

Trinity

July 2022

Tempo



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We recently recognized the two parental holidays of the year. Mother's Day and Father's Day are both wonderful occasions to celebrate the parents that we had throughout our life. In fact, in some ways these two days help us to obey one of the ten commandments: 5) honor your mother and father. As pastor, however, I have always found these days to be a smidge challenging. I

know that for some people, the holidays are not all they are cracked up to be. Either they still mourn for one or both of their parents or their parents were abusive and these holidays bring back difficult memories.

I went to school with a man who found it extremely important to refer to God as his Father. He said it was because his own father was mean toward him and treated him like garbage, but when he opened his heart to God, he found a Father that loved him for all time. Someone that wouldn't leave or abuse him. Many have turned to God to find a loving parent. It is one of the reasons that the church is referred to as family. We are all brought together through our Parent who loves us and teaches us to love one another. The Bible speaks plain of God being our Father in much of the Old and New Testaments. The Bible also speaks of God's motherly love as a bird protecting us in the nest (Psalm 91:4 referenced from *Our Daily Bread*, June 21, 2022).

Envisioning God as parent can be helpful for us in many ways and for many reasons, but it is only one way of viewing God. The Bible also shows God as Creator, as we find in Genesis. God as King is very important in 1 Samuel and Revelation. The Counselor and Comforter are titles of God through the Holy Spirit. God gave us the name "I Am" in Exodus. In many of the books we are reminded that God is the perfect judge. God is also labeled as Love and Redeemer especially as seen through Jesus. There are many other titles and roles that are in God's wheelhouse. They are all important to us as Christians, but there are times that some titles are more helpful to us than others.

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Trinity Happenings

E-Giving

After much research and consideration, Trinity's Ad-Council has decided to move ahead with e-giving. We have selected Vanco as our provider for this venture.

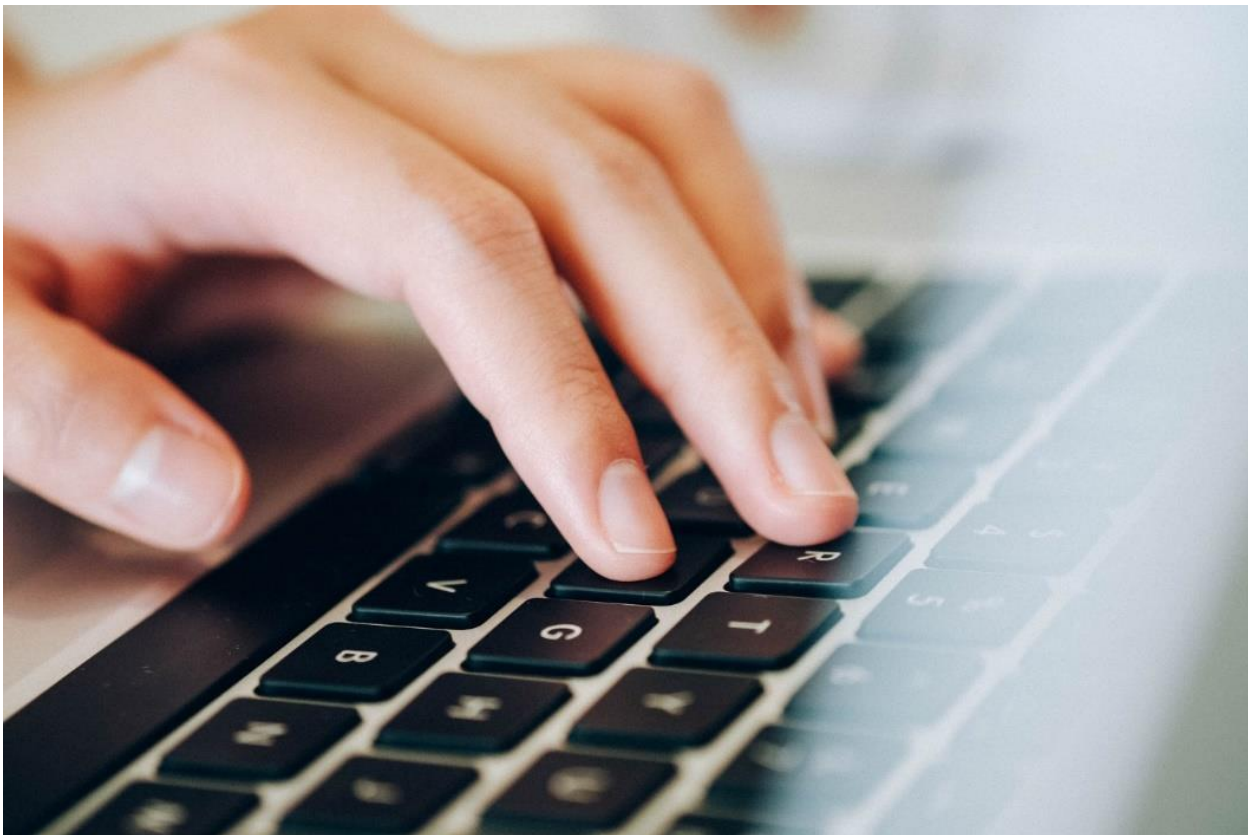
Vanco, formed in 2018 through a merger between Vanco Solutions and Connexeo, offers payment processing solutions to nonprofit organizations. Vanco complies with PCI Level 1, adhering to high security standards in the payment processing industry.

