

Trinity Tempo

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To My Family in Christ,

One of my all-time favorite books of the Bible is Job. Job has always been a challenging and compelling book on the practice of patience in a time of suffering and crisis. Job offers us another insight that is applicable for this month's holiday.

Soon we will be making plans, and turkey, in preparation for Thanksgiving. In no time we will

find ourselves sitting before a meal surrounded by family and friends, going through the ritual of giving thanks. Scripture prompts us to give thanks. There are many reasons and circumstances to give thanks to the Lord. Job gave us another reason to give thanks and it has little to do with the joys of life.

Job is wrestling with the suffering that has befallen him. All he wants is to approach God and speak his mind. When God reveals himself to Job, God lets Job know who he is through a series of questions. After the questions, Job realizes that God is far more present and involved than he ever imagined. It is because of the Lord's involvement that Job then says, "Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand, things too wonderful for me, which I did not know..."

At the end of it all, Job never asked the Lord to take his suffering away, but he finally realized that in the midst of the day, no matter what that day held, it was more than enough to know the Lord is there and dealing with us out of his love and wisdom.

This is something we can always be thankful for during the holiday season and beyond.

PTL,

Pastor Justin Judy

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We Pray for...

(by Justin Judy)

This month we will be praying for the country of Somalia. The country is 99.8% Muslim and less than .1% Christian. The Catholic Church does have a single diocese in the capital of Mogadishu consisting of around 100 adherents. 1991 saw the start of a civil war that placed the country in a political condition called a “failed state.” Generally, this is defined as a country that has little to no governmental control. This often results in control placed in the hands of local communities that tend to be loosely connected with one another. Pirating also became an issue off of the coast of Africa because local fishermen were seeking to protect their trade from illegal fisheries. Around 2012 the first permanent central government was established since the start of the civil war in 1991. Somalia has since moved to number 2 on the list of “fragile states,” thus showing improvement in its governmental stability. There are many who are hopeful of its continued success.

Somalia is still facing much in the way of civil unrest as splinter groups are trying to sow seeds of discord within the country. October 14, 2017 saw the country’s deadliest truck bombing. The blast killed more than 300 people and wounded nearly 400 in Mogadishu.

We ask for prayers for Somalia. That they are able to find peace. That the love of the Lord changes hearts and minds as the people come together against such violence.

Global ministries of the United Methodist Church does not have a strong presence in Somalia. But sometimes they provide food during times of drought and other needs through “Disaster Response, International Advance #982450.” This advance was put in place to help any country that has an emergency need.

References

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*Sifting through the destruction.
Mogadishu, Somalia
January 25, 2017*



Warm Hearts, Warm Coats

Trinity again will team up with *Good Morning America* to collect coats for those in need. Jane Pogue will provide details about when the coat drive will begin in the coming weeks. In the meantime, start cleaning out

those closets. Coats of all sizes will be needed.

Community Thanksgiving Dinner and Service

Penn-Trafford Ministerium is hosting its annual community Thanksgiving dinner for first responders and recipients of the local food banks. The event will be held at the Manchester Room in Trafford on November 21 at 6 p.m. A worship service will follow the dinner.

Trinity is accepting cans of corn to be served at the dinner. Unopened cans will be given to the local food banks. Drop off donations in the vestibule by November 12. If you would like to help at the dinner, speak with Pastor Justin.

Craft and Vendor Show

Our annual craft and vendor show is returning to Trinity on Saturday, November 11 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Whether you come to shop for unique handmade gifts or to staff the bake sale table and concession stand, you'll have a great time. A sign-up for the concession stand/bake sale is in the church vestibule. If you have any questions or want to know how you may be part of this event, speak with Joanne Ondulich or call her at 412.378.8074.

2017 Church Conference

Church Conference will be held on Tuesday, November 28 at 7 p.m. and will be led by Pastor Judy. This annual conference is open to all members of the congregation.

Helping Hands

(by Thelma Johnson)

The October meeting was cancelled because a few members were under the weather.

Our next meeting will be held on November 14. Joan Vowler will give the program. Ora Mae Lovre, Donna Piper and Roberta Cuttler will be our hostesses. Election of officers will be held during this meeting. Dessert will be served. Remember to bring a sandwich.

Correction: Sarris Candies orders were due by Monday, October 23. We apologize for the confusion. You may still order online. Go to SarrisCandiesFundraising.com and enter the Group ID # 10-0582. Then start shopping. Shipping and handling charges apply for online orders.



