

# 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 movies 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



## 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](http://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](http://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?

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

## March Schedules

### Greeters

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

### Liturgists

4<sup>th</sup> Youth  
 11<sup>th</sup> Sandy Chiappetta  
 18<sup>th</sup> Joanne Ondulich  
 25<sup>th</sup> Beverly Piper

### Nursery

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

### Altar Flowers

4<sup>th</sup> John and Cindy Graw  
 11<sup>th</sup> Larry and Becky Mallik  
 18<sup>th</sup> Bob and Sandy Chiappetta  
 25<sup>th</sup> 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 \_\_\_\_\_

First Name	Preferred Nickname (e.g. Joe, Sue)	Birthday	Wedding Anniversary
_____	_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____	_____

**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 \_\_\_\_\_

Address in use from \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
month / day month / day

## Contact Information

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_  Do not publish

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Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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

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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  
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