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I have to admit that often I struggle to come up with a newsletter article at the end of each month. I figure if I share that openly maybe I will get some inspiration. It is now summer when everything starts to slow down. If I slow down for just a few minutes maybe I can write something that will speak to you in these warm months.

Several months ago, I started to talk with a spiritual director so that I could maybe get out of my head a little bit. I'm very academic when it comes to thinking and preaching and I've been wanting to take that down a notch. I'd like to maybe engage with you and with my work in a different way, a way that might make something like writing a newsletter article a little bit easier.

My spiritual director advised me to look for God. It

made me realize how often I cling to the doctrines that tell me where God is or tell me that God will show up in some of the most unlikely places. I have started to be more intentional about looking for God and trying to find God in my work and in my daily life. I would encourage you to do the same.

As we are in the midst of these warm months when life slows down just enough for us to savor it, I will give you the same advice that was given to me. Look for God. Take





the opportunity to see where you can find God. There is nothing wrong with finding God on the beach or on the golf course. Give thanks to God for the opportunity to be able to connect with God in this season of relaxation.

I also would encourage you to look for God in the life of your church. What has God

been doing in the life of Holy Trinity as you have been too busy to notice? Where do you find God in your church activities?

These might be some of the questions that you can consider as you fill out the form that the call committee has created. Thank you to those of you

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Church Council Members

Louise Lundquist (*President*) Neal Galbraith (*Vice-President*) Judith Cassel (*Secretary*) Brad Bishop (*Church Treasurer*) Kathy Bishop Nancy Brightbill Jay Brown Jack Derfler Karen Fitting Scott Hower Lynn Kern Louise Lundquist Hunter Nelson Rita White



Committee Chair Persons

Worship/Music—Paul Copenhaver Finance—Horace Ehrgood Christian Education—Elizabeth Hershey Property—Henry Wampler Archives— Position Vacant Social Ministry—Jim Dibert Social Activities—Stephanie Kaylor



Our Vision...Our mission is to grow in faith and discipleship, share the Good News of Jesus through word and deed, love others as Christ loves us, and celebrate life in Christ through worship, sacraments and service.

Our Mission....We are a community of

believers who come together in:

✤ <u>Worship</u> to be transformed by the presence of Jesus Christ in and through God's gift of Word and Sacrament.

✤ <u>Christian Education</u> to deepen our faith and strengthen us in faithful service, trusting in the creative activity of the Holy Spirit.

✤ Friendship to celebrate our unity in Christ and sustain and nurture each other as we journey with Him in our day-to-day lives.

Stewardship to gratefully use the time, talents and possessions we have been given in furthering our mission in response to Jesus' call and the leading of the Holy Spirit.

✤ Evangelism to share the Jesus story so that others may come to know God's reconciling grace and the peace, joy and hope that his divine grace gives.

✤ Social Ministry to respond to the spiritual, mental and physical needs of our neighbors and advocate for the poor, hungry and vulnerable peoples of the world.

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who have already filled it out. In filling out this form, you have the opportunity to speak to how God has blessed this congregation and how God has been at work in it over the last several years. What has God been doing in this place and what might God be trying to do? You might consider these questions as you fill out the form.

The call committee will compile the data from the forms and use it to complete the ministry site profile. Once the ministry site profile is complete, it will be approved by the church Council and again by The Bishop's office. The call committee will then receive candidates from the Bishop's office to interview to become the next called Pastor of Holy Trinity.

The call committee will be looking for how God is working through this interview process in order to call the best candidate possible to serve Holy Trinity. They will be looking at how God has worked through each candidate in their previous Ministries. Also the call committee will look at the different gifts that God has given each candidate and discern which candidate God might be calling to serve your wonderful congregation. In these slower and warmer months I urge you to look for God and pray for the call committee as they look for God and find God in the midst of this call process. Look for God and remember that God will show up. God will show up for you as God always does.

