



Trinity Lutheran Church

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TRINITY EVENTS

SATURDAY, APRIL 11

10:00 am Zumba
 10:00 am Personal Care Kits Assembly
 5:00 pm Worship with Communion

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

8:15 am Worship with Communion
 9:30 am Sunday School
 9:30 am Joyful Voices
 10:45 am Worship with Communion
 11:45 am Coffee Hour

TUESDAY, APRIL 14

6:00 pm Zumba

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15

6:30 pm Deeper Waters
 7:00 pm Yoga

THURSDAY, APRIL 16

6:00 pm Christian Ed Meeting
 6:00 pm Zumba
 7:00 pm Bells

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

10:00 am Zumba
 5:00 pm Worship

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

8:15 am Worship
 9:30 am Sunday School
 9:30 am Joyful Voices
 10:45 am Worship
 11:45 am Coffee Hour

PRAYER LIST

TLC DISCIPLES

Barb Trout, Don Leslie, Ray Petersen (military), Kris Glad (military)

TLC FRIENDS

Chuck Weyandt, Catherine Cartwright, Ashlee Jones, Laura Glenn (serious fall), Alice Raynar, Tom Slane, Luke Trostle, Jay Claster (cancer), John Light (cancer), Lynea Morgan, Allen Moberg, Mandy and Rob Koenigsberg, Michael Hamilton and family, Lauren and family

ANNUAL YARD SALE

Our annual yard sale will be held on Saturday, May 2. Save up those plastic bags and clean out your closets, and your neighbor's closets, too. We need people to help set up on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday before the sale and we need volunteers for the day of the sale.

High school students, this can count toward your community service hours.

Sign-up sheets are in the narthex.

Contact Sue and Roger Glad or Sue Ellen Krupa with any questions.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MEETING

A Christian Education meeting will be held on April 16 at 6:00 pm in the Peace Room (across from Fellowship Hall). Anyone interested in volunteering as a mentor is welcome to attend. If you have any questions, please contact Val Frey vaf4077@gmail.com.

STILL NEED A PHOTO?

If you did not have your photo taken when the Lifetouch photographers were here, you still have an opportunity to be part of our new pictorial directory. Megan Orient has volunteered to take photos of anyone who still needs one for the directory. She will be taking these photos on Sunday, April 12, between the two worship services. Please contact Megan, (meganorient@gmail.com or 540-841-8089) if you would like to have your photo taken.

SPRING WORK DAY

A spring work day will be held on Saturday, May 9, beginning at 8:00 am and ending at noon. Both inside and outside work needs done. Please contact Bob Musheno with any questions.

TLC FINANCIAL INFORMATION

July 1, 2014 – March 31, 2015

Income	\$208,161.84
Expenses	\$225,163.01
Difference	-\$ 17,001.17

(The expenses include payment of \$26,778.00 for roof repair and new shingles. This was withdrawn from the Building Fund.)

These amounts represent operating income and expenses and do not include any interest, dividends or investment value changes.



Are you ready to get outside and do some bike riding? If so, check out the Trinity Wheelmen. The Wheelmen ride on Tuesday evenings at 5:15, meeting at The Pines parking lot on Circleville Road. If you have any questions about the rides, contact Karl Raynar (karl_raynar@hotmail.com), Mike Smith (mwsmitty57@gmail.com) or Duane Moberg (dam4@psu.edu).

Several daily devotional books are available on the wooden book rack across from Fellowship Hall. Any questions about the devotionals can be directed to Jean Quinn.

WINE TASTING: RED, WHITE, AND MORE

Join us for a wine tasting on Monday, April 27, at 413 Galen Drive, State College. From 6:30 - 8:30 pm we will be tasting and talking about a variety of wines. We will taste up to five wines along with simple pairings and snacks. This evening will serve as an overview with a variety of wine categories represented in the wine selections. Further classes will dive deeper into some general wine categories. This event is \$10 per person with a limit of 20 people. Please RSVP by Monday, April 20, to Rebekah Miller at miller.rebekah9@gmail.com. Questions and comments can also be directed to Rebekah.

