



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

It's here, fall is here. It's one of my very favorite seasons. I have many reasons for that: the cooler weather, the changing of the leaves, Thanksgiving...but the main reason is the grass stops growing for a little while. A break in mowing the lawn is awfully nice.

As a pastor I have a habit of looking for lessons in life's

happenings. God's creation can tell us many stories and teach us many lessons. As I stand at the window looking at the grass that has stopped growing. I think about the struggles I have had in my own spiritual life over the years of walking with the Lord. There have been some seasons where it felt like my growth in the Lord has lain dormant or even ceased. Times where I would look at the Bible, and then find something else to read instead. Moments where serving the Lord felt like work instead of joy. Days when the clouds of life seemingly blotted out the Lord's light and I would wallow in the shadow of my challenges or weaknesses.

The grass has a lesson to share. It is not dead. Looking at the yard, I can't help but be reminded that God has not neglected the grass or forgotten about it. It will grow again; the heat and light will reinvigorate it and make it spring to life. I have learned that promise is for us also. Through the love of Jesus, we have not been forgotten. For every time I have felt my growth in the Lord stagnate, God has poked and prodded me to life with the constant reminder of God's love and presence. No matter how thick the clouds, the **sun** always finds a way through.

During those stagnant times, let us continue to choose the Lord even when we don't feel like it. God is calling us in every season to grow. We are **loved** and **blessed** through Jesus.

PTL,

Pastor Justin Judy

Trinity Happenings



Senior Spotlight

(by Jane Poque)

Our special lady this month is Mrs. Kay Dale. Kay is one of the classiest ladies you will ever meet! From her clothes to her jewelry to her hair, she is always in fashion. However, she is just as classy inside as her outward appearance. This is very obvious when you learn more about her.

Kay was born in Elizabeth, Pennsylvania and went to Elizabeth Forward High School. We can see how ambitious she was just by the jobs she has held: farming, working at Shop 'n Save in Monroeville, driving a school bus, and finally, working at Vocational Resource Services.

She met her husband, Beecher Dale, at a skating rink in Elizabeth. They were married five months short of 60 years.

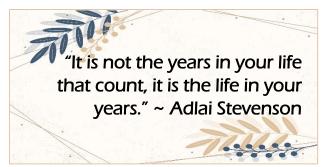
What a wonderful accomplishment! They had four children: Bridget (Greensburg), Sandy (Florida), Jake (at the farm), and Beecher III (Greensburg).

Kay still keeps up with the farm business, including cutting the grass when needed. She cooks every day and loves to keep busy with her gardening. She is active in different senior activities in the community including Senior Friends at the church. She also is part of Helping Hands and is always assisting at our lunches or craft activities. Even though she spends her winters in Florida, she is still faithful to our church and keeps in contact with her church friends.

Kay was estranged from the church for many years, but eventually felt the Lord calling her back. She missed the people of the church whom she loves very much. We are so thankful that she did, and we are blessed to see her smiling face every week (even on ZOOM!).

She feels she is fairly well health-wise and doesn't let any illnesses keep her down. She wants us to know that she still drives and will go anywhere she won't get killed! Routes 30 and 22 are her limits!

We are so thankful to call Kay our friend, and we wish her health and happiness for many years to come.





This advertisement for the food giveaway was taken from Christian Life Church's Facebook page.

Food Giveaway

(by Beverly Piper)

The Christian Life Church in Trafford has been distributing food in their church parking lot this summer to help people who are in need. It is called Drive-Thru Grocery Giveaway. The distribution takes place every Tuesday from 5 to 7 p.m. Between 50 and 65 bags of groceries are given out each week. Christian Life will be doing this until January 2021 and will continue after if there is a need.

Volunteers help organize and pack the groceries in paper bags which are handed out to people who drive up in their cars. Along with food, kind and encouraging words and prayers are shared too. People have accepted Jesus as their Savior while sitting in their cars.

