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Trinity Messenger
February 2025 Issue 1

*Alleluia. You shall go to all to whom I send you.
Do not be afraid, for I am with you. Alleluia. Luke 4:18*



**Stewardship Special Giving for February:
The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania**

The Church, in a place and time apart...Where God's presence is experienced, Faith is renewed, Christ's love is felt, and the Church is strengthened for the service and proclamation of the Gospel! Our mission is to be a gracious expression of God's love for all people.

The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania operates three facilities: Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, and the Wittel Farm; with a variety of outdoor experiences in a uniquely Lutheran tradition.

Each summer, hundreds of young people, adults, and families come to camp to grow in faith through adventure, nature, and creative arts experiences.

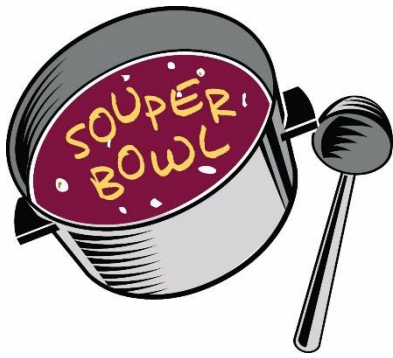
Retreat programs are offered for all ages throughout the year. Plus, all facilities are available for rent by retreat groups, church groups, and families.

The Growing Project at the Wittel Farm is a volunteer-supported working farm that grows fresh fruits and vegetables, which are donated to address food insecurity in Lancaster County.

As a Reconciling in Christ organization, all people are invited and welcome to enjoy the goodness of God's creation through the community at camp.

Notice of worship/meeting cancellations can be found on our website, Facebook & Instagram page as well as ABC27 snowwatch@abc27.com and WGAL8 www.WGAL.com





Holy Trinity Souper Bowl Challenge

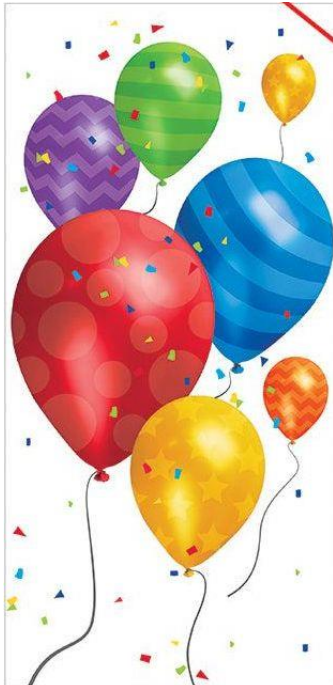
It's that time of year for the Super Bowl! Evangelism Committee is once again having a "SOUPER BOWL CHALLENGE"! Please bring canned food or other non-perishable items from now until February 9 and put them in the box of the team you hope will win the Super Bowl. We will count the items and announce the winner.

All items collected will be donated to EASS. Thank you for supporting our community!

P.S. we will also be having soup downstairs after the Feb 2 service!

POTLUCK DINNERS RESUME

The Fellowship Committee will host a potluck dinner on Friday, February 21, at 6:00 PM. Further information will be provided closer to the date. Look for a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Area.



Happy Birthday

To the members of Holy Trinity who are 70 years and older and celebrating a birthday this month.

February Birthdays

- 1 Rick Woerner
- 5 Warren Fegley
- 8 Scott Eaby
- 9 Kathy Kuhns
- 10 Earl Dinger
- 12 Pat Fassnacht
- 14 Darryll Kuhns
- 17 Joy Althouse
- 19 Anne Houck
- 27 Mary Jane Weidman
- 28 Grace Myers

SEND THEM A BIRTHDAY CARD OR CALL THEM WITH YOUR GREETING. WE PRAY GOD GRANTS THEM MANY MORE YEARS IN THEIR PILGRIMAGE.



Notes of THANKS

Thank you to everyone for your thoughts, prayers, visits, phone calls & food while I was in the hospital and recuperating. You made my recovery much easier.

Sincerely, Candy

PHOTOS

The following is a link to the pictures taken at Donna's Retirement Dinner. You may download and use the pictures as you wish. If you have any questions please let John Fuehrer know (igfuehrer@gmail.com).

<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/bo5l307wkj6zx35fcjax0/AM0F88TFcvkMk0PFvl9SgXY?rlkey=3ahap9o0a317t0qmpx57cldfj&st=i61u8dym&dl=0>

Celebration Choir Schedule

Wednesday, February 12 - 7:00 PM rehearsal

Sunday, February 16 - sing "How Can I Keep From Singing"

Wednesday, March 12 - 6:30 PM rehearsal

Sunday, March 16 - sing "Teach Me Thy Ways"



THE ADULT (all adults are welcome) LUNCH BUNCH will be going to Country Table after the liturgy on March 9. We'll meet downstairs immediately after the liturgy. All are welcome. Plan to join us! Please call Cheryl Plummer at 625-3187 to reserve your place!

Dear Widows and Widowers,

Swamp Lutheran Church has an active widow and widower's group. We would like to invite others from your congregation to join us. Our next luncheon will be the day before Valentine's Day. This holiday can be a time for widows and widowers to reflect on love and loss. It can be a lonely time. So please come to be with new and old friends. Let's shift our focus from the hearts and flowers and stand together on the truth and positivity of our Heavenly Father's unending love and amazing grace. So, with that said, we've invited Pastor Scott Brubaker of Swamp Lutheran to be our guest and speak on "LOVE".