God's blessing,

actor time Down

Pastor Tim





Highlights of Church Council Meeting, June 15, 2023

- The roof repair bill of \$30,000 has been paid.
- We continue to operate at a budget deficit. As of the end of May, income was only at 85% of budget.
- There have been problems with live streaming of our worship services. Worship and Music staff feel that a new laptop computer is needed to help resolve some of the issues. Church Council approved procurement of the new computer with funds available in the Worship and Music budget.
- Christian Education Committee met to discuss several topics, with a focus on our confirmation program. It was decided that a new format will be used for confirmation. Additional meetings will be held to work out the program details.
- The 2023 Lower Susquehanna Synod (LSS) Assembly was held on Friday, June 2 and Saturday, June 3. Pastor Tim attended and reported that much of the meeting was spent dealing with business issues. He did note that the LSS voted to expand the number of delegates that each congregation will be allowed to send to the assembly. Two additional delegates will be accepted from each congregation, (1) a youth member and (2) a congregant from an underrepresented segment of our membership. ELCA Bishop Elizabeth Eaton was in attendance and remarked that the LSS is the first synod to make this positive move.
- Property Committee noted that a new sign is needed in front of the church on Lehman Street. The current one is deteriorating. The need for a sign to best identify the rear entrance to the church was also discussed; apparently non-members have difficulty locating the door at times. This issue will be further investigated.
- The two defibrillators owned by the church are not in working order. One is behind the organ; the other is in the Social Room. Neal Galbraith has offered to look into the situation.
- The Call Committee is meeting regularly and making progress.

July 2023 Worship Schedule

July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30 9:00 AM—Traditional Service 10:15 AM— Sunday School*

Radio Worship Service:

There will be a radio broadcast of the service available to those who are parked just outside of the church, either in the parking lot or on the street. Just tune your radio to 88.5.

Online Worship Service:

Our online worship will continue to be available. You can find the service by going to https://www.trinityleb.org/links. Here you will find links to the live-stream, the bulletin, and the replay of the service so that you can watch at any time you wish during the week.

*There is no Children's Sunday School in July. There is also no Adult Sunday School on July 23.

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT



We have a small lending "library" of

equipment and new medical supplies that are available for use by members of Holy Trinity. If you have a need or would like to donate an item, please contact the Church Office.

Aluminum Can Collection

The church continues to collect aluminum cans for recycling. Please bring the aluminum cans (rinsed & flattened) to the church weekdays

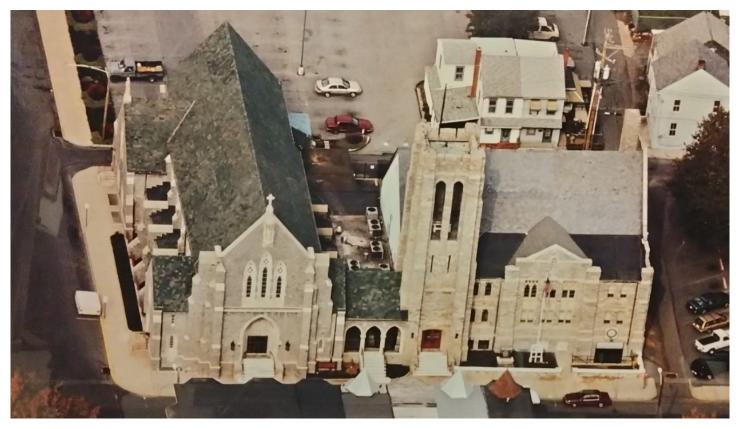


during church office hours, or bring them along to church, Sunday School, or any other church function. A container for them is located in THE GIVING PLACE (Arnold St. side annex of Luther's Place).





From the Archives: Guess the Year & Win!



Can you guess what year this aerial photo of Holy Trinity was taken? Enter your guess and you could win a \$25 gift certificate to Are & Be Café, 381 N. 8th St., Lebanon. To enter, simply drop your guess in the box located at the parking lot entrance Welcome Table in the specially marked box. A winner will be selected and announced in the July edition of *Trinity Tidings*.

Spang Crest Needs Your Generosity!