Joys and Concerns

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

Pray for

Grace, daughter of Min and Yangmo (friends of Julie Sippel-Silowash)
Ian Alvarez (Judy family's neighbor)
JoAnn Booher
Renee Cappetta
Beecher and Kay Dale
Joan Hartley
Betty Henderson (Sandy Chiappetta's aunt)
Kathy Jones (Judy Mason's friend)
Jan Keefer
Paul Madaras (Mary Ann Casper's brother)
Dale McCune (Garland McCune's brother)
Kay Meadowcroft
Donna Piper
Tom Puckey
Blanch Seiple (Peggy Whitfield's aunt)
Ken Simmons (Vicki Stokes' brother)
Jay and Vicki Stokes
Jean Swick
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.

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 Anna Kitchen
21st Dante Ventura
22nd Tom Fanty
24th Matt Johnson
30th Spencer Boehm

November Anniversaries

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

Looking Ahead

Hanging of the Greens

Trinity will pull out the wreaths and garland, trees and bows for the hanging of the greens. Everyone is welcome to take part in decorating, fun and fellowship. So be at the church Saturday, December 2 at 10 a.m.

Anticipate Christ

Thanksgiving is nearly upon us, and you know what that means? Christmas is next! Sunday, December 3, we will be gathering for our annual "Anticipate Christ" service. It is a chance for us to focus our hearts and minds on the beautiful gift of Jesus at the beginning of the Christmas season. We will not be having Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. on December 3. Instead, we will have a lunch after the worship service. You are welcome to bring a side dish and/or dessert for the meal. Following our time of food, we will have the "Anticipate Christ" service. This service will be appropriate for all ages and will have something for everyone. You are invited to join us as we prepare to thank God for the greatest gift ever given.



November Calendar and Schedules

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
			1 7:15 p.m. Immersion Bible Study 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	2 7:15 p.m. Choir	3 9 a.m. EDD Prep (wash dishes) 6-10 p.m. Crafts	4
5 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship/Communion All Saints Sunday Scrip Order Day Youth Service Fund Day Daylight Saving Time ends	6 9 a.m. EDD Prep (cooking) 5 p.m. Men's Woodwork Grp	7 9 a.m. EDD Prep (cooking) 5-7 p.m. Election Day Dinner	8 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	9 4:30 p.m. Trustees (Craft/Vendor Show set-up) 7:15 p.m. Choir	10 6-10 p.m. Crafts	11 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Craft/Vendor Show <i>Veteran's Day</i>
12 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship/Healing Service	13	14 11:30 a.m. Helping Hands Board 12 p.m. Lunch Meeting 7:30 p.m. Ad-Council	15 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	16 7:15 p.m. Choir	17 6-10 p.m. Crafts Tempo Deadline	18
19 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship Scrip Order Day	20 7:15 p.m. Choir (tentative)	21 6 p.m. Community Thanksgiving Dinner & Service	22	23  <i>Thanksgiving</i>	24 6 p.m. Christmas Play Practice & Dinner	25
26 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship UM Student Day	27	28 7 p.m. Church Conference	29 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	30 7:15 p.m. Choir		

Greeters

- 5th Jean Swick
- 12th Bill and Love Ruffner
- 19th Stultz Family
- 26th Genny Triponey

Liturgists

- 5th Sandy Chiappetta
- 12th Youth
- 19th Beverly Piper
- 26th Stephanie Judy

Nursery

- 5th Dana Venturo and Ashley Kitchen
- 12th Jane Pogue and Eileen Bentley
- 19th Noell Stultz and Sandy Chiappetta
- 26th Stephanie Judy and Beverly Beam

Altar Flowers

- 5th Felmlee family
- 12th Thelma Johnson
- 19th Kayla Eiseman
- 26th Johnston Children

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Return service requested



**Daylight Saving Time ends
Sunday, November 5.**

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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
December issue
are due Friday,
November 17,
2017.



Election Day Dinner November 7

(by Donna Race)

Join us on Tuesday, November 7 for fellowship and home cooked food at our annual dinner. You'll be served roasted pork, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce, dessert and beverage. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$4 for children age 10 and under. Dinner will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. Tickets are on sale now through the church or may be purchased at the door. Takeout is available.

Stop by the craft table for unique handmade gifts!

