



# Trinity Tidings

*An Inviting Community Following Christ For Life*



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## The Lord Surrounds Us

*Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever. As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his people, from this time on and forevermore. Psalm 125:1-2*

Depending on when you read this, I'm either busy with my month of study and travel in the Holy Land or I'm on my way to Scotland (or as someone referred to Scotland shortly before I left: "the 'other' Holy Land").

Over the decade I have served as your Senior Pastor/Head of Staff, the summer is a time where the busyness gives way to rest, planning and preparation. The summer is the most common time for you to be away for vacation and travel, so, in turn, many of our ministries take a little break during the summer. It is at this time that the program staff and our many committees are making plans, readying for the program year to begin. And yet, the summer has its own rhythm of work.

Psalm 125 was one of the songs sung by pilgrims on their way to Jerusalem for religious observances, since music has always been integral to Biblical worship. To enrich our worship, this summer will see the refurbishment of our organ and the cleaning and re-voicing of the organ pipes. We will also be well into the planning on our 60th anniversary celebration, which is scheduled for October 7-8. The work of the elders and deacons is being quietly reviewed as we gear up to mark our 60th birthday as a congregation with fun fellowship and wonderful worship. In the summer's quietness, I look back on the year and think that surely we--as a congregation--have experienced the truth of the Psalm: *As the mountains surround Jerusalem, so the LORD surrounds his people, from this time on and forevermore.*

As things are slowing down there in order to again take off, I am studying and thinking, praying and relaxing, traveling and reflecting. I am so grateful to you for appreciating my service to you and making possible this time of reflection and renewal. These ten years of serving Christ by serving Trinity Presbyterian Church has brought both joys and challenges; I have laughed often with you and we have shed tears together. While I am profoundly gratified by all that the Lord has done in our midst over this time, I am also--to be perfectly candid--weary. A sabbatical, following the Biblical principle of Sabbath years, is given to a minister after six years of service. It took ten years, but now that the sabbatical has begun, I am so very thankful for the time to travel and learn while also being free of pastoral responsibilities for a short time. I know that I will come back feeling renewed and energized for service and that will be a benefit for you and me. What I am already seeing is the truth of God's Word: we are surrounded by God, embraced by the Lord's gracious faithfulness. Celebrating that reality with you over these last ten years has been more joy than anything else and I am grateful.

Though far away, you are in my prayers and I covet your prayers as I work to relax (You know how I am!) and seek to be more open to the God who is as steadfast as Mount Zion! As we pray for on another, we find ourselves in the Lord's loving embrace and so have every reason to continue

Hoping Big, Gregory



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# Trinity's Music News

**\*\*All Choirs and Bands will Resume in the Fall\*\***



## Adult Choir Rehearsal

Wednesdays at 7:30 pm



## Adult Bell Rehearsal

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm



## Children's Rehearsals

Cherub Choir – Pre-K and Kindergarten;

Thursday 4:30-5:00pm

Carol Choir – 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade; Thursday

5:00-5:40pm

Team Choir – 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade; Thursday 5:40-6:20pm

Team Bells – 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade; Thursday 6:20-6:50pm



## Youth Rehearsals

Youth Choir – 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade; Sundays 10:50am-11:30am

Youth Bell Ensemble 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade; Sundays 11:30-noon

Youth Instrumental Ensemble 6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade;

Rehearsal Dates to be Announced



## Trinity Band and Mahalo Ukulele Band

Rehearsal Dates to be Announced



### **YOU CAN MAKE MUSIC AT TRINITY!**

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

## More from Music



# Children's Choir Dinner



On Thursday, May 4, Trinity Celebrated the end of the Children's Choir program for 2016-2017 with a family potluck dinner hosted by Kristen Viglietta. With almost 90 people in attendance, it was a terrific night. Our choristers all moved up a year in choir and our 5th graders graduated into the Youth Program. Many thanks to all of the volunteer parents and grandparents who help make the music program a success at Trinity. Get to know our 5th graders by reading their bios below.

### **Katie Lawton**

Katie lives in Cherry Hill with her brother David who is 13. Katie started singing in choir when she was 7. Katie also swims. Her favorite ice cream is chocolate chip mint and her favorite food is spaghetti. Katie loves to go swimming with her family. The windows are Katie's favorite part of Trinity. Christmas is Katie's favorite time to sing at Trinity because "it is so pretty". During It's Cool in the Furnace Katie learned "to value the time you have".

