

Trinity United Methodist Church
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Trafford PA 15085

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*Daylight Saving Time
begins Sunday, March 9*



Trinity United Methodist Church
407 Duquesne Avenue
Trafford, PA 15085

Sunday School: 9:45 AM
Sunday Worship Service: 11:00 AM

Healing Service: second Sunday of
the month following the worship
service

*"Our hearts, our minds and our doors
are always open"*

Gift Card Orders

Gift card (scrip) orders will be
processed on March 2, 16 and 30.
Please use the order forms located in
the church vestibule. Give completed
forms and payment to Linda Yocum or
Jane Pogue.



March Schedules

GREETERS

2nd – Sandy and Bob Chiappetta
9th – Nancy and David Bash
16th – Eileen and Jim Bentley
23rd – Evie and Cliff Felmlee
30th – John Ruccio

ALTAR FLOWERS

Please use the envelopes in the vestibule when paying
for your flowers (\$20 for the two vase arrangements
and \$15 for the table arrangement).

2nd – open
9th – Marge and Harry Little
16th – Cindy and John Graw
23rd – Roger and Marlene VanRyn
30th – Lynn and Joe Antoon

NURSERY

Contact Danielle at 412-965-9936 if you cannot make it
on your scheduled Sunday.

2nd – Donna Race and Jane Pogue
9th – Eileen Bentley and a volunteer
16th – Danielle Mallik and a volunteer
23rd – Danielle Mallik and a volunteer
30th – Danielle Mallik and a volunteer

Trinity Tempo

March 2014

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(by Julie Sippel-Silowash)

I know that snow doesn't usually make us think of VBS. I just received word that our VBS material is on its way though. Yeah for the thaw and summer!

This year we are doing Gospel Light's SonTreasure Island (weekend adventure program). VBS will be one day of fun, friends, food and faith! It will take place on Saturday, June 28 from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. It is for kids ages 4-12.

I am definitely going to need people to help make lunch and snacks, do crafts, play games, and of course teach and assist. We will be meeting Saturday, March 22 for our first VBS planning meeting at 9:00 AM. We will meet again on May 4 after the church service to finalize plans. Finally, We will have a table at the Trafford Memorial Day celebration (May 26) to encourage the children in the community to attend.

Please contact me by email or phone to let me know if and how you are interested in helping so that I have enough refreshments available at our planning meeting. Thank you!

Contact Info: Julie@silonet.com, 724-331-2436

Sunday School

(by Julie Sippel-Silowash)

This week the Sunday School will start to study the New Testament chapters in *The Story*. It is hard to believe that we are already 2/3 of the way through the book. I hope that you are all enjoying this journey together as much as we are in my family. I want to let you know well in advance about some fun things that we have coming up soon. You'll be hearing more about them in the weeks to come. For now, here is some basic info.

DATES FOR PARENTS TO REMEMBER:

Sunday, April 13	Palm Sunday Party for Sunday School children and families (look for sign-up sheets in the vestibule in mid-late March)
Saturday, April 19 10:00 AM	Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday, June 28 10:00 AM–3:00 PM	VBS

DATES FOR TEACHERS TO REMEMBER:

Sunday, March 2 after the service	Sunday School teacher meeting (look for a reserved table at the luncheon)
Saturday, March 22 at 9:00 AM	VBS planning meeting
Sunday, May 4 after the service	VBS planning meeting
Monday, May 26	Trafford Memorial Day Celebration table



Please pray for...

