Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

TIDINGS

July 2023

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"Give a cool cup of water to someone who is thirsty, for instance. The smallest act of giving or receiving makes you a true apprentice." Matthew 10:42

I love North Park in Pittsburgh and spend hours there. My husband was biking and I was running when he texted me I needed to get to the boathouse ASAP, but he was okay. When I got there, I came across this lovely group of people- the folks at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in North Park. They were passing out bottles of water and business cards for the congregation. They had pictures of the church on their shirts. Pastor Schenker told walkers, runners and bikers that the water bottles were free and if they were in the park on Sunday, he told them that they are always welcome at worship.

It was an amazing witness. People didn't know what to do with a free bottle of water with no strings attached. I overheard one runner say he'd be sweaty on Sunday after a run and was told in return, that didn't matter. Even if no one comes to worship with this, the love and joy of God that they shared made an impression- on me and others.

On July 16 we will have a congregational meeting to affirm council's action to have a Coordinator of Congregational Outreach. How can we provide physical and metaphorical water to those around us and share the joy of Jesus Christ? How will we find joy witnessing?

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Sarah

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Coming Events 2023

July 16 ONE Service at 10:00AM

Congregational Luncheon in the Fellowship Hall – following the Congregational Meeting, see details on

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July 23 Women's Faith and Friendship attending Godspell

July 30 Healing Service

August 6 Senior Luncheon at Noon



³² And we bring you the good **Tidings** that what God

promised to our ancestors ³³ he

has fulfilled for us, their

children, by raising Jesus,

Acts 1332-33a

August 19 Food Pantry Distribution 9-10AM

Sept. 10 10:45 Outdoor Service and Church Picnic at Wendel Club

Sept. 24 Congregational Meeting after each service-

voting on the Constitution

Oct. 21 Oktoberfest – Fellowship Hall

Oct. 29 Reformation Sunday with Confirmation



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

Church Finances

CONGREGATIONAL AVERAGE OFFERING MAY 2023

2023 BUDGET	BUDGET NEEDS WEEKLY	AVERAGE WEEKLY OFFERING
\$368,322.31	\$7,083.12	\$5,711.00
2023 IMPROVEMENT FUND	WEEKLY GOAL	AVERAGE WEEKLY OFFERING
\$24,000.00	\$461.00	\$147.75
2023 New Church Roof Fund	WEEKLY GOAL	AVERAGE WEEKLY OFFERING
\$20,000.00	\$385.00	\$140.50

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

Food Pantry

2023 Distribution Dates: August 19th, Oct. 14th, Dec. 9th

Items always needed:

Mac & cheese/pasta	Applesauce	Baked beans
Cake/muffin/brownie mix	Canned fruit	Canned tuna
Cereal	Granola bars	Pasta Sauce
Oatmeal	Paper towels	Toilet paper

Peanut butter & Jelly Potato/rice mix

Pudding Cups Dog and cat toys and treats

Special Requests for August distribution:

Toothpaste Gummy Snacks

Toothbrush Kleenex

Bar Soap Hand Sanitizer Trail Mix Hard Candies

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. Thank you!

Food pantry contact: Jodi Waugaman at 724-516-9680 or waugawoman86@comast.net

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN OUR PRAYERS IN JUNE:

DYLAN KUNKEL
MICHAEL SHOTTS
JEAN DIMARCO
DOROTHY PETERMAN
JULIE KARAS
KARL AND DEBBIE KUNKLE
ROBERT AND TRACY MCNE

ROBERT AND TRACY MCNELLY
BOB AND LEANNA MOBERG
JAMES & BROOKE MORROW
PAT AND SCOOT KOOS
LEN AND JAN LUSEBRINK

MICHAEL TOMASELLO
RACHEL FAULKNER
TIM PAUL
SAMANTHA VANEK
MARCIA KRAMER
SUSAN KRAMER
CINDY MCCUNE
RICH & MARY MYERS
TERRY & CAROL NEWELL

