

June 2021 Newsletter

²⁸ “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

—Matthew 11:28

Dear Siblings in Christ,

It’s summer! Well, almost... as I write this we’re officially still in spring. And, it’s a cool and damp enough morning that I’m wondering if we’ll ever need to turn our air conditioning on. I have a friend who lives in Green Bay, WI, and the other day while Facebook showed pictures of youth here going off to Covid’s version of the prom in sleeveless gowns with pictures taken in lush, green yards with flowers everywhere, she was still shoveling a bit of snow. Seasons change, one into the other, but sometimes that change is mighty slow.

It’s summer! For many of us that means a chance to rest from our toil and head to the beach, the campground, bus trips, the porch, family time and fun hotels. For others of us it’s the growing season and time to really get to work; winter’s dormant hours, though long, have finished for now and spring has warmed the earth. The pandemic, still with us, has begun to slowly release its hold on us in terms of restrictions.

Perhaps, as the bulk of the population becomes vaccinated and others recover, we’ll be free to live our lives again in that long awaited “normal” fashion. In any case, we all need to take a break once in a while... from stress, from routine, from the daily grind. In fact, it’s commanded by God – a longstanding expectation and gift from our Creator. We were designed to rest.

Hear the words of the Lord from the passage above. This may be a particularly wearying time in your life, a time of transition, seasonal change that involves more than just the temperatures shifting and the earth blossoming. Transitions are hard, and sometimes they bring

with them an awful weight as we wade through them. Waiting for a situation to be over, a test result, a condition to change, etc. can all seem like it will take forever. Adjustment can be rough – and setbacks are common. Rarely are we firmly engaged in a life, or season, that is consistently smooth.

No matter what's going on right now in your life, Jesus invites you, all of you, not just the overachievers, to take a rest. Lay your burdens down at the foot of the cross and breathe deeply into the promise of new life. The Advocate has come! The Spirit of the Lord is active and leading, teaching and healing, accompanying and guiding. Rest in those holy arms, child of God. Give yourself permission to take a break from the stress you're under; no worries, the work of it will be there when you come back. We do much better when we acknowledge God's invitation to take a sabbath, rest in Jesus, and just stop for a while.

May you have a blessed, restorative and holy break soon! ~ Pastor Susan



HOLY COMMUNION AVAILABLE @ 10:30 a.m. First Sunday of the Month The Sacrament of Holy Com-

munion will be available via "Drive-In" distribution after worship (10:30 a.m.) on the First Sunday of the month, June 6. Christ himself invites you to receive this feast of bread and wine (wafer and grape juice). The consecrated elements will be distributed using a devotion and tongs to hand the elements to you in a contactless manner as you remain in your car. If you have not been vaccinated, please wear your mask. If you have questions or are unable to drive in to receive communion, please call the church office to make other arrangements, 717-259-9125.

Our Mission: We are a family of Christian disciples committed to making Christ known while loving and serving God and neighbors.

Our Vision: To fulfill our mission, we will:

Worship through liturgy, music, prayer, and Sacraments;

Teach God's Word and nurture spiritual growth;

Serve and provide for those in need;

Witness to others by sharing the Gospel;

Celebrate with fellowship;

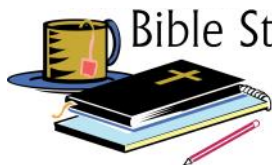
Return with joy what God has given;

Be active in our community and the Church.

Worship, Serve, Celebrate!



Bible Study Update We will continue to hold Bible Study each week throughout the summer. For now, because our participants are scattered near and far, literally around the country, we'll continue meeting on Zoom. But, Trinity is in the process of purchasing a conference-call-camera.



Once this new technology is on-board we'll transition to in-person at the church AND Zoom so that all participants can see one another. Beginning the week of June 13th we'll move back to Monday nights at 6:00 PM. Watch your weekly announcements for the Zoom link and any updates.