### **Jolynne Sedeyn**

Jolynne (Joie) lives in Cherry Hill with her sister Jade who is 15, Juliette who is 12, Juno who is 4 and her brother Jack who is also 4. Jolynne started singing in choir at age 4. Jolynne also likes to dance. Jolynne's favorite ice cream is cookie dough and her favorite food is white pizza. Jolynne enjoys going mini golfing with her family. Jolynne's favorite part of Trinity is the stained glass windows and her favorite time to sing in church is on Christmas Eve. During It's Cool in the Furnace, Jolynne learned "to always love the life you have".

### **Cory Ebiri**

Cory lives in Medford with his brothers Marc who is 17, Kyle who is 15 and Alex who is 13. Cory started singing in choir when he was 4. Cory also plays soccer and baseball. His favorite ice cream is vanilla and his favorite food is a cheese steak. Cory likes to bike and play games with his family. The library is Cory's favorite part of Trinity and Sunday is his favorite time to sing at church. During It's Cool in the Furnace Cory learned "it's exhausting to sing a lot of songs".

### **Kyla McCorkle**

Kyla lives in Berlin with her brother Robert who is 18 and her sister Jayme who is 7. Kyla started singing in choir in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Her favorite ice cream is vanilla and her favorite food is tacos. Kyla loves to spend time with her family in the Poconos and everywhere else they go. Kyla's favorite part of Trinity is the choir room because "if I mess up, it will all be fine here... I can be me." Kyla's favorite time to sing is "when we do activities." During It's Cool in the Furnace Kyla learned to "always love the God you have."



# Trinity News and Notes



## Sympathies...

*We extend our sympathies to Cheryl Guretse on the death of her mother, Jeanette Lelja.*

## Baptisms...

*We rejoice with William Finn III the baptism of his son William Joseph Finn IV.*



### Session of Elders

**Clerk of Session**

Margery Sly

**Adult Ministries**

Barbara DeSanto

**Children's Ministries**

Nancy Roberts

**Finance & Stewardship**

Bill Kain

**Membership**

Steve Skill

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**Worship & Music**

Linda Flanary

**Youth Ministries**

Donna Allen

**Strategy Committee**

Margery Sly

**Technology Committee**

Tom Earp

**Deacons**

**Moderator of Deacons**

Jen Dukelow

**Committee Chairs**

*Assistance*

Martha Stem

*Fellowship*

Paul Guelich &

Carolyn Kramer

*Service*

Alison Schwarz

*Visitation*

Michael McBride

## Session Update

At its stated meeting on May 1, 2017, and a special meeting on May 2, 2017, the Session:

† Discussed, in small groups, foundational concepts for new strategic initiatives: Hospitality/Welcoming the Stranger; Discipleship/Christian Life; Loving Our Neighbors; and Service.

† Approved a baptism and a building use request.

† Approved the March 30, 2017, membership count of 704.

† Reviewed Rev. Faulkner's sabbatical schedule and coverage.

† Approved hosting the International Peacemaking Program between September 22 and October 16, 2017.

† Questioned the seven commissioning class members about their faith statements and voted them into membership.

† Reviewed programming for the remainder of the spring.

† Noted that the church's investment fund principal had climbed above \$1 million.

† Set the summer Session meeting schedule for June 5, August 7, and September 11.

† Prayed for members and friends.

Margery Sly, Clerk of Session

## Sr. Highs- Youth Car Wash

**June 3rd 10 AM- 1 PM-** in Trinity's parking lot. Donations will go towards the youth mission trip to West Virginia this year.



# Commissioning



*Front Row Left to Right: Leah Marcelli, Fiona Parks, Ivana Albert, Alex Ebiri  
Back Row Left to Right: Sydney Owens, Ben Johnson, Ryan McGrath*

## **Congratulations to our 2017 Confirmands who joined the church!**

It has been a great joy to get to know our 8<sup>th</sup> graders this past year and to laugh and grow together in our faith. But such an amazing year wouldn't be possible without the help of many. Thanks to Lisa Huber for teaching our 7<sup>th</sup> graders and Stephanie Dion for teaching our 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Jessica Payne and Lauren McGrath also lent their leadership. Sharon McGrath served as our 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent helper and Melissa Smith organized our acolytes every Sunday. Elders Donna Allen and Janet Olson serving on Youth Ministries lending their experience helped us for the second year.