As with most nursing homes, your generosity adds to our residents' lives and activity programming. Listed below are some of the typical prizes that our residents would choose to take off the prize cart. Any of these donations or any other items would be greatly appreciated.

- Kleenex (boxes and tissues packs)
- Candy (individually wrapped): chocolate bars, sugar free hard and/or chocolate candy, hard candy, Tic-Tac packages
- Snack Foods: pretzel bags, snack packages, cookies, crackers (peanut butter or cheese)
- Jewelry (mainly long necklaces)
- Perfume and/or Cologne
- After Shave, Body Spray, and/or Hand Lotions
- Quarters to spend in the Gift Shop
- Adult Coloring Books
- Colored Pencil Packs
- Small Notebooks (to write in)
- Small Stuffed Animals





For more information, please contact Marian Brandt at 717-273-4385. Donations can be placed in The Giving Place in the bin marked "Spang Crest."

Holy Trinity is at the Heart of Annville-Cleona's Altruism Award

Sixteen years ago at my retirement as Annville-Cleona Middle School Guidance Counselor, the Middle School teachers named a Middle School Award for me---The Denise McDaniels' ALTRUISM AWARD. The recipients are chosen by MS faculty votes, and I present the award to one boy and one girl in both seventh and eighth grade at the year-end MS Awards Assembly. This year I had the privilege for the first time, to present the male seventh grade award to a student I know, and who attends Holy Trinity, our very own SAMUEL JACOB SEIDERS. I later learned that Sam was also the male recipient for the sixth grade GOOD CITIZENSHIP AWARD presented by State Senator Chris Gebhard.

Sam plays Annville Youth League Baseball (first base is his love) and A-CMS Football as an offensive and defensive lineman. He plays trumpet in

the school band. This spring Sam participated in the Middle/High School's huge annual Four Diamonds MINI-THON. The donations raised by the kids for the kids totaled \$65,000 for Hershey's Penn State Children's Hospital. It's a few years away, but after HS graduation, like his father, Sam thinks he may enlist in the Army.

Sam loves to go fishing and to play video games, and he is a Church acolyte and a member of the Confirmation Class. Sam often helped his Grandma Yvonne bake cookies and cakes for our Fellowship Bazaar and afterwards Grandpa Ron would load up the car to deliver all the goodies to Trinity.

We have watched Sam grow into a fine young man. His words and actions for others are kind and caring, and he doesn't expect anything in return. He demonstrates the truth in this quote by Anne Frank



"How wonderful it is that no one need to wait a single moment before starting to improve the world."

Sam is the son of Samuel and Nicole Seiders. CONGRATUATIONS to Sam and may GOD BLESS him and his family.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SCHOOL KITS AND PERSONAL CARE KITS 2023

The Women of the ELCA of Holy Trinity are participating in two projects for Lutheran World Relief this year - the assembly of 100 school kits and 100 personal care kits. We welcome members of the congregation to join us in helping to make the School Kits and Personal Care Kits goals. The items needed are listed below. It would be especially helpful to receive assistance with the purchase of 70 sheet SPIRAL notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper approximately 8" x 10 1/2". Because each school bag contains 4 spiral notebooks and our goal is to complete 100 school bags we need 400 spiral notebooks. At present we have 94 spiral notebooks toward this goal. In addition if a member of the congregation would like to participate by sewing school bags the instructions for making the school bags can be found on the Welcome Table beginning July 3. All donated items can be placed in the WELCA Collection Barrel in The Giving Place from July 1 to September 3. September 3 is the deadline for all donations.

SCHOOL KITS

For children whose lives have been disrupted by war or other disasters receiving a school kit is a sign that someone far away cares. Adults in literacy classes



appreciate the supplies needed to learn to read and write.

