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Trafford PA 15085

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Daylight Saving Time ends
November 2. Turn back your clocks
one hour on Saturday evening.



Trinity United Methodist Church
407 Duquesne Avenue
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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”*

Tempo Deadline

Articles for the
December issue
are due Monday,
November 17.



November Schedules

GREETERS

2nd Jan and Ernie Keefer
9th Eileen and Jim Bentley
16th Evelyn and Cliff Felmlee
23rd Thelma and Jim Johnson
30th The Silowash Family

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 Felmlee and Breakey Families
16th Roger and Marlene VanRyn
23rd Kayla Eiseman
30th Patty and Ed Aubele

NURSERY

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

2nd Danielle Mallik and volunteer
9th Eileen Bentley and volunteer
16th Danielle Mallik and volunteer
23rd Donna Race and volunteer
30th no nursery

Trinity Tempo

November 2014

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pastor: 724-594-4073



Dear Church,

A number of years ago I took a driver's education class in high school. One of the lessons I remember quite clearly in this class had to do with entering and exiting the highway via on- and off-ramps.

When a vehicle enters the off-ramp it is supposed to slow down in order to match the slower speed limit of the residential road. Often times there is a stop sign to help facilitate the action of deceleration.

However, when a vehicle enters the on-ramp it is supposed to accelerate in order to match the higher speed of the highway as it merges with the faster traffic.

It all made complete sense to me as a new driver. So one day I was entering the highway via the on-ramp, increasing my speed to match the new highway limit. I looked in my rearview mirror and noticed a car driving in the lane I was about to enter. In order to continue my acceleration process on to the highway, I sped up even more and made it onto the highway just in front of the car traveling in the lane I was entering.

That's when this car put on its flashing lights and proceeded to pull me over. I was so focused on getting on the highway that I ignored the yield sign on the on-ramp.

The last two months of the year are usually so crammed full of things to do (Thanksgiving preparations and meal, Advent, Christmas shopping and Christmas day celebrations) that we feel as though we are rushing to get through to the next year.

As we enter this busy season, let us remember to yield a bit and enjoy these upcoming celebrations, and in doing so we will get to participate in the blessings of the Lord and give thanks for Jesus' participation in our life.

PTL,

Pastor Justin Judy

In This Issue

Events in the church, our community and the Conference

Donating coats for local communities

Spreading Christmas to people around the world

Putting the focus on Christ this Advent season



Letha (friend of Bev & Donna Piper)
 Patty & Ed Aubele
 Caleb Baker (Kris & Gary Peters' son-in-law)
 Dorothy Caruso and caregivers
 Fred Cuttler
 Beecher & Kay Dale
 Ruth Diffenderfer (friend of Jane P)
 Carol & David Grubb
 Joan Gruber (friend of Jane Pogue)
 Matt Knopf
 Jo Ann Kubit (Danielle Mallik's mother)
 Mark L (co-worker of Gary Peters)
 Holly Marto (friend of Donna Race)
 Nellie Mills
 Tiz Pioth
 Vicki Stokes
 David Walter (Peg Whitfield's son)
 Bud Weyant (brother-in-law of Lloyd & Marjorie Myers)
 Peg & Peggy Whitfield
 Todd Williams (brother of Rev. Williams)
 James & Florence Loretta Yobst (Danielle Mallik's grandparents)



Our condolences to family and friends of Susan Fanty who passed away on October 10, and to family and friends of John Venturo who passed away on September 29.

Our condolences to Becky Mallik and family in the death of her father.



Helping Hands

(by Thelma Johnson)

At our October 14 meeting the hostesses were Jean Swick and Margie Little. They served pumpkin pie for dessert. The program was presented by Joan Hartley rather than

Roberta Cuttler.

We are looking forward to the Pork & Sauerkraut Dinner on November 4. The ladies have been working hard and will have the craft table set up with many items for sale. Check out the variety of crafts—for gifts, for home...or just because.

Our next meeting will be on November 11 with hostesses Evelyn Felmlee, Joan Hartley and Kay Meadowcroft. The program will be given by Evelyn Felmlee. Executive board meets at 11:30 a.m. Lunch is at noon. All are welcome. Don't forget to bring your sandwich!