CARE OF CREATION TEAM UPDATES

1) Pennsylvania Interfaith Power & Light (IPL) is a community of congregations, faith-based organizations, and individuals of faith responding to climate change as a moral issue, through advocacy, energy conservation, energy efficiency, and the use of clean, renewable energy. Put more simply, IPL helps congregations think about energy usage as a matter of stewardship.

From May 1-6, Jon Brockopp, a member of Grace Lutheran, will lead a group of IPL bicyclists for the 4th annual bike trip from State College to Washington, DC — 200 miles in 4 days. The cyclists connect with communities and people of faith, led by low-emissions example, and share PA IPL's work and mission. The trip ends with a visit to Pennsylvania offices on Capitol Hill to communicate the message that climate change is a moral and ethical challenge that must be addressed by individuals, communities and congregations, and also our elected leaders, working together in active hope. Karl Raynar will be joining this year's group on 80 miles of the ride from McAlevy's Fort to Hagerstown. The goal is to raise \$9,000 among the 13 riders. Please support Karl as he represents Trinity on this trip. Karl can be contacted at karl_raynar@hotmail.com. Trinity is a member of Interfaith Power & Light - <http://www.paipl.us/who-we-are/>

2) Another effort has been underway in partnership with Groundswell, a consortium of non-profits in MD, DC, DE, and PA, to promote wind energy. Trinity is currently under a two-year contract for power provided solely by wind. In fact, our rate is cheaper than our previous plan.

Because Trinity is a part of this program, there is an opportunity through Groundswell to offer wind energy to all members of Trinity, our community, and anyone in PA, MD, DE, and DC. Please contact Christina at cpilot@yahoo.com, if you'd like more information about this opportunity.

Both Karl and Christina will be available to speak after the services about these opportunities on Sunday, April 12.

M.S. Awareness Week recently ended but that doesn't mean we will stop trying to find a cure. This is a cause that is very significant to me. Four years ago I was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis. I was training for my first marathon when my legs went numb. After months of trouble shooting, the doctor was able to confirm my diagnosis. This came as a shock. Initially I wanted to keep the information to myself, and not tell people (for fear of being treated differently). I told only my closest friends and family, but after giving the information some time to settle and spending the weekend in the hospital for my first treatment to get feeling back in my legs I realized how important friends, family, and support from others are in my life and decided that I no longer was going to hide the fact that I have M.S., instead I was going to do all that I can in my power to help find a solution to this disease. I realized that is not something that would slow me down, or determine who I am.



Soon after my diagnosis, my friends, family, and friends decided to make a difference, and to bring awareness about M.S. They began participating in the BIKE MS CITRUS TOUR, which was a 100 mile bicycle ride to help raise funds for M.S. research. This is my new mission to prove to myself and to others just how strong I am by participating in BIKE MS for our fourth year.

For the fourth year a group of my friends, family, and former co-workers who are part of my team will take on this 100 mile challenge. We ride 50 miles for two days from Polk County to Orlando and back. The event is the first weekend of May this year, and all the donations collected help increase awareness and raise money to help find better treatment for M.S. and potentially a cure.

At this point the team has grown to 14 members and includes seven Orange County Public School employees. In the past three years our team has raised over \$10,000 each year. This year I have added a new challenge and my PA family and friends are willing to join in riding in the PA Keystone Country M.S. ride which is 75 miles on day 1 and 70 miles on day 2 from Hollidaysburg to State College. Some of you may know my Dad, Gene Weller, who has been running the Toys for Tots drive in Centre County for 28 years. He's been taking the challenge with me by riding in each ride and I'm so glad for his support.

Thank you for letting me share this information with you. If you are interested in helping me raise money for my team, or would like to be a part of my bike team (I know that there are some avid bikers here who would like to step up to the challenge) please check out the following link or contact me. Even if you are not an avid biker but would like to try – that is fine too! Remember that I am just back on my bike after three months on a scooter from breaking my ankle in November. I am doing this in honor of a friend just diagnosed with M.S. <http://main.nationalmssociety.org/site/TR/Bike/FLCBikeEvents?team>