We pray for our homebound members and for those battling injury or long-term illness, *especially: Christopher Teal, Luther Rinehart, Theresa McGee, Kim Smith, Logan Siekerman, Pr. Terry McCarthy and Pixie Henry.* If you know of any members needing pastoral care, please contact the church office. **Please notify the church as soon as possible if someone you know is hospitalized.*



SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED FOR 2021-22

Even though we've just concluded a GREAT-in-spite-of-pandemic school year, we're already thinking about what's planned for the fall and the return of Christian Education at Trinity. In the absence of a Youth Minister, we need some adult volunteers to teach a Youth/Young Adult class each week using age-appropriate materials. ***Please think and pray about whether God is calling you to fill this need for our recently-confirmed, high school, and college-age young adults.*** According to our child safety protocols, two teachers must be present for each class, so several volunteers are needed. This class is not the same as Youth Group. Call Pr. Susan for more information.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASS THIS SUMMER

Pastor Susan will be offering an adult catechism class this summer after worship, in-person, at the church, with a Zoom option. The class will begin on Sunday, June 13th, during the Sunday School hour (10:30) at Trinity in the social hall.

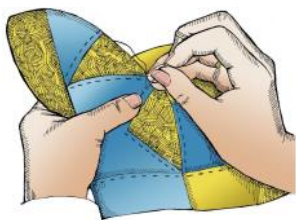
Learn about the Reformations, what it means to be a Lutheran, a member of the ELCA, a member of our synod (region), and a member of Trinity. Pre-registration is not needed, but if you do plan to attend, please call the office so we can make sure to prepare enough materials for everyone. Thanks! If you have questions, please contact Pastor Susan.

CEREAL CELEBRATION SOON! (God's work. Our hands.)

Heads Up to all grocery shoppers... Ever set up dominoes as a kid just to knock them down? What a cool chain reaction! There's an idea afloat at Trinity about setting up our own domino-effect using cereal boxes that we'd later donate to neighbors in need. Please, watch for cereal sales and long expiration dates as you do your shopping. Want to be involved in planning and executing the project? (*Newly-confirmed youth, this is a great service project for YOU!*) Let Pastor Susan or Deb King know.



KNOTTY KNOTTERS The Knotty Knotters will continue meeting the second and fourth Wednesdays of every month to make knotted quilts for folks in need. We will meet June 9 and June 23 from 2:00-4:00pm. Following the church's guidelines, masks covering the nose and mouth are required for those not fully vaccinated. Tables will be spread out in the social hall so that social distancing can be practiced. If you can tie a knot, we hope that you will consider joining this group. Due to circumstances from this past year, there is a great need for quilts and blankets. The Knotters need many hands to work on this worthwhile project. If you have questions, contact Gay Weigand 717-476-8290.



Electronic Giving is a great way to support our congregation and its many ministries throughout the year! Your offering comes through even when you cannot attend worship. Simply sign up online through our church website or by contacting the office at 717-259-9125, or you can scan this code with your phone.



MIDWEEK

PRAY. PRAISE. REFUEL

IS THERE INTEREST IN A MID-WEEK PRAYER SERVICE?

There are many names on our Prayer Lists and, though they are mentioned each week when we gather for worship, and our prayer chain prays regularly for those on the list, we don't read every individual name in a dedicated, holy space with one another.

Pastor Susan would like to gauge your interest in a brief worship on **Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m.** to pray together in a spoken service where we'd gather, hear God's Word, share in joys and concerns, and pray in ways that would include petitions, and each name on our lists.

In particular, this is a great ministry for those who may be retired from work and/or more active ministries but are skilled in caring for others and dedicated to prayer. If you are interested in such a service, please call or email the office and let us know – if there is interest in this ministry we'll set a date and get started! And maybe do lunch afterward?



Charlie Sebright will graduate from Bermudian Springs High School on June 4, 2021. He is planning to pursue a degree in Agricultural Engineering at the Purdue Polytechnic University in West Lafayette, Indiana, this fall.