Include the following items in each School Kit:

- Four 70-80 sheet spiral-bound notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper approximately 8"x 10 1/2"; NO LOOSE-LEAF PAPER
- One pair of blunt scissors (safety scissors with imbedded steel blades work well)
- One 30 centimeter ruler or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other side
- One pencil sharpener
- Five unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
- Five black or blue ballpoint pens (NO GEL INK); secure together with a rubber band



- One box of 16 or 24 crayons
- One eraser approximately 2 1/2 " long
- One sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag approximately 14" x 17" with shoulder straps (NO STANDARD BACKPACKS) Recommended fabrics include sturdy cotton, canvas, denim and twill.

Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed. All items should be new and in good condition. Remove excess packaging, pack all items in the school bag and close. Do not enclose the Kit or any of its contents in plastic bags. Detailed instructions with pictures for sewing the school bags are available on the Welcome Table.

PERSONAL

CARE KITS Clean hands, good grooming, bright and shining smiles - you can help bring them about



through the gift of Personal Care Kits.

Include the following items in each Personal Care Kit:

- One light weight bath-size towel (20"x40" to 52"x27"), dark color recommended.
- Two bath-size bars of soap any brand in its original wrapping (4 to 5 oz bars)
- One adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging. Toothbrush multipacks may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business envelope; no plastic bags or wrap.
- One sturdy comb, wide tooth preferred, remove packaging
- One metal nail clipper attached file optional, remove packaging

Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed. All items should be new and in good condition. Wrap all the items in the towel and tie the towel securely with ribbon or yarn. Do not enclose the Kit or any of its contents in plastic bags.



ALOHA! The Women of the ELCA are having a Hawaiian themed picnic for all the ladies of the church on Wednesday, August 16 at 6:00pm in the Church Social Room. Feel free to wear tropical clothing and bring any female friend for pot luck, fellowship and games. Hot dogs and drinks will be provided. Please sign up at one of the welcome tables by Sunday, August 6 to let us know what you and your friend will bring: a salad, dessert, or side dish. Any questions or to sign up via phone call or text contact Nancy Brightbill (717) 507-8698 or Heather Buffington (717) 926-3917 ALOHA!



All-Church Potluck

The Social Activities cordially invites you to join the HTLC family for fellowship and food on Sunday, July 23 following Church Service. We will gather in the Social Room. If you would like to bring something to enjoy, there are sign-up sheets at both the Welcome Tables or by contacting the Church Office at 717-273-8567. (It is NOT necessary that you bring something to attend.)





There will be a Bazaar meeting on July 20 at 6:30 in Luther's Place to discuss suggestions and plans for the 2023 November 11 Fellowship Bazaar. Booth Chairs, helpers, and anyone interested in being part of the Bazaar is welcome to attend. Hope to see you there.

> - Denise McDaniels, Bazaar Chair 717- 628 -1461 dymcdaniels@comcast.net



JOIN US FOR VBS!

ReNew is an environmentally-focused VBS program that inspires kids and adults to grow in faith, have fun, and change the world as they practice stewardship of creation! VBS will take place Monday, July 17 through Wednesday, July 19 from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Children 10 and under welcome! We will be meeting in the Gathering Room. Questions? Please contact Elizabeth Hershey at 717-644-4928.

Teachers are needed for the 2023-24 Sunday School year. Classes start in September. To be a teacher, you will need to complete a volunteer application and submit child abuse background and criminal history clearances. If you are interested or if you have questions, please contact Elizabeth Hershey at 717-644-4928.





LCCM Food Bank Item

The items requested in July is **condiments and sugar.** Items can be brought to the church at any time and placed in the red shopping cart labeled **"LCCM Food Bank"** located

in THE GIVING PLACE (Arnold St. side annex of Luther's Place).

Holy Trinity collected 26 pounds of food in June.

Please continue your generosity by continuing to donate to the Food Bank. Your donations are greatly needed and appreciated.



The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania

Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, & The Wittel Farm

Upcoming Events:

July 9-15: Kids at Heart Camp at Kirchenwald July 9-15: Elder Camp at Nawakwa August 6-12: Family Camp-K-tion (Family Camp) at Kirchenwald August 6-12: Family Camp II at Nawakwa September 30: Party with a Purpose at Kirchenwald October 1: Capture the Flag at Kirchenwald October 3-5: Adult Study Retreat at Nawakwa October 22: Fall Foliage Day at Kirchenwald & Nawakwa November 5: Annual Quilt Auction at Nawakwa November 5: Advent Day at The Wittel Farm January 5-7, 2024: Winter Youth Retreat at Kirchenwald

Always check LutheranCamping.org for the most updated calendar!