CHRIS KARPINSKY

NANCY BOYD
MARIE HOWELL
CLYDE SIMMERS
TERRY DARBY
JULIE AND JERRY KUHN
RAY AND MARION MCFEELY
DONNELL AND TAD MINERVA
GERALD & PENNY MORGAN
JOHN & BEVERLY MORROW
MIKE AND AILEEN LITTLE

JOHN MARTINCHECK
JOANNE CAMPBELL
RUTH PORTER
MIKE HOLLICK
MARION KUNKLE
JANET MARTON
MAURITTA MOYER
BRUCE & HEATHER NEWELL
REPNIECE KAPALAR

BERNIECE KAPALAR SHIRLEY KAPALAR

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 Fran Stitely. She passed to life triumphant on June 13, 2023.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of Doris Chadima. She passed to life triumphant on June 12, 2023.



During this recent time of Ron's hospitalization and passing, I have received many kind words of encouragement, support and sympathy. Your thoughts and caring words have been appreciated by me and my family.

Thank you for being near and for sharing your love.

Most sincerely yours, *Anne Coiner and Family*

Thank you to the congregation members who work hard to make the front of the church look so beautiful! The flowers are lovely and very much appreciated.

Also, many thanks to **Norwin Landscaping** for donating all the mulch for the flower beds and delivering it for free!

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Plan to Attend

The Combined Worship Service

July 16, 2023 at 10am

And Congregational Meeting

Following the 10am worship service, we will have a special congregational meeting. The purpose of the meeting is

"To affirm the council's action to hire Pastor John Smaligo as Coordinator of Congregational Outreach."

Copies of the job description are available in the narthex.

Then following the Congregational meeting there will be a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall.

Please plan to attend the 10am worship service, congregational meeting and lunch!

Mark your calendar and plan to attend...Congregational luncheon



July 16th approx. 11:30AM (following Congregational Meeting)

Featuring Tacos & Sangria (non alcoholic of course)

Sign Up in the Narthex

Women's Faith and Friendship Upcoming Events:

Sunday, **July 23**rd **following 2**nd **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 the role of Jesus in the musical.

Tickets are \$18 and lunch is \$5. Show time is 2PM. See Julie Kuhn to RSVP.

And then, we will take August off! See you back in September...details to follow.

Join us for Food and Fellowship

The Senior Luncheon - Sunday, August 6th following 2nd service
(appRox. 12pm noon)

Sign Up in the Narthex

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



That's in the Bible? - Bible Stories We Rarely Hear

July 2 – "Pay the tax with magic fish!" – Matthew 17:24-27 and "Mauled by a bear" – 2 Kings 2:19-25

July 9 - "The Sun Stands Still"- Joshua 1:12-14

July 16 - "The Earth Swallows People" - Numbers 16: 1-35

July 23 - "Ananias and Sapphire" - Acts 5:1-11

July 30 – "Lie down on your side for one year, and eat bread baked with..."

- Ezekiel 1:1-16

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:

<u>The Challenge Path</u> – digging deeply into the Bible's riches.

<u>The Survey Plan</u> – shorter scriptural references.

<u>The Sampler Plan</u> – 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!**



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!

All are invited Mondays at 6:00pm for PRAYER

Congratulations to our Graduates this Year!



High School: Kayla Cessna Rachel Faulkner Joe Fitzgerald

Andrea Hogue Anna Little

College: Trevor Klingensmith Kendra Scheideman Kira Zyvith

To the young people who have graduated....

I pray that you do not carry just a piece of paper with you, but carry with you: love, peace and joy. I pray that you become carriers of God's love. I pray that you are able to give what you have received. For what you have received is not to keep, but to share. – Mother Theresa



OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE EVENT: 10:45am

Join us on **Sunday Morning, September 10th** at the Wendel Club on Hahntown-Wendel Rd, Irwin.

Outdoor Worship Service

Pastor Sarah will start off with an outdoor church service followed with lunch and then some fun activities for all. The Wendel Club has indoor and outdoor areas so we will be there rain or shine.

Mark your calendar and plan to come!

Holy Trinity Bell Choir is looking for some new ringers!



