

# Trinity

February 2020

# Tempo



Dear Sisters and Brothers  
in Christ,

It finally feels like winter has come to stay. We haven't had much snow up to this point, but the temperatures are dipping lower for longer stretches of time.

I have lived in western PA for almost my whole life. It always seems that, when the cold weather hits, I am constantly surprised by how cold it is. How

many times have you heard someone say, or said it yourself, "Can you believe how cold it is right now?"

It doesn't take us long to get used to something and start to think this is the norm. Fifty degrees in January feels a lot different than fifty degrees in August. But this phenomenon doesn't just happen with the weather. We get used to our lives flowing a certain way—wake up at 6 a.m., take a shower, have coffee, leave for work. Our routine becomes our indicator that everything is going to be okay.

But change that routine and our whole day seems to go haywire—power outage resets our alarm and we wake at 6:20 a.m. It can become a bad day very quickly. But the thing is, God often works in the surprise. When we want our day to go the same as it always does, God steps in and changes things up. In that change we often have to lean upon God and pay attention to what God wants us to see.

I pray that we become a people who aren't easily stumped by the unexpected changes that happen in our lives. Instead we should use these opportunities to open our eyes and look for where God may be working.

PTL,

Pastor Justin Judy

# Trinity Happenings

## Warm Hearts, Warm Coats Drive a Success!

*(by Jane Pogue)*

The final tally for the coat drive was 82 coats. That is the largest number of coats we have ever received. Thank you to each and every one of you who contributed this year. You have made a big difference to many other people in our area.

## Angel Tree

*(by Joanne Loure)*

This year's Angel Tree program was an amazing blessing for all involved. Through donations totaling \$430, our church family was able to provide nine children with Christmas gifts from an incarcerated parent. The love of Jesus shone through the children's eyes in such a miraculous way.

I want to thank Stephanie Judy and Summer for their help in making the ribbon angels for our fund drive, and Jane Pogue for giving her time and coupons for our shopping excursion. Also, Jeanne Ruccio for helping me deliver the gifts to all of the kids. Last, but certainly not least, I would like to thank all who donated and prayed for the success of the program and for the children.

Praise the Lord for all of you! Blessings.

## Old Membership Envelopes

*(by Jane Pogue)*

You should receive new offering envelopes the last week in January—or perhaps you already have them. The numbers on the envelopes may have changed to reflect changes in givers. Please throw away old envelopes and use the new ones. Also, include your name on the envelopes. We want you to get credit for your giving.

## Blanket Sunday

*(by Linda Yocum)*

Church World Service (CWS) assists with relief and recovery efforts around the world in numerous ways, one of which is distributing blankets to people following a flood, fire, hurricane or other disaster. One blanket costs \$10 and we are collecting money for blankets. To sweeten this mission project, we encourage you to pick up a container of mini M&M candies from the baskets in the vestibule.

Enjoy the treat. Then fill the container with quarters over the next few weeks. Bring the filled container back on Blanket Sunday, February 23. (A filled container holds \$10 in quarters!) If you don't like to deal with change, place a check or cash in the container and continue to donate your spare change to the roof fund by feeding the pig at the back of the sanctuary.



*And don't forget to do good and share with those in need.—Hebrews 13:16*

## Easter Candy Fundraiser

Our annual Easter candy fundraiser starts February 2. Forms will be available at the information center and via the church website. Orders will be accepted through Sunday, March 1. Please turn orders in to the church office or place them in the offering plate. Make checks payable to Trinity UMC.

Would you like to place an order, but can't make it to church? Mail in your order and payment or order online. Go to [SarrisCandiesFundraising.com](http://SarrisCandiesFundraising.com) and enter the Group ID # 10-0582. Then start shopping. The order will be shipped directly to your home; so keep in mind that shipping and handling charges apply for online orders.

## Ad-Council Meetings

Going forward, Trinity's Administrative Council will meet on the second Tuesday of the month. The next scheduled meeting takes place on Tuesday, February 11 at 6:30 p.m. Mark your calendars!

## Helping Hands for Trinity

*(by Thelma Johnson)*

The group did not meet in January. Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 11, weather permitting. Until then, stay warm.



**Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 10 a.m.**

The Greensburg District is proud to support the mission and ministry of Rise Against Hunger. This opportunity to assemble over 10,000 meals is open to all clergy (active and retired), and all laity (children and adults), of the Greensburg District. Join us in this mission engagement that "feeds the body and soul" through our partnership with Rise Against Hunger. After the meals are assembled, we will have a light lunch and fellowship together. The fellowship time will include a "grab-bag gift exchange." Once the registration date has closed, all persons who have registered will be contacted with details about the gift exchange. Our time together will conclude around 2:30 p.m. We are looking forward to

being with you! If you are unable to join us, your financial contribution toward offsetting the overall cost (approximately \$3000) of providing 10,000 meals will be appreciated.

Rise Against Hunger takes place at Christ UMC, 100 Lincoln St., Youngwood, PA 15697. The cost is \$10 per person (8 years of age and older; childcare is not available). A minimum registration of 30 persons is required for the event to take place. You may register online through the Greensburg District website and pay through Paypal or by check (make checks payable to Greensburg District and mark "Rise Against Hunger" on the memo line). Send payment to the Greensburg District Office, 307 Freeport Street, Delmont PA 15626. Payment must be received prior to the event. No payments will be accepted the day of the event.