Information can also be found on the bulletin board.

Prayer Partners

If you would like your name added to the list for prayer, please call the church office, 717-273-8567.

We ask our readers to include the following people in their prayers:

Bryan Albright Barb Atwood Barb Baeckert Monique & Jack Derfler Deb Dobson Dan Fox Mo Gockley Mike & Nancy Hentz Patty Hess The Family of Claude Keyser Dana King Raymond Kohr **Doris Kreiser** Jim & Judi Light Marie Smith **Ernie Thompson** Nancy Warner Mary Yeagley



July Happy Birthday Wishes

Happy Birthday to the following Golden Agers of Holy Trinity who will celebrate a birthday this month:

- 8 Raymond Kohr 371 N. 5th St. Lebanon, PA 17046
- 13 Charles Hornickell Carriage House 22 PO Box 125 Cornwall, PA 17016
- 23 Betty Schriver 208 Adam Drive Lebanon, PA 17042
- 25 Darwin Miller 1069 Horseshoe Circle Lebanon, PA 17042
- 29 William Godlevski 13 Southfield Road Lebanon, PA 17042

Please consider sending a card or giving them a phone call to celebrate their special day.





Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America God's work. Our hands.

June 20, 2023

Dear Friends in Christ at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church,

The Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Call Committee has prayerfully been working on the process to call a new Pastor to our congregation. We have had several productive meetings with Pastor Tim. We also had an insightful meeting with The Pastor Beth Martini, Assistant to the Bishop, from the Lower Susquehanna Synod. Their guidance is appreciated as our congregation continues the search for a new Pastor.

The initial step in the process to call a new Pastor to our church is for the committee to complete a "Ministry Site Profile". The Ministry Site Profile is a brief but comprehensive document that captures the essence of our congregation. A well-researched and well-written Ministry Site Profile clearly and honestly portrays our congregation and assists in finding the best candidate to lead our church. Therefore, we would like the congregation's input to questions that will assist the call committee in completing the Ministry Site Profile. For families please complete one survey form per church member. Please complete and return the survey by July 23rd to one of the survey boxes located in the Narthex or at the welcome table located at the parking lot entrance to the church. You can also mail the completed form to the church at:

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church 723 Lehman Street Lebanon, PA 17046

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Your participation in this part of the call process will help us find the best candidate to lead our church. Please pray for our church as we continue our journey to call a new Pastor to Holy Trinity.

With love and joy in Christ,

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Call Committee: Jay Brown, Sue Ann Houser, Jodi Moyer, Leanne Snyder, Roberta Wampler, Terry Weaver, The Pastor Conrad Youse

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Pastoral Call Survey

Optional:

Full Name:_____

Telephone number:_____

or email:_____

1. How far do you live from Holy Trinity?

a.) ½ mile or less	c.)1-3 miles
b.) ½ mile to 1 mile	d.) More than 3 miles

2. Circle 5 things you would like to see our new pastor focus on:

Administration	Communication/media	Counseling	
Evangelism/mission	Financial management	Christian Education	
Recruit /Equip Leaders	Community Organizing	Innovation/Creativity	
Youth& Family Ministry	Multicultural Ministry	Music/Worship/Arts	
Self-Care/Family Care	Small Group Ministry	Social Ministry	
Teaching	Volunteer Coordination	Pastoral Care and Visitation	
Neighborhood Integration	Preaching/Worship	Other:	

3. What are you excited about in the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church congregation?

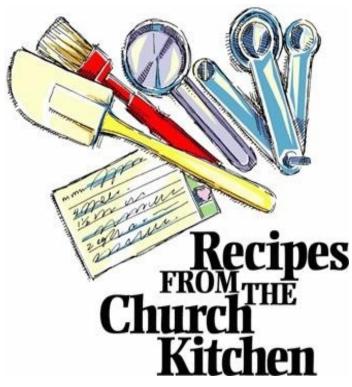
4. What do you feel are our congregation's gifts?

