TIDINGS

July 2024

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"So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God."

1 Corinthians 10:31

Every year, the Pirates host Faith Night at PNC Park. I went for the first time in 2019 when 5,000 people stayed after a late afternoon game to hear players share their faith journey. What were their experiences in a faith community growing up? Who influenced their faith? How has God sustained and uplifted them during rough times? How do they see God in their vocation in baseball? Where do they see God in the world? What is their relationship with a faith community now?

From All Star player Josh Bell to coaches, Jesus Christ was lifted up and the glory was given to God. And it wasn't just our home team Pittsburgh Pirates who spoke - players from the visiting team also shared their stories and answered questions. Their baseball jerseys might divide them, but in Christ we are all one. How would you answers the questions that were shared on Faith Night?

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Sarah



Remember to get your

Commemorative 150th Pewter Ornament

We will be selling
Our 150th Ornaments following each
Service until they are gone!

Cost...\$15 each

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Our Church Family/Council Briefs	4	_ July 15-20 July 15	Youth Mission Trip Community Meal, doors open at 5, dinner at 6:00PM
Announcements	5-7	July 28	Christian Education Day at Round Hill Park, 2:00PM
		July 31	Pub Theology at 7:00PM
Duties	8	August 4	Senior Luncheon at Noon
Calendar	9	August 4	Picnic at the Smaligo's for the 25-45 Group
³² And we bring you the good Tidings that what God bromised to our ancestors ³³ he has fulfilled for us, their children, by raising Jesus; Acts 13:32-33a		Aug. 10	Choir Picnic
		Aug. 18	Women's Faith & Friendship, 6:00PM Irwin Park (Concert)
		Sept. 8	10:45am Outdoor Worship Service and Picnic at Wendel Club
		Sept. 29	Blessing of the Pets, 1:30PM

Food Pantry

2024 Dates: August 10, October 12, December 14

Extra items requested:

Trail mix/granola Gummy snacks Hard candy Kleenex Antibacterial sprays/wipes Bar Soap

Items always needed:

Many thanks for the generous donations to date! If you would like to donate, please mark "food pantry" in the subject line on your check or you may use one of the pew envelopes if you would like to donate cash. Food pantry contact: Jodi Waugaman at 724-516-9680 or waugawoman86@comast.net

Church Finances

CONGREGATIONAL AVERAGE OFFERING MAY 2024

2024 BUDGET	BUDGET NEEDS WEEKLY	AVERAGE WEEKLY OFFERING
\$391,718	\$7,533.00	\$5,979.92
2023 IMPROVEMENT FUND	WEEKLY GOAL	AVERAGE WEEKLY OFFERING
\$24,000.00	\$461.00	\$67.00
2023 New Church Roof Fund	WEEKLY GOAL	AVERAGE WEEKLY OFFERING
\$40,000.00	\$770.00	\$605.69

Online Tithing The church has set up online giving through **Tithley**. (the church incurs approximately a 3% fee or you may add the fee into your donation to cover that 3%). To donate through online giving please visit: https://tithe.ly/give?c=1399928

Trinity Lutheran Care Fund (TLC) is a ministry of the church that offers assistance to members of the congregation experiencing financial need, due to extreme, unusual and/or medical circumstances. If you'd like to request help, please contact Pastor Sarah, Julie Kuhn, or Jodi Waugaman.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN OUR PRAYERS IN JUNE: NANCY BOYD DYLAN KUNKEL MICHAEL TOMASELLO RUTH PORTER Bessie Jones PAT GRANNY CHRIS KARPINSKY ROBERT AND CAROL KELLER JEFFREY JONES RON AND MICHELE KLINGENSMITH MARCIA KRAMER JERRY AND JULIE KUHN KARLY KUNKLE PAT LOUTSENHIZER MIKE AND AILEEN LITTLE LEN AND JAN LUSEBRINK LISA LUCOTCH RAY AND MARION MCFEELY RYAN LYNCH JARED AND JESSICA MARSHALL BOB AND TRACY McNelly TAD AND DONNELL MINERVA JIM AND BROOKE MORROW

UR PRAYERS IN JUNE:
CY BOYD

IE JONES
SHIRLEY KAPELAR
SCOTT AND PAT KOOS
TIA KRAMER
TOM AND JAMIE KENDRO
KARL AND DEBBIE KUNKLE
AND AILEEN LITTLE
LUCOTCH
LYNCH
AND TRACY MCNELLY

MICHAEL SHOTTS
SHIRLEY KAPELAR
MARION FOR SHORT SHORT
AND TRACY MCNELLY

MICHAEL SHOTTS
SHIRLEY KAPELAR
MARION KUNKLE
BOB AND ELAINE LYNCH
AUDREY SIEMS
BOB AND LEANNA MOBERG

RACHEL FAULKNER
BERNIECE KAPELAR
DIANE KOWALSKI
SUSAN KRAMER
LINDA WEST
JANET MARTON
CINDY MCCUNE

WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER THE FOLLOWING MILITARY PERSONNEL:

Tyler Huffer Shannon Dawson Zachary Zehner Brooke Newell



Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of Chris Ritenour. He passed to life triumphant on June 6, 2024.



