

# Trinity

June 2022

# Tempo



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,  
As we read our Bible we find many passages that encourage us to connect. We are tasked with connecting with God, with the Church, with each other, and with the community. It is through these connections that we find the Holy Spirit at work in some wonderful ways. But it does take intentionality. We must work to put ourselves out where others are in order to share the message

(through word, action, or presence) that we are not alone. But where can we start?

To my observation, in the late 90s and through the early 2000s, many new houses dropped a common feature found on older houses. The front porch was often the way for neighbors to get to know one another, to check on each other, and to connect with the greater community. But many homes only have a back porch which is a far more private and disconnected way to enjoy the local outdoors. It speaks to the social shift found in many modern towns.

June brings many fun changes to the typical year. The kids are out of school, vacations start to happen for many, the weather stays consistently warmer, and we tend to spend more time outside. This month marks the beginning of the summer season. It also brings with it some unique opportunities.

Most of us have spent the past six months holed up inside. Now is the perfect time to reclaim that front porch. Start by reading a book outside, eating a sandwich on the porch, or even reading the paper on the front steps (if you don't have a porch). Christ has remained visible to us through the Holy Spirit; reclaiming the front porch is a small way we can remain visible and connected to others. Say, "Hi," wave, or nod to those who pass by. Say a prayer for each person or car you see and ask God to love your community through you in different ways. Jesus fed many with so little. This step can be used by God through God's grace.

I pray this summer is full of prayer, renewal, and connection.

PTL,

Pastor Justin Judy

# Trinity Happenings

## Food Drive

School is out—or will be out soon—for most of the children in our area. That means more time spent at home, more fun to be had, and, possibly, more messes to clean up.

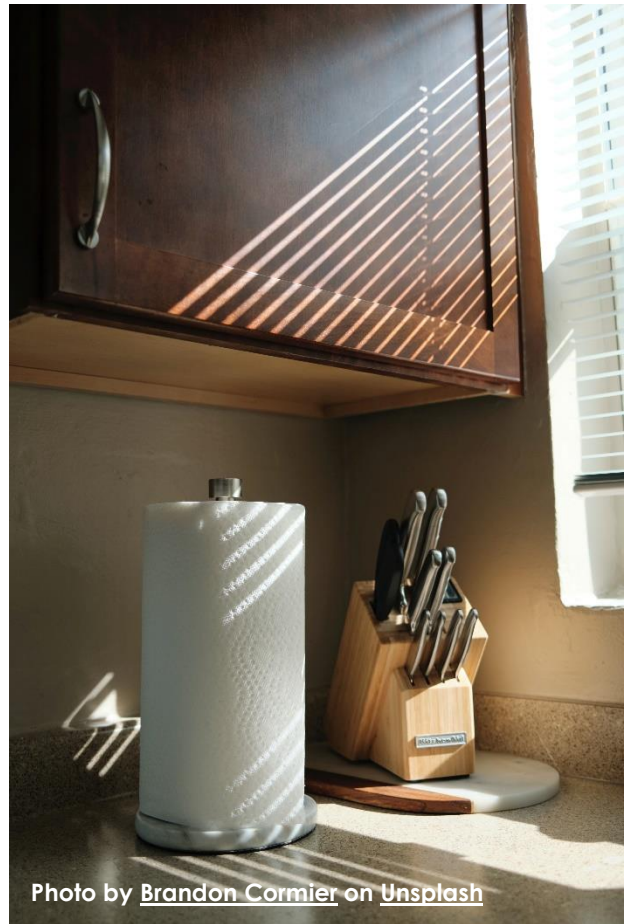
Trinity will collect rolls of paper towels to help food bank recipients deal with the fun and mess of summer. Drop off your donation by Sunday, June 12. A box is located in the vestibule for your contribution.

## Graduate Sunday/Father's Day Celebration

We are doing something a little different this year! We are going to celebrate Graduate Sunday and Father's Day together on Sunday, June 19, 2022.

We will be honoring Jude Lovre as our high school graduate with a small reception in the library and a gift from her church family. To honor our special fathers, we will be giving them a small gift to show our appreciation for all they do. The gifts are donated by Jane Pogue in memory of her father, Bob Pogue.

So, mark your calendars and make sure you are here at church for a morning of fellowship and appreciation for our special church members.



## Special Sunday

### Peace with Justice Sunday: June 12

Your gifts on this day support programs and ministries that advocate for peace with justice at global, national, and conference levels. What does that mean? Your gift could fund literacy programs in Ohio, fight substance abuse in Nigeria, or support a local food pantry or clothes closet. It might make possible a seminar on nonviolence and healing or support a summer internship. The possibilities are vast.

Prayerfully consider giving to this conference-wide special Sunday on June 12. Envelopes will be available in the vestibule.

## R<sup>2</sup> Challenge

The General Commission on Religion and Race invites churches, individuals, and small groups to take part in a six-week Racial Justice Prayer & Action Challenge beginning Juneteenth (June 19, 2022). The commission will post daily prayers on social media and include challenges to help you put your prayers into action. Learn more about this challenge and how you can participate at [www.r2hub.org](http://www.r2hub.org).