Bonnie Shue's granddaughter **Brookelyn Morehead**, will be graduating from Bermudian Springs High School on June 4th. She will be going to Rowan College of Performing Arts and majoring in musical theatre.



Trinity Men's Group



The Men's Ministry Group met Saturday May 8 with the following in attendance:

Mel Lebo, Jay Smith, Les Herman, Allen Weigand, Jim Kline, Chris Long, Mac McMaster, Bill Tritsch, and Bob King. This was the last meeting until September. Following breakfast, the group made 76 quarts of chicken corn and ham & bean soup for sale later that day at the East Berlin Community Park Food Truck event. Sale of soup resulted in a profit of \$291. As more of the Covid-19 restrictions are lifted we may consider some sort of group social event. One of the items recently recommended by a few congregational members would be to have regularly scheduled soup sales (by order only). This will be an item for discussion at the resumption of our meetings in September. Thanks to all who participated in our meetings despite the Covid restrictions. Have a great summer!



Trinity's next blood drive will be Tuesday, July 6 from 1:00 to 6:30 pm. Please consider signing up to donate life-saving blood. If you are unable to sign up, how about getting a friend or family member to do-

nate? Sign up by calling the church office or go online to the Red Cross website. Each unit of blood donated can benefit 3 people. This is truly a ministry of love.

Pastor Susan's E-mail Account: Pastor Susan requests that all email sent to her be sent to **pastor@trinitylutheraneb.org**. Her old email address, pastor.susan@yahoo.com, is often filled with spam and ads and is not the primary address she's using. She is afraid if you email the non-congregational address your message may be missed. Thank you!



Ministry Pages



Trinity Lutheran Church is offering free, non-perishable food items on the outdoor shelf located near the back doors of the church. Anyone needing food is invited to take what they need. And, everyone is encouraged to leave items to help others!

*"Share with the Lord's people who are in need.
Practice hospitality."
~Romans 12:13*

Food Pantry Changes: Beginning with the food pantry on June 2nd, New Hope will again bring the mobile pantry from 3:00-6:00pm. This means that once again the guests will be able to shop for their food instead of getting a box of food. This also means that we will need more volunteers to help the guests with shopping and additional duties. Please consider helping if you feel comfortable doing so. We will also be offering the guests individually wrapped snacks such as cookies, brownies, pretzels, and fruit. If you would like to help in this way your donation would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Anita Madsen.





Laundry Love Ministry will be held Tuesday, June 8 from 5:30-6:30pm at the White Dove Laundromat in East Berlin behind Jim & Nena's. Social distancing will be observed, and masks/gloves will be worn. Guests will be provided with quarters and laundry soap to assist with their laundry needs. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Judy Burgard (717) 259-9507. **PLEASE bring in your quarters and drop them in the donation bin inside the back door vestibule.**



Trinity's Wellness Group



Trinity's Wellness Group will be gathering soon to talk about the importance and trappings of **Tradition**. Please watch for more information in weekly announcements regarding the date, time, and location of the gathering.

If we decide to hold an in-person event, there will also be a Zoom link for those who desire to join in electronically. If you have questions, or ideas for future topics, please contact either Laura Ryder or Pastor Susan. Please join us for these enlightening and uplifting conversations!

Congratulations to our Confirmands!