We have some amazing youth here at Trinity, and I look forward to continuing to watch them grow as they start a new journey in high school and move into the youth group. It is a privilege to get to be a part of their lives. Many Blessings!- Pastor Sarah

## Care n' Share

Care 'n Share Thrift Shop will be closing for the summer on **June 8**. Please no more donations until August (TBA). Our **half price sales will be Saturday, June 3; Tuesday, June 6; and Thursday June 8; 10 am to 1 pm**. We will also have the **\$3 Bag Sale on the 8th**; after which we will pack up the leftover clothing and donate to "Angels of God" in Pitman. (A free give-away).



Thanks to all who have donated their quality clothing and housewares. Also a big thanks to all our volunteers who come in faithfully for a few hours every week. They literally mark and display thousands of items! Perhaps there are others who could volunteer?

The following missions were given \$1,000 each for a total of \$10,000. Our next donation disbursement will be in November.

Cherry Hill Food Pantry; Urban Promise Ministries Inc. Summer Camp, Camden, NJ; Urban Promise Ministries Inc. After School Program; Johnsonburg Presbyterian Conference Center Camp Scholarship, Johnsonburg, NJ; Robins Nest Life Link Home in Glassboro, NJ; Presbytery of West Jersey, "Cents-Ability" Food Program, Haddon Heights, NJ; Caring Hearts Ministry, Inc. Haddonfield, NJ; Volunteers of America, Anna Sample House, Camden, NJ; Stand Down of South Jersey, Cherry Hill, NJ; IHOC/Interfaith Homeless Outreach Council, Cherry Hill, NJ.

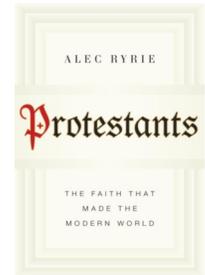
These items were voted on and approved by the Care' n Share Steering Committee, Trinity Mission & Outreach Committee and the Board of Trinity Presbyterian Women.

**Any questions on any of these missions or information on Care 'n Share please contact Eileen Rankin**

**[eileenrank@comcast.net](mailto:eileenrank@comcast.net) or  
[609-654-2221](tel:609-654-2221).**

## Library Corner

**Protestants**  
**The Faith That Shaped the Modern World**  
By Alec Ryrie



This year marks the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Martin Luther's challenge of the authority of the pope and the beginning of the Protestant Reformation. In this recently published book, theology scholar Alec Ryrie traces the history of the Reformation from its beginnings to its influence today. His aim is to convince readers that "we cannot understand the modern age without understanding the dynamic history of Protestant Christianity."

The book is divided into three parts:

### **Part I: The Reformation**

"It's just another squabble between monks," the pope is supposed to have said when he first heard about the argument that broke out in 1517 at a university in Germany. Ryrie begins his interesting narrative with Martin Luther (described as an "accidental revolutionary") and continues with provocative insights about Calvin, Knox and other men and women who defined this "quarrelsome faith."

Part I ends with the history of the religious radicals seeking a place where they could safely practice their new faith: "It is one of the best known stories in Protestant history: tiny ships inching their way across the ocean, filled with earnest believers choosing to cross the world rather than compromise their convictions."

### **Part II: The Modern Age**

In this section, Ryrie describes how Protestantism has profoundly shaped America's national character. America's founding beliefs, "prosperity built on honest hard work, a can-do spirit and a sturdy disregard for authority," can all be traced to the Protestant tradition.

The "spirit of principled defiance has made Protestantism a whirlwind of creativity," not only in theology, but also in politics, science and the arts.

In his description of how America was shaped by Protestantism, Ryrie concentrates on the political influences. "It is in the U.S. that Protestants created something truly unique: a new country with the notion of limited government in its bones, insistence on due process and a conviction that every one of us has an equal right to life, liberty and pursuit of whatever you please."

### Part III: The Global Age

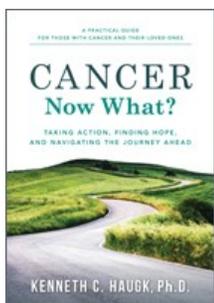
Throughout its history, the U.S. has probably become less and less Protestant, but in the twentieth century Protestantism became a global religion. "Much of sub-Saharan Africa was untouched by Christianity before the later nineteenth century but is now dominated by it." Ryrie explains how this came about and also describes Protestant influence and history in Asia, especially South Korea and China.

Will Protestantism's traditional mixture of liberty and democracy endure? Ryrie's well-written, well-researched book provides interesting perspectives on this question.