## Graduate Recognition

*(by Jane Pogue)*

This year we are recognizing one very special young lady who has grown up in our church—Jude Lovre. We have all watched her grow from a toddler to a very beautiful, intelligent, kind, hard-working, Christian young woman.

Jude will be graduated from Penn-Trafford High School and presently has applied to West Virginia University. She is undecided on a major at this point and will research different areas once she begins her studies.

At Penn-Trafford Jude is a very active student. She is a member of Student Council, Warriors for Christ, PT Young Life, and a member of the high school volleyball team for four years. This summer she plans to continue playing volleyball, attend the Young Life Program, and go on vacation.

When asked about our church, Jude says she is so glad that she is a part of a wonderful congregation. She always felt love from everyone there, and there's never a dull moment! The church gave her many opportunities to grow, especially in her Christian faith. She has taken her faith and love for God outside the church as you can see by the organizations she belonged to at

school. She said the church has been so supportive, and she appreciates everything people have done for her.

Jude has been a wonderful asset to our church, also. She has faithfully attended Sunday School, helped teach Sunday School and Summer Sunday School, assisted in the nursery, attended many Methodist Church camps, and has been active in all the events going on at Trinity Methodist. I can't think of one time where Jude was asked to help that she didn't agree immediately.

Jude, we all love you very much and are very proud of you. May God continue to watch over you in this new chapter of your life, and know we will always be here for you.



Photo courtesy of Jude Lovre

# Joys & Concerns

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

## Pray for

Harry and Marge Little  
Family of Kay Meadowcoft  
Vicki Stokes  
Jerry Williams  
War in Ukraine

## Stay Connected

Would you like to know more about what is happening in the Greensburg District?

Sign up for the district's Connector newsletter to receive bi-weekly newsletters and special announcements. Sign up at [www.wpaumc.org](http://www.wpaumc.org) and fill in the "connect with us" section at the bottom of the page. See the flyer posted in the vestibule for more information.

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

## Birthdays

2<sup>nd</sup> Nick Mallik  
3<sup>rd</sup> Josh Ruccio, Nate Ruccio  
4<sup>th</sup> Michael Cromer  
8<sup>th</sup> Kevin Beam  
9<sup>th</sup> Tim Johnson  
16<sup>th</sup> Crystal Loutsenhizer  
17<sup>th</sup> Jerry Breakey  
19<sup>th</sup> John Scott, Jr.  
20<sup>th</sup> Sandy Chiappetta, Amelia Scott, Pam Sethman  
22<sup>nd</sup> Dana Venturo, Jerry Williams  
24<sup>th</sup> Heather Conlogue, Stephanie Jones  
26<sup>th</sup> Ronda Powell  
27<sup>th</sup> Ed Aubele  
30<sup>th</sup> Judy Mason, Lily Venturo

## Anniversaries

17<sup>th</sup> Bob and Sandy Chiappetta  
18<sup>th</sup> Steve and Lori Dorko  
20<sup>th</sup> Justin and Stephanie Judy  
21<sup>st</sup> Jay and Vicki Stokes  
24<sup>th</sup> Kevin and Megan Beam  
27<sup>th</sup> George and Julie Silowash

## June Schedules

### Scrip Program Ordering

June 5 and 19

- 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

5<sup>th</sup> Matthew Knopf  
12<sup>th</sup> John and Cindy Graw  
19<sup>th</sup> Susan Gibson and Sandy Yamamoto  
26<sup>th</sup> Lily Venturo



# June Calendar

Bible Journaling meets at 6 p.m. in the craft room off the balcony (4<sup>th</sup> Street entrance side) the fourth Friday of the month. Come, join us and explore how you can deepen your faith through Bible journaling. Contact Patty Aubele for more information.

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
29 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship <i>Ascension Sunday</i>	30 <i>Memorial Day</i> (church office closed)	31	1	2	3	4
5 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship/Communion <i>Pentecost</i> <b>Scrip Order Day</b>	6 1 p.m. Senior Friends	7	8 6 p.m. Women's Bible Study	9	10	11
12 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship <i>Peace with Justice Sunday</i>	13 1 p.m. Senior Friends	14 7:30 p.m. Ad-Council	15 <b>Tempo Deadline</b>	16	17	18
19 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship/Graduate Recognition <i>Father's Day</i> <i>Juneteenth</i> <b>Scrip Order Day</b>	20 1 p.m. Senior Friends	21	22 6 p.m. Women's Bible Study	23	24 6 p.m. Bible Journaling	25
26 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship	27 1 p.m. Senior Friends	28	29	30	1	2



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## Tempo Deadline

Articles for the July issue of the newsletter are due in the church office by Wednesday, June 15, 2022.



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Sunday School: 10 a.m.  
Sunday Worship Service: 11:15 a.m.



## Summer Reading

Trafford Library will host its annual summer reading program June 6 through August 31. This year's theme is Oceans of Possibilities.

Weekly story time will be held every Wednesday at 11 a.m. starting June 8.

Other activities include a monthly teen movie night. The fun starts June 15 with *Spiderman: Into the Spider-Verse*. Contact the library for additional information or visit their website at [www.traffordlibrary.org](http://www.traffordlibrary.org).