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Trinity Messenger
May 2025 Issue 1

Alleluia. Our hearts burn within us while you open to us the scriptures. Alleluia.
Luke 24:32

Stewardship Special Giving for MAY:

Ephrata Area Social Services

Neighbors Helping Neighbors:

Started in 1971 by a group of local churches, Ephrata Area Social Services was formed with a commitment to the ideal of "Neighbors Helping Neighbors." The Planning Committee, in October of 1970 challenged the community with a dream to become a "community of the concerned." To recognize that "in the midst of a flourishing economy, there are those in need who are all but forgotten to their community." It is with those inspirations that EASS has grown to be a diverse provider of services capable of meeting an ever increasing demand from neighbors in need.

EASS is a non-profit organization serving the Ephrata and Cocalico Regions of Northern Lancaster County. The criterion for eligibility is the expression of a legitimate need for help. EASS receives its support from the community. Donations come from churches, civic organizations, private individuals, businesses and local foundations. EASS receives no public funds...

Ephrata Area Social Services, a tradition of reliability, providing services to those in need living in the Ephrata and Cocalico region.

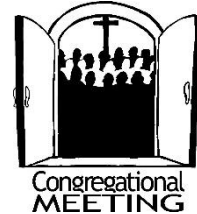
Mission Statement

The mission of Ephrata Area Social Services is to effectively channel community resources into a network of support for neighbors in need of human resources.

Items cannot currently be uploaded to the website, so changes to the calendar and server's schedule cannot be made. Please check your newsletter for server's duties and the calendar until the upload glitch is resolved.

Congregational Meeting

The Spring Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, May 4, immediately following the worship service.



GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST 2025

The church will be decorated with red geraniums on **Pentecost Sunday, June 8.**

Deadline to order is May 19. There are additional forms on the table in Gathering Area.

Cost of Red Geraniums

quantity

6.5"/pot _____ @ \$5.00 = _____

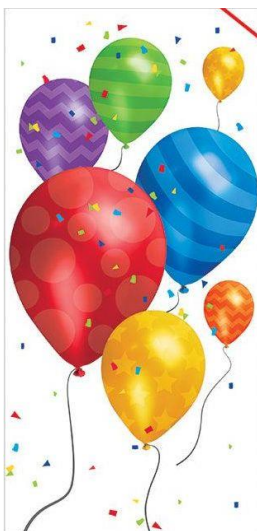
4.5 "/pot _____ @ \$3.00 = _____

Presented by _____

Phone# _____

To the glory of God and IN MEMORY OF

To the glory of God and IN HONOR OF



Happy Birthday

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

May Birthdays

6 Trudy Shaner
9 Anna Snader
20 Joyce Gehman
23 Ella Shupp
24 Roberta Maurer
31 Brenda Wangman

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

Fellowship potluck for May will be on the 16th. Please sign up in Gathering area.



MOYER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The John H. Moyer and Erma R. Moyer Scholarship Trust of The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity has been established through a gift by their son, John R. Moyer, to honor his parents and perpetuate the family's belief in the importance of higher education.

The Trust provides for a one-year scholarship of \$1,000.00 to be awarded annually to an active member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. As the investment grows, the Finance Committee can recommend to the Congregational Council increasing the amount. The Finance Committee will notify the Congregation Council in June each year of the amount available to be awarded so the Council can determine the number of scholarships that can be offered.

Applications and detailed Scholarship selection information can be obtained from the Church office. Completed applications and transcripts must be returned to the Church office no later than July 15. Congregation Council will approve all applicable scholarship applications. Scholarship checks will be produced and presented to each approved applicant in September.

It's church picnic time! JUNE 15

Our picnic will be at 12:00 noon at the Ephrata Township Park pavilion. 426 East Fulton St.

Our church service will be at 9:00 in our own Holy Trinity sanctuary!

Please sign up in the gathering area. We would appreciate knowing how many people will be attending. A sign up for donations of items will also be available. Please join us for food, fun, and of course, good fellowship!