Altar Flowers

The 2015 altar flower calendar is in the library area, ready for you to select dates. The flowers are a wonderful way to remember a loved one, to celebrate a birthday or an anniversary, or simply to recognize someone special in your life.



Prices remain the same as last year: \$20 for altar flowers (2 vases) and \$15 for a table arrangement. (Orders for table arrangements will be taken when a requested date is already reserved.) Sign up early; the calendar fills up quickly. Remember to pay for your flowers before or on the specified Sunday. Altar flower envelopes are available in the vestibule.

Trinity Happenings



Trinity will once again pull out the wreaths and garland, trees and bows for the yearly hanging of the greens. Everyone is welcome to take part in this time of fun, decorating and fellowship. So put on your creative caps and be at the church on Saturday morning, November 29, at 10 a.m.

Warm Hearts, Warm Coats

(by Jane Pogue)

Our Mission Committee has a new project for helping our neighbors this winter. We are partnering with Good Morning America and Burlington Coat Factory to collect slightly used coats for our community. The project is called "Warm Hearts, Warm Coats." The coat drive begins the first week of November.

Bring your coats to the church. There will be a large box for the donations in the library. There will also be a large thermometer to show the number of coats donated. This is a Trinity project, but if you have friends or relatives who would like to contribute, please bring their coats, too!

Every Monday, Jane Pogue or Donna Race will take the coats to the Burlington Coat Factory store in Monroeville for their collection. All coats will be distributed in our local area.

The drive begins November 1, so don't bring your coats until then. This is a great time, though, to start cleaning out all those family closets!

If you have any questions, please let us know. Trinity UMC is such a giving church, and this project won't cost you a dime.

Thanks for your wonderful support!

Trustees Luncheon

Trustees are hosting a luncheon on November 2 following the worship service. Proceeds benefit the church plastering fund.

Election Day Dinner

Trinity UMC is holding its annual sauerkraut and roast pork dinner November 4 from 5-7 p.m. Come and enjoy an evening of fellowship and good food. Tickets are on sale in advance and at the door. Adults \$10, children 10 and under \$4. Don't forget to visit our craft table.

2014 Charge Conference

Church/Charge Conference will be held on Monday, December 1. Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting with new district superintendent Patricia Nelson. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. SPRC will meet at 6 p.m.

Three gift cards are shown: a Starbucks gift card, a Barnes & Noble Gift Card, and a iTunes Gift Card for \$15.

Scrip Program

Trinity's Scrip Program is still going strong. This program is one way you can give funds to our church just by going about your regular shopping. In this case, you purchase gift cards to retailers at which you shop—Giant Eagle, Marathon Gas, Amazon.com, Burger King, Lowe's, Home Depot and hundreds others—from the church. A percentage of the price stays with the church. Right now all proceeds from this fundraiser are going toward plaster repairs for the church.

You can place an order November 9. From November 23 through December 14 we will place orders weekly. See Linda Yocum to learn more about this fundraiser.



Christmas Shopping: Who Will You Buy For?

(by Beverly Piper)

While all of us at Trinity UMC are thinking about what we will buy (and spend) for presents for those we love this Christmas, how about if we consider what we'll get for the One we all love...Jesus. After all, it's His birthday. In Matthew 25:40 Jesus tells us that whatever we do for the overlooked and ignored—for the least of these—we do for Him.

Last year our Sunday School teamed up with the Mission Committee to raise funds to donate to Compassion International and to Joni and Friends Wheels for the World. The entire congregation helped and we raised enough money to purchase two wheelchairs and two Bibles to change the lives of two disabled people in developing countries. We sent money to Compassion—again we reached out in Jesus' name to give a gift and change lives.

Also last year we held a fair trade sale where the community could purchase beautiful gifts made by people desperately in need in other countries. We could give someone a lovely gift and again...it was changing a life.

During Lent this year, God bowled us over by helping us raise \$1,200 for Heifer International.