Congratulations to our members who completed their graduation! God be with you as you move on to the next part of your life!

High School:

Natalie Amantea

College:

Grant Snyder - University of Pittsburgh

Dannon Johnson - Duquesne University

Brooke Newell - Florida State University

Jacob Dally - Penn State University

Andrew Noe - Penn State University

COUNCIL BRIEFS - JUNE 12 MEETING

Reports of the Financial Secretary and Treasurer

Motion made and passed to leave \$1,000 in the roof fund (for future improvements, fund to be renamed) and to pay for any balance needed for the roof, above the roof fund total at the time of payment, with the building improvement fund.

Report of Petitions and Communications

- Thank You Note received from Seton Hill University regarding our donation for the music program they put on here at HTLC.

Audit Committee - The audit is planned for June 22.

Youth Ministry

- Lock-In was held in June with the Youth Gathering participants
- July 28 there will be a family gathering at Round Hill Park from 2-4pm.

Fellowship Committee

Pastor thanked Fellowship for the work they've done lately.

Property Committee

- Roof replacement is underway and is expected to take 1.5 weeks.
- \$300 will be paid for some landscaping around the church.

Safety Committee

Noted that a CPR class will be available soon (\$10).

Worship and Music Committee

Continuing to look into organ repair/tuning.

150th Anniversary

Report provided summarizing the success of the event.

Next Meeting will be: July 10, 2024, 7:00 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!



Join us for the Senior Luncheon
Sunday, August 4th
Following 2nd Service (approx. 12:00pm)
In the Fellowship Hall

We will have a good food, fun and fellowship!

Sign up in the Narthex or call the church office to RSVP

Four of our youth will be attending the ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans July 15-20. Over 15,000 will be attending with speakers, worship, service, accompaniment and fellowship. Our region 8 is collecting personal wipes to bring to the gathering to help make care packets for disaster relief. If you would like to contribute, please bring them to Pastor Sarah by July 8.

*** Christian Education Afternoon July 28 at Round Hill Park ***

All children and youth are invited to an afternoon of fun at Round Hill park. We will be at the Water Lily Pavilion July 28 from 2-4pm. Bring a swimsuit and towel for the water playground, and join us for games and snacks!

SUMMER STUDY OF PROVERBS:

Please join us Sundays at 9:30 in the Miller Parlor for a study of the book of Proverbs. Proverbs is a collection of essays, poems, and sayings expressing the wisdom of ancient Israel. It focuses on the quirks of human nature, the basic behaviors of a righteous person, and on man's proper relationship to God.



BIBLE STUDY

BIBLE STUDY on **THURSDAY** at Noon has been **cancelled for the summer**. We will begin to meet again in September.

BIBLE STUDY continues on MONDAY Evenings at 7:00PM in the Miller Parlor.

Join us!

All are invited Mondays at 6:00pm for PRAYER

SIGN ME UP.....BUT WHERE???



We are regularly putting out sign-up sheets for people who plan to attend some of the events at the church. When you hear about signing up....where do you sign-up?

On the bulletin board in the narthex (by the door that exits out onto the church porch), there are sign up sheets for various events. Please check the bulletin board and join us in these ministries! We look forward to seeing you!

YOUNGER ADULT GROUP (Ages 25 to 45) PICNIC

The Younger Adult Group (ages 25 to 45) will join together for a picnic on Sunday, August 4, at 5:00 PM at the home of Pastor John and Mary Smaligo. The address is:

1124 Brookside Drive Greensburg, PA 15601

Those planning to attend are asked to sign the list on the bulletin board in the narthex. If you have any questions, please see or contact Pastor John.





The next Theology on Tap will be Wednesday, July 31, at 7:00 PM.

What is Theology on Tap? These evenings include a presentation on a timely, relevant topic, time for Q&A and discussion, and time to relax and mingle. Discussions including faith, love, and modern day issues both in and outside of the Church. Theology on Tap provides people from all walks of life with straight talk on faith and its implications for our daily lives, communities, and our society.

We hope to see many of you join us! Please sign the list on the bulletin if you plan to attend. If any questions, see or contact Pastor John..

We meet at the home of Josh and Angela Brittingham, 875 Lockport Drive, North Huntingdon.

CHECK OUT OUR LIBRARY CART

Our Church Library has received several books on prayer for children and adults. These can be found on the library cart located outside the Church Office.

