



HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH



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March 2023 Issue 4

Jesus says, I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will have the light of life.
John 8:12



Sunday April 2: Palm/Passion Sunday

Holy Communion 9:00 AM

Sunday School 10:15 AM

Blessing of the Palms

Reading of the Passion according to Matthew and Holy Communion

Wednesday, April 5: Evening Prayer

7:30 PM

The Sacred Triduum:

April 6: Maundy Thursday

Services at 12:00 PM & 7:00 PM

Individual Absolution, Foot Washing, Holy Communion, Stripping of the Altar

April 7: Good Friday

Service at 7:00 PM

Traditional Service

April 8: Holy Saturday

Egg Hunt at 10:00 AM

Children are invited to join us in the Social Hall.

Be sure to bring your Easter basket!

Easter Vigil Liturgy at 7:00 PM

April 9: Easter Sunday

Festival Liturgy at 9:00 AM

Updates to the Church Constitution

As is often the case, at the 2022 Churchwide Assembly minor changes were made to the ELCA model constitution for congregations, which is the constitution Holy Trinity follows. All ELCA congregations that follow this constitution are required to make those changes. To officially do so, these changes must be approved at our next congregational meeting which is scheduled for Sunday, April 23, immediately following worship. A copy of the changes will be sent to you by email. If you do not have email a hardcopy can be made available for you at your request. Copies will only be mailed if requested.

Congregation Council Actions

At the March 9 meeting, the Congregation Council:

* Approved the recommendation of the Finance Committee to switch the congregation's insurance to GuideOne, effective March 14. The change was made to save the congregation more than \$6,000 for comparable coverage and in response to some issues encountered with the current carrier. The council thanks Ron Kerschner for assisting the Finance Committee in gathering and analyzing insurance proposals.

* Approved recommending to the congregation adoption of the proposed changes to the congregation constitution adopted by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America at the summer 2022 Assembly. The congregation will consider these changes at the April 23 congregational meeting. Copies of the proposed changes will be available in the gathering area. Anyone not able to obtain a copy in person can contact the church office so a copy can be emailed or mailed.

March 19-25 Calendar

Sunday, March 19

9:00am Sunday Worship

10:00am Adult Forum

10:00am Coffee Hour After Worship

Monday, March 20

10:00am Women's Prayer Group

6:30pm Yoga

Tuesday, March 21

3:30pm Trini Mini

7:00pm Bell Choir

Wednesday, March 22

6:00pm Bell Ensemble

6:30pm Mazon: Middle & High School

6:45pm Senior Choir Rehearsal

7:30pm Evening Prayer

Thursday, March 23

3:30pm Trini Mini

7:00pm Yoga

7:00pm Thursday Worship

Saturday, March 25

7:30am Walking Group

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March 19th Servers

Council: Ed Quirke, John Fuehrer

Assisting Minister: John Fuehrer

Lector: Mike Sernoffsky

Acolyte: Ava Morgan

Ushers: Allen Nace, John Weiss,
Adam Doughty, Gary Nace

Altar Guild: Brenda Wangman,
Heather Zimmerman, Lisa Garrett

Linens: Brenda Wangman

Deliver Flowers: Winnie Gerlach

Office Hours: March 20-24

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

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

SUNDAY GAMES

Holy Trinity Church First Sunday of the Month 2 to 4 PM
Next Game Day - **April 2, 2023**

An opportunity to come together with adult members and friends of Holy Trinity (High School & Up) to share fellowship through Corn Hole Bean Bag Toss in Gym and Table Games in Fellowship Hall. Children below 9th grade must be accompanied by an adult family member.

You are welcome to bring your favorite game or use games that are presently here. Snacks and drinks are provided in the Fellowship Hall. Corn Hole Bean Bag Toss will be set up in the gym for friendly competition (NO CRYING!) Games such as: Mexican Train, Farkle, Pinochle, Sequence, Quirkle, Shoot Baskets, or any game you bring.

We hope you will join us ~ Fellowship Committee



Why Church Camp?

*Did you know that adults who attended church camp as a youth are **more than 3 times as likely** to remain affiliated with a religious community than those who never attended camp?*

Lutheran Camping Corporation offers the very best in outdoor ministry programs at Kirchenwald and Nawakwa:

- Campers practice living a faithful life in a non-threatening environment.
- Campers have opportunities to develop self-confidence and independence.
- Campers learn how to be leaders and serve others.
- Campers develop enthusiasm for their church and bring it back with them.