Jim Aubele • Natalie Aubele and Paeoni • Patty Aubele • Lois Brown (Denise Camp's mother) • Dorothy Caruso and caregivers • Ed Cox (coworker of Linda Yocum) • Fred Cuttler • Beecher Dale; Pam Derby (daughter of Joan and Bill Vowler) • Ruth Diffenderfer (friend of Jane Pogue) • Paul Donatelli (friend of Marge and Harry Little) • Lori Dorko • Brandon Dulemba • Sue Fanty • Carol and David Grubb • Joan Gruber (friend of Jane Pogue) • Joan Hartley • Margaret Kadylak (friend of Kay Meadowcroft) • Jan Keefer • Matt Knopf • Jo Ann Kubit (Danielle Mallik's mother) • Bob Mahan (friend of Thelma and Jim Johnson) • Holly Marto (friend of Donna Race) • Patty and Sam Padgett • Tiz Pioth • Mary Shawley • Vicki Stokes • Nancy Swick • Cynthia VanRyn • David Walter (Margaret Whitfield's older son) • Bud Weyant (brother-in-law of Lloyd and Marjorie Myers) • Margaret Whitfield • Peggy Whitfield • Todd Williams (brother of Rev. Williams) • Florence Loretta Yobst (Danielle Mallik's grandmother)

Church Audits

The membership and the financial books were audited Saturday, February 22. All books balanced; no discrepancies were found. Thanks to Jan Keefer, Sandy Chiappetta, Jane Pogue, Les Race, Donna Race, Jeanne Ruccio, Ora Mae Lovre, Donna Piper and Beverly Piper for volunteering part of their Saturday morning to complete the work. Trinity UMC is blessed to have such dedicated members. — Linda Yocum

Trustee News

(by Kris Peters)



Trustees have been busy this winter shoveling snow and salting the sidewalks. Thanks to everyone who helped to keep the walkways around the church clear.

The trustees have chosen a company to install new windows at the parsonage. The project will be completed the first week of May.

To continue raising funds for the windows, the trustees are hosting a St. Patrick's-themed luncheon on Sunday, March 2 after the worship service. A luncheon will be held the first Sunday in April as well.

Proceeds from two other fundraisers will also be directed to the parsonage windows fund. Money from Scrip orders processed through the end of May will go toward the project. Orders will be taken March 2, 16 and 30. So as you plan your regular shopping and entertainment, consider purchasing gift cards to pay for these activities.

The Easter candy fundraiser through Sarris Candies is also earmarked for the windows. Orders are due by Sunday, March 16. Order forms are available in the church vestibule.

How many windows will be replaced? Twenty-one windows—that's nearly every window in the parsonage! If you have questions about the project or would like to learn more, speak with Kris.



Helping Hands

(by Roberta Cuttler)

With not having any meetings since December, we will try again to have our March meeting on Tuesday, the eleventh. Our program books may not be ready at this time so

we will just have our regular meeting.

The executive board will still meet at 11:30 AM. With the bad weather and illness, we have been unable to have a meeting. So with spring (yeah) not too far away we hope we can start our year in March.

Everyone is welcome—hope to see you on March 11th!

Thank You

I would like to thank everyone who has greeted for me. Everyone has been super. Thanks again.
— Roberta Cuttler

Dear Friends,

Once more we stand on the verge of the Lenten season – a time of self-examination and penitence. It is also a time of sacrifice and self-denial. Many choose to give up something for Lent. Some choose to give up some of their precious commodity of their time – more time in prayer, study, meditation and fasting of various manners.

Traditionally, Sundays have been exempt from those sacrifices and self-denials, since Sundays are celebrations of the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus ... even during Lent! With that in mind, we will be continuing that celebration as we continue through *The Story* on Sunday mornings!

I have another suggestion. Let's be careful to not make our Lenten sacrifices about ourselves – our willpower, etc. Instead, let's make it about others. What I am suggesting is that anything you may be "giving up" for Lent would not so much be "put on hold" awaiting the conclusion of Lent but would instead be given to others. I am not thinking of the particular items but rather their value (or costs). Those funds, over and above our usual tithes and offerings, could be ear-marked for the mission emphasis of "the Heifer fund," which provides animals for the poor throughout the world to help lift them from poverty. Those wishing to ear-mark any funds for local ministries could note those funds for "local aid" on their envelopes. UMCOR and special offerings are also possible choices (with "One Great Hour of Sharing") being received on March 30th). The object is to make your sacrifices count.