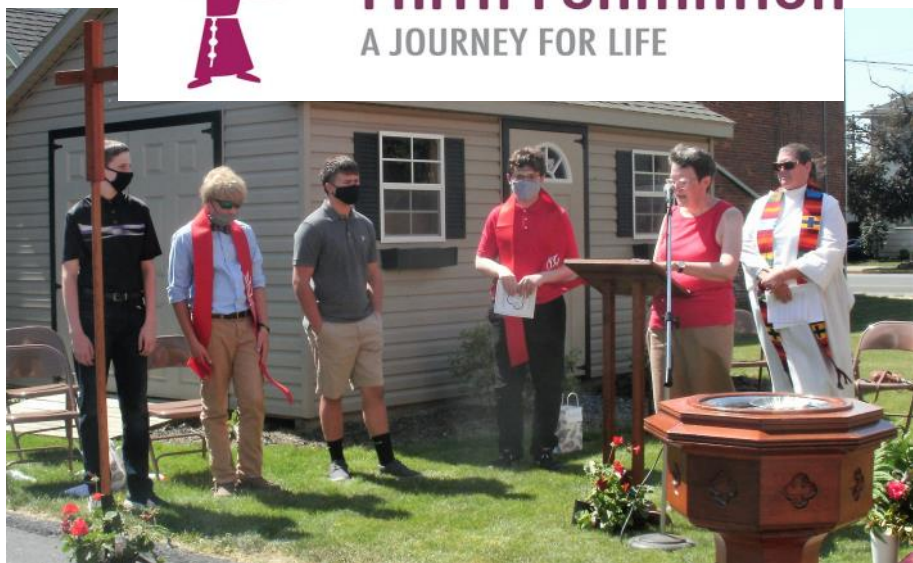


On Sunday, May 23 the congregation witnessed as the confirmation students, after two full years of specific faith instruction, affirmed their baptismal covenants with the Lord. (pictured left to right) **Carter Storm, Eddie Sebright, Mitchell Eaton, Milon Eaton, Alex Sharrer, Greta Haley & Kyla Nickey.** Congratulations to our 2020 & 2021 Confirmands!





FAITH FORMATION
A JOURNEY FOR LIFE



Worship Assistant Schedule

Date	Assisting Minister	Lector
June 6	Charlie Hoffman	Sue Clausen
June 13	Ruthann Bowen	Noelle Kline
June 20	Bob King	Louise Haug
June 27	Chris Long	Mary Jacobs

Note: If you need to change the date you are scheduled to serve, please contact others



On Sunday, May 23, we celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism for **Cash Tyler Storm**. Cash is the son of Nick & Laura Storm (here with his brothers, Carter, Camdyn & Chase)

Schedule for June 2021

	Ushers
	Janet & Mac McMaster, Louise Haugh, Ruthann Bowen
	Kathy Kuhn, Linda Green, Mark Boyer, Jim Kline
	Jay & Susan Smith, Allen Weigand, Jack Hinkle
	Rick & Anita Madsen, Bob & Deb King

on the list and arrange a swap. Please notify the church office of the change.



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CELEBRATE



Sunday School





Have a great



JOIN US FOR A FREE FAMILY EVENT AND SUPPORT WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA



FAMILY DAY

FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 2021

12:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

EAST BERLIN VFW (107 LOCUST ST, EAST BERLIN)

BOUNCE HOUSE / RAFFLE BASKETS
FIRE TRUCKS / MAKE YOUR OWN
WREATH / BAKE SALE & MORE!
THE VFW WILL BE OPEN FOR DINING

NOON - OPENING SERVICE

2 PM - CEREMONIAL WREATH LAYING

4 PM - VIETNAM VETERANS HONORED

6 PM - ENTERTAINMENT BY RJ MOODY
(BRING A LAWN CHAIR)

THE WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA
MOBILE EDUCATION TRAILER WILL BE
ON-SITE FOR TOURS! STOP BY TO
LEARN MORE ABOUT THEIR MISSION!



WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

The Friends of the Trone Memorial Library are looking for volunteers to help in the new Library Bookstore, located in the basement of the library. The hours for volunteering are 11:30-3:30 on Mondays and Saturdays. If interested, please contact Carla Vancuran: vancurandogs@yahoo.com or 302-727-3940.



Here we are in June 2021. Amazing! Our outlook has turned more positive as we venture outside our immediate bubble. Thanks to all our singers and musicians who added the sparkle and spirit to the seven weeks of Easter worship. This is a blessing for our church family worship.

