

# Trinity Tempo

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To Trinity United Methodist Church, C.S. Lewis is one of my favorite authors. He has written *The Chronicles of Narnia*, *The Great Divorce*, *The Screwtape Letters*, *Out of the Silent Planet*, just to name a few. He is very good at using allegory. Most of his novels tell a wonderful story on the surface, but if you are willing to look deeper there is more. Most of the time that “more” tells the reader something of Lewis’ love of and thoughts of

God. (I highly recommend his books. *The Lion, Witch and the Wardrobe* is a good place to start.)

I recently finished his last novel (written in 1956) called *Till We Have Faces*. It is a retelling of Cupid and Psyche. Lewis plays with different understandings and actions that can come from the motivation of love. As I read the book, I got the idea there were two forms of love being expressed. One is a love that takes from others and seeks self-gratification, often at another’s expense. The second is a love that lives out of who God created us to be, and rejoices when another finds who they are.

As those created by God, we will have countless opportunities to love others: family, stranger, friend, enemy, neighbor, or foreigner. I pray we love as 1 Corinthians 13:4-7:

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. <sup>5</sup>It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

<sup>6</sup>Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup>It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

In living this in our daily lives, others will get the chance to do the same. Love God. Love yourself. Love others.

PTL,

Pastor Justin Judy



## Offering Envelopes

*(by Jane Pogue)*

The February church envelopes have been mailed by Cokesbury. Please note that your envelope number may have changed due to changes in our church membership.

Also, there have been previous concerns that new packages of envelopes have arrived late. Cokesbury has been notified of this. If anyone does not receive their envelopes before February 3, there is an envelope in the current package for that date. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Pogue (724-864-2858).

## Prayer Shawls, Peace Blankets & Baby Blankets!

*(by Jane Pogue)*

Don't forget—we are in the blah winter months when both physically and emotionally we need support. So remember we have our shawls and blankets available and will be very glad to offer them to those who may need one! This service is available to the community also, so if you know of someone who might benefit, please let me or the church office know.

## Name Change!

There is a senior support group that meets on Monday afternoons at 1 p.m. The group's name is now "Senior Friends." Anyone who is 65 or older who would like to fellowship with other seniors, please feel free to join us! There's lots of fun conversations, and always refreshments!



## Warm Hearts, Warm Coats

*(by Jane Pogue)*

We have finished our 2018 coat drive and the coats have been taken to the Burlington store. We only received nine coats this year, but every donated coat will help someone. We will sponsor this again next year, so please save your coats throughout this coming year!

## Mental Health First Aid

Trinity is hosting this course in two 4-hour sessions on Saturday, February 23 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Sunday, February 24 from 2 to 6 p.m. Over the two days, you will learn how to identify, understand and respond to signs of addiction and mental health illness. The course teaches you how to help someone who is developing a mental health problem or experiencing a mental health crisis. The cost is \$35 per person. The cost per person will drop to \$25 if 15 or more people participate in the course.

To register for the course contact Pastor Judy or the church office. Registration deadline is February 15, 2019.

## Library News

(by Linda Yocum)

Delegates of the 2019 General Conference of the United Methodist Church will be meeting later this month in St. Louis, MO. The Commission on a Way Forward was formed to discuss the subject of homosexuality and submit recommendations for vote at this special session of the General Conference.

Members of the Commission on a Way Forward read *The Anatomy of Peace: Resolving the Heart of Conflict* by the Arbinger Institute as part of their process. The book uses storytelling to guide the reader through identifying the root cause of conflict—at home, in the workplace, in the world—and identify the necessary steps toward resolution. It does not focus on homosexuality or any subject in particular; it focuses on the reasons for conflict.

Copies of this book and two others (*Living Faithfully* and *Two Views on Homosexuality, the Bible and the Church*) are available in Trinity's library in the "Contemporary Topics in Society" section.

Consider reading one or more of these books and discover differing viewpoints and fresh ways to look at people and the world around you.

## Easter Candy Fundraiser

Our annual Easter candy fundraiser is going on now. Forms are available at the information center and via the church website. Orders will be accepted through Monday, March 10. You may turn orders in to the church office. Make checks payable to Trinity UMC.

Would you like to place an order, but can't make it to church? Mail in your order and payment (forms are available on the church website) or order online. Go to [SarrisCandiesFundraising.com](http://SarrisCandiesFundraising.com) and enter the Group ID # 10-0582. Then start shopping. The order will be shipped directly to your home; so please keep in mind that shipping and handling charges apply for online orders.

## Helping Hands for Trinity

(by Thelma Johnson)

The group did not meet in January. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 12, weather permitting.

## Disability Awareness

According to the Western PA Conference website, 20 percent of the population live with some type of disability. Your gifts to this special offering fund grants to congregations with accessibility projects. Projects throughout Western PA that make it possible for all people to attend worship and participate in church activities. It strengthens and enriches their faith and, in turn, strengthens and enriches our own. Prayerfully consider giving to Disability Awareness on February 17.





# Joys and Concerns

Please keep Trinity family, friends and neighbors in your prayers.