5. Please check off at least 5 gifts for ministry our new pastor should have:

Select 5 and rate in order of importance. 1 being most important to 5 least

- _____Help people develop their spiritual life
- _____Build a sense of community among the people with whom he/she works
- _____Be effective in working with youth of all ages
- _____Help others develop their leadership abilities and skills for ministry
- _____Be an effective administrator
- _____Be an effective communicator
- _____Encourage support of the Church's wider mission
- _____Be active in ecumenical relationships
- ____Organize people for community action
- _____Be skilled in planning and leading programs
- ____Deal effectively with conflict
- ____Bring joy and humor to relationships
- _____Be able to share leadership
- _____Be creative and innovative about his/her tasks
- _____Be able to use technology and media
- _____Appreciate cultural diversity in language and customs
- _____Have talents in the areas of music, arts, and writing
- ____other:_____
- 6. Additional questions/comments/concerns:

Please return the completed form by July 23 to the survey box located at one of the welcome tables located in the Narthex or by the parking lot door entrance. You can also mail the completed survey to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 723 Lehman Street, Lebanon, PA 17046. Thank you!



We would love to feature your recipe next! Please send your recipe to stephanie@trinityleb.org.

Raspberry Lemonade

Ingredients:

2 cups fresh lemon juice (from about 15 lemons) 1 1/2 cups sugar 1/2 10-ounce bag frozen raspberries

Directions:

Put the lemon juice in a pitcher. Mix the sugar and 1 1/2 cups water to make a syrup, stirring well until the sugar dissolves. Add the sugar syrup to the lemon juice and top with 4 cups water. Taste to make sure it's sweet enough for you, then add the raspberries. (Keep in mind that the raspberries are tart, so be sure to sweeten enough!) Stir the lemonade, then chill in the fridge.

Fill glasses with ice cubs and top them off with the lemonade. ENJOY!



Don't pray when you feel like it. Have an appointment with the Lord and keep it.

-Corrie ten Boom

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Lectionary Readings

Sunday, July 2 5th Sunday after Pentecost Jeremiah 28:5 - 9 Psalm 89:1 - 4, 15 - 18 Romans 6:12 - 23 Matthew 10:40 - 42

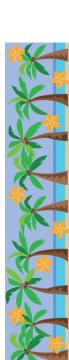
Sunday, July 9 6th Sunday after Pentecost Zechariah 9:9 - 12 Psalm 145: 8 - 14 Romans 7:15 - 25a Matthew 11:16 - 19, 25 - 30

Sunday, July 16 7th Sunday after Pentecost Isaiah 55:10 - 13 Psalm 65: [1 - 8] 9 - 13 Romans 8:1 - 11 Matthew 13:1 - 9, 18 - 23 Sunday, July 23 8th Sunday after Pentecost Isaiah 44:6 - 8 Psalm 86:11 - 17 Romans 8:12 - 25 Matthew 13:24 - 30, 36 - 43

Sunday, July 30 9th Sunday after Pentecost 1 Kings 3:5 - 12 Psalm 119:129 - 136 Romans 8:26 - 39 Matthew 13:31 - 33, 44 - 52

Sunday, August 6 10th Sunday after Pentecost Isaiah 55:1 - 5 Psalm 145:8 - 9, 14 - 21 Romans 9:1 - 5 Matthew 14:13 - 21





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Sun	<u>EVERY SUNDAY:</u> 9:00AM Service of Holy Communion 10:15AM Adult Sunday School	2 Addition 10 Matthew 10	9 Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give your rest. Lamara 10:15A CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MEETING	16 The Paradio of the Sourcer	23 POTLUCK FOLLOWING SERVICE SERVICE SERVICE 30 PALM LUTHERAN NOON MEAL