander

We rejoice on the occasion of the following baptism:

Mr. Matt Valosen, baptized March 21st

Congratulations:

Congratulations to *Kurt and Willemijn Don-Goetz and big brother, Lucas* on the birth of their daughter, *Carissa Willemina Goetz born on March 22*.

Children's & Youth Ministries

During Lent, Pastor Sarah and Lisa Marcelli have provided our children with a high-energy video every week, featuring craft and music. The Children's Ministries Committee thanks Susan Bastnagel for her work in helping to edit the videos.

On Easter Sunday we will not have a live Sunday School meeting, but gather May 2nd for our last live Zoom meeting of the program year.

The Zoom invitation and video links will be sent through email, so make sure we have your up-to-date email so you don't miss out on all the fun! Any questions? Reach out to Pastor Sarah at sarah.craven@trinpres.org

Coming in May ... we hope to have an in-person outdoor activity to celebrate the end of the Church School year.... Stay tuned for more details.

Fellowship Group

Next Meeting is Sunday, April 25 at 1pm



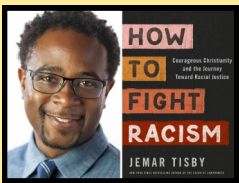
Looking to join a small group for study and fellowship? We hope you can join the **Fellowship Group** as we continue a DVD study of Christian practices. No preparation is needed. Just show up as you are. We meet monthly, usually on the third Sunday, at 1:00 pm. All studies will be via Zoom. Questions? If you want a link to the Zoom meeting contact: Jenny Stark at 609-680-6090.

Town Hall on Race : *Racial Disparity During the Pandemic*

Please join us on **Sunday, April 18, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.** as we consider the impact of racial inequity during the COVID-19 pandemic. Panelists include Dr Kwasi Manu, Dr. Meghan Craven and Dupal Patel Willoughby, Facilitated by Rev. Faulkner.

Watch your email the week leading up to the meeting or visit or website that Sunday for the zoom link.

Coming in May: Trinity Book Discussion



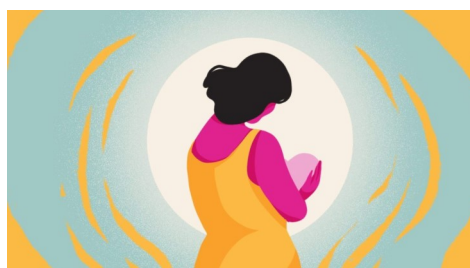
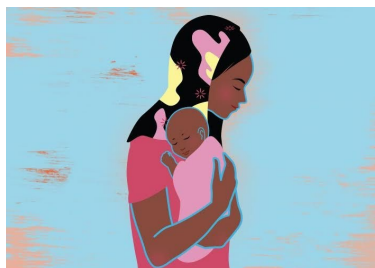
How to Fight Racism, by Jemar Tisby.

Trinity Library

The library is still here! We have been in and cleaned everything up, put out new books that have been purchased for you, sifted through the card catalog to make it more user friendly, and put up some new decorations! We've also gone through all of the books we have on the shelves and made room for new ones. The committee is hoping the church opens soon and that you can see all that has been done to prepare for you. As always, we take donations and suggestions at any time.

Our group is small but mighty and we'd love to have you join us! If interested, please email Michele Strobel at kndlkail@comcast.net or call 856-649-4087.

COLLECTION FOR MOTHERS MATTER AT TRINITY CONTACT-FREE DELIVERY



It's that time of year again! Time to collect health and beauty items for the Mother's Day gift basket project sponsored by the Lauren Rose Albert Foundation (LRAF). **Mothers Matter** assembles gift packages filled with women's health and beauty care products and then distributes them to women facing difficult challenges. Packages are delivered to women's shelters, children's pediatric hospital wards and centers, day care centers and other facilities. Each gift carries the message that "Mothers Matter" and for many, this is their only Mother's Day present.

Here are the items that can be donated: **shampoo & conditioner, body lotion, body wash/gel, nail polish, eye shadow, lipstick.** The products need to be new and unopened (**no sample sizes except Bath & Body Works Products of any size**).

April collection dates: April 1st, 15th, and 29th. No contact drop-off in front of Witherspoon Building from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm on Mission Thursdays.

Thank you for your generosity! Any questions, please contact Jan Caffrey at (856) 667-3687 or jancaff@verizon.net.

