TIDINGS

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And the donkey said to Balaam, "Am I not your donkey, on which you have ridden all your life long to this day? Is it my habit to treat you this way?" Numbers 22:30

The first one I greet in the morning is my dog. If I even try to talk to someone else first, Casey will interrupt. She not only wants but expects me to greet, scratch and talk to her. I talk to her a lot-during walks or runs, driving in the car, or looking out the window to name a few.

She's not the only animal to whom I talk. If there is a dog, I'll talk to it while giving ear scratches. I've talked to cats, horses, sheep, zoo animals, and even house spiders. Although some, including Casey, will make sounds and respond to my talking, none have talked back.

Balsam cannot say the same. In Numbers 22:30, his donkey talked to him. I have never heard of a talking donkey, but here it is... in the Bible. The donkey not only talked but saved Balaam's life. How? This will be one of the texts that I will be preaching on this summer.

From Father's Day through August, the Sunday sermons will be on parts of the Bible that we don't hear during the regular three year Sunday lectionary. This summer will be filled with extraordinary stories which give us a different view of how God works in the world.

I will be preaching on the texts at both worship services and during Sunday School we will dive deeper into their meanings and application for our lives today.

Join us as we open up the Bible through new stories this summer!

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Sarah

June 2023

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has fulfilled for us, the children, by raising Jes Acts 13:32-33a		August 6	Senior Luncheon Seniors Luncheon
		Sept. 10	Outdoor Service – more details coming

Oct. 21 Octoberfest - Fellowship Hall

Information on **summer camps at Lutherlyn** is available in the Narthex. Please let Pastor Sarah know if your child plans to attend

Lutherlyn (there are funds available to help offset the cost).

Church Finances

2023 BUDGET	BUDGET NEEDS WEEKLY	AVERAGE WEEKLY OFFERING
\$368,322.31 2023 Improvement Fund	\$7,083.12 <u>Weekly Goal</u>	\$7,595.44 <u>Average Weekly Offering</u>
\$24,000.00	\$461.00	\$82.40
2023 New Church Roof Fund	WEEKLY GOAL	AVERAGE WEEKLY OFFERING
\$20,000.00	\$385.00	\$119.40

CONGREGATIONAL AVERAGE OFFERING APRIL 2023

Online TithingThe 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: <u>https://tithe.ly/give?c=1399928</u>

Food Pantry

2023 Distribution Dates: June 10th, August 12th, Oct. 14th, Dec. 9th

Items needed for the June distribution:

Drink mix/lemonade	Antibacterial Liquid soap	Cereal bars/granola bars
Popcorn	Laundry detergent	Toilet paper

Items always needed:					
Antibacterial hand soap	Applesauce	Baked beans	Cake/muffin/brownie mix	Canned fruit	
Canned tuna	Cereal	Granola bars	Jelly	Kleenex	
Oatmeal	Paper towels	Pasta sauce	Peanut butter	Potato/rice mix	
Small toys for cats and dogs					

Monetary donations are also welcome 🕹

If you have any questions or would be like to be added to the email helper list, please contact Jodi Waugaman at 724-516-9680 or <u>waugawoman86@comast.net</u>

Update on the Food Pantry:

The Food Pantry funds for 2023 have been met! Thanks to everyone for the generous donations to keep the food pantry well stocked with food and the monetary donations that will give us the ability to meet our needs throughout 2023.

Moving forward, the Pantry does need the

continuous support of our congregation to keep up the good work we provide for so many families at our 6 yearly distributions.

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. Thank you!

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Fellowship/Social Ministry

Here at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, we have collection every week called "Change for Change". The purpose of this collection is to help certain organizations that mostly rely on donations from other organizations. Thank you in advance for your consideration in donating to these very worthy causes.

JUNE, JULY and AUGUST will benefit: Norwin Rotary Backpack and Kiddie Sack Projects

Dylan Kunkel Michael Shotts Jean DiMarco Dorothy Peterman Julie Karas Jeff Horvath John Howell Bob Jackson Carol Jacobs Sharon Howell Eleanor Johnson IN OUR PRAYERS IN MAY:MICHAEL TOMASELLONANCY BOYDRACHEL FAULKNERMARIE HOWNTIM PAULCLYDE SIMMESAMANTHA VANEKTERRY DAREJUNE STITELYBONNIE HILLDOUG AND VICKIE HILLIERPAULA HOLDMIKE AND JOYCE HOLLICKDEBBIE HUMROBERT AND CAROL KELLERMARIE HOWNJOHN AND JANET KENNELLDANNON JOHJIM AND BARBARA KERRIGANBESSIE JONERON AND MICHELE KLINGENSMITH

NANCY BOYD MARIE HOWELL CLYDE SIMMERS TERRY DARBY BONNIE HILLIER PAULA HOLDERBAUM-KARL DEBBIE HUNT MARIE HOWELL DANNON JOHNSON BESSIE JONES

John Martincheck Joanne Campbell Ruth Porter Mike Hollick Erik and Kerri Hertzog Jim and Judy Hogue Bruce and Karly Huska Tom and Jamie Kendro Tim and Joycelyn Kettren Del and Dianne Kish

WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER THE FOLLOWING MILITARY PERSONNEL:

 Tyler Huffer
 Shannon Dawson
 Zachary Zehner
 Dom Baverso

 Jason Gribschaw
 Jeff & Holly Jadlocki



Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of Ron Coiner. He passed to life triumphant on May 13, 2023.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

All are invited Mondays at 6:00pm for PRAYER.

