

# Trinity Tidings

*An Inviting Community Following Christ For Life*

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## Baptismal Joy

*As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.*  
Galatians 3:27

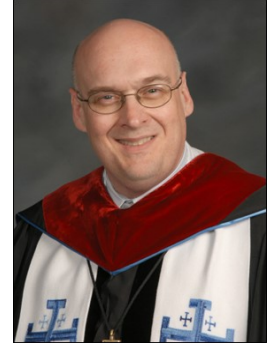
This month is a month of joy for our congregation because we will participate in the baptism of four children and also welcome seven young people into full membership. The Apostle Paul tells us that when we were baptized—when we were brought through the waters and the Triune Name was applied to us—we “put on Christ.” Paul is telling us that in our baptism we have now been so intimately joined to Christ, that the Lord Jesus himself covers us. Christ covers us with his faithfulness and mercy.

The children that will be baptized this month will be joined to Christ, and in their baptism, Christ will promise to be with them in this life and in eternity. During Commissioning Sunday, our seven commissioners, eighth graders who have completed two years of preparation in order to make their public confirmation of faith, will affirm their baptismal vows. What was said on their behalf when they were infants, will now be said by them as they enter into a fuller realization of what it means to be clothed with Christ.

Sometimes we say that baptism is the doorway into the church, but Saint Paul says that Baptism is the sacrament by which we are not only covered with water, but that the water of baptism is an outward sign of an inward reality: that in Christ we mystically, and spiritually and truly and really have been covered with God’s love. Now the truth is, wherever we are, wherever we go, God surrounds us with his invisible, but no less powerful, love. That is the joy of our baptism. That is the joy of being a Christian!

In this month of baptismal joy, I hope each of us will spend some time reflecting on what it means to be the baptized children of God—those who have “put on Christ.” May God bless the babies that will be baptized! May God bless our young sisters and brothers as they confirm their baptismal vow to follow Jesus as Lord. And may the God of our baptisms help *each of us* to reflect more thoroughly on the reality of the saving relationship which we have been given in our Risen Lord. Sisters and brothers, if you and I will do that, we will have great reason to spend this Eastertide,

Hoping Big,  
Greg



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The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven

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## News & Notes

### In Memoriam:

*Janet Birdsall*  
**United with Trinity November 12, 2017;  
died April 2, 2022**

### Congratulations:

*We extend our congratulations to Cheryl and Eric Waraas on the  
birth of their son, Benjamin Liam Waraas!*

*We celebrate the baptism of Aubrey Rose Nork with  
parents D.J. & Diana Nork, and all of the Nork and Buell family.*



### Session of Elders

**Clerk of Session**

Jenny Stark

**Adult Ministries**

Jen Dukelow

**Children's Ministries**

Nancy Roberts

**Finance & Stewardship**

Coz Digneo

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**Mission & Outreach**

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**Property & Buildings**

Dave Large

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Steve Talbott

**Youth Ministries**

Tracy Miller

**Strategy Committee**

John Young

### Deacons

**Moderator of Deacons**

John Smith

**Committee Chairs**

*Assistance*

Dipal Willoughby,

*Fellowship*

Michele Strobel

*Visitation*

Janelle Curl

## Session Update

At its stated meeting on April 4, 2022 the Session:

- Approved upcoming baptisms
- Interviewed member Katie Carboni as part of her formal application to seminary
- Discussed worship changes and decided to postpone restart of "passing of the peace," continue offering Communion cups, and adding the option to receive Communion at the front of church (no passing of elements, yet).
- Learned about the PW one day retreat
- Heard details of the upcoming Commissioning Class activities
- Reviewed Trinity's February Financial Reports
- Shared prayer concerns and closed in prayer

## Care 'n Share

Care 'n Share has had a busy spring season with lots of busy days.

**We will be accepting spring clothes until May 19.** In June we will be having half price sales, **culminating with our bag sale & closing for the summer. ( June 9).**



**Care 'n Share**

We have a very large inventory of children's clothes; summer shorts & shirts & bathing suits. Come shop with us!

**Hours are Tuesdays , Thursdays & the "first Saturday" of the month, (May 7) .** Items can be dropped off during those hours & Sunday mornings after the 9:30 Worship service.

Thanks again for your great & generous donations. The profits from the thrift shop will go to local missions (to be determined in June).

## Children's Ministries

### **SUNDAY FUN DAY IS BACK!**



On May 15<sup>th</sup> we will once again celebrate this past year at the SUNDAY FUNDAY. After the service we will be serving hot dogs, salads and other side dishes.

There will be fun games for the children and of course the CUPCAKE CONTEST! There will be 3 groups Youth, Teen and Adult. There will also be an ICE CREAM TRUCK!

Unfortunately this year we will not have the pie throwing. Sorry Pastor Greg, Pastor Sarah and Miss Lisa. We know how disappointed you will be!

Signups will begin on May 1<sup>st</sup> for the side dishes and also the Cup Cake contest. Let's finish this Sunday School year with a celebration that we can all be together in-person.

# Trinity Sunday Funday 2022!

Sunday, May 15, 2022

10:45am - 12:00pm



Hot Dog Bar

Tasty Sides

Cupcakes

Fellowship and Fun



FREE Ice Cream Truck Treats

Enter the **CUPCAKE CONTEST** and win a ribbon!  
Ribbons will be awarded in 3 categories and this year entries  
will be judged in Adult, Teen, and Youth levels.



*This is an event for all ages and multi-generations.  
Come take part in Trinity's Sunday Funday!*

Sign-Up to bring a side dish or enter the cupcake  
contest, starting May 1 in Fellowship Hall.  
Invite Your Friends and Neighbors!

We hope to see you there!