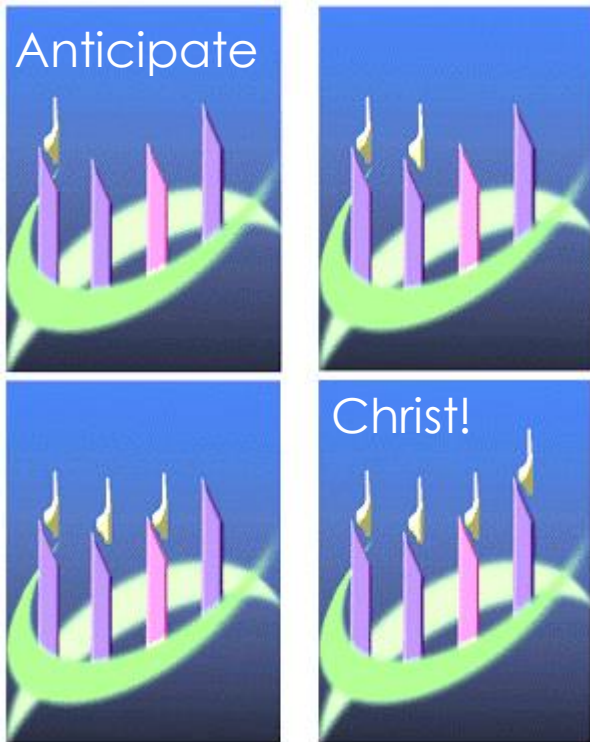
Somewhere in the world there is a heifer, two goats, a water buffalo, a sheep, three rabbits, a flock of chickens and a beehive providing food and hope to eight families. Pretty exciting stuff isn't it!

Trinity is not collecting donations as a church-wide project this year. Let's encourage each other to reach out to the least of these. There are many worthy, reputable and deserving organizations to which you can contribute. Perhaps you have a favorite of your own.

Remember too, UMCOR—United Methodist Committee on Relief—responding to natural disasters in the world, working to eliminate malaria and so much more. Have fond memories of summer camp? You can donate to camping programs like Jumonville. Money you donate to the camps provides camperships for children to have the wonderful opportunity of going to camp. And they can't get there any other way except by our generosity.

The websites and telephone numbers of several organizations are listed below. Catalogs for Heifer International and SERRV will be in the vestibule. So besides the toy catalog, how about sitting around your kitchen table with family or friends? Look through these catalogs for a gift! Who wants a lama this year for Christmas! Who wants a new well for safe clean water! We will find it life-changing for the least of these...and for ourselves.

UMCOR umcor.org	888-252-6174
SERRV serrv.org	888-294-9657
JUMONVILLE jumonville.org	800-463-7688
JONI AND FRIENDS joniandfriends.org	818-707-5664
HEIFER INTERNATIONAL heifer.org	855-848-6437
COMPASSION INTERNATIONAL compassion.com	800-336-7676



(by Beverly Piper)

When you add **Emmanuel** (God with us...Jesus!) to the **Pace** of Christmas, you get the **Peace** of Christmas! That Peace is Jesus, Himself.

Last year, inspired by a writing that Nancy Bash found in her mother's Bible, we decided to take back Christmas! To push back the darkness with the Light of the World. To push back the commercialism and craziness with Jesus' peace and joy. We had a wonderful, relaxing, joyful evening of carols, favorite snacks and laughter. Children and adults enjoyed making a simple and lovely craft to take home as a reminder. Everyone brought a piece or pieces of their personal nativity set and shared what made them special. It was a beautiful part of the evening. The entire evening was so special we are doing it again this year!

Mark your calendar now for November 30, the first Sunday of Advent, at 6:30 p.m. in the social room. We will set the pace of the Christmas season together from the start by celebrating the coming of The Way, Truth and Life...Jesus!

This year bring a favorite snack and your own Nativity set or a piece(s) from it. We want folks who were unable to participate last year to enjoy this special part of the evening. Don't miss Jesus in the days of Advent! Please come and Anticipate Christ! Bring a friend or two.