Chancel bells are a beautiful way of serving to the glory God with your hands and hearts. No experience is necessary! No audition needed! No excuses! The Bell Choir is ready to welcome new members! Sunday evening rehearsals begin September. See John Howell for all the details!

HOLY TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH - COUNCIL Briefs

Christian Education

-Teachers and other church volunteers in contact with children will be updating clearances Congregational Luncheon will be held on July 16th at the church.

Youth Ministry

- -Stay at Home Mission Work Camp, June 26-27.
- -Pastor will be meeting with youth one-on-one or in small groups throughout the summer.

Stewardship Committee

- Kicking off capital fund plan for the roof.
- Considering a new approach to stewardship for the congregation focus will be that stewardship is more than money, it's a response to God's love.

Fellowship Committee

- Several receptions were held in April. Refrigerator was purchased for use downstairs in the fellowship hall.

Property Committee

- Beginning to obtain official roof estimates

Safety

-collected information on finding a contact for getting a safety briefing.

Trinity Care Committee

-Julie Kuhn and Jodi Waugaman to join the committee.

New Business

- -proposed filling the former DCEYM job with a Director for Congregational Outreach. Provided a draft Job Description for council review. Discussion was held regarding the job description, potential benefits, and funding options. Congregational vote will be held in July.
- -Several changes to the Bylaws also noted and will be worked into the upcoming Bylaw revision.

Action Items

Worship and Music to pursue quotes of a new carillon

DUTIES for July		Assisting Minister	Communion Assistants	A Acolyte	Lector	Altar Flowers
Sunday, July 2	8:15AM	Rick Bavolek	Lois Brown Glenda Wend		r Lori Pheil	
	10:45AM	Jennifer Fitzgerald	Mike Stark Joe Thomas	Joy Snyder	Kayla Cessna	
Sunday, July 9	8:15AM	John Howell	Dave and Jodi Smith	John Sheleheda	John Howell	
	10:45AM	Colleen Cochenour	Anne Coiner Susan Siems	Natalie Amantea	Jeff Horvath	
Sunday, July 16						Marion
	10:00AM	Jodi Waugaman	Rochelle Belak Joe Thomas	Jaden Brittingham	Susan Kramer	Kunkle
Sunday, July 23	8:15AM	Rick Bavolek	Julie Kuhn Heather Newe	Delany Hillier ll	Jodi Smith	
	10:45PM	Dannon Johnson	on Anne Coiner Diane Kowa	•	Michael Little	
Sunday, July 30	8:15AM	Jerry Kuhn	Debbie Gilkey Chris Karpinsky	John Sheleheda	Rick Bavolek	
	10:45PM	John Howell	Eric Walt Jeff Horvath	Will Little	Carol Schlotter	
Altar Guild						
Saturday, July 1 Sunday, July 2	8:15 - Glend	elyn Snyder & Ci a Wendling & Cir i Wielobob & Del	ndy McCune			
Saturday, July 8 Sunday, July 9	Set UP – Glenda Wendling & Julie Kuhn 8:15 - Julie Kuhn & Cindy McCune 10:45 - Pat Baird & Lynn Smith		10:45 Greeters: 7/2 Sonnie Freed at 7/9 Dee Withrow a			
Saturday, July 15	Set UP – Mimi Wielobob & Jocelyn Snyder		ocelyn Snyder	7/16 Sugar Vramor and Marsia Vramor		

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Saturday, July 22 Sunday, July 23	Set UP – Pat Baird & Lynn Smith 8:15- Glenda Wendling & Cindy McCune 10:45- Pat Baird & Lynn Smith	
Saturday, July 29 Sunday, July 30	Set UP – Mimi Wielobob & Julie Kuhn 8:15- Julie Kuhn & Cindy McCune 10:45- Mimi Wielobob & Debbie Hunt	

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Pentecost 5 8:15 Worship 9:30am Adult Sunday School 10:45am Worship	3 Prayer Meeting 6:00pm Bible Study	4 Happy Fourth of July! Office Closed	5 Technology Committee Meeting 7:00PM	6 Bible Study- Noon	7 Girl Scouts	8
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