

Trinity Tempo

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

The day after my high school graduation I left for a mission trip to Mozambique. That trip left a huge impression on my life. It showed me just how large the world is and what my place in it may be. It ignited a desire to learn more about others around me. In that knowledge I have been able to see more of the love of God than my own personal experience has been privy to. That trip also taught me that both our differences and our similarities can bind us closer to one another.

Since Mozambique I have looked for opportunities to love my neighbors close to me as I have loved those many miles away. Indeed there are many areas within 10 miles of anyone's home to share the love of Christ and provide for the needs and hurts of others. We can be challenged by another's diversity and commonality close to where we live. That challenge opens our eyes to see the image of God in our neighbor.

Mozambique was my last mission trip outside of mainland United States... until I was asked to join a mission team looking to help the people of Puerto Rico in June. I was nervous, because it has been a long time since I traveled to a place where English is not the main language. But it seemed the Lord was insisting I go and break free of my comfort zone.

The mission trip to Puerto Rico has been such a huge blessing on my life. It has further expanded my view of God's love. It has introduced me to even more of our sisters and brothers in Christ. It has opened my eyes to a people of tremendous strength and need.

Nearly a year after hurricanes Maria and Irma did a one-two punch on the island, there is still much to be done. Our forty person team—20 from East Ohio U.M. Conference and 20 from Western PA U.M. Conference—was able to clean up and fix five different work sites. But there is so much more to do. During my time there I learned, though money is always helpful, they are in greater need of volunteers and work materials.

It's true that there are many mission opportunities right out our backdoor, but maybe you are feeling called to see God's love in a place 1,000 miles outside your comfort zone. Ask God where you may be called. You may have a chance to serve the Lord in Puerto Rico; ask me about it. And if, in the meantime, you feel the Lord calling you to serve your immediate neighbors, well, that is also a conversation I would love to have.

The Lord is always calling us, both to places close and far away. Nowhere is God's love absent and it is a joy to be a part of it.

PTL,

Justin Judy



Blessing of the Backpacks

It's that time again! On Sunday, August 19 Pastor Judy will be blessing all the backpacks of our students, young and old, during the 11 a.m. worship service. So all you students, make sure you bring your backpacks to church and start your new school year with God's blessing!

Focus on Nurture

Trinity will continue its focus on Nurture for 2019. A meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 16 to review our current plans, assess what we have accomplished so far, and discuss what is upcoming for the remainder of 2018 and 2019. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. You are welcome to come and help develop and refine our focus for the year ahead.

Helping Hands for Trinity

The women continue to meet informally for crafts on Tuesday mornings at 10 a.m. Regular meetings will resume in September with the semi-annual "Out to Lunch."

Craft and Vendor Show

Trinity is hosting this event on Saturday, November 10 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. If you are interested in participating as a crafter or vendor, or if you know of someone who might be interested, contact Joanne Ondulich for an application (fee for an eight-foot table is \$30).

Trinity will staff a concession stand and bake sale during the show. If you have ideas about how we can improve upon or enhance this part of the event, please speak with Linda Yocum.

Rural Life Sunday

August 12 is Rural Life Sunday within the Western PA Conference. At this time we recognize the interdependency of urban and rural communities. Gifts toward this special offering strengthen outreach, nurture and witness in small towns and rural areas across western PA.



Join us for Blessing of the Backpacks—August 19 at 11 a.m. Students, bring your backpacks!

Food Drive

Because of your commitment to our community Trinity donated 79 boxes of instant pudding and flavored gelatin to the Trafford/Level Green food bank in July. Thank you!

UMCOR Kits

Typically we collect school kit items in July and August here at Trinity. Many of us are already shopping for our own children, and sales on basic school supplies are abundant.

Because of the flooding in southwestern PA this past spring, the New Castle Eastbrook Mission Barn's stock of hygiene kits and cleaning buckets is very low. So Trinity is including these two kits in the collection drive and is extending the collection time through September.

You can find lists of supplies for each of the three kits in the church vestibule and on the Missions bulletin board. The lists are also posted on the church website.

