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Trinity Lutheran Church

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ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are presented by the Krupa Family in honor of Bob and Margaret Raker.

PRAYER LIST

TLC DISCIPLES Jim Reynolds, Jerry Wion

TLC FRIENDS

Amanda Sigman (advanced cancer), Meg Allan Cole (surgery), Jan Dykhuis (cancer), Jeff Bogar (military-Middle East), Randy Hughes (cancer), Earl Sheatler, Jenny Dye, Stan Lembeck, Carlyne Bausinger (96 - in failing health), Basil (cancer), Cathy (cancer), Gary Ayres, Richard and Delores Broking

We want to thank everyone who participated in the yard sale, both those who donated and those who worked the event. We had a great turnout and thanks to all who responded to Marla's email for help on Saturday. Everyone rose to the challenge and by 3:30 we had the church back to normal so no one would ever have known we had the event.



We are planning an after-action review on Thursday, May 18, at 6:30 pm in the Faith room, the room next to Pastor's office. If you worked the yard sale set-up or sale day, we would love to have you come and share your views of what worked and what didn't work and ideas on how we could improve our operations. We also have some ideas that we would like to implement and would like your feedback on that as well.

Our initial count was \$2,855.74. While this is not as high as in the past, considering the weather and the competing events, and the fact that the venues we advertised with needed earlier notifications for PSAs, we did well. But that is not the end of the story. Our work is not just to provide funding for Interfaith Human Services and Park Forest Preschool, but to be open to God using us for other avenues as well. A couple years ago we heard from someone who buys girls' clothes to ship overseas to give to girls so they can meet dress standards for school. To the best of our knowledge, that is still ongoing. Last year, we received a huge influx of dish sets that were snapped up by someone who was going to use the china for her daughter's wedding and then donate them to a Christian school so they could stop using paper plates and reuse the plates to offer a more green alternative. This also goes along with the unsung stories of families of meager means who use venues like ours to get things they otherwise could not afford.

This year we had a representative of Centre County Wildlife Care (http://centrewildlifecare.org/) that got materials from several departments to aid injured animals so they could return to the wild. Also, at the end we had someone come in from Bald Eagle United Methodist Church who took all the leftover men's clothes and shoes. They have a ministry that supports drug addicts in halfway house locations to help clothe them and reintegrate them into society. So even though the amount is not as much as in past events, God is still surprising us in ways our cooperation with God's efforts is blessing others and blessing us in return, both to our neighbors, and all of creation as well.

Thanks again for all your efforts and praise God for blessing our efforts and using them to help others in ways we couldn't imagine. So, we look forward to seeing everyone who is available on the 18^{th} and look forward to the 33^{rd} Yard Sale (almost $\frac{1}{3}$ of a century - way to go Trinity!) Take care and God Bless!

TRINITY EVENTS

SATURDAY, MAY 13

5:00 pm Worship with Communion

SUNDAY, MAY 14

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

Monday, May 15

10:00 am Foxdale Bible Study

TUESDAY, MAY 16

5:00 pm Trinity Wheelmen 5:30 pm Zumba 7:00 pm Council

THURSDAY, MAY 18

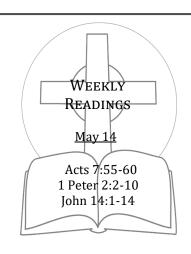
5:30 pm Zumba 6:30 pm Yard Sale Wrap-up 7:00 pm Bell Choir

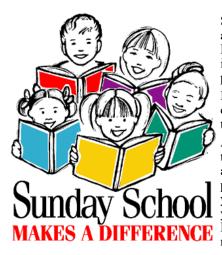
SATURDAY, MAY 20

10:00 am Zumba 5:00 pm Worship with Communion

SUNDAY, MAY 21

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





Sunday School will be wrapping up May 21. This year's Sunday School classes learned about God's love and were able to share it with others in our local community by donating Birthday Bags and Energy Saving Light Bulbs for families in need. They also shared blessings around the world through donations to Heifer International. (\$1,538.73 will be used to purchase animals.)

If you have children between the ages of 4-12, please mark your calendar to join us on Sunday, September 10, for the kickoff of the 2017/2018 Sunday School year - no previous attendance required.

A Sunday School planning meeting will be held in July and we would like to have an idea of the number of children who will be attending Sunday School beginning in September. We are also looking for adults willing to donate a small amount of their time to support this important TLC ministry. If you are interested in becoming involved with Sunday School or you have a child or children who will be attending Sunday School for the 2017/2018 school year, please email Lena Sheaffer (Lena@psu.edu). Please include your child's name and age. Having this information before Sunday School begins allows us to have enough educational materials for our classes.

6th Annual PA IPL Bike Trip to Washington, DC

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 19-23, Jon Brockopp, a member of Grace Lutheran, will lead a group of IPL bicyclists for the 6th annual bike trip from State College to Washington, DC — 200 miles in 4 days. The cyclists connect with communities and people of faith, lead 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. We will be carrying postcards to Representative Glenn Thompson with messages of concern for the environment based on our faith inspiration. Your handwritten cards can go a long way in influencing our congressman as he considers legislation that will affect our future generations.



Karl Raynar will be riding again this year. He will be joined by his granddaughter Carina who will ride all the way to DC this year. The goal is to raise \$12,000 among the 17 riders who will be going all the way to DC. Please support Karl and Carina with your donations and/or prayers as they represent Trinity on this trip.

Karl can be contacted at $\underline{karl\ raynar@hotmail.com}$ or by calling 574-4795. Trinity is a member of Interfaith Power & Light - $\underline{http://www.paipl.us/who-we-are/}$.





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