Children – Please find a book on prayer that you can take to worship or to borrow for home. It is wonderful to learn how we can talk with God.

Adults – We also invite you to check out the cart for adult books on prayer.

These will be made available during the months of July and August. Please take advantage of these books as we grow in our life of prayer.



COMMUNITY MEAL IN JULY WHO ARE THESE MEALS FOR?

The next Community Meal at Holy Trinity will be held on Monday, July 15. Doors open at 5:00 PM and the meal is served at 6:00 PM.

Who is welcome at the Community Meals? ANYONE! This meal provides companionship and conversation for those who enjoy the company of long-time and new friends that are made at this meal. It brings relief to those who may find dinner to be difficult times because health or emotional reasons. It brings satisfaction to those would like a good hot meal. Food from the food pantry along with laundry pods and dryer sheets are made available to those who would benefit from these items. This meal is for ANYONE!

We invite members to sign up to serve, cook, set-up and clean-up. Prayerfully consider your participation in this ministry and sign up on the lists found on the bulletin board in the narthex.

If you have any questions about Community Meals, please see or contact Pastor John.

HOLY TRINITY IS RECYCLING

Holy Trinity continues to recycle paper, cardboard boxes and plastic bottles. We do this in response to God in Numbers 35:33 – "You shall not pollute the land."



Where are the containers for the items we recycle? In the Narthex, Church Office, on the third floor in the hallway, and in the Fellowship Hall.

All items are taken to the recycling bin next to the Irwin Firehall.

Help us take care of the earth which is the Lord's.

DUTIES for July	Assisting	Communion	Acolyte	Lector	Altar
_	Minister	Assistants			Flowers

Sunday, July 7	8:15AM	Tracy McNelly	Connie Berg	Jericho	Angela	
			Jaden Brittingham	Brittingham	Brittingham	
	10:45PM	Colleen	Joe Thomas	Ty Cessna	Bob Cessna	
		Cochenour	Susan Siems			
Sunday, July 14	8:15AM			John Sheleheda	Heather Newell	
			Glenda Wendling			
	10:45PM	Dannon Johnson	Samantha Tinsley	Will Little	Brian Smith	
			Zack Tinsley			
Sunday, July 21	8:15AM	John Howell	Chris Karpinsky	Jericho	Rick Bavolek	
			Jaden Brittingham	Brittingham		
	10:45PM	Jodi Waugaman	Mike Stark	open	Michele	
			Diane Kowalski		Klingensmith	

Sunday, July 28	8:15AM	Joe Thomas	Lois Brown	Hannah Glenn	Rick Bavolek
			Debbie Gilkey		
	10:45AM	Jennifer	Mary Smaligo	Will Little	Colleen
		Fitzgerald	Eric Walt		Cochenour

Altar Guild

10:45 Mimi Wielobob

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July	6 Set Up	Mimi Wielobob	
July	7 8:15	Mauritta Moyer & Cindy McCune	
	10:45	Mimi Wielobob	10:45 Greeters:
July	13 Set Up	Diane Kowalski & Sandy Tomko	July 7 Dee Withrow & Debbie Rominski
July	14 8:15	Glenda Wendling & Cindy McCune	July 14 Andrea Smith & Jeff Horvath
	10:45	Diane Kowalski & Sandy Tomko	July 21 Anne Coiner and Carol Schlotter
July	20 Set Up	Mauritta Moyer & Cindy McCune	July 28 Susan Richardson & Chris Richardson
July	21 8:15	Mauritta Moyer & Cindy McCune	<u> </u>
	10:45	Diane Kowalski & Sandy Tomko	
July	27 Set Up	Glenda Wendling & Julie Kuhn	
July	28 8:15	Glenda Wendling & Julie Kuhn	

		JU	LY 2024			
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	Property Committee Meeting 7:00pm	3	4 Happy Fourth of July!! Church	5 Office Closed	6
7 Pentecost 7 8:15 Worship 9:30am Adult Sunday School 10:45am Worship	Prayer Meeting 6:00PM Bible Study 7:00PM	9 Men's Group 7:00PM	COUNCIL 7:00PM Boy Scouts Fellow. Hall 6:30-9	Worship and Music Committee Meeting 6:00pm	12	13
14 Pentecost 8 8:15am Worship 9:30am Adult Sunday School	15 Community Meal at Holy Trinity 5:00pm w/dinner @ 6:00PM	16	17	18	19	20
10:45am Worship	Youth Mission Trip with Pastor Sarah – New Orleans					
	Prayer Meeting 6:00PM No Bible Study		Boy Scouts Fellow. Hall 6:30-9			
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			Fellow. Hall 6:30-9			
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2:00-4:00pm Round Hill Farm – Christian Ed Family Day	7.00FW		Boy Scouts Fellow. Hall 6:30-9			

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