# CUPCAKE CONTEST: TRINITY SUNDAY FUNDAY MAY 15, 2022

Looking for *bakers* of all ages for this annual, good-spirited competition/fundraiser!! Guidelines are available as noted below and available at the sign-up table. Deadline for entries is Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>.



## ***CUPCAKE CONTEST GUIDELINES 2022***

No entry fee required

Please sign up no later than **Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>**

Coffee Hour Sign Ups May 1<sup>st</sup> and May 8<sup>th</sup>; or

Contact Nancy Roberts at [nancyroberts2202@yahoo.com](mailto:nancyroberts2202@yahoo.com) and submit your name, phone number, email address, and the type of cupcake you will be making.

Please supply **2 dozen cupcakes by 9 a.m. on May 15th**. This is a blind judging and you will be assigned a number. Please do not have your name on the entry. Cupcakes will be judged during the morning worship service. After they are tasted by the judges, the balance will be sold as a fundraiser for the mission work trip.

There will be **Three Age Groups**:

Adult – 21 and over

Teen – ages 13 – 20

Youth – up to age 12

Judging in **Two Categories**

Best Tasting

Best Decorating

Cupcakes do not need to be made from scratch. You can make them “yours” through personal touches to the recipe.

# Mixers and Mission

On Palm Sunday Mixers and Mission gathered for our last event of the year- which is always a crowd pleaser- the Scavenger Hunt! This year four teams braved a variety of challenges from a bike race to singing the Star Spangled Banner to reenacting Peter walking on water for coveted prizes (really the best gift was the fun and laughter).



*We look forward to many more adventures and mission opportunities next year!*

## PW May Circles

### MONDAY, MAY 9, 2022

DEBORAH Circle 1pm Witherspoon  
Circle Moderator: Doris Sapp

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2022

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

### MONDAY, MAY 16, 2022

PRISCILLA Circle 1pm Zoom Meeting  
Circle Moderator: Jenny Stark Carboni

RUTH Circle 7pm home of Karen Kain  
Circle Moderators: Nancy Roberts & Susan Bastnagel

### TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2022

REBEKAH Circle 7pm Zoom Meeting  
Circle Moderator: Michele Strobel

SHIPRAH Circle 6:30pm Going out for dinner: Location: TBA  
Circle Moderators: Patti Baechler & Sue Nork

### MAY 22, 2022

ESTHER Circle 11am home of Linda Craven  
Circle Moderator: Linda Craven



## PW News

A very big THANK YOU to everyone who baked, bought or donated to the PW Bake Sale on Easter Sunday. We raised over \$500 for the PW Triennium Scholarship Fund. This will greatly help us to represent Trinity at this National PW Event. Please look for us again in December when we will return to the normal cookie sale in time for the Christmas Holidays.

SAVE THE DATE. Tuesday, June 7 at 6:30 pm Spring PW Installation and Dinner. We will let you know details on our speaker and dinner options closer to the day. In addition to installing the 2022-23 PW Coordinating Team, we will be dedicating our new Photo Album to celebrate all of our PW Honorary Life Members.

## MOTHERS MATTER COLLECTION

THANK YOU to PW Circles and everyone in the congregation who donated items to the Mothers Matter (MM) Project. We collected 680 items that will be used to make gift bags for deserving mothers. Many are delivered for Mother's Day and this is the only gift these women will receive. Other gift bags will be delivered during the year. We appreciate your generosity with this very worthwhile project. Thank you again.  
- Jan Caffrey

# MEMORIAL DAY

## Prayers for Military Personnel

For the last 15 years, it has been our practice to remember in our Sunday prayers all those who are serving in the United States military. Beyond the prayer for safety, which I'm sure each of us offers often, I am sometimes asked how are other ways we can we pray for those who are serving.

Below are two prayers that come from the Anglican tradition; I think both are helpful and beautifully written prayers that you and I can add to our daily devotions as we pray for those of our Trinity family serving in the military. We need to pray for Cory, Connor, Tyler, and Connor as well as all their colleagues.

*Heavenly Father,  
we commend to your gracious care and keeping  
all the men and women in our Armed Forces at home and abroad.  
Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace;  
strengthen them in their trials and temptations;  
and give them courage to face the perils that beset them;  
and help them to know that nothing can separate them from your love;  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

*O Lord God of Hosts,  
stretch forth, we pray, your almighty arm  
to strengthen and protect our service men and women.  
Support them in times of conflict,  
and in their rest and training keep them safe from all evil;  
endue them with courage and loyalty;  
and grant that in all things they may serve without reproach;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*







Conner Barnes



Conner Strobel



Cory Allen



Tyler Parsons

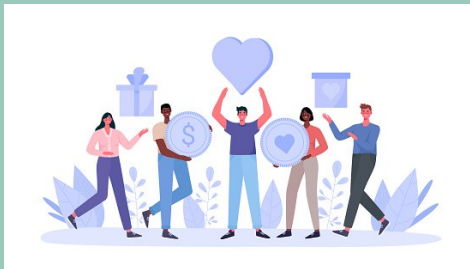
## Adopt a Plot Mission 2022

### 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 lawn care, 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](mailto: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.



## 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.

# Stay Connected!



## Connect with Trinity:

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Mailing Address: 499 Route 70 East,  
Cherry Hill, NJ, 08034

## *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 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 option of meeting.

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



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***Next Tidings deadline is May 15th for June Issue***

*Wishing you a peaceful  
and blessed*

# *Memorial Day*

THIS IS HOW WE KNOW WHAT LOVE IS:  
JESUS CHRIST LAID DOWN HIS LIFE FOR US.  
AND WE OUGHT TO LAY DOWN  
OUR LIVES FOR OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

1 JOHN 3:16

In-Person  
& Virtual  
Worship:

Sundays,  
9:30am