I remember having read an article, some time back, about a woman who had been through an endless cycle of diets. Finally she set upon a different approach. She set aside moneys for any meals or other food-items she was not eating, donated those funds, and then visualized the difference those funds were making in that child's life. It worked for her...where traditional dieting had failed.

Again, it's not about us, it's about our love and service to God and others ("neighbors," if you will)! Let us make a difference in this Lenten season. Trust that God will make a difference in you as you perform this act of kindness and love!

God bless you!

Your fellow-servant in Christ Jesus,

Jerry Williams, pastor

Special Sundays

VIM RECOGNITION – MARCH 9

VIM or Volunteers in Mission Sunday is a conference special Sunday. Your gifts on this day support UMVIM programs. Ninety percent of the funds are earmarked for mission projects and scholarships to help volunteers pay for mission trips. The remaining ten percent of gifts collected go to Jurisdiction programming.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING – MARCH 30

Your donation to One Great Hour of Sharing provides the administrative support for UMCOR. By having this church-wide special Sunday, UMCOR is able to use 100% of all other gifts received for the specific cause. So, for example, whether you give \$1 or \$10 on Peace with Justice Sunday, every penny will be used for that program.

Reminders

TEMPO DEADLINE

Articles for the April issue are by Friday, March 21. Place articles in the bin in the church vestibule, drop them off at the church office or e-mail them to tumc407@verizon.net.

Community News

LEVEL GREEN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRE-SCHOOL is currently accepting applications for the 3 year old and the 4 year old programs for the 2014-2015 school year. For more information, call Marilyn Klanica at 412-372-5114 or 412-372-4133.

Easter Flower Order

The church will be decorating the sanctuary for Easter Sunday with tulips, hyacinths, daffodils and Easter lilies. You may order these plants through Palm Sunday, April 13. Use the order form on this page or pick up a form and envelope in the church vestibule. You may pick up your flowers after the 11:00 AM worship service on Easter Sunday.



Easter Flowers Order Form

Name _____

Flower	Qty		Total
Tulip		x \$11.00 =	
Hyacinth		x \$11.00 =	
Daffodil		x \$11.00 =	
Easter Lily		x \$11.00 =	
Grand Total			

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Anonymous _____

March Birthdays

1st Patty Aubele
2nd Tom Puckey
5th Kristina Chichilla
7th Kay Meadowcroft
9th Robert J Cush
11th Bryce Dulemba
13th Ryan Kerrigan
16th Vicki Stokes, Blanche Yocum
17th Kay Yocum
22nd Tiz Pioth
23rd Lia Nigro, Matt Knopf, Mattie Fanty
25th Betty Gongloff, John Ruccio
26th Zack Witmer
27th Gary Peters, Nellie Mills, Sarah Scott
29th Nicolyn Lonzo, Sarah Lloyd



Project Heifer

(by Beverly Piper and Linda Yocum)

Lent is a time of fasting and repentance, reflection and self-examination. Today, Christians often give up something, make a lifestyle change or use the time to examine their relationship with God. This Lenten Season, the Sunday School classes and the Missions Committee are teaming with the United Methodist Church and Heifer International.

WHAT/WHO IS HEIFER INTERNATIONAL?

For 70 years, Heifer International has provided food and income-producing animals to poor families in more than 125 countries. With these animals—and education on how to care for them—families use the milk, eggs, wool, and other products for food, to earn money, for education...essentially to improve their lives.



At the heart of Heifer's philosophy is the cornerstone of "Pass on the Gift" whereby families share one or more of their animal's

offspring with other families in need. This multiplies the benefit of the original gift and allows partners to become donors. They also learn to prevent overgrazing, plant trees and manage resources for long-term success. For more information, go to www.heifer.org or www.heifer.org/umc.

A NEW WAY TO LOOK AT LENT

For four Sundays in Lent, we will be raising money to purchase an animal, or animals, for a family through Heifer International. How can you bring Lent into this project? By giving; by making a lifestyle change; by praying about it and talking about it with God.

"...if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness...the Lord will guide you always; He will satisfy your needs ..."