I will continue to contact cantors to lead the singing as we journey through the summer months that hopefully will arrive with a full choir during worship times in the fall. Let's hope everyone stays healthy!

~ Karen Wire

Thank you to the many caring people who encouraged and kept a watchful eye on my mother, Lucy Hoffheins. She passed away on February 25 after living with dementia for 8 years. Our family is planning a memorial service to celebrate such a wonderful, loving woman, friend and mother on June 27 at 4:00pm. A Sunday afternoon at "Farmers Field" in Paradise Township on Church Rd in Thomasville, one mile south of Paradise Holtzschwam Lutheran Church. And you are invited.

The family will greet guests from 3:00 till 4:00pm; Pastor Susan will preside for the service and a meal of chicken and baked potato will be ready after the service (Lucy's favorite meal!) We are asking guests to bake their favorite cookies and bring them along to share (she baked really good cookies).

Please call Karen at (717) 259-0778 or (717) 873-4795 for a reservation in order to have plenty of food. Thank you church family for your loving support during Mother's illness and passing. I am so grateful!

~ Karen



June Birthdays



6-3 Shelly Livingston	6-5 Gary Myers
6-5 Easton Ramirez	6-8 Doug Sheaffer
6-9 Zachery Siekerman	6-10 Jessica Warner
6-13 Louise Eisenhart	6-15 Ali Long
6-18 Heather Kohler	6-23 Katie Gentzler
6-23 Kay Hinkle	6-24 James Thomson
6-25 Alison McSherry	6-26 Reneé Anthony
6-26 Sarah Nickey	



6-1 Rick & Wanda Fink ~ 35 Years
6-7 Rev. Dan & Barbara Biles ~ 41 Years
6-8 Skip & Sandy Boyer ~ 63 Years
6-17 Ed & Karen Wire ~ 43 Years
6-21 Jason & Jessica Warner ~ 13 Years
6-28 Jim & Linda Hoak ~ 57 Years

Sending Love: If you would like to send a friendly note to Kim Smith, she is still in recovery at the rehabilitation facility listed below:

Kim Smith
% Colonial Manor Rehabilitation Services
970 Colonial Ave
York, PA 17403



Thank you to everyone who participated in Church Week at Rural King in Hanover. They were able to give Trinity a check for \$100 from the purchases. Thank you for your support!

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WELCA had a pie sale on the 22nd & 23 of April making 123 Shoo-Fly & Cherry pies. We had a profit after expenses of \$1,120.11 which will be used for upcoming projects in the future. Thank you for your support!

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Karrie McCall has reached out to Trinity via our website. She recently lost her 5-yr-old daughter, mother, and step-father in a tragic accident. She is seeking connection and support. Please add Karrie to your prayer list. She would also enjoy receiving words of encouragement. Please reach out to her at: 128 Freedom Street, East Freedom, PA 16637 or mccallkarrie@gmail.com. Let's work together to support this child of God who the Holy Spirit has introduced us to!

Food Vouchers: Adams County Office of the Aging will once again be distributing Farmer's Market nutrition vouchers to our senior citizens beginning June 5.

The vouchers will be available at the Farmers' Market by the bus station on Carlisle Street in Gettysburg on Saturdays, beginning June 5 and at all the Adams County Senior Centers (East Berlin, Fairfield, Littlestown, McSherrystown, Upper Adams, and York Springs) as well as at the Adams County Office for Aging, 318 W Middle Street, Gettysburg beginning June 7. Those who would like the four \$6 vouchers will need to show a photo ID for proof of Adams County residency and age (they must be born in 1961 or earlier). They must sign a form stating that they meet the income guidelines of no more than \$23,828 per single individual or \$32,227 per married couple. More information is available on the bulletin board.

Stewarding Our Relationships:

Rehab, Renew and Repair

Doctors order rehabilitation – intensive exercises and therapy -- for patients to regain muscle strength and flexibility after a serious illness or injury.