## Pray for

Patty Aubele  
JoAnn Booher  
Bill Ebner  
Paul Madaras (Mary Ann Casper's brother)  
Dale McCune (Garlan McCune's brother)  
Jay and Vicki Stokes  
David Whitfield (Peggy Whitfield's brother)  
Peggy Whitfield

Also take a moment and give thanks for friends and family who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this month.

## February Birthdays

1<sup>st</sup> Becky Mallik  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sandy Keller, Diane Kerrigan  
6<sup>th</sup> Matt Lovre  
10<sup>th</sup> Donna Piper  
11<sup>th</sup> Ashley Kitchen  
16<sup>th</sup> Roger VanRyn  
27<sup>th</sup> Peggy Whitfield, Richard Allen Aglietti  
29<sup>th</sup> Cliff Felmlee

*Would you like to become more involved in the Sunday morning worship service? To act as a greeter, see Jeanne Ruccio. To help in the nursery, see Jane Pogue. To serve as liturgist, see Linda Yocum.*

## February Anniversaries

14<sup>th</sup> Kevin and Beverly Beam  
19<sup>th</sup> Lou and JoAnn Booher

# February Schedules

### Greeters

3<sup>rd</sup> Beverly and April Beam  
10<sup>th</sup> Jane Pogue  
17<sup>th</sup> Joanne Ondulich  
24<sup>th</sup> Bill and Joan Vowler

### Liturgists

3<sup>rd</sup> Stephanie Judy  
10<sup>th</sup> Nick Mallik  
17<sup>th</sup> Jane Pogue  
24<sup>th</sup> Bob Lovre

### Nursery

3<sup>rd</sup> Jane Pogue and April Beam  
10<sup>th</sup> Beverly Beam and Cindy Graw  
17<sup>th</sup> Noell Stultz and Donna Race  
24<sup>th</sup> Joan Vowler and Stephanie Judy

### Altar Flowers

3<sup>rd</sup> Justin and Stephanie Judy  
10<sup>th</sup> open  
17<sup>th</sup> Lou and JoAnn Booher  
24<sup>th</sup> Thelma Johnson



# February Calendar

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
					<b>1</b> 7:30 p.m. Crafts & Games Night	<b>2</b> 9 a.m. Finance & Membership Audits
<b>3</b> 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship/Communion	<b>4</b> 1-2 p.m. Senior Friends	<b>5</b> 10 a.m. Crafts	<b>6</b> 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	<b>7</b> 7:15 p.m. Choir	<b>8</b> 7:30 p.m. Crafts & Games Night	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship/Healing Service <b>Scrip Order Day</b>	<b>11</b> 1-2 p.m. Senior Friends	<b>12</b> 12 p.m. Helping Hands Lunch Meeting (weather permitting)	<b>13</b> 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	<b>14</b> 7:15 p.m. Choir <i>Valentine's Day</i>	<b>15</b> 7:30 p.m. Crafts & Games Night <b>Tempo Deadline</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship	<b>18</b> 1-2 p.m. Senior Friends <i>President's Day</i>	<b>19</b> 10 a.m. Crafts 6:30 p.m. Ad-Council Meeting	<b>20</b> 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	<b>21</b> 7:15 p.m. Choir	<b>22</b> 6 p.m. Trustees Meeting/Seminar Set-up 7:30 p.m. Crafts & Games Night	<b>23</b> 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Mental Health First Aid Course
<b>24</b> 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship 2-6 p.m. Mental Health First Aid Course <b>Scrip Order Day</b>	<b>25</b> 1-2 p.m. Senior Friends	<b>26</b> 10 a.m. Crafts	<b>27</b> 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	<b>28</b> 7:15 p.m. Choir		

## Tempo Distribution

Starting with this issue, Trinity adopted the proposed distribution detailed in the November and December 2018 issues. Trinity will mail the newsletter to shut-ins and those living out of the area unless otherwise notified. Copies of the *Tempo* are available in the church vestibule and on Trinity's website ([www.tumctrafford.org](http://www.tumctrafford.org)). If you prefer to receive your copy via email, contact Linda at the church office at 412-373-0835 or [office@tumctrafford.org](mailto:office@tumctrafford.org).

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*Return service requested*

Trinity United Methodist Church  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Sunday Worship Service: 11 a.m.  
Healing Service: second Sunday  
of the month following the worship  
service

## **Tempo Deadline**

Articles for the  
March issue are  
due Friday,  
February 15, 2019.



## **Souper Bowl!**

*(by Linda Yocum)*

On a cold, blustery, winter day few things help warm a body faster than a steaming bowl of soup. Trinity is collecting cans of soup for the local food bank. We have about 57 families who rely on the food bank each month so prayerfully consider how you can help meet their needs. Place your donations in the box located in the vestibule by February 17. If you can't get out to shop, consider making a monetary donation and I will do the shopping for you! Be sure to mark "soup" on your check or envelope.

## **Meals on Wheels**

We appreciate your past assistance regarding St. Paul's Meals on Wheels in Pitcairn, which serves Pitcairn, Monroeville, Trafford, Level Green and Wall. Our program has grown over the past two years and we provide quality and nutritious meals to those people in your area. We are in need of cook helpers on either Mondays or Wednesdays from 7 to 11 a.m. We are also in need of drivers to deliver meals to seniors in your area. For more information call Dan at 412-372-9116.