

Trinity Tempo

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A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

Happy Lent,

We are now in the heart of the Lenten season. During this time it is extra beneficial to reflect, through prayer and reading the Word of God, on the “Who?” of things. Who is God to us? Who are we to God? And especially, who is Jesus to God and to us?

It’s that last question I would like to reflect on. When thinking about who someone is to another, it is easiest to ask the question “What is their purpose?” or “How do they live?”

When we think about Jesus and his purpose in this life it is easy for us to put blinders on ourselves and not see the whole picture.

As many of you are aware I am a fan of the Star Wars movies. Star Wars has captured the imagination of people of all ages. Arguably the two most enjoyable characters in the original moves were R2-D2 and his talkative friend C3-PO. These two droids helped to lighten the mood and make us chuckle when things got too dark. In fact, all the droids in the movie were made to shoulder some sort of burden. I read once C3-PO saying, “We (droids) were created to suffer.”

This is very similar to the prevailing thought of Jesus during the Lenten season. What was Jesus’ purpose? It was to suffer in our place. The truth of this statement can’t be denied. But that suffering reveals only part of Jesus’ goodness.

We get so wrapped up in the suffering of Jesus during Lent that we forget he had a choice. Being fully human, Jesus had the ability to say no to his Father. But the love that is shown to us during Easter weekend is not just that he suffered for us, but that he did so willingly.

Luke 22:42 “Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet, not my will but yours be done.” reveals to us the depth of love Jesus has for all humanity. In spite of the anguish and stress of the coming sufferings Jesus followed through.

It is this willingness to love and serve in spite of the difficulties that we should be praying for, in order that, through the Holy Spirit, we may show the genuine love of Jesus to those for whom he died and rose.

P.T.L.,

Pastor Justin Judy



Trinity Happenings

Craft & Vendor Show

Trinity is hosting a spring craft and vendor show! Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 17. The show runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will be held in the church social hall.

Joanne Ondulich did a wonderful job with the holiday event last November. She is organizing the spring show and is accepting applications from crafters and vendors (cost is \$30 for an 8' table). Tell your friends, neighbors and relatives.

Trinity will hold a bake sale and staff a concession stand during the event. A sign-up sheet is in the vestibule for bakers who would like to donate fresh, home-baked treats.

People will be needed to staff the bake sale/concession stand as well. If you have any questions or want to know how you can be part of the event, contact Joanne Ondulich at 412.378.8074.

Easter Egg Hunt

(by Kris Peters)

Make plans to hop on over to our annual Easter Egg Hunt and Celebration on Saturday, March 31 at 10:30 a.m. Meet Everest and Skye, the Easter Bunny's long-lost country cousins! Hunt for eggs, share the Easter story and make a greeting card for someone special. Pastor Justin and I will be needing lots of help, so let them know if you can lend a hand... or foot.

Donations of small, wrapped candy or money to purchase supplies and candy are needed. We do not need plastic eggs this year. They have been donated already. More news and registration forms will be in the bulletin and vestibule.

Trustees News

(by Kris Peters)

The trustees had a work party on February 17 to rerun the plumbing to Trinity House kitchen. The new plumbing does not go through the garage and shouldn't freeze. Please be aware that the red and blue water lines going through the kitchen base cabinets are PEX pipe (cross-linked, high

density polyethylene tubing) and should not be moved or buried behind items.

Thanks to Gary, Jim, John, Beverly and Justin for lending a hand, and to Kay and Donna for cleaning out the cabinets prior to work. Our next activity will be setting up the tables for the spring craft and vendor show. Trustees will meet in the social hall Thursday, March 15 at 4:30 p.m. Also, a new dehumidifier has been placed in the furnace room. Outdoor project will start soon. We are still looking for people to join the trustees!

Helping Hands

(by Thelma Johnson)

Helping Hands had their meeting on February 13 at Piper Bay Café in Level Green. Eight members attended.

We did not have a program, but we did discuss fundraising options and talked about doing crafts.

The Friendship Class will be merging with Helping Hands; the newly-merged group will use the name Helping Hands. Our next meeting will be on March 13 at the church.



UMCOR Sunday

(formerly One Great Hour of Sharing)

UMCOR, the United Methodist Committee on Relief, provides assistance in the wake of disasters and helps support ongoing ministries of food, shelter, health and peace. Your gifts for this special offering help UMCOR cover the “cost of doing business.” That means 100% of every dollar you give to advances such as U.S. Disaster Response goes to aid and support that recovery effort. Be part of the response effort by giving on March 11.

Contact Information

Trinity is in the process of updating contact information and more for friends and members. It is important that our church records be accurate and complete. Some information may be published in a church directory. If you prefer certain details to be left out (e.g., home phone, mobile phone, email address) be sure to check the appropriate box(es) on the form.

Complete the form included in this newsletter and return it to the church office by the end of March.

Parents, we also need addresses and contact information for adult children who no longer live at home. Please provide this information on their behalf or ask your sons and daughters to complete a form. Additional forms are available at the church information center or on the church website at www.tumctrafford.org.

Trinity UMC Survey

Trinity is considering whether or not to offer electronic giving, or e-giving, as a way for friends and members to give to the church. We want to know if you would want to use this giving option. If we do decide to move forward remember that it will be an added option and will not replace the traditional envelopes you currently use; nor will it eliminate the part of the service where we collect tithes and offerings.

The board is asking each of you to take a brief survey about e-giving. The survey will be available online through 11:59 p.m. Tuesday, April 10 at www.surveymonkey.com/r/229sg3g. A link will be set up on the church website.

If you do not have access to a computer, tablet or smartphone and want to complete the survey, a paper version is printed below. Remember to turn it into the church office by April 10.