The time is right for us to use the same approach for our friendships and family relationships after Covid-19. The worst seems over now that the vaccines are percolating through our nation, and we are entering the summer, when it is comfortable to gather in the relative safety of the outdoors.

It will take serious rehab to repair and renew the friendships and family relationships that Covid-19 forced us to neglect. Hunkered down in our homes for safety, we ceased gathering for friendship, fellowship and recreation – the very activities that keep relationships strong. Churches put worship and social gatherings on hold.

The pandemic's impact on relationships wielded a double whammy: It left us stressed and needing friends at the very time that Covid-19 prevented us from tending to our relationships. It has left us disconnected and hurting.

Keeping in mind that the Covid-19 risk is diminished but not gone, as summer unfolds, you can look for safe ways to rehab, renew and repair your relationships.

Reach out: Go through your list of friends and contact them by phone, email, text – whatever's best. Tell them you missed them and want to get together.

Make plans: Don't put it off. Be creative and find safe ways to get together. Outdoors is safer. Backyard barbecues, coffee at a sidewalk café, a walk, a game of bocce, iced tea on the porch. It's all good.

Every little step you take will help your relationship "muscles" to get stronger, and in the process you'll become healthier as the love, support and joy of friends and family flows into your heart.

--Rob Blezard

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Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
Council Meeting
May 13, 2021



Present: Pastor Susan, Bob King, Sue Clauser, Stephanie Haley, Bill Tritsch, Louise Haugh, Mark Boyer, Dona Lerew, Judy Burgard, and Karen Sheaffer and present via Zoom: Lisa Miller, and Noah Rinehart Absent: Jake Sharrer

Secretary's Report

The minutes were reviewed with a correction: add Pastor Susan to those who were present at the meeting. Judy made a motion to approve corrected minutes, Louise seconded, all agreed, and the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

The printed reports were reviewed. Bob noted that we are on budget as of April. The Financial Committee needs to look at the Memorial Fund and make a decision on investing some of that money because it is not earning interest. He also noted that the funds in the Ruth's Harvest account are for their use only.

Ministry Reports:

Worship & Music and Learning & Youth Combined Meeting-

Planning the May 23rd Baptism, Confirmation, Sunday School recognition.

Finance and Stewardship—a meeting is planned for later in May

Coordinating Committee-The Spring Fling was held on April 18. The weather was great and all who attended enjoyed the day!

The Sharing Shelf is thriving. People are taking advantage of the charity and others are contributing to restock the shelf.

The Adopt a Senior initiative is in the discussion phase. We are waiting to see what the COVID task force decides about visiting members before we proceed.

The Mission in Motion committee needs a new leader. Kay Hinkle has served in the capacity for quite a while and has decided to step back from leadership. We need to pray, think, and plan how to proceed with our mission work.

We will plan to have another Coordinating Committee meeting in the near future to continue our work.

Judy and Dona are working on a schedule to visit our senior members and shut ins. They are discussing comfort levels of those they visit due to Covid.

Property-Property Meeting was not held in lieu of having a Spring Clean Up Day. Bob King, Council President and the Property Committee would like to thank the 20 people who came out on the scheduled day, and all week long, to assist in the "Spring Clean Up".

The entire church has been cleaned and many areas have become reorganized. Thank You for the beautiful Spring Plants, and outdoor clean up also.

Also, the property committee will be building rack/shelves in basement to hold wreaths and other decorations.

Mutual Ministry/Constitution Committee: Jen has received a good number of confirmations resulting from the Child Abuse Clearance notice regarding the need to confirm individual's continuance of the clearance. It is now important to be sure that any person involved in your committee's activities, and who will oversee children in any way, have this required clearance.

Our next scheduled meeting date is June 29, 2021 at 10:00 AM at the church.

