

Trinity Tidings

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Sing to the Lord a New Song

O sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth. Sing to the LORD, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples. For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised!

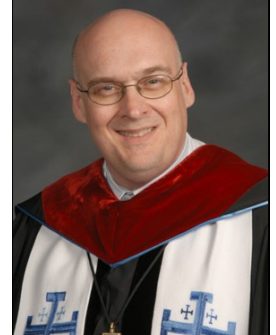
Psalm 96:1-4

The call to sing God's praises echoes throughout Holy Scripture and nowhere is that more true, than in the Book of Psalms. The Psalms were the hymns of ancient Israel and continue to be the core of the prayer of Jews around the world. The Psalms have been sung by the followers of Jesus since the days when the Lord sang them with the twelve Apostles. Singing to the Lord, declaring God's glory is one of the reasons we gather together for worship every Lord's Day. For all of us, being able to sing together on Sundays has been a blessing.

While none of us knows what tomorrow holds, I find hope and strength in being able to once more worship in our sanctuary and to fill that space with our praise. It is my commitment to you that we will continue to provide a safe space for all those who are ready to return to the sanctuary, just as we will continue to provide worship for those who choose to worship with us at home. We will continue to sing the Lord's praises and we will also pray for the Holy Spirit to help us make wise and faithful decisions about how we live as the family of God. Whatever tomorrow brings, let the praise of God be in our hearts and on our lips. If that is your commitment, then we will all have good reason to keep...

Hoping Big!

Gregory



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Session Update

- At its stated meeting on July 6, 2021 the Session:
- Voted to grant Rev. Barry Gruver a leave of absence from June 4 – August 26.
- Voted to approve use of sanctuary and social hall for Joan Cohen’s July 11th memorial service and reception.
- Voted to authorize Cherry Hill Township Recreational Department's use of Trinity's parking lot on Tuesday evenings for the township's “Music Under the Stars” series.
- Heard Rev. Faulkner’s plans for a family vacation in Alabama followed by his annual Benedictine Monastery retreat at St. Bernard Abbey in Cullman, AL.
- Learned that Rev. Craven will join the Senior High Mission Trip on July 10th to WV.
- Voted to resume in-person meetings at Trinity, including Sunday coffee hour.
- Approved more congregational singing at services
- Agreed to maintain a section for compassionate spacing in the sanctuary.
- Approved to sponsor one church/one book this fall. The book will be Jamar Tisby’s *How to Fight Racism*.
- Reviewed the May financial report.
- Prayed for members, friends, and the world.



Session of Elders

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News & Notes

In Memoriam:

Diane Steele

United with Trinity November 2, 2014; Died July 10, 2021

We extend our sympathies to Laurie and Mike Lausi and family on the death of Laurie’s mother, Diane Steele.

Congratulations:

Congratulations to Julia and Brendan James, who will be married in our Sanctuary on July 31, 2021, and to Julia’s proud mother, Barb Clarke.

Children's & Youth Ministries



Join us for our second summer of Virtual VBS. We will once again return to Compassion Camp, but this year to learn more about showing Lovingkindness- to ourselves, others, and our world. Join Pastor Sarah on Sundays to hear about the week's theme and story for us to think about. Then throughout the week, look for short videos of activities that can help us learn and continue thinking about Lovingkindness- from crafts to games to compassion in action activities. Feel free to join in anytime!

Gen Z Catch Up !

Join us for our Gen Z "Catch Up and See" lunch before everyone heads in different directions for the fall. We will gather at the Marcelli's house on **Sunday August 15th at 12 PM** for lunch and a time of fellowship. All college age young adults are welcome to join. Whatever you might be up to currently, we'd love to see you and hear how you're doing! Contact Sarah for more details at sarah.craven@trinpres.org or the church.

RIDES TO CHURCH NEEDED

Would you be willing to provide a ride to and from Sunday worship for our members who don't have cars? Currently we're looking for someone who lives near Barrington, but it's always good to have more than one possible driver.

Please contact Pam Dougherty at pam.dougherty@trinpres.org if you can help. Many thanks!



Care' n Share will be opening in September!

The volunteers will be meeting August 3 in the shop at 11 am. Anyone who might be interested in volunteering is welcome to come to this meeting.

Care 'n Share

We will be organizing & cleaning on subsequent days. We have approximately 30 bins of spring & summer clothes to put out on our racks to hopefully sell quickly in early September.