~Melissa Weller Gordon



2014 Centre County Toys for Tots In Review

Thanks to the extremely generous support of our community, the Nittany Leathernecks Detachment – Marine Corps League met the needs of Toys for Tots in Centre County during the 2014 holiday season. The entire process of moving all of the toys to the Penn Stater along with support materials and the retrograde of remaining toys to the “unregistered site” went more smoothly than could have been expected. As a recap, the following milestones were met:

- 1352 needy children identified by the seven county food pantries and the PA State Police with their Foster Child Program received four toys per child.
- An additional 499 children were provided four toys per child between the food pantries’ cut-off date and December 23rd at the “unregistered” site after comparing the names from the food pantry lists. Being unregistered meant that we could not know the numbers of children, age, or gender until the distribution was completed on Christmas Eve. This was also the sixth year that there was a sufficient amount of food donations to provide food to all in need along with toys at this site. The response for food as well as toys during the 2014 Toys for Tots campaign ensured that there was enough food for all in need. Over 5800 food items were received at the Penn Stater and distributed to the food pantries in proportion to the number of children each food pantry reported. There was also a significant number of food items delivered directly to the food pantries due to our request to collect food in conjunction to collecting toys.
- For the second year, grandparents living in Centre County with grandchildren in Centre County and below certain income levels could apply for two items per grandchild. This effort reached 282 children through the food pantries and an additional 85 at the unregistered site.
- The remaining items were dispersed among Centre County Social Service agencies to help with their program needs and will be used by an estimated 8745 additional children.
- Over 300 businesses and groups supported our countywide effort for 2014.
- There was more than 250 drop off points around the county.
- More than 1000 people came out to help wrap and label the toys over four days of wrapping, set-up day and for final clean-out of the Penn Stater.

11,000 toys collected, sorted, wrapped, labeled, re-sorted, bagged, and transported to the distribution points. An additional 4,000 toys were deliberately not wrapped as they would be used by other social service agencies after the holidays. Businesses, churches, youth groups, scout troops, campus groups and departments, fire companies, Penn State Navy ROTC, Army Reserve, Navy League of Central PA, and the Marines and their families of the Nittany Leathernecks all worked in concert to provide some “hope” to children in our community that might have lost hope if not for this community effort. I am proud of this community and what it can accomplish for the less fortunate in our midst. Thank you again for your support and we look forward to having your assistance in 2015.

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Gene Weller, Coordinator
Centre County Toys for Tots

Thanks again for your support



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Companions in Christ's Mission with the Kenya Evangelical Lutheran Church

March 2015

Dear Partners in Ministry at Trinity Lutheran Church:

Thank you for your 2014 mission support contributions. We know we are able to accomplish more working together as a synod than we ever could on our own. Your mission support dollars help to fund a variety of ministries, leading the people of this region to grow more deeply in faith, inspiring and equipping them to reach out in love and service to the wider world. The work that takes place in the Allegheny Synod office is part of the work supported by your mission dollars. Remember that much of the ongoing work of the Synod staff includes:



*Seated, l-r: Rev. Paula Schmitt, Michelle Bossler
Standing, l-r: Rev. Tim Knauss, Bishop Michael Rhyne*

- + Equipping local clergy and lay members to be the church in 116 congregations in eight conferences, spread throughout seven counties.
- + Empowering pastors, associates in ministry, and authorized lay worship leaders to preach the gospel and serve the unique needs of both individual congregations and multi-point parishes in our region.
- + Enriching the faith and spirituality of our members through continuing education and cooperative events like Synod Assembly, Congregations Together in Mission (CTiM), Discerning Your Discipleship classes (DYD), and Bishop's Convocation.
- + Overseeing candidacy for new leaders in the church and the call process for pastors and congregations.
- + Providing resources and assisting congregations with stewardship, education, worship, reconciliation, mission development, and ecumenical dialogue.
- + Maintaining our ties with local ministries, like ALSM and Camp Sequanota, the Churchwide ministry of the ELCA, and the global ministry of organizations like Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR).

Without your support, the Synod staff that works on your behalf would not be able to do this ministry, work that starts in our own area and spreads into worldwide mission. Thank you for your ongoing commitment to the Allegheny Synod through your prayers, your participation, and your financial gifts.

Yours in Christ,

Bishop Michael Rhyne

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