All this while having a fun time in the great outdoors.

And camp isn't just for kids. Kids at Heart week is for everyone 18 and older who wants to enjoy the camp experience. Campers stay in the very comfortable SchreiberHaus Lodge at Kirchenwald. Elder Camp is for those 55+ and is held at Nawakwa. Enjoy a Pennsylvania staycation with Family Camp offered in July at Nawakwa and August at both Kirchenwald and Nawakwa.

Camp brochures are now available for 2023 and can be found on the table in the back of the narthex. Over \$135 of discounts available. Full payment discount camp registration must be received at camp by **April 1, 2023**. Check it out:

<https://www.lutherancamping.org/> **Holy Trinity is committed to finding funds for EVERY child who wants to attend church camp. Lack of funds should NOT be the reason for a child not attending camp.** Resources are available so please talk to Pastor Mark, Donna Nace or call the church office. Contact Lisa Garrett if you have any questions: lrgacd@yahoo.com or 717-490-1927.

Essence of Joy Choir Concert

Holy Trinity Lutheran church cordially invites you to a free community concert performed by *Essence of Joy Choir* from Penn State University on Sunday, March 26, 2023 at 4:00 PM. This concert is sponsored through a grant from the Anne Brossman Sweigart Charitable Foundation.



Choir Concert



Easter Egg Hunt

Please donate individually wrapped candy for our egg hunt. Candy may be placed in the basket on the piano in the gathering area.

VBS Planning Meeting

March 19 at 11:15am in the gathering area for any who have input for how we can optimize our program.

God on Tap

Tuesday, March 28

Gather at Nonna Rosa Restaurant, in Akron - Dinner begins at 6:00 pm / Conversation begins at 7:00 pm. Dinner Reservations appreciated on or before Sunday March 26. Call Berstrasse Lutheran Church Office 717-733-7808



THE ADULT (all adults are welcome) LUNCH BUNCH

Will be going to The Evergreen Diner after the 9:00AM liturgy on **March 19**. We'll meet downstairs after the liturgy. All are welcome. For reservations, please call Cheryl Plummer by **March 11** at 625-3187. Plan to join us!

What Time Is It?Tea Time!

Well, almost time. . .

If anyone is interested in helping with another "Not So High Tea" in May, please tell Kathy Kuhns by phone, in person, or online.

610-301-8001

tibby2002@hotmail.com

"Pinky fingers up, Ladies!!

MAY I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE!

Ephrata Area Social Service is in need of food items and other household items.

Items needed: Canned fruits, canned meats (chicken, spam, tuna), canned pasta, canned carrots, mixed vegetables, peas, corn, canned soups, cereal, hamburger helper, instant potatoes or au gratin, spaghetti sauce with meat, egg noodles, flour, sugar, jelly, pancake mix and syrup (regular & sugar free), tissues, toilet paper, flushable wipes, paper towels, shampoo, toothpaste, body wash, bars of soap, baby wipes, diapers, personal hygiene products, dish soap.

THEY DO NOT NEED: Spaghetti noodles or green beans.

The Property Committee would like to inform the congregation that the cleaning agency hired to clean the church is being terminated at the end of this month due to unsatisfactory performance. Crews are being assembled to perform the cleaning tasks and we are in need of members to help until the Property Committee can find an individual or replacement agency to perform these tasks. The commitment is two (2) hours every three (3) weeks working in a crew of four (4) to six (6) people. Cleaning time will be adjusted to accommodate the crew members' availability. There is a signup sheet in the Gathering Area. If you have questions, please speak to Candy Snyder.



Wittel Farm Open House

You are invited to visit The Wittel Farm on March 19th 2:00-4:30pm. Take a tour of the Growing Project with members of the staff and see what the farm is all about. A ministry partnership between the Lutheran Camping Corporation, the [Lower Susquehanna Synod](#), and [Hunger-Free Lancaster County](#), the Growing Project reclaims a portion of the acreage gifted to the Lutheran Camping Corporation for its original use, farming. The crops harvested are donated to assist individuals and families in need through the partnership with Hunger-Free Lancaster County.

Register here: <https://www.lutherancamping.org/event/wfqp-open-house-0323/>

or call (717) 677-8211.

Location: 1753 Mill Road, Elizabethtown

Thanks for reading! Have a great week ahead!