We will start taking winter clothes on **Sunday, August 22 following the 9:30 worship service & on Tuesday, August 24**. Please keep the donation to no more than 2 large bags. No car loads please!



College Graduates

Amelia Paulson

Amelia graduated with honors from Ithaca College, in Ithaca, New York, on May 23rd. Graduating with a Bachelor of Science in Theatre Arts Management, and a minor in Music, with a concentration in Voice, Amelia plans to work in the field of arts management in theatre, music, or in a museum in Philadelphia.



Mission Happens even on the 4th of July!



Four Trinity moms and one young daughter (Michele and Alaynna Strobel, Linda Flanary, Jenny Stark and Pam Dougherty) took time out of their 4th of July holiday to bring a little extra joy to the residents of the R&M Guest Home in Chesilhurst. Trinity groups have been visiting R&M for over 30 years thanks to the efforts of our dear Joan Cohen, who passed away last December.

The Mr. Softee truck was a huge hit, as each resident could choose a vanilla, chocolate, or twist cone, with or without rainbow or chocolate sprinkles. We also provided soft pretzels and toiletry kits for every resident. As our church continues to open and groups begin to meet in person again, we hope you'll remember R&M as you plan



your mission projects for the coming year.

CHERRY HILL FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Trinity Presbyterian is one of 13 local churches that sponsor the Cherry Hill Food Pantry. Each year we sign a commitment to support the pantry financially, through donations of food and by providing volunteers to work at the pantry. Through your donations on Mission & Outreach Thursday, so far this year we have donated over 4300 pounds of food and miscellaneous other items (this does not include the donations made through the Deacon's Summer Sharing Outreach). In addition, 28 members of our congregation have volunteered at the pantry, including several members who volunteered for their very first time. A big THANK YOU to everyone who has donated and/or volunteered! We will again be asked to provide volunteers to work at the pantry in the November/December timeframe. If you are interested in learning more about how you can support the food pantry, please contact Hersch Craven at herschcraven@aol.com.

The food pantry has the capacity to serve additional clients. Please see the letter below from the executive committee of the pantry. If you know of anyone who is faced with food insecurity, encourage them to reach out to the pantry.

Food Assistance Available

We thank you with much appreciation for your continuous support of the Cherry Hill Food Pantry. Your generosity has made it possible to continue our mission of providing food assistance to needy families and individuals in Cherry Hill and the surrounding communities of Haddonfield, Marlton, and Mt. Laurel.

If you or someone you know is in need and lives in one of those towns, you or they can register at the pantry on Tuesdays from 6:00 PM until 7:30 PM or Thursdays from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM and receive nonperishables as well as produce, meat, bread, dairy, and desserts monthly. Please note that members of our congregation who do not live in those towns are also eligible to receive food at the pantry. For those individuals, a letter from the pastor verifying that they are members of the congregation is required.

In addition, in response to the Pandemic, the Pantry is providing food assistance every Wednesday evening from 5:00 PM until 6:30 PM to all other New Jersey residents not eligible as described above. A New Jersey photo ID is required. We notify you of this extra client assistance so you may refer those additional New Jersey residents you know to be in need to our Wednesday evening sessions.

Cherry Hill Food Pantry
910 Beechwood Avenue
(856) 910-9090
cherryhillnjfoodpantry@gmail.com





School Supply Drive Begins this Month!

Do you remember the excitement of starting a new school year and having fresh school supplies? Having fresh crayons, notebooks, erasers, and sharp pencils do a lot to put young scholars in the mood to learn! The next time you are in the store, please think of that and pick up some supplies for today's students.

The deacons will be collecting school supplies during the month of August and September for use by the students at Urban Promise. Items needed are: Lysol Wipes, Lysol Spray, Hand Sanitizer, Children's Masks, Whiteboard Markers (Whiteboards are not being shared this year so each classroom will need its own supply of these markers), Notebooks, Pencils, Pens, Crayons, Glue Sticks, Loose Leaf Paper, Erasers, Pencil Sharpeners, Rulers, Tape, Markers, Construction Paper, Printer Paper, Two Pocket Folders, Backpacks and Pencil Cases.

Starting August 19th, collections will take place every other Thursday from 10am-2pm, outside Witherspoon Center. There will also be a bin in Fellowship Hall on the platform and it will be labeled School Supplies.