Isaiah 58:10-11

Life changing gift

An animal that is a source of food and/or provides a source of income is indeed a life-changing gift. Sound like a BIG dream? It is! We have a BIG God and our God has no small dreams for His people.

End hunger and poverty

Heifer International's mission is to work with communities to end hunger and poverty and to care for the earth. Ending hunger and poverty around the world is a shared vision between the people of The United Methodist Church and Heifer International...and us here at Trafford Trinity UMC.

New beginnings

Did you know that a kid can change the world? Seriously! One child with a heart for Jesus and His children can collect donations to purchase a kid (goat). And one kid goat can put a family on the road to self-sufficiency and rise out of poverty. That one goat can mean a new beginning for a family. And that family shares with another.

Tools for transformation

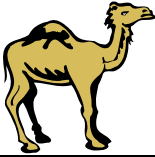

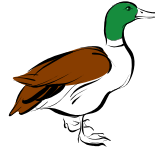






One person, one family, one congregation is all it takes to transform someone's life, in the name of Jesus.





On the first Sunday of Lent, March 9, each church family or household will receive an Ark bank and a calendar. (Heifer International sees the ark as a refuge against the storms of hunger and poverty.) All donations are due by Sunday, April 6. At our Sunday School Palm Sunday party (April 13), the kids will choose which animals they want to purchase through Heifer, based on the donations received.

Talk with your family and friends! Be creative. Think BIG! You can give up something for Lent this year, or you can add or start something good! Imagine what a difference you could make. You could literally save a life! Perhaps this will transform us as part of the body of Christ!

Together...let's shine the Light of Jesus in our world and push back the darkness of poverty!

The Animals of Heifer International

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supplies milk Families can hire out camel to haul goods Source of transportation
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eggs provide nutrition and are a source of income Family can quickly "Pass on the Gift"
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eggs provide nutrition and income Feathers and down also are an income source Eat insects and weeds
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Source of nutrition Learn skills in fish farming Family can quickly "Pass on the Gift"
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide eggs for food and to sell Source of manure which improves crop yield Family can "Pass on the Gift" fairly quickly
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides milk, cheese and butter Source of income through sales of extra milk, cheese, wool Clears the land Fertilizer which improves crop yields
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides milk Provides fertilizer for improved crop yields Families can sell extra milk for income
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide honey and wax Products are a source of income Increased crop yield through better pollination
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Source of wool for clothing and blankets Income from sales of wool

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Source of fertilizer Source of income through sale of piglets
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Source of fertilizer Provide income through sale of rabbits "Pass the Gift" fairly quickly
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Source of wool and milk Income from sale of wool Family can "Pass on the Gift" fairly quickly
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Shepherd's Spring Field Trip

(by Beverly Piper)