Angel Tree:

A Prison

Fellowship Ministry

This year we have received the names of five children from two local families. Cindy Graw will have gift tags available in early November for those of you who like to shop for the children. If you would like to participate, but don't have time to shop, make a cash donation to Cindy or through the weekly offering. Remember to leave gifts unwrapped.



Poinsettia Orders

The church is taking orders for poinsettia plants (\$11 per plant) through Sunday, December 14. Use the order form below or pick one up in the church vestibule.



Poinsettias may be taken home following the Christmas Eve service.

2015 POINSETTIA ORDER

Name _____

Quantity _____ x \$11.00 Red White

Total \$ _____

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Anonymous

Trinity Updates

Craft and Vendor show

Our first craft and vendor show was a success. Plans will be underway soon for the 2015 show.

Food Drive

Thanks to everyone who participated. We delivered 100 boxes of facial tissue to the food bank in October.

Garage Sale

In the October issue of *Trinity Tempo* Pastor Judy wrote about the future of the garage sale. We continue to seek input and a leader for this project. If you are interested in organizing the garage sale for 2015, please speak with Pastor Judy.

November Birthdays

- 2nd Joyce Rogers
- 7th George Silowash
- 8th Emma Chichilla
Riley McLaughlin
- 9th Joan Hartley
- 10th Paul Earl
Morgan Hainsey
- 13th Ron Hainsey
- 14th Thelma Johnson
- 16th Dorothy Caruso
- 18th Lloyd Myers
- 22nd Tom Fanty
- 24th Matt Johnson
- 30th Spencer Boehm



November Anniversaries

- 19th Barb & Bill Messina
- 29th Patty & Ed Aubele
Sandy & David Keller
- 30th Pat & Tom Puckey

Conference Happenings

Special Sundays

YOUTH SERVICE FUND SUNDAY—NOV 9

At Trinity November 9 is the day to celebrate the youth in our church and to encourage youth involvement. Your gifts on this Special Sunday are used to support conference-wide youth missions.

UM STUDENT DAY—NOV 30

On this day your gifts support United Methodist scholarships and the United Methodist student loan fund. Help these students “prepare for a life that unites faith with knowledge.”

Community Happenings

Munch-A-Thon

There are two dates remaining to help support the Trafford Community Public Library by eating out at some local restaurants. Twenty percent of your bill will go to support the library. The donation works whether you dine in or eat out.

Be sure to tell your server that you are there to support the library.

- November 1 Steel City Steakhouse
- December 6 Dom's Pizzeria

Faith In Action

Faith in Action is in need of volunteer drivers for the Trafford area. If you are interested in taking seniors to doctor appointments, grocery shopping, or other appointments, please call 724-392-4161 for more information.

Trafford Holiday Happenings

Trafford will hold its annual Holiday Happenings on Saturday, December 6. Borough residents are invited to join in the celebration. Sing carols; visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus; watch as they light the tree outside the borough building. All of these activities and more take place Saturday evening, starting at 5 p.m.



November Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship / Holy Communion 12 p.m. Trustee Luncheon <i>Daylight Saving Time ends</i>	3 9 a.m. Election Day Dinner Prep	4 9 a.m. Election Day Dinner Prep 5-7 p.m. Election Day Dinner	5 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	6 7:15 p.m. Choir	7 <i>World Communion Day</i>	8
9 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship / Healing Service <i>Youth Service Fund Sunday</i>	10	11 11:30 a.m. Helping Hands Board Meeting 12 p.m. Lunch Veteran's Day	12 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	13 6:30 p.m. Scouts 7:15 p.m. Choir	14	15
16 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship	17 <i>Tempo Deadline</i>	18 10 a.m. Crafts 7:30 p.m. Ad-Council Meeting	19 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	20 6:30 p.m. Scouts 7:15 p.m. Choir	21	22
23 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship	24 7:30 p.m. PPRC Meeting	25 10 a.m. Crafts 7 p.m. Community Thanksgiving Service	26	27 Church Office closed	28 6 p.m. Sunday School Play Practice/ Dinner	29 10 a.m. Hanging of the Greens
30 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship 6:30 p.m. Anticipate Christ <i>United Methodist Student Day</i> 1st Sunday of Advent						