Those of you who want to use electronic giving will be able to give online through Trinity's website or a mobile app. ***Remember, e-giving will not replace any of the current ways of giving to the church. It will be just one more way of giving.***

The application process is underway, and we plan to have e-giving operational this summer. Stay tuned for more information about this additional way of contributing to Trinity.

Food Drive

Thank you to everyone who participated in the food drive. We collected 40 rolls of paper towels for the Trafford/Level Green Food Bank. Thanks, again!



Church Picnic

(by Jane Pogue)

Mark your calendars now for the annual church picnic at my home on Friday, August 12, 2022 starting at 6 p.m. We will have a chance to picnic and enjoy an evening of food and fellowship. We will have our trivia contests, corn toss game, horseshoes, and the hot tub and TV. There will be a variety of games for the kids too! If you have any games you want to bring, we would love to have them! Don't forget, anyone who would like to relax those tired muscles in the hot while watching TV is more than welcome!

Put the picnic on your calendar now and keep that date open. There will be a sign-up sheet for covered dishes in the vestibule in a few weeks. If you will need a ride, please let me know. We will make sure you are taken care of. See you then!

Life's Celebrations

Life's celebrations come in all shapes and sizes. Here are just a few reasons members of our Trinity family have to celebrate.

Rob and Emily Kalanja welcomed their son Robert Phillip Kalanja to the family on May 19, 2022.

Cindy and John Graw extended their family, adopting Gavin's sisters Rylie and Haidynn.



Jude Lovre was graduated from Penn-Trafford High School in May 2022.

Sharren and Jerry Breakey welcomed a new Chihuahua named Stevie Nicks.

Jane Pogue just adopted a new dog named Addie, a Shi-Tzu/Terrier mix.

If you want to share a celebration in your life, big or small, contact the church office at (412) 373-0835 (option 2) or by email at office@tumctrafford.org.

Pastor's Letter

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Take a few moments and reflect on which role is needed in your life right now. When you think of one or two, look to scripture to find when God was Teacher, Comforter, Judge, King, Mother, Father, etc. Then ask God to reveal even more of God's self to you so you can grow even deeper in your faith and relationship.

PTL,

Pastor Justin Judy

Joys & Concerns

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

Pray for

Regis Aubele (Patty's Aubele's brother-in-law)
Mary Ann Casper
Harry and Marge Little
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 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

1st Antonious Hanna
4th Paul Ondulich
7th Danielle Mallik
8th Isaac Jartin
11th Margaret Plecenik
13th Whitney Keller
14th Jenna Beam
23rd Kim Soles
25th Sharren Breakey
26th Mary Ann Casper
27th Bailey Boehm, Hope Conlogue
31st Dorothy Henry

Anniversaries

3rd Joe and Lynn Antoon
24th Antonious and Mildred Hanna
28th John and Cindy Graw

June Schedules

Scrip Program Ordering

July 3, 17 and 31

- 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

3rd Joanne Ondulich
10th Anonymous
17th Susan Gibson and Sandy Yamamoto
24th open
31st John and Cindy Graw

July Calendar

Bible Journaling meets at 6 p.m. in the craft room off the balcony (4th 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.
26 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship	27 1 p.m. Senior Friends	28	29	30	1	2
3 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship/ Communion Scrip Order Day	4 <i>Independence Day</i> (church office closed)	5	6	7	8	9
10 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship	11 1 p.m. Senior Friends	12	13 6 p.m. Women's Bible Study	14	15 Tempo Deadline	16
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Tempo Deadline

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



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Sunday School: 10 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service: 11:15 a.m.

Reminders

The Ad-Council will not meet in July. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 9 at 7:30 p.m.

Summer means rising temperatures, fans running, and doors and windows open at Trinity. Whether you are here for a few minutes or a few hours, before leaving the church please take the time to:

- Close and lock windows.
- Turn off lights and fans, including ceiling fans and ventilation fans.
- Close and lock the doors.