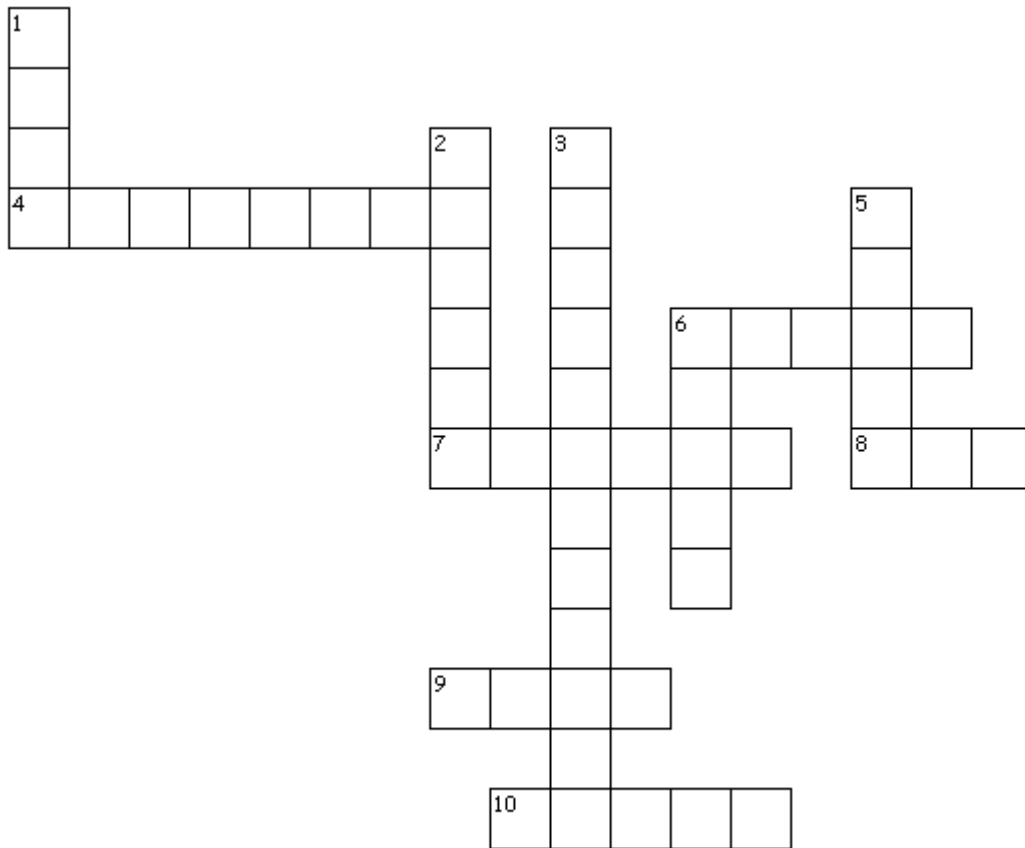
As a follow-up to our Lenten Mission Project to raise money for Heifer International, the Sunday School is sponsoring a trip to Shepherd's Spring Outdoor Ministry Center in Sharpsburg, Maryland on June 14 and 15 this summer.

Shepherd's Spring partners with Heifer International and has a global village setting where visitors can learn about and experience primitive living conditions, food and customs of cultures in other countries. Some of Heifer's animals are kept there.

The country we will experience is Guatemala. The \$35 trip cost (per person) includes overnight stay in cabins, program and two meals. We can take up to 20 people. All participating children's costs will be covered. Additional funds are available to assist others.

Our reservation has been made with Shepherd's Spring. The deadline for signing up for the trip is Palm Sunday, April 13. We are going, with 10 kids or one; we are going to Shepherd's Spring to experience how our God works in our big world.

Crossword Puzzle: Heifer's Animals



ACROSS

4. Flying insect that lives in a hive and produces a sweet treat.
6. This long-necked animal could have one hump or two.
7. Bunny.
8. Oink oink.
9. Scape or Billy_____.
10. Canadian is just one type of this large swimming bird.

DOWN

1. A swimmer with gills and fins.
2. Young female cow.
3. This animal has large curved horns and can be used to pull a plow.
5. Baa Baa Black _____.
6. A newly hatched bird.

March Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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2 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship/ Communion Noon Trustee Luncheon Scrip Order Day	3 7:15 PM Women's Bible Study	4	5 7:30 PM Ash Wednesday Service	6 7:15 PM Choir	7 World Day of Prayer	8
9 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship/Healing Service 1 st Sunday in Lent VIM Recognition Sunday Daylight Saving Time begins	10	11 11:30 AM Helping Hands Board Noon Lunch Meeting 7:30 PM PPRC Meeting	12 7:15 PM Women's Bible Study	13 7:15 PM Choir	14 12:30 PM Friendship Class Lunch	15
16 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 2 nd Sunday in Lent Deadline for Sarris Candy Orders Scrip Order Day	17	18 7:30 PM Ad- Council Meeting	19 7:15 PM Women's Bible Study	20 7:15 PM Choir	21 Tempo Deadline	22 9:00 AM VBS Planning Meeting
23 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 3 rd Sunday in Lent	24	25	26 7:15 PM Women's Bible Study	27 7:15 PM Choir	28	29
30 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 4 th Sunday in Lent One Great Hour of Sharing Scrip Order Day	31					