Social Ministry-Our Next Laundry Love date is Tuesday, June 8 from 5:30-

6:30pm at the White Dove Laundromat. Judy ordered Earth Breeze Laundry

Sheets from Laundry Love. It is free & it comes 500 in a box. It is detergent in a sheet which turns to soap when put in water. It is earth friendly & you don't have to use liquid detergent which uses bottles which are thrown in the dump. We can also give these to the Food Pantry people.

The next Food Pantry will be held Wednesday, June 2 from 3-6pm.

WELCA had a pie sale on the 22 & 23 of April making 123 Shoo-Fly & Cherry pies.

We had a profit after expenses of \$1,120.11 which will be used for upcoming projects in the future. We will also be making chicken pies & freezing for those coming home from the hospital or Homebound or those in need. Cleaning buckets were also made for the Food Pantry patrons.

Pastor's Report

OUTREACH/EVANGELISM

- Have been working with Bob King to write a grant for the Open Door Grant, a recent offering from the ELCA for congregations who have, since the pandemic, formulated new and innovative outreach plans to welcome newcomers to the congregation. We're hoping to apply some of our actions and visions for the future around our electronic ministries. They are new to Trinity, innovative, and have resulted in participation of God's children both in and outside our doors.
- Am planning to send an upbeat postcard message to inactive members and families who have not participated at Trinity since the pandemic began, announcing clearly that we are open and gathering and offering pastoral care to those who are still not comfortable coming to in-person activities.

PASTORAL CARE

- Have prepared a letter to go out to families in the congregation addressing the need and desire for pastoral care visits in light of pandemic precautions. The fully vaccinated are now able, according to the CDC and PA Department of Health, to visit one another without posing risk of transmitting the virus. The letter communicates my (and the Adopt-a-Senior volunteers') desire to resume regular visitation schedules. The letter also allows for the persons visited to decline a visit at this time. More will be forthcoming about how this unfolds.

SYNODICAL/CONFERENCE/ELCA BUSINESS

- Am registered to attend digital Synod Assembly, edification day: May 22, and business meetings Friday, June 4, 5PM – Saturday, June 5, 5PM. Mark Boyer is our male lay voting member; we did not have a female volunteer for this year.

FELLOWSHIP

- Many thanks to Mark Boyer and everyone who planned and participated in Trinity's Spring Fling at Mark's place. It was a WONDERFUL afternoon of fellowship,

laughter, and great food!

- An outdoor fellowship gathering will be held Sunday, May 23rd at Trinity in the parking lot following our May 23/Pentecost service and End of Sunday School Program. The Sebrights have graciously offered to prepare the food for our time of fellowship on that day. Thank you!
- I am hoping, and have brought up on the council agenda, to hold a gathering of some sort in the month of June, or even early July, so that we maintain the momentum of gathering as we work on still fully re-engaging the church family in our life of faith.

OTHER

- Terry's father is still in a hospice facility in Newburgh, NY. We continue to make trips to visit him about every two weeks. We truly appreciate the congregation's prayers and support.

Old Business

- Live Stream/AV Strategy-we have student volunteers willing to help with live streaming services when Jen and Andrea are not available. They will need to learn the technology and we will have them work with the equipment.
- No one has volunteered from the congregation yet to help with the future needs planning of our live streaming and other technology needs. We need to be more specific when talking about this committee and the plans. Another announcement will be made on Sunday. Synod Assembly- Mark is the only person who volunteered to attend via ZOOM and the deadline has passed to find another person.
- New Website-plans are moving forward. Pastor Susan and Jen are working on the content of the new sight and will have it ready for next month's council meeting for us to view.
- Calls to Members Results-Council discussed the recent call results and noted that very positive comments were given from members of our congregation.