What: Widow and Widowers Luncheon

When: Thursday February 13th 11:30 am

Where: Udder Choice Restaurant, Ephrata, PA

Turn right after entering. Private room on the right. (separate checks)

Guest: Pastor Scott Brubaker

For the February 13th luncheon Please RSVP to our church office at (717)-336-2849.

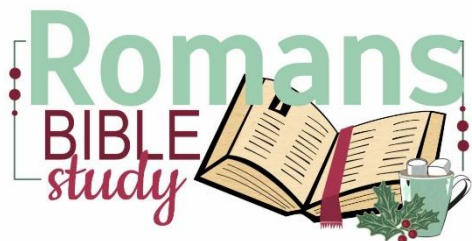
If you have a widow or widower friend, please bring them along, just RSVP for a count for the restaurant.

ORGANIST SEARCH PROCESS

The Committee has received several resumes from possible organist candidates. These have been reviewed and discussed, and the committee has begun to schedule interviews. Please hold the committee in your prayers as they carry out interviews to find the candidate who will best fit in with the worship ministry of Holy Trinity.

Sunday Church School on the Move!

Children and Parents are invited to attend Sunday School in the gymnasium on February 2nd and 16th at 10:20-10:50 AM. Snacks can be gotten in the cafe right after church until 10:20 when Sunday School will start in the gym. Parents are asked to remain. Any questions or concerns can be directed to Darryl or Kathy Kuhns.



Bible Study

The weekly study of Paul's letter to the Romans will be on Tuesdays, at 11:00 AM. All are welcome to come and explore this relationship-defining epistle with much to teach us about God's grace and the depth of God's relationship with us through the gift of His Son. See you soon!

Bergstrasse Community Closet 2024 wrap up.

We are excited for 2025! All are welcome here, no questions asked, no strings attached. There is plenty for everyone. We thank God, to always manage to bring to us what we need in donations, and the ability to provide this ministry to all who need it.

Thank you to all of our donors, and the many of you who support us in so many ways!



2025 Hours:

Feb: 1&2, 15&16 from 12 to 2.

March: 1&2, 15&16 from 12 to 2.

Starting 2025, we have made both Saturday and Sundays, 12 to 2 so our volunteers can enjoy Bergstrasse Lutheran Church worship service on Sundays 10am.

Donations for the clothing closet may be left in the box in the narthex of Holy Trinity Church. Please contact the Clothing Closet on Facebook if you are interested in volunteering.

Sharing Upcoming Events and Information

Congregational committees and other ministries of Holy Trinity are invited and encouraged to share the details of upcoming happenings with the congregation and beyond via our recently updated Facebook page and our webpage. If you have anything that will be occurring between now and Christmas and needs sharing, please contact Theresa Mull (theresakmull@gmail.com), our Facebook page administrator, and Adam Doughty (adamc.doughty@gmail.com or 717-445-0007), our webpage administrator if you would like your group's activities shared. They are waiting to hear from you to help share your information with a broader audience.

HOLY TRINITY HAS A NEW FACEBOOK PAGE!!

Please follow this link to the new page:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61563831542098&mibextid=LQQJ4d>

February 2-8 Calendar

2 FEB, SUN

- 9am Worship
- 10am Coffee Hour After Worship
- 10:20am SCS

3 FEB, MON

- 6:30pm Yoga
- 7pm Evangelism

4 FEB, TUE

- 11am Bible Study
- 3:30pm Trini Mini
- 6pm Pickleball
- 7pm Fellowship Committee Meeting

6 FEB, THU

- 3:30pm Trini Mini
- 7pm Property Committee
- 7pm Thursday Worship

7 FEB, FRI

- 6:30pm Friday Night Dinner

8 FEB, SAT

- 7:30am Walking Group

[View This Month's Interactive Calendar Here](#)

February 2nd Servers:

Council Team: Lisa Garrett, Norm Wangman

Assisting Minister: John Weiss

Lector: Judy Williams

Acolytes: CH: Patrice Mull, CR: Natalie Mull

T: Judy Williams, Anya Gilbert

Ushers: John Fuehrer, Candy Snyder, Mark Mull,
Whip Zimmerman

Altar Guild: Denise Shirker, Kelly Homan,
Ann & Bob Snader

Linens: Patricia Fassnacht

Flowers: Jo Hurst



Office Hours February 3-7, 2025

We recommend you call the office prior to stopping in to ensure hours have not changed.

Office Phone: 717-733-4134 Pastor's Cell: 315-317-8517 Donna's Cell: 717-669-7831

Office email: officeholyltrinity@ephratalutheran.org

Day	Sue	Pastor
Monday	8:00 AM- 4:00 PM	9:00 AM-12:30 PM
Tuesday	8:00 AM- 12:00 Noon	9:00 AM-12:30 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM- 4:00 PM	9:00 AM-12:30 PM
Thursday	8:00 AM- 12:00 Noon	9:00 AM-12:30 PM
Friday	8:00 AM- 12:00 Noon	OFF

Make Your Regular Offering Electronically

On the Holy Trinity website (www.holytrinityephrata.org), a tab on the menu bar called "Online Giving" will take you to a secure web site for you to give. You can also give your Regular Offering, your Special Appeal donation, your building fund, or your Homes of Hope fund donation by using your Smart Phone and following the QR code.



Thanks for reading! Have a great week ahead!