Participating sponsors are Christian Life Church, Community Church (Harrison City), Pittsburgh Dream Center, The Well Corp of PA, and our own Trinity UMC. Trinity is collecting canned goods (fruits, vegetables, meats, etc.) for this project. If you would like to donate food or money it can be dropped off at Trinity (inside Trinity House when open) or taken directly to Christian Life Church. Contact Lindsey at Christian Life Church at 412-856-4420 for drop-off times. (Leave a message.) To make a monetary donation through Trinity, be sure to note "food giveaway" on your envelope or memo line of your check. The food giveaway is not connected to the Trafford/Level Green food bank. They are separate programs.

"If you give some of your own food to those who are hungry...then your light will rise in the dark..." Isaiah 58:10. God will provide.

Blessing of the Pets

Trinity will host this annual event on Sunday, October 11 during the morning worship service. For those of you comfortable with an in-person blessing, Pastor Justin will hold an outdoor Blessing of the Pets the same day at 6 p.m. on Trinity House porch.





Last year, Trick-or-Treaters received a bag of treats along the Pumpkin Parable and some information about Trinity.

Halloween Event

Trinity is tentatively planning to host its second Halloween event on Saturday, October 31 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. in front of Trinity House.

Contact Beverly Piper if you would like to help by contributing candy, money to purchase candy, or to help with the set-up or candy distribution at the event.

Our Daily Bread

Copies of the September-October-November edition of this devotional and copies of the large print version (October-November-December) are available from the church office. This devotional is provided at no cost from Our Daily Bread Ministries. If you would like to receive a copy, please contact the church office. Freewill donations may be made through the church and will be sent directly to Our Daily Bread Ministries.

Candy Fundraiser

It's time for Trinity's annual Christmas candy fundraiser! Yes, it is only October, but we want you to have plenty of time to choose the items you would like for Christmas. The candies make great gifts and are the perfect touch for your holiday entertaining. Order forms are available through the church office and online via the church website.

Orders are due in the church office by Monday, October 25. Sarris will deliver candy to the church on Friday, November 20 and orders will be available for pick up on Sunday, November 22. Delivery may be available as well. Speak with Linda Yocum for more information.

You may also take part by ordering directly from Sarris Candies. To order online, go to SarrisCandiesFundraising.com.

- Click on Online Ordering.
- Enter the Group ID # **10-0582**.
- Start shopping.

The order will be shipped directly to your home; shipping and handling charges apply for online orders.



Community & Conference Events

Hymn Sing

Jumonville is hosting a Hymn Sing Celebration on Sunday, October 11 from 2-4 p.m. Participants will gather on the lawn in front of Wesley to sing some favorite hymns. Bring a blanket or chair and a mask. Social distancing guidelines will be followed.

The hymn sing is a free event. An offering will be collected and refreshments will be available for a donation. RSVP by calling the Jumonville office at (724) 439-4912.

Dismantling Racism

Garden City UMC will host a ZOOM webinar focusing on the book, *White Fragility* on Sunday, October 25 from 6-7:30 p.m. You are encouraged to read the book prior to the session. For more information or if you are interested in participating, email Pastor Justin (jiudy79@gmail.com) and type "White Fragility Meeting" in the subject line.

Annual Conference

Annual Conference will be a one-day virtual session this year. No voting will occur; instead it will be a time of worship and celebration. Would you like a chance to sit in and get a small taste of Annual Conference? You will need to register in advance for the session using the web address below. If you need assistance registering, contact Pastor Justin or the church office.

https://wpaumc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_VJ5dzfK4T4OPALjtO8vI2A

Special Sundays

The Church celebrates three special Sundays in October: World Communion, Camping and Volunteers in Mission.

World Communion (October 4) is a Church-wide event. Trinity will collect a special offering that supports equally 1) scholarships for graduates around the world and 2) ethnic undergraduates studying in the U.S. and Ethnic In-Service training.