Any contributions you can make will be greatly appreciated by the students and teachers at Urban Promise. Let's get the year off to a good start! If you have any questions regarding the drive, please contact Pete Desjardins (856) 649-8145.

PW News & Notes

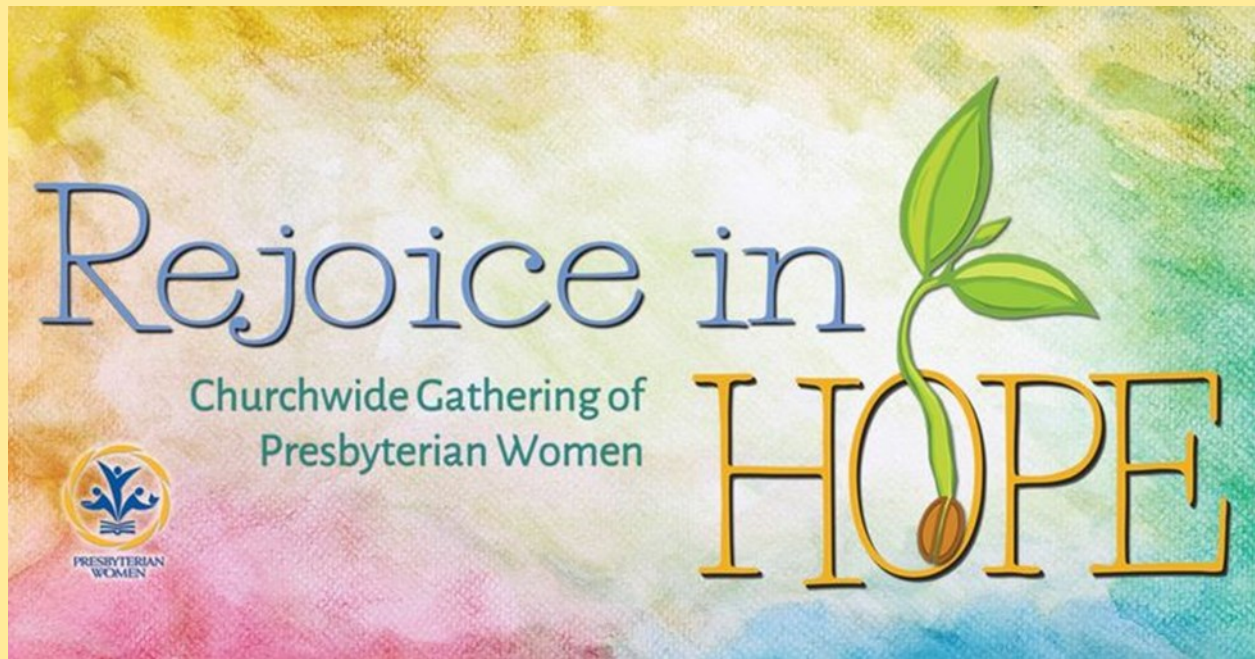
Spring Installation in Review

Thank you to all of you who were able to join us at the Spring Gathering. We had a wonderful time of fellowship and prayer. Thank you to Rev. Sarah for leading our service and to Jenna for providing us with relaxing Chair Yoga.

The winner of our door prize was Linda Thorpe. She received a lovely platter from MudGirls Studio. MudGirls Studio was our mission for the evening, there is still time to participate by donating online <https://www.mudgirlsstudios.org/> or if you would like to donate by check please send it to the church office attention PW and I will make sure that they get it (please notify Jan Caffery of the amount of your donation for our records).

- Carolyn Kramer





Trinity PW Watch Party!

Thursday, August 5th, 4pm-6pm in Fellowship Hall

In 2021, the PW Triennium will be held virtually. If the trip to Louisville or St. Louis was always too far to go for this normally 3-day event, now is the time to get a taste of the loving and mission driven community of women. We are having a watch party for the 2021 Churchwide Gathering of Presbyterian Women worship service. **We will have a time for Fellowship** and serve light snacks and bottled water. Feel free to bring your own beverage. Contact Carolyn Kramer at carolynhkramer@comcast.net if you are interested in attending so that we can get a head count to prepare for but, if you find yourself free at the last minute stop on by. The center doors and door from the ramp will be open. See you there!



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Next Tidings deadline is August 15th for September Issue

NOTHING
CAN EVER
SEPERATE US FROM
GOD'S LOVE

Romans 8:39

In-Person &
Virtual
Worship:

9:30am

Sunday
Mornings
in August