E-Giving Survey

1. Would you use electronic giving if Trinity UMC made it available?
 Likely
 Unlikely
2. If likely, how often would you use electronic giving?
 On a regular basis.
 Only when I can't be at worship.
 On special occasions.
3. If unlikely, why?

Easter Flowers

Trinity is accepting orders for flowers to grace our sanctuary during the Easter morning worship service. Choose from tulips, daffodils, hyacinths and Easter lilies. The cost is \$11.50 per plant. Orders are due in the church office by Palm Sunday.

Easter Flower Order Form

Name _____

Plant	Qty	Total
Daffodil	_____	x \$11.50 = _____
Easter lily	_____	x \$11.50 = _____
Hyacinth	_____	x \$11.50 = _____
Tulip	_____	x \$11.50 = _____
Total		_____

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Anonymous



Joys and Concerns

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

Pray for

Ian Alvarez (Judy family's neighbor)
Donna Ruth Burkett (Bill & Joan Vowler's cousin)
Renee Cappetta
Beecher and Kay Dale
Bryce Dulemba
Bill Ebner
Joan Hartley
Ernie and Jan Keefer
Paul Madaras (Mary Ann Casper's brother)
Dale McCune (Garlan McCune's brother)
Kay Meadowcroft
Jane Pogue
Blanch Seiple (Peggy Whitfield's aunt)
Gloria Seigel (Jane Pogue's friend)
Ken Simmons (Vicki Stokes' brother)
Jay and Vicki Stokes
Mary Thornton
Mary Lou Booher and family
David Whitfield (Peggy Whitfield's brother)
Peggy Whitfield
Family of Ralph Zyskowski

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

March Birthdays

1 st	Patty Aubele
2 nd	Tom Puckey
4 th	Randy Kerrigan
5 th	Kristina Stanley Chichilla
7 th	Kay Meadowcroft
9 th	Robert Cush
12 th	Stephanie Judy
13 th	Ryan Kerrigan
16 th	Vicki Stokes, Blanche Yocum
17 th	Kay Yocum
23 rd	Matt Knopf, Lia Nigro, Mattie Fantz
25 th	John Ruccio
26 th	Zack Witmer
27 th	Gary Peters, Sarah Ebner Scott
29 th	Nicolyn Lonzo, Sarah Lloyd

March Schedules

Greeters

4th Larry and Becky Mallik
11th Donna Piper
18th Roger and Marlene VanRyn
25th Joanne Ondulich

Liturgists

4th Youth
11th Sandy Chiappetta
18th Joanne Ondulich
25th Beverly Piper

Nursery

4th Ashley Kitchen and Donna Race
11th Stephanie Judy and Beverly Beam
18th Noell Stultz and Sandy Chiappetta
25th Dana Venturo and Eileen Bentley

Altar Flowers

4th John and Cindy Graw
11th Larry and Becky Mallik
18th Bob and Sandy Chiappetta
25th Susan Gibson and Sandy Yamamoto

2018 Church Update Form

Place completed forms in the offering plate; mail them to Trinity UMC, 407 Duquesne Ave, Trafford, PA 15085; or email them to office@tumctrafford.org.

Personal Information

Last Name _____

Address Do not publish this address

Street
Apt #
City, State, Zip

Alternate Address (e.g., college, winter home) Do not publish this address

Street
Apt #
City, State, Zip

Contact Information

Home Phone Do not publish

Name

Cell Phone

Work Phone

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Home Email

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Additional forms are available in the vestibule, online or by calling the church office.



March Calendar

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
				1 7:15 p.m. Choir	2 6-10 p.m. Crafts <i>World Day of Prayer</i>	3
4 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship/Communion 3rd Sunday in Lent	5 5 p.m. Men's Woodwork Grp	6 7 p.m. SPRC Meeting	7 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study 7:15 p.m. Immersion Bible Study	8 7:15 p.m. Choir	9 6-10 p.m. Crafts	10
11 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship/Healing Service Scrip Order Day 4th Sunday in Lent <i>UMCOR Sunday</i> Daylight Saving Time begins	12	13 11:30 a.m. Helping Hands Board 12 p.m. HH Lunch	14 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	15 4:30 p.m. Trustees Work Party 7:15 p.m. Choir	16 6-10 p.m. Crafts	17 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Craft & Vendor Show <i>St. Patrick's Day</i>
18 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship 5th Sunday in Lent	19 5 p.m. Men's Woodwork Grp Tempo Deadline	20 7:30 p.m. Ad-Council	21 7:15 p.m. Women's Bible Study	22 7:15 p.m. Choir	23 6-10 p.m. Crafts	24
25 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11 a.m. Worship Palm Sunday/Passion Sunday Scrip Order Day	26	27	28	29 1-3 p.m. & 6:30-7:30 p.m. Silent Communion 7:30 p.m. Tenebrae Service	30 Community Good Friday Service at Level Green Presbyterian	31 10:30 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt

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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
April issue
are due Monday,
March 19, 2018.



Friendship Tea

(by Beverly Piper)

Please save the date—Saturday, April 28—and plan to share a lovely afternoon with us! The Helping Hands and the Trinity Traveling Tea Party are hosting a Friendship Tea party as a fundraiser for Trinity UMC. The time is 12 to 2 p.m. (or whenever we're through!) in the social room. We will be serving delicious tea sandwiches, delightful cookies, soup and an assortment of teas in beautiful china. A tea party isn't just for the ladies! Gentlemen are most welcome as well as children.

We hope to have 75 people or more attend. Invite your friends for a pleasant, relaxing and happy time of tea and talk. Ticket pricing and more details coming soon.

“Tea! Bless ordinary, everyday afternoon tea!”—Agatha Christie