Boxes for donated items are located in the overflow area along with complete sample kits.

Can't get out? Don't have time to shop? Donate money to the cause and volunteers will do the shopping for you. Just remember to designate the funds for the type of kit: school kit, hygiene kit or cleaning bucket.

Annual Church Picnic

Due to an unexpected family obligation, Jane Pogue is unable to host the church picnic scheduled for Friday, August 10. If anyone would like to host it this year, let Linda Yocum or Pastor Judy know by August 2.

Immersion Bible Study

This Bible study resumes on Wednesday, September 5 at 7:15 p.m. The group will be covering the books of Ezekiel and Daniel during this eight-week study. If you would like to attend contact Linda in the church office so that we may order more books.





Joys and Concerns

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

Pray for

- Patty Aubele
- Family of Renee Cappetta
- Family of Beecher Dale
- Bill Ebner
- Diane Haney
- Family of Fred Henry
- Paul Madaras (Mary Ann Casper's brother)
- Dale McCune (Garlan McCune's brother)
- Shirley McCune (Jane Pogue's aunt)
- Kris and Gary Peters
- Family of Kenneth Sullivan (relative of the Vowlers)
- David Whitfield (Peggy Whitfield's brother)
- Peggy Whitfield

Summer Worship

Summer brings sunshine, warm weather...and vacations! As you enjoy all that summer has to offer, don't forget to continue with your tithes and offerings. Mail them to the church office or ask a friend or relative who attends to bring them for you.

And take time throughout the summer to pray for the safety and well-being of our many vacationers—whether travelling nationally or internationally, or by car, boat or airplane.

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

August Birthdays

- 4th Larry Mallik
- 5th Jennifer McCune, Julie Sippel-Silowash
- 8th Jace Beam
- 10th Angel Spell
- 12th Lynn Antoon, Robert Hainesy
- 13th Mary Henry
- 14th Carol Piper
- 15th Bill Vowler, Amy McLaughlin
- 16th Cindy Graw
- 19th Bill Fenton
- 21st April Beam, Joanne Ondulich
- 22nd Beverly Piper
- 24th Dan Musser
- 26th Mike Kitchen
- 28th John Musser, Rebecca Hughes
- 31st Alvin Lafferty

August Anniversaries

- 6th Caleb and Corrie Baker
- 12th Bob and MaryAnn Casper, Brian and Christy Witmer
- 13th Tom and Carmen Owens
- 15th Bill and Joan Vowler
- 22nd Larry and Becky Mallik





August Calendar and Schedules

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
			1 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	2	3	4
5 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship/Communion	6	7 10 a.m. Crafts	8	9	10 6 p.m. Church Picnic (tentative)	11
12 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship/Healing Service <i>Rural Life Sunday</i> Scrip Order Day	13	14 10 a.m. Crafts	15 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	16 7 p.m. Nurture Meeting	17 Tempo Deadline	18
19 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship/Blessing of the Backpacks	20	21 10 a.m. Crafts 6:30 p.m. Trustees 7:30 p.m. Ad-Council	22 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	23	24	25
26 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship Scrip Order Day	27	28 10 a.m. Crafts	29 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	30 7:15 p.m. Choir	31	

Greeters

5th Jean Swick
 12th Les and Donna Race
 19th Colleen DiVito
 26th Genny Triponey

Nursery

5th Dana Venturo and Cindy Graw
 12th Joan Vowler and Noell Stultz
 19th Jane Pogue and Stephanie Judy
 26th Ashley Kitchen and Donna Race

Liturgists

5th Stephanie Judy
 12th Nick Mallik
 19th Jane Pogue
 26th Bob Lovre

Altar Flowers

5th Love Ruffner
 12th open
 19th Mallik family
 26th Yocum family

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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
September issue are
due Friday,
August 17, 2018.



Be Good Stewards

Summer means rising temperatures, fans running, and doors and windows open at Trinity. Whether you are here for a few minutes or a few hours, before leaving the church please take the time to:

- Close and lock windows.
- Turn off lights and fans—including ceiling fans.
- Close and lock doors.