PW Virtual Circle Meeting for April

WEDNESDAY, April 14, 2021

MIRIAM Circle 9:30am

circle leaders: Pam Dougherty & Smita Simpatico

MONDAY, April 19, 2021

DEBORAH Circle 1pm

RUTH Circle 7pm

circle leader: Doris Sapp
circle leaders: Susan Bastnagel & Nancy Roberts

TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2021

REBEKAH Circle 7pm

SHIPRAH Circle 7pm

circle leader: Louisa Coffin-Tilsner
circle leaders: Sue Nork & Patti Baechler

SUNDAY, APRIL 25, 2021

ESTHER Circle 11:00 am

circle leader: Linda Craven

MONDAY, APRIL 26, 2021

PRISCILLA Circle 1pm

circle leader: Jenny Stark Carboni



Presbyterian Women Honorary Life Membership Award

On Gifts of Women Sunday, Louisa Coffine-Tilsner, a very special woman at Trinity, was chosen to receive the Presbyterian Women Honorary Life Membership Award this year. This award was established early last century in the Presbyterian Church to honor an individual's faithful service to the church women's organization and also to the church. The Honorary Life Membership is represented by a silver membership pin that was presented to Louisa along with a personalized certificate. The Honorary Life Membership symbolizes values held dear by Presbyterian women. Here are just a few ways in which Louisa has shown her dedication to PW, Trinity, and to the community - She has been Rebecca Circle Moderator for many years, is currently on the PW Programs Committee, holds the office as Treasurer on the West Jersey Presbytery PW, and has served as a Deacon. She also is a founding member of the Mothers Matters Project and serves on its board, and has worked in the Cherry Hill School System for many years. Louisa is a kind and caring wife, mother, daughter and sister. A true Presbyterian Woman of faith and strength!

Louisa Coffin-Tilsner expressed her sentiments to all by writing this beautiful poem:

March 7, 2021, a Trinity woman, an honor to receive.
The best recipient this year, much deserved, I believe.
I thought about it, wondering who it would be.
I needed to get to the service online, just to see.
Tom, running up the steps, to make sure I was online.
In the kitchen getting muffins from the oven; I was fine.
After the first sentence was read, I realized it was me.
All my "accomplishments" for the congregation to see.
Hearing my biography of service read aloud was surreal.
I have worked serving quietly, my efforts to conceal.
Before the service was over, my doorbell did ring.
My heart was becoming full and beginning to sing!
There stood Carolyn with her mask, flowers and a pin.
And then, to go to coffee hour and see my next of kin!
Confused and overwhelmed with the focus on me.
The center of attention is not where I like to be.
Thank you for noticing, I will continue to serve.
Bringing smiles to those in need and those who deserve.
I will wear my special PW Honorary Lifetime pin with pride.
This recognition brought tears to my eyes; I almost cried.
Thank you for all the cards, texts, emails and posts.
I appreciate your kind words, I am not one to boast.
My soul has been more than magnified to the Lord!
He has planned great things for my future, my heart has soared!



In his name, I have been blessed. Stay well my friends. - Louisa

PW Circle of the Month for April: Rebekah

This month we celebrate the women of Rebekah Circle. With April showers ahead, we look to this diverse group of women who help our church missions grow.

Rebekah Circle members are active in all areas of our lives at Trinity. From missions within and without, you can bet that one of these giving women is leading or serving or coordinating or cooking. They enjoy their times together and we are sure they are ready to get on with their work and study when it is safe to do so.

Please reach out to these ladies and let them know you appreciate all they do for others.



BE THE LIFELINE PATIENTS NEED.

Give blood.



Trinity Presbyterian Church

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Monday, April 26th
2:00pm-7:00pm

499 E Route 70
Cherry Hill, NJ

Appointments are preferred.

MAKE AN APPOINTMENT ONLINE:

Sign up at www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code:

Trinity Presbyterian

Save time on the day of the donation and visit
www.redcrossblood.org/rapidpass

Don't forget to **HYDRATE** and please **remember your ID.**

Thank you for giving to this important cause!

Have You Noticed Our New Chancel Banners?

New banners were hung in the chancel a few weeks ago and our members are delighted to see them! They've added beautiful color and interest to the plain chancel walls, and we were asked to tell everyone a little more about them. There are 8 banners in total, 4 on each side of the chancel, and each representing a different symbol of Christianity.



On the pulpit side of the chancel, the symbols are:

Communion—The bread represents the body of Christ being sacrificed for our sins, and the cup is the cup of salvation we receive through his blood shed for us.

Cross—The Cross is the principal symbol of the Christian religion, recalling the Crucifixion of Jesus Christ and the redeeming benefits of his Passion and death. The empty Cross reminds us of the empty Tomb and so also points to Christ's victory over death.

Baptism—The scallop shell has long symbolized the Sacrament of Baptism, since a shell is often used to pour water over the head of the person being baptized. It signifies the presence of the Holy Spirit at the baptism of Christ and, more significantly, the continuing action of the Holy Spirit in the baptism of believers.

Dove—One of the most enduring symbols in Christianity, a descending dove symbolizes the Holy Spirit as related in the story of Jesus' baptism. It's also a general symbol for peace, purity, and new beginnings.



On the lectern side of the chancel, the symbols are:

Star of Bethlehem—Or Christmas Star, appears in the nativity story in the Gospel of Matthew, which guides the Magi to Jesus' Bethlehem birthplace, where they worship him and give him their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Chi Rho—A Christian monogram and symbol formed from the first two letters, X and P, of the Greek word for Christ.

Crown—In addition to being a symbol for literal kingship and for God's favor, crowns also represent the eternal rewards for those who serve as God's ambassadors.

Alpha & Omega—the beginning and the end. Jesus himself proclaims that he is the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.

We're very happy that the new banners are enhancing your worship experience, and we look forward to the day when everyone can see them in person!



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Next Tidings deadline is April 15th for May Issue



Holy Week

Holy Week Services

Please Join Us for Virtual Worship

Maundy Thursday: April, 1, 2021,
7:30pm

Easter Sunday: April 4, 2021
9:30am