Rise Against Hunger. Retrieved Wednesday, January 22, 2020 from <https://www.wpaumc.org/greensburgdistrictnews>

# Joys & Concerns

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

## Pray for

Elaine Abrams (Jane Pogue's friend)  
George Braem (John Ruccio's friend)  
JoAnn Booher  
Kathy Ebner  
Family of Beverly Frank (Beverly Piper's friend)  
Jan Keefer  
Kevin Knopf  
Family of Bill Ruffner  
David Whitfield (Peggy Whitfield's brother)  
Peggy Whitfield  
Dorothy Yocum

Several of our friends and members are homebound, in assisted living facilities or nursing homes. Remember our Christian and familial church family this Valentine's Day by sending them cards to let them know how much you care for them. Names and addresses are posted in the church vestibule and are available also from the church office.

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

## February Anniversaries

14<sup>th</sup> Kevin and Beverly Beam  
19<sup>th</sup> Lou and JoAnn Booher

## February Birthdays

1<sup>st</sup> Becky Mallik  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sandy Keller, Diane Kerrigan  
6<sup>th</sup> Matt Lovre  
10<sup>th</sup> Donna Piper  
11<sup>th</sup> Ashley Kitchen  
16<sup>th</sup> Roger VanRyn  
27<sup>th</sup> Peggy Whitfield, Richard Allen Aglietti  
29<sup>th</sup> Cliff Felmlee



## February Schedules

### Greeters

2<sup>nd</sup> Jerry and Sharren Breakey  
9<sup>th</sup> Genny Triponey  
16<sup>th</sup> Bob and MaryAnn Casper  
23<sup>rd</sup> John and Jeanne Ruccio

### Liturgists

2<sup>nd</sup> Linda Yocum  
9<sup>th</sup> Sandy Chiappetta  
16<sup>th</sup> Joanne Ondulich  
23<sup>rd</sup> Beverly Piper

### Nursery

2<sup>nd</sup> Jane Pogue and Joan Vowler  
9<sup>th</sup> Noell Stultz and Beverly Beam  
16<sup>th</sup> April Beam and Donna Race  
23<sup>rd</sup> Stephanie Judy and Cindy Graw

### Altar Flowers

2<sup>nd</sup> open  
9<sup>th</sup> Stephanie Judy  
16<sup>th</sup> Lou and JoAnn Booher  
23<sup>rd</sup> Roberta Cuttler



# February Calendar

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
<b>26</b> 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship <b>Scrip Order Day</b>	<b>27</b> 1-2 p.m. Senior Friends	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 7 p.m. Women's Bible Study	<b>30</b> 7:15 p.m. Choir	<b>31</b> 7:30 p.m. Crafts & Games Night	<b>1</b> 9 a.m. Finance/Member Audits
<b>2</b> 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship/Communion	<b>3</b> 1-2 p.m. Senior Friends	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 7 p.m. Women's Bible Study	<b>6</b> 7:15 p.m. Choir	<b>7</b> 7:30 p.m. Crafts & Games Night	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship/Healing Service <b>Scrip Order Day</b>	<b>10</b> 1-2 p.m. Senior Friends	<b>11</b> 11:45 a.m. Helping Hands Board 12 p.m. Helping Hands Meeting (weather permitting) <b>6:30 p.m. Ad-Council Meeting</b>	<b>12</b> 7 p.m. Women's Bible Study <b>Tempo Deadline</b>	<b>13</b> 7:15 p.m. Choir	<b>14</b> 7:30 p.m. Crafts & Games Night <i>Valentine's Day</i>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship <i>Disability Awareness Sunday</i>	<b>17</b> 1-2 p.m. Senior Friends  <i>President's Day</i>	<b>18</b> 6:30 p.m. Ad-Council	<b>19</b> 7 p.m. Women's Bible Study	<b>20</b> 7:15 p.m. Choir	<b>21</b> 7:30 p.m. Crafts & Games Night	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship <i>Blanket Sunday</i> <b>Scrip Order Day</b>	<b>24</b> 1-2 p.m. Senior Friends	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Ash Wednesday Service (tbd)  <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	<b>27</b> 7:15 p.m. Choir	<b>28</b> 7:30 p.m. Crafts & Games Night	<b>29</b>

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## Tempo Deadline

Articles for the March issue of the newsletter are due Wednesday, February 12, 2020.



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Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service: 11:15 a.m.

## Daffodil Days

The American Cancer Society Relay for Life movement is a massive fundraising event. Daffodil Days benefits the local Relay for Life. As part of this fundraiser, you have several options to purchase daffodils for yourself, friends, family members or persons hospitalized, undergoing cancer treatments, or in nursing homes.

Level Green Presbyterian Church is the designated location for orders and flower pick up. Copies of the order form are available on the bulletin board in the vestibule. The order deadline is February 24. Make checks out to the American Cancer Society. See the flyer in the vestibule for more information.