

Trinity Tempo

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Happy Easter to All,

The winters of most our childhoods have been much harsher than those in the past few years. But it is with great joy and hope that we look forward to the changes that spring will soon bring. It seems that no matter how bad the winter, spring brings a certain amount of excitement and anticipation.

Looking forward to April 16, it is as if the weather is lending a hand in helping to tell the Easter story. We

are quickly coming out of our season of self-reflection and confession, and into a reminder of our forgiveness and redemption.

Easter marks a renewed journey that, through God, is filled with the promise of Jesus' love and presence. It is the beginning of a journey that can be walked with confidence, because it is not walked alone.

Easter trumpets the fact that change, though uncertain, always happens in the context of Jesus' victory over the hopelessness of the world. Whatever is new or different from our present experiences can be used for the glory of the one who loves and saves us.

I pray we all rejoice together this Easter, because the Lord telegraphed God's love for all the world to see.

PTL,

Pastor Justin

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We Pray for...

(by Justin Judy)

The day after I graduated high school, in 1998, I left for a mission trip to Cambine Mission, Mozambique, Africa. God used that trip to help shape me into the person I am today.

Mozambique is located in the south eastern part of Africa, right across from Madagascar. It is over 300 square miles and has a population of roughly 24.7 million. Just over 8 million of the population live in what would be considered an urban setting. Much of the country is rural with agriculture being the main way



*Above: A Mozambique woman pumps water.
Top right: A Mozambique village.*

they provide for their family. However, poverty is a very common sight in much of Mozambique. It is one of the poorest countries in the world. In 2009, 54% of Mozambicans were considered in absolute poverty. Seventy percent of the poverty is located in rural areas.

Much of Mozambique's farming efforts, over the past 16 years, have been devastated by major storms, floods, and plagues. There have been many relief efforts during that time that have provided food to those in rural areas.

Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church has seven missionaries stationed throughout the country of Mozambique. Memory Masuko serves as a community health advisor for the Center for Hope. Noe Cenal also serves at the Center for Hope. Lynnete Hlatywayo serves as a human rights research officer at the JustaPaz Center of Study and Conflict in Maputo, Mozambique. David and Elizabeth McCormick serve at the Chicupe Rural Hospital. David is the administrator and Elizabeth is the pharmacist. Florence Kaying and John Nday, also a husband and wife team, both serve at the Cambine Mission. Florence is a nurse practitioner in maternity and child health, and John serves as the agricultural coordinator.

Please pray for each of these missionaries and the work they do building the kingdom of God. If you are interested in learning more about them and what they do, you can visit their profiles at <http://www.umcmission.org/Explore-Our-Work/Missionaries-in-Service/Missionary-Profiles>. You can also donate on their page if you feel led to.

A Caring Church

(by Jane Pogue)

Several years ago we had a committee at the church called “Care Corp” which focused on providing nurturing to others. Since that time the actual committee has faded away, but the nurturing aspect has been taken over by our entire church family.

We have so many members who go about offering assistance to others, and they never expect recognition. They don’t stand up in church and tell of all they have done, and they certainly don’t want credit for their assistance. As I thought about all the things our congregation does for each other, I felt it was time that others hear about the actions of our unsung heroes.

Did you know we have members who take others to doctor appointments, even in the darkness of early morning? We have people who travel back and forth to Pittsburgh regularly so others can make their appointments. We have some who bring members to church weekly, and others who regularly do grocery runs for those who can’t get out.

We have a member who spends part of her vacation making prayer shawls. We have a small group of wonderful women who work diligently making crafts, having white sales and calendar activities. No one knows how much this group donates to help our church meet its financial obligations.

We had a group of men willing to spread tons of stone so that it was safe for the owners to walk. We also have two people who spend countless hours at the church fixing everything from pipes to furnaces, to furniture, to sidewalks.

The main thrust of our church is caring for each other. Every time we go to someone’s house for Home Communion, or if I go just to visit, there are cards on their mantles or windowsills—mainly sent by our congregation.

Any time I need dinners, cakes for funerals, or servers for one of our receptions, I only have to ask. Everyone is so willing to help. We recently had a member pass away and the day it was announced in church, a lady came up to me

immediately and asked if the bereaved family needed food. Then we have those who volunteer to babysit so people can go to class or get ready to move. Any Sunday that we need somebody to cover the nursery there is always someone to gladly fill in.

I just want to say thanks from the bottom of my heart for the quiet, dedicated church family I am blessed to a part of. God blesses us so that we can be a blessing to others, and we show that on a daily basis here at Trinity. Thank you all.

Blankets+ Sunday

No, you don’t have to check the date of this newsletter. It is April and we are holding our annual Blankets+ Sunday this month rather than February.

Samples of blankets will be in the overflow area. Your donations on April 9 are used by Church World Service (CWS) in their response efforts. Your gifts help CWS assist through all phases of disaster recovery from issuing blankets to helping families rebuild their lives and their communities.