For the past several years, the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church congregation has sent several children to Camp Kirchenwald by paying the cost associated with camp. The church established a camp fund to which congregation members can contribute to provide sufficient funds for children to attend camp. The balance in that fund currently stands at \$990. With the average cost for a week at Kirchenwald standing at around \$700, we have sufficient funds to send one child. This message is to remind members that contributions can be made to this fund to provide additional funds for the opportunity for more than one child from Trinity to attend camp. To contribute to the camper fund, you can write a check payable to the church and write "Camper Fund" in the memo space. Checks may be put in the offering plate, dropped off at the church office, or mailed to the church.



THE ADULT (all adults are welcome) LUNCH BUNCH will be going to Country Kitchen in Manheim after the liturgy on May 4. 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!

Indoor Giveaway

Free Yard sale is still happening. Items for your taking are downstairs in hallway and Sunday School room. Still sorting through the closet. New items weekly. Please check it out and help to recycle and repurpose these items. All items will be recycled somewhere. Your help is appreciated.

HANDBELLS

Calling all those with an interest in ringing handbells for Easter. A reminder of our upcoming handbell rehearsals for the season...

Tuesday 5/7, 6p.m.

Tuesday 5/14, 7p.m.

Contact Debbie with any questions.



Celebration Choir Schedule

Wednesday, May 7 – 7:00 PM – Rehearsal

Sunday, May 11 – sing "God Is So Good"

Wednesday, June 4 – 7:00 PM – Rehearsal

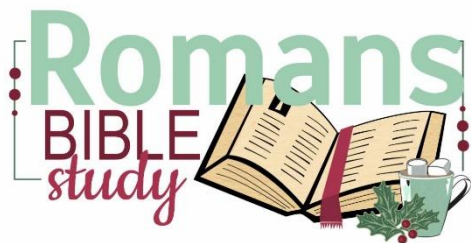
Sunday, June 8 (Pentecost) – sing "As The Wind Song"

Please consider joining us and sharing your musical talents! All are welcome!!

Sunday Church School for God's Children on the Move!

Sunday school on the move will have its last Sunday on the 18 of May.

We will not meet on May 4 due to the congregational meeting.



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 – What's New?

What's new? Continuation of helping out Landis Homes personal care unit with items needed. New volunteers added to our hard-working crew. New bathrooms in closet wing of church for our use. Thanks Bergstrasse Lutheran Church! We are averaging at least 5 to 10 new families each time we are open. Boxes of clothing donated to Career Link, to help people with outfits for job interviews. Boxes of clothing and items given to Community Action Five to Thrive, and Refugee Connect.



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

2025 Hours, Saturdays and Sundays listed from 12PM to 2PM:
May 3&4, 17&18

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. 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. Sue (church office) also needs to know so she can get events on the calendar in a timely manner.

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>

May 4-10 Calendar

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

4 MAY, SUN

● EASTER 3

● 9am Worship

● 10:15am Cong Mtg

● 11am Lunch Bunch

5 MAY, MON

● 10am Women's prayer group

● 6:30pm Yoga

6 MAY, TUE

● Ephrata Auxiliary

● 11am Bible Study

● 3:30pm Trini Mini

● 6pm Pickleball

● 7pm Fellowship Committee Meeting

7 MAY, WED

● 7pm Celebration Choir

8 MAY, THU

● 3:30pm Trini Mini

● 7pm Thursday Worship

● 7:30pm Council Meeting

10 MAY, SAT

● 7:30am Walking Group

May 4th Servers:

Council Team: Elaine Sernoffsky, Ed Quirke

Assisting Minister: John Fuehrer

Lector: John Fuehrer

Acolytes: Norm Wangman, Ava Morgan,
Patrice & Natalie Mull

Ushers: Ron & Carlene Kerschner, David Kerschner
Rob Gilbert

Altar Guild: Brenda Wangman, Heather
Zimmerman, Lisa Garrett, Charlann Brubaker

Linens: Lori Spitzer

Flowers: Dan Doremus



Office Hours May 5-9, 2025

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

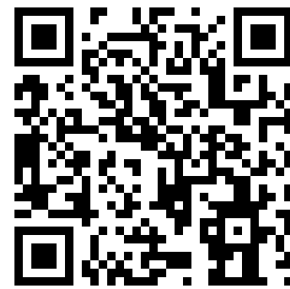
Office Phone: 717-733-4134 Pastor's Cell: 315-317-8517

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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	OFF	9:00 AM-12:30 PM
Thursday	OFF	9:00 AM-12:30 PM
Friday	8:00 AM- 10:00 AM	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!