*Books commemorating Father's Day will also be placed on the library's rolling display cart in June.*

**If you would like us to purchase a particular book for the Trinity Library, stop by on Sunday or contact Dottie Dunfee ([dunfeet@aol.com](mailto:dunfeet@aol.com)).**

## Cancer -Now What?



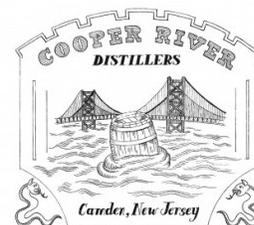
In honor of the members of our congregation and their family members or friends who are battling cancer, Trinity's *Cancer and Conversation* group has purchased two copies of **Cancer- Now What** by **Kenneth C. Haug, Ph.D.**, for the Trinity Library.

A pastor and clinical psychologist who traveled the cancer journey with his wife Joan, Rev. Dr. Haug has written, according to his publisher Stephen Ministries, a "caring, how-to resource that covers the

wide range of issues a cancer diagnosis brings." Also available in the Library is a **Giver's Guide**, a separate pamphlet that gives people ideas on when and how to share the book with a family member or friend.

In addition to its meetings throughout the year that offer in-house support, direction and mission opportunities to members of our congregation who have had or are currently dealing with cancer, *Cancer and Conversation* hopes that the books will provide our Trinity members with yet another source of support when dealing with a cancer diagnosis.

## Trinity Out & About A Warship and/or Whiskey Tour



**On Saturday, June 10, join Trinity Out and About for their latest adventure - "A Warship and/or Whiskey Tour".** Starting at 2:30 PM, there will be the "Fire Power Tour" of the Battleship New Jersey, located at 62 Battleship Place, Camden. This family-friendly tour (approximately 90-minutes long), will showcase the weapons systems and how the crew lived aboard this floating city. The cost of this tour will be \$20.00 per adult, \$15.00 per senior (65 or older), \$15.00 per veteran, or \$10 per child ages 5 - 12.

Then, at 4:30PM, we'll meet at The Cooper River Distillers, 34 North 4th Street, Camden, for a 30-minute tour and a "Rye Release Party." **This part of the outing is limited to individuals over 21 years of age.** Whiskey tastings will be available for \$10 (paid on an individual basis to the distillery that day). There will be live music and food trucks till 8:00PM that evening to enjoy. We hope that you will be able to join in the fun for one or both of the tours. Sign-up at coffee hour on June 4.

If you have any questions, please contact Carolyn Fletcher at [\(856\) 667-6613](tel:8566676613).

## Mission & Outreach

### R&M Christmas in July Mission Project

Trinity has a long history of service to R&M. Many of our groups share time and gifts with this group of 54 low income men and women, many with mental or developmental disabilities who have limited life options and nowhere else to live. Joan Cohen has asked each resident what new item they wish for--they have so few possessions this will be a chance for them to get something new that they really need or want. We plan a chicken BBQ this year with all the fixings and fun activities to bring some joy and entertainment to their lives. If you haven't had the opportunity to share in this Mission, we can use your help now. And, if you are an old R&M friend, we need you too:



- Buy a new gift for an R&M resident
- Supply food for our BBQ (salads, Christmas cookies, fresh fruit etc. )
- Join us in serving and sharing at R&M
- Plan and participate in fun activities or crafts

Sign up begins Sunday June 4 in Fellowship Hall and will continue into July. For more information text Jenny Stark on [609-680-6090](tel:609-680-6090).

## Daytime Men's Group COME AND JOIN US



The Trinity Daytime Men's Group is taking a field trip to the **Communication Center at the 911 facility in Lindenwold, NJ on the morning of June 20<sup>th</sup> 2017**. All women and men are welcome to join us. We already have a nice group signed up, but we would love to have you too.

If you are interested in joining our group, please contact Bill Greenwood at 856-966-4609 or e-mail him at "[precious973xob@aol.com](mailto:precious973xob@aol.com)" **We will be meeting at the church and car pooling to Lindenwold at 9:15am**. This could just be the start of one of your most SUPER COLOSSAL DAYS.

## Thank You Notes

A Heartfelt Thanks from Dorothy Rathje...

Throughout the difficult weeks of my husband's terminal illness, Reverend Rathje and I were comforted by cards from this congregation and by the many pastoral visits from Reverend Gruver, Reverend Faulkner, Reverend Brincivalli, and Joan Cohen. Such kindness was indeed above and beyond all expectations!