Palm Sunday Party

The Sunday School is hosting its annual party following the Sunday worship service on April 9. Everyone is welcome! Come for food, crafts, a puppet show and more! See Beverly Piper for more information.

Silent Communion

The sanctuary will be open for silent communion on Thursday, April 13 from 1-3 p.m. and from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Easter Egg Hunt

April 15 from 10-11:30 a.m.

Pastor Judy and Kris Peters are busy working on another spiritual, fun-filled event. Registration forms are available online and at the church’s information center. Eggs will be hidden Friday afternoon on April 14 starting at 4 p.m. People who are volunteering at the event should be at the church at 9 a.m. on Saturday See Pastor Judy or Kris Peters if you want to get involved!



Joys and Concerns

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

Pray for

Patty Aubele
 Renee Cappetta
 Emma Chichilla
 Beecher and Kay Dale
 Brock Dulemba (John and Cindy Graw's grandson)
 Beverly Frank (friend of Beverly Piper)
 David and Carol Grubb
 Joan Hartley
 Family of Jim Johnson
 Lena Jones (Angela Knopf's grandmother)
 Paul Madaras (Mary Ann Casper's brother)
 Judy Mason
 Kris and Gary Peters
 Joyce Rogers and her sister Carol Jean
 Blanch Seiple (Peggy Whitfield's aunt)
 Matthew Tranter (friend of Cindy Graw)
 Bob and Patty Vaughn (friend of Donna Race)
 Laurie Weisberg (friend of Shirley Fisher)
 Peggy Whitfield

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

April Birthdays

2nd Brandon Dulemba
 3rd Bob Lovre, Morgan Plecenik, Nancy Swick
 6th John Williams
 7th Miranda Mallik
 9th Holly Conlogue
 10th Bob Casper, Lori Dorko
 11th Annaliese Witmer, Ray Soles
 12th Jonathan Aubele
 14th Jonathan Judy
 16th Betty Earl
 17th Christian Boehm
 21st Nancy Valentine
 25th Jeanne Ruccio, Bill Messina
 28th Carmen Owens
 29th John David Hughes, Raye Lynn Yocum
 30th Genny Triponey

April Anniversaries

5th Fred and Mary Henry
 10th Roger and Marlene VanRyn
 12th John and Jeanne Ruccio

April Schedules

Greeters

2nd Jane Pogue
 9th Jim and Eileen Bentley
 16th Stultz family
 23rd Thelma Johnson
 30th Bill and Love Ruffner

Liturgists

2nd Nick Mallik
 9th Jane Pogue
 16th Bob Lovre
 23rd Roger VanRyn
 30th Youth

Nursery

2nd Cindy Graw and Joan Vowler
 9th Stephanie Judy and Ashley Kitchen
 16th No nursery
 23rd Jan Keefer and Donna Race
 30th Eileen Bentley and Beverly Beam

Altar Flowers

2nd Stephanie Judy
 9th Nick and Danielle Mallik
 16th Beam Family
 23rd Harry and Marge Little
 30th Jane Pogue



April Calendar

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
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2 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship/Communion 1 p.m. New Members Class 5th Sunday in Lent	3 6-7:30 p.m. Brownie Trp (Social Hall)	4	5 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	6 7:15 p.m. Choir	7 6 p.m. Craft Night (Judy residence)	8 8 a.m. Work Party
9 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship/Healing Service 12 p.m. Palm Sunday Party 1 p.m. New Members Class <i>Blankets+ Sunday</i> 6th Sunday in Lent Scrip Order Day	10 6-7:30 p.m. Brownie Trp (Social Hall)	11 11:30 a.m. Helping Hands Board Meeting 11:45 a.m. Out to Lunch	12	13 1-3 p.m. & 6:30-7:30 p.m. Silent Communion 7:30 p.m. Tenebrae Service	14 6 p.m. Craft Night (Judy residence) <i>Good Friday</i>	15 10-11:30 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt
16 7 a.m. Sunrise Service (B-Y Park) followed by breakfast in Social Rm 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship 12 p.m. New Members Reception <i>Easter</i>	17 6-7:30 p.m. Brownie Trp (Social Hall) Tempo Deadline	18 7:30 p.m. Ad-Council	19 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	20 7:15 p.m. Choir	21 6 p.m. Craft Night (Judy residence)	22
23 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship Scrip Order Day	24 6-7:30 p.m. Brownie Trp (Social Hall)	25 <i>World Malaria Day</i>	26 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	27 7:15 p.m. Choir	28 6 p.m. Craft Night (Judy residence)	29
30 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship <i>Native American Ministries Sunday</i>						

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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
May issue
are due Monday,
April 17, 2017.



**PT Ministerium
Community Good
Friday Service
April 14, 2017
Penn Evangelical
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