Join us! For a Congregational Luau on July 16th.

It will take place in the Fellowship Hall after the service. Keep watching the bulletin and newsletter for more details!

Join with us in our 2022-2023

"We Love to Read the Stories" adventure,

as we read our way through the Bible in one year. Our program is a 52 week program, it

concludes on Saturday September 2nd, 2023. JOIN ANYTIME!

There will be weekly reading lists, "paths" on three levels:

The Challenge Path – digging deeply into the Bible's riches.

The Survey Plan – shorter scriptural references.

The Sampler Plan – Bible's message in memorable and quotable references.

Our 7:00 pm Monday Night Bible Studies will be a time of gathering, reflection and the sharing of any questions that you might have on our weekly readings. You choose the depth of your dive. **Pick up the plan at church !**

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.

BIBLE STUDYS CONTINUE.....JOIN at ANY TIME



BIBLE STUDY on THURSDAYS at Noon in the Miller Parlor. All are welcome!

BIBLE STUDY on MONDAY Evenings at 7:00PM in the Miller Parlor. Please join us!

There will be <u>NO Bible Study</u> Monday, June 5th or Monday, June 19th and Thursday, June 29th at Noon.

Women's Faith and Friendship Upcoming Events:

Sunday, June 25th following 2nd service...Vinoski Winery, 333 Castle Drive, Rostraver, PA – More details to come. See Julie Kuhn

Sunday, July 23rd following 2nd service...we will meet for lunch (pizza and salad in the Miller Parlor) and then head to the Casino Theater to see **Godspell**. Our own David Emanuelson will be playing or performing (not sure which) in the musical. Show time is 2PM. See Julie Kuhn to RSVP.

We will take August off!

DUTIES for Ju	ine	Assisting Minister	Communion Assistants	Acolyte	Lector	Altar Flowers
Sunday, June 4	8:15AM	Jerry Kuhn	Rochelle Belak Debbie Gilkey		Rick Bavolek	Sonnie
	10:45AM	Karl Kunkle	Kira Zyvith Eric Walt	Grant Darby	Kira Zyvith	Freed
Sunday, June 11	8:15AM	Rick Bavolek	Dave and Jodi Smith	OPEN	Dave Smith	
	10:45AM	Jodi Waugaman	Anne Coiner Mike Stark	Joy Snyder	Mary Myers	Pat Walt
Sunday, June 18	8:15AM	Heather Newell	Joe Thomas Rochelle Belak	Jaden Brittingham	Donna Yusko	
	10:45am	Jennifer Fitzgerald	Susan Siems Jeff Horvath	Natalie Amantea	Lynn Smith	
Sunday, June 25	8:15AM	Joe Thomas	Debbie Gilkey	John Sheleheda	Fran Sivonek	
	10:45рм	Colleen Cochene	Chris Karpinksy	Breanna Hogue N		-

Altar Guild

Saturday, June 3	Set UP – Peggy Zimmerman and Debbie Reed
Sunday, June 4	8:15- Peggy Zimmerman and Debbie Reed
	10:45- Brian and Andrea Smith
Saturday, June 10	Set UP – Lois Brown and Vickie Geary
Sunday, June 11	8:15- Lois Brown and Vickie Geary
	10:45- Lori Thomas
Saturday, June 17	Set UP – Lori Thomas
Sunday, June 18	8:15- Peggy Zimmerman and Debbie Reed
	10:45 - Lori Thomas
Saturday, June 24	Set UP – Nina Saccamano and Debbie Curtis
Sunday, June 25	8:15- Lois Brown and Vickie Geary
	10:45- Nina Saccamano and Debbie Curtis

10:45 Greeters:

6/4 Heidi, Grace, and Grant Darby
6/11 Bruce and Georgia Stewart
6/18 Karl and Debbie Kunkle
6/25 Andrew and Jocelyn Snyder and family
7/2 Sonnie Freed and Debbie Rominski
7/9 Dee Withrow and Luella Tomasello
7/16 Susan Kramer and Marcia Kramer
7/23 Chris Richardson and Jodi Waugaman

		JU	NE 2023			
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Bible Study - Noon Seton Hill Fellow. Hall 5-7:30	2 Seton Hill Fellow. Hall 9-1:30	3
4 Holy Trinity Graduate Recognition 8:15 Worship 9:30am Adult Sunday School 10:45am Worship	5 Prayer Meeting	6 Property Meeting 7:00PM Luau Planning Committee Meeting 7:00PM	7	8 Bible Study- Noon Worship and Music Meeting 6:00pm	9 Girl Scouts	10 Food Pantry Distribution 9:00AM
	6:00рм		Boy Scouts Fellow. Hall 6:30-9		Fellow. Hall 6-7:30	
11 Pentecost 2 8:15am Worship 9:30am Adult Sunday School 10:45am Worship	12 Prayer Meeting 6:00pm	13 Stewardship Meeting 7:00PM	14 Council 7:00PM	15 Bible Study - Noon	16 Synod asse	17 mbly
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	Prayer Meeting 6:00pm	Mapping Tomorrow Meeting 7:00PM	Boy Scouts Fellow. Hall 6:30-9	Bible Słudy - Noon	Girl Scouts Fellow. Hall 6-7:30	
28 Pentecost 4 8:15am Worship 9:30am Adult Sunday School 10:45am Worship	26 Prayer Meeting 6:00pm	27 Men's Group 7:00PM	28	29	30	
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