- Dorothy Rathje

## PW June Circle Meetings

Wednesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>

9:30 a.m.                      Miriam Circle                      home of Pam Dougherty

Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup>

6:00 p.m.                      Rebekah Circle                      home of Julia Blair

6:30 p.m.                      Hannah Circle                      TBD

TBD                              Deborah Circle                      Luncheon – TBD

TBD                              Ruth Circle                              TBD

Pricilla Circle will not be meeting in June.



**PRESBYTERIAN  
WOMEN**

## MOTHER'S DAY CARDS– THANK YOU



**Thank You!**

THANK YOU to everyone who bought the PW Mother's Day Cards and made donations to Healthy Women Healthy Families. We raised \$266 to help support this group that is affiliated with Global Partner churches of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). The funds help women and children receive health care, screenings, vaccinations and literacy and education training. Our PW Mission supports not only local and national missions, but international missions as well.

Thank you again for your support. Jan Caffrey

## PW Spring Gathering



What a great evening we have planned for you!  
**Tuesday, June 6, at 6:30 P.M.** in O'Dell Hall.  
We will have a delicious dinner. The menu is salad bar, rolls/butter, and cake. Dinner will be followed by the installation of new officers. The theme of the evening will be relaxation. Tickets are \$10.00 and are available for purchase at Coffee Hour on June 4.



## Summer Worship Calendar

**When you are not on vacation please stop by our  
*Blessed Happy Hour* at 9:30 am on Sunday mornings!**

- 5/28** The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven with Becky Kain
- 6/4** The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven with the Trinity Band
- 6/11** The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven with Lauren Parsons, soloist
- 6/18** Ms. Stephanie Dion, Pastoral Intern with Lisa (Miller) and Mike Armstrong, violin and trombone
- 6/25** The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven with Brian Kain - organ and soloist
- 7/2** The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven with Cate, Leah, Lisa and Olivia Marcelli, Becky and Karen Kain, sextet
- 7/9** The Rev. Dr. Jonathan Miller with Ian and Ron Willoughby, French horn and clarinet
- 7/16** The Rev. Mr. Mouris Yousef with Julia Wilson, piano
- 7/23** The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven with Paul Paulson, organ and Steve Talbott, soloist
- 7/30** The Rev. Dr. Debby Brincivalli with Kristen Viglietta, soloist
- 8/6** The Rev. Dr. Jonathan Miller with Jimmy Boyle, trumpet
- 8/13** The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven with Erica Heyer, organ and Sarah McAllister and Betty Stockwell, duet
- 8/20** The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven with Amelia and Kristi Paulson, duet
- 8/27** The Rev. Ms. Sarah Craven with Julia Clarke, flute
- 9/3** The Rev. Mr. Barry Gruver with Becky Kain
- 9/10** The Rev. Dr. Gregory Faulkner with Pick Up Choir
- 9/17** Rally Day – Rally Day Choir, Trinity Band, Youth Bells and Mahalo Ukulele Band

# June 2017

Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat

				1	2	3 Care n' Share Half-Price Sale 10am Youth Car Wash 10am-1pm
4 Communion 9:30am Cancer & Convo 10:45am	5  Strategy 6pm Session 7pm	6  Women's Spring Gathering 6:30pm	7	8 Care n' Share \$3 Bag Sale & Last Day till fall 10am	9	10 Out & About Worship 2:30pm Distillery 4:30pm
11 Deacon's Meeting 11:15am	12	13	14 Miriam 9:30am	15	16	17 Deacons Summer Sharing Food Box Packing 9am
18	19	20 Men's Group Meeting Rebekah 6pm Hannah 6:30pm	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

<p><b>SUNDAY</b> 9:30 Worship Service 9:30 Childcare N-5 year olds</p> <p><b>MONDAY</b> 7:30 pm Boy Scouts—Witherspoon 7:30 BASIC— 1st and 3rd Monday</p>	<p><b>TUESDAY</b> 10 am-1 pm Care 'n Share Shop</p> <p><b>WEDNESDAY</b> 7:00 pm Cub Scouts—Community Room</p>	<p><b>THURSDAY</b> 10 am-1 pm Care 'n Share Shop 12 pm Alzheimer's Support Group— 6:30 pm AA, Witherspoon 8:00 pm AA, Witherspoon</p>
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***Next Tidings deadline is June 15 for June/July Issue***

**Sunday Worship**  
**Service**  
9:30am

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