New Business

- Revised Usher Duties-we will no longer have an usher covering the parking lot because we have not had anyone in the past 5 weeks. The Worship & Music committee will revise the usher schedule to have them cover the downstairs and have our front doors open before the service begins.
- Learning & Youth-classes in the Fall should include a teacher for the teens/post Confirmands. This class should be a weekly faith formation class, not just a fun activity.
- Coordination Committee-should work on a social activity for our congregation members in June. A meeting will be announced soon.
- Pastor Susan's installation ceremony-we are waiting until a new Dean is installed at Synod before this can be scheduled.
- Zoom meetings-Bob would like to have a panoramic camera to use with our Zoom meetings, especially when Council meets so that those at home can

see and hear all those who are meeting in person.

- Inactive Members-council discussed a possibility of visiting those who are currently inactive, especially now that we are worshipping in person and CDC guidelines are loosening.
- Benevolence Requests-these are payable through the Endowment Fund and we will work on this and talk about it next month. Discussion followed and a motion to request \$10,000 from the Endowment Holding Account to be transferred to the Benevolence Fund to be used for benevolence requests was made by Stephanie, and seconded by Louise. All were in agreement and the motion carried.
- Other
- CDC Guidelines-an email will be sent to all members to inform them of the new guidelines from CDC and how it affects worship services. Masks are not required if a person is vaccinated in most indoor settings. We will follow the CDC guidelines and ask those unvaccinated to continue to wear masks.
- Council voted to not meet in July-Pastor Susan made the motion and Stephanie seconded it. All were in agreement!
- Our July and August newsletters will be combined.

A motion to adjourn was made by Judy and seconded by Louise, all agreed and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Sheaffer

Sunday, May 2, 2021						Page 1 of 1
Account Name	Period Activity	YTD Balance	Monthly Budget	Budget YTD	% of Budget YTD	Over/Under YTD+(-)
Income						
CURRENT INCOME TOTAL	\$13,944.50	\$64,975.55	\$16,473.00	\$65,892.00	99	(\$916.45)
BENEVOLENCE TOTAL	\$1,121.98	\$4,980.76*	\$1,000.00	\$4,000.00	125	\$980.76
Total Income	\$15,066.48	\$69,956.31	\$17,473.00	\$69,892.00	100	\$64.31
Expense						
BENEVOLENCE TOTAL	\$1,121.98	\$5,831.02*	\$1,100.00	\$4,400.00	133	\$1,431.02
WORSHIP TOTAL	\$407.20	\$1,607.01*	\$330.00	\$1,320.00	122	\$287.01
LEARNING AND YOUTH TOTAL	\$0.00	\$46.93	\$158.00	\$632.00	7	(\$585.07)
OTHER COMMITTEES TOTAL	\$100.55	\$772.67	\$338.00	\$1,352.00	57	(\$579.33)
SALARIES TOTAL	\$8,094.89	\$36,124.43	\$8,158.00	\$36,709.00	98	(\$584.57)
PASTOR'S BENEFITS	\$2,629.98	\$10,589.13	\$2,976.00	\$12,286.00	86	(\$1,696.87)
STAFF BENEFITS	\$251.50	\$1,136.04*	\$241.00	\$1,087.00	105	\$49.04
TOTAL SALARY AND BENEFITS	\$10,976.37	\$47,849.60	\$11,375.00	\$50,082.00	96	(\$2,232.40)
OFFICE/ADMIN/CONF/ AUTO TOTAL	\$984.63	\$2,598.55	\$748.00	\$3,742.00	69	(\$1,143.45)
UTILITIES TOTAL	\$1,359.64	\$5,018.86	\$1,634.00	\$5,786.00	87	(\$767.14)
MAINTENANCE TOTAL	\$90.79	\$1,306.31	\$708.00	\$2,832.00	46	(\$1,525.69)
INSURANCE TOTAL	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$58.00	\$1,482.00	0	(\$1,482.00)
Total Expense	\$15,041.16	\$65,030.95	\$16,449.00	\$71,628.00	91	(\$6,597.05)
Difference	\$25.32	\$4,925.36	\$1,024.00	(\$1,736.00)		