Camping Sunday (October 11) is a Conference-wide event and focuses on Western PA camping and retreat centers. Your gift for this special offering helps fund the Bibles for Campers program and the Mountain Praise camp worship series.

Volunteers in Mission (VIM) (October 18) is also a Conference-wide event and focuses on laity using their Godgiven gifts to serve on Western PA mission teams. Your gift for this special offering

helps strengthen VIM participation.

An envelope for World Communion Sunday is included with this issue of *Trinity Tempo*. To donate for Camping or VIM please note the gift on your regular offering envelope or memo line of your check.

Charge Conference

The Trafford Trinity/Manor First Charge Conference is scheduled for Monday, November 16 at 7 p.m. The location/format will be announced later this month.

Joys & Concerns

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

Pray for

Elaine Abrams (Jane Pogue's friend) Darlene and Chuck Bolena (Les and Donna

Race's daughter and son-in-law)

JoAnn Booher

Carol Borland (Jane Pogue's friend)

Jan Keefer

Ed Keller (Donna Race's brother)

Norm Keller (Donna Race's brother)

Kris Peters

Jamie Thomas (Drew Thomas' nephew)

David Whitfield (Peggy Whitfield's brother)

Peggy Whitfield

Dorothy Yocum

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

October Birthdays

1st Megan Zigarovich, Walter Rusnak

2nd Kay Dale

3rd Janet Conlogue

4th Dorothy Yocum

7th Corrie Baker

8th Jillian Fanty

11th Nancy Bash

12th Jan Keefer

13th Alan Yamamoto

15th Jim Bentley

20th Jude Lovre

21st Kris Peters

27th Bruce Aglietti, Cynthia VanRyn

28th Jess Clausner

30th David Keller, Marjorie Myers,

Tom Owens

October Anniversaries

8th Paul and Joanne Ondulich

10th Michael and Ashley Kitchen

15th Garland and Jen McCune

20th Kevin and Angela Knopf

31st David and Nancy Bash

October Schedules

Scrip Program Ordering

October 4th and 18th

- Place orders by 5 p.m. on Sundays.
- Give orders and payment to Linda Yocum or mail them to the church office.
- Make checks payable to TUMC Scrip Program.
- Contact Linda (412.372.6808) or the church office (412.373.0835) for details.

Altar Flowers

4th Matt Knopf and Yocum Family

11th Thelma Johnson

18th Paul and Joanne Ondulich

25th open

If you would like to reserve a date for altar flowers, contact the church office at 412.373.0835. Open dates for the remainder of 2020 are:

- October 25
- November 15 and 29
- December 6 and 13

October Calendar

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship	7 p.m. Sunday School (ages 9- 13) 10 p.m. Manna Monday	29	30 7 p.m. Immersion Bible Study	1	2	3 9 a.m. Annual Conference (ZOOM)
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Note: We return to worshipping in the sanctuary on October 4 and will continue concurrently via ZOOM. Sunday School and all meetings and activities will be conducted via ZOOM unless otherwise noted.

Tempo Deadline

Articles for the November issue of the newsletter are due Friday, October 16, 2020.



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Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service: 11:15 a.m.

Book Club

(by Justin Judy)

On Tuesday, November 3, I would like to invite you to an hour-long book discussion. I realize this is Election Day; that is why I am choosing a book that has a Christian and political lean to it. It is called, *Virus as a Summons to Faith* by Walter Brueggemann.

After reading it we will have opportunity to discuss how Christianity has shaped or should shape the politics of today. You are welcome to agree or disagree with the author. I am eager to talk about how you feel. Again, the book study will be on Tuesday, November 3 at 7 p.m. We will meet on ZOOM.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86488656222?pwd=MkdrczlBNHlseXFWcy9Ydi9MWTNPUT09

Meeting ID: 864